



WHAT AM I BID? Bill Thielman prepares to sell English prof. Mary Wilder to the highest bidder. Professors Marshall Daugherty and Christopher Hassel await their turns on the auction block. For about Greek Week, see the Social Set, Page 3.

Trustees Approve Budget Of Over Three Million

The Board of Trustees of Mercer University Thursday approved a record operating budget of \$3,670,000 (M) for the 1965-66 fiscal year.

The action was taken at a regular meeting of the trustees on the Mercer campus, and was announced by Dr. Rufus C. Harris, president.

The new budget is \$389,281 higher than the current operating budget and indicates an increase of 11.8 per cent.

The trustees also approved an increase of \$17 per quarter in tuition and fees for students in the College of Liberal Arts and voted an increase of \$20 per quarter in room, board and health charges. This is an increase of \$111 per academic year for undergraduate resident students and \$51 per year for non-resident students.

Dr. Harris pointed out that Mercer's operating income is derived from several sources. Funds expected for the 1965-66 budget will include 38.4 per cent from tuition and fees, 29.1 per cent from auxiliary enterprises, 10.6 per cent from endowment income, 5.2 per cent from gifts and grants, and 3.2 per cent from the Georgia Baptist Convention.

President Harris reported to the trustees that he and other University officials had counseled with officials of the Georgia Baptist Convention in seeking funds for construction of new science facilities at Mercer. The Mercer trustees in January requested that the president of the Georgia Baptist Convention arrange a meeting whereby representatives of the two groups may determine ways and means to secure the needed funds.

Dr. Harris again pointed out the critical need for new science facilities at Mercer, and said "this is no ordinary need." He said old science structures and ancient science facilities have been pushed to their limits, and added that it is simply

a matter of needing adequate structures and facilities to keep up with scientific advances.

Dr. Harris reminded the trustees that the cost of an adequately equipped structure to house the departments of chemistry, physics and biology will be \$1,250,000 (M).

He said that Mercer is not seeking to stress or accentuate science, and added that "we cannot have in this period of the 20th century a Mercer University with her doors closed to science."

The Baptist university president added that "these science facilities at Mercer are a matter of profound importance to every Georgia Baptist and indeed every Georgian concerned with adequate educational opportunity in the state."

The trustees adopted a resolution expressing appreciation to The Christian Index, official news media of the Georgia Baptist Convention, for support given in pub-

licizing Mercer's critical need of new science facilities.

Dr. Harris said the editor of the Index, John J. Hurt, had provided a "thoughtful and useful service."

In other action, the trustees gave approval to Oct. 21 as the date for dedication of the Eugene W. Stetson Memorial Library, and authorized the awarding of honorary degrees to the chief participants.

President Harris said a formal and appropriate program, including a seminar, is being planned, and dignitaries from other educational institutions will be invited to participate.

The library, being constructed at a cost of approximately one million dollars was provided to the University by gift of funds from the widow and family of the late Mr. Stetson.

The trustees also gave approval to continuation of the ROTC pro-

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MERCER R.O.T.C. cadet Glenn Strange straps himself into a seat on a U. S. Army helicopter. Strange and a busload of other Mercer cadets went to Fort Benning, Ga. last weekend to observe a series of Army demonstrations displaying equipment, weapons and training methods to cadets and others from numerous colleges and universities in the South. (Photo by Broadnax)

FILM TONIGHT

The film, King of Kings will be shown at Mercer tonight at 7:30 in the audio-visual room of the student center.

H. B. Warner, Joseph Schildkaut and Dorothy Cumming star in the film.

EPISCOPAL BISHOP TO ADDRESS CHAPEL AND ATO BANQUET

Bishop J. Milton Richardson of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas will speak to Mercer students next week as guest preacher in Chapel and also as guest of honor at the Founders Day banquet of Mercer's Alpha Zeta chapter of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

Richardson, a former Maconite and graduate of the University of Georgia, is an active figure in fraternity affairs in addition to his work in the Episcopal church. He was installed as presiding bishop last February and has been Worthy Grand Chaplain of Alpha Tau Omega since 1945.

The annual ATO Founders Day banquet will be held Thursday night at the Dempsey Hotel. Bishop Richardson will speak to the student body in Willingham Chapel Thursday and Friday.

Student Government Elections Will Be Held Thursday, April 22.



Dr. Griffith and folksinger at last year's folkfest.

Folksong Festival Coming

Folksingers from all over the southeast will congregate at Mercer for the fifth annual Georgia Collegiate Folksong Festival, May 21-22.

The folksingers will gather in Willingham Chapel to swap songs and play before folksong enthusiasts at a Friday performance beginning at 8 p.m. and a Saturday performance at 2:30. Admission is free.

Dr. Ben W. Griffith, director and founder of the festival, said the informal songfest is "among the oldest collegiate folk festivals in the country, having started before the recent boom in folk music."

The Mercer festival specializes in traditional folksongs and bluegrass-type instrumentals. No am-

plified instruments are used. Informal workshops and playing sessions are held during the weekend.

Although the list of performers is far from complete, some of the singers expected for the festival are Ted Borck, the Madrigals, the Don-Jets, the Kinamen, Tut Taylor's Bluegrass Band, the Emory Bluegrass Band, Alfred Willingham, Betty Baker, Mrs. Mike Briles (the former Miss Jeaneane Haines), Mrs. Walter Brown, Jane Shaw, and a singing group from Georgia State College.

Folksingers interested in participating in the Festival are urged to contact Dr. Griffith, Mercer English Department. Dormitory rooms will be made available for non-Mercer singers.

Dean Glenn Attends Panhellenic Confab

Dean of Women Helen Glenn and four Mercer students attended a recent meeting of the Southeastern Panhellenic Conference at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

The students were: Mary Middlebrooks of Thomaston, a member of Chi Omega sorority and president of the Mercer Panhellenic Council; Suzanne Thornton of College Park, a member of Alpha Delta Pi; Shirley Mitchell of Woodbury, a member of Alpha Gamma Delta; and Rita Waldrop of Columbus, a member of Phi Mu.

Ten Named To Pharmacy Dean's List

Ten students at Mercer University's Southern College of Pharmacy have been named to the Dean's List for outstanding scholastic achievement during the winter quarter.

Dr. Oliver M. Littlejohn, dean of the Southern College of Pharmacy, said those named to the list include David Anderson, Jim Collier, and Bill Hawes, all of Atlanta; Don Driggers, Albany; David Lauer, Miramar, Fla.; Charles Olech, Orlando, Fla.; Rhett Paul, Savannah; David Upshaw, Riverdale; Jim Scruggs, Adel; and Ted Walker, Alpharetta.

NEXT WEEK AT MERCER

- TUESDAY, APRIL 20
 - Engraving and Art Science opening
 - Honors Banquet
- THURSDAY, APRIL 22
 - Phi Mu Open House
 - WMCA Dance Recital
 - ATO Founders Day Banquet
- FRIDAY, APRIL 23
 - KA Old South
 - 2-4 K A Open House
- SATURDAY, APRIL 24
 - 314 SC Atlanta Y-Teens
 - KA Old South
 - Alpha Gam IRD

Young Democrats To Meet Wed.

Mercer Young Democrats will meet for the last time this quarter, to select officers for next year, next Wednesday during chapel break, in the private dining room on the second floor of the student center.

Jack Lamb, present head of the organization, stated that the Young Democrats were being active in local politics and hoped to continue their work next year. He urged all persons interested in Democratic politics to attend the Wednesday meeting.

M. U. Sunrise Service Held

A special Sunrise Service was held this morning by the Mercer Christian Service Fellowship.

The service, for Mercer students, was held at dawn, in Tattnell Square Park in front of the Mercer campus. Members of the Mercer Baptist Student Union presided at the service.