# Pillars Of Education

As we were glancing through a copy of the handbook the other day, these lines caught our attention:

"Dedication to the highest standards of academic excellence."

"The free search for truth in all areas and aspects of life. The honest teaching of knowledge with well-founded claim to truth."

"The inspiration of students to give themselves fully to the glory of God and the service of mankind in their chosen fields of endeavor."

"The cultivation of all aspects of man's finest appreciationartistic, intellectual, spiritual."

Surely no one would quarrel with this excellent set of goals. BUT-does Wesleyan practice conform as fully as we wish it did, and are these four fine ideals merely words? Let us consider them as words for a start.

"Dedication to the highest standards of academic excellence." Now, obviously this is not easy. It can be achieved, however; but it will take time, maybe years, and effort. It is up to the students to strive for and accomplish this academic excellence through preparation and study.

That the second lines are important is a certainty. "The free search for truth in all areas and aspects of life. The honest teaching of knowledge with well-founded claim to truth." That a college should dedicate itself to this task is more than commendable. Its final results depend on the students and faculty working hand in hand. For the discovery of truths and the attainment of knowledge are found in an institution where the professors are willing to give of themselves freely in effort, and where the students strive to their utmost to grow, where they absorb ideas, digest them, and draw concrete conclusions based on truth.

It is necessary that a church-related college such as ours Philip L. Shore, along with Rev. should develop the spiritual life of the student and encourage him, after study and consideration, to dedicate himself to the expression and sharing of the principle on which he chooses to stand.

"The cultivation of all aspects of man's finest appreciation—artistic, intellectual, spiritual.!" This sums up everything. Here we see proof that already our college is fulfilling its purpose. Whenever the student begins to hurt and ask for the reasons why . . . whenever he reevaluates his purpose for life . . . whenever he strives for perfection . . . whenever he sees for himself the necessity in becoming a responsible adult . . . whenever . . . we know that this thing called Christian Education is good. Are we willing to work to insure it?

# Loan Assures Expansion

A phone call from the White House by Congressman L. H. Fountain of Tarboro announced the approval of a \$1,990,000 college housing loan to be used for the expansion of our college.

The loan makes it possible for us to start construction at once on two new dormitories and an infirmary. Also possible, as an indirect result of the loan, will be the construction of a gymnasium and a library.

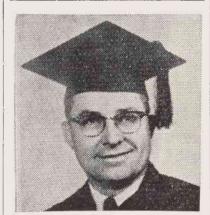
The two new dorms will be constructed across the street from the two dorms already in use. Each has been designed to accommodate 125 students. The new infirmary will have

This loan will be made at 3 3/8 per cent interest for a 40-year period, and no interest will have to be paid for the first two years. The new structures will be ready by the

Advertisement for bids on the construction is being planned so that construction can begin immediately.

# Wesleyan Singers Give Second Spring Concert

campus, the Wesleyan Singers pre- Sasser. sented their second annual Spring Concert in the Student Union Building vesterday evening at 8:15 p. m.



THOMAS A. COLLINS

### **Collins Will Get Honorary Degree**

President Thomas Asa Collins will be one of three outstanding North Carolinians to be awarded honorary degrees at High Point College's Annual Commencement on May 27.

They will be bestowed on R. L. Pope of Thomasville and Rev. Collins.

Maj. Gen. W. C. Westmore, commandant of the United States Military Academy, will speak at the exercises, which will be held at 3

# **Voice Instructor** Joins Faculty

recent addition to the faculty for munity as a part-time voice instructor.

in the city, Gupton will also be Minister of Music at the First pressions and reaction. Presbyterian Church.

MM Degrees from the Westminister Choir College of Princeton, N. J. will be held this week.

Climaxing a day of activity on under the direction of Dr. William

The concert opened with a group of three choruses from oratorios by Handel, followed by two choruses from "Alice in Wonderland," set by Irving Fine. A group of sacred choruses by contemporary composers ended the first half of the program.

The latter half of the concert was composed entirely of folk-song arrangements and spirituals. Among the selections were "The Lark in the Morn," "Ernie Canal," "Shen-andoah," "Set Down Servant," "Plenty Good Room," and "Ezekial Saw de Wheel."

Joan Lamberth was accompanist for the group, and also performed a solo, "The joy of Autumn," by MacDowell.

Another soloist, Kay Hobbs, soprano, sang "Zing, Zing, Zoom Zoom" by Sigmund Romberg and "June Is Busting Out All Over." She was accompanied by Etta Spivey, pianist

Also featured was the Wesleyan Men's Quartet, singing barber-shop selections. Performing in the quartet were Royal Brown, first tenor; Francis Eason, second tenor; Guy Rouse, Baritone; and Dickey Moore,

# **Meeting Is Held** By Literary Club

Wesleyan's newly organized Literary Club held their meeting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gray last Thursday evening at 7:30.

The meeting was centered around a discussion of morality and literature, and whether or not morality could be used as a measuring stick in judging art. The discussion was based on the reading of two papers. Lawarence Gupton is the most One was entitled "Art or Trash" written by Dr. Harwood, and the next year. He will serve the com-other was written by club member Mona Cozart.

The discussion was followed by A native of Rocky Mount and an "experiment in listening" when active in church and civic affairs Mr. Gray played an impressionistic record and the group gave their im-

All students are urged to check He received his ABM and his the bulletin board for information concerning the last meeting, which

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