

# The Mercer Cluster

## Middlebrooks Receives Committee Nod for B.S.U. Presidency

By C. C. Lynch

Bill Middlebrooks, junior from Selma, Alabama, has been nominated for president of the Mercer Baptist Student Union for the coming year, it was announced today by Mary Binns, chairman of the nominating committee.

Long active in the local and state organizations, Middlebrooks has served as local publicity chairman and later as president of and representative to the executive council from the World Mission Band. He was also state chorister during his sophomore year.

In addition this dean's list student is a member of the Ministerial Association and of MIMA, in both of which he has served as chorister.

Other suggestions by the committee were as follows: Tolly Williamson, Atlanta, first vice-president (tentative); Jane Carol Adams, Waynesboro, second vice-president (social); Bob Braswell, Atlanta, third vice-president (deotional); Lomez Adams, Ramhurst, recording secretary; Mary Price, Atlanta, corresponding secretary.

John Rabun, Reidsville, treasurer; Nancy Yates, LaGrange, editor of the *Gauntlet*; Jo Wommack, Macon, publicity chairman; Spence Ludlow, Miami, Fla., promotion chairman; Bill Bonner, Chapley, extension director; and Kenneth Shaw, College Park, music chairman.

Representatives from unit organizations (YWA, Life, Service Band, World Mission Band, Ministerial Association, and REA) will be named later by those groups. The new council will elect the new transportation chairman, Sunday school representative, and training union representative.

The final election of the new council will be held April 8 in respects. A mimeographed list of the nominees will be given each voter, but additional nominations will be entertained from the floor and may be elected over those named above.

Besides Mary Binns as chairman of getting BSU president, Jamie Mackinham as ex-officio member, the committee was made up of Sonny Posey, Charles Waddy, Jewel Bentley, and Bobby Hammons.



Presidential nominee for the Baptist Student Union, Bill Middlebrooks.

## Mercer Choir To Visit Atlanta

Sixty members of the Mercer University Chapel choir will present a program of selected sacred music Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the Second Ponce de Leon Baptist Church in Atlanta.

The program will consist of four groups. In the first group are Handel's "Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates"; Tkach's "To Thee We Sing"; Lvoit's "Of Thy Mystical Supper"; and Beethoven's "Hallelujah" from "The Mount of Olives." The second group features three Mendelssohn selections from the oratorio, "The Elijah", which the choir presented in Wingham Chapel on March 28.

The third part of the program will be a group of spirituals and "The Lord's Prayer." To conclude the program the choir will sing Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus."

The choir will be directed by Dr. Arthur L. Rich and accompanied on the organ by Mrs. Rich. They will make the trip to Atlanta by chartered bus.

## Hendrics, Buice Top Party Slates; Elections Near

Student elections campaigns got into full swing this week as candidates from the two political parties, the Progressives and the Cooperatives qualified to run Tuesday.

Contenders for the office of president of the student body are Joe Hendrics of the Progressive party and Avon Buice, Cooperative party choice.

Jack Mansfield and Robert Sparks seek the office of vice-president, representing the Cooperative and Progressive parties respectively.

Peggy Carlisle, (Progressive), and Teeny Moody, (Cooperative), seek the office of Secretary-treasurer of the student body.

Seeking control of the Cluster are Dan Cline as editor and Barbara Allord as business manager on the Cooperative ticket against C. C. Lynch, Progressive selection for editor and Buddy Moore for business manager.

Barbara Senft, Progressive, and Bill Taylor business manager seek the offices of the Cauldron heads against Freda Cagle and Carswell Hughes, representing the Cooperative Party.

Heading the state for class officers are Joe Watson, Progressive, and Bill Bonner, Cooperative seeking the office of senior class president.

John Peterson, Progressive, and Lobby Green, Cooperative, seek the office of Junior Class President.

For sophomore presidency the Cooperative party selects Lehman Landsey while the Progressive choice is Royce Hobbs.

Next week's Cluster will carry full election story. Elections are to be held Tuesday, April 13.

Student elections are to be held Tuesday, April 13th. Ballot box will be found in the Co-Op.

Watch next week's Cluster for details on parties and candidates. Decide whom you wish to vote for and VOTE!

## Rev. Harry Smith Receives Post as Administrative Aide

### Ward, Honors Day Speaker

Principal speakers for the annual Honors Day exercises at Mercer University on Friday, April 9, will be Dr. Judson C. Ward, Jr., dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Emory University, and Dr. Henry King Stanford, president of GSCW.

Announcement of the speakers was made by Dr. Phil Smith, head of Mercer's department of languages and president of Sigma Mu honor society, which sponsors the Honors Day ceremonies.

Sigma Mu will preside over the regular Friday morning chapel services, at which time new members will be announced. Membership in Sigma Mu is the highest scholastic honor that a Mercer student may attain, invitation being based on a student's maintaining a magna cum laude average during his four years at Mercer.

Dr. Ward, who will deliver the morning address, received both the A.B. and the M.A. degrees from Emory University, and the Ph. D. degree from the University of North Carolina.

The Emory dean served as an

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The Rev. Harry Smith has been named assistant to the president of Mercer University, it was announced recently by the trustees.

He will be in charge of public relations and alumni affairs.

Smith, who is now executive secretary of the Mercer Alumni Association, came to Mercer in that capacity in 1938, before which he was pastor of the First Baptist, Forsyth. He was graduated from the university in 1924.

A chaplain in World War II, the new administration assistant served overseas and received several decorations. He came out of the Army as major.

In making the appointment, President Connell praised the past work of alumni secretary. He said that no vice-president will be named, but that another assistant will be added soon.



Rev. Harry Smith . . . Students' Friend. Served six years as Alumni Officer for Mercer, has recently been appointed as assistant to the President. This post was created by the vacancy of vice-president office.

## Mercer Mimics

Professor has just given his class a list of long words student asks: How do you spell it? "Whale" "Box of you"

We have the sad plight of the student who had to carry extra notes in his various pockets to find to find an index card to find what was there. The coats de guerre—this student wore the wrong suit to the exam.

The missing pigeons showed up during the last week of classes. Hanging pigeons no doubt!

## Q.M. Assn Holds Spring Meeting; Col. Wm. H. Hardy To Be Speaker

Colonel William H. Hardesty, Jr., of the Department of the Army, will give a talk on "Mobilization Planning for Industry" at the Spring dinner meeting of the Macon Chapter, The Quartermaster Association, according to Colonel Wiley B. Tonnar, president of the Macon chapter. The meeting will be held at the Young Women's Christian Association at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 9.

Election of officers for the next year will be held during this meeting also. The officers to be elected include a president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer and four members of the Board of Managers. Present officers include Colonel Tonnar, president; Major Perry S. Finney, Jr., vice-president; 1st Lt. J. Frank Wilson, treasurer; and 1st Lt. John W. Espey, secretary.

Colonel Hardesty graduated from the Lafayette College, Eastern Pennsylvania. He is a member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity and Scabbard and Blade. He entered active duty on January 2, 1941 and served in the European Theater during WW II for 18 months.

While in the European Theater he served with the 55th QM Base Depot in England and France. He served in the Quartermaster Section, Headquarters 8th Army, in the Far East Command from August 1948 until September 1950 in such positions as Liaison Officer of the 8th Army with Fort Mason, California and Purchasing and Contracting Officer for the Quartermaster Section of the Japanese Logistical Command from September 1950 to July 1951 and was Commanding Officer of the Far East Command, Personal Effects Depot in Yokohama, Japan, from July 1951 to February 1952. He has been Chief of the Atlanta Procurement Service District since August 1, 1952.

Colonel Hardesty has been awarded the Legion of Merit and Army Commendation Medal; among his many campaign ribbons are included the American Defense, European Theater of Operations with 3 Battle Stars, WW II Victory Medal, Korean Campaign, United Nations, and National Defense ribbons. He has been awarded the Korean Presidential Unit Citation also.

## Faculty Receives Three Additions

Three new faculty appointments have been announced by the Mercer trustees.

They are Dr. Ralph C. Boles, Florence, Ark., Dr. Charles B. Kopp, College Park, Maryland, and Dr. David W. Johnston, Berkeley, California.

Boles will serve in the mathematics department. He received AB and MS degrees from Auburn and D Ed degree from University of Florida. He is now teaching at Alabama State Teachers College. He is a Mason and a member of the Baptist church.

A Mercer graduate with an AB and a MA degree, Kopp will return to teach in the English department. He received his D Ed at the University of Georgia and is now in the department of journalism at the University of Maryland.

Johnston is a brother of Dr. Edwin Johnston, who is in the Christianity department here. He will come as a member of the biology teaching staff, upon completing his doctorate at the University of California, where he has been teaching assistant. He took his AB and MS degrees from the University of Georgia.



FORT LEE, VA—Major General H. L. Peckham, commanding general of the Quartermaster Training Command at Fort Lee, (right) shows Colonel Wiley B. Tonnar the area in which Reserve Officers Training Corps cadets will be quartered when they attend a six-week summer camp at Fort Lee. Colonel Tonnar, Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Mercer University, has been named Deputy Camp Commander for the summer session. He attended a pre-camp conference at Fort Lee to complete plans for the summer training last week.