



The



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### Library Gets Memorial Fund

A memorial fund has been established at N. C. Wesleyan College to honor the memory of Dr. H. O. Pearson, a long-time and beloved practicing physician of Pinetops, N. C.

The hometown friends of the late Dr. Pearson, donated \$600 to establish the fund. It will be used to subscribe to a 15-volume "Encyclopedia of World Art," 10 volumes of which have already been published. The remaining volumes will be purchased by the fund and placed in the Wesleyan library as they are published.

Dr. Pearson was a native of Wilson County and practiced in Pinetops for more than 30 years.

The committee, working with Wesleyan Librarian Walter Gray, selected the art encyclopedia as a fitting memorial to Dr. Pearson, McGraw-Hill in its 75-year history.

The company further claims for it: "A cultural project that has not counterpart. Never before have all the visual arts of all times and places been presented within a single, comprehensive art library. World-renowned historians and art critics . . . carators and archeologists . . . specialists in fine art photography and master printers from 35 nations are contributing to the realization of this project.

Dr. Thomas A. Collins, president, joined with Librarian Gray in expressing to the memorial committee the college's appreciation for the substantial gift. Wesleyan's library now has over 25,000 volumes. It is being added to at the rate of 4,000 carefully selected volumes a year. Plans are progressing for the construction of a \$450,000 library building next year.



Miss Kay Lipscomb is crowned Miss Mistletoe by Baxter Myers, chairman of the social commission. Kay is the daughter of Mrs. Francis Lipscomb and is from Kinston, N. C. She is a psychology major and a Wesleyan cheerleader.

### Wesleyan Continues Accreditation Progress

Wesleyan continued to make all possible progress toward regional accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, according to Dr. Thomas A. Collins, who has just returned from the annual meeting of the association in Richmond.

Wesleyan's Candidate for Membership status in the association was continued by vote of the association. The college's self-study report was accepted and the association will send an examining committee to Wesleyan next spring. The committee will report at next year's annual meeting when Wesleyan will first become eligible for full membership following the graduation of its third class on June 2, 1966.

N. C. Wesleyan was the first North Carolina college to be granted the Candidate for Membership status by the association, a category established in 1963 to cover new colleges. The college has been guided in its progress toward regional accreditation by two previous as-

sociation committee visits. The self-study was made by the faculty throughout last year under the chairmanship of Dr. Peter Gerschanski, who edited the report.

Wesleyan is an accredited member of the North Carolina College Conference and the Senate of the Methodist Church. Regional accreditation will assure exchange of credits from Wesleyan to any college in the United States.



### Collins Passes Sportswear Ruling

The much disputed "Athletic Attire" ruling was given the go-ahead December 6th. Dean Frye announced that the regulation had received final approval by the administration. The new rule reads as follows:

"Good taste in dress is expected of all students at Wesleyan. Proper sportswear may be worn in the Student Union building, excluding the cafeteria, between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and closing. This attire may be worn in all dormitory parlors, excluding Sundays until 7:00 p.m. Such attire is inappropriate and not permitted in classrooms and academic areas. It should be held in mind that each member of the college community will be an effective representative of Wesleyan by exercising ap-

propriate habits of dress in terms of cleanliness, decency, and neatness. It is hoped that appropriate dress standards will be achieved through educational processes rather than through arbitrary specifications."

Recently a similar rule was announced to be in effect. However, the Senate discovered that any rule, considered "college law", could not be made without administrative approval.

The speedy administrative O.K. on this law came as a surprise to many students. In the past, efforts to provide more liberal apparel rules have met with defeat.

At the Senate meeting, where the approval was announced, Dean of Students, Donald Frye, stressed the importance of not abusing the added privileges now given the student.

### Senate News

The Grievance Committee recently reported that an average of thirty-one faculty parking spaces in the area behind the Student Union are not being used each day. This information was relayed to the Comptroller and as a result ten of these parking spaces will be made into student parking.

In an effort to prevent repetitions of the recent confusion surrounding passage and later retraction of the "Athletic Attire" rule the Senate attempted to determine the legislative authority of the SGA and the relation of this body to administration and faculty.

SGA President, Guy Turner, stressed the need for some division of campus rules. According to Turner there must be some division between student laws (those which may be changed with outside approval) and college rules (those which must have administrative approval to be changed). The Rules Committee and the three student members of the Student Life and Services Committee will categorize these rules.

The Senate discussed the dress at Sunday dinner. It was suggested and urged that male students wear coats and ties, and female students wear heels at Sunday dinner

Guy Turner and Melvin Gay will attend a symposium at Fordham University later in the school year. The title of this event is, "The University Student-free and unvoiced". Among the prominent

speakers will be Senator Robert Kennedy. Guy Turner explained that the relationship between student government and administration will be one of the major topics at the event. He added that at this time Wesleyan is

attempting to develop better student-administration relations and the symposium should be of aid in this area. The Senate approved an appropriation of \$150.00 to cover transportation and other fees for the event.

President Collins sent a recommendation for a Long Range Planning Committee which will plan the direction of the school.

He proposed that the committee include the President and Vice-President of the SGA and a recent alumnus. The Senate was asked to evaluate this suggestion. The recommendation as suggested by the President was approved.

Dana Dickens, Bob Kirkman, and Blaine Adams were appointed to form the Radio Station Committee. This committee will investigate the possibility of forming an on-campus radio station. WCEC radio has offered to assist in this plan. Further developments will be made known.



Christmas holidays begin on Friday, December 17 at 5 p.m.

Resident halls will close on Friday afternoon, no later than 8 p.m. Anyone wishing to remain on campus Friday night should contact Dr. Frye for arrangements.

The last regular meal serving will be the Noon meal on Friday, December 17.

Resident halls will reopen at 9 a.m. on Monday, January 3rd. Women students must return by 10:30 that evening.

Regular meal service will resume with the evening meal on the 3rd, but the snack bar will be open for those who arrive early.

Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 4th.

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