



Mercer Hosts CONAC Band Here Sunday

## Conac Band In Concert Here

The Continental Air Command (CONAC) Band will be presented in concert at Mercer University on Sunday, Jan. 30, at 3:30 P.M. in Willingham Chapel.

The concert will be open to the public, without charge, according to Dr. Arthur L. Rich, chairman of the Department of Music and director of the Concert Series.

The CONAC Band is stationed at Robins Air Force Base, Warner Robins, and is well-known throughout the United States.

While the Band's primary mission is to provide music for military functions, it participates in hundreds of civic sponsored events annually in the local community and throughout the United States.

The 45-piece band is one of the largest in the Air Force. It has been lauded for its versatility and showmanship by guest conductors such as Paul Whiteman, Benny Goodman, Paul LaValle, Morton Gould, and W. C. Handy.

The CONAC Band is commanded and conducted by Capt. Loren Johnson of Huron, South Dakota. An accomplished trumpet soloist, he began his Air Force career in 1959 as a staff member of the USAF Bandman School, Bolling AFB, Washington, D. C., where he also served as Director of the Headquarters Command Band.

## ARNALL NAMED BIG BROTHER OF THE YEAR

James W. Arnall of the Mercer News Service was chosen as Macon's Big Brother of the year at the association's annual membership meeting January 15 for his outstanding service to a little brother. He received the Harold E. Gillette rotating trophy.

This organization, known locally as the Macon Big Brothers Association, works on a person-to-person basis with boys age 7 to 17 who have no fathers as a result of either death or divorce. It is estimated that during 1965 more than 11,000 man-hours were spent on this project.

There are presently approximately 100 active members, 53 of whom have little brothers. Mr. Arnall is one of three members who have two little brothers assigned. The organization is incorporated under the United Giver's Fund and is governed by a board of directors, of which Mr. Arnall is also a member.

The trophy, which will remain in Mr. Arnall's possession until next year, is presented in honor of Harold E. Gillette, a prominent Macon attorney who was killed in a plane crash. Mr. Gillette was president-elect of the organization at the time of his death.

### Calendar of Events

- Jan. 28:  
Chapel—Dr. Robert F. Otto  
11:00—Meeting, Mercer Board of Trustees  
1:00—Luncheon, Trustees and Guests  
7:30—"The Life and Loves of Mozart", 314SC  
8:00—17th Annual ROTC Ball (Robins Air Force Base)
- Jan. 29:  
8:00—Mercer vs. Georgia Southern at Statesboro
- Jan. 30:  
3:30—Concert; Conac Band, No charge. (Chapel)
- Jan. 31:  
Chapel—Dr. G. Paul Butler  
8:30—Faculty Recital, Mr. Keith Turpin
- Feb. 1:  
Chapel—Dr. G. Paul Butler
- Feb. 2:  
10:00—Mercer Players

## ACADEMIC HONORS FROM LAW SCHOOL

The Junior Class in the Law School took top honors in course averages during the fall quarter, according to information released by the office of Dean James C. Quarles last week.

The seniors placed second for the quarter, while retaining their lead in overall class average. The top average for the quarter by an individual student was made in the Freshman Class, as was the lowest.

By classes, the statistics released were as follows:

Juniors: Class average for the Fall Quarter, 73.11; Overall Class average, 71.56; Range of grade averages for the Fall Quarter, 81.70-66.20; Median for the Fall Quarter, 71.05.

Seniors: Class average for the Fall Quarter, 70.81; Overall Class average, 71.71; Range of averages for the Fall, 83.83-64.84; Median for the Fall, 71.22.

Sophomores (2 students): Average for the Fall Quarter, 69.50; Overall average, 70.86.

Freshmen: Class averages for the Fall Quarter, 71.18; Overall average (same); Range of averages for the Fall, 85.00-55.27; Median for the Fall, 71.27.

The grading system in the Law School has no relation to the number 100, and does not represent a percentage score of any kind. The average student is considered to be at the 70 level, and according to his performance on class work a student's course grade may rise above 70 or fall below it. The highest grade given in the Law School is an 89 and the lowest, generally speaking, has been a 50.

Grade averages of 65-74 are C's; the B range is 75-84; and 85 and up is an A.

Nineteen students in the law school have been named to the Dean's List for their scholastic attainment during the fall quarter.

Students attaining the Dean's List must have a grade average of 78 or higher for the quarter. Dean James C. Quarles said this group comprises the upper nine per cent in scholarship in the Law School.

Students on the list include: Arturo J. Aballi, Jr., Larchmont, N. Y.; J. Eugene Beckham, Jr., Carrollton; Robert D. Brooks, Macon; William E. Cetti, Pensacola, Fla.; J. Quentin Davidson, Jr., Columbus; J. Nathan Deal, Sandersville; William T. Exum, Lakeland; Hardy Gregory, Jr., Vienna; Gene H. Kendall, Clinton, N. C.; Arthur Martin Kent, Decatur.

Thomas L. Kirbo III, Camilla; David D. Kleckley, Macon; John T. Laney III, Columbus; George L.

Liggin, Monteruma; James E. Peugh, Milledgeville; Wallace W. Plowden, Jr., Bainbridge; Courtney W. Stanton, Fort Pierce, Fla.; Kice H. Stone, Jr., Ocilla; and Joel C. Williams, Dacula.

Dean Quarles also announced that John T. Laney III was recipient of the George B. Connell Memorial Award as the student who earned the highest scholastic average in all courses taken during the fall quarter.

### Turpin To Appear In Music Recital

H. Keith Turpin, instructor in music, will appear in concert at 8:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 31, in Willingham Chapel.

The bass-baritone formerly was a concert singer with a group of eight, known as the "Theatre Men" and under the management of Columbia Artists.

Mr. Turpin will include on his program "O Bianca Luna" by Bona, "Che Fiero Costume" by Ligranzi, "Le Secret" by Faure, and "An Die Ferne Geliebte," a cycle of six songs by Beethoven. "Sea Fever" by Ireland, "Mother Carey" by Keel, and "Silgent Strings" by Bantock will also be included.

Mrs. Barbara Lane Turpin will accompany her husband at the piano.

Students and the general public are invited to attend without charge.

### Honor Council Verdicts For Fall

- Case
- VII I: Guilty—F
  - VI II: Guilty — F, S.S.\*
  - V III: Guilty — F, S.S.\*
  - II IV: Guilty — Expulsion
  - III V: Guilty — Suspension
  - II VI: Guilty — F, S.S.\*
  - I VII: Guilty — F
- \* Suspended Sentence

## Reverend Opoku Speaks At Mercer

At weekly Chapel last Thursday and Friday Reverend Nathan Opoku, a native of Ghana, spoke to the Mercer student body on the brotherhood of all mankind. He came to Mercer as a part of his tour of United States campuses, sponsored by the National Student Christian Federation.

Reverend Opoku graduated from the University of Ghana with honors and completed further study at the University of Bonn and at Yale University, where he received the B.D. and S.T.N. degrees from the Divinity School. While at Yale he worked with the Intercity Mission and later with the Ghana Mission of the United Nations.

The text of the Reverend's sermon, which was taken from the second chapter of Malachi, emphasized that all mankind has one Father, but that there is "treachery among the brothers." He stated that Christianity is a condition of the mind which may differ among individuals and denominations, but has as its universal purpose the desire to know and serve God. He feels that too many people have abandoned the Church because it can't help them with their problems in a world which is controlled by economic and governmental factions. Though economic aid cannot be derived from the church, he stated that many of the problems could be overcome if a true dialogue based on common humanity were reached. If this occurred, the victory of faith would be the victory of human peace.

Reverend Opoku remained on the Mercer campus until Sunday evening visiting classes and talking with students. In a private interview he stated that he was surprised that those students which he spoke to were "a bit stand-offish." He was also disappointed in that he "didn't get any penetrating questions" which were frequent on the other campuses that he visited. He stressed that there seemed to be little interest on the Mercer campus in anything "beyond the confines of the University and the region."

Though he was disappointed in the student reaction he was quite favorably impressed by the faculty. He felt that they have a "broad perspective" and he hopes that "the Mercer students take advantage of this core of information represented in these professors."



REVEREND NATHAN OPOKU OF GHANA

He felt that if the students were to avail themselves of this opportunity that Mercer would become a true university in the intellectual sense. At present it seems that the school is socially rather than intellectually oriented.

### Ten Make Dean's List

Ten students in the College of Liberal Arts have been added to the Dean's List for scholastic achievement attained during the fall quarter, according to Dean Garland F. Taylor.

They are Jean Ann Baikie, Atlanta; Gayle Frances Bennett, Macon; Margaret Teresa Butt, Forsyth; Vada Susan Cheahire, Thomasville; Martha Anne Clelanod, New Smyrna Beach, Fla.; Katherine Irene Fisher, West Palm Beach, Fla.; Judy Gayle Howell, Macon; Linda Kay Huddleston, Senoia; Madelyn Manning, Eastman; and Clara Elizabeth Whitlock, Newnan.

In order to attain Dean's List standing, a student must earn grades equivalent to B-plus or better in all work attempted during the quarter.



Ferrante and Teicher sign autographs during the reception held after their performance held in Willingham Chapel last Friday. (See related article on page two)

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