



Crusade Attracts Over 13,000

STATISTICS— Do They Tell The Entire Story...?

\$7,000-13,900 people; 3,000 miles for Miss Water's appearance; 13 crusade meetings;—these are insignificant statistics. 650- That's the important figure! During the full week of the Grady Wilson Crusade, 650 people made a definite commitment to Christianity. Many of this number were G-W students.

A large number of us can look back on the crusade as a period of redemption, acceptance, or affirmation of a Unity with Christ; but should we look back?

Once a fuse is lit, it must either charge forward or "fizzle out" and become complete-

ly worthless. We, too, must continually press for a more real friendship with our Maker. This "Christian" nation is truly in peril due to the complacency of our society.

The entire world is being threatened by a movement projected by only a handful of men— an insane Communism successful only through the efforts of devoted men.

Ford changed the world. Edison changed the world. Franklin, Columbus, DeVinci changed the world—Christ changed the world—650 people could change the world.

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First United Crusade Termed Great Success

Sunday evening, September 22, concluded the Boiling Springs United Crusade. Rev. Charles (Buddy) Freeman, general chairman of the Crusade and G-W Campus Minister, described the Crusade as a success.

This was the largest meeting of its type ever held in the Boiling Springs area. It is also the first interracial, interdenominational crusade in this vicinity. Attendance during the ten invitational services was estimated at 13,900 with 650 persons responding.

The week's high in attendance came on the final Sunday evening when 3,000 persons packed into Bost Gymnasium to hear Dr. Grady Wilson, associate evangelist with Dr. Billy Graham, bring his final sermon. The previous Tuesday night offered the highest number of responses with 115 persons coming forward at the invitation. Bobby Richardson, former New York Yankee second baseman, was special guest that evening.

Miss Ethel Waters, internationally known singer and interpreter of spirituals and gospel songs, was a guest Saturday and Sunday evenings, and Cliff Barrows of the Graham team appeared at the final service.



Fourteen or more sermons and numerous demands throughout eight days were physically and mentally exhausting to the Rev. Grady Wilson who led this area's most unusual and successful revival in years. As an important part of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, Rev. Wilson has taken

part in nearly all of Graham's major crusades around the world. His experiences, as told during morning chapel services, were of great interest to the student body. Planning for the crusade began in the Spring under the direction of Rev. Charles (Buddy) Freeman and Hank Beukema.



Students Take Active Part

Many G-W students took advantage of opportunities to participate in the Boiling Springs United Crusade. There were many students who sang in the choir while a smaller number filled positions of ushers and counselors.

Through being a small part of the services, the G-W students were able to meet and work closely with the prominent men of the crusade team.

Courage through faith marked the dramatic two day appearance at G-W by Miss Ethel Waters, internationally known interpreter of spirituals. Miss Waters, for over 50 years a major name in the U. S. theater, will be 72 in October. She requires oxygen following each performance due to the strain on her heart. Her ability to capture an audience with her warmth and personality have made her a vital part of the Billy Graham team.



Solist and choir director Steve Musto renders a message in song.

DYNAMICS - Dr. Grady Wilson Puts Himself Into A Sermon

