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LINDA PRESTON, a senier Psychology major, is shown being crowned as Wesleyan's first Homecoming Queen. Kay Lipscomb, the reigning Miss Missletoe looks on.

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Student Government Association Accepted By SUSGA

The Student Government Association of North Carolina Wesleyan College was recently informed that it had been accepted as a member of the Southern Universities Student Government Association. The Association is an organization designed to act as a link of communication between the colleges and universities in the southeastern part of the United States.

Operating as an organization whose purpose is "to serve the students of the southeast and to assist student leaders of its member institutions to better serve their own studentbodies" SUSGA acts as a medium of exchange of ideas and experiences related to student government between its many member schools. Some of the many services included in membership in SUSGA include advisement of ways to improve student government on the basis of past experience by other member schools, to assist various schools in better defining their student governments in terms of role, organization, function, and operation, and to assist member schools in obraining top quality entertainers through an Entertainment Bureau which works in conjunction with ten prime nalional agencies. Melvin Gay, president of the Wesleyan SGA feels that membership in SUSGA is one of "the best things that has happened to student government at North Carolina Wesleyan College" and says that he "is extremely

happy that Wesleyan has been selected as a member."

One of the first aids to better student government received by NCW shortly after its acceptance for membership is a handbook on student government. The handbook, printed in the form of essays on student governments in institutions of various sizes, offers insight into the interworkings of student government associations which have proven themselves to be outstanding.

Topics covered in the handbook include phases of student government ranging all the way from organization to the legal aspects of student judiciary and discipline. The booklet, if put to proper use, can be a invaluable aid in uncovering weaknesses in the Wesleyan SGA and strengthening them.

Wesleyan becomes the fifth North Carolina school to be accepted for membership in the organization. Other SUSGA member schools in the Tar-Heel state are Catawba College, Mars Hill College, Pfeiffer College and St. Andrews Presbyterian College. A total of 97 schools in nine

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Wesleyan Holds First Homecoming Week-end

Two basketball games, a dance featuring the crowning of Wesleyan's first homecoming queen, and the return of many former students to campus were the featured activities as North Carolina Wesleyan College observed its first Homecoming Week-end on Friday and Saturday, December 16 and 17.

The weekend was touched off by the Wesleyan-Washington & Lee basketball game on Friday night. There were thrills aplenty as the Bishops dropped a 1-point hair-raiser to the General s from the Old Dominion.

Saturday afternoon the scene remained the same but the emphasis shifted from the Wesleyan basketball team to a more mature version of the game as the faculty and alumni battled it out. While this game featured gasps for breath, blisters and aching backs, it lacked none of the tension of the previous nights encounter. At the end of regulation play, both teams claimed Victory, either morally or physically, but all those who witnessed the clash agreed that it should be considered a draw and the gallant ath letes retired to a steaming bath and a long linament soak.

The high point of the weekend's activities was the Homecoming Dance and the crowning of the Homecoming Queen, Miss Linda Preston, a senior psychology major from Huddleston, Virginia, and the presentation of the Queen's Court.

The members of the court were: Dale Pixley, Jeannie

Dickenson, Teddi Wall, Arlene Frye, Allen Ragsdale, JoAnn Blow, and Claire Anderson.

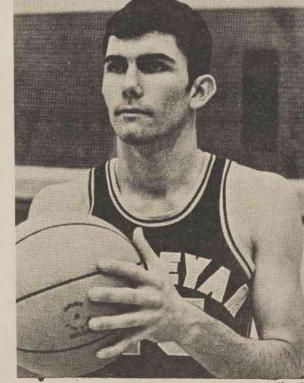
Music for the dance was provided by the Inmates, a group from Raleigh. The dance, although headliner Mary Wells was unable to be present, and as it turned out, no replacement for her could be had, was termed an overwhelming success by all those who were present.

other activities during the week-end included an alumni banquet on Saturday night and the annual Alumni Board of Directors meeting held on Saturday morning.

In view of the apparent success of this Wesleyan's first attempt at staging a Homecoming Week-end, students and alumni are in agreement that it should become an annual affair.

The Wesleyan Social Commission, working in conjunction with the Alumni Directors, handled the arrangements for the week-end and are to be congratulated for a job well done.

On January 21, the Sophomore class is sponsoring a mid-exam blowout. The dance will spotlight the Embers from Raleigh, a local group known nationally for popular recordings. The dance will start at 8 P. M., Saturday evening. Admission cost is \$2.50 per couple, previous to the dance, and \$3.00 at the door. Tickets may be purchased from John Porter, class president. The theme of the dance is bon voyage.



Governor Announces Summer Program

Raleigh-Governor Moere today urged college students interested in State government to apply for the 1967 Summer Internship Program.

In announcing the 1967 program, Moore stated that 25 North Carolina college students will be selected to participate in the 11-week program. Students will attend an orientation program and then work for 10 weeks in selected State departments while attending evening seminars on the campus of North Carolina State University.

To be eligible, students (1) must have satisfactorily completed three years of college, (2) must be residents of North Carolina, and (3) must currently be enrolled in a college or university either within or outside the State.

The State Internship Program will begin June 6 and continue through August 18. 1967. Students will be paid \$75.00 a week while employed.

Governor Moore stated that he had again asked the Institute of Government to be responsible for administering the internship program. The Institute has been participating in the program since it was established in 1962. Students will be selected for the program by a committee that in-

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HAROLD SUTTON, forward, has contributed greatly to the Wesleyan basketball success thus far this season. The freshman has averaged about 10 points per game, has been a stalwart rebounder, and has been the man Don Scalf calls upon to stops the opposition's big scorers all year long.