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## Good Evening!



### Inside the Collegiate

Is there an alcoholism problem here on the campus of Atlantic Christian? Find out on our editorial page today...CPS correspondent David Lindley takes a look at the new Supersonic Transports, both pro and con, on page 3...If you're a senior, chances are you've been interviewed for a job this week. Will you get the job? Read "Competition After Graduation Will be Rough"...Spring athletics are getting under way — baseball and tennis schedules can be found on page 4.

### Howard Hanger Trio

The Howard Hanger Trio will appear in concert on Wednesday, March 16, at 7:30 p.m. in the Hardy Alumni Hall. The program will be sponsored by the Campus Christian Association. No admission will be charged.

### RA Jobs

Students interested in applying for an RA position for next year should pick up an application form from the Student Personnel Office located in Hamlin Student Center. Present RA's, both male and female, must also apply. Forms must be returned by March 4. Interviews will be scheduled from March 14 to the 22nd.

### Spring Break

The dorms will close tomorrow at 7 p.m. The last meal will be served at noon. Dorms will reopen Sunday, March 13, at 3 p.m.

### Educational Fair

The Education Dept. will sponsor its Educational Fair on March 2 and 3 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Students, faculty, and administrative staff are encouraged to stop by the Hardy Alumni Hall during these times to view the exhibits.

### Interviews for Seniors

Recruiters for the school system of Chesapeake, Va. will be on campus Wednesday, March 16. There are a few openings for interviews left.

### SGA Meeting

The Student Government Association will meet on Thursday, March 3, at 6 p.m. in the Hardy Alumni Hall. All students are encouraged to attend.

### Basketball Game

Alpha Omega and UCCF will play basketball Tuesday, March 1, at 7 p.m. in the Old Gym.

### Young Democrats

The Young Democratic Club will meet Tuesday, March 1 in Hines Hall-room 109 at 6 p.m. The special constitution Committee has prepared several amendments to be voted on. Plans for the state convention will be made.



## The End of an Era

The flag in front of the administration building flew at half mast this past week as a stunned campus adjusted to the news of Dr. Wenger's death. (Photo by Jimmy Cobb—The Pine Knot)

## A Look at Dr. Wenger's Life

Dr. Arthur D. Wenger, 60, president of Atlantic Christian College, died last Friday morning following a short illness.

Dean of North Carolina college and university presidents, he began serving as president of Atlantic Christian College in July of 1956. Gov. Luther Hodges participated in his inauguration.

A native of Aberdeen, Idaho, he was son of F. L. Wenger and the late Mrs. Wenger. He attended the public schools in Aberdeen. He received the A.B. degree in history from Bethel College in Newton, Kan., 1941, and attended the San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, Calif., 1941-42. He was awarded the B.D. degree by Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Tex., in 1948; the honorary LL.D. degree by Texas Christian University, in 1956; and the honorary Litt.D. degree by William Woods College, Fulton, Mo., in 1975.

An ordained minister, he served as pastor to the First Mennonite Church, Shafter, Calif., 1942-44. He served as a chaplain in the U.S. Army during World War II, 1944-46, serving with combat infantry units in Luxemburg, Belgium, Germany and Austria. Dr. Wenger served as a student pastor to Central Christian Church, Hamilton, Tex., in 1946; pastor to the First Christian Church, Arlington, Tex., 1946-48; and associate pastor to the First Christian Church, New Castle, Pa., 1948-50.

Prior to assuming the presidency of Atlantic Christian College in 1956, Dr. Wenger served as director of special promotion and church relationships at Texas Christian University, from 1952-56. He served as assistant to the president and was an instructor in the Atlantic Christian College Department of Religion and Philosophy, 1950-52.

Dr. Wenger was chairman of the Board of Higher Education of Christian Churches, 1959;

president of N.C. Council of Church-Related Colleges, 1959; a member of the Commission on Brotherhood Restructure, Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ); was president of the Association of Eastern North Carolina Colleges, 1969-70; president of the N.C. Association of Colleges and Universities, 1966.

He served as president of the N.C. Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, 1972-74; a past member of the Board of Trustees of Lexington Theological Seminary, Lexington, Ky.; a North Carolina delegate to the Education Commission of the States, 1966; a member of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina State Educational Assistance Authority, by appointment of the governor, 1966-68; and a past member of the General Board of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

An elder in the First Christian Church of Wilson, Dr. Wenger was a past president of the Wilson Arts Council; a past member of the Wilson County Economic Development Council; a past president of the Wilson Rotary Club, 1962; a past member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board; a member of the Board of Directors of the Wilson County United Fund; a member of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity; and a member of the Alpha Psi Omega honorary drama fraternity.

He was one of three recipients of the Texas Christian University Distinguished Alumnus Award, 1960.

Dr. Wenger is survived by his wife, the former Miss Doris Kellenbarger of Newton, Kan.; three sons, Arthur Frank of Schnectady, N.Y., born 1947, Jon Michael of Raleigh, born 1950, and Mark Randolph of the home, born 1953; his father, F. L. Wenger of Aberdeen, Idaho; a brother, Dr. Carl Wenger of Little Rock, Ark.; a sister, Mrs. Maurice Wedel of Aberdeen, Idaho; and one grandchild, Teresa Ann Wenger.

## News in Brief

### Trustees Approve Record Budget

The Atlantic Christian College Board of Trustees, meeting here Wednesday, took action to tentatively approve a record operating budget for the 1977-78 academic year, authorized an increase in student tuition and fees for the coming year, announced changes in faculty status and nominated new members for election to the board.

The trustees tentatively approved a record operating budget in the amount of \$4,955,795 for the 1977-78 academic year, an increase of some 5 per cent over the current year. The budget increase reflects an escalation in the total cost of operating the college.

Also approved was an increase in student tuition, room, board, and fees totaling \$163 per year (two semesters). Tuition was increased \$100 per year; room \$25 per year; meals, \$30 per year, and athletic fee, \$8 per year.

It was pointed out that with the increase, Atlantic Christian College charges would probably remain in the lower 25 per cent bracket of similar private institutions within the state.

Granted appointment to the ACC teaching faculty was Mrs. Vera McClive, instructor in nursing.

The board formally accepted the resignation of Miss Tassie Ree Langley, assistant professor of English, and approved the retirement of Dr. Lewis H. Swindell Jr., dean of the college.

Mrs. Kay Jefferies, assistant professor of health and physical education, was granted leave of absence for the fall semester of the 1977-78 academic year to pursue doctoral studies.

Twelve persons were placed in nomination for election to the ACC Board of Trustees by the General Assembly of the Christian Church in North Carolina meeting in Asheville, April 29-May 1.

### Consciousness Seminar March 18

On March 18-19 Atlantic Christian College will sponsor a Consultation on Consciousness. From a community dinner on Friday through meetings on Saturday afternoon the group will be seeking ways in which to become more conscious of God and nature. Several distinguished speakers and leaders in spiritual consciousness will be present to guide the group in their search. If you feel that you need to grow in your spiritual life, please make plans to attend. There will be an article in the next issue of the Collegiate with more details. The Consultation will be an excellent opportunity for all those who wish to grow spiritually.

### Largest Space Body Discovered

German astronomers have discovered what may be the biggest thing in the universe. How big is it? Imagine the biggest, widest, most gigantic piece of space stuff you've ever heard of. This thing is bigger.

The Germans have dubbed the thing "3C123" and are presently "watching" it through a huge radiotelescope near Bonn. Right now astronomers say all the parts of 3C123 may not be related, but if they are, 3C123 will measure in at 137 million light years across, seven times greater in diameter than any other object in the universe.

By comparison, the distance from the earth to the sun — 93 million miles — is roughly only eight light minutes.