

SOUTHERN PINES, N. C. was the scene of a happy two day Thanksgiving Vacation for the Concert Choir. The boys arrived in Southern Pines early Wednesday afternoon and departed Friday morning. The accomodations in the Hollywood Hotel were very comfortable and the boys enjoyed the hospitality of the management. Excitement was high with the arrival of the Rhine family, Mrs. Bryant, and Mrs. Jones. Happy greetings were exchanged and there were many exciting stories and tales to be told. All the boys are well and seemed very happy. Mr. Bryant, Mr. & Mrs. Wolfe, and Mr. Jones reported the trip to be a successful and enjoyable one. Many fine concerts have been given by the boys and the accompanying adult singers. Rick Funk accompanied the choir in the matinee performance in Lafayette, Michael O'Flaherty will accompany the choir for the matinee performance to be given in Thomasville, Ga. on December 6th. In Farmville, Va. the choir was given a standing ovation. Of course, it is needless to say that the girls of Longwood College just "adored" several members of the choir. Mrs. Jones' birthday was celebrated during the Thanksgiving Dinner. After dinner the boys sang several selections for the hotel guests. Each of the kings delighted the guests and the boys by presenting a solo selection. The hotel guests were very appreciative of this "unrehearsed" performance. Thanksgiving evening was spent doing such exciting things as bowling, going to the movies, or putting puzzles together! The company of Dr. & Mrs. Joseph Bellanca was enjoyed by the boys. Jim's brother and sister joined the boys in all the activities.

It would have given many mothers encouragement to see the boys washing socks, underclothing, and shirts. All trousers were being pressed and shoes shined!

The two days were all too short, Friday morning and time to say "goodbye" came all too quickly. It was a pleasant Thanksgiving - a holiday away from home.

CONCERTS for this coming week are: November 30th - Cookeville, Tenn. -Hotel Shanks; December 1st (no concert) accomodations to be arranged on the road; Dec. 2nd - Beaufort, S. C. - Combahee Court, Yemassee, S. C.; Dec. 3rd. - First Baptist Ch. of Orlando, Fla. - accomodated in private homes; Dec. 4th Miami, Fla. - Barry College-Hotel Lindsey-Hopkins; December 5th Chiefland, Fla. -no concert- Holiday Hotel; and December 6th - Thomasville, Ga. - Hotel Scott.

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