



Suzy Sumner, Miss Mercer 1964-65, crowns new queen LaRose Powell in Monday night's pageant. Midge Ivey (l) was first-runner up, Linda McElreath second.
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LaRose Powell Is Miss Mercer, 1965-66

La Rose Powell, a sophomore from Wrightsville, was crowned Miss Mercer Monday night in Willingham Chapel, after a week's postponement of the contest. Twenty-three girls representing twelve social organizations competed in the pageant sponsored by Circle K club.

Miss Powell, an Alpha Delta Pi, was sponsored by Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. The first runner-up was Midge Ivey, a Phi Mu sophomore representing Kappa Alpha Order. Second runner-up, Linda McElreath, is a Freshman Chi Omega sponsored by Phi Delta Theta.

The two other finalists were KA's June Austin, a sophomore, and ADPI's Diana Hepner, a freshman.

Following each division of the contest a band consisting of Jim Gibson, Pete Fletcher, Charles Cetti, Chuck Houck, and Lance Levens—entertained, with soloist Jeretha Andrews.

The ten semi-finalists appeared in sports clothes and evening dress. After the five finalists were each asked two questions, Miss Powell was crowned Miss Mercer by her predecessor, Suzy Sumner.

George Patton served as Master of Ceremonies. Judges were John Giles, Charles Sacre, Bill Powell, Mrs. Charles Sacre, and Mrs. Robert L. Pitts.



Company D Takes Honors At ROTC Honors Day

Company D of the Mercer ROTC battalion captured top honors in unit competition Monday as the university gave special recognition to outstanding cadets at the annual Honors Day ceremony.

Approximately 200 visitors attended the program, during which 25 cadets were presented with awards for their work during the year.

Dr. Edgar H. Wilson, special assistant to the president, gave a welcoming address to visitors. Dean of Men Joseph M. Hendricks led the invocation.

Special guest was Col. Robert M. Booth, Deputy for ROTC, XII United States Army Corps, who received the formal battalion review.

The battalion and unit sponsors were presented with silver trays by their sponsoring organizations. Sponsors this year are Kay Moody, Sarah Distelhurst, Mary Middlebrooks, Carol Tapley, Lyn Wheeler, Mary Eaton, Glynn Goulding, Ann Harris, Linda Hartley and Linda McElreath.

A special feature of the day's activities was a demonstration by the Mercer Marauders, the battalion's counter-guerrilla unit. The demonstration, led by Cadet Marauder Captain Preston E. Hicks, included mountain rappelling techniques, hand-to-hand combat, and bayonet fighting.

The Superior Cadet Ribbon and Medal with Citation for MS IV

Students with the highest academic averages in each class were also present. Dorothy Anne Bailey, Oxon Hill, Md., and William Dean Wehnt, Sumter, S. C., shared honors for highest academic average in the freshman class. The leader of the sophomore class was Patricia Anne Giesler, Decatur. Betty Jo Freeman of Talbotton had the highest average among the juniors, and Nancy Leah Hendrix of Columbus was the senior with the highest average.

Phi Eta Sigma, honorary scholastic society for freshman men, recognized its new students. They are Roger Brian Anderburg, Atlanta; William Eldridge Atwater, Jr., Macon; Joel Robert Freeman, Thomaston; Harold Lamar Gardner, Augusta; Gary James Harmon, Atlanta; Ronald Durant Jones, Camilla; George Gray Kitchens, Wallenton; Steven Eric Nathanson, Merritt Island, Fla.; James Gardner Reaseger, War-

Dr. Sungjook Junn, assistant professor of political science, who next year will teach at Grand Valley State College, Michigan. Dr. Junn came to Mercer in 1961 from the graduate school of the University of Illinois, where he received a Ph.D. Degree in political science in 1961. He also holds an A.B. from Korea University, granted in 1953, and an M.A. Degree from

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Faculty Club Honors Departing and Departed

The Mercer University Faculty Club tonight will honor those members of their group who will not return to Mercer during 1965-66, and will pay tribute to three retired faculty members who died during the past 12 months. The program will begin with a banquet at 6:30 p.m. in the upstairs dining room of the Connell Student Center.

Dr. Wilson Snipes of the English Department, president of the Faculty Club, will preside over the banquet. Dr. Doris Raymond of the Classical Studies Department will be in charge of entertainment for the event.

Tribute will be paid to Charles Holmes Stone, recently deceased emeritus university librarian; Dr. Hansford Dunsan Johnson, deceased emeritus professor of Christianity; and Dr. Edwin McCoy Highsmith, deceased emeritus professor of Education.

The faculty members who will not return in the coming academic year will be presented certificates of appreciation for the contribution to the academic life of Mercer University. Those honored will be as follows:

Dr. Roy Carroll, assistant pro-

Next Week At Mercer

- May 14—Golf, Mercer at Presbyterian College, South Carolina
6:30 p.m. Faculty Club Dinner (CSC-cafeteria)
- May 15—10:00 a.m. RADIO—"The Mercer University Kaleidoscope". WCRY
4:00 p.m. Faculty Wives Club Picnic (Slocumb's Lake)
MICA-MIMA Dance
- May 16—9:40 p.m. RADIO—"The Mercer University Hour of Great Music". WMAZ
- May 18—ATO Open House
- May 21—Sigma Nu White Star Weekend
ATO Weekend
AD Pi Weekend
Film: "The Male Animal"
7:30 p.m.—314 S.C.
Georgia College Folksong Festival
- May 22—Georgia College Folksong Festival

Mercer Recognizes Outstanding Students At Annual Honors Day

Dr. Garland Taylor, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, Tuesday challenged Mercer's students to rededicate themselves to learning, as those students who had achieved high standards of excellence during the past year were honored in annual Honors Day services.

Speaking after the formal recognition of Mercer's outstanding students in the Law School, the College of Pharmacy and the Liberal Arts School, Dr. Taylor described Mercer University as "a place where knowledge is sought, achieved and acknowledged."

"We have the facilities for learning and the associates for learning here," Dr. Taylor said, but he added that there must also be a commitment on the part of Mercer's students to take advantage of the opportunities the school provides them. "Both society in general and Mercer University in particular have a right to expect this from those who undertake a college education," Dean Taylor said.

Dr. Rufus Harris, Mercer president, presided over the Honors Day program, while Dr. Paul Cousins, coordinator of the program, introduced Dr. Taylor. Deans Quarles of the Law School and Littlejohn of the Southern College of Pharmacy presented the student achievement awards in their respective schools.

A highlight of the program was the presentation of eleven students elected to membership in Sigma Mu, Mercer's highest honorary scholastic fraternity. Membership is awarded to juniors and seniors with highest academic averages.

The new members are Frank Lanneau, Macon; Nancy Leah Hendrix, Columbus; Karen Anne Kennedy, Collins; Anne Hannah Johnson, Atlanta; James Tarver Lowe, Jr., Macon; Lena Carol Rudder, Woodbury; Jerry Wayne Whigham, Macon; Nelda Chapman, Macon; Betty Jo Freeman, Talbotton; George Gray Kitchens, Wallenton; and Ruth Elkins Storey, Shiloh.

Other law school students recognized were Mrs. Rena Cain Cohen of Macon, recipient of the United States Law Week Award; Charles Lee Cetti of Pensacola,

ner Robins; David Arnold Wansley, Plant City, Fla.; and William Dean Wehnt, Sumter, S. C.

Thirteen students who have been named recipients of scholarships, fellowships, and other awards for graduate study for the academic year 1965-66 were also recognized.

They are Robert Fodder Cunningham of Macon, chemistry, Florida State University; Nancy Leah Hendrix of Columbus, history, Vanderbilt University; Brinson Eugene Hood of Augusta, chemistry, Vanderbilt University; George Marion Hope of Macon, psychology, University of Florida; Anne Hannah Johnson of Atlanta, mathematics, Emory University; Benjamin Thomas Jordan, Jr. of Macon, history, Yale Divinity School; Karen Anne Kennedy of Collins, psychology, Indiana University; Aubrey Davis McAuley of Macon, English, University of Texas; Kathryn Elizabeth Moody of Fort Valley, speech, Temple University; Edwin Gordon Simmons of Savannah, history, Vanderbilt University; Linda Laverne Taber of Hapeville, psychology, University of North Carolina; Charles Arthur Walker Jr., of Macon, mathematics, Emory University; and Jerry Wayne Whigham of Macon, religion, Vanderbilt University Divinity School.

John Thomas Laney III of Columbus and Courtney Wilder Stanton of Ft. Pierce, Fla., were recipients of the Charles Elihu Nadler Legal Writing Award. They will be co-editors of the Mercer Law Review during the next academic year.

Cousins' Manuscript Accepted

Dr. Paul M. Cousins, professor of English, has been notified by the Louisiana State University Press that it has accepted for publication his book-length manuscript on Joel Chandler Harris.

The book, "Joel Chandler Harris: A Study in the Culture of the South, 1848-1908," will be included in a new series of southern literary studies being published by the LSU press. No publication date has yet been set.

Dr. Cousins, a native of Luthersville, Ga., received his A.B. degree from Mercer University, the M.A. degree from Columbia University, and has done graduate study at the University of Virginia and Columbia University.

He began his teaching career at the old Locust Grove Institute, and has taught at Shorter College and Georgetown College. In 1933 he was elected president of Shorter College and served in that capacity until 1948 when he retired and joined the Mercer faculty.

"Mercer Will Cooperate With Junior College", Harris Says

In a letter to the chairman of Georgia's Board of Regents, President Rufus C. Harris Wednesday reaffirmed that Mercer would "welcome and actively cooperate with" the establishment of a junior college in the city of Macon.

Writing to clear up a "misunderstanding" that Mercer might be prejudiced in the matter and oppose the founding of a two-year school in the area, Harris stressed the importance that it be "established by the legally responsible state agency if need for it is established," and added that "Mercer has no way of knowing if such need exists."

According to Board of Regents criteria, complete support of any institutions of higher education already located in an area is one

of the primary considerations in selection of a junior college site.

In a statement in the *Macon Telegraph* yesterday, John D. Comer, chairman of the junior college committee of the Greater Macon Chamber of Commerce, expressed gratitude to Dr. Harris for his initiative in contacting the Board of Regents to clear up this misunderstanding, and noted that location of a junior college in an area does not detract from four-year colleges already located there, but usually results in an increased attendance in the upper classes of the senior college.

Dr. Earl Strickland, president of Wesleyan College, has voiced his school's full support of such a college for the Macon area.