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Traditional Bear Day To Be Held Sat.



KING AND QUEEN: Left to right, Rheta White, Bainbridge, and Paul Bobbitt, Fayetteville, West Va., are crowned Queen and King of Hearts by Mimi Timmerman, Macon, at the B.S.U. annual Sweetheart Banquet Monday.

Paul Bobbitt and Rheta White Crowned King, Queen at Banquet

Mr. Paul Bobbitt, Fayetteville, West Va., and Miss Rheta White, Bainbridge, were crowned King and Queen of Hearts Monday night at the annual Sweetheart Banquet of the Baptist Student Union held at the Bell House Restaurant. They were selected by secret ballot from the B.S.U. sweetheart couples present.

The program was under the direction of Miss James Busbee, Vienna, social chairman of B.S.U. Miss Annabelle Trapp, Macon, was toastmistress.

Beginning the program was an invocation by the Rev. John Hunter, director of religious activities. Humorous readings were presented by David Jordan, Crawford, and Glenn Wilkes, Eatonton. James Lewis, St. Petersburg, Fla., and Iona Tate, Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, entertained with a number of solos. The climax of the program was the crowning of the king and queen.

Approximately 90 students partook of the four course dinner which carried out the Valentine theme.

Those present other than Mercer

students were the Rev. and Mrs. John Hunter, Macon, the Rev. and Mrs. Henry Smith, Macon, and Miss Iona Tate.

Mercer Has New Telephone System

Along with the recent changes in the administrative offices, is the new telephone system on the campus. Mrs. Howard Lamey is operator of the switchboard, located on second floor of the ad building.

Instead of calling the individual phones on the campus, the new system provides for people to call Ivy 3400 to be connected with the various offices.

Rufus Lester Named Cadet Colonel At R.O.T.C. Military Ball Friday

Rufus E. Lester, Macon, has been named the new Cadet Colonel of the Mercer University R.O.T.C. unit, according to a special order read Friday night at a military ball presented at Warner-Robins Air Force Officers Club.

The Mercer University cadets were the honor guests of the Robins Club for the formal ball. It was sponsored by the Macon Reserve Officers Association.

Cadet officers and their sponsors were announced by Lt. Col. Wiley Tonnar, professor of military science and tactics at Mercer's officer unit.

Also announced at the formal dance was a change in the Quartermaster Cadet Battalion of Mercer. Functioning prior to this as a general battalion, it now has been revised to operate as a complete cadet group. The group consists initially of two regular battalions and a cadet headquar-

ters unit.

Cadet Lt. Col. Joseph A. Donnan, Macon, was named as commanding officer of the first battalion and Cadet Lt. Col. Barney L. Garrett, Macon, was chosen to serve as commanding officer of the second battalion.

In a special program during the dance, Col. Tonnar presented Cadet Col. Lester, who in turn presented his sponsor, Miss Catherine Margaret Neal, Columbus. Other officers of the unit were presented by Lester and the commanding officers of the battalions. Sponsors were presented by the new officers as they were introduced.

Guests of Col. Tonnar included Brig. Gen. and Mrs. R. V. Ignico, Col. and Mrs. W. S. Sams, Lt. Col. and Mrs. David Macon, Miss Louise Brown, Mercer's dean of women, and Captain Robert C. Duke, assistant military science professor here.

Honor Fraternity Taps Fourteen Men

By Emory Clay
Cluster News Editor

Thirteen Mercer men and one faculty member were tapped for membership in Blue Key, national honorary fraternity, at a special convocation in Willingham Chapel yesterday.

Those receiving the honor were Carlton Barnes, Savannah; Carl Beard, Macon; Paul Bobbitt, Fayetteville, W. Va.; Charlie Davis, Hawkinsville; John Hyde, Macon; Frank Jones, Macon; Archer Moore, Fitzgerald; Jim Mount, Moultrie; Jack Perry, Atlanta; Harry Smith, Jr., Macon; Ira Snyder, Atlanta; Charles Tharp, Macon; Carl Westmoreland, Rutherford, N. C., and Major George Connell, Macon.

Jule Greene, president of the fraternity, in outlining the purpose and history of the fraternity said, "Blue Key stamps a man as one of all around ability, good character, and possessing the qualities of leadership and the confidence of his fellow students."

Carlton Barnes is a member of Alpha Phi Omega and the B.S.U. Executive Council, and Carl Beard is president of Gamma Sigma Epsilon and business manager of the Cluster.

Paul Bobbitt is freshman adviser and president of the B.S.U., and Charlie Davis is vice president of Alpha Phi Omega and vice president of Chi Alpha Omega.

John Hyde is associate editor of the Cluster and vice president of M.I.M.A., and Frank Jones is editor of the Mercer Law Review and president of Phi Alpha Delta.

Archer Moore is managing editor of the Bearskin and a member of the "M" Club, and Jim Mount is president of the A Capella Choir and Glee Club and a member of the "M" Club.

Jack Perry is editor of the Bearskin and a member of Phi Eta Sigma, and Harry Smith, Jr., is acting president of the Student Body and a member of the "M" Club.

Ira Snyder is president of M. I. (Continued on Page 2)

Industry Leader To Speak Mon. At F.B.L.A. Meet

Mr. George Broadnax of Atlanta will be the speaker at the regular meeting of the Future Business Leaders of America Monday at 7 p.m. in the economics building.

Mr. Broadnax, who is the public relations officer of the Georgia Power Company, has made an extensive study of the state's industrial potential, and he is said to be an enthusiastic and well-informed speaker who is in demand all over the state.

Bill Greene, Cartersville, president, urges all members to attend this important meeting. Any one who is not a member of the F. B. L. A. and would like to hear Mr. Broadnax is cordially invited, he said.

IMAGINE!

Scurrying student dashing late into classroom, forgetting to take hand out of door and smashing fingers on best writing hand—during midterms.

Veteran sending flowers, wires, candy, etc., to M.E.P. co-ed, then taking her out to Green Lawn where they pretend to be at the Mardi Gras—he had received his dividend check.

Co-ed running out back door of dorm and stumbling over what she gaspingly declared was a skunk—and it was, according to four male greeks who later trapped him in a sewer.

Parade To Begin At 3:30; Dinner, Game To Follow

By John P. Ward
Cluster News Editor

Bear Day at Mercer will begin at 3:30 p.m. Saturday when a parade of floats, automobiles, and perhaps other forms of rolling equipment leave from Mary Erin Porter Hall.

A foot-high cup, valued at \$20.00, will be awarded for the best entry in the parade. The judges will be business men of Macon; all floats will be judged on the basis of ingenuity and economy. A \$25.00 limit on the cost of float material has been set. Announcement of the winner will be made Monday in chapel.

The parade will go through the business section of Macon and then wind through some of the residential areas. Following these parade activities, there will be a dinner served on the campus. Barbecue tops the menu.

Each town student who wishes to eat on the campus must pay 35 cents. Tickets for the plates will be sold in the Co-op today and tomorrow. Those students wishing to bring their families out for the campus meal must pay 70 cents per plate. This applies to families not members of the faculty or administration of the school.

To climax the day's festivities the Mercer Basketeers will meet the University of Georgia five here in Porter Gym at 8:15. The game is expected to be one of the best and toughest of the year.

The famous 14th Army Air Force band from Warner Robins, which has played for the President of the United States three times, will march with the cadets of the Mercer R.O.T.C. unit in the Bear Day parade.

Alembics To Meet

The Alembic Club will hold a meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the lecture room of the biology building.



LESTER HONORED: Left to right, Brigadier General R. V. Ignico, Commanding General of Robins Air Force Base, and Lt. Col. Wiley B. Tonnar, PMS&T at Mercer, congratulate Cadet Colonel Rufus E. Lester, who was appointed Commanding Officer of the Quartermaster Cadet Group Headquarters at Mercer, Friday night at the Military Ball honoring Mercer R.O.T.C. members at Warner Robins Officers Club.