

Automobile Overtakes On Campus

At approximately 11:30, Friday night, November 5th, a 1956 Ford overturned at the corner of Tyler Drive and the front entrance to the campus.

None of the three occupants, sailors from Massachusetts, were injured.

An eyewitness to the accident stated that the car came by North Hall heading toward U. S. 301. After nearly colliding with one automobile parked in front of the dorm, the car made the corner of Tyler Drive but hit the curb, spun around, and turned over near the fountain. The car speed at the time of the accident was estimated at 40 mph.



Pres. Collins Debates On Speaker Ban Law

Recently Dr. Thomas A. Collins and Dr. A. C. Jordan of Duke University appeared on Radio Station WRMT in order to debate the controversial house bill 1935, the so-called "speaker ban." The following text is Dr. Collins' statement during the debate and represents his position as spokesman for the college community.

"Although I am an educational administrator now, I am a Methodist minister first and always; therefore, necessarily, I am personally opposed to communism and all it stands for as anti-God, anti-individual rights and anti-American.

If I believed that the speaker-ban law hurt or hindered communism in any way I would have to support it. This law does not

harm or hinder communism one iota. You do not defeat communism by descending to its tactics or its level. This law does not really limit communism or communist speakers. Instead it lends an aura of dignity to any nuisance speaker who might be brought in by foolish protestors.

There are already other laws on the statute books of North Carolina which restrict communists in classrooms or on college campuses. These are operative and clearly legal. This law does create indignity for those who must try to administer it. They must embarrass the innocent to determine their innocence. Many intelligent dedicated Americans will not accept an invitation accompanied by this interrogation. Would you like to be

asked by a friend "Are you a thief? Are you a criminal? Are you a communist?" Only in America have we established a worthy tradition of accepting a man as innocent until proven guilty, and this law presumes guilt in many cases. A Duke law professor, Dr. Van Alstyne, states that the speaker ban law is unconstitutional on its face for this reason and because it provides no penalty for violation.

The real issue is infringement of delegated authority. The 100 supported colleges are honorable citizens of North Carolina who understand the meaning of citizenship, Americanism, and their accepted responsibility. They are appointed to govern and make policies for educational institutions. They deserve the rights which accompany these responsibilities. These honest citizens are responsible to the legislature, they are responsive to the people of North Carolina. Trust them with the responsibility for which they have been chosen. This trust has been abridged by the legislature through the speaker ban law, which was hastily written and hastily enacted without the careful study which usually precedes such legislation.

The committee on colleges of the Southern Association has spoken its mind in this difficult matter. The committee on colleges is composed of intelligent college presidents, deans and educational administrators, not liberal crackpots. They are communist, nor sympathetic with anything that would weaken America. They have devoted their careers and their lives to this nation's improvement and the adequate preparation of its youthful generation. I know what responsible academic freedom means. When they say the law violates trusteeship and jeopardizes the accreditation of our colleges, this moves me to agree. When the legislature of Alabama, which no one has regarded as liberal or sympathetic with communism, rejects a speaker ban law, as they have done only this month, when every other state which considered such laws rejects them, I cannot believe it is a good law for North Carolina. There are many other scholarly and academic reasons which might be presented if time permitted.

Freedom of study and inquiry must be protected if American freedom is to remain strong

and free. I know the American student mind well enough to say you can trust the vast majority of students today. They are intelligent, well trained, serious toward their new responsibility, and they will reach reasoned decisions if given the facts.

For these and many other reasons I say we should amend the speaker ban law so as to return collegiate decision making in North Carolina to the trustees and college administrators. This has been their responsibility in this nation for more than 300 years very successfully. Our colleges will then be in good and American hands."

LIBRARY
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1956, they, with the former Mattie May Braswell, gave 200 acres for a campus for the proposed college.

The college now has more than 25,000 volumes and is adding to the carefully selected library at the rate of approximately 4,000 volumes each year. Construction of the new building will release eight much needed classrooms now being used for the library.

\$15,000 Grant For Faculty

A grant of \$15,000 for faculty development at North Carolina Wesleyan College has been made by the Knapp Foundation, Inc., according to an announcement made by Dr. Thomas A. Collins, president of the liberal arts college here.

The grant will make possible an increase in the college's support of the scholarly activities of faculty members. It will provide additional funds for attendance at scientific and academic meetings and seminars. Research activities for teaching enrichment will also be eligible for support from the grant - \$5,000 being allocated for each of the next three years.

In making the grant, C. E. Stouch, president of the New York based foundation, expressed enthusiasm in the program for faculty development at the new Methodist college. He said he hoped that the grant "will give you a 'good send off' in encouraging your faculty members to continue their research and other scholarly activities as outlined by you."

Dr. Allen Cordts, director of development, who submitted the proposal said, "I consider this a most significant step forward in the development of North Carolina Wesleyan College. It will help to support faculty scholarship until adequate permanent endowment funds can be accumulated for such purposes."

A Thought To Ponder

Life is a mere spit in the ocean
Of joyous but dead eternal motion
Where man is consumed by his own

Disillusion
That life in itself holds his
Restitution

By RPHC

N. C. W. C. Students Form 'Confidentials'



The "Confidentials" from left to right are Bob Toth, Butch Dupuy, Jimmy Horne, and Kim Chamberlain.

(Photo by Boothe)

As almost everyone in South Hall knows, the sounds of a newly formed band have been heard for the past several weeks. Bob Toth has been trying to form a band for quite some time, and he now has succeeded.

The four piece "rock n' roll" band is made up of Kim Chamberlain on electric bass, Butch Dupey on saxophone, Jimmy Horne playing drums, and Bob Toth playing lead guitar. Doug Wood is featured singing several songs, but the band generally harmonize together and do the singing.

They have chosen the name "Confidentials" and have been playing recently at a local club. It takes time, experience and practice for a band to materialize, but they are hoping by this summer to go on the road. They expect to play in Rocky Mount, Enfield and possibly Richmond this year. Both Bob Toth and Butch Dupey, the latter being known around the Rocky Mount area for playing bands, have had past experience. Last year both Bob and Kim Chamberlain did some playing with the "Electras" and the "Countdowns".

Frosh Featured On 'Wesleyan After Dark'

Butch Dupuy a Freshman from Rocky Mount, has taken over the "Wesleyan After Dark" radio program on WEED, 1390, on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9:00 p.m.

On the air, Butch runs a series of interviews with Wesleyan students, makes dedications, plays current popular releases and gives the news of the campus, from social events to local gossip around the dormitories and Student Union.

Butch has had previous experience in radio broadcasting by working on the Rocky Mount High "Radio Broadcasters Club"

in cooperation with WEED.

A music major, Butch plays the saxophone with "The Four Kings", a Rocky Mount band, plus playing and singing with "The Confidentials", a band made up of four Wesleyan students who play in the local college area.

Butch hopes to further his education in music by recording one or more of the twelve songs he has composed. At the present, he is in the process of planning to cut a record with "The Confidentials" for the near future.



Butch Dupuy emcees "Wesleyan After Dark."
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