

### Long Way Up

The Collegians have come a long way since the organization of the band back in 1947. Jonnie Simpson writes about the activities of that group on page 2.

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### Beachy Weather

The sun courts may serve as a substitute during the week but come the weekend, go the students. The beaches are becoming haunted with East Carolina students.

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## Cooper Steps Down, Umstead Takes Over Top SGA Position

### Dr. Messick Speaks To New Officers

Installation of new officers was the main event of the April 13 meeting of SGA with President John D. Messick being guest speaker. In speaking, Dr. Messick first congratulated the outgoing officers for the job they rendered while in office. He also pointed out various duties of the college students.

In citing an important hope of the student government he brought to their attention that they should develop within the students a social disapproval of wrongdoing on our campus.

Through heritage, past experience, and guidance, a pace and challenge has been set forth for the incoming officers and they should analyze them and use them as an initial starting point, according to Dr. Messick.

He reminded the group that in all their doings they should keep in mind that the administration always stands ready to help.

Retiring president Wade Cooper made a short speech in which he reminded the students that the purpose of student government was to serve the mass and the individual. In stating such he brought attention to the fact that the SGA must consider the masses, but that they should not overlook the individual.

Dean Clinton R. Prewett swore in the new officers. These new Student Government officers consist of Donald Umstead, president; O'Brien Edwards, first vice-president; Russell Newman, second vice-president; Barbara Strickland, secretary; Bobbie Lou Avant, historian; Billy Sharber, treasurer; and Robert Forrest, first assistant treasurer.

## AAUW Sponsors Faculty Play

"Harvey," a comedy that is well known and has been well received before all audiences that have seen it, will be presented on the evenings of May 12 and 13 at eight o'clock in the McGinnis Auditorium, better known as the College Theatre. Mary Chase is the author of this play.

Harvey, a large rabbit that is 6 and a half feet tall, along with Mr. Dowd, Harvey's owner, provide many laughs with their adventures and doings.

Dr. James Allison is designing the sets and George Perry is serving as director. The play is sponsored by the A.A.U.W.

Members of the faculty are taking the parts in the play. Rehearsals are underway, and are progressing very nicely, according to Mr. Perry.

The characters and the parts they are playing are: Veta Louise Simmons, Beatrice Chaucey; Myrtle Mae, Ruth Lambie; Elwood P. Dowd, Dr. Joe Withey; Iris Johnson, Velma Lowe; Mrs. Chanvenet, Cynthia Mendenhall; Nurse Kelly, Cathy Shaw; Wilson, Dr. Ed Hirschberg; Dr. Sanderson, Paul Hickfang; Dr. Chumley, Dr. George Patti; Betty Chumley, Agnes Barrett; Judge Goffrey, Dr. Keith Holmes; and Mr. Lofgreu, Wendell Smiley.

## Music Frat Crowns Dawson 'Sweetheart'

Janet Dawson, petite brunette colored who is a sophomore here was crowned as the first Sweetheart of the campus chapter of Phi Mu Alpha, national music fraternity, Saturday night at that organization's first annual Spring Hop. Pat was escorted by Frankie Keaton, who holds the office of warden of the fraternity.

Over 300 students attended the affair and danced to the music of the Collegians, East Carolina's own dance band. The fraternity members had Wright Auditorium decorated in a multicolor scheme with "I Remember April" as the theme. Many colored crepe paper streamers forming a moss-like effect were complemented by umbrellas. One student remarked that the decorations were among the most attractive of the year.

Individual tables were placed on the sides of the dance floor to accommodate those who attended. A refreshment stand was set up near the right front door.

### Umstead . . .



. . . the job ahead

### Unwanted Visitors

Ruffians and trouble-makers from off-campus visited here Monday and Tuesday nights of this week.

A marine, or an impersonator, was seen late Monday night by one of our editors as he attempted to unload the cigarette machine in the dining hall lobby.

The day night a young man was laid unconscious in front of Jarvis Hall; his assailants quickly retrieved and were attempting to revive him as they were last seen.

We have no further details at press time. The unwanted invaders to campus privacy eluded capture.

## Group Presents Original Play By Dr. Withey At UNC

"The Lost Ideal," original one-act play by Dr. Joseph A. Withey of the East Carolina College English Department, was presented by the East Carolina Playhouse, college dramatic club, Thursday, April 14, at the annual Drama Festival of the Carolina Dramatic Association in Chapel Hill.

The play, a comedy-fantasy, was one of four original plays included in the festival program. Others were presented by theatre groups from Raleigh, Wilmington, and Mars Hill.

For the past two years Dr. Withey has been director of dramatic arts at East Carolina and faculty advisor of the East Carolina Playhouse. Last year he was director of the Greenville Passion Play, a community project, and is filling this position again this spring. At present he is cast in the leading role of Mary Chase's "Harvey," which is in rehearsal for presentation in May under the sponsorship of the Greenville Branch of the American Association of University Women and with a cast of East Caro-

lina faculty members.

"The Lost Ideal" was included on the program of the 1955 Eastern Regional Drama Festival of the Carolina Dramatic Association, which was held at the college here in March.

Thomas L. Thompson of Durham is student director of Dr. Withey's play, and Sally Rogers of Wilson is technical director. H. Barclay Ritner Jr. of Rocky Mount is technician for lighting effects.

Patricia Goodwin of Memphis, Tenn. and Douglas Mitchell of Greenville head a cast of 17 members. Those having roles include Nancy Cooke, Dunn; Robert Inabinet, Edifax; Lloyd Bray Jr., Greenville; Edward Anderson, Raleigh; David Flanagan, Rockingham; Merle Kelly, Raleigh; David A. Evans, Norfolk, Va.; Lewis Ormand, Bessemer City; James Daugherty, Kinston; James Corum, Reidsville; and a group of children from the Wahl-Coates Laboratory School at East Carolina.

## Student Counselors Act As 'Big Sisters' To Frosh Women

Thirty-four girls from the 1955-56 Sophomore Class have been chosen to act as Student-Counselors or "Big Sisters" to freshman women entering college next September. Twenty-eight will assist in orienting new students living in Cotten Hall, four will be with the freshmen living in one wing of Ragsdale, and two in Woman's Hall.

It is an honor to be chosen as a student counselor, and in order to qualify a girl must maintain a good scholastic average throughout her freshman year. She must also have demonstrated her ability to be a leader as well as a good dormitory and campus citizen.

Miss Hazel R. Clark, Freshman Advisor, will give the new Student Counselors a training course to pre-

pare them for the responsibilities which they will carry in helping the incoming freshmen adjust to campus life.

Counselors for the incoming year include: Catherine Aman, Joan Ashley, Barbara Braddy, Nancy Burroughs, Ann Cooke, Jane Crofton, Janet Dawson, Jo Ann De Bruhl, Sarah Everett, Janet Fletcher, Marcia Forbes, Betty Mae Freeman, Suzanne Pretz, Barbara Harrell, Beth Hawes, Martha House, Dorothy Knight, Ann Hughes, Barbara Lancaster, Paige Lilley, Dorothy Lloyd, Jane Martin, Betty Mobley, Joyce Norris, Anne Peele, Katy Anne Peele, Peggy Quincey, Janet Ross, Lou Anne Rouse, Nancy Scott, Norma Siler, Peggy Spruill, Nannette Upchurch, and Betsy Wilson.

## Bloodmobile Receives 140 Pints

The maximum quota of 140 pints of blood was contributed at East Carolina College Thursday, when a Red Cross Bloodmobile visited the campus. The project was sponsored by cadets of the Air Force ROTC detachment at the college, who acted as recruiters and, in a large number of cases, as donors.

A total of 173 people contributed

blood. Thirty-three other volunteers were rejected for various reasons. Among donors, 141 were students at East Carolina, a large number of women students, being included in the number.

Recruited by the AF ROTC cadets, 21 donors from the Greenville Carbon Plant and eleven from the Greenville Textile Company also participated in the program.

In recognition of the services of cadets, a dinner has been arranged to honor the ten who did the best job of recruiting. Their hosts will be Lester Turnage of Greenville, chairman of the Red Cross Blood Donor Program, and Respass Brothers, restaurant owners in Greenville.

belong, and with which they will find themselves in contact in the various towns where they may be located after graduation.

Every graduating senior girl is cordially invited, whether an invitation reaches her by mail or not. However, an effort is being made to have a complete list, but omissions may still occur.

## SGA Production Of 'Brigadoon' Begins Run Next Wednesday

### Smith, Martin Sing Lead Roles

The first of three presentations of "Brigadoon," a popular musical sponsored by the Student Government Association, will be given here next Wednesday night, April 27, in the McGinnis Auditorium. The other presentations will be Thursday and Friday nights.

"Brigadoon" is based on the Broadway production of 1947. It is the fourth Broadway hit to be given at East Carolina under the sponsorship of the SGA. Previous productions of "Good News," "The Student Prince" and "Blossom Time" have received high praise for their musical and dramatic values.

The plot of "Brigadoon" centers around two New Yorkers, Tommy Albright and Jeff Douglas, played by Travis Martin and Romie Rose. These two stumble on an 18th century Scottish village, Brigadoon, which comes to life once every 100 years. The village is celebrating the wedding of a village couple, Charlie Dalrymple and Jean MacLaren, played by Roy Askew and Nancy Crouse.

Caught in this fascinating event, Tommy and Jeff become involved in the adventures of these strange people living in the enchanted village. Tommy falls in love with Fiona (Frances Smith) and they sing many of the popular songs of the show such as "The Heather on the Hill" and "It's Almost Like Being In Love." The two confused New Yorkers save the day when Harry Beaton (Chuck Shearon) is stopped from leaving the village, therefore preventing from breaking the spell of Brigadoon.

Other hit tunes in the show are "Come to Me, Bend to Me" and "Go Home With Bonnie Jean," sung by Roy Askew. Numbers done by the chorus are "Brigadoon," "Down on MacConnachy Square," and the assembling of the clans. Other members of the cast include George Knight, Archie Beaton; Jesse Boyd, Angus MacGuffie; Frank Bodkin, Andrew MacLaren; Charles Starnes, Mr. Lundie; Steve Farish, Sandy Doan; Nancy Cooke, Jane Ashton; June Crews, Maggie; and Gail Mul-

len, Kate.

Music will be furnished by a selected group of the East Carolina College Orchestra under the direction of Dr. Kenneth Cuthbert. In addition to the members of the cast, the play is made up of a dancing chorus and a singing chorus.

Dr. Elizabeth Utterback and Dr. Cuthbert are co-directors of the show, and Jean Dupree is serving as chairman of the production committee and as student director. Libby Dann is the technical director for the production.

All ECC students will be admitted to this SGA-sponsored production of "Brigadoon" by the issued student activity tickets.

### Rehearsals Are Underway For Musical Play, 'Brigadoon'



The Student Government Production of "Brigadoon," popular musical play, begins here next Wednesday for a three night run. The cast are working hard during the last week of rehearsals, contrary to the scene above. From left to right in the shot above:

### Results Of Recent Examinations

## High Interest In Civil Defense Program

(Editor's note: The following story is being printed in cooperation with the project sponsored by the Social Studies Department here in an attempt to instigate interest in the national Civil Defense Story. Alan Alcock, a member of the committee working on the project, is the author of the article.)

It is gratifying to learn that an interest in Civil Defense is at a high pitch on the campus. We judge the high pitch from the response of 803 students in the Social Studies department who cooperated recently in taking a Civil Defense evaluation test. The test was designed by a student Civil Defense committee to arouse interest in Civil Defense, and to evaluate three questions. First, how many students have had experience in matters related to Civil Defense? How many have had no experience? Second, who has more "common knowledge" about Civil Defense—men or women? Third, who is more interested in participating in

a Civil Defense organization on the campus—men or women? Following are the results of the tests:

MEN TESTED		
Some exp.	No exp.	Total
298	160	458
COMMON KNOWLEDGE		
Some exp.	No exp.	Total
pass fail	pass fail	
78	220	32 128
INTEREST		
Some exp.	No exp.	Total
yes no	yes no	
262	36	145 15
WOMEN TESTED		
Some exp.	No exp.	Total
7	338	345
COMMON KNOWLEDGE		
Some exp.	No exp.	Total
pass fail	pass fail	
2	5	46 292
INTEREST		
Some exp.	No exp.	Total
yes no	yes no	
7	0	303 35

The tabulations above strengthen our optimism about the interest of the students. Only 86 students in 803 showed no interest. We hope that those who are interested will contribute their interest to their friends. We believe there is a genuine interest for an active Civil Defense program on the campus. The results of the tests indicate that an "information program" would be helpful. To substantiate this let us consider a few of the test questions and the responses to them.

What is a "Red Alert" signal? What is the "All Clear" signal?

Answers to these questions showed that about 98 percent of the students had no conception of our Civil Defense Alert and Warning system. However, one wide-awake soul defined a Red Alert as "A Red on his toes." So he is; then we should be on our tiptoes.

Responses to one question about

biological and chemical warfare showed, for the most part, dismal ignorance. These two agents of modern warfare are more insidious and horrible, more sinister and demoralizing than a hydrogen bomb. Ignorance of their potential destructiveness increases their danger many fold.

A misunderstanding about the effectiveness of the "A" or "H" bomb was almost unanimous.

Many did not recognize the symptoms of radiation sickness, nor did they have any comprehension of how to decontaminate themselves should they be exposed to radioactivity.

Most of the questions were selected because the answers have been widely publicized. The effectiveness of nuclear weapons has been in the news almost daily. The information has been well circulated with the hope that familiarity would help dispel some of the fear that accompanies the threat of such a destructive force.

One question asked was: "In 1775 what percent of the population would you estimate were well equipped with knowledge of home (Civil) defense?" It is estimated that 100 percent of the American people were well informed and equipped for home defense at that time. It is disheartening to find that Americans today are less prepared for home defense. Yet, today the peril is a million times greater. If the Colonials had been indifferent toward "Home Defense" and had no willingness to perpetuate "Home Security," where would we be?

Think about this. It is imperative that we consider seriously, soberly, without distraction, the implications of an enemy attack on these United States. A strong Civil Defense organization can be a defensive weapon as formidable as a bomb. If each person who is interested encourages another person to participate in our forthcoming program, we are confident that our efforts will be well rewarded.

## Sullins Choir Sings Here

The Choir of Sullins College, Bristol, Va., an ensemble of 35 women students, presented a concert at East Carolina College Tuesday, April 19, at 8 p.m. in Austin Auditorium.

Leon B. Fleming Jr., formerly of Greenville, who is head of the Sullins College voice department and a graduate of East Carolina College, directed the choir. Mrs. Evelyn McLeod Vance, also a member of the Sullins music faculty, accompanied and appeared on the program as a piano soloist. Among student soloists with the group were two North Carolinians, Paula Sotzer, Hickory, and Barbara Cantrell, Winston-Salem.

The Choir's appearance at East Carolina was one in a series of its concerts on its 1955 spring tour. During this period the ensemble will travel approximately 2,000 miles and make thirteen appearances in concerts in Virginia, North and South Carolina, and Washington, D. C.

A varied program of works by Bach, Mozart, and Brahms were presented by the Sullins choir. A group of spiritual, in choral arrangements, solos by members of the group, and numbers by an ensemble of eleven selected singers were main features of the program.



Shearon and Gunnerson Dance in "Brigadoon"

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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 "Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam", translated by E. Fitzgerald

## Editorial Comment

by Faye B. O'Neal

Back from the Easter holidays, the powers that be got off on the first lap of their journey last Wednesday night with a push and well wishes from those stepping into the retired league in the inauguration ceremonies held in honor of the new SGA officers. The beginners have quite a full schedule to complete. With the support of those who are their colleagues, they should have a good year, though.

The one plank in the new president's campaign platform that has caused the greatest ruckus already concerns getting drink machines for the women's dormitories. The paper has ducked in and out of the offices of those concerned and then returned later to get the full scoop. Looks like Umstead will have to have a way with women of all ages to get the coke machines installed. Before putting—30—on the drink machine episode, we are going to see what Umstead can do about quenching the thirst of our clamoring coeds.

Wade Cooper came into office last year by a slim margin. There were those on campus who thought little of his chances of promoting good relationships as head of the student body. It was no secret that the politicians who gathered in Flanagan on Wednesday nights fell into two distinct camps. There were obstacles everywhere for the young man who wanted to "do the most for the students."

Cooper met his challenge face to face. Those who knew his weaknesses, saw him go a long way toward conquering them. Those who thought he would have trouble were disappointed when he managed to convince the two factions that compromise was a most acceptable practice. When he handled a problem, he did it as a chairman should; he recognized and presented both sides, often while his own friends heckled him. He is a good man. He did a good job.

Dr. Messick spoke to the pitifully small number who attended the inaugural exercises with words that are not easily forgotten. In an informal manner, the president spoke warmly and directly to the "students." We wish every member of the student body could have heard him.

"A leader," said Dr. Messick, "must have a stiff backbone. And he must have some gray matter above his neck." How often we run to follow the leader who has a lot of backbone and a lot less "gray matter above the neck." We fail to realize that a challenge worth meeting is worth analyzing. If the fighter wishes to be victorious over his enemy, he has to study the strategy of that enemy. If a man thinks another man is wrong, he will bolster the cause of society by trying to show up the mistakes and not by eliminating them through force.

The student government president of several years ago informed Dr. Messick that he had "the interests of the students at heart" was told, just as we are continuously being told, that the president and his fellow administrators also have the interests of the students at heart. If they didn't, Dr. Messick says, the school wouldn't exist in the first place. He added that the state has our interests at heart when it pays for three-fifths of our education.

Firmly speaking, the chief said that the past year's officers had done a good job, but that they hadn't reached perfection. If they had, there wouldn't be anything left for others to do.

On the cheating situation, Dr. Messick took the view that "social disapproval" of that lowly act is the part of the majority of us who are at least "half honest" would clear the situation up. It is undoubtedly true that those of us who are against cheating will have to stop smiling at those who don't care if we want to put a stop to it.

We repeat, it's a shame that the president's speech, the most sincere spoken endeavor we have heard in a long time, was heard by so few of those it was meant for.

## Banquet Tickets On Sale

Seniors are urged to buy tickets for the Senior Class Banquet which will be held on Saturday evening, May 7, at 6:00 in the North Dining Hall, according to Charlie Bedford. Tickets may be purchased from Joyce Croon in Faculty Dorm, Dot Wooten in Wilson, Janice Markhan in Jarvis, Mairded Morris in Fleming, Gene Lanier or Charlie Bedford in Slay. The deadline for purchasing tickets will be May 1.

## Who's Who At East Carolina

### Coed Active In 'Y' Activities

by Lou Ann Rouse

Mairded Morris, former president of the Y, is our Who's Who for this week. This attractive brunette is a Home Economics major.



Mairded Morris

Although Mairded had decided that she was going to Meredith she was drawn to ECC. This came about mainly through her attending high school day here and feeling the friendliness of this campus. Also, she liked the many sports activities she found here.

As a counselor to the freshmen during her sophomore year, Mairded began to assume her role as a leader. The Spring before she went on Spring Retreat with fellow Y members to Lake View Shores. Then, during her sophomore year, Mairded served as social chairman for the Y. She enjoyed these activities very much and during her Junior year she served as president of the Y. Therefore, she served on the interreligious council last year and was a member of the SGA. She truly enjoyed helping plan Religious Emphasis Week, she stated.

While at ECC Mairded has attended the Immanuel Baptist Church and has been a member of the B. S. U. Last year she served as secretary of her Sunday school class.

In addition to the above activities, Mairded is a member of the Home Economics Club. In her sophomore year she served as social chairman for this organization. This year as a marshal, Mairded declares she has met many wonderful people. Also, this year she has a self-help job as dormitory hostess in Fleming.

Mairded and her roommate, Peggy Faircloth, also a Home Economics major, lived in the Home Management House together and did their student teaching together in Washington. Mairded enjoyed this but stated they only missed half a day because of the snow.

Sports activities rate high with Mairded. Other interests include reading, seeing a good movie, and photography.

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## Around The Campus

with Jimmy Ferrell

INCIDENTALLY! With the passing of Easter, May 20 marks the date of the next vacation. The Spring holidays vacation, although very short, left one with the realization that a long rest from the books would be quite soothing. It seems impossible that another school year is rapidly coming to a close!

SGA Treasurer This week's photo shows Billy Sharber, treasurer of the Student Government Association and one of the busiest persons on this campus. Billy, a Business Education major, is from Elizabeth City.



Billy Sharber

During the Fall and Winter quarters he served as First Assistant Treasurer under Howard Rooks. Rooks graduated at the end of Winter quarter and Billy was named treasurer for the remainder of this year. He will serve as treasurer next year also. The First Assistant Treasurer automatically becomes treasurer the following year. This office secures him the position as secretary of the Budget Committee and places him on the Executive Council. Howard Rooks describes Billy as "very efficient and conscientious."

Aside from his work with next year's SGA, Billy will serve as vice-president of Pi Omega Pi. He also holds membership in Phi Sigma Pi, Chi Kappa, and FBLA.

Billy says, "I thoroughly enjoy working with the SGA. It has given me very good experience, and I have enjoyed meeting all the people that the job has brought me in contact with."

Jimitorials! It's a shame that there aren't enough booths in the Soda Shop to take care of all those people who wish to eat lunch there at times. The Soda Shop seating situation has been a big problem all year. This is especially true around lunch every day. If you are lucky you might get to eat your lunch comfortably sitting down.

Taking food into the lounge might not create as big a problem as some think, and would definitely solve a lot of problems. A few well-placed waste baskets and student cooperation just might do the trick. Yes, we said student cooperation!

Any East Carolina student will tell you that the merchants in Greenville take advantage of them. With this comment we would like to bring in an experience of our own that we had a while back.

We walked into a downtown drugstore and asked for a large coke. Our order arrived and we paid the man a dime. "Do you have a penny," he asked, "these cups are expensive."

EC Girls—Good Looking! A Carolina Alumnus admitted to us: "I can see more pretty girls in one hour at East Carolina than I can all day long at Carolina."

A freshman from Carolina, visiting ECC during his Spring holidays, backed him up all the way on the statement.

Reminds us of Campus Life! From Earl Wilson Says: "Remember, when you live it up at night that you have to live it down the next day."

That's around enough!

## INSIDE THE NEST

by Joyce Smith

Question constantly arise around campus as to why girls cannot wear peddle pushers, Bermuda shorts, or shorts on back campus. From viewing sights on other campuses it seems that such apparel is permissible at other colleges. Some even go as far as to allow the girls to wear such while off-campus.

Girls are particularly concerned over having to wear raincoats or skirts to the gym or tennis courts. It is our belief that shorts or the like would not be nearly as distracting as bare knees appearing out of the coat every step. With spring and hot weather approaching it becomes quite a bit uncomfortable for a coat.

If girls are wearing such apparel in the dorms it becomes quite burdensome for them to have to change clothes every time they have an errand on back campus.

pushers, dungarees, or shorts, especially the girls who ride horses on our campus. Also during the summer, girls who are up for music camps often make this type of clothing their major outfit.

Certainly if anyone is to be allowed to wear shorts or the like it should be the girls who make East Carolina College their home while in school.

We will not be so broad minded as to state that girls should be allowed to make this their major outfit. This is far from our opinion. Our major plea is that girls merely be permitted to wear shorts, peddle pushers, or Bermuda shorts in commuting to and from the gym and in running errands on back campus.

## Feature Review Of 'Collegians'

by Jonnie Simpson

"The Collegians this year have the finest band in the state, in my opinion," says Jimmy Alexander, music director and saxophone player of the Collegians. And to the students here at East Carolina College the Collegians are "The finest band in Tarheel land."

Being inquisitive we decided to interview Jimmy Alexander and find out just how, when, and why the Collegians became the Collegians.

Back In '47 It all began back in 1947 when 11 boys decided it was their desire to organize a dance band. Mr. Herbert Carter took the 11 boys and organized them as a cooperative band. The band then elected him as music director and Bob Lee as manager.

This first band had no money and no equipment, which includes stands, music, PA system, a trailer, and dress coats, but they had a dream which became a reality. After the first three or four dances, the band members took their salaries and bought some dance equipment.

In 1948 they bought all the equipment of the Bob Berman Band in Wilmington and the band became known as the Bob Lee Orchestra. The personnel of the first band was Mr. Herbert Carter, Bob Lee, Leon Jackson, Bob Mays (vocalists), Bill Adcock, Jack White, L. M. Lancaster, Millard Ward, Bob Gaskins, Don Adcock, Maurice Bunat, Shelton Moore, and Joe Lassiter.

The Bob Lee Orchestra began an extensive advertising and publicity campaign, and became known as the "Best Band in Tarheel Land." In 1950 the Bob Lee Orchestra made numerous recordings of their arrangements which were sold to the students here on campus. It was during this year that Mr. Carter resigned his position as music director because of a conflict in his schedule. Charlie Klutz took over as music director and filled this position until his graduation fall quarter of this year.

Change Name The next most historical marker in this retrospective of our college band was in 1952. The Bob Lee Orchestra changed its name and became known as the famous Collegians.

One of the interesting things Jimmy Alexander told us about the Collegians concerned particulars of their constitution. The constitution is composed of the rules the members abide by. Also the powers of the music director are listed, and rules concerning an absence from the job, and tardiness. All members of the Collegians must be at practice sessions.

Every quarter if the occasion arises there are try-outs for positions. All students have the right to try out for any position in the band. A person qualifies if there is a two-thirds approval vote of the rest of the band. And any member can be voted out by a three-fourths vote of the band.

Jimmy Alexander says of the Collegians, "We are not recognized by a specific style such as Ray Anthony and Glenn Miller, but we have a style of our own. And we play the music and styles of all the bands."

At intervals the Collegians have house cleaning and they take out all their old numbers and store them for future use.

Tour Appearances Music played by Collegians is heard not only at East Carolina College dances, but at outstanding events all over North Carolina. The Shriner's Convention, the Azalea Festival, the Harvest Festival, and the President's Ball in Elizabeth City are some of the festival occasions where they have played. Also this year they have played for dances at N. C. State College, Wake Forest and at the Casino and Recreation Center at Nags Head. Each year the Collegians receive more calls than they can fill to play at high school Junior-Seniors all over the state.

Outstanding soloists with the Collegians since their beginning in 1947 and up to this year are Bob Mays, Bernie Ham, Larry Parlor, Don and Bill Adcock, Bob Lee, Ed Benson, Bill Galsgon (arranger), Bob Craft, L. B. Starling, R. B. Starling, Charlie Klutz, Clyde Strong, and Frank Hammond.

Cold Music Jimmy tells of their coldest if not the most amusing event, which happened at one of the Azalea Festivals. It was so cold that the band played in overcoats and gloves. The saxophone pads were completely frozen and some were even broken because of the extreme weather.

This May come Commencement time seven members of the Collegians will be graduating. There is going to be a definite problem of replacing the members who are finishing. "But," says Jimmy Alexander, "the Collegians have survived more difficult problems in the past and as long as E.C.C. stays here the Collegians will be here as a band."

## A Controversial Pot

### Honor... Underneath The Rug

by Anne George

There has been for many years some questions regarding the qualifications and attributes necessary to become marshals. It is stated in the handbook, "The scholarship of marshals shall attain an average of not less than '3.' All marshals are elected by a vote of the student body."

It is our opinion that the position of marshal should be such a distinguished and honorable position that there should be no doubts or blemishes concerning those who are marshals. It has been brought to our attention that one of the marshals handed in her name after the prescribed deadline, but was still placed on the ballot and now is a marshal. Yet, another student, a student just as capable as this one previously referred to, handed her name in a day late... but not to the same person. And, therefore, her name did not appear on the ballot and she is not now a marshal. Students, I ask you, is this justice?

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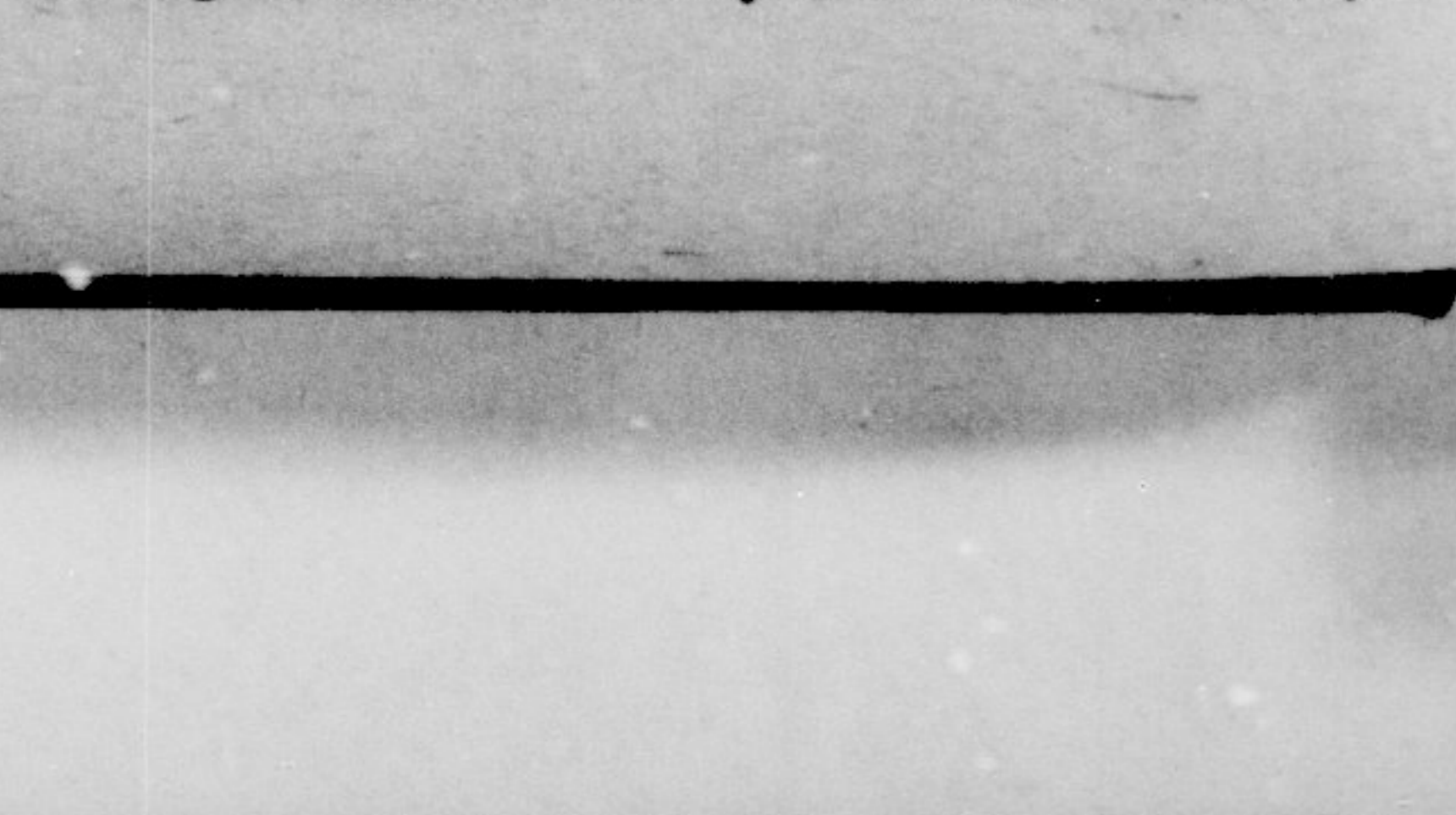
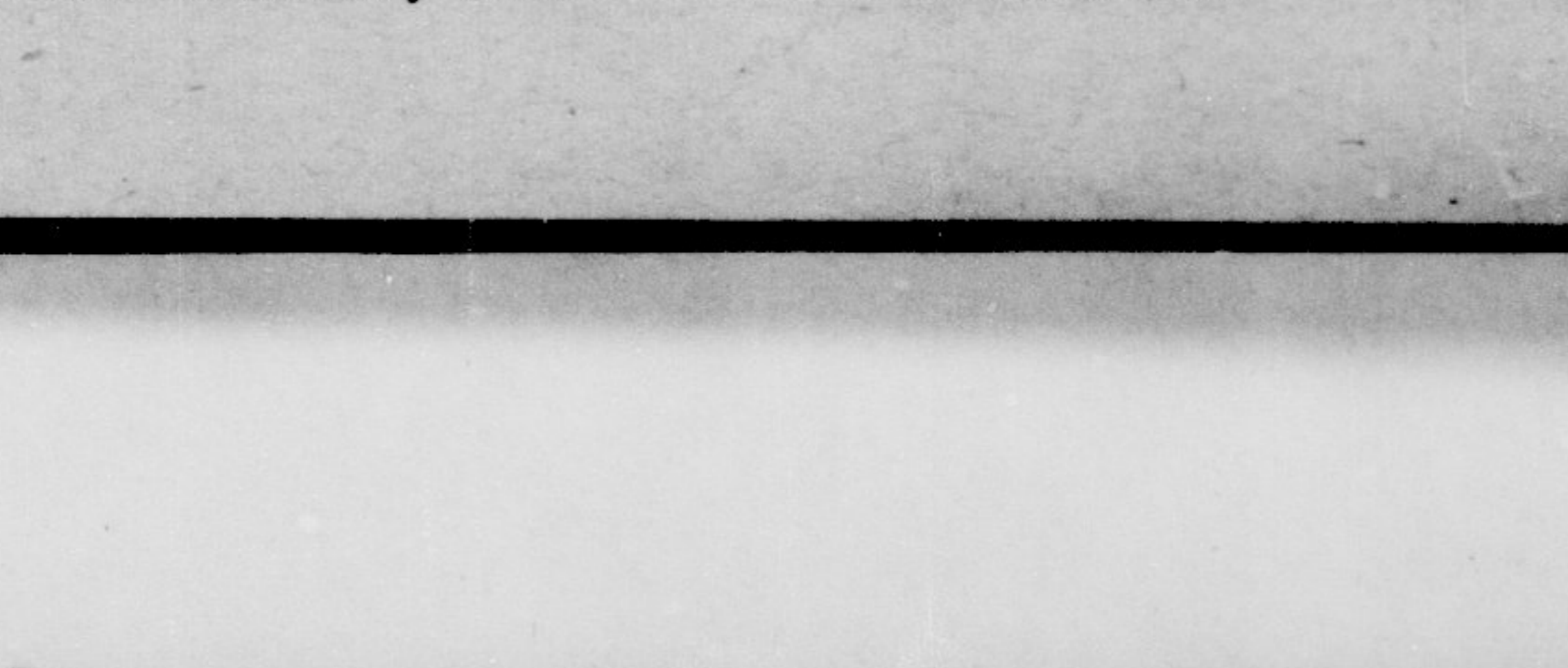
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## The Sleeping Majority

A recent voluntary meeting of the students of East Carolina College certainly made the striking example that East Carolina students lack initiative and interest in the affairs of the school. The purpose of this meeting was to install the incoming officers of the Student Legislature.

Out of the approximate enrollment of 2500 at East Carolina we would say that approximately 50 students were present for the meeting. If the students showed a sincere interest in the work of their student government, Austin Auditorium would have been filled to capacity.

Just where this lack of spirit begins is an unsolved question. It appears to be a routine factor for the majority of students to just go to class, do their studies and have their own pleasure. However, there is much more to getting a true college experience. While the administration and the student government strive diligently in trying to promote a well-rounded education program at East Carolina College many students continually ignore the fact. Regardless of how earnestly the administration and SGA work in trying to promote a good program it will never reach its maximum until the full cooperation of all students is guaranteed.

Another factor that we would like to call attention to is that some students continually gripe about various incidents connected with the school, yet they fail to realize that a little interest on their part could be most beneficial. No student at East Carolina is of such a minority that his opinion fails to count. As retiring SGA president Wade Coper pointed out as he stepped down from his position, the purpose of the student government is to serve the masses and the individual. Individuals are the roots of all dealings made by the students and administrative officials of East Carolina College.

This publication is fully aware of the happenings of the student government and it is a seldom occurrence that students not on the legislature make their appearance before the body. If individuals or groups have suggestions for any improvements in SGA they should feel free to contact the necessary persons and they would certainly be glad to discuss them with you.

The same is true with the administration. As President Messick pointed out in his talk to the students on April 13, if it were not for the students here there would be no need for an administration.—J. S.

## Live On The Weekends

All of us look forward to Friday because to most of us it means that another weekend has arrived. The weekend is a time for pleasure, relaxation and freedom from books and school worries.

The weekends are all of those things—except on the highways. In 1954, 13,980 persons were killed and 678,000 were injured in weekend accidents, according to figures compiled and released by the Travelers Insurance Companies. Thirty-nine per cent of the deaths and 35 per cent of the injuries were recorded on Saturdays and Sundays in 1954.

Excessive speed was the most dangerous driving mistake in 1954, as it has been in preceding years, killing 2,380 persons. The 1953 total was 13,780. Drivers under 25 years of age were involved in more than 24 per cent of 1954's fatal accidents, although they constitute only about 14 per cent of the total of all drivers.

Weekend crashes accounted for 13,890 killed and 678,000 injured. The 1953 weekend record was 15,800 killed and 800,000 injured. The Travelers Insurance Companies also reports that 39 per cent of the deaths and 35 per cent of the injuries occurred on Saturdays and Sundays last year, with more occurring on Saturday. One good reason for this is that more cars are traveling the highways on Saturdays than on any other day. There is another important feature which sets this day apart from the others. For too many people, Saturday night is a time when drinking and driving are combined. No one knows how many traffic accidents are caused by drinking drivers, but everyone knows it is a major problem.

## Editorial Comment

by Faye B. O'Neal

Back from the Easter holidays, the powers that be get off on the first leg of their journey last Wednesday night with a push and well wishes from those stepping into the retired league in the inauguration ceremonies held in honor of the new SGA officers. The beginners have quite a full schedule to complete. With the support of those who are their colleagues, they should have a good year, though.

The one plank in the new president's campaign platform that has caused the greatest ruckus already concerns getting drink machines for the women's dormitories. The paper has tucked in and out of the offices of those concerned and then returned later to get the full scoop. Looks like Unstead will have to have a way with women of all ages to get the machines installed. Before putting —30— on the drink machine episode, we are going to see what Unstead can do about quenching the thirst of our clamoring coeds.

Wade Coper came into office last year by a slim margin. There were those on campus who thought little of his chances of promoting good relationships as head of the student body. It was no secret that the politicians who gathered in Flanagan on Wednesday nights fell into two distinct camps. There were obstacles everywhere for the young man who wanted to "do the most for the students."

Cooper met his challenge face to face. Those who knew his weaknesses, saw him go a long way toward conquering them. Those who thought he would have trouble were disappointed when he managed to convince the two factions that compromise was a most acceptable practice. When he handled a problem, he did it as a chairman should; he recognized and presented both sides, often while his opponents heckled him. He is a good man. He did a good job.

Dr. Messick spoke to the pitifully small number who attended the inaugural exercises with words that are not easily forgotten. In an informal manner, the president spoke warmly and directly to the "students." We wish every member of the student body could have heard him.

"A leader," said Dr. Messick, "must have a stiff backbone. And he must have some gray matter above his neck." How often we run to follow the leader who has a lot of backbone and a lot less "gray matter above the neck." We fail to realize that a challenge worth meeting is worth analyzing. If the fighter wishes to be victorious over his enemy, he has to study the strategy of that enemy. If a man thinks another man is wrong, he will bolster the cause of society by trying to show up the mistakes and not by eliminating them through force.

The student government president of several years ago who informed Dr. Messick that he had "the interests of the students at heart" was told, just as we are continuously being told, that the president and his fellow administrators also have the interests of the students at heart. If they didn't, Dr. Messick says, the school wouldn't exist in its first place. He added that the state has our interests at heart when it pays for three-fifths of our education.

Firmly speaking, the chief said that the past year's officers had done a good job, but that they hadn't reached perfection. If they had, there wouldn't be anything left for others to do.

On the cheating situation, Dr. Messick took the view that "social disapproval" of that lowly act on the part of the majority of us who are at least "half honest" would clear the situation up. It is undoubtedly true that those of us who are against cheating will have to stop smiling at those who don't care if we want to put a stop to it.

We repeat, it's a shame that the president's speech, the most sincere spoken endeavor we have heard in a long time, was heard by so few of those it was meant for.

## Banquet Tickets On Sale

Seniors are urged to buy tickets for the Senior Class Banquet which will be held on Saturday evening, May 7, at 6:00 in the North Dining Hall, according to Charlie Bedford. Tickets may be purchased from Joyce Croon in Faculty Dorm, Dot Wooten in Wilson, Janice Markhan in Jarvis, Mairied Morris in Fleming, Gene Lanier or Charlie Bedford in Slay. The deadline for purchasing tickets will be May 1.

## Who's Who At East Carolina

### Coed Active In 'Y' Activities

by Lou Ann Rouse

Mairied Morris, former president of the Y, is our Who's Who for this week. This attractive brunette is a Home Economics major.

Although Mairied had decided that she was going to Meredith she was drawn to ECC. This came about mainly through her attending high school day here and feeling the friendliness of this campus. Also, she liked the many sports activities she found here.

As a counselor to the freshmen during her sophomore year, Mairied began to assume her role as a leader. The Spring before she went on Spring Retreat with fellow Y members to Lake View Shores. Then, during her sophomore year, Mairied served as social chairman for the Y. She enjoyed these activities very much and during her Junior year she served as president of the Y. Therefore, she served on the interreligious council last year and was a member of the SGA. She truly enjoyed helping plan Religious Emphasis Week, she stated.

While at ECC Mairied has attended the Emmanuel Baptist Church and has been a member of the B. S. U. Last year she served as secretary of her Sunday school class.

In addition to the above activities, Mairied is a member of the Home Economics Club. In her sophomore year she served as social chairman for this organization. This year as a marshal, Mairied declares she has met many wonderful people. Also, this year she has a self-help job as dormitory hostess in Fleming. Mairied and her roommate, Peggy



Mairied Morris

Faireloth, also a Home Economics major, lived in the Home Management House together and did their student teaching together in Washington. Mairied enjoyed this but stated they only missed half a day because of the snow.

Sports activities rate high with Mairied. Other interests include reading, seeing a good movie, and photography.

This young woman, who considers being president of the Y her greatest honor since being here at ECC, plans to be a Home Demonstration agent. As yet, she has not decided on any specific location. We bid her farewell, knowing she will be a success in this position.

## Around The Campus

with Jimmy Ferrell

### INCIDENTALLY!

With the passing of Easter, May 29 marks the date of the next vacation. The Spring holidays vacation, although very short, left one with the realization that a long rest from the books would be quite soothing. It seems impossible that another school year is rapidly coming to a close!

**SGA Treasurer**  
This week's photo shows Billy Sharber, treasurer of the Student Government Association and one of the busiest persons on this campus. Billy, a Business Education major, is from Elizabeth City.

During the Fall and Winter quarters he served as First Assistant Treasurer under Howard Rooks. Rooks graduated at the end of Winter quarter and Billy was named treasurer for the remainder of this year. He will serve as treasurer next year also. The First Assistant Treasurer automatically becomes treasurer the following year. This office secures him the position as secretary of the Budget Committee and places him on the Executive Council. Howard Rooks describes Billy as "very efficient and conscientious."

Aside from his work with next year's SGA, Billy will serve as vice-president of Pi Omega Pi. He also holds membership in Phi Sigma Pi, Chi Kappa, and FBIA.

Billy says, "I thoroughly enjoy working with the SGA. It has given me very good experience, and I have enjoyed meeting all the people that the job has brought me in contact with."

### Jimitorials!

Let's a shame that there aren't enough booths in the Soda Shop to take care of all those people who wish to eat lunch there at times. The Soda Shop seating situation has been a big problem all year. This is especially true around lunch every day. If you are lucky you might get to eat your lunch comfortably sitting down.

Taking food into the lounge might not create as big a problem as some think, and would definitely solve a



Billy Sharber

lot of problems. A few well-placed waste baskets and student cooperation just might do the trick. Yes, we said student cooperation!

Any East Carolina student will tell you that the merchants in Greenville take advantage of them. With this comment we would like to bring in an experience of our own that we had a while back.

We walked into a downtown drugstore and asked for a large coke. Our order arrived and we paid the man a dime. "Do you have a penny," he asked, "these cups are expensive."

### EC Girls—Good Looking!

A Carolina Alumnus admitted to us: "I can see more pretty girls in one hour at East Carolina than I can all day long at Carolina."

A freshman from Carolina, visiting EC during his Spring holidays, backed him up all the way on the statement.

### Reminds us of Campus Life!

From Earl Wilson Says: "Remember, when you live it up at night that you have to live it down the next day."  
That's around enough!

## INSIDE THE NEST

by Joyce Smith

Questions constantly arise around campus as to why girls cannot wear peddle pushers, Bermuda shorts, or shorts on back campus. From viewing sight, on other campuses it seems that such apparel is permissible at other colleges. Some even go as far as to allow the girls to wear such while off-campus.

Girls are particularly concerned over having to wear raincoats or skirts to the gym or tennis courts. It is our belief that shorts or the like would not be nearly as distracting as bare knees appearing out of the coat every step. With spring and hot weather approaching it becomes quite a bit uncomfortable for a coat.

If girls are wearing such apparel in the dorms it becomes quite burdensome for them to have to change clothes every time they have an errand on back campus.

Local Greenville girls very frequently come on campus with peddle

pushers, dungarees, or shorts, especially the girls who ride horses on our campus. Also during the summer, girls who are up for music camps often make this type of clothing their major outfit.

Certainly if anyone is to be allowed to wear shorts or the like it should be the girls who make East Carolina College their home while in school.

We will not be so broad minded as to state that girls should be allowed to make this their major outfit. This is far from our opinion. Our major plea is that girls merely be permitted to wear shorts, peddle pushers, or Bermuda shorts in commuting to and from the gym and in running errands on back campus.

We, as a representative of the girls at East Carolina College, believe that the majority of female students here would use wise judgment in wearing shorts, etc., if only permitted wear them at necessary times.

## Feature Review Of 'Collegians'

by Jonnie Simpson

"The Collegians this year have the finest band in the state, in my opinion," says Jimmy Alexander, music director and saxophone player of the Collegians. And to the students here at East Carolina College the Collegians are "The finest band in Tarheel Land."

Being inquisitive we decided to interview Jimmy Alexander and find out just how, when, and why the Collegians became the Collegians.

**Back In '47**  
It all began back in 1947 when 11 boys decided it was their desire to organize a dance band. Mr. Herbert Carter took the 11 boys and organized them as a cooperative band. The band then elected him as music director and Bob Lee as manager.

This first band had no money and no equipment, which includes stands, music, PA system, a trailer, and dress coats, but they had a dream which just became a reality. After the first three or four dances, the band members took their salaries and bought some dance equipment.

In 1948 they bought all the equipment of the Bob Berman Band in Wilmington and the band became known as the Bob Lee Orchestra. The personnel of the first band was Mr. Herbert Carter, Bob Lee, Leon Jackson, Bob Mays (vocalists), Bill Adcock, Jack White, L. M. Lancaster, Millard Ward, Bob Gaskins, Don Adcock, Maurice Bunat, Shelton Moore, and Joe Lassiter.

The Bob Lee Orchestra began an extensive advertising and publicity campaign, and became known as the "Best Band in Tarheel Land." In 1950 the Bob Lee Orchestra made numerous recordings of their arrangements which were sold to the students here on campus. It was during this year that Mr. Carter resigned his position as music director because of a conflict in his schedule. Charlie Klutz took over as music director and filled this position until his graduation fall quarter of this year.

**Change Name**  
The next most historical marker in this retrospective of our college band was in 1952. The Bob Lee Orchestra changed its name and became known as the famous Collegians.

One of the interesting things Jimmy Alexander told us about the Collegians concerned particularly of their constitution. The constitution is composed of the rules the members abide by. Also the powers of the music director are listed, and rules concerning an absence from the job, and tardiness. All members of the Collegians must be at practice sessions.

Every quarter if the occasion arises there are try-outs for positions. All students have the right to try out for any position in the band. A person qualifies if there is a two-thirds approval vote of the rest of the band. And any member can be voted out by a three-fourths vote of the band.

Jimmy Alexander says of the Collegians, "We are not recognized by a specific style such as Ray Anthony and Glenn Miller, but we have a style of our own. And we play the music and styles of all the bands."

At intervals the Collegians have house cleaning and they take out all their old numbers and store them for future use.

### Tour Appearances

Music played by Collegians is heard not only at East Carolina College dances, but at outstanding events all over North Carolina. The Shriner's Convention, the Azalea Festival, the Harvest Festival, and the President's Ball in Elizabeth City are some of the festival occasions where they have played. Also this year they have played for dances at N. C. State College, Wake Forest and at the Casino and Recreation Center at Nags Head. Each year the Collegians receive more calls than they can fill to play at high school Junior-Seniors all over the state.

Outstanding soloists with the Collegians since their beginning in 1947 and up to this year are Bob Mays, Bernie Ham, Larry Parlor, Don and Bill Adcock, Bob Lee, Ed Benson, Bill Galsgon (arranger), Bob Craft, L. B. Starling, R. B. Starling, Charlie Klutz, Clyde Strong, and Frank Hammond.

**Cold Music**  
Jimmy tells of their coldest if not the most amusing event, which happened at one of the Azalea Festivals. It was so cold that the band played in overcoats and gloves. The saxophone pads were completely frozen and some were even broken because of the extreme weather.

This May come Commencement time seven members of the Collegians will be graduating. There is going to be a definite problem of replacing the members who are finishing. "But," says Jimmy Alexander, "the Collegians have survived more difficult problems in the past and as long as E.C.C. stays here the Collegians will be here as a band."

## A Controversial Pot

### Honor... Underneath The Rug

by Anne George

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# Bucs Battle Elon In Twin-Bill Here Today

## Pruitt, Cherry To Oppose 'Best Mound Staff In South'

by J. W. Browning  
Coach Jim Mallory's Pirate baseballers will play host to Elon's Christians here in a doubleheader Saturday afternoon with the first game beginning at 2 p.m. It will be a crucial twinbill for both teams involved and the Pirates will have to gain at least a split in the two games in order to stay in the Eastern Division race. Both teams have won-lost marks of 3-3, a record that has deadlocked the two squads in a tie for first place in the Eastern standings of the North State loop race.

Elon's defending conference champions are said by many to have the best pitching staff in the South. The pitchers that constitute the "Big Four" for the Christians were under the leadership of Coach Jim Mallory in his long successful tenure at Elon. All four of the Christians' top pitchers were former All-Staters. They are Luther Conger, Sherrill Hall, Hank Hamrick, and Charlie Swisegood. These experienced veterans will be large barriers in East Carolina's hopes of a sweep of the important twinbill.

The Christians have won the conference crown for the last two seasons and while under the reins of Coach Mallory they were Eastern champs for five years and North State title holders for two. Their pitching and all-around strength is not to be denied and it will not be taken lightly by the Pirates.

East Carolina's proud Buccaneers, on the other hand, have had flashes of excellence on their mound with the addition of freshman ace Tommy Pruitt, Mac Cherry, veteran of the Pirates' pitching staff, Charlie Russell, and Bill Loving will handle the mound chores for the Bucs Saturday along with Pruitt, Cherry and Pruitt will probably receive the starting nod for the two games and Russell and Loving will be in the bullpen to offer their assistance when it is needed.

Pruitt, after already pitching a seven-inning no-hitter in a previous game this season, had a no-hitter going for 8 2-3 innings against Atlantic Christian last week. He wound up the brilliantly pitched game with a two-hitter. Mac Cherry, the locals' outstanding veteran performer, will probably start the other game as the Pirates are hopeful of a twin sweep over the power-packed Christians.

The batting order for the Pirates will probably have Bucky Reep leading off, followed by Cecil Heath, Guther Cline, Gene Turner, Nick Smothers, Bob Penley, Bill Cline, and Jerry Stewart.

## Undefeated Bucs Meet High Point Netters Monday

East Carolina's tennis squad, fresh from three straight conference victories, are practicing daily in tireless preparation for two important matches next Monday and Tuesday with High Point's Panthers, the defending North State Conference tennis champions.

The Pirate Racketeers are, so far, undefeated in loop play, having conquered three North State foes before spring holidays. They trounced Elon's Christians in two matches, 3-3 and 8-1, and then travelled to the hills of Guilford College and downed the hapless Quakers, 5-2.

The matches next week with High Point carry a grave significance for both squads since the Pirates have finished second to the Panthers in loop standings for the last three years. Last season the visiting High Pointers dropped the Bucs 4-3 and 5-2 to clinch the championship. Thus, the stage is set for another battle for the loop championship. The squad that wins the matches next week will be the team that wins the North State tennis championship!

Leading the locals into their championship attempts next week at High Point will be Maurice Everette and Frazier Bruton.

East Carolina's squad started the season with only two lettermen and now Bruton is the lone remainder. J. W. Browning, the only other letterman and number four man for the Pirates, was forced to discontinue his varsity participation due to a back injury. He had compiled a 2-1 record in the young conference season.

## Sport Lite

by Neil King

Richard "Brother" Monds, graduate of Dunn High School in 1951, is in this week's Sport Lite spot lite.

While attending Dunn High, Dick now 23 years old, played four years of football at the guard post and three years of baseball as a catcher. Monds' senior year there proved most prosperous for him as he was the first Dunn lad ever to make All-State as a footballer. The same year he was awarded the annual Blocking Trophy for his efforts as a lineman.

To cap these two honors, he was chosen to play in the annual Shrine Bowl game staged in Charlotte between the best high school football players in North and South Carolina. In baseball, he was never accorded such honors, but he more than held down the first-string catcher's position for his final three years at Dunn.

After graduation, "Brother" joined the Navy and played baseball for two years while serving aboard the USS Nereus, a submarine tender, in San Diego, Calif. The Navy thought enough of his ability to play football to pull him off the Nereus during the piskin season to perform for Commander Submarine Force, Pacific Fleet, and later for Commander Training Command, Pacific Fleet.

During the past football season, Monds steadily pulled himself up along the ranks, and by this past spring training season, he was running first-string guard for Coach Boone's forces. Currently, Dick is playing baseball, and as a catcher is second only to veteran Bill Cline.

After Cline's graduation, Monds will be the most likely candidate to fill his shoes. "Brother" will be a sophomore next year and is sure to see quite a bit of action on both the gridiron and the diamond.

Monds is married and is the proud pop of two children. Beth, the oldest, is two years old, and is followed by Richard Jr., who is one year old.

## East Carolina Tracksters Thrash Newport News Set

by Commodore Caswell

In their initial meet of the year, East Carolina's tracksters defeated a strong Newport News Apprentice aggregation in Norfolk, 69.6-61.4 on April 7.

Last year's North State champs carried their banner high throughout the meet. Led by "Injun Jim" Henderson, the Bucs showed their strength by receiving points in every event except the relay and two mile.

Henderson, former Virginia high school star, set a new Apprentice school record for the low hurdles. He also tied the school record in the 100 with a terrific 9.9 time. Further aiding in the win, he clinched first place in the 220 and high hurdles.

In the field events, the ECC tracksters took a clean sweep of the javelin throw with Eddie Dennis leading the way and Topsy Hayes and Dave Gravitz gaining second and third places, respectively. Versatile Topsy added another accomplishment to his strong of athletic talents, by winning second place in the pole vault. It was Hayes' first try at the event.

Bobby Perry and Bobby Patterson gathered in four points by taking second and third positions in the broad jump. Louis Slade of ECC took third place in the shot, Dave Gravitz second in the discus. The Pirates also received points as a five-way tie resulted in the high jump.

The strong Buccaneer runners took first places in every track event except the two mile. The 100 yard dash was a clean sweep as Henderson, Perry and Hayes collected nine points

## SPORTS ECHO

by Billy Arnold

East Carolina freshman Tommy Jenkins, one of the outstanding new athletes in this section of the state, was injured in a disastrous auto accident during the Easter holidays. The former Greensboro high school ace is resting in the Chapel Hill hospital in critical condition after being struck by a car traveling at 65 miles per hour.

Jenkins, a husky 6-3 forward on the Pirate Freshman basketball team, was a leading rebounder and prolific scorer. He led the squad in scoring and was tabbed during the early 1954-55 season as sure-fire varsity material.

As baseball season rolled around this year, Tommy exchanged his shorts and tennis shoes for diamond garb and began to patrol the outfield for Coach Jim Mallory. "Tom was a great high school ball player," commented Coach Mallory. "He pitched and played a good third base at Greensboro."

The Buccaneer baseball mentor continued, "Jenkins is a natural-born hitter. He has what the professionals call 'quick-wrist action.'"

The entire student body of East Carolina College is in Big Tom Jenkins' rooting section as he meets his greatest battle—and if such a contest is won on courage and determination, our boy will be victorious.

Saturday's big tilt between the Pirates and the Fighting Christians of

Elon College will bring some of the flashiest mound talent ever seen on the Campus field. Doc Mathis' crew boasts of "the best pitching staff in the South," and indications thus far this year seem to verify the truth of that statement.

Elon's line-up includes four (no less) All-State pitchers who have been setting the league aflame. Luther Conger, Sherrill Hall, Hank Hamrick, and Charlie Swisegood form the strongest threat the Greenville boys are likely to face. All four gained experience in semi-pro ball in Canada and Hamrick pitched for the United States Army.

An ironical point behind the scenes of this important contest is that nine of Elon's ballplayers, including all four of the hurlers named above, were recruited for the Christians by ECC's own Coach Mallory at the time he was head instructor at that college.

Western Carolina has taken the lead of the Western division of the North State Conference with a 4-0 slate. Jim Kuykendall, Catamount iron man, worked both ends of a double header last week, defeating Appalachian 9-7 and 7-0 in two seven inning stints.

Lenoir Rhyne, close on the heels of their western neighbors, dumped Catawba 6-3 and 6-2 in a make-up doubleheader. The Bears have a 2-0 won-lost record.

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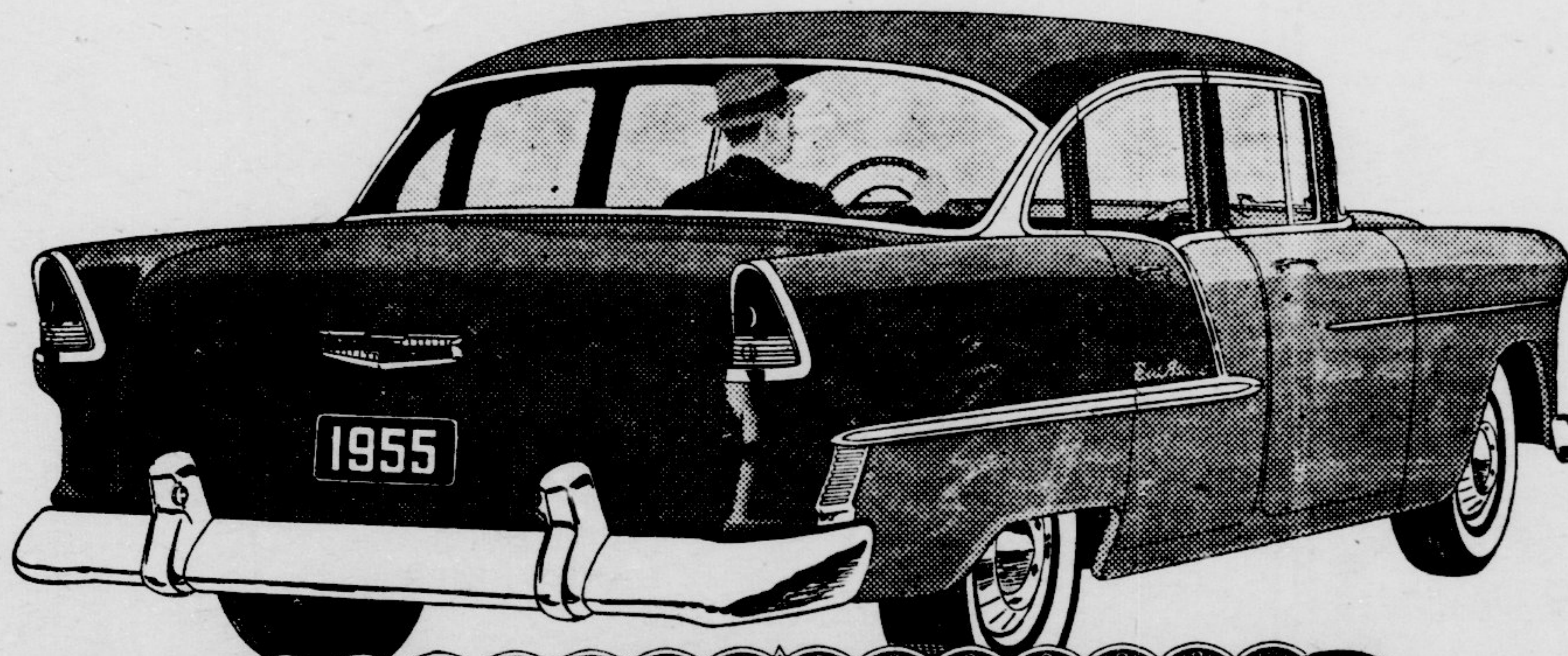
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First Time For East Carolina

New York Musician Here For Auditions

Josef Adler of New York City, noted pianist, teacher, and accompanist, will be chief adjudicator at auditions conducted at East Carolina College April 26-30 under the sponsorship of the National Guild of Piano Teachers.

Dr. Robert Carter, faculty member of the East Carolina department of music and president of the North Carolina Music Educators Association, is chairman in charge of the event.

At selected centers from coast to coast in this country, the Guild has conducted auditions for student pianists each spring since 1929.

Teachers in the area near Greenville who are Guild members may enter their pupils in the East Carolina auditions, Dr. Carter states. Each entrant will be given a private hearing by Mr. Adler in the auditorium of the Austin building at the college.

Mr. Adler, a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, and a graduate of the Conservatory there, has maintained a studio in New York City for many years and has devoted a large part of his time to teaching and accompanying. A pupil of Josef Lhevinne, he has appeared in concert with such noted musicians as Eugene Ysaie, Michel Plasse, Horace Britt, and others. As soloist, he has played in 35 recitals in Educational Institutes in Japan.

Four Students Attend National Conference

Four student members of the Association for Childhood Education at East Carolina College attended a national conference of the organization April 8-17 in Kansas City, Mo. They were accompanied by Dr. Eva Williamson of the college department of education.

While in Kansas City, the East Carolina students enrolled in discussion groups, attended general meetings, and toured interesting parts of the city.

In addition to Dr. Williamson, delegates representing the East Carolina ACE were Betty Jo Carroll of Greenville, Joan Crawford of Rockingham, Mabel Cannon of Mount Olive, and Jane Midyette of Fairfield.

Staff Members Needed

Joyce Smith and Jimmy Ferrell, co-editors of next year's East Carolinian, have asked that all students interested in working on the staff next year to meet tonight at 6:30 in the newspaper office.

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Passion Play Production Draws Favorable Comments

Peace and serenity filled Wright Auditorium last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights when the second annual Passion Play sponsored by St. James Methodist Church of Greenville was presented.

May Day Plans

Plans are well underway for a successful May Day Dance to be held on the evening of April 30. With music being furnished by the Collegians, the dance will be from 8:30 to 11:45. This dance is a closed dance at which only students, their dates, faculty members, and parents of attendants will be admitted.

In the past it has been a custom at East Carolina for girls to wear evening dresses and for boys to wear business suits to semi-formal dances. In order to clear up much confusion that has arisen over the matter, we would like to bring to the attention of the students Emily Post's definition for semi-formal. According to Emily Post's "Etiquette" semi-formal does not mean women in formal evening dress and men in business suits, in communities where the tail is worn, semi-formal means dinner jackets (tuxedos) and simple evening dresses.

The May Day Dance will be a dress-up dance and the girls should wear evening dresses and boys should wear dark business suits, white shirts, dark ties and dark suits.

The story, based on the Passion Play of Oberammergau as translated by Montrose J. Moses, was adapted by Dr. J. A. Withby of the English Department. This deeply moving story dealt with Christ's last days on earth up through the court of judgment and ended with the moving beauty of Christ's resurrection.

One hundred members were in the cast and the chorus was composed of forty citizens of Pitt County and surrounding areas. Four East Carolina students had leading roles in this production. Doug Mitchell, Greenville, portrayed Caiaphas, a powerful Jewish king who prosecuted Christ. This is the second year Doug has been in the Passion Play. Pat Goodwin, Millington, Tenn., was Judith, the wife of Simon who denied Christ. This is the first year Pat has been in the play. Patsy Smith, Greenville, was cast as Mary Magdalene who was the last person to see Christ before he arose from the dead. Patsy also appeared in the play last year. Lloyd Bray, Greenville, portrayed John, one of the disciples. This is also Lloyd's second year with this production. Pinky White, Washington, served on the technical crew.

Bill Watson, Greenville, started this production last year and it has already grown and become an annual affair, not only for the citizens of Pitt County, but for the East Carolina student body as well.

Student Organizations Report Activities

Officers of Kappa Upsilon chapter of Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity on the campus of East Carolina College, have been elected for the 1955-1956 term.

Dock G. Smith of Princeton was chosen president of the chapter to succeed Kenneth Bordeaux of Mount Olive. Charles K. Lovelace of New Bern is first vice president and Commodore E. Caswell of Whiteville is second vice president.

Other new officers are Wiley B. Teal Jr., Wadesboro, corresponding secretary; LaVerne Strickland, Durham, recording secretary; Jack Wynne, Bethel, treasurer; James Nance, Brunswick, chaplain; Robert G. Penley, Elon College, sergeant-at-arms; Donald Moore, Whiteville, historian; and Carl L. Sanders Jr., Wilmington, charter alumni secretary.

Smith has served as historian of the chapter during the current school term. The advisory committee is made up of Alumni Secretary James W. Butler, chairman, President J. D. Messick, Director of Student Personnel Clinton R. Prewett, Dean Leo W. Jenkins, and Business Manager F. D. Dancy.

Officers of the Beta Kappa Chapter of Pi Omega Pi, national honorary fraternity for students of business education, are:

Justus L. McKeel of Bethel, junior at East Carolina College, will serve during the 1955-1956 school term as president of the Beta Kappa Chapter of Pi Omega Pi, national honorary fraternity for students of business education.

The East Carolina chapter is an organization of students with superior scholastic standing in the department of business education. Because of its excellent program of activities, it has received recognition from Pi Omega Pi as one of the nation's outstanding chapters.

Lene Harrell of Macesfield and Ailee Barbour of Four Oaks were chosen in recent elections as historians and will edit the Pi Omega Pi yearbook issued each spring at the college. Their assistants will be Bobby Mang of Newport and Greenville Banks of Maple.

Other officers chosen to serve during 1955-1956 are Billy Sharer of Elizabeth City, vice president; Bobbie Lou Avant of Whiteville, secretary; Wills Rae Bowen of Rocky Mount, assistant secretary; and Clarence Brown of Hickory, treasurer.

by Rev. E. G. Cole of Winterville and Mayola Campen along with Juanita Garris helped persons interested in character and Bible stories.

The above schedule was released by Shirley Lassiter and Shirley Alford who are working together as forum leaders during the remaining part of this year.

At a recent meeting of the Westminster Fellowship the nominating committee submitted officers for the coming year, and the following were unanimously elected by the group to serve as next year's officers: Frank Moore, president; Martha Johnston, vice president; Carol Cameron, secretary; and June Quinn, treasurer.

The group discussed plans for the annual spring retreat which is to be held at Presbytery Conference Grounds on Bogue Sound on May 6 and 7.

Officers for the Home Economics Club for the coming year are: Jean Buchanan, president; Shirley Harrowe, vice-president; Mary Elizabeth Jones, secretary; Eunice Castletow, East Carolinian reporter; Marjorie Wright, Buceaneer reporter.

Delegates who attended the North Carolina Home Economics Association Workshop were Jean Buchanan, Nancy Henderson, and Dr. Bessie McNeil, advisor.

Attention Men Students

Dean Prewett has announced that all men students who plan to live in the dormitory during summer school may begin making their room reservations now.

Students Comment On Good Music

by Mary Alice Madry

According to a poll taken on campus most of the college students have changed their opinion of music in some way since entering college. Some of the students now like classical music more while some now like modern jazz. However, they all agree that they have had more opportunities to listen to good music since coming to East Carolina. Here are the opinions of a few students:

Conrad Sloan: "College increased my appreciation for better music." Peggy Outlaw: "I understand music better now and realize the importance of music in a person's development."

Jean Dupree: "I have learned to like modern jazz." Beverly Summer: "I like popular music more."

Roy Askeew: "Although I'm not a music major, I believe music has played a big part in my life at East Carolina College. Participating in musicals and singing give me great satisfaction."

Suzanne Fretz: "The entertainment series has helped me learn to like a greater variety of music." Frances Smith: "I learned to recognize good music."

Charles Harper: "I have learned to like all kinds of music better, especially popular music, but I have also learned to appreciate classical music more."

Travis Martin: "I feel that my experience in music during college has greatly increased my appreciation in this field and shall play a big part in my life after I leave college."

Another Talent Show

During the second week in May, another talent show is being planned! This show will be sponsored by the East Carolinian. We hope to make this one as successful as the two previous. Anyone interested in participating contact Roy Askeew or Anne George. As this will be the finale of the year, let's make it a show that will be remembered.

BSU NEWS

On Monday, April 25, the B. S. U. Forum will consist of two simultaneous Vacation Bible School workshops. One is to be a "out handwork, led by Eugene Hayman, Ralph Lamm and Velma Trutt. Another session will concern music and it is to be directed by Bill Sexton and Jeanne Pritchard. Last Monday evening, worship for Bible School principals was discussed.

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