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THE WESLEYAN DECREE

Open Letters.

February 18, 1963 Gary M. Garlow, President Wesleyan College Rocky Mount, North Carolina

Dear Gary:

honor system at Wesleyan has in an individual by a rigid sysof the DECREE editors. The system that we have at Wesleyquestion posed to us was this: to the catalog, but upon checkvery vaguely discussed.

entire student body, we would Council. As to the responsibility appreciate your clarification on of one person to amend the this fatter. It is evident that honor of another, the guide to some of our professors are not follow is that the person have informed as to the status of the the best interest of the other Wesleyan honor system; some in mind. have stated openly that the college does not have an honor system, others operate under administrative personnel underthe assumption that we most stands his or her responsibility definitely have a rigid code. You can easily see that the will continue to strive to attain question of the honor system the goal of "honor." needs to be defined-both in terms of student responsibilities and faculty procedures. Your cooperation in answering our inquiry will certainly be appreciated.

May we take this opportunity to commend you on your fine leadership of the Student Government Association. Your ef-forts to coordinate the activities bare, presented itself in the four of the SGA have indeed been words spoken by a professor. beneficial to each individual at Weslevan.

Sincerely

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To answer the question of what very strongly, believe in honor professor, I quit. but it is honor in practice and

the responsibility on the indivi- the accumulated knowledge of dual; not just on the student, each day was well-earned, bebut on every member of the coming part of a composite percommunity-faculty and admin- son who refuses to sacrifice his istration included. This honor individuality for false education. for which each member of the community must assume the responsibility, may be defined as probably the least used adjeca keen sense of right and wrong tives describing the Wesleyan and an adherence to the actions and principles considered right. able. Not only do many students As trite as it may seem to say consider it a mockery, but also this, there is a sense of right certain of the faculty and adand wrong within each indivi- ministration. dual. Each individual knows this, but simetimes due to a rigid vation clearly show that the honor code or honor system, in- blame cannot be centered on dividuals are denied the privi- the shoulders of any particular lege of assuming this important individual. However it is certain responsibility.

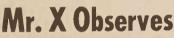
If everyone were to respect this practice of honor, surely an Student Government Association honor system would not be necessary. Even recognizing that everyone does not accept this responsibility, Wesleyan in its formation realized that the re-Recently the subject of the sponsibility cannot be instilled been brought to the attention tem. The only form of honor an is "the sense of honor," the Does Wesleyan have an honor Bill of Rights of the Community system, and, if so, exactly how Council, and the Community does it work?" We referred the Council. The Bill of Rights reindividual to the handbook and presents the basic rights of every member of the community. If ing those publications ourselves, these rights are denied, I strongwe have found the matter to be ly urge any member to appeal to the Student Government As-

For that student and for the sociation or to the Community

I sincerely hope that each individual student, faculty, and in this type of a community and

> Gary M. Garlow, President Student Government

Association



cently and idealism received

The fact is, said the professor, that college is no longer a proving ground for the development

pleasing the professor!" This type of issue one usually chooses to avoid, but such truth in the statement prevents such action. Perhaps it could be considered

I would rather face the world

Effective and admirable are Code. And this is understand-



"I THOUGHT I MADE IT CLEAR LAST TIME, CLASS, THAT EVERYONE WAS TO DO HIS OWN WORK DURING MY EXAMS."

Campus Bulletins

credit Speed Reading class, open to all Wesleyan students. The cents, class will meet two hours per week for eight weeks. Interested

The Senate of the Student persons should contact Miss Government Association is now Langley for time and place of posting the minutes of their meetings on the S.G.A. bulletin board. Students are urged to The Ambassador Theater in check these reports as soon as

"Mr. Roberts"

The latest in the Wesleyan ust, 1963. On March 21, "Little fine film series, "Mr. Roberts," will be shown Friday, March 1 Gravely Building. Admission is

SNATCHES

By BUTCH NICHOLS

Grip those grips Bar the doors Boredoni, interpretations, hunger

Oops! Too late-new rulingquicksand.

Got things to do, they say. Got no things to do-the fact. Ambitious-who? Quicksand Learning. Teaching worse off.

Fun, amuse, collegiate Lend time, pay back-quicksand

Serious, adult, responsibility Committee-no aid or grade!

Summarize: dogmatic dogma All right, all wrong-decipher No? Value lost in quicksand Where is it. Stop and think. * * *

Requiescat in Peace

"To yield is heresy, To press on is to die; Don't thwart society: Be an individual, not a lit."

Is it better to live a lie, Even to live at all, Or to be true to yourself, and die

Because with society you didn't crawl.

Be true unto yourself, Be kicked in the teeth, And when you're on a marble shelf,

Perhaps, someone will send a wreath.

And a minister will give this spiel,

"He defied society and lost. He tried to live up to his ideal, But look at what it cost.

His is an example of what not to be,

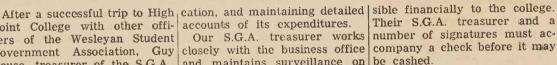
His thoughts were dangerous. The way to live and be free Is to join the crowd, be one of us."

-Sidney Wilbur

Wesleyan-High Point Students Talk

Point College with other offi- accounts of its expenditures. cers of the Wesleyan Student Our S.G.A. treasurer works Government Association, Guy closely with the business office Rouse, treasurer of the S.G.A., and maintains surveillance on reports that his discussions of the financial records of each student government finances commission. In contrast, High with the treasurer of High Point's Point's S.G.A. has found its student government were very treasury system much encomfruitful Rouse stated that our bered with formality, causing S.G.A. allots certain funds to delay in obtaining funds and each commission; each group overwork on the part of the then entails the responsibility treasurer. All dormitories and

of working within its own allo- commissions are directly respon-



Rouse related that the treasury systems of both colleges have their advantages and disadvantages. He believes that a judicious blending of the two systems could provide both S.G.A.'s with an exceptionally efficient and elastic treasury system.

Dennis Stockdale, chairman of the Orientation Committee, also accompanied the group to High Point. He informed the Senate in a written report that new insight was gained, some of which his committee might advantageously incorportate in our Orientation program. High Point's orientation procedure encompasses the entire student body of the college. During orientation week, speakers are invited to stress the seriousness of students' properly accepting the academic challenge posed in higher education. Yet, the committee does not overlook the importance of college social life. Included in orientation week is a freshman-upper classman tugo-war and a traditional "beanie

the class. John Gillis and Susie Black of the individual; "college is

with objectivity by a panel of college administrators, instructhe honor system at Wesleyan tors, and students, for if the is, it is first necessary to separ- only reason 1 am here is to ate the word "honor" from the recite the facts and fallacies of words "honor system." We do, the world to some disconcerted

thought without a rigid system. happy and "ignorant" (if ig-This belief necessarily puts norance is bliss?), knowing that

Common sense (?) and obser-

Reading Course

Film Classics

Raleigh has planned a series of they are posted. fine films to be shown one day per month March through Aug-

Women," starring June Allyson and Elizabeth Taylor, will at 8:15 p. m. in Room 105, be featured. To be offered during the following five months free.

will be "Captains Courageous," Mr. A UDSERVES Illusions were shattered re-ently and idealism received Miss Tassie Langley has an-nounced the formation of a non-credit Speed Reading class, open Good Earth." Admission is 75

Senate Proceedings

of the individual's responsibility. gripe list.

that if a careful review of the

It is necessary for each mem- merits and deficiencies of the ber of the Wesleyan communi- Wesleyan Code is not soon inity to reject the high school con- tiated, we had just as well toss cept of a rigid honor system the whole idea out the window and to adopt an adult attitude and have one less item on the ous areas of the college com- also welcome and encouraged.

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Editorial Note

The DECREE is now in need accept original work from stuof reporters to work about two dents or faculty.

hours per week covering vari- Your letters to the Editor are munity. Students interested in Letters should be as brief as newspaper work are asked to possible and to the point-the contact Susie Black or John shorter the better. They should be no longer than 300 words, and Gillis.

New in this issue of the DE- they should appeal to the general CREE is a classified column, college community, not to one initiated for faculty and stu- particular group. All are exdents alike. Items for sale or pected to be in good taste, and trade will be featured as they are subject to condensation by are offered, and the column may the DECREE editors.

also be used as a lost or found Letters to the Editor must be announcement medium. All no- signed-no unsigned letters will ceremony.

tices will be accepted free of be considered for publication charge. Contributors are re- However, names will be withquested to sumbit their adver- held if the Editor is shown justitisements to any DECREE staff fication for doing so. Comment member.

Student creative writing for be a valuable asset to the enpublications in the DECREE is tire college; the newspaper can thought on the part of his comwelcome at any time. Butch be an influential voice in student-Nichols, author of the "Snatch- administration relations. We from his visit to High Point es" column, will be happy to urge you to make it so.

The consequences the freshmen encounter from either winning or losing the contest are the same as those now tradion features or editorials could tional at Wesleyan. Stockdale concluded that originality of (Continued on page 4)