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Charis Knapp Is Named G.C.P.A. Vice President

Succeeds Krenson In Important Role

Charis Knapp, associate editor of the Cauldron, a member of the CLUSTER news staff and former news editor of the CLUSTER, was elected vice-president of the Georgia Collegiate Press Association at a meeting of the journalism department students and members of the staffs of the three campus publications, Wednesday morning.

In former years the GCPA has met annually at which time officers were elected for the coming year. Since no convention was held this year due to transportation difficulties and since Bill Krenson, former vice-president has graduated, it was necessary for Mercer to elect a vice-president to serve in his place.

Mr. Donald McDonald, head of the Department of Journalism and faculty advisor for all student publications, called the meeting and explained the duties and qualifications for the office.

Miss Knapp was editor of her high school paper, member of the honor club and Tri-Hy-Y. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Knapp of Moultrie.



MISS CHARIS KNAPP

Lt. Ray Dickey Lost In Action

Lieutenant Ray Dickey, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Dickey of Atlanta, has been reported missing in action in the Marshall's campaign, it was learned last Friday.

Ray, who was a Navy pilot, will be remembered by Mercerians as one of the outstanding players on the football team of '41. He was one of the fastest ball carriers on the team coached by Bobby Hooks and Billy Smith.

He also starred on the West Fulton High eleven in his home town, and was a crack second baseman on the Whittier Mills baseball team.

Ray was married to the former Dorothy Kilgore, who is a Mercer alumna.

Town Hall Plans To Have Students

Three Mercer students will appear on the Town Hall program, sponsored by the Cherry Street United Service Organization, on Sunday, February 20. Those taking part on the program are Elaine Taylor, Marvin Farley and Evelyn Bullock.

The subject to be discussed is, "Self-determination of the Small Nations of Europe." Dr. Downum will preside over the speakers.

This meeting will take place at the USO Center at 4:30. All service men and civilians of Macon and Mercer are invited.

IRC Is To Meet Monday Evening

The International Relations Club will hold its last meeting of the Trimester, Monday night at 7:30 o'clock in Professor Smalley's class room.

The program for this meeting will be in the form of a forum. The leaders for the discussion will be Elaine Taylor, Evelyn Bullock and Marvin Farley. The topic will center around the "Self-determination of the Small Nations of Europe."

This meeting is very important and all members are urged to be present. Visitors are welcome.

Miss Johnson Gives Concert For Students

Mercer University Student Artists Series presented Miss Jeannette Johnson, mezzo-soprano in concert Wednesday night at 8:30 in Willingham Chapel.

Miss Johnson was born in Atlanta, of the distinguished Merrill Collier and Allen Johnson families that played a prominent part in the early Colonial development of America.

Several songs among the selections by Miss Johnson were: "On Wings of Song," by Mendelssohn; "The Lord's Prayer," by Malloite; "Ouvre Ton Coeur," by Bizet; "Jurama," by Griever; "Los Ojos Negros," by Alvarez; "Lamento Gitano," by Griever; and others.

Miss Willa Lawrence accompanied at the piano.

After the concert the Glee Club entertained Miss Johnson and Miss Lawrence at an informal reception in the parlors of the Administration building.

Mercer Finals Are Scheduled

Final examinations for the Winter Trimester 1943-44 will begin Saturday, February 19th, it was announced Wednesday by the registrar, Mr. Horne.

No students will be required to attend regular classes during this period. The schedule is as follows:

Saturday, February 19

9:00-12:00—Physics Ph1 and Ph2.

1:30-4:30—Navigation Ph8.

Monday, February 21

9:00-12:00—Math. M1, M2, M3 and M4. All sections.

1:30-4:30—English E1 and E2. All sections.

Tuesday, February 22

8:00-11:00—Classes meeting MWF at 8:00.

11:00-12:00—Engineering Drawing 1.

1:00-4:00—Classes meeting TTS at 8:00.

4:00-5:00—Engineering Drawing 2.

Wednesday, February 23

9:00-12:00—Classes meeting MWF at 9:00.

1:30-4:30—Classes meeting TTS at 9:00.

Thursday, February 24

9:00-12:00—Classes meeting MWF at 10:00.

1:30-4:30—Classes meeting TTS at 10:00.

Friday, February 25

9:00-12:00—Classes meeting MWF at 11:50.

1:30-4:30—Classes meeting TTS at 11:50.

Saturday, February 26

9:00-12:00—Classes meeting at 1:30.

1:30-4:30—Classes meeting at 2:30 and conflicts.

On the completion of examinations, students will be free from all school activities until Wednesday, March 1, at which time they will be required to complete registration for the Spring Trimester.

Dr. William Kilpatrick Addresses Mercerians

Noted Philosopher Speaks In Chapel

Dr. William H. Kilpatrick, noted educator and Mercer alumnus, spoke to all Mercer students in the Chapel Wednesday morning, discussing "What Our Changing Times Mean for Students."

Dr. Kilpatrick was graduated in the first class to receive diplomas in the present Chapel building. He attended classes at Mercer before the turn of the century.

Dr. Kilpatrick returned to Mercer soon after graduation to teach mathematics. He soon changed to philosophy because he felt that mathematics was too confining.

He was once Acting President of the school, in the absence of the regular president.

He left Mercer forty years ago and went to Columbia University, where he became a professor of philosophy in Teachers' College. Since then he has become known as one of the foremost educators and philosophers of America.

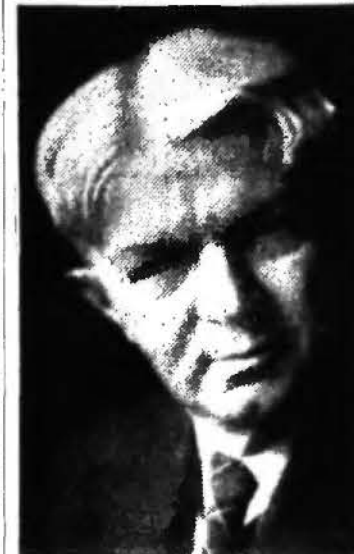
Dr. B. D. Ragsdale, recording secretary of the Georgia Baptist Convention and historian of the same body, introduced Dr. Kilpatrick, saying that even forty years ago at Mercer the educator was insisting that the individual think for himself.

Beginning his discussion with several questions, Dr. Kilpatrick asked, "What is it that makes our times change? At the bottom it is new vision and new insight built on accumulation and it is you who will determine the history of what it is to be." Continuing he asked, "What does the war do? It hastens people on, stirs them to new things, loosens old relations, but it does not always," he explained further, "solve the problem."

Discussing the place of youth in the future world, he said, "Democracy is the effort to run society on the basis of ethics, a system of ethics based on the equality of men. An enduring peace depends upon the youth to carry it on. We must build a structure which allows a discussion of world affairs under just conditions for I fear that in the discussion of domestic affairs we will lose the peace."

Discussing another factor, he said, "In fifty years we have

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DR. WILLIAM KILPATRICK

Library Adds Ten Thrillers

A group of ten mystery books has been added to the library recently, it was announced this week by Librarian Charles Stone.

These books include "A Matter of Accent" by David Keith, author of "A Matter of Iodine"; "The Weight of the Evidence" by Michael Innes; "Without Lawful Authority", a Crime Club selection by Manning Coles, author of "A Toast to Tomorrow"; "Experiment Perilous" by Margaret Carpenter; "Mystery Companion" including stories by Cornell Woolrich, Edgar Wallace and Richard Sale; "Search for a Key" by Walter Durant; former Moscow correspondent; "Ninth Floor; Middle City Tower" by Kerry O'Neil; "Knoll Island" by G. A. Chamberlain; "Count on Two Days" by Walker; and "Faked Passports" by Wheatley. On display in the library this week is a collection of university prints of famous paintings, sculpture and architecture. These prints are being shown in connection with a course in world literature to illustrate the "temper of classicism" as brought out in this course which is taught by Mrs. Plymale.

Included in the collection are the works of da Vinci, Michaelangelo and Raphael. The display will continue throughout the next few weeks.

Valentines

By THE UNHOLY THREESOME

Once again sentiment flows freely and things are said which probably won't be said again for another year. Comic or otherwise, we have a few valentines to distribute before we go back to the nest and frat around with some other crows.

Naturally, the first person to pop into our minds is the illustrious editor of the "biggest little paper of the South—or East or West if you ask him," Sanford Mullen. We can think of nothing that would please him more than ten girls (bags or otherwise) with necks that he can breathe down.

Next in our little black book is Sam Crosley, for whom we have voted to give a hundred dollars so he can call Mayo long

distance every day. If he has any money left over, he can travel around giving his advice to the lovelorn.

To Elaine Taylor goes the silver crown for being "girl of the year." Also a great big question mark. Who is that horrible apparition called "Face"?

Two people with the deepest sympathy are Martha Pasley and her stooge Charlie. If we could,

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The Ciceronian Literary Society will meet Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock in the Biology lecture room.