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Dr. Thornton, extreme right, advises workers Norma Butler, Mack Flowers, June Faulk, Ruth Nelson, Darlene Herritage, as they finish the scenery for "Brother Rat."

Finishing Touches Being Put on Fall Production, 'Brother Rat'

By Charles Stewart

Preparations are almost complete for the fall play, Brother Rat, to be presented Nov. 20-21 at Willingham Chapel. Indications are that the laughable, likeable Brother Rats are in for high praise from the audience, although they do get in more trouble than a crawling baby, and the two-hour production is filled with more lovable, zany action than a playful mouse after an uncatchable string.

Behind the mirth and merriment of the two-night stand is a vast amount of exasperating work. Cast and crew alike have contributed to long, late hours of labor, and even if the play did not appear to be a smash hit the set builders, scenery painters, rafter climbers, and line learners are due for a hearty round of applause, but there is no doubt that everyone, young and old, Puritan or un-Puritan will enjoy "Brother Rat" immensely.

Perfectly cast, Charles Haffenden must have been a military student before coming to Mercer, and Mary Louise is a veteran actress. Mac Flowers does a splendid job acting plus contributing artistic abilities and conscientious work on the sets. Marlene is excellent for her part, and Wade Hilltabidel has a grand air of superiority as commandant. Bobby Holliday will get laughs and pity if he is alive, after the pushing around from the Brother Rats. Eddie Trent, Jane Coppedge, Helen Faulkner, Nancy Stone, Noah Lindsey, Joe Wilman, Grady Newberry, J. C. Adcock, Jr., Bill Wingfield, and John Raburn are more than essential for the composite picture.

Just to give you some ideas of the treat in store, the boys use the old military strategy angle on the girls and make it risky enough to get the human touch and probable belly laughs from the audience. Then there is the scene when the commandant catches the cadet with his pants off. The cadets sell everything at the school but the administration building, but the fun has just started when they sneak a female into the strictly

YWA Circles To Meet This Week

Marlene Timmerman, president of the Mercer Young Women's Auxiliary, announced that circle meetings were held in each hall this week. Some were held on November 6, and the remaining ones on November 11. Varied programs of current interest were presented.

The next general meeting will be held in observance of Thanksgiving, with Gloria Twitty in charge of the program.

First Orange and Black Game Is Tuesday; "M" Club To Sponsor Tilt in Porter Gym

BSU To Sponsor Gifts to Needy

Again this year the Baptist Student Union will sponsor gift baskets to the needy. The project has been an annual affair at Christmas for the past few years.

This year the executive council chose Thanksgiving as the date, since many of the students are not here around Christmas time and also many other local organizations contribute at that time.

The social, religious, and other groups will be contacted in an effort to get them to contribute a basket of fruit and canned goods. The deadline for the baskets to be turned in is November 24.

The baskets will be delivered on Tuesday, Nov. 25, after vesper. George Deadwyler, B.S.U. promotional director, is in charge of the project.

BSU Sets Plan For Deputation

The Baptist Student Union of Mercer has set up plans for a deputation to Thomaston, Georgia, on Sunday, Nov. 23. The programs for the churches visited will be built around a musical worship service.

Anyone who wishes to go on such a deputation should contact Buddy Ridley, chairman of the Deputations Committee.

There are also tentative plans for a deputation to the State Hospital in Milledgeville during December.

Committee Seeks New Enrollees

Members of the Faculty Promotion Committee have already begun their work in finding prospective students for next year.

Miss Louise Brown, Miss Kitty Jones, and Mr. Harry Smith have visited several schools, and around 200 students have acknowledged their interest.

Future trips have been planned for Gainesville, Augusta, and other Georgia towns.

Miss Brown, chairman of the committee, has urged that students interested in promotion work contact Miss Brown or Dean Burts for full particulars.

Schwartz, Reid To Captain Squads

The Mercer Bears will hold their first annual Orange and Black intra-squad game Tuesday night, Nov. 18, at Porter Gym.

The teams will take the court at 8:15, and will be led by Black captain, Richard Reid; and Orange captain, Bert Schwartz. A preliminary contest will be played at 7:00 by the Mercer Co-Eds. The teams will be chosen by Miss Lucille Pollard, and will be composed of the outstanding physical education girls.

Coach Nyimicz, faculty adviser of the "M" club, divided the squad so as to provide an interesting game, and to give a preview of what to expect of the Bears in the coming season.

The starting five for the Orange team will be Bert Schwartz and Vasil Hoffich, at forwards; Bill Harris, center; and James Hughes and Tommy Mixon, at guards. The other members of the Orange squad are: Carl Wilson, Bobby Green, William Roberts, Nick Strickland, and Bobby Holliday.

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Mercer Mimics

Object lesson seen on College Street—Small boy standing on the curb watching a small dog crossing the street. The dog was most dejected and had its tail between its legs. The small boy said, "I'm sorry, doggie." The dog stopped, turned and looked at the boy, wagged its tail. Then the dog trotted off with tail in the air.

Prexy and members of chapel program synchronizing their watches before mounting the stage.

Welcome back to the popular secretary of the alumni office after her recent operation.

Former Student Receives Honor

Julius E. Clay, Jr., of 2764 Cherokee Ave., Macon, Ga., a former student at Mercer University, has been given honorable mention by the Editorial Board of Leader Publications as runner-up for their "10 Outstanding American College Student Leader Awards," presented in recognition of demonstrated leadership in scholastic, athletic and extra-curricular activities.

Leader Publications of Beverly Hills, Calif., publish their "American College Student Leaders" annually, bringing the names and accomplishments of 8,000 of the nation's outstanding student leaders before the public at large.

As runner-up for this year's "10 Outstanding American College Student Leader Award," this student from our campus has won the acclaim of fellow students and faculty for unusual qualities of leadership, maintaining a high scholastic standing while engaging in various student affairs.

500 Attend Law Day Festivities; Interest in Law Center Growing

Over 500 people visited the Mercer campus last Friday to take part in the sixth annual Law Day celebration of the Walter F. George School of Law. Scene of the occasion was the Ryals Law Building and Willingham Chapel.

The opening session featured an address by Third District Representative to Congress, E. L. "Tic" Forrester, who blasted the U.S. Supreme Court for "upsetting the plain meaning of our Constitution" in recent decisions. He was introduced by the Dean of the Law School, Hodge O'Neal. This session was held at the regular chapel period; and the student body was invited to join in the day's activities.

Immediately following the chapel program, a seminar was conducted by Charlton Ogburn. He was assisted by T. Baldwin Martin, Macon attorney. The discussion concerned the Southeastern Law Center Foundation which is now in the state of planning.

A barbecue lunch began the afternoon and was followed by a session in Willingham Chapel. Samuel Prince of the University of South Carolina Law School was

Religious Focus Week Is Planned

Religious Focus Week for Mercer has been set as the week of January 18-23. Plans for this event will be announced later by Ray Brewster, Director of Religious Activities.

Education Clubs Send Delegates

Kappa Delta Epsilon, professional education sorority, and Kappa Phi Kappa, professional education fraternity, will send representatives from Mercer to the national convention in New York City this weekend.

Joan Chastain, president of the local group; Dixie Watson, vice-president; and Miss Louise Brown, sponsor, will be the delegates for Kappa Delta Epsilon.

Bobby Bonner and Sonny Posey will represent the local chapter of Kappa Phi Kappa.



Cardinal Key members Lucille Fortuna, Barbara Castleberry, Pat Woodward, and Gwladys Evans look on as President Betty Ann Hulsey welcomes tapes Susanne Edmondson, Marlene Timmerman, and Martha Jean Aderhold.

the speaker for this phase of the program.

Also on Friday the trustees of the Southeastern Law Center Foundation held their initial meeting, which was for the purpose of organization. Officers elected were as follows: President, Dean Hodge O'Neal; Vice President Charlton Ogburn; Secretary, W. A. Bootle, and Treasurer, T. Baldwin Martin.

Details about the proposed Law Center were the topic of discussion in the Law Day program. The idea of such a center is relatively new, there being only two such centers in operation at the present time. One is located at New York University and the other at Southern Methodist University.

Several purposes were outlined for the center:

- To strive for improvement of local and state laws plus the administration of justice as a result of conferences and studies by persons concerned in such work.

- To conduct meetings of farmers, businessmen, lawyers, educators, and labor leaders for seeking of solutions to common problems.

- To provide a forum for group studies and research toward advancement in the development of marketing, industry, and transportation.

- To undertake a program of legal

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