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## Dr. Johnson Will Head SS Division

Dr. Allen S. Johnson will join the faculty of North Carolina Wesleyan College as Professor of European History and Chairman of the Division of Social Sciences, according to an announcement from Carolina Wesleyan officials.

A native of Somerset, Ky., Dr. Johnson has spent much of his life in North Carolina, graduating from high school in Durham. He was graduated from Wake Forest College in 1951 summa cum laude. He earned his Master of Arts in European History from Duke University in 1955.

He was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and Sigma Pi Alpha honorary fraternities. His extra curricular activities included dramatic-forensic, musical and athletic leadership. He is a member of the American Historical Association.

Johnson served as graduate assistant instructor of History at Duke University from 1951-1955. He became Assistant Professor of History at Shorter College upon his graduation and became Dean and Head of the History Department before his departure in 1960. He has taught at Oklahoma Baptist University since 1960 where he now serves as Professor of European History. He has published articles in learned journals, among them a recent article in the William and Mary Quarterly. He has directed two European Study Tours, has visited the Soviet Union, and has developed working competence in German, French and Russian languages.

He is married to the former Lota Leigh Harrison of Camden County, N. C., and they have two children. The Johnsons are active members of the Baptist Church, which his father served as an ordained minister and a professor of Greek, Bible and Philosophy.

## Spring Formal Slated May 9

The Spring Formal for 1964 will be held May 9, from 9 p. m. until 12 midnight in the Rocky Mount National Guard Armory.

This, Wesleyan's only strictly formal dance, will feature the May Court and the Billy May Orchestra.

The May Court will be comprised of nine girls—two from each of the freshman, sophomore and junior classes and three from the senior class.

The queen will be elected from the three representatives from the senior class who are Susie Black, Joan Lamberth and Patsy Matthews. The student body will cast their ballots for the queen on May 7, 1964, between the hours of 12:30 p. m. and 3 p. m. in the SGA office.

## Constitution Tabled Till Thursday



BILL GRUVER



DR. PHIL ELLIOTT



JIM GARRISS

## 4 Representatives Chosen By CC

In yesterday's Community Council Elections Jim Garriss and Bill Gruver were elected as student members

to the Community Council for the two year term beginning September, 1964 and ending May, 1966.

Dr. Phil Elliott was elected by the faculty for the same two-year term, filling the vacancy left by the expiration of Dr. Harwood's term.

Mr. Joyner was re-elected to the staff for another year.

Manner of nomination and election is this. The faculty nominates eight rising sophomores or juniors who have an overall 2.0 average or better. From this eight, the student body elects two. The student body nominates four faculty members from which the faculty elects one. The staff nominates and elects its representative annually.

Also during this election, the amendments to the by-laws of the Community Council were passed by the faculty and students. The staff passed on the amendments Monday afternoon.

## Lengthy Debate Is Presented

By WINNI STINE

A lively session of the SGA ended today when the newly-proposed constitution was tabled until the next session which begins Thursday morning. Early in the session Ed Lewis, chairman of the constitution committee, moved the adoption of a new constitution to replace the present one.

The first amendment made by Ronnie Ragsdale to change the requirements for running for SGA president from four semesters to two semesters of residence at Wesleyan College was defeated by a vote of 168 to 80.

Lengthy debate of the issue forced chairman Dan Massey to limit debate to one minute per person. However, even this did not prevent sharp exchange of opinion as debate continued until two further amendments passed, while an attempt to require the SGA to meet in full session at least once a month failed.

Just before the main motion was tabled, Gary Garlow was able to see his second amendment to delete "any segment thereof" from Article 4, No. 1 passed. This allows dorm councils not to be classified as prime offices.

Although at times involved, the SGA session moved with fair parliamentary ease. However, the Thursday session is expected to move even faster although more amendments are expected.

## Dr. Gordon Finnie Joins Wesleyan Staff

Dr. Gordon E. Finnie will join the faculty of North Carolina Wesleyan College this summer as an Associate professor of American History, according to an announcement today from President Thomas A. Collins.

Finnie is a native of Memphis, Tenn. He was graduated magna cum laude from Lambuth College, Jackson, Tenn., earned his Master of Arts degree from Duke University in United States History, and his Ph. D. degree from Duke Graduate School in U. S. History and Church History in 1962.

An honor graduate from the College, he was awarded some of the finest fellowships to continue his graduate study including the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship, the James B. Duke Fellowship, and the Rockefeller Fellowship. In college he was a member of the varsity Golf Team in addition to leadership in social and academic activities.

Finnie served a tour of duty with the U. S. Army from

August, 1952, until his discharge in July, 1954. While at Duke he served as superintendent of the Durham County Youth detention home, and as a graduate instructor in his study area.

From September, 1962, until the present he has taught at Lambuth College, serving as Associate Professor of United States History and Head of the History Department.

He is married and the father of two children, ages 3 and 5. The Finnies are active members of the Methodist Church. He will move to Rocky Mount in June and the family will follow in August before Fall Semester begins.

Dr. Finnie will move to Rocky Mount in June as he will teach in the Summer Session of the College. He will offer two courses beginning June 15, 1964. He will teach American Civilization, 41s, and Colonial United States, 51s. The course in Colonial America may be taken by advanced students or for renewal of certification by Public School teachers.

## Eight '64-65 Freshmen Given Wesleyan Awards

North Carolina Wesleyan College announced today eight winners of the Wesleyan Award Scholarships valued at \$2,000 each. This is the outstanding academic award at Wesleyan and represents a four-year award for the recipient from \$100 to \$500 annually.

Freshmen Wesleyan Scholars for 1964-65 are: Evelyn G. Andrews of Farmville, North Carolina; Ellen M. Atkinson of Garysburg, North Carolina; Mary Jane Bandy of Rocky Mount, North Carolina; Anne Lucille Chaffin of Carrboro, North Carolina; Alyce Leech Nixon of Falls Church, Virginia; Bettye A. Parker of Davidsonville, Maryland; Martha J. Slade of Halifax, North Carolina, and Frances A. Wilkerson of Kinston, North Carolina.

The Wesleyan Award Scholarship is based upon academic ability and competitive examination. More than 150 applicants were tested during Spring visits to the campus.

Miss Evelyn Andrews is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Andrews of Farmville, North Carolina. She attends Farmville High School where she ranks in the upper ten per cent of her class. She has been vice president of the Heyette Club, assistant art editor of the annual, member of the Student Council, and a marshal. She is active in the Methodist Church.

Miss Ellen Atkinson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Atkinson of Garysburg. A graduating senior, she will be in the upper ten per cent of her class at Weldon High School. She has served as corresponding secretary of the Beta Club, treasurer, president, and vice president of the FHA, a member of the Student Council, and representative to Girls

State. She is an active Methodist and plans to teach in the secondary schools.

Miss Mary Jane Bandy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bandy of Rocky Mount. She attends Rocky Mount Senior High School and ranks in the upper ten per cent of her graduating class. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Service Club, and homeroom officer. She is a member of the Methodist church and plans to major in history.

Miss Anne Lucille Chaffin is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. James C. Chaffin of Carrboro. She attends Chapel Hill Senior High School where she ranks in the upper ten per cent of her class. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Monogram Club, Science Club, and a cheer-leader. She is an active Methodist and plans to major in science.

Miss Alyce Leech Nixon is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis A. Nixon of Falls Church, Virginia. She attends George C. Marshall High School and ranks in the upper ten per cent of her class. She is a member of the National Honor Society and is a Presbyterian.

Miss Bettye A. Parker is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Parker of Davidsonville, Maryland. She attends Annapolis High School where

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