

ROTC Sponsors Chosen

Mercer's ROTC cadets took a quick look at 21 pretty coeds Monday and then selected five freshmen girls as the unit's sponsors for 1964-65.

The five were among 21 nominees presented to the cadets before a special secret ballot election. The five girls will be formally presented to the ROTC battalion during the annual Sponsors Day Ceremony and parade on Nov. 23.

The new sponsors are Linda McElreath, Linda Pitts, Mary Eaton, Francis Glynn Goulding and Ann Harris. Each ROTC company and the cadet band elected a sponsor.

This was the first time the ROTC department has held a nominee presentation ceremony and elected the sponsors by secret ballot.

All of the girls nominated were freshmen or sophomores. The battalion sponsor will be selected later this quarter from junior and senior nominees and will be announced at the annual Military Ball early next quarter.

The sponsor for A Company is

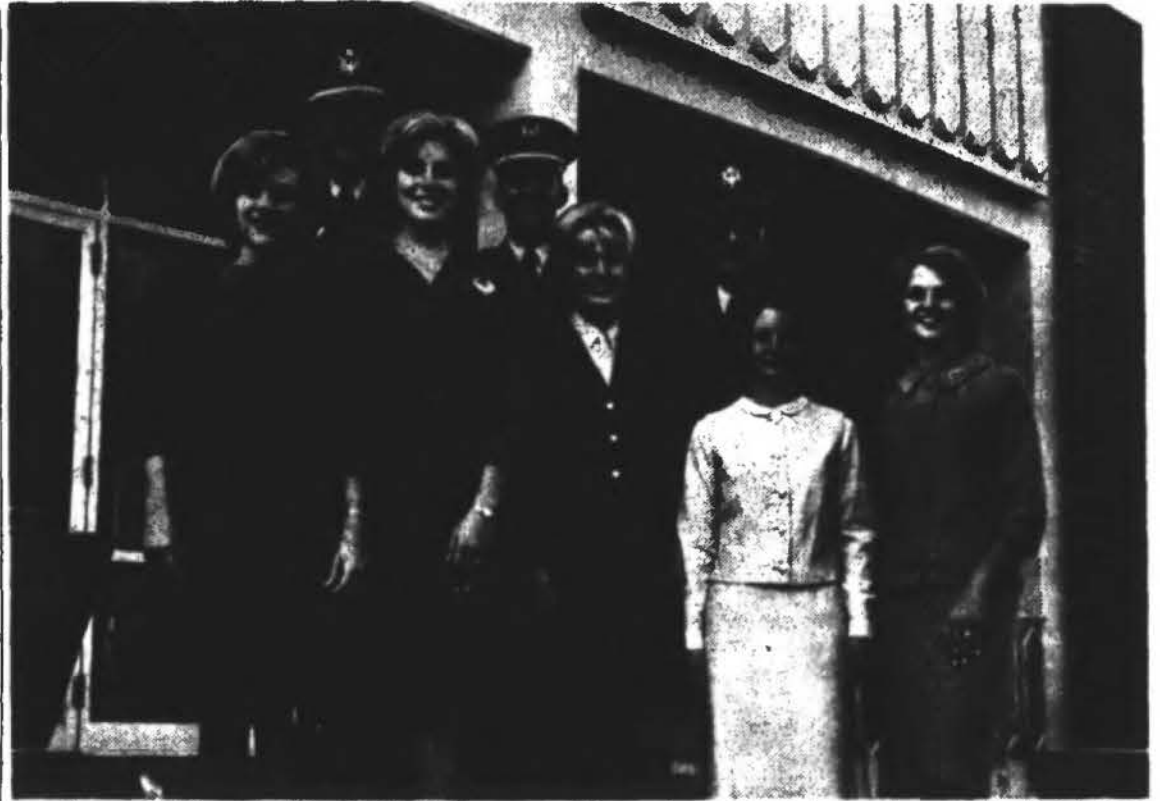
Linda McElreath, a Chi Omega pledge from Augusta. She also is the winner of the freshman beauty contest.

Linda Pitts is the sponsor for B Company. She is from Macon and is a Phi Mu pledge.

C Company's sponsor is Mary Eaton. She is a Chi Omega pledge from Decatur and is the Alpha Tau Omega pledge sweetheart.

Francis Glynn Goulding was elected sponsor from D Company. She is from Coral Gables, Fla., and is an Alpha Delta Pi pledge.

Ann Harris was elected sponsor of the ROTC band. She is Chi Omega pledge from Decatur.



Above are Mercer's 1964-65 ROTC Sponsors with members of battalion cadre and the Cadet Commander. They are (from left to right) Glynn Goulding, Lt. Col. Robert L. Pitts, Mary Eaton, Cadet Col. Colin Harris, Linda Pitts, Maj. Herbert W. Leneker, Linda McElreath and Ann Harris.

MU Law School Attends Moot Court Competition

Over thirty top law students from ten law schools in Georgia, Alabama, Florida, and Tennessee met in Atlanta on November 12 and 13 for the 14th Annual Regional Round of the National Moot Court Competition, sponsored by the Younger Lawyers Section of the State Bar of Georgia.

Their arguments and briefs, based on a realistic case, will be judged by practicing attorneys and judges from the Atlanta area. The winning team goes on to New York City for the National Competition in mid-December under the auspices of the New York City

Bar Association.

Members of the team from Mercer's Walter F. George School of Law are W. Wheeler Bryan, Charles L. Cetti, and John R. Parks. Faculty advisor to the team is Mallory C. Atkinson.

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Heresy Charges Aimed At Mercer From Floor Of GBC

The "Noonday Baptist Association" introduced a resolution on the floor of the Georgia Baptist Convention this week, calling for actions to stem alleged "liberal" interpretations of the Scripture by teachers at Mercer and other Baptist educational institutions in the state.

The Rev. York Chambless, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Smyrna, introduced the resolution for the Noonday Baptist Association. Though no specific schools or teachers were mentioned, Chambless told the Macon Telegraph that it is aimed primarily at Mercer and at Shorter College in Rome, Ga.

Referring to "reports . . . concerning the violation of basic Baptist interpretations of the Holy Scriptures by certain professors in the institutions," the resolution makes three recommendations:

- (1) "That we strongly disapprove of any professor in any Baptist college in our state teaching that which is in violation of the basic historical Baptist interpretation and understanding of the message and meaning of the Holy Scriptures
- (2) "That the convention urgently requests the boards of trustees of said institutions to make a careful investigation of these professors and request their resignations or take other action appropriate according to the provisions set up by their institutions.
- (3) "That further investigation be made by the board of trustees of our Baptist colleges into textbooks now being used and those which will be used in the future, to determine if they are in accord with accepted Baptist interpretation; and that any textbooks found to be contrary to accepted Baptist interpretations be removed from the curricula as a teaching text."

On Wednesday, the Convention voted to have copies of the proposed resolution sent without comment to the Boards of Trustees of the Baptist colleges in Georgia. Though not officially adopted by the Convention, the resolution is to be reported upon by the trustees when the convention meets next year.

Harris To Travel Next Week — Attend Spiro Inauguration At JU

President Rufus C. Harris has a very active schedule planned for next week. At the end of the week, he will have traveled from Georgia to Louisiana, New York and Florida.

Monday, November 16, will find President Harris in New Orleans for the Marshall Scholarship Committee Meeting. He is chairman of this committee which selects twenty semi-finalists and in December,



Former Mercer Dean of Liberal Arts, Dr. Robert H. Spiro, in Bear Day parade.

from that twenty, four will be selected for scholarships to British Universities.

Dr. Harris will be in New York from Tuesday through Thursday attending the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. He has been on this board since 1945.

Traveling to Florida, he will serve as Mercer's official representative at the inaugural ceremonies for Dr. Robert H. Spiro.

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Cardinal Key, Blue Key Tap Nineteen, Tuesday

Cardinal Key and Blue Key tapped 19 students and faculty members during Junior-Senior Convocation in Willingham Chapel Tuesday.

Karen Kennedy began ceremonies with a short explanation of Cardinal Key; a national honor sorority, founded in 1932 at the University of Florida, as sister sorority to Blue Key. Established at Mercer in 1933, Cardinal Key "recognizes leadership among women students . . . Membership is based upon achievement in scholarship, superior qualities of leadership and character and participation in a variety of extra-curricular activities which show willingness to serve" Kennedy said.

Girls tapped for Cardinal Key were Mary Sue Thompson, Diane Eyre, Frances McCleod Nutt, Amelia Armstrong Woodruff, Julie Murphy, Liz Potter, Willisia Holbrook, Carol Ann Holcomb, Ann Bracewell, Linda Sue Sisco, and Lyn Wheeler.

Following Cardinal Key tapping, Colin Harris began tapping ceremonies for Blue Key with a short speech on the national honor fraternity. Founded in 1924 at the University of Florida and established at Mercer in 1928, Blue Key is "a service organization, composed of outstanding student leaders who, by election or attainment, hold places of prominence and confidence in the student body. Membership in Blue Key," Harris said, "is one of the highest honors a male student can achieve during his course of study at Mercer University."

First tapped for Blue Key were professors Wilson Snipes and Graydon Ware. Students tapped were Don Baxter, Bill Dayton, Bob Hershner, Roger Nunn, Bobby Sikes, and Jeff Pace.

Kennedy Is Named Superior Speaker At Emory Debates

Karen Anne Kennedy received the rating of superior speaker in the 9th Annual Peachtree Debate Tournament, held at Emory University, the weekend of Nov. 6 and 7. Miss Kennedy was awarded a certificate and silver cup for her outstanding debate performance.

Other persons representing Mercer at this event were: Careen Hart, Betty Jo Freeman, Freddie Black, Mary Sue Thompson, Kay Moody, Tom Jones and Carol Rhodenheiser. Mr. Joe Filippo and Dr. Doris Raymond accompanied the group and also served as judges.

The team will next travel to Columbia, South Carolina for the South Carolina Forensics.

Dr. Thornton's Pageant Presented At GBC

A dramatic presentation of Georgia Baptist history, entitled "For Our Lord," was presented at the opening session of the Georgia Baptist Convention in Atlanta Monday, Nov. 9.

The pageant was written, produced and directed by Dr. Helen Thornton, professor and chairman of the Department of Speech and Drama at Mercer.

The Georgia pageant covers the period from 1763 with the Georgia

Baptist's beginnings to the present, and is in line with the Southern Baptist Conventions' emphasis this year on Baptist heritage.

The pageant will include the early difficulties of Baptists with the Church of England, tell briefly of the convention's organization and its development with the launching of new programs.

Dr. Thornton said more than 50 persons from throughout the state participated in the pageant.



Nellie Dyars and Rob Jones rehearsing for the Mercer Players' coming production of "Liliom."

'Liliom' Coming Here Next Week

The first dramatic production of the 1964-65 season by the Mercer University Players will be "Liliom," a drama by Ferenc Molnar.

The play, upon which the Broadway musical "Carousel" was based, will be presented Thursday and Friday, Nov. 19 and 20, at 8:15 p.m. at Willingham Chapel.

"Liliom" is directed by Miss Linda Shuler, instructor in speech and drama, and will feature an unusually large cast.

Starring in the drama, which is set in Budapest, Hungary, will be Rob Jones, Mulberry, Fla.; Satu Lundstedt, Lake Worth, Fla.; Beverly Williams, Newnan; Steve Belew, Macon; Nellie Dyars; Fay Thornsby, Tucker; and Mike Day, Macon.

Others in the cast include Peggy Malott, Plant City, Fla.; Sara Smith, Macon; Judy Ross, Columbus; Victor Kovac, Macon; and Jimmy Newsome, Washington.