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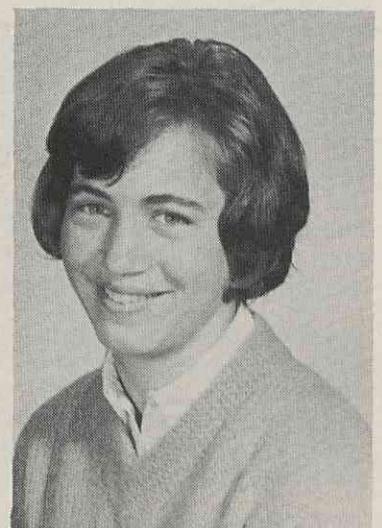
James H. Lyalls



Sue Sebastian



Martha Nichols



Judy Lane

## Pearson Gives Life-Time Collection To WC College

James Larkin Pearson, poet laureate of North Carolina, according to announcement by Dr. Howard E. Thompson, president of Wilkes Community College, has taken the necessary steps to make available to the Wilkes Community College his library and printing press.

Mr. Pearson, poet-printer, through his generosity, is giving his valuable library and the printing equipment with which he has worked for many years. Included in the gift will be valuable old newspapers of the county, citations, portraits, a hand made chest of drawers for housing correspondence of Mr. Pearson,

and items of historic interest.

These valuable acquisitions to the Wilkes Community College are to be housed on the campus in a separate building which will be known as the James Larkin Pearson Memorial Building. This building will be within four or five miles of the birthplace of the 88-year old Mr. Pearson.

The library of some 4,000 books includes a great deal of poetry, many rare books, and over 300 books dealing with North Carolina writers and their works. A native of Wilkes County for many years, Mr. Pearson wrote and published in the Moravian Falls area.

## SGA Officers Are Elected

Two-hundred and fifty Wilkes Community College Students went to the polls on October the 11 and 12 to cast their vote for their favorite candidate. Although the number of turn-out voters was somewhat small, the two day campaigning spree advocated strong school spirit by both faculty and students.

The positions to be filled by the election were the executive officers of the Student Government Association consisting of a president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer; the officers of the Sophomore class; and officers of the Freshman class. All candidates had to be full-time students, taking at least twelve credit hours, and main-

taining a "C" average.

The newly elected Student Government Association officers were president, Jim Lyall, a second-year arts major; vice-president, Sue Sebastian, a second-year social-work major; secretary, Martha Nichols, a second-year mathematics major; treasurer, Judy Lane, a second-year physical education major. Sophomore class officers are president, Roy Richardson; vice-president, Hayden Johnson; secretary, Brenda Calloway; treasurer, David Wheeler. Freshman class officers are president, Ronnie Triplett; vice-president, Bobby Joe Pruitt; secretary, Virginia Blevins; treasurer, Marie Winger.

## Humanities Program Draws Acclaim

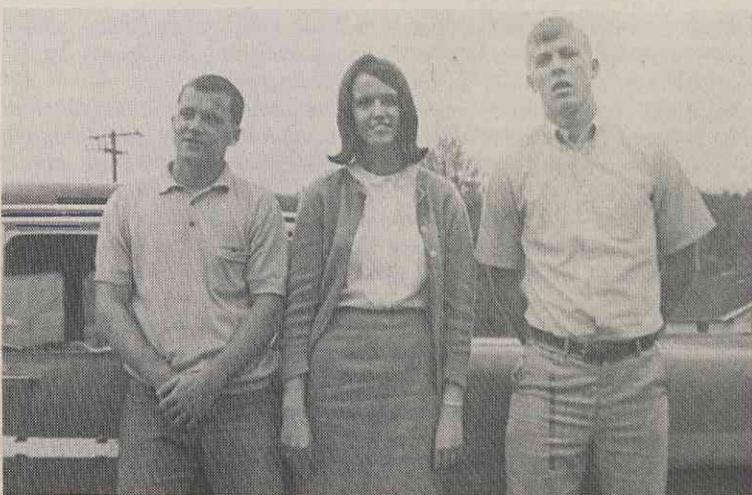
Wilkes Community College's new Humanities program has recently attracted attention in academic circles across the nation.

In the Winter Quarter of 1967 work was begun on a new type of course offering at Wilkes Community College which would better prepare our students in their general education background. At the suggestion of Dean William R. Richardson, Cynthia Mayes, J. Jay Anderson and D. S. Mayes began investigating the possibility of instigating a new Humanities Program in the Fall of 1967. After extensive planning and work the present program was derived.

The major purpose of the

course is to instill in the students a sense of inquiry and give them the processes through which to inquire concerning man's meaning and importance. Secondly, to accomplish the above through the correlation of the study of history, art, literature, religion, philosophy and music.

The following are courses which over two academic years are combined into one Humanities course: History 111, 112, 113, 211, 212, 213; English 111, 112, 113, 211, 212, 213; Comparative Religion 111; Introduction to Philosophy 111; Art and World Culture 111; and, Music Appreciation 111.



Jim Beaman (left), Jean Parsons (center), and Roger Billings (right) are the new S.G.A. representatives from the College Parallel division.