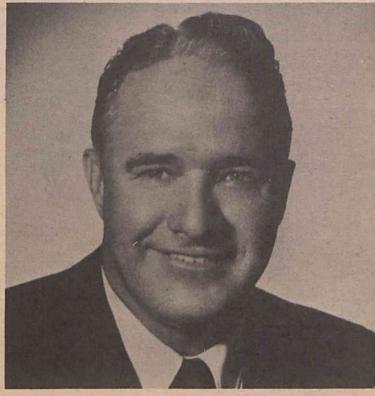
Congratulations Class of '73 The Ridgerumer

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Record Graduation



Congressman Roy Taylor will address a record number of UNC-A graduates at commencement exercises to be held Saturday, May 12. In addition the university will honor three prominent Asheville area citizens with Distinguished Service Awards durring graduation.

President Nixon last week signed a bill that provides \$872 million for student aid programs.

UNC-A Director of Financial Aids Jim Almon has indicated to THE RIDGERUNNER Students who have applied for financial aid for the coming academic year should receive award notice by mid-June.

The money is the same amount Nixon requested, but most of it is for programs he called "outmoded and inequitable," while a new program on which he wants to center sutdent aid was cut \$500 million.

The \$872 million student aid increase was denied by Congress.

programs package will appropriate \$210 million for the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant; \$269 million for the National Direct Student Loans; \$270 million for the College Work Study Program; \$122 million for Basic Opportunity Grants. Nixon has wanted to eliminate entirely the National Direct Student Loans Program and the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant.

Earlier Nixon had requested an increase in the Basic Opportunity Grants from its present level to more than \$622 million. That

UNCA-UNCW Exchange Slated

The cure for the hum-drum school is out for the summer. summer has been found if you are inclined to spend time outdoors studying and would like to spend a couple of weeks on the coast of North Carolina.

"Anyone wanting to go along should get in touch with me before time for summer registration, we have room for twelve students, but no more." These were the words of Dr. Harry Johnston when he was asked about the planned exchangestudies program between UNC-A and UNC-W for the first four weeks of the summer. Dr. Johnston urged any student interested in the course to get in touch with his office before

The course will consist of two weeks in the mountains and two weeks on the coast. Students

from the two schools will work together. The first two weeks of the course will be spent in the mountains and the last two on the coast. The mountain aspect of the course will emphasize botany and ecology. The early summer flora should be reaching its peak at this time and hopes are high for a good two weeks.

In addition to botany ecology of the mountain woodlands wil, be studied. Virgin forests, stratification, and planned forestry

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graduating class in the history of UNC-A according to figures released this week by Registrar Jo

The following are prospective graduates who should have completed all University requirements by the end of Spring Semester: Adams, James Irwin Anderson, Kenneth Dale Arrowood, Mary Alice Joyce Arthur, Nancy Elizabeth Baker, Kenneth Erman Banks, Sandra Gail Bickford, Betty Jean Burnett Boyd, Robert Jackson Boyette, Pamela Rebecca Bradburn, Josephine Pennington Brown, Barbara Houston Brown, Carole Ann Brown, Daryl Eugene Brown, Hal Herring Jr. Brown, Roderick Myers Buchanan, Jerry Van Cantvell, Kevin William Cohen, Isreal Carl Cohen, Lesley Anne Conley, Mary Kathryn Brown Cox, Pearl Cheek Crawford, Jacqualine Anders Deebant, Thomas Frederick DanAdel, Cinthia Seul Dendy, Henrietta Marianne Dillingham, Theresa Deane Duncan, Coy M., Jr. Dyer, Clarence David Ellington, Judy Murphy Farzanegan, Bernadette Figart, Earl Wayne

Fraser, Donna Brian Gaffney, Ralph Leon Graham, Joseph Edgar, Jr. Graham, Thomas Paul Grier, Deborah Jean Hall, Thomas Vance, Jr. Harris, Brenda Karen Hawkins, Albert Donald, Jr. Heil, Eleanor Meyer Hill, Ann Michals Hill, Nancy Eve Hollifield, Lilly Virginia Horeeany, Joseph Vincent Houser, Deborah Ann Ballard Huffman, Martha Lucille Huskins, David William Hutchinson, Ridley Ecta James, Charles Greene, Jr. Jarrett, Nora Jane Jones, Eddie Carroll Kinsland, Phyllis Stiles Kiser, Margaret Deavours Loe, Kathryn Zuvar Leeder, Patrick Thomas Leslie, Randall Arisil, Jr. Lindsley, John Carnell Lyons, Sharon Cathleen McCanless, Teresa Katherine McKibben, John Lloyd Miller, Edward Franklin Miller, Nancy Gray Mills, Marlisa Louise Moore, Gail Kyle Moore, Joel David Moore, Joseph Henry Napoli, Jacqualine Rose Osha, Richard Velney Page, Don Allen

Passmore, Barbara Jean Penland, Shirley Sales Paterson, Maureen Lambert Pheasant, James Thomas Poisson, Frederick Davis, Jr. Rash, Reba Wright Ray, Mary Simpson Redmond, Joseph Lee Rhymer, Sandra Pope Ribel, Thomas Ellsworth Riddle, Patricia Anne Rogers, Judy Martin Rogers, Thomas Harmon Saunders, William Daniel Schilt, Katherine Yvonne Sluder, Karen Sue Smathers, Cynthia Ann Smith, David Lewis Stove, Phyllis Sexton Sturgis, Harvey Alexander Teague, Robert Douglas Tebo, Patrick Roland Thomas, Beryl Smith Toney, Glen Ellis Tucker, Sherry Elizabeth Tweed, David Powell Wacaster, Grady Lee Walters, Yolan Johannsen Weir, Dianne Metcalf Wells, Gary James Whitted, Sharon Rhodes Wilkerson, Andrew Fitzgerald Withrington, Joyce Peninger Workman, William Victor, Jr. Wyatt, Rena Alice Yancey, Mary Ellen Baxter Young, Helen Madelyn Young, Joseph Scott

New SGA President

Page, Brenda Gale

Student Government Association elections are an annual Spring rite on the UNC-A campus and this week approximately 300 students cast their ballots for a new SGA president, vicepresident, and three senators from the sophomore, junior, and senior classes.

Kenneth Wright was elected by the student body to head SGA for the coming academic year. He handily defeated his opponent Howard Sellinger. Wright will take office on the first day after the end of the current term.

David Randall was elected SGA vice-president. He ran un-

For the first time in SGA elections, commutor students selected senate representatives. Running unopposed on the commutor ticket were Ed Sheary and Dennis Hannan.

Shortly after votes were counted, SGA president-elect Ken Wright released a statement. to THE RIDGERUNNER saying: "I would like to express my thanks to all those who voted and also to ask every student to become involved in the functioning of SGA next year. I hope to get out as much as possible in an effort

to serve student needs as well as I am able, but I encourage ideas and criticisms at any time. Next year I intend to work toward increasing student input into University governance especially in the area of academic policies. I fully intend to have a strong need your support."

program of social events for students during the coming year. I am also very much interested in increasing the role of women's athletics on campus. I believe next year can be a very exciting and stimulating time, but we will



Ken Wright, elected SGA president this week in a landslide victory, has pledged to continue work for a stronger student voice in academic policies.