

Happy Easter!

The staff wishes the students, faculty, administration and personnel of the college a happy vacation. Drive carefully on your holiday trips. Attend church on Sunday.

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Next Paper
Due to the Easter holidays, the paper will not be printed next week. We will resume regular publication on April 21, with a paper each week through the end of Spring quarter.

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Campus Music Fraternity, Phi Mu Alpha Presents First Annual Spring Dance

Phi Mu Alpha, the national music fraternity on campus, will sponsor its first annual spring hop in Wright Auditorium Saturday, April 16. The dance, which will be semi-formal, will begin at 8:00 and will continue until 11:45. Admission will be one dollar, stag or drag.

Plans are underway to make the theme, "I'll Remember April," a big success. Music and decorations appropriate to the theme will be carried out in an original and imaginative manner. Tables will be placed around the edge of the dance floor for the convenience of those present. Light refreshments will be served and drinks will be sold.

As a special feature of the dance, a Phi Mu Sweetheart will be presented. The name of the sweetheart, who will be chosen by members of the fraternity, will be a well-kept secret until her presentation at the dance.

Before the sweetheart is presented, the Executive Committee and their dates will be announced. Following this, the entire fraternity will form a figure and sing the "Phi Mu Sweetheart Song" in honor of the sweetheart.

Phi Mu Alpha, one of the newest fraternities on East Carolina's campus, is the oldest and most prominent national music fraternity in existence. It is an honorary, professional fraternity composed of people having a great love for good music. Its basic aims are the advancement of music in America, the development of the truest fraternal spirit among its members, and the promotion of greater loyalty to the Alma Mater.

The officers for Zeta Psi Chapter of Phi Mu Alpha were recently elected and they are as follows: President, Joe Seacrest, junior from Morganton; vice-president, Neil Williams, junior from Rocky Mount; executive alumni secretary, Charles Lovelace, sophomore from New Bern; secretary, George Knight, freshman from Rocky Mount; treasurer, Charles Starnes, junior from Wilmington; historian, Frankie Keaton, sophomore from Belhaven; warden, James Page, junior from Williamston. Mr. Herbert Carter is faculty advisor and Dr. Kenneth Cuthbert is province governor of province 20 of which Zeta Psi Chapter is a member.

Spring Holidays Begin On Friday

Spring holidays begin for East Carolina students this weekend and extend through next Tuesday. Classes will resume Wednesday morning. This is the first time in several years that the Spring holidays here have been concurrent with the Easter holidays.

Students are expected to begin leaving campus by 12 noon on Friday and the campus will probably be deserted by 5:30 in the afternoon, according to the dormitory counselors. The vacation marks the halfway mark of the Spring quarter.

Immediately following the return to campus next week, the new slate of Student Government officers will prepare for their inauguration. Donald Umstead, Leaksville, will replace Wade Cooper, of Raleigh, as president of the student body in an inaugural ceremony the second Wednesday night of this month. Other officers to be installed in the same services are: first vice-president, O'Brian Edwards; second vice-president, Russell Newman; treasurer, Billy Sharber; first assistant treasurer, Robert Forrest; secretary, Barbara Strickland; and historian, Bobby Lou Avant. Also on the campus agenda for the near future are dances, one sponsored by Phi Mu Alpha, national music fraternity with a new chapter recently formed at East Carolina and another by the May Day Committee. The May Day Dance will replace the regular afternoon festivities and the coronation of the May Queen and her court will take place at that event.

Chad Walsh Talks Here

Chad Walsh, author of the book "Campus Gods on Trial," spoke here last night to students in the "Y" Hut. Walsh is currently serving on the English faculty of Beloit College in Wisconsin and he visited here in connection with the Danforth Foundation "Teacher Education and Religion Project."

May Day Plans Completed; Feature Dance And Coronation

On schedule for April 30 is the one important spring dance and the May Day Committee is striving diligently to make it an enormous success. Charlie Bedford, chairman of the May Day Committee, promises that this dance will be one of the nicest spring dances ever held at East Carolina College. According to Bedford, this is the only big dance that will be held for the entire student body this spring.

Prior to this year the May Day activities have been confined to an afternoon affair, but it has been changed to a dance this year. The afternoon activity has been eliminated and the queen and her attendants will be presented at the dance.

The highlight of the dance will be the Queen and the presentation of her attendants. Reigning as Queen this year will be Barbara Coghill, an attractive brunette from Henderson. Her Maid of Honor will be Carolyn Johnson from Elizabeth City. The Queen will have as her attendants Misses Marjorie MacDougald, Joyce Croon, Sally Sedgwick, and Peggy Faircloth representing the Senior class; Shirley Johnson, Jean Buchanan and Peggy Moore of the Junior class; Jeanette Smith and

June Quinn of the Sophomore class; and Joann Boothe and Jonnie Simpson of the Freshman class.

The Queen and her attendants were picked in a recent campus-wide election.

Other plans for the coronation exercises will be announced at a later date, according to Bedford.

Music for this dance, which will be semi-formal, will be furnished by the Collegians. The dance will be closed to college students, their dates, faculty members and parents of the Queen and her attendants.

There will be no admission for this dance but college students will be required to use the ID cards.

Working with Charlie in making plans are the class presidents and representatives from all four classes. Also assisting in the plans are Miss Cathmar Shaw, of the Health and Physical Education department, and Miss Nancy Wilmore, dormitory counselor in Jarvis Hall.

This dance is a new venture and if supported by the students it can become an important annual affair. The May Day Committee is doing its part—the remaining effort is up to the students.

Brigadoon Dance Rehearsals

Let's take a peek at the dance rehearsals of "Brigadoon."

All of the dancers are really enjoying rehearsals. There is a friendly, relaxed atmosphere and the dances are a lot of fun to learn. It seems that the Scots have quite a few bebop steps of their own.

Most of the students have had little or no previous dance lessons, but that does not prevent their catching on quickly.

Between numbers the dancers try out their own dance steps and some of them are occasionally used for the Scottish dances.

One of the most unique dances is a combination square dance, can-can, and shag which takes place in a market-place. It is supposed to be a drunken scene and after whirling and twirling, the dancers are able to do the scene convincingly.

In all the dances, the tempo changes abruptly from fast to slow, then back to fast. The dancers and the music do not always change tempo at the same time. However, a few more rehearsals will correct that—or a new record player may help.

One of the most distracting factors in rehearsals, at least to the boys, is the practice costumes. On cold nights the costumes consist of dungarees, pedal pushers, or knee socks and Bermuda shorts. On warm nights the girls wear leotards, shorts, or abbreviated skirts. The main keynote for both boys' and girls' costumes is informality and comfort.

Although the instructor and dancers are having a good time, they are working hard cooperating with each other, and doing a good job. The group are all good sports, even though the boys are a little skeptical about wearing kilts.

Students At Azalea Festival

Wilmington and local beaches proved to be the congregating point for many East Carolina students this past weekend. The occasion for the gathering was the Azalea Festival. Although the severe cold wave, which came a week earlier, killed the majority of the azaleas, the crowds proved to be larger than ever.

There were the usual house parties, dances, golf tournaments and one cannot fail to mention the spectacular parade. We might add here that this parade is supposed to be the largest in North Carolina. Beautifully decorated floats, which included the attractive girls, military and civilian dignitaries, comedian acts and marching bands, were the main attraction in this two hour train.

On hand for this occasion were such dignitaries as Miss Polly Berger, the popular Pepsi-Cola star, Betty Jo Ring, Miss North Carolina of 1954, and Miss Sara Shane, popular movie star who reigned over the 1955 Azalea Festival.

The float carrying the Queen's attendants proved to be a notable attraction for East Carolina students.

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One of many floats in Azalea Parade

We were especially impressed with Barbara Strickland, our own attractive coed. While at the Azalea Festival Band area represented East Carolina in the parade and in many other activities.

The high stepping majorettes and the fine playing ECC band under the direction of Mr. Herbert Carter also made a good showing for the college. Also the Collegians were no minor factor in making a showing for the school. They provided the music for the Teen-Age Ball, which was held Friday night.

Just prior to the intermission of the Teen Age Ball, the Azalea Princess and her attendants were presented. On hand to crown the princess was Miss Sara Shane, the Azalea Queen.

On Saturday night a large crowd of ECC students attended the Coronation Ball. The Azalea Queen and her attendants, who came from various colleges and universities of North Carolina, were presented together.

Sunday brought the conclusion to a very successful Azalea Festival.

Cooper Thanks Student Body For Support As He Steps Down



Shown above are several of the over 3,500 high school seniors who were on campus last Friday for Annual High School Day. The visitors enjoyed a picnic lunch featuring barbecue chicken on the grounds behind the dining hall. Dr. Ed Carter, Director of Field Services and Extension at the college, was in charge of a varied program which aided the guests in viewing all phases of campus life.

Body Finances Senior Project

At the final meeting of the 1954-55 student legislature Wade Cooper, retiring president, expressed his sincere appreciation for the co-operation and aid that he had received from fellow legislature members. At this time the legislature members extended a standing round of applause to Cooper for the excellent job he rendered while in position of SGA president.

Upon a recommendation of the Budget Committee the legislature appropriated \$300 for the Senior class in order that they might leave a gift to the school. With this money the Senior class plans to renovate Wright Circle.

The plans for renovation include cleaning out the pool, fixing the fountain, planting grass around the pool and putting up a fence around the area.

In order that the newspaper might continue regular publication the legislature appropriated \$250 in answer to Faye O'Neal's request.

Boyd Webb, chairman of the Social Committee, made an annual report on the work of the Social Committee. He also recommended that the name of the Student Union be changed to College Union. The reason for such a change was that Student Union is often confused with the Baptist Student Union. Webb pointed out that the Baptist Student Union was founded first and that in due consideration the legislature should change the name of the Student Union.

After serious discussion pertaining to voting procedures here a motion was made stating that a committee of three be appointed to investigate through the Industrial Arts department as to how much several voting booths would cost. This motion was amended to say that the committee would also investigate methods of improving our present election methods. The motion as amended was carried. Harvey Davis, Raby Edwards and Sally Sedgwick were appointed to serve on this committee.

Upon a recommendation from Jean Buchanan, a motion was made and passed stating that if the SGA table cloths were not returned within seven school days after they were borrowed, a fine not exceeding five dollars would be charged.

In behalf of the AFROTC Officers Club, Emo Boado apologized to the Home Economics Club for their delay in returning the table cloths.

High School Seniors See College In Action

The thirteenth annual High School Day held at East Carolina College on April 1 brought approximately 3,500 students from North Carolina High Schools to the college.

Dr. Ed Carter served as chairman of the High School Day Committee in organizing various activities for the visiting students. The round of activities were carried out giving the students an opportunity to see "a college in action" and to observe the phases of campus life, both academic and recreational.

The day's program opened with special greetings to the guests by President John D. Messick. Varied selections by the College Choir, the Men's Varsity Glee Club and the College Band were given in Wright Auditorium as a part of the opening greetings.

The guests were taken on guided tours through the classroom buildings, and the college grounds. Departments of instruction held open house during the morning and early afternoon. Exhibits and demonstrations were shown to convey the idea of study and activity in various fields of college instruction.

After a picnic barbecue lunch on the campus grounds, the Air Force ROTC cadets gave a military review in honor of the visitors. Other events of the day included a fashion show sponsored by the Home Economics students, a baseball game between E.C.C. and High Point, and a tea dance.

3,000 Pitt County Students See 'Rumpelstiltskin' Production

"Rumpelstiltskin," produced by the East Carolina Playhouse as their annual play for Pitt County school children, was a hit with four audiences of young people who attended performances this week.

Approximately 3,000 boys and girls saw the dramatization of the popular folk tale when it was presented March 28-31. A Monday afternoon performance at the Eppes School in Greenville was followed by three matinees in the McGinnis auditorium at East Carolina College.

High spots in the production included the scene where the Princess, whose baby the wily little Rumpelstiltskin has demanded as payment for spinning straw into gold, asks tearfully, "What I give up my child?" Each of the four audiences responded loudly and spontaneously, "No! No!" Pupils at the Eppes School were so delighted with James Daughtry of Kinston in the title role that at the close of Monday's performance they tore the young actor on their shoulders around the school grounds.

Informal receptions after each performance provided opportunity for the children to meet members of the cast.

Laura Credle of New Holland made an attractive princess and turned in an excellent performance. Others

whose interpretations of leading roles deserve commendation included Merle Kelly of Raleigh, Anna Avant of Whiteville, Jane Lingle of China Grove, Bobby Joe Sasser of Trenton, and John Bass of Newton Grove.

In the supporting cast were Douglas L. Thompson of Durham, Douglas Mitchell of Greenville, Dot Ann Lineberry of Greenville, Martha Johnson of Charlotte, Sally Rogers of Wilson, Rebecca Moore of Washington, and Jacqueline McDaniel of Fayetteville.

The play was attractively and artistically staged. Scenery was designed and built by Walter White and John Shaw of Raleigh and Nancy Cooke of Dunn. Colorful costumes and elaborate lighting effects executed under the direction of H. Barclay Ritter Jr. of Rocky Mount contributed to the success of the production.

The play was sponsored by the Greenville Branch of the American Association of University Women, of which Mrs. D. S. Spain Jr. is president. Louise Williams of the East Carolina faculty was in charge of the distribution of tickets and other arrangements for the performances.

Merle Kelly of Raleigh served as director of the play, and Dr. Joseph A. Withey of the department of English as faculty consultant.

Raleigh Junior Heads Delta Zeta

William N. Howard, junior from Raleigh, has been chosen by members of the Delta Zeta fraternity, an organization for business education students, as president of the East Carolina College chapter for the 1955-1956 term. He succeeds Lloyd Whitley of Sanford.

Howard is a graduate of the Hugh Morsen High School in Raleigh. Before entering East Carolina, he attended the University of North Carolina and served for three years in the U. S. Coast Guard. He is a member of the campus Veterans Club and in academic work is majoring in the department of business education.

Other officers who will direct activities of the fraternity during the coming school year are Edward M. Manning of New Bern, senior vice president; Bruton Taylor of Kinston, vice president; James E. Johnson Jr. of Weldon, secretary; William K. Glover Jr. of Dover, treasurer; Fred A. Davenport of Plymouth, ritual chairman; Clarence Brown of Hickory, historian; Richard T. McIntyre of Rocky Mount, social chairman; David A. Evans of Norfolk, Va., reporter.

College Union News

The Social Committee voted to give the supervisor of the Lost and Found the right to dispose of property after a month. Students are encouraged to inquire at the office of the Union for lost property.

A Chess Club has been formed at the Union and all students are invited to play chess on Thursday nights at 7:00 in the TV Room. Beginners are encouraged to come at this time, when some member of the club will assist those interested in learning chess.

Informal dancing in the Lounge on Friday evenings is a weekly feature of the Union, sponsored by the SGA Social Committee.

The questionnaires which the Social Committee distributed are being tabulated and it is the hope of the committee to use the results in program planning.

The latest acquisition for the record-listening library: a couple Melachrino albums.

Religion Discussion Continues

"What is a Free Will Baptist?" will be the subject of discussion next Monday evening at eight o'clock in the Library auditorium. Rev. Robert B. Crawford and Rev. Rashie Kennedy will describe the origin, organization, basic beliefs and distinctive ritual of their denomination, and tell what contribution the Free Will Baptists have made to our culture. "The Church of Freedom" has been a

phrase used to describe various Baptist church groups, and "Free Will Baptists" have emphasized freedom of will on the part of individuals.

This discussion will be the fourth in a series sponsored by the Committee on Religion in Teacher Education. The purpose of the series is to give students, faculty members and people of the community an opportunity to gain at first hand information about various religious groups.

Dr. N. M. Jorgensen began the series several weeks ago with a lucid, reverent presentation of the Mormon Church, eliciting interest in the series on a high plane. Rev. J. Malloy Owen and Rev. W. M. Howard Jr. have already discussed "What is a Methodist?" and Rev. H. G. Haney, "What is a Christian?" in the series.

On April 25 Rev. Harvey E. Johnson will represent the Pentecostal Holiness Church and on May 2 Dr. Wallace I. Wolverton will represent the Episcopal Church.

Law Scholarship Available To Duke

A scholarship for law study at Duke University is available for an interested 1955 graduate, according to Dr. Clinton Prewett, Dean of Men and Director of Student Personnel.

Any student interested in this opportunity should contact Dr. Prewett immediately. The grant will be made on the basis of scholarship, leadership and general contributions to college life here. The deadline for application is April 15.

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"The moving finger writes, and, having writ,
Moves on; nor all your piety nor wit,
Shall lure it back to cancel half a line,
Nor all your tears wash out a word of it."
From the "Rubayyat of Omar Khayyam", translated by
E. Fitzgerald

Bipartisan Politics

In answer to a letter to the editors advocating the promotion of a party system for campus politics, we did a lot of thinking and came to the conclusion that we agree with the young man with that idea.

Certainly there are enough people around here who find it easy to disagree. Politics is universally known as a most controversial topic, second only to religion. From our experience with the SGA, there can be a lot accomplished through co-operation but a lot more can be done through controversy. There are definitely at least two factions already on the campus. Why don't they organize into separate parties?

Competition precedes achievement. It is one of our basic democratic rights. Everyone respects the fellow who has enough faith in his beliefs to demand the right to fight for their success.

And back we go to the lack of interest in student government here. We are daring you to disprove our charges. The party system would be a good start at creating more interest. It would further the interests of both the mock and real politicians on our campus.

For Basic Protection

For two weeks we complained about the general ignorance in the United States of basic governmental principles. The Social Studies Department has furnished us another inspiration this week; we are now complaining about the general ignorance of the civil defense program. Specifically we need to put attention on learning what to do in case of an atomic attack.

During this week the government classes and several of the other classes in the Social Studies Department are taking tests on the basic questions concerning atomic attacks. Most of those who have already struggled with the list of questions readily admit that the interrogation is only on the simple essentials. They go further to say that they answered to the best of their abilities and none of them feel that they passed the test. Probably people all over the country will fail the test.

In this case, failure will not be so pathetic as the failure to know something about government. Organized civil defense is not nearly so old as our government. But there are those who agree with us that it is even more basic. Perhaps the Social Studies Department has instigated something useful; a realization of ignorance often precedes action eradicate that evil.

Queries On Education

One of the major problems facing the experts in the field of secondary education is the decision on whether to continue the current trend of emphasis on specialized curriculums in high schools. There are those educators who wish to re-emphasize the validity of the theory of providing high school students with a general type of education that will give them a background for any kind of work. The question is one that concerns students here because so many of us are going to be teachers in secondary education.

There is always a current argument on the whether-or-nots of some philosophy of education. There are always some who take the position of the man who said "What does it matter how we get educated, just so we do it?" The disagreement with that opinion says that you can't just get educated.

The noted educational theorists, John Dewey and Harold Rugg, began promotion of an idea that was going to revolutionize education. It was the "child-centered" theory of education. The child was recognized as a "whole person" and teachers were to plan their activities after realizing that the school was for the student. Some people think the change is refreshing; others say it is disgusting because the teacher has to ask the student what he feels like doing and sit by shedding hair and gritting teeth while great big Joe in the seventh grade plays with goldfish for several hours.

The point we wish to make is that there are several theories of education. They are important to us as potential teachers. Familiarity with several or all of them will do no harm.

Editorial Comment

by Faye B. O'Neal

The paper has been full of red hot controversial topics for the past few weeks. Seems the girls on campus are not going to let up on the drink machine campaign. The new legislature takes over in two more weeks, and we believe that they will go along with us in our campaign. When we see that absolutely nothing more can be done, we will be quiet about the drink machines.

We mean no disrespect for the administration. Surely none can say that we haven't been through channels before starting on our crusade. Every person who has spoken on the subject has done so in sincerity. There is a chance that something can be done. It is indeed encouraging to see the campus upset over a progressive theory.

The members of the senior class won an appropriation from the Student Government with the hopes of accomplishing something that will revive class competition on our campus.

In memory of the senior class of 1955, the area of Wright Circle will be renovated and replenished. The '55 seniors are having the pool cleaned and the fountain repaired to spray several feet of water into the air. Grass will be planted in the entire area and a steel fence erected around it. Over the fence, running rose bushes will add beauty to the spot. Floodlights will also be installed around the pool and at night these lights will make the historic spot attractive once again.

We approve wholeheartedly these ideas of the seniors. They are proving that mopey is no handicap if a group really wants to do something. With the small sum of \$300, they are leaving the present and future students of the college a truly beautiful addition to the campus.

The other Sunday night we got into a conversation with a fellow on the bus that turned out to be very interesting. The fellow, John Shaw, is a sophomore here, and is related to Wilbur Shaw, the internationally known automobile racer. John himself is an avid racing fan; he told us that he has "racing in his blood."

Being quite conservative as far as speed is concerned, we were curious about the motives of those people who can't seem to ride fast enough. John told us that speeding is a way of beating the elements. He admitted what most people try to keep others from knowing when he said a person just naturally likes to attract attention. "Others see something of the daring and exciting in a racer," he said.

Seen covering the nights spots in Raleigh a few week-ends ago: Well-known East Carolina senior, Jim Lassiter. Which proves the validity of the statement heard so many times since the unfortunate occurrences at the "Port": "You can't keep a real man down, or where there's a will, there's a way." Just kidding with Jim!



... guess me, daddy

Guess My Name

Guess the identity of the East Carolina College coed shown above and win absolutely free a package of Chesterfields in this special SMILE OF THE WEEK contest.

The first 10 students who approach Chesterfield campus representatives Shirley Moose or Bruce Phillips with the correct guess will receive the Chesterfield packs.

As a bonus prize, students with correct answers who can produce their own Chesterfield pack will receive two packages of 20's.

Hurry now! Be one of the first 10 to contact the student representatives and get in on the free Chesterfields.

Who's Who At East Carolina

Julian Enjoys Varied Activities

by Anne George and Emily Boyce

Who's Who spotlight this week falls on Bob Julian, Norfolk, Va., a Math major and science minor.

It's easy to distinguish this active Virginian around campus this quarter since he is wearing a coat and tie, which could be considered quite an uncommon sight here at East Carolina. The reason for this ensemble is because Bob is practice teaching at Greenville High School. He is teaching geometry and algebra in the tenth and eleventh grades. "And I'm enjoying it so far," he says.

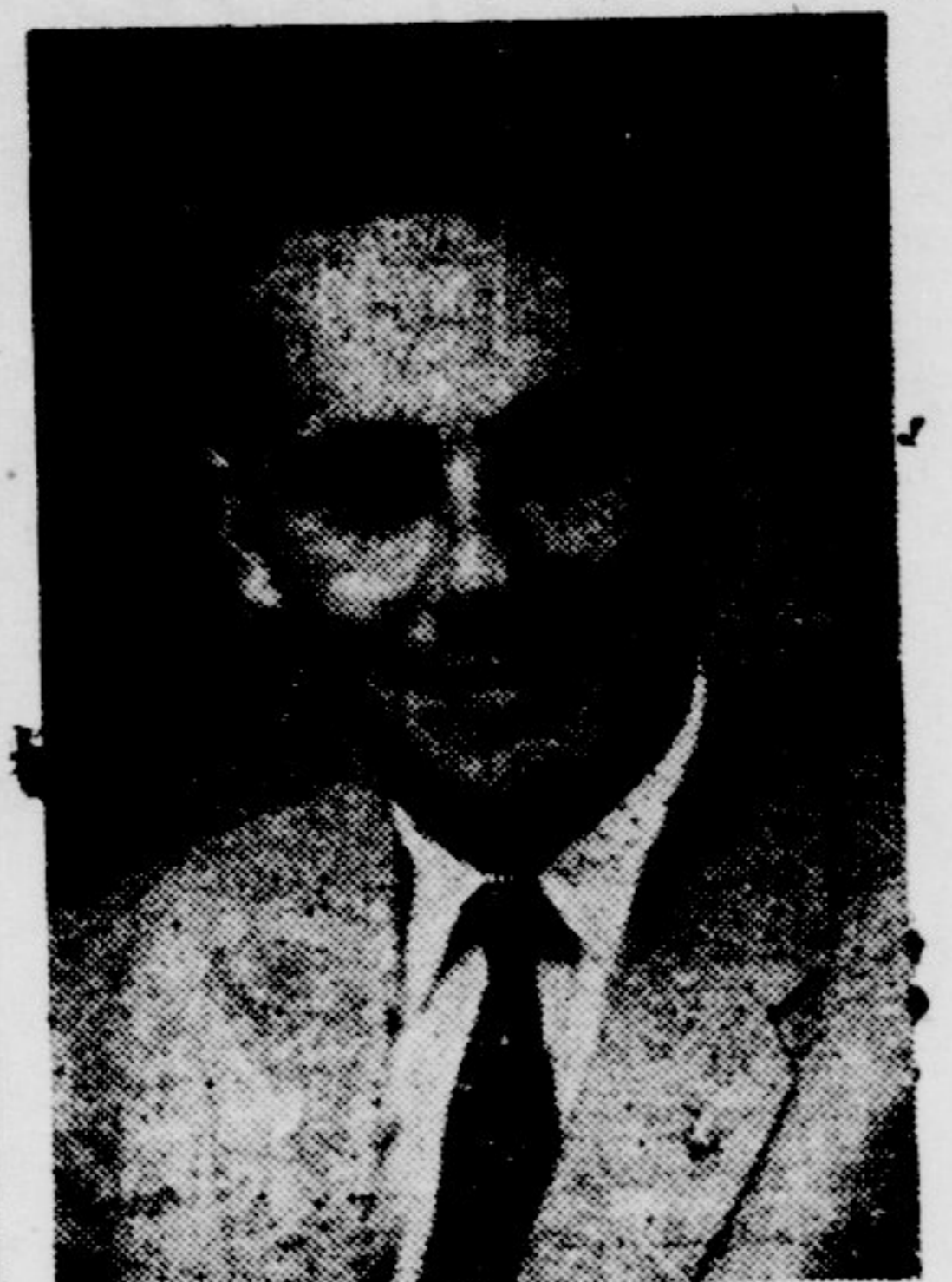
Bob's father has been managing the cafeteria for the past nine years, but this is not the only reason that he chose East Carolina. Originally Bob had planned to go to Annapolis, but he decided against a military life so ended up with one here. Bob had visited the campus many times before, so he was well acquainted with the many advantages offered here, of which the good science and math departments were his chief considerations.

From the look's of Bob's versatile four years, it can readily be ascertained that he is a leading student. He played varsity football his freshman year, but due to a knee injury he suffered that year he was only able to play about half the games his sophomore year. Afterwards, he gave up his athletic plans and turned his interest towards the math club, AFROT, Sigma Rho Phi, and Miss Dot Wooten.

Bob holds the office of treasurer in the fraternity and is very reluctant about leaving his "brothers" this May when he graduates with a B. S. degree.

In the AFROT Bob has excelled himself and now holds the rank of major. His duties consist of commanding the men and working in direct contact with them. After graduation Bob will go to Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas, and begin his Air Force career as an observer. "I am anxious to go into the service," Bob expressed, "but I don't know if I want to make it my career."

Dot and Bob first met through a friend of theirs, but didn't really get to know each other until they began playing bridge together last year. Ever since then they have been going together. "But we never technically called it going steady." The wedding date is set for June 5th, and they



Bob Julian

will be married in Clinton, N. C., Dot's hometown. She plans to go with him when he leaves for Texas July 15.

Last fall Bob was one of the four representatives who went to Carthage, Ill. on the Circle K convention, of which he is an active member. Several times he has gone with Dr. Carter to Norfolk, Va. to recruit students into coming to East Carolina. He also represented his fraternity at a convention that met at Wake Forest last winter.

Bob has another side to his character, which was brought forth in the Womanless Wedding conducted at the Circle K minstrel this past year. "I was only a bridesmaid, though," he added with a smile. Last year he was a "chorus boy" in the minstrel. Other interests include playing golf, basketball, tennis, and bridge (with Dot).

When Bob was a freshman a group of the boys decided to simply take off for West Palm Beach, Fla. one Thursday night. They had a whirlwind time, and got back Monday morning at seven o'clock, with an hour to spare before eight o'clock classes. "Do crazy things when you are a freshman!"

With marriage and the Air Force both in the immediate future for Bob, we know he will have little time to be homesick for East Carolina, but let us just say in parting that we wish you and Dot all the luck in whatever you both decide to do!

Letters To Editor

Dear Fellow Students,

Whenever we have dances on campus there are many students who do not attend—not because they do not enjoy dancing, but because they fail to get dates. The boys are often too shy and timid to ask a girl for a date or either he neglects to ask a girl until it is too late to get a date. You will also find it true that boys are hesitant about going stag to a dance. When a boy asks a girl for a date and she refuses he is often discouraged against asking another girl.

The girl's main excuse for not going is that she was not asked. Other reasons offered are that she doesn't want to go stag or her dress is not here.

It is my belief that the boys on our campus should wise up and not keep waiting for some cute babe to come along and ask him. (If he does that he will probably be waiting for a long time.) Another thing that boys should keep in mind is that they should not wait until the last minute to begin looking for a date.

Many girls have formed the opinion that it is unethical to invite boys to accompany them to a dance or any other social events on campus unless they go steady or are engaged. Most of our college social functions are closed to outsiders so naturally one cannot attend without being invited. At all women's colleges girls have no alternative but to invite boys to social events if they expect to have a date. Why, then, can't the girls here at East Carolina feel free to invite boys to dances?

Why don't the various women's dormitories sponsor dances on the weekends? Although Wright will be a little large for such an event, maybe the basement of the gym could be used and a combo could be hired to furnish music.

This would be a good start toward making girls feel free to invite boys from the college as well as outsiders. This would also live up to the weekends and maybe more students would enjoy staying up on the weekends.

The May Day Dance and the Junior-Senior are the two big social events remaining for this school year. With these two big occasions before us, why don't students take advantage in asking dates to the dance?

Charlie Bedford

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by Emily S. Boyce

This column has been devoted to various comments concerning the campus Men's Judiciary for quite some time now. The function or non-function of this body should be of primary importance to the student body. The incoming administration has the chance to improve upon the Men's Judiciary a great deal. We hope that they will do so. The past Judicial members did drag the old Judiciary up from absolutely nothing, and gave it some by-laws. These laws may be partially void of power, but nevertheless it was a step in the right direction. Let's hope the new SGA will go even further in establishing a working Men's Judiciary.

There is one working Judiciary on campus. The Woman's Judiciary is well organized, working under specific rules and regulations concerning the women students at East Carolina. At the beginning of this year each dormitory president was given a list of offenses and demerits they carry, along with the standard procedure for handling dorm cases. A list of offenses which go directly to the Woman's Judiciary was also included. This was an excellent step in organization and control. In the past the Judiciary had been criticised a great deal for not being consistent.

Since working from these set regulations for the amount of demerits given a delinquent for a specific offense, there has appeared a few things which can be improved upon. One offense the dorms enforce is giving demerits for socializing out of the individual's room after 11:00 p. m. (week nights). This offense carries two demerits. One demerit seems sufficient.

It is little things like the above that could be improved upon. Demerits count up and ten are too easy to get. With the accumulation of ten demerits from the Dormitory Committee the girl is referred directly to the Woman's Judiciary for restriction. A re-evaluation of parts of the demerit system would be a good move. It is not fatal to make changes where they are needed. We do not want a lax system for the girls, simply a second look at the existing system.

Evaluate the number of demerits the House Committees give in relationship with that which the Judiciary gives... such a move is progress. Girls have to live under so many rules and regulations anyway, they deserve the study which should be made of a few existing rules in the demerit system.

Controversial Currents

Still On Drink Machines

by Anne George

It is our sincere hope that the Administration will study and consider the suggestions that have appeared in this column for the past few weeks and, in so doing, find an immediate way to install the desired drink machines. The fact that every girl on campus wants these drink machines, is a prominent feature that should be taken into consideration by the Administration.

The following letter should be read by everyone! It contains many practical and concrete suggestions for removing the obstacles that Dean White pointed out stood in the way of installing the drink machines. In last week's paper there was a letter to the Editor, written by Jimmy Phelps, president of the freshman class. In this letter he made the suggestion that machines, like the one at the Pitt Theatre, could perhaps be installed. This type of machine would eliminate the problems of stray bottles and unstored crates.

Dear Anne George:

In answer to Dean White's reasons for not being able to have drink machines in the dormitories I would like to make these comments and suggestions.

Men at the present time come in and out our dorms throughout the day. There is the laundry man, the cleaners man, the garbage collector as well as other maintenance men. They sometimes announce their presence and at other times don't, but I believe that the girls are usually cautious when they enter the halls if they aren't dressed. Therefore, I don't believe one more man would cause trouble.

There are closets in the dorms which aren't filled up, or if they were more orderly arranged would provide space for the drink crates. However, if necessary small "closets" could be built from scrap material for the sole purpose of holding these crates.

I would like to suggest the pressing rooms as a good place to put the machines. They are usually located where the noise would bother only a few girls and I think that if the area around the machines was an enforced quiet area noise would not develop to too great a pitch anyway. As it is, about 9:00 p.m. girls begin gathering in the halls to see who is going to the Soda Shop. Which noise would be worse?

Girls can be depended on to carry bottles to the designated place. We have a few in our rooms now, but don't we take them back to the service station when we return for more drinks? I think the girls would cooperate on this score.

Couldn't the maids replenish the drink machines during the day? I understand that it is neither a difficult nor a very time consuming job.

If vending and drink machines have been successful in the men's dorms surely the girls could be just as dependable.

Yours truly,

A Jarvis Hall coed

Around The Campus

with Jimmy Ferrell

INCIDENTALLY

Spring has finally sprung! The days are getting much longer and warmer. It makes everybody feel lazy, so they cut that boring class and add a little more sun to their newly begun tan. Everyone agrees that there is too much homework to be done! Some are still recuperating from the Azalea Festival, but others are feeling their bags for the Easter holidays. Blessed rest!

All About "Russ"

The person generally featured in our column is one who holds many offices around campus or at least one important one. Although this is a small and select group it would still take us many more issues to get around to all of these people. We think it only fair, however, that we feature some of the people around campus who are equally as interesting although they are not big office-holders.

Our column photo shows Betty Russell (or "Russ" as her friends call her), who is a senior from Salisbury. She attended both Pfeiffer Junior College and Woman's College before entering East Carolina. Her major is physical education and she is quite active in the Women's Athletic Association.

Russ' hobby is painting, and she does quite well at it, too, although she has never studied art. She started painting with oils when she was a sophomore in college, but had worked with water colors before beginning with oils.

She was given excellent criticism of her work by the Art Center School in Los Angeles, California. This gave her the qualifications for entering the school, but she decided to continue her studies in Physical Education. She hopes some day to have time to do some studying in art. Russ would be glad to show any interested person some of her paintings.

We were interested in a saying that she quotes as one of her beliefs: "Be courteous to all, but intimate with few; and let those few be well tried before you give them your confidence."

Who's the Man With The Pencil?

Some handyman around campus with a pencil has turned poetic! His writings may be found on the walls of the men's restroom in Joyner Library. It's a shame that some of the



Betty Russell

students here have no pride whatsoever in their beautiful new library. After talking with Mr. Wendell Smiley, director of Joyner Library, we found that quite a few chairs have suffered from pencil markings and that people just throw cigarette butts down at any convenient place.

"We are just proud of this building," Mr. Smiley said. "And we would hope that the students would be equally proud of it, but the way that some students throw cigarette butts on the floors, and write on the furniture and the walls of the restrooms indicates that at least some students have no pride in the building at all. I don't believe that all the students have that attitude toward the building. It's surely a very small minority. We have a mighty nice building here, and we hope that you students will help us keep it that way."

Here 'n' There

It was so cold at the ECC-Wake Forest game a while back that several of the Deacon boys built a roaring fire beside the stands. It's no wonder that the Deacs got 14 runs; no one built a fire for the Pirates!

Grace Kelly is a very deserving actress, but we were very disappointed when Judy Garland failed to win the Oscar last Wednesday night for "Best actress of the year." We will be remembering her performance in "A Star is Born" for a long time.

That's around enough!

INSIDE THE NEST

by Joyce Smith

A recent statement in Sports Echo of this paper (March 24) has caused quite a bit of discussion among the students at East Carolina. The statement to which I refer is the fact that East Carolina College employs more instructors with Doctor's degrees than does the University of North Carolina.

Since the release of such a statement we have inquired deeper into the subject and we have found information that will clearly back up the statement. Within the "State-Supported Higher Education in North Carolina," which is a report of the Commission on Higher Education, we were able to find a table showing the education level attained by faculty members in North Carolina Colleges.

Of East Carolina's faculty 50.4% have doctor's degrees while only 45.2% of the University of North Carolina faculty have doctor's degrees. Not only does East Carolina exceed the University of North Carolina but it also exceeds the other colleges throughout North Carolina.

East Carolina, in this aspect, certainly holds a definite advantage over the other colleges and universities throughout North Carolina and this fact should certainly be recognized throughout the state.

There has also been considerable discussion around campus about the May Day plans for this year. Prior to this year the event has been an afternoon affair, but earlier this year the SGA voted to change the afternoon activities to a dance.

This, in my opinion, is a major improvement. If students will only strive to make it such, this event can become one of the highlights of the year.

As it once stood, the committee put forth much effort in trying to make it a successful occasion and no recognition was acquired. It has in the past been more of a "come as you are" affair to which students never gave any serious thought.

In answer to questions about the dance being closed, from observing past attendance at the afternoon activities we have noted that parents of participants make up the largest part of the outsiders. Although the dance is closed to college students, their dates, and faculty members, the Queen and her attendants will be able to invite their parents.

SPORTS ECHO

by Billy Arnold

For the past two issues of the "East Carolinian," your reporter has been prying into the Pirate sports scene with a very critical eye. The scene has now been blackened with a deluge of truth that more than answers the many questions asked earlier in this column. Several distorted rumors were made which didn't do justice to the athletic department's efforts and triumphs. This space will be devoted to the purpose of crushing forever the rumors or beliefs that our reputation is lagging behind in the sports field.

It has been discovered that the question of East Carolina's chances of entering the Southern Conference has not been dropped by college officials. In fact, our application was renewed only last fall and the Buccaneer sports department is continually working on the prospect.

As for the other questions asked concerning the scheduling of bigger opposition for the Pirate football machine here are some statistics that should extraneously quell the inquisitiveness of the most cynical observer: During the last few years East Carolina has contacted such teams as Georgia Tech., Washington and Lee, Cincinnati, Yale, Florida State, NC State, Virginia, Citadel, and Davidson (to name a very few). All of these big teams have been unable to find room in their football slates for the Buccaneers.

Coach Jim Mallory's baseball team has been successful in scheduling some of the top teams, not only of the South but of the nation. Wake Forest, Springfield, and mighty Michigan University are among the giants on the Buccaneer card for the present season. East Carolina fans are seeing better contests every season—the Pirate baseball schedule alone can verify that statement.

Your reporter also overlooked the fact that EOC's basketball aggregation has made tremendous progress in the schedule line. Within the past three years Coach Howard Porter's Purple and Gold has risen from the depths of obscurity to become one of the most-feared quintets in the state. Among the big teams played by Greenville hardwood horrors were

the University of North Carolina, The Citadel, Belmont Abbey, and St. Benedict's (champions of the NAAU tournament of 1953-54).

Perhaps the reason for the lack of real athletic atmosphere on campus is due, among other things, to simple negligence on the part of many of us (such as your reporter) to actually delve into the situation. The facts are that East Carolina is most certainly carrying out a progressive athletic program and that the school officials are trying in all ways to improve every aspect of the Pirate sports scene. The athletic department is always open for suggestions.

Bucs Win Double As Pruett Stars

East Carolina defeated High Point in both ends of a doubleheader, 4-3, 3-0, here last Friday afternoon. The Bucs showed their pitching strength in both games as Mack Cherry fashioned a nice three-hitter in the first game and Tommy Pruett showed fine style in holding the visiting Panthers to no-hits and no-runs while striking out 16 batters in the seven-inning second game. He faced only 24 men, issuing two walks and hit one batter as only three High Point players were able to reach first. None got as far as second.

In the opener the Bucs broke a 3-3 deadlock in the last inning when Bucky Reep went to third on an error by the centerfielder and scored on a single by clean-up batter Gene Turner. Cecil Heath continued his hitting ways with two hits, one of which was a homerun.

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Coach Jim Mallory's East Carolina diamond crew will meet the University of Michigan baseball team tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock on Campus Field. It will be the seventh contest for the Pirates, who are loaded with untried freshman talent.

Tomorrow's game will be the first meeting in history of the two teams, and fireworks are expected. Michigan Coach Ray Fisher, former president of the American College Association of baseball, is conducting his team on a tour of the South and will meet some of the leading squads of the area.

Besides East Carolina, the Michigan nine will battle Georgetown, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina, Duke, Camp Lejeune, and the Quantico Marines. Coach Fisher, one of the most respected men in baseball today, stated in a recent letter that his squad "lost quite a few" stars by graduation. The Big Ten powerhouse, however, is always a strong threat and will be favored to down the Buccaneers.

Either Mack Cherry or Charlie Russell will get the nod to handle the mound chores for the Pirates. Coach Mallory's biggest aim at present is developing the wildness of his pitching staff. "The boys haven't been finding that range so well," he said, "and that could be costly against a strong club like Michigan."

There is a possibility that Bob Penney will be shifted from right field to alternate at third base with Bucky Reep in an attempt to strengthen the Bucs' left-hand swatting. If this shift takes place, rightfield position will be worked by Ollie Baker, Ray Pennington, or Tom Jenkins.

The rest of the lineup will likely remain the same. All-Conference infielder Cecil Heath will hit second and patrol second base, followed by

Sport Lite

by J. W. Browning

Tommy Pruett, East Carolina's freshman ace pitcher, is this week's sportlite selection. The former Sanford star displayed a masterful delivery last Friday as he twirled a seven-inning no-hit, no-run game against High Point, leading East Carolina's high-flying Pirates to a 3-0 victory. Pruett's spectacular performance came in the second game of a doubleheader before hundreds of high school day students and it enabled the Pirate baseballers to make a clean sweep of the twinbill.

The hard-working Pruett faced 24 men in the game, walked two batters, and hit one. No High Point player got farther than first base and only three of them reached the initial sack as the freshman righthander's slants kept the Panthers from High Point off balance all afternoon. Pruett, with his superb control and perfect deliveries, struck out 16 High Point batters in the contest.

Being in the winner's circle is an old story to Tommy. He pitched for four years at Sanford High School before enrolling at East Carolina. He won 16 games while dropping only

three during his four-year tenure there. Among his 16 victories were three one-hitters. His outstanding campaign at Sanford earned him a berth on the A.A. State squad for two consecutive seasons.

East Carolina Baseballers Collide With Mighty Michigan Here Tomorrow



Pirate third baseman Bucky Reep blasts out a hit against North State Conference foe High Point. East Carolina played their way to two victories over the Panthers last week.

Pirate Golfers Meet Fighting Christians In First Tilt Today

East Carolina's golf team opens their 1955 conference season against Elon with two matches scheduled for today and tomorrow at Greenville's Country Club. This will be the first regular season match for the locals who bowed to a strong Salisbury Country Club aggregation two weeks ago in a practice match.

The matches with Elon will be highlighted by the meeting of two old North State rivals. There will also be an intense rivalry between the two schools' number one men—East Carolina's Claude King and Elon's Don Smith. The two met in the finals of last year's conference tournament and the Pirates' King won in an extra-hole playoff to capture the individual title of the conference.

After the two matches with Elon today and tomorrow, the Pirates travel up to the hills of Guilford College for a match with the Quakers next Tuesday.

Tennis Team Set To Battle Elon College

Coach Ray Martinez's Pirate tennis team plays host to the Elon Christian netters today and Friday in their first North State Conference contests of the season.

The Buccaneers dropped Elon twice last year by the identical score of 7-2 and will be striving for another win in the match this afternoon, which begins at 3 o'clock. Returning to the Christian squad after an arm injury, Charlie Hodge will lead his team against the Greenville boys.

East Carolina was able to salvage one match as they were defeated by N. C. State College, 7-1, last week. George Burton, Rocky Mount freshman, stopped State's McCoy, 7-5, 6-2 to post the Pirates' only point.

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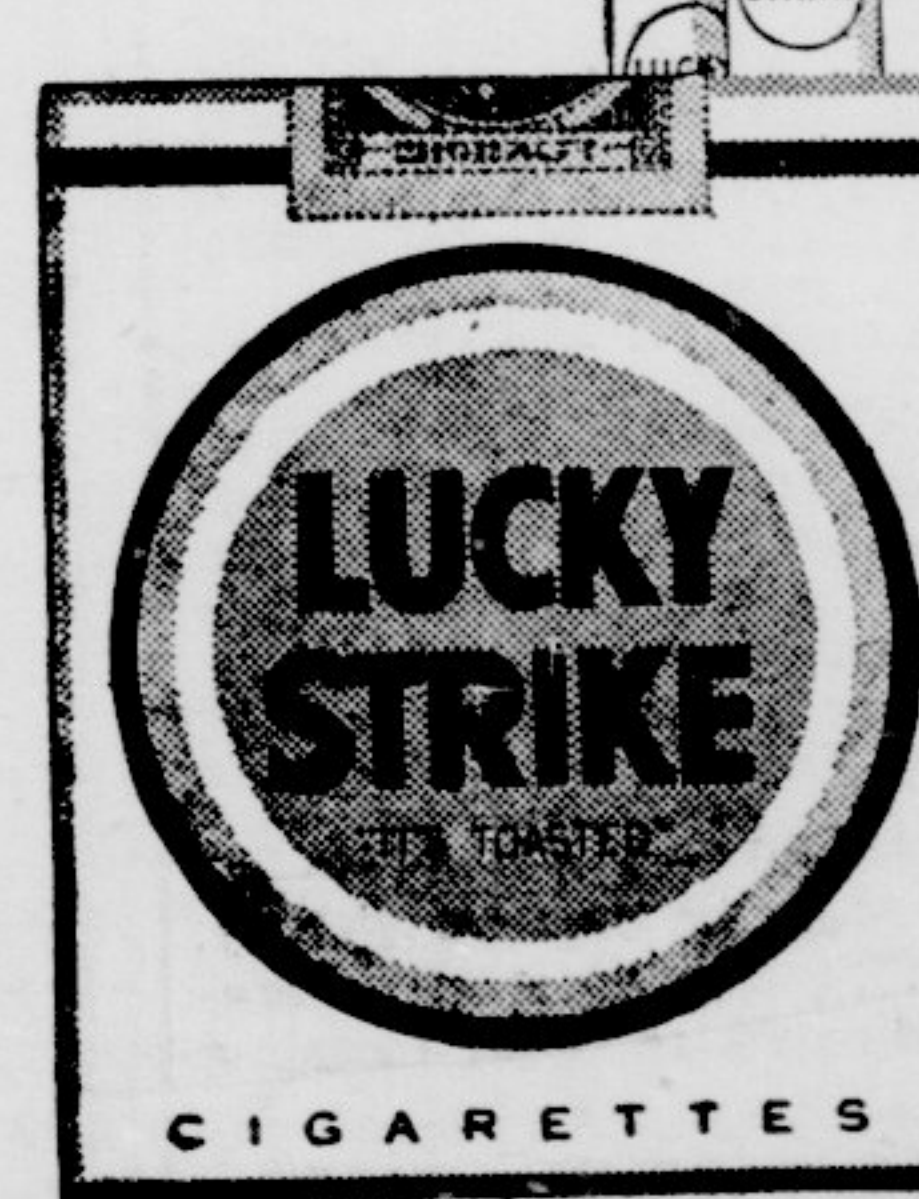
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Featurist Reviews Production Of 'Stalag 17'

Outstanding Play By Goldsboro Group

by Anne George

One of the most enjoyable plays to be presented at East Carolina during the recent Drama Festival was the Goldsboro High School production of "Stalag 17" under the direction of Clifton Britton, director of the Goldsmasquers.

Clifton Britton is an alumni of East Carolina, and directed plays here for six years before going to Goldsboro in 1942 at which time he inaugurated the drama group referred to as the "Goldsmasquers." While at East Carolina he was president of his class for four years. In the summers he directs "The Lost Colony." He wrote "The Shepherd Song," the story of the Christ child, which is presented under his direction each Christmas in Goldsboro. One of the cast members said, "If you see the director you can see the play." It can be stated that Clifton Britton feels the plays so deeply that he projects this feeling not only into each actor, but into the play as a whole.

This group has been called "The South's Outstanding Theatre for Youth" by many critics. Any Goldsboro high school student is eligible to join. In 1948 this group went to Courtland, N. Y. and won first place in the National Drama Festivals, composed of both high schools and colleges, with their presentation of "The First Lady." They have competed at Chapel Hill in the state drama festival and usually win more first places than all of the other schools combined.

Certain aspects of the play that were most commendable were the scenery, acting ability, and lighting effects. Although the average age of the boys was only about 16, on the stage their voices acquired the depth and character of men in their middle twenties. The contrast of their voices were also another achievement that could only be a result of hard, conscientious work.

There was very little variation from the movie and the play versions except that all of the play had its setting inside the barracks, and, therefore, more activity was carried on here so that the audience could understand what was happening outside.

The plot was concerned with life in a German prison camp during World War II. The scenery and sets used were startlingly like what you would encounter in a prison camp. Although the play was mainly of a humorous nature, certain bits of irony throughout the story gave "Stalag 17" a raw, naked effect.

During intermission I talked to Dr. Edgar Hirschberg and he said, "I have seen many high school productions, but I feel that this was one of the

AFROTC Sponsors Bloodmobile Unit

April 14 has been selected as the date for appearance of the Pitt County Bloodmobile Unit on the East Carolina campus. The project is being sponsored by the campus AFROTC Cadet Comps.

According to a spokesman for the AFROTC, blood is needed badly as a part of our national defense organization. An average healthy adult has from 12 to 13 pints of blood in his body. It takes no special effort on the part of the body to replace one pint of blood. The cadets hope to see a large number of donors appear.

Blood donors in previous years have been required to be 21 years of age or over unless they have written permission from their parents. Blood will not be accepted from anyone under 18 years old. Students have been excused from classes to visit the bloodmobile for contributions heretofore.

best I have ever seen."

Jim Corum and Nancy Cooke both remarked about the authenticity of the scenery. Nancy said, "The depth and contrast in their voices is truly remarkable."

Tommy Thompson pointed out that the only minor technical defect he saw throughout the whole production was the fact that they wore the Air Force Chevrons, which didn't come into effect until after the period when the play was produced. "The lighting effects were quite impressive," he added.

Although they are high school students, when on the stage they are in all respects professional. Sincerely, I believe that whatever this group undertakes to produce, it will be the best.

Calendar Of Events

Thursday 1:30 p.m.—District Debate Center in Flanagan Auditorium 6:00 p.m.—East Carolinian staff meeting

6:30 p.m.—Vespers at Y Hut 7:00 p.m.—The "Chess Club" will meet in the TV Room of the College Union. Students are invited to play, and those interested in learning the game will be helped by one of the club members.

8:00 p.m.—N. C. High School Debating Union in Flanagan Auditorium Saturday Baseball game between E. C. C. and Elon College

Tuesday 8:00 p.m.—Faculty Lecture Club Wednesday 7:00 p.m.—S.G.A. meeting in Flanagan—Installation of new officers

Thursday 6:30 p.m.—Vespers at Y Hut 8:00 p.m.—Billy Graham movie in Austin Auditorium

Cadets Resume News Publication

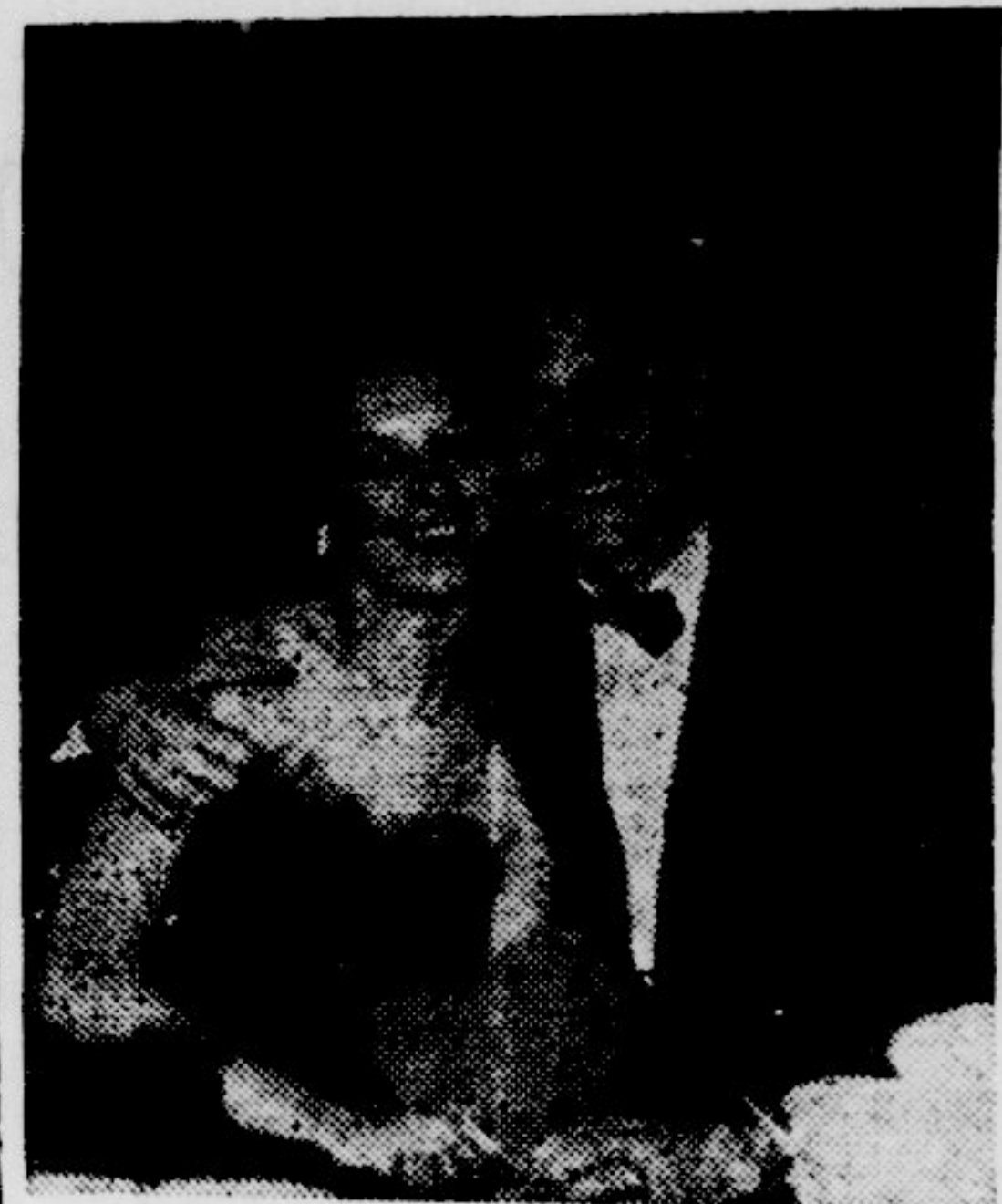
Air Force ROTC cadets at East Carolina College have resumed publication of their news sheet "The Sky Pirate" and the first issue for 1955 is now being distributed to members of the campus detachment and others. According to plans, the paper will appear in future at monthly intervals.

"The Sky Pirate" is a four-page mimeographed publication. Contents include news of the cadets and the staff of the East Carolina detachment, reports on the activities of alumni, an materials of general interest to AFROTC personnel.

Cadet Capt. Furney Powell of Vanceboro is editor of "The Sky Pirate." Reporters are Wiley B. Teal Jr. of Wadesboro and Robert T. Smith of Winton.

Campus Couple Of The Week

by Lou Ann Rouse



Outland and Baugh

The couple for this week, Mary Jo Outland, Woodland, and Marvin Baugh, Warrenton, met in the fall of 1953. Marvin was working in the soda shop when he first saw Mary Jo. His first impression was that he thought she was mighty cute and, therefore, he decided he'd like to date her.

A friend of theirs asked Mary Jo if she knew the boy who worked in the soda shop and if she would like to date him. It turned out that her answer was positive.

However, this was at the end of fall quarter, so when Marvin tried successively to get Mary Jo on the phone Friday afternoon he failed for she had already left. Then Mary Jo returned too late for their Sunday

night date. Later Marvin returned still rather peeved. Although Mary Jo had prepared to go to bed she changed her mind and came down and talked to him for a while.

Mary Jo says that she thought Marvin was a big flirt but now she knows it is just his way.

Last year during spring quarter a very unusual thing happened concerning these two or rather Marvin. It seems Marvin didn't get off work early enough to get to the campus movie on time, as was often the case, so Mary Jo was to sit near the back and he'd meet her. Well, when Marvin came in he sat down without observing his date very closely, the auditorium being dark, naturally. Before very long he asked her something and she answered, "um hum."

Soon Marvin reached over and took her hand which she was rather reluctant in giving. She later withdrew her hand. Through all this, Marvin had not looked at the girl. Pretty soon the girl declared she believed he had her tangled up with someone else. And sure enough he did, for Mary Jo was sitting behind him during this period, apparently giggling all behind her ears. Marvin and Mary Jo explained the situation to the other girl.

As for interests, they enjoy a wide variety of things. Dancing ranks first and close behind come movies, window shopping, swimming (especially at the beach), shuffle board, television, ping-pong, basketball and tennis.

This Is Poetry, I Reckon

The Night Aunt Minnie Died

by William Wadsworth Arnold

We wuz settin' 'round th' stove one night

A-talkin' 'bout th' crops, When ole Aunt Minnie rolls her eyes

An' to the floor she flops. We figured she was mebbe tired

So we let her lay a spell, An' after while we went to bed,

We figured all wuz well. All next day she stayed right there

A-sprawled out 'cross th' floor, She didn't answer a word, he said,

From plowin' th' day before. We didn't wake her up her meals,

We knew it warn't no use; She never did much care for collards

Cooked in 'possum juice. Well, purty soon a week went by

An' she never moved a bit, Ise having to do her milking chores

So Ise getting tired of it. Sairdy night come creepin' by

An' she missed her weekly bath, But we didn't let on the way she smelt,

We all jest tried to laugh. . . . But after while it rot pure bad,

The hens they wouldn't lay, The odor killed th' ole hound dog

An' drove th' cows away. The crops they wited on the vine

And Paw was feeling bad, And Uncle Marty's asthma

Got bad as it ever had. The mailman stop a-comin' 'round,

Though I know we had some mail. Ever time he neared th' house

He turned a deathly pale. Well, it all came to a head one day,

Well, th' preacher got th' lectric chair

For his awful, sinful act. When th' judge pernonuce him guilty

Of breaking Minnie's back. I always thought 'twas funny,

But th' others, they jest cried, About the way things happened

The night Aunt Minnie died.

When th' preacher come around, Walked into th' setting room and There Aunt Minnie found.

He bowed politely to her and Tipped his ole straw hat,

He ast her how she's feeling And talked 'bout this and that.

Well, half-way through his talking He found she warn't awake.

"You feelin' bad, my woman?" He ast, "For goodness, sake?"

She didn't answer a word, he said, And his pride was hurt real deep.

He ast her more blame questions, But fum her come not a peep.

"You ain't holding no respect," he said, A-gittin' mighty mad,

"What you need's a spanking like One you never had."

So he picked her up and spanked her good, She moved not one bit more;

Well, preacher spanked her harder 'Til his hand was gettin' sore.

Well, Paw come in and seen it all, And laugh and nod his head,

But purty soon th' laughing stop When he notice Minnie's dead.

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