



## ON BECOMING A UNIVERSITY

Mr. Roland Watts, Assistant Professor of Art at Winston-Salem State University, had a one-man showing of wood block prints at the Art Gallery in the Thruway Mall. The prints were in color and black and white.

Watts has recently returned from a year of study at UNC-G where he earned his MFA degree. He has exhibited on the UNC-G campus at both the Witherspoon Gallery and Elliot Hall. At the present time Watts has a piece hanging in the Gallery of Contemporary Art at Old Salem.

When asked about his wood block prints Watts said: "For me the art of wood block printing is invariably a search for an expression of new artistic ideas in a manner ideally suited for an aesthetic and intellectual statement.

"In this exhibit, I have stressed techniques and their genesis not only as mere steps in a strictly technical development, but also as a means of understanding their functions in the service of the artistic temperament.

"From this, I may conclude that the art of wood block printing is no mere by-product of the painter-sculptor, but an art which serves as an agent for expanding the artist's sensibilities and perceptions into new dimensions. It is an art creating its own challenge and engendering its own horizons."

Watts holds membership in the Exhibiting Member of Associated Artists and is an Exhibiting Member of the Piedmont Craftsman, Inc.

The exhibit which opened Sunday, October 5, ran for two weeks.



Yvonne Hunt

### TO THE FRESHMEN

We welcome you to our student body, and hope your stay here will be a good one. We know you will grow to love WSSU as much as we do, but there are some things that should be considered in order to stay here.

The one that is most important and deals with all of us is that of using your time wisely. We know that everyone needs social activities, and free time, but there is a limit. To spend most of your time in the canteen and on the block, isn't using your time wisely.

Another, and one that includes most of us, is that of our campus sweetheart. Of course, there's nothing wrong with having one, but our studies shouldn't be neglected because to get an education and, that's what our purpose is suppose to be.

The best thing to do is to schedule your day, and try to stick with it. Be sure to include a few hours of study every day, because there is no such thing as no homework. There is always something to study, to read, or to be checking on. Go to the Enrichment Center, and use the library, because these were built to help you in your studies. Use them wisely.

I think if you stick to this pattern you will see that it's the best one, and you will get more out of your college life.

Kenneth Neal

### JUNIORS ON THE MOVE

Members of the 1969-70 Junior Class at WSSU returned from their summer vacation with many unique ideas and such enthusiasm for the upcoming year. The initial class meeting was held on Tuesday, September 23, 1969. The juniors, recognizing the need for capable and firm leadership, elected the following slate of officers for this year:

President \_\_\_\_\_ Altemus Tabrum  
Vice President \_\_\_\_\_ Alex Johnson  
Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ Willette Brannon  
Asst. Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ May C. Hope  
Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_ Charles Williams  
Reporter \_\_\_\_\_ Yvonne Hunt

In addition to these officers, four others were elected to represent the Junior Class on the Student Government Association. They are Melissa Hand, Robert Fuller, Barry Prysock, and Irma Thompson. This group constitutes an integral segment of the class as well as the entire WSSU family. The entire Junior Class is anticipating a grand and prosperous school year, and with the "juniors on the move," it is sure to be a fruitful and memorable one.



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On September 28, 1892, Slater Industrial and Normal School was founded by Dr. S. G. Atkins, and during its seventy-seven years of existence the institution has undergone a steady process of growth.

In 1920, still under the able leadership of Dr. Atkins, the institution became a standard normal school. Despite this change the institution carried on its high school program for three years. In 1925, the North Carolina General Assembly gave the school enlarged powers and extended its work from two years to four years beyond high school. The College had the responsibility of maintaining training programs in three areas — a two-year normal school for elementary school teachers, a program for principals and supervisors, and a four-year home economics school for the training of home economics teachers. A four-year program leading to the B.S. degree in nursing was authorized by the 1954 General Assembly.

The charter of the Teachers College was changed in 1957 by the General Assembly. This change authorized the College to expand its offerings to include the training of secondary school teachers and any other programs approved by the North Carolina Board of Higher Education.

In 1963 the name of the institution was changed for the fourth time. By an act of the General Assembly, the institution's name was

changed to Winston-Salem State College.

Four degrees were offered by Winston-Salem State College: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Education and Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Major programs were offered in biology, business education, elementary education, English, health and physical education, history, music education and nursing. Teaching programs were offered in all of these except nursing, and non-teaching programs were offered in biology, English, history and nursing.

After six years as a State College, the institution was granted regional University status by an act of the North Carolina General Assembly. On July 1, 1969, the institution saw another change of name to Winston-Salem State University. Along with the change of name came additions to the curriculum. Four new major programs were added including Political Science, Secretarial Science, Business Administration and Sociology. Programs in graduate study are to be added in from two to three years.

The Liberal Arts Program at the University offers the fundamentals of a liberal education. The degree in nursing qualifies the student for the practice of nursing in first level positions and provides the foundations for continuing professional development. —Albert L. Newton



MR. SIMMS

### PROFILE OF A PROFESSOR

The staff, faculty, and student body of Winston-Salem State University take great pride in welcoming Mr. Nathan F. Simms, Jr. to our campus this year. Mr. Simms will be an instructor in the mathematics department. Mr. Simms received his B.S. and M.A. in mathematics from North Carolina Central University. After further studies, he received his Ph.D. from Michigan State and Lehigh Universities.

A native of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Mr. Simms is married and the father of three sons. His main interests are students, mathematics, and music. When asked his opinion of this university he said, "It has excellent potential, but the students here need to acquire more spirit of participation and academic excellence."

—LaWanda Peace

### Miss Black Student Union

This year the members of the WSSU Black Student Union have selected two very promising sisters to compete for the title of Miss Black Student Union of 1969-70. They are Miss LaWanda V. Peace and Miss Sylvia C. Barton.

Sister Peace is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Preston Peace of Rocky Mount, North Carolina. She is an alumna of Nash Central High School, where she was graduated with honors. She is in the sophomore class at WSSU and has a double major in English and math. Besides being a member of the Black Student Union, LaWanda is a member of the English Club, Mathematics Club, and Executive Secretary of the campus newspaper. Her main interests are reading and sewing. Asked how she felt about being selected as a candidate Miss Peace replied, "I consider it the greatest honor I've ever received. However, I think whoever wins the title of Miss Black Student Union should do her utmost to promote Blackness at this institution. There needs to be an awareness of the students here to abandon their counter-revolutionary, bourgeoisie, nochalant attitudes, which so many of us have, of the happy Negro, and start thinking like Black men and women in the fight for the cause of the Black people of the world."

Sister Sylvia Celestine Barton is a transfer student from Vorhees College in Denmark, South Carolina. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Barton of Sumter, South Carolina, and the oldest of four children. At Vorhees College Sylvia was an active member of BACC (Black Awareness Co-ordinating Committee).

She is a sophomore student of



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the WSSU School of Nursing as well as an active member of the Black Student Union. Miss Barton feels that Winston-Salem State University has great potential in becoming a totally Black University, but the students need to take a more participating role in making this come true.

—William L. Richardson