

COLLEGE APPOINTS NEW DEAN

The Rev. Grady H. Whicker has been appointed Dean and Registrar of Brevard College, according to an announcement released Thursday by President Emmett K. McLarty, Jr.

Mr. Whicker is presently serving as Director of the Counseling and Testing Department at Old Dominion College, Norfolk, Virginia. He will assume his duties in Brevard July 1.

A native of Kernersville, Mr. Whicker received the A. B. degree from High Point College and the M. A. degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

He has served as an assistant pastor at Edenton Street Methodist Church in Raleigh and as minister of Jenkins Memorial Methodist Church there.

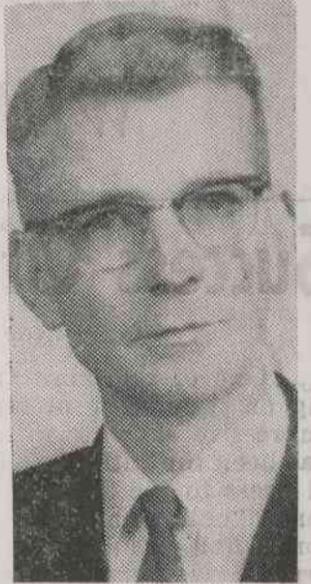
In 1953 he was appointed Director of Public Relations at High Point College, where he also served

as an Admissions Counselor and Alumni Secretary. He later was appointed Director of Counseling.

Mr. Whicker left High Point to become Assistant to the President of Old Dominion College in 1963. In 1966, he was appointed to his present position as Director of Counseling and Testing at the Virginia institution.

He is married to the former Pansy Henderson of Jacksonville, N. C. They have four daughters.

In commenting on Mr. Whicker's appointment, Mr. McLarty stated, "Brevard College is unusually fortunate to find a person with such a rich and varied background in college teaching and administration to assume the duties of Dean of the College at Brevard. The Whicker family will add much to the College and to the community."



REV. GRADY WHICKER

Glee Club Tours South Trustee Conference Is Held

By Peggy Mizell

On March 23, the Brevard College Glee Club began their spring holidays by boarding a bus at 5:30 a. m. and heading for Florida. The first stop was Jacksonville where the singers performed at the Arlington Methodist Church. The group then traveled farther south to Tampa where they sang at the First Methodist Church. Before leaving Florida, the group did stop in such cities as Daytona

and St. Augustine, then boarded the bus and headed toward Darlington, South Carolina, where they sang at the Trinity Methodist Church and also at Dillon High School. Last stop for the singers was Charlotte, N. C., where they performed at the Methodist Home, Wesley Nursing Home, and the Hickory Grove Methodist Church. Then the group returned to Brevard free to spend the week. —Turn to Page Four

The annual spring meeting of the trustees of Brevard College was held April 4. The trustees meet two times every year to view improvements made on the college campus and to discuss various matters

relevant to Brevard College.

Following their dinner meeting Thursday, they were entertained by various groups. A small group of instrumentalists, composed of Diane Thompson, Hugh Lothery, Susie Jinette, Debbie Van Sciver and Cecilia Henry played percussion and flutes for their rendition of "Dance of the Black Haired Mountain Storm." Mrs. Barbara Daye, as the evil spirit, Nancy Brockwell, as the mountain and Jackie Griffith as the fairy maiden danced amidst red

lights to this piece.

Mrs. Doris Potts gave the trustees highlights of the marine ecology trip to the Bahamas taken by Brevard students during Christmas. She also discussed plans for another trip this summer.

The Madrigal Singers sang several pieces for the trustees.

World News

By Merriman Smith

WASHINGTON — (UP) — The United States and North Vietnam took a small but enormously significant step Wednesday toward preliminary diplomatic discussions that could lead to an end of the Vietnam war.

First, the Hanoi government, declared in a radio broadcast its willingness to meet with American representatives to discuss "the unconditional cessation of the United States bombing raids and all other acts of war against the Democratic Republic of Vietnam so that talks may start."

Then President Johnson told newsmen at the White House he was accepting Hanoi's offer.

He announced that the United States "will establish contact with the representatives of North Vietnam. Consultations with the government of South Vietnam and other allies are now taking place."

SAIGON — (UP) — Thousands of U. S. Marines and South Vietnamese infantrymen drove toward Khe Sanh behind columns of tanks Thursday morning in an allied juggernaut aimed at crushing North Vietnamese armies who laid siege to the fortress Jan. 21.

U.S. Air Cavalrymen poured into the hills in swarms of helicopters.

U.S. generals said American air strikes, artillery power and the 10,000 allied defenders of Khe Sanh already had broken the siege. They described the big push as the second stage of a counter offensive "to put the enemy out of business" in South Vietnam's northern provinces.

Behanna To Address Chapel

Mrs. Gertrude Behanna, one of the most widely known and most frequently heard Christian women of our time, will be guest speaker at the Brevard College chapel program on April 10 at 7:00 P. M.

The topic of her talk will be "God Isn't Dead", a message of realism, warmth, humor and sincerity.

According to her autobiography, THE LATE LIZ, Mrs. Behanna was born to rich parents and brought up in a "too rich" atmosphere. She knows the tragedy of marriage difficulties and family life. After three marriages and many drinks, she tried to commit suicide but failed even in this. This was twenty years ago.

After her attempt to take her own life, she was dramatically converted to Christ, and since that time she has devoted her life to telling her story. Her purpose is to inspire others to seek God as the answer to their deepest needs.

Last year, Mrs. Behanna made over a thousand talks, traveling extensively to deliver them. She spoke in Japan and Okinawa, and has recently returned from Great Britain where she spoke to university students and faculty there.

Mrs. Behanna speaks at colleges, seminaries, prep schools,

SNEA'ers Go To Charlotte

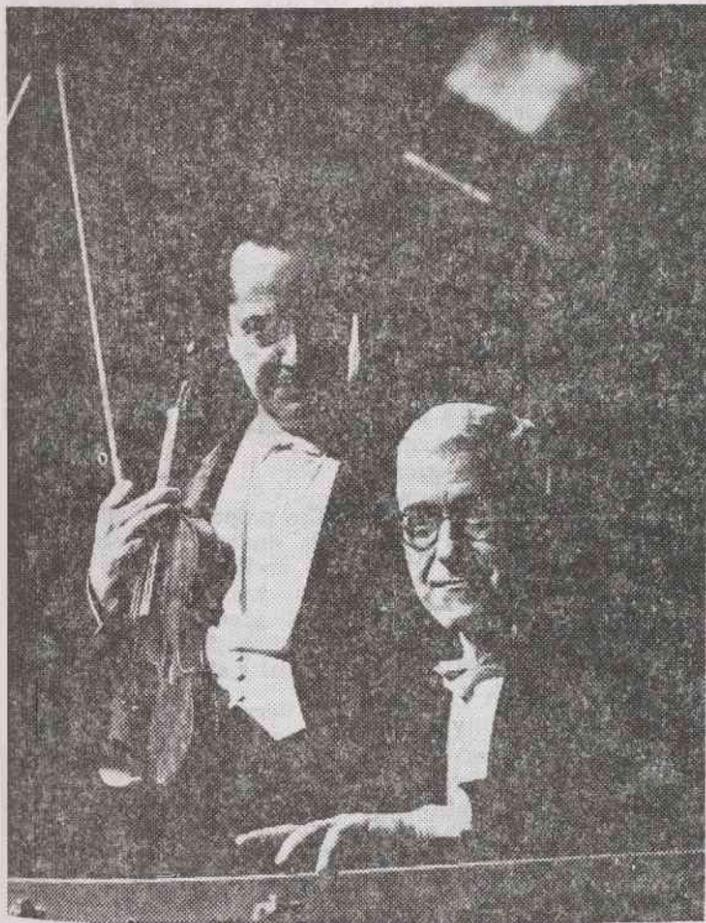
Five of the SNEA members and their sponsor, Mr. Tawney, left yesterday for a convention in Charlotte. The purpose of the annual meeting is to elect state officers.

The group consists of Kathy Van Netta, president, Diane Johnson, Beth Rowe, Jackie Lawing and Mark Philips. Jackie and Mark are Mr. and Miss Representatives for the Brevard chapter and will be recognized Saturday night.

Saturday the students will enjoy exhibits on teacher aid, a speaker Saturday night, and a hootenanny afterwards.

The girls are staying at the home of Jackie Lawing and the men in a hotel. They will return on Sunday.

The CLARION staff wishes to express deep regrets to the family of assistant college store manager Mrs. Lavern McCall whose home was recently destroyed by fire. The fire occurred the evening of April 1, but the family managed to save many of their belongings.



CIOMPI - WITHERS DUO

Last Monday and Tuesday nights witnessed the noted concert duo of Ciompi and Withers on the Brevard campus. The famed pair performed such involved compositions as Sonata in G major, Op. 36, 60. 3, and Fantasia in C major, Op. 159. The duo's appearance at BC was the fourth in a series of varied Lyceum programs this year, and was the final program to be presented this semester. The performance was sponsored by the Brevard Mutual Concert Association.

jails, service clubs, high schools, churches and AA meetings.

In addition to her story being told in her book, Mrs. Behanna has made a number of radio and television appearances. She has made several appearances as a guest on the Mike Douglas show.