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Students Participate In Black College Day

By Beuancha Kapp

About 390 students from Winston-Salem State University were in Raleigh, Monday to participate in the Second Annual Black College Day Rally. The ten busloads of students from

Homecoming

Plans Underway

By Juliaette Sutton

"The Student Government Association has some surprises in store for the student body during Homecoming Week," stated Michael Sutton, president of the SGA.

Homecoming Week will be celebrated October 25-31. At the onset of Homecoming activities, there will be a "Gospel Singing" held in the K.R. Williams Auditorium at 7:30, October 25. Various choirs from the city and on campus will be featured. On Monday, 8-12 p.m., a dance will be held in Whitaker's Gymnasium. The Galaxy Band will perform at this free function. A splash party in the C.E. Gaines Center will get under way October 27 at 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

Another event will be the Coronation Ceremony for Miss WSSU. It will take place at the Benton Convention Center at 8 p.m. on October 29. A reception will follow immediately at the convention center. Students will be charged a price which has not been set as of deadline.

On October 30, the annual Red and White Day and Mini Parade will commence at 1:30. At 6 p.m., members of the Pan-Hellenic and Independent Councils will participate in a step show. At 9:30 a Mardi Gras Disco will be held in the old gym. Students are asked to wear costumes and no admission will be charged.

Homecoming festivities will climax on October 31 with the game against Johnson C. Smith University. Kick-off time is at 1:30 in the Bowman Gray Stadium. Prior to the game at 10 a.m., the city parade will be held. At 8 p.m., the SGA concert will be held at the coliseum. SGA spokesmen would not reveal who would be performing the show. Also ticket information was not available at deadline.

Winston-Salem were among students representing some 10 black colleges and universities in North Carolina.

Shaw University and St. Augustine's College hosted the event. Queens and student body presidents from each school made brief comments about Black College Day. Zenobia Nelson and Michael Sutton represented WSSU.

At deadline, keynote speakers had not been announced.

As part of the pre-Black College Day activities, President Ronald Reagan recently invited 75 representatives from predominately black colleges and universities to the White House. Winslow Lowery, Director of the Alumni Association, represented WSSU.

President Reagan distributed an executive order on the "History of Black Colleges and Universities." The order calls for strengthening black colleges

through federally-sponsored programs and encouraging the private sector to contribute to black institutions of higher learning. The president told the group that he is not undermining black education.

Last year's rally was held in Washington, D.C. Several states, including South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Louisiana and Mississippi, are conducting rallies this year.

Scores Fall Below Mandate

By Etta Sutton

The 1982 graduates of WSSU School of Nursing have an opportunity to be the first class to surpass the Board of Governors State Licensure Examination mandate.

In 1977, the Board of Governors issued a mandate that it would close nursing programs at the three predominately black institutions in the UNC system if at least two-thirds of the graduates failed to pass the exam on the first try.

Seven of the 11 graduates, 64 percent of the 1981 WSSU nursing school graduates, passed the exam this year. Last year, only 41 percent passed.

North Carolina Central University's

nursing school had 13 of the 23 graduates, 56.5 percent, to pass the exam. The rate for 1980 was 17.9 percent.

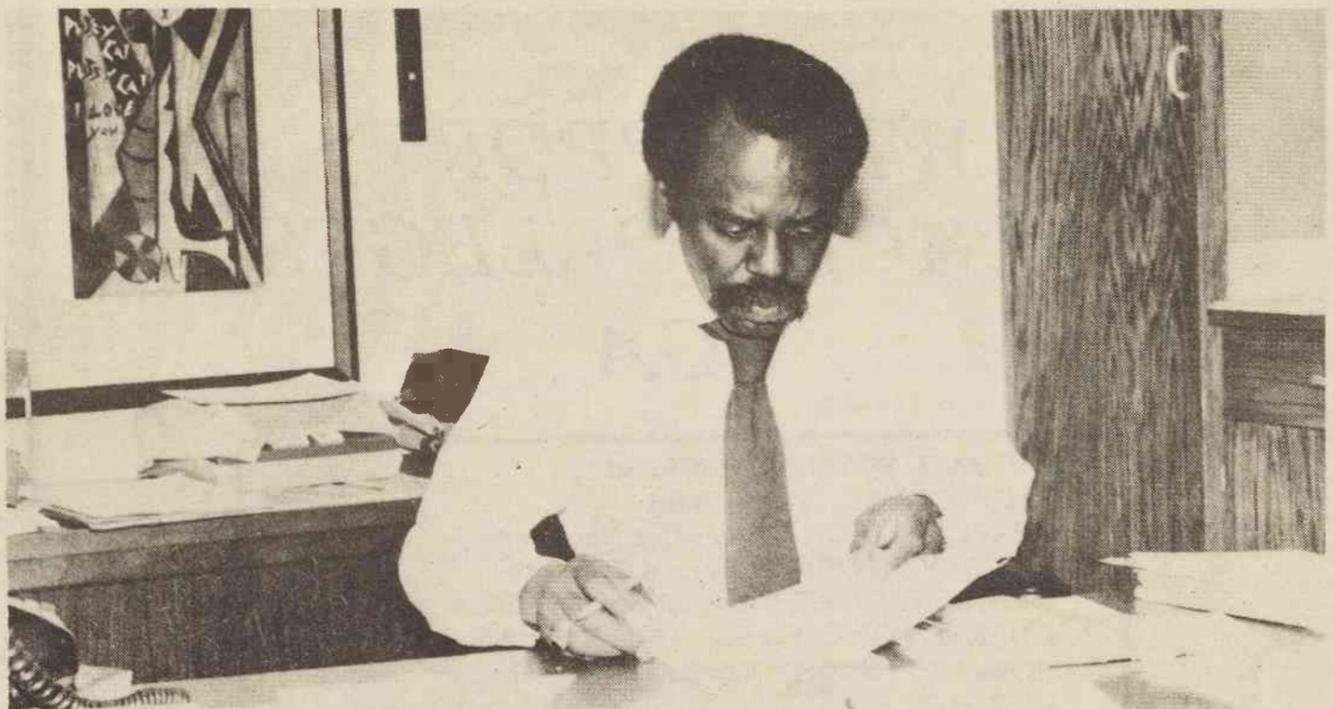
Dr. Margaret Lewis, director of WSSU's Division of Nursing, feels that scoring percentages could have been higher but she would not comment on her reasons.

The State Board Test Pool Examination (SBTPE) is a test taken by the candidates for the Registered Nurse Licensure Exam. This practice test contains questions drawn from the same pool which provides questions for the examination itself. The SBTPE provides evidence that the practitioner of nursing has the ability to deliver effective

nursing care and makes sure that the nurses-to-be have the ability to apply that knowledge for clinical situations.

Before the SBPTE examination students learned nursing through classroom activities and clinical practice. Review for the exam comes partially from what is learned in class instruction. The graduates also traveled to Georgia to a review clinic for the exam. The exam consists of five components; Medical Nursing, Surgical Nursing, Psychiatric Nursing, Pediatric Nursing, and Obstetrical Nursing.

The graduates taking the exam must pass each area with a minimum score of 350.



New Head Librarian

Dr. Oswell Person is the new director for library services. He is among several new members of the faculty, administration, and staff for the 1981-82 academic year. (Photo by Vance Dixon)