



Mercerian Pleads For Baptist Schools

A Baptist educator and minister today appealed to Mercer ministerial alumni at a luncheon meeting Wednesday during the Georgia Baptist Convention in Savannah to help move Baptist schools forward.

"Intelligent interpreters to help mediate our educational life and purposes to our people" is the need, said Thomas J. Holmes, director of university development and alumni affairs at Mercer University.

The pastor in the "key man in our denominational life . . . and the duty of our churches will rise up to support Christian education only when the ministers lead them . . .", he said.

"The Christian scholar does not deserve the name if he is not willing to live dangerously in the challenging world of ideas," Holmes declared. "One role of the Christian college is to train leaders of our society who can worthily contend for the faith' at any place and at any time."

He hailed the coming of a new era in Christian education in Georgia marked earlier when Dr. Rufus C. Harris accepted the presidency of Mercer. Along with the new strength there, he noted the addition of Dr. Robert H. Spiro, dean of the college of arts and sciences, and William T. Haywood, business manager.

Earlier he retraced the faltering beginnings of Baptist educational activities in Georgia and concluded that accomplishment came only after Luther Rice produced the spark that united "purpose and means." From this union came the Georgia Baptist Convention and Mercer University, among other results.

And, although the preacher was active in the organization and the maintenance of the university, there is a continuing need of his help at Mercer today, stated Holmes in his address.

Atlanta School Changes Rule For Entrance

The Southern College of Pharmacy in Atlanta, a school of Mercer University since July 1959, has inaugurated a five-year curriculum to conform with new requirements established by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education.

The council, which accredits members of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, approved the program last year and made it effective in September 1960.

Under the revised curriculum, students seeking admittance to any school of pharmacy that is accredited by the association must have completed two years of training in liberal arts. Until approval of the new requirement a student could enter the Southern College of Pharmacy with one year of liberal arts education.

According to Dr. Robert Spiro, dean of the college of liberal arts, the university has abandoned the practice of furnishing pre-professional training in Atlanta. With the initiation of the new course of study this has to be accomplished elsewhere.

The change is attributed by Dean Spiro to "the steadily rising standards" of the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education.



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John Shand (Jim Nelson) confers with Maggie Wylie (Judy Williams) in "What Every Woman Knows," which is to be presented again in Willingham Chapel tonight at 8:14.

Barrie Play Goes Into Second Night

By Holly Woodruff

"Behind every successful man there is a woman" and Maggie Wylie helps to prove this old saying in James M. Barrie's *What Every Woman Knows*, presented again tonight at 8:14 in Willingham chapel. The play stars favorites of the Mercer stage—Judy Williams as Maggie Wylie, Jim Nelson as John Shand and Brenda Storey as Comtesse de la Briere.

Promising newcomers to the drama department are Jackie Knight who plays Lady Sybil Lazebny, Eddie Harris as James Wylie, Seaborn Jones who plays Mr. Venables and Sam McKinney as David Wylie.

The play, involving a Scotch family, is set at the turn of the century. The scenery and costumes depict the style of the late Victorian era.

Twenty-seven and unmarried, Maggie Wylie (Judy Williams) is the subject of concern to her family. An ideal situation develops in which her father and her two brothers make a proposition with John Shand (Jim Nelson) to marry Maggie.

Politics interest John and he runs for a position in Parliament. He does not realize how great a help Maggie is to him and is unaware of her aid to him. This is the source of new problems and finally John realizes "what every woman knows"—that behind every successful man there is a woman.

Others in the cast include Clayton Stevens as Alick Wylie, Carole Rhodeniser as the maid, Cecil Hudson as Mr. Fiekie, Chris Shearouse as Butler, and Juanita Lee, Patricia Smith, Carole Rhodeniser, Marjorie Beans, Susan Otwell, Bob Woodall, Cecil Hudson, Gene Tyre, Jim Wheeler and Jim Price as the crowd.

The scenery crew has constructed the four sets and will change them between the acts with speed under the direction of Charles Love.

Miss Audrey Needles professor of speech and drama directed the play.

on the national level as she is currently serving as the national scholarship chairman.

Dr. Ernestine Biedsole, advisor of the Alpha Omicron chapter of KDE at Wesleyan, joined the Mercer delegates along with the president of the Wesleyan chapter.

On the Inside . . .

- Francis Floyd issues a distress cry from the ad building.
- Messiah dates set in "Campus Notes."
- Willard visits the Elmer Gantries at Mercer.
- Charlie Etheridge views Mercer athletic program.

Debaters Move Over Southeast

The Mercer debate team participated in the University of South Carolina Debate Tournament last weekend. The negative team consisting of Lynn Holmes and Connie Berry placed fourth in the novice division.

Taking top honors in the tournament were South Carolina, the University of Miami and Notre Dame.

Today and tomorrow Mercer University competes for the regional Tau Kappa Alpha trophy to be awarded at the University of Alabama. The Mercer team, under the direction of Dr. Helen Thornton, was awarded first place in the TKA tournament held in Baton Rouge last year.

The defending varsity team consists of Pat Norton and Jimmy Jones, affirmative; Larry Maioriello and Rithia McGlaun, negative.

Representing Mercer at the Emory tournament this weekend are Preston Batts and Jim Bradley affirmative; negative, Carl Alexander and Johnny Curry.

KDE Represented At National Meet

Joyce Rowe, president of the Mercer chapter of Kappa Delta Epsilon, national professional educational sorority, and Miss Leone Bates, KDE advisor, are attending the national convention in Philadelphia, this weekend.

A special honor has come to the Mercer president who has been selected to preside over the national council of chapter delegates. Miss Bates is also active in KDE



Dr. T. Harry Williams

Lamar Lecturer Adopts The South As His Home

Mercer had this week the prominent Civil War historian, Dr. T. Harry Williams, as the 1960 Lamar lecturer.

Dr. Williams is a native of Illinois and is at present a professor of history at Louisiana State University. He has written several books, made contributions to numerous publications and is at present working on a biography of Huey P. Long.

Dr. Williams has been in the South since 1941. He said that when he first came he was very dissatisfied. Now his feeling is quite different for he has grown to like the Southern weather and every thing else Southern. He

stated he had rather live here than in any other section of the country.

According to Dr. Williams it was quite a matter of chance that he ever got into the field of history.

It was quite hard to obtain a job when he finished his four years in college so he decided to continue his education rather than becoming a high school teacher. He got his M.A. and then went on to get

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BSU Recognizes Fresh Council

Mercer's BSU formally recognized its new freshman council at the first BSU General Meeting last Monday during vespers.

The purpose of the freshman council is to generate an interest in BSU work among new students at Mercer. There is one member on the freshman council to correspond with each member of the regular BSU executive council.

The meeting was the only one held this quarter. The BSU normally functions not through general meetings but through unit organizations and special projects and activities directed by the executive council, which meets weekly.

A similar general meeting will be held during spring and winter quarters for the purpose of transacting overall BSU business.

Members of the freshman council which was introduced included Mike Waller, Ellen Dillard, Carrie Johnson, Charles Brownlee, Faye Garner, Sharon Kicklitter, Nathan Paul, John Laney, Jerry Brand, Annie Davenport, Otis Andrews, Ginger Faulkner, Karen Kennedy and Raleigh Mann.

Dr. Robert Otto, philosophy professor, spoke to the meeting. BSU president Del Presley presided. The meeting also included reports from persons in charge of various BSU activities on campus.