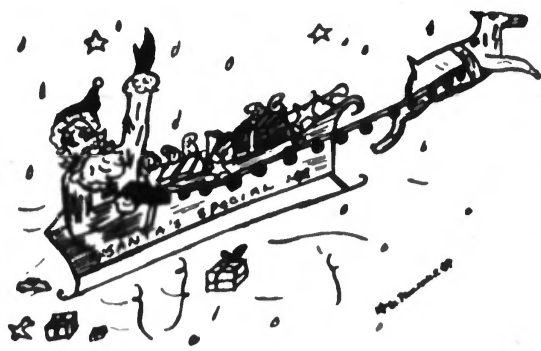


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PEGGY WOOD



ANN BLACK

Wood and Black Are Tapped by Cardinal Key in Chapel Program

Anne Black, Baxley, and Peggy Wood, Rocky Face, were tapped for Cardinal Key, national honorary sorority, at chapel exercises Tuesday morning.

Black is president of BSU. She has been secretary of that organization and librarian. In MICA she is publicity chairman this year, and was program chairman and room custodian.

She is a member of YWA, and was stewardship chairman last year and publications chairman. She is senior representative on Women's Student Government, a member of the Religious Education Association, the Life Service

Band, and Kappa Delta Epsilon.

Wood is a member of Phi Mu Sorority. She has been pledge trainer for the past two years and is rush chairman this year. She was a member of A capella choir and glee club last year.

She is now president of Ciceronian Literary Society and vice-president of Kappa Delta Epsilon. She was vice-president of YWA last year and a member of Mercer Players. She is Society Editor of the Cluster, and was sophomore representative on Women's Student Government. Also she is a member of F.T.A. and W.A.A., and has served on the Cauldron staff.

Younis Named Cadet Colonel of Mercer University R.O.T.C. Unit

Edward D. Younis was named Cadet Colonel of the ROTC Quartermaster Corp on Dec. 1 when the general order was read at the military ball sponsored by the military club alumni at Robins Air Force Officers Club.

Colonel Wiley B. Tonnar presented the Cadet Colonel, who then presented his sponsor. Other officers of the unit were presented by Cadet Colonel Ed Younis and the commanding officers of the battalion. The sponsors were presented by the new officers as they were introduced.

The cadet officers and their sponsors are Cadet Colonel, Younis and Miss Mary Saloom; Lt. Col. Lamar L. Sheldon, executive officer, and Miss Elaine Rankin; Maj. Emmett W. Bowers, adjutant, and Miss Sarah Hammack; Maj. John J. McCreary Jr., S3; and Miss Dot Moore; Robert E. Baynard, assistant S3, and Miss Joan Strozier; Maj. Walter A. Lawry, S4, and Mrs. Cameron K. Lawry; and Chaplain Major James O. Dorriety and Mrs. Vonzeal Dorriety.

First Battalion: Lt. Col. Malcolm S. Murray, commanding officer, and Mrs. Lois P. Murray; Major John J. Oglesby, executive officer, and Miss Ann Massenburg; Capt. William L. Goodrich, adjutant and Miss Jean McDaniel; Captain James W. Morgan, S3, and Miss Faye Edwards; Capt. William P.

Everill, S4, and Mrs. Myrle Everill; Chaplain Capt. Ernest C. Ruffin and Mrs. Mildred L. Ruffin; Capt. Davis O. Blanks, Co. A commander, and Miss Eloise Nixon; Capt. Joseph E. Beck, commander of Co. B, and Miss Mary Etteen Beck.

Second Battalion: Lt. Colonel Charles B. Miller, commanding officer, and Miss Nancy Lewis; Ma-

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Reeves Chairman For Focus Week

Don Reeves has been chosen as general student chairman for Religious Focus Week, to be observed on the campus February 5-9. He will also head the program committee.

Committees have been named to make plans for this annual observance in which some ten men and women will appear on the campus. Colonel Wiley Tonnar will head the faculty committee and classroom visitation will be under the direction of Dr. W. P. Smith.

Students will head several committees which include seminar. Paul Bobbitt; publicity, June Curl; arrangements, Henry Coffey; hospitality, Anne Black; informal discussion, Forrest Hagan; music, Malcolm Lunceford; and personal conferences, Sarah Brown.

Campus Wide Carol Program To Be Presented Tonight

Church and State Is Essay Contest

Mercer undergraduate students are invited to participate in an essay contest that will award prizes of \$50, \$35, and \$15.

Sponsored by the national organization of Protestants and Other Americans United, the essay is to be on some subject, pertaining to the separation of Church and state.

Mercer is one of a small number of Southern schools to be asked to participate in the contest. The awards will go to the Mercer students whose essays are chosen by a special board of judges.

Dr. Spencer King, chairman of the essay committee has advised anyone interested to confer with some member of the committee. Other members are Mrs. R. B. Plymale, Mrs. Marian Trentham, Dr. H. L. Batts, and Mr. Henry Warnock.

Dr. King indicated that it is possible that some of the essays will be published.

The following rules, subject to expansion, will govern the contest:

1. The essay must cover some subject dealing with the separation of Church and state.
2. The essay must run from 2,000 words to 3,000 words.
3. The subject must be registered with Mrs. Trentham in the library.
4. The essay must follow the research paper form as approved by the Department of English.
5. The essay must be filed with Mrs. Trentham on or before April 14, 1951.



Decorating the Christmas tree in front of Roberts Hall for tonight's carol singing are George Deadwyler, Malcolm Lunceford and Jerry Conner.

Christmas Caroling To Be Holiday Feature in Front of Roberts Hall

The annual Christmas caroling service, sponsored by the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, will be held tonight at 6:45 p.m. A large Christmas tree will be lighted in front of Roberts Hall and all students and faculty members are cordially invited to attend.

The Christmas story will be read by Miss Emily Holland, the sponsor of Alpha Tau Omega. Jerry Conner will welcome the group

and Larry Lowe will sing a Christmas solo. Malcolm Lunceford will lead the group singing.

Among the carols will be such favorites as "Silent Night," "The First Noel," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," "Joy to the World," and "Adeste Fidelis."

In case of rain the service will be held in the chapel.



New ROTC top ranking officers are preparing to take over the command of the unit. The appointment of these officers were announced at the military ball.

Pageant To Be Presented Tonight

Life Service Band is presenting "Unto Us A Son is Given", a Christmas pageant written and directed by David Jordan, tonight at 8:30 in the Willingham chapel. The public is invited to attend.

The BSU chorus under the direction of Damon Taylor will furnish the music. The technical work is under the direction of Ed Lilly. Cast of characters is: Mary, Mary Helen Simms; Joseph, Smokey Howard; wise men, John Woods, Harold Withers, Jim Morgan; shepherds, John Wilson, Mervyn Reagan, Wade Hiltabidel; angels, Ruth Garrett, Dixie Watson, Betty Lasater, Henry Cofer, Fred Gibson; two women, Rebecca Hollingsworth and Bessie Lee Gardner. The narrator is John Meeks.