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SAE winning float in Saturday parade depicts Mercer Bear gullotining Chattanooga's Moccasin. Motto on side reads "Bears get a-head."



Butch Clifton receives Toby trophy from SGA president Hugh Lawson as Carol Davis, holding Tot trophy, looks on. These awards were presented during halftime of the student-faculty game.

Mercer Homecoming Week-End Honors Clifton And Davis - Alias Toby'n Tot, 1963

by Joyce Davis

Carol Davis, a pretty co-ed from Americus captured the title of "Tot" for 1963 while Butch Clifton, a Senior from Albany, received the accompanying "Toby" title Friday Feb. 1. Winners in the Toby-Tot contest were announced Friday night during half time of the Student-Faculty Basketball Game. The winners received trophies at that time.

Their first reactions were: "I was surprised," from Davis and, "I was surprised, shocked, I guess. I wasn't counting on it," from Clifton. Toby and Tot are traditional honors awarded to the two elected by the majority of students as representative of Mercer spirit.

Carol Davis is a transfer from Auburn which she attended for four quarters. At Auburn she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. Since coming to Mercer Carol has kept busy with Resident Women's Student Government and a position on the Mercer cheer-leading squad. As a cheerleader she is one of the leaders in the rousing out of school spirit.

When asked who sponsored her in the contest, Carol said, "Phi Delta Theta. I don't know many of them and I was real surprised when they nominated me." She seemed quite thrilled to have been nominated and even more thrilled to have won. She did say, "I was especially happy and I felt like I really didn't deserve it since I haven't been here very long."

Carol seems to have been a good representative of school spirit in high school also. In Americus she was also a cheerleader. She was active in several clubs and gained many honors, both for beauty and brains. She was chosen Homecoming Queen and also received the honor of being valedictorian.

Butch Clifton, following up a high school basketball career, has been playing basketball throughout his four years at Mercer. As captain of the team Butch has led the Bears to many victories this season. He also stays busy with his duties as Vice President of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Butch was sponsored in the Toby-Tot contest by Chi Omega sorority. "I was real happy to represent them. I didn't think I'd win." Toby, in Butch's opinion, should be.

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SGA president Hugh Lawson (left) and Macon Mayor Ed Wilson (right) hold proclamation by Wilson proclaiming Feb. 1 to 3 Toby-Tot Week-End in Macon.

"Great Decisions" Set For Ninth Annual Meet

"Great Decisions" got under way at Mercer with its first organizational meeting on Monday, February 4. This year marks the ninth successive year that "Great Decisions" has been offered nationally by the Foreign Policy Association a non-partisan educational agency. The agency encourages informative discussion groups in various communities and organizations of foreign policies.

On the Mercer campus discussion groups are being sponsored by SNEA and KDE under the direction of Dr. Paul Cable. The FPA supplies non-opinionated background materials upon which dis-

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Sigma Nu Initiates Eleven Pledges

The Eta chapter of Sigma Nu fraternity at Mercer University has initiated eleven pledges into full membership.

The initiation ceremonies were held Sunday, Jan. 27, at the Vineville Baptist Church in Macon.

The new initiates are Sherrill Buike, Jimmy Compton, Brady Creel, Barry Davis, David Denman, Curtis Driver, Jerry Fillingim, Bob Mantiply, Claude McGehee, Mike Waller and Ball Warren.

YWA Retreat Set For Feb. 11-15

"Open My Eyes" is the theme of the Y. W. A.'s Focus Week. The convention-wide date for the annual focus week is February 11-15.

The Y.W.A.'s at Mercer plan to celebrate this occasion by participating in special daily activities. They will sponsor vespers this week and on Wednesday, February 13, a prayer retreat is planned with special music and special speaker, Miss Frances Floyd, Y.W.A. sponsor. The retreat will be in Tatnall Square Park.

Each night at vespers will be devoted to these topics: "Open my eyes to the will of God for my life", "Open my eyes to the needs of others", "Open my eyes to myself", and "Seeing is believing."

Players "J. B." Sets Pace For RE Week

Opening the way for Religious Emphasis Week will be the Mercer Players' production of Archibald MacLiesh's thought-provoking drama, "J.B." A very abstract and allegorical work, the play is a modern version of the biblical Book of Job, or more exactly a presentation of a modern spiritual dilemma set within the classical framework of the Book of Job.

The play is put into action by two broken-down actors who, believing that the play is really Job, take the parts of God and Satan, however, J. B. and his family are not scriptural characters. "J.B." was the Pulitzer Prize Play for 1959, and is entirely in free verse, making effective use of frequent quotes from the Bible.

"J.B." is played by Tommy Faircloth, "Nickles" (Satan) by Jack Cauley, and "Mr. Zeus" (God) by Clayton Stephens. Bill Osteen plays both "The Prompter" (a distant voice) and "David", one of J.B.'s sons. J.B.'s other children, "Mary", "Jonathan", "Ruth", and "Rebecca" are played by Toni Vissage, Mike Tinkey, Ellen Schram, and Frances MacLeod. "Sarah" (J.B.'s wife) is portrayed by Charron Pitts.

The "Roustabouts", who are in a

way symbolic of the various types of people, are played by Tom Privette and John Johnson. Pinkey Gill plays "The Girl". Mary K. Brown, Carol Ann Moore, Pinky Gill, and Meredith Cole play the four old ladies, "Mrs. Botticelli", "Mrs. Adams", "Mrs. Lesure", and

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Two Seniors Pass Tests For AF OTS

Francis G. Clark, Jr. and David L. Payne, both seniors at Mercer, have qualified for the Air Force's Officer Training School (OTS) as Navigators. The young men passed the written and physical examinations at the local Air Force Recruiting Office, 337 Cotton Avenue, and are awaiting word of their selection for OTS.

Clark is an Economics Major and Payne has a dual Major in English and Psychology. If selected for the Air Force's program, they will enter twelve weeks Officer School in September, after graduation. They would then enter navigator training as commissioned officers.

The co-educational Officer Training School is located at San Antonio, Texas.

Prof, Co-ed Give Blood In Emergency

A Mercer professor and freshman co-ed answered a call for help Sunday night and made emergency blood donations to save the life of a nine year old girl.

Dr. Paul Cable and Sue Evans donated blood to the Macon General Hospital for the girl who suffers from hemophilia or "free bleeding." The nine year old was injured Sunday and doctors had difficulty in stopping her bleeding.

The hospital sent out an emergency call for donors with the rare O-negative blood and Dr. Cable and Miss Evans were among those who made donations.

Mercer Students And Prof Set Folk Programs For Spring

Six determined Mercerians have pooled their time and efforts and organized themselves into an informal group of folk singers dedicated to the tradition of authentic folk music and singing pleasure.

The group included Dr. Ben Griffith, chairman of the English Department, and Mercer students George Brown, Babs Lowery, Jim Maxwell, Jane Shaw and Al Willingham.

They will appear before the student body for the first time in Tuesday's chapel program and sing "Jessy James", "This Land is

Your Land", "Two Brothers", and others.

The folk singers will also perform this Monday night for the Federated Music Club of Macon meeting in Mercer's Music House on Adams St. at 8 p.m. On Feb. 14 they will sing at the meeting of the Montezuma Music Club and Feb. 28th at the Howard Community Club House. In April the Mercerians will perform for the Sidney Lanier Cottage of the D.A.R.

All of the six singers are amateur folk song collectors and hope that

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