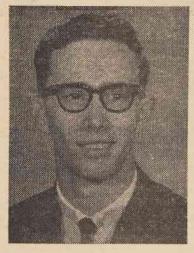
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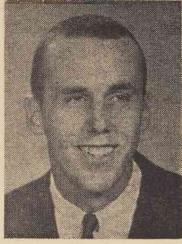
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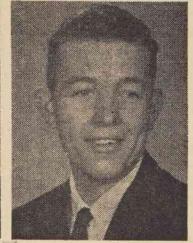
### Constitution Is Passed By Student Body



ROBERT STEPHENS



KENNETH SMITH



GUY ROUSE

## Three Rising Seniors Seek SGA Presidency Next Year

By RONNIE ARRINGTON

The students of N. C. Wesleyan College will soon elect new officers. One of the most important offices of the Student Government Association is that of president. The president of the SGA is to be elected from the rising senior class.

In order to be eligible for the office one must have a grade average of C at the time of the election and main-

#### Wesleyan Players Organize

The Wesleyan Players, N. C. Wesleyan's dramatic club, has officially been organized, according to a release from Dr. Batcheller, professor of dramatics and speech at the College.

The first meeting was held April 30, at which time the eight charter members elected their Charter Officers and the officers for the 1964-1965 season.

The following summarizes the election: Charter President—Randy King; Charter Vice President—Ronnie Ragsdale; Charter Secretary-Treasurer—Brenda Robinson; Officers for 1964-1965 Season: President—Chet Murphy; Vice President—Dorcas Moore; Secretary-Treasurer — Melissa Huizing.

Twelve students qualified for Provisional membership: Robert Lyon, Thomas Butler, Suzanne Selph, Robert Bruce, Susan Burkle, Lynda Sutton, Marianne Edwards, Al Stallings, William Barto, Jane Stone, Faye Vester, and James Vassil.

These people can wear the letter "P" which is part of the Wesleyan Players' emblem. If they qualify for active membership by the end of next year, they may use the letter "P" as the quard to the basic emblem.

tain this average during his term of office. Each candidate for the office and other prime offices of the SGA must also be carrying 12 academic hours of work during the semester in which elected and subsequent semesters during the term of office. Although these are the major requirements for the office of president as stated in the constitution of the Association, there are several other underlying qualifications which the president must have: interest in the Student Government Association, experience and an exceptional knowledge of the college constitution and the parliamentary procedure.

For the year 1964-65 Guy Rouse, Robert Stephens, and Kenneth Smith have been nominated for the office of president. Each of the candidates meets the requirements as stated in the constitution. The voters, however, will decide who is to be the next president. It is hoped that the decision of the voters will be based on the underlying qualifications of each candidate.

Robert Stephens, now serving as president of the Student Government Association, gives his endorsement to the wly-accepted constitution. Stephens believes the new constitution gives the chief executive more freedom in policy making and allows more students to participate actively in the affairs of the SGA. "If elected," stated Stephens, "I would work for better communications between students and the SGA." Stephens, who has in the past served in the Student Government for two years, believes that better communications between the day students and the SGA is of prime importance. If elected, Stephens also hopes to strengthen student identification with the college and to establish such committees which would better give the students an understanding of their government.

Guy Rouse is also concerned with the lack of communications between the students and the SGA. "I believe," said Rouse, "that the

students should take a greater interest in their govern-ment." Rouse pledged support to the new constitution because it adheres to the representative needs of the day students and allows for more active participation by the resident students. If elected, Rouse hopes to strengthen school spirit which he believes to be a major problem on the campus at Wesleyan. He has also served in the Senate and is aware of the responsibilities of the office of president. If elected, he will strive to strengthen student support for campus

Kenneth Smith, a day student, is also a candidate for the office of president. He has actively participated in college athletics and has shown interest in the Student Government Association. Smith is a history major who has attended N. C. Wesleyan College for the required four semesters. As a day student, Smith is aware of the value of the new constitution.

### Administration Will Hand Down Decision

The revised Constitution of the SGA, presented to the student body formally as a motion on Tuesday, April 28, to replace the present Constitution was passed by a majority vote on Thursday, April 30.

David Caison moved to take from the table the previous motion that we accept this new Constitution to replace the present Constitution and any previous Constitutions of the Association. This was seconded and passed and so the floor was opened for further discussion on the Constitution.

Two points were discussed before the vote on the main motion was held. The first was a reconsideration of Article V. Section 1a concerning the number of semesters present at North Carolina Wesleyan College before eligible for president of the Association. This motion was finally defeated.

The second motion, also defeated, stated that the number of semesters required for a nominee to be eligible for vice president be increased to four.

There being no other discussion, the previous question was called for on the main motion and the revised Constitution was passed.

However, before this constitution can replace the present one, it must be passed by the Administration. The Administration is to hand down its decision before the

#### Wesleyan Singers Set First Annual Concert

The Wesleyan Singers, under the direction of Dr. William Sasser, and the Wesleyan Symphonic Wind Ensemble, under the direction of Dr. Peter Gerschefski, will join forces to present their first annual Commencement Concert on Tuesday evening, May 19, at 8:15 p. m. in the Student Union on the campus of North Carolina Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount. The public is cordially invited to attend this event which is free of charge.

The Wesleyan Singers, composed of 53 voices, will present a performance of Gustav Holst's "Festival Te Deum" as their major work of the

evening. In addition, they will sing two Russian church anthems, "Salvation Is Created" by Tschesnokoff and "Blessings of Peace" by Arkangelsky.

The wind ensemble will perform Gustav Holst's Second Suite for Military Band, Op. 28b.

The entire second half of the program will be devoted to a performance of Randall Thompson's "The Testament of Freedom" for men's voices and band. This work was writ-

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#### Miss Spivey, Miss Stone To Present Joint Recital

The Department of Music of North Carolina Wesleyan College will present Etta Brown Spivey, pianist, and Jane Leslie Stone, soprano, in a joint Junior Recital in Garber Chapel on the college campus at 8:15 p. m. on Tuesday evening, May 12. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Miss Spivey is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Spivey of Hobbsville. She was the recipient of the Freshman Composition Award at Wesleyan and has appeared on the Dean's List at Wesleyan for four consecutive semesters. She was treasurer of her sophomore class. Miss Spivey will perform Bach's French Suite in G Major and "Three Rondos on Hungarian Folk Tunes" by Bela Bartok. She will be joined by Edna Earle

Langston, pianist, in a performance of Saint-Saens' "Variations on a Theme by Beethoven, Op. 35" for two pianos. Both pianists are students of Dr. William Sasser.

Miss Stone is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Joseph L. Stone of Norfolk, Va. She studied voice for two years with Bonnie-Jean Wold at Greensboro College before transferring to Wesleyan this year. She was a member of the Greensboro College Touring Choir. She has been active at Wesleyan in dramatic and publication activities. She is a voice student of Lawrence Gupton. Miss Stone will sing a group of two songs by Brahms, in addition to a group of two Italian operatic arias. She will be accompanied by John Lamberth, pianist.

# George Cohoe To Join Staff In Chemistry

George F. Cohoe will become a member of the Science Faculty at North Carolina Wesleyan College this fall as Assistant Professor of Chemistry, according to an announcement from President Thomas A. Collins.

A native of San Antonio, Texas, Cohoe first earned a B. M. degree from Eastman School of Music. He was graduated with honors in public school music with a minor in French Horn. Following a developing interest in Chemistry, he earned a B. S. degree with distinction at the University of Rochester in June, 1959. He has continued his doctoral studies at The University of Rochester and anticipates the Ph. D. degree in Physical Chemistry in the summer of 1964.

Conoe served as a military musician in the United States (Continued on page 6)