



**GRACE CRESWELL**  
TO SING IN CHAPEL

## Dr. Sellers To Speak In Chapel

Dr. T. F. Sellers, a Mercer University alumnus, is scheduled as a guest speaker for chapel exercises Tuesday. He is Director Emeritus of the Department of Public Health of the State of Georgia. Dr. Sellers will tell some of his experiences as Public Health Director. Graduating from Mercer in 1911, two years before his father became acting president, he became a long time resident of Ma-

Great Decisions are again the subject of the program slated for chapel Tuesday. Highlight will be panel discussion of the subject headed by discussion groups Monday night. Both faculty members and students are expected to participate.

Wednesday's devotions will be under the direction of students, emphasizing brotherhood. The program will be under the direction of Jean Blankenship, president of BSU. Devotion will be given by Jean Blankenship, scripture readings by Amy Storey, Shirley Jackson and Gloria Martin. Del Presley will offer the litany and Wayne Difer will give the benediction.

## Harris Here Feb. 11-15

Dr. Rufus C. Harris, president-elect, will arrive on the Mercer campus February 11 for a five or six days' visit, according to Dr. Light Dowell, acting president. The purpose of this visit is for Dr. Harris to become "thoroughly acclimated." During the time he will review faculty members and in general seek to become better acquainted with the Mercer family program. Between now and Dr. and Mrs. Harris' permanent arrival, slated for March, the president's house on Adams Street is being readied.

## Folk Singer To Perform Here Tuesday

Grace Creswell, described by New York producer Max Gordon as "the best girl folk singer in America," will be presented in a program of folk songs at 8 p.m. Tuesday in Willingham Chapel.

The program is being presented to the public without admission charge under the auspices of the Eugenia Dorothy Blount Lamar Memorial Fund, according to Dr. Ben W. Griffith, chairman of the Lamar Committee.

A special art exhibit will be held in conjunction with the concert. Details on the singer and the artist, along with more pictures, on page 5.

## Film Club Sets 'Good Earth'

The BSU-SAC Film Club will present *The Good Earth* Monday at 3, 5:30 and 8 p.m. in room 514 of the Student Center.

The film, which received excellent reviews and is considered an American classic in its photography, performances and general production, is based on the novel by Pearl Buck and stars Paul Muni and Luise Rainer.

In its review of the film, *Time* magazine said, "... a real cinema epic, faithful in spirit, plot and acting to its forbear, sure to rank as one of the great pictures of all time."

"... for a smashing finale, the script forsakes Pearl Buck for the first time to invent a spectacular locust plague. . . . Some of these incredible scenes were shot in China; others, showing close-ups of locusts feeding, were shot during a grasshopper plague in Utah."

Also the president's office, now located on the first floor of the administration building, will be moved to the second floor with the other administrative offices.

# Social Groups, Others Asked To Back Exchange Student

Mercer social organizations will be the first groups approached in an SGA fund-raising drive for money to finance a foreign exchange student.

Guaranteed at least fifty dollars by Blue Key, SGA hopes that each social organization on campus, some thirteen in all, will pledge up to fifteen dollars per quarter per group to finance this project.

At a meeting at the home of Religious Activities Director Joe Hendricks Monday, representatives from eight of the eleven Greek organizations expressed hope that the social groups could raise the amount necessary to guarantee room and board.

These persons will sound out their respective groups on the project and report as to the feelings in the various organizations.

Rather than raise the student activities fee, Dr. Rufus C. Harris, president-elect of the University, has pledged full tuition as the administration's part in bringing an exchange student, preferably a Russian or Eastern European, to Mercer.

Student body president Bev Bates stated that he hoped all organizations would give this project their fullest support. Not restricting the contributors to the social groups, Bates says that all clubs and other groups on the campus will be given an opportunity to participate in financing the proposed exchange student.



**CAROL AVERY**

## Carol Avery Elected Mercer Bear Day Queen

Miss Carol Avery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Avery of 2890 Sheffield Drive, was elected Bear Day Queen by the students of Mercer University, to reign over Bear Day festivities.

The 20-year-old sophomore was sponsored by Kappa Sigma fraternity. She is a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority, pledge sweetheart of Sigma Nu fraternity and was freshman beauty queen of 1958.

A psychology major, she plans to do social work and travel after graduation.

When presented with the trophy and bouquet of roses signifying her

## 1539 Enrolled This Quarter

The total enrollment of Mercer University for the winter quarter of 1960 is 1,539 students.

The figure includes 209 students in the Southern College of Pharmacy in Atlanta, which became a part of Mercer last year.

Enrollment for the winter is down 126 students from the fall quarter. Arthur R. Walton, associate registrar, who released the figures, said the drop is normal.

Enrollment of the University in Macon is about what it was last year.

The breakdown by classes and schools: freshmen, 377; sophomores, 224; juniors, 251; seniors, 246; unclassified, 6; The Walter F. George School of Law, 72; The Southern College of Pharmacy, 209; The Graduate School, 17; evening classes, 95; and Saturday classes, 42.

There are 1,033 men enrolled, and 506 women.

honor, Miss Avery said "I'm just so happy to receive this honor. I want to thank everybody; it certainly was a big surprise."

Bear Day, initiated this year, is equivalent to Homecoming in past years at Mercer.

## Third Drive For Blood To Be Held

Alpha Phi Omega has announced plans for the completion of the blood drive begun in the Fall quarter.

The final stage in a three part drive will probably be held on Feb. 25. This is to finish the quota that was to fill the blood deficit incurred by Bibb county during the last year.

This deficit prevented Bibb Countians from receiving aid from the Eugene Talmadge Memorial Hospital in Augusta.

The last two drives have resulted in the hospital allowing the admittance of the Bibb Countians again.

## Debaters Attend Meet At Harvard University

Two champion debate teams from Mercer left last Friday to meet the nation's best forensic talent at a tournament at Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass.

It is the biggest tournament Mercer has ever participated in, and the first time Mercer has been invited to the annual Harvard meet. About 80 schools over the country were invited to enter. Mercer was one of the few Southern schools competing.

Mercer's representatives were: Nancy Childs, Butler, and Robert Trammell, Lutherville, as one team. Velma Jean Young, Macon, and Richard Davis, Atlanta made up the other team. All except Miss Young, a junior, are seniors.

The four debaters have won top honors at every tournament they have entered this year. Miss Childs and Trammell have won 15 out of the 16 rounds of debate they have competed in. (This does not include a tournament sponsored by Mercer, in which the home teams were not eligible for awards.)

The two teams won first place at a Southeastern debate tournament sponsored by Tau Kappa Alpha, national debate fraternity, last November. Before that, Trammell and Miss Childs won second place honors among negative teams at a tournament held at the University of South Carolina.

The trip to the debate, officially known as the Harvard Invitational Forensic Tournament, took the Mercerians through 10 states. They expected to make brief stops in Washington, Baltimore, Annapolis and New York. They traveled by automobile.

Dr. Helen G. Thornton, professor of speech at Mercer and debate team coach, accompanied them. Dr. Thornton said, "I think it is a wonderful opportunity for the students to debate in such a large tournament. I'm very proud of them."

There were eight rounds of debate and then three rounds of final elimination. The tournament was held Feb. 4-6.

## Pirandello Play To Be Presented Feb. 11-12

Luigi Pirandello's "Six Characters In Search of an Author" will be presented Thursday and Friday evenings, Feb. 11 and 12 by the Mercer Players and Alpha Phi Omega dramatics fraternity.

The play, sometimes referred to as an "anti-play," will begin on the Willingham Chapel stage at 8:14 both nights. The story deals with a family that barges into a play rehearsal and demands that their story be presented.

Clayton Stephens will play director of the company; Ed Privette, the leading man; and Mary Leonard, the leading

lady. Molly Jones is cast as the character actress, with Jimmy Rachels as the juvenile actor.

Portraying the family will be Jim Nelson as the father, Judy Williams as the step-daughter, Jim Prescott as the son, Brenda Storey as the mother, Eugenia Griffith as the little girl and Charlotte Benefield as Madame Pace.