

President Williams . . . Wants GWC To Be Best!



by Max Petttyjohn

Dr. Craven Williams is one of the youngest college presidents in the U.S.A. In his approximate one short year at Gardner-Webb, he has demonstrated wisdom and leadership uncommon to one so young. He has helped strengthen the confidence in the future of our school among students and alumni. Although his administrative responsibilities are great and time consuming, he always has time for discussions with students. In talking with Dr. Williams one can sense his determination and concern because he is a man bubbling with enthusiasm. Despite his youth, Dr. Williams would have to be labeled as a "veteran" in his field. Where he lacks in experience he excels in quality and excellence.

When asked about his first year at G.W.C., Dr. Williams said, "I was the new boy and outsider and they (the faculty) were the veterans; they helped me

make the transitions to my new responsibilities as president rapidly and pleasantly. Much of last year was spent in an analysis of G.W. and its needs and formulation of new ideas for the future."

Dr. Williams is excited about our new Dean, Dr. Robert E. Knott and the role he will play in the future of this college. Dr. Williams stated, "I am very enthusiastic about his abilities. He has been involved with curriculum design and evaluation which we need here. He has also had extensive experience in the area of faculty development and is also a widely respected innovator in undergraduate liberal arts education."

We asked Dr. Williams about his feelings about an honor code system, and he said, "our people are too honorable not to abide by some form of a code. I believe our students and faculty can arrive at an acceptable code which will place much of the responsibility for administering on the students."

We also asked about some of his personal goals for G.W.C. He clearly stated that he wants G.W. to be the very best academic institution possible while simultaneously reflecting, in every thing we do; the values for which the church stands. He wants for G.W. an "increased visibility" in the world of higher education. This can be helped by broadened and distinctive course offering such as the new deaf program.

LET US GIVE THANKS

FOR EYES TO SEE . . . a child's timid smile; autumn's bright spectrum of color; sunlight shooting in rays from behind a cloud; a child perched happily on Santa's knee; unspoken gratitude in the eyes of a stranger helped; an older child helping his younger brother or sister cross the street; the admiration of one's own children in an elderly person's face; a calm sea beneath a starry winter sky; the bejeweled sparkle of fresh snow in the sun; a child's salute to the flag; a child leading grandfather by the hand.

FOR EARS TO HEAR . . . The dissonant sounds of an orchestra tuning for the performance; the bird's song greeting of dawn; the whispering voice of the one you love; a child's excited voice upon waking; words of appreciation for a job well done; the sighing of pines in the breeze; the forlorn sound of a distant boat's fog horn heard passing in the night; a cat's gentle purr; the blending of voice and instrument in a crescendo; car horns honking to praise the end of a conflict.

FOR TASTE TO ENJOY . . . homemade ice cream on a hot summer day; steak cooked on a charcoal grill; freshly brewed coffee; a cup of cocoa before a roaring winter fire; mom's own pie; cool water on a hot summer day; a loved one's kiss; freshly baked bread.

FOR SCENTS . . . fresh apples at the market; inside a cedar chest; freshly popped corn; the smell of wood burning on a chilly morn; the earth after a rain; freshly mowed grass; bunches of roses; chocolate brewing; the perfume of an approaching Christmas; a freshly powdered baby; a newly mounted darling tree; Thanksgiving turkey at home.

FOR TOUCH . . . a tiny child's hand in your own; a sweetheart on your shoulder; grass against bare feet; lips touching yours; a mother's hand against your feverish brow; a friend's comforting hand on your shoulder; a puppy's head against your leg.

FOR LIFE itself and the myriad opportunities of loving and being loved, of giving and receiving, or serving and being served, of living in a free country, where one's horizons are limited only by one's talents and vision.

Gilbert File

Who's Who

Twenty-seven students from Gardner-Webb have been named to Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. They have been selected as being among the country's most outstanding campus leaders.

Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on several criteria: academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and future potential.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,000 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934.

The students this year from Gardner-Webb College are: Cheryl Gay Berry, Donna Sue Bolton, Sandra Jolly Bridges, Linda Dee Cody, Robert Lawson Cooke, Patti Ann Elliott, Thomasine R. Fish, Russell James Fitts, Leesha Shawn Gay, Robin Cordelia Hall, Marilyn Faith Hathcock, Pamela Lynn Helton, Mary Vista Jones, Leonard Torrence Keever, Kenneth Nelson Kessler, Randall Lynn Kirby, Kenneth Lamar Lewis, Freida Carol Loftis, Robin Dawn Mikalwnas, Rita Anne Pless, Cindy Lee Putnam, Robert Jearid Rumpfelt, Kimberly Patrice Sain, Kenneth Byron Searlett, Pressley Gavin Suttis, Monte Kane Walker and Raymond Roland Martel.

SOCCER: A Kick In The Grass

A sparse homecoming crowd came out at 12:30 to watch the Gardner-Webb soccer club in its first scrimmage match against Belmont Abbey. The soccer club, led by coach Ron Prevost, lost the exhibition game 3 to 0. Belmont Abbey scored the three goals in the last 10 minutes of the 2nd half.

Coach Prevost gave many reasons for the loss to Belmont Abbey, among them the fact that Belmont Abbey used some really superior players who had had some time to perfect their skills. Coach Prevost also mentioned that, due to the short time the team had actually practiced (only two sessions with the whole team), there was little time to prepare strategies. Only defensive skills were perfected. Thus, offensive passes were sometime picked up by the opposing team. Also, the language barrier proved to be a hindrance to the Bulldogs. The soccer club consists of 18 players, only 6 of which are American.

Coach Prevost first became associated with soccer at the age of 5 in Germany. During his college years he played on a soccer club at

Mississippi College. Coach Prevost commented that "the character of soccer is much like that of football, and basketball, and in fact can be incorporated into the system here. With student and administrative support, the soccer program will grow. Soccer is becoming a big sport in the Carolinas; Clemson's ranked number one in the nation."

The Bulldog soccer club plans to practice as long as weather permits, and there may be some scrimmages with area high schools and the newly formed Shelby Soccer Clubs.

"Playing time is limited, but student reaction to soccer here is good. We hope to be able to compete intercollegiately in the future," says coach Prevost.

The coach from Belmont Abbey mentioned that the program here had started off well and should grow into a top-notch club. "They (Gardner-Webb) can beat a lot of other small colleges that I have seen," he said.

The soccer club is having problems with equipment and financial support, but once these are overcome, look out for Gardner-Webb soccer, a kick in the grass.

Tentative 1977 Basketball Schedule

November 19-20-21	Kansas City
November 25	Wofford
November 26	Home
November 29	Limestone
December 3	Mars Hill
December 8-9-10	Belmont
December 30-31	Home



Bloodmobile Visits GWC

The bloodmobile from the Cleveland County Chapter Shelby, N.C. visited GWC on October 20 with a surprising number of students who contributed to give someone their blood that might be in need. Mrs. Mary Timms, executive director, says that she was pleased with the outcome; however, they didn't meet the goal of 225 pints, but 172, which was good

enough. There were 186 students who attempted to donate blood, 172 of whom were eligible. Fourteen students were rejected because of past illness, high blood pressure, fever, low hemoglobin and other major problems that could not be accepted. The winning dormitory was Lutz-Yelton. The winning class was the Sophomores. The prize that was awarded was a plaque with

each student's name who donated engraved on it. However, the students here at GWC were not the only ones donating; there were some faculty members and maintenance workers; however, there were not as many faculty members as students. I think each student who donated blood should be patting on the back for his performance in this worthy cause.