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Special Welcome Issue



Jasper Smith orients Wesleyan's new comptroller, Floyd D. Sawyer

Smith Retires Sawyer Named Comptroller

Wesleyan's first employee, Comptroller W. Jasper Smith, will soon become its first to retire. President Thomas A. Collins announced that Smith plans to retire around Oct. 1.

Smith, who had the honor of being the chairman of the first Board of Trustees, relinquished this post to become business manager, later comptroller, from which positions he guided the construction and development of the college up to the present.

However, Smith has agreed to continue his services on a part-time basis, assisting the business office and handling special assignments for the president in the area of development and public relations.

Dr. Collins revealed Smith's plans to the Board of Trustees at its Annual Meeting in May. He said, "Mr. Smith has carved a permanent place in the records of the college. He was among those who dared to dream of a new college in Rocky Mount; he worked diligently to bring that dream to fruition. We salute the accomplishments which have crowned his long and active service to The Methodist Church and to North Carolina Wesleyan College."

Last year Smith received the Methodist Layman of the Year award at the N. C. Annual Con-

ference. At Wesleyan's Tenth Anniversary Founders' Day Convocation last Oct. 25, Dr. Collins presented him with a certificate and a special gold pin in recognition of his 10 years of service, the first such award made by the college.

Smith, 65, is a native of Bethel and Pitt County, where he served as town and county commissioner. He was a high school principal in Pitt and Martin counties from 1923 to 1928 and following that prominent businessman in the Bethel area before becoming associated with Wesleyan.

He attended Duke University and Pell School of Law. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of Randolph - Macor Academy, Front Royal, Va. He is a Mason and has been a Rotarian for 36 years.

Smith is married to the former Carolyn Pollock of Trenton. They have recently moved back to his ancestral farm site in Bethel, now a thriving suburban development.

Floyd Daniel Sawyer will become comptroller at N. C. Wesleyan College here Sept. 1. Sawyer, 38, will succeed W. Jasper Smith, who, having served the college since its founding in 1956, recently announced plans to retire.

Sawyer, employed in the Duke University business office since his graduation from there in 1959, is presently chief accountant and office manager.

He spent two years in the U. S. Army, serving part of that time with the Corps of Engineers in Korea.

Sawyer is a charter member and director of the Friendly City Kiwanis Club of Durham. He is also chairman of the Duke University Religious Council Fiscal Policy Committee and treasurer of the Duke University Faculty Club.

He is a native of Durham and attended Hargrave Military Academy and Elon College, Prior to graduation from Duke he was associated with Sawyer and Moore Drug Co, and Wachovia Bank & Trust Company in Durham

Sawyer is married to the former Marion Buttry of Durham. They have two sons, Danny and Timothy Douglas, aged 13 and 30 months, and a daughter, Sharon Kay, aged 8.

ALEXANDER TO ASSIST DEAN

Of particular interest to the student body is the addition of Mrs. Sara Cole Alexander as Wesleyan's first assistant dean of students.

Mrs. Alexander, a familiar sight in our school store, has served at Wesleyan since Jan. 1966 as director of auxiliary enterprises.

As a welcomed aide to Dean Wilde, she will become an advisor and counselor to women students. She will be responsible for coordinating the social and recreational life of the campus.

working directly with student committees to plan and supervise college social functions.

Prior to her employment at Wesleyan, Mrs. Alexander, anative of Winston-Salemand a graduate of Duke University, was active in various religious and civic organizations in the Rocky Mount area.

She and her husband, J. C. Alexander, have two children: John, Jr., a pre-medical student at Duke University, and Thomas, a rising junior at Rocky Mount Senior High.



JENNESS HEADS PSYCH DEPT.

Dr. Arthur F. Jenness will become professor of psychology at N. C. Wesleyan College here in September.

Educated at Northwestern University (B. A. and M. A.), he earned the Ph.D. degree from Syracuse University. Beginning as an instructor of psychology and counselor of freshmen, he became first chairman of the Psychology Department at the University of Nebraska where he taught for 16 years. After a tour of duty with the U. S. Air Corps during World War II, he went to Williams College where he again became the first chairman of the Psychology Department, teaching there for 20

He has held numerous responsible positions with the American Psychological Association, including chairman of the membership and program committees. He is a Fellow of the A. P. A., and the AAAS. He holds membership in the AAUP, the Psychonomic Society and Sigma Xi.

Dr. Jenness has published many articles in professional journals, and was associate editor of "Prarie Schooner" in

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Dr. Jenness