



Homecoming Schedule

Friday Basketball — Gym ----- 8 p. m.
(Wesleyan vs W&L)

Eight candidates for Homecoming Queen will be introduced during half time.

Saturday Board of Directors meet — Trustees' Room ----- 10 a. m.

Faculty-Alumni Basketball—Gym ----- 2 p. m.

Alumni Banquet—Cafeteria 7 p. m.
(\$1.75 per person)

Homecoming Dance—Tarrytown Mall ----- 9:30 - 1
(\$3:00 per couple)

Wesleyan Receives Accreditation From Southern Association

North Carolina Wesleyan College was granted regional accreditation retroactive to 1960 by being elected to full membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Wednesday, Nov. 30, at the association's annual meeting in Miami.

N. C. Wesleyan, the first North Carolina college to be granted early candidate for membership status by the association, thus achieved accreditation at the earliest possible time after graduating the required minimum of three classes. Wesleyan's opening class in 1960, all freshmen, became its first graduating class in 1964. The third class, freshmen of 1962, graduated last May.

Word of the favorable vote of the College Delegate Assembly, representing every accredited college in the Southern region, came from President Thomas A. Collins and A-

cademic Dean Jack W. Moore, who are attending the association's meeting at the Fountainbleu Hotel in Miami Beach.

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Basketball, Banquet, and Dance Highlight Homecoming

A Wesleyan basketball game, an alumni-faculty game, an alumni banquet, crowning of the first Homecoming Queen, and a dance featuring Mary Wells will highlight the week-end's activities as Wesleyan College observes its first annual Homecoming weekend December 16-17.

The dance, which is expected to become an annual affair, and the activities for the week-end have been planned by the Wesleyan Social Commission and the North Carolina Wesleyan Alumni Association.

The week-end will be kicked off by the Wesleyan-Washington and Lee basketball game on Friday night. During half-time of the game the eight candidates for Homecoming Queen will be introduced to the public. All alumni will be admitted to the game free of charge.

The second event on the agenda for the week-end is Alumni Board of Directors Meeting which will be held Saturday morning at 10:00 A. M. in the College Trustee's Room.

Chapel Regulations Changed

Several major changes have been made concerning chapel attendance regulations and disciplinary action connected with failure to comply to the regulations. In a recent Faculty meeting a measure was approved whereby each student at N. C. Wesleyan shall be given three unexcused chapel cuts per semester, and sanctions for absences beyond this point shall be left up to the Dean of Students.

This change represented the most recent in a long line of changes within the framework of the policies governing chapel attendance.

Last spring the faculty approved a major change in the disciplinary action for overcutting chapel. At that time they approved a measure which stated that no student could be penalized academically for failure to attend chapel.

Prior to that time it was possible for a student to have it entered on his permanent record, have quality points taken from him, or even be suspended from school for overcutting chapel.

It was also reported that the faculty stemmed from a recommendation they received from the Religious Life Committee (formerly the Chapel Committee) regarding sanctions for chapel attendance. The recommendations read as follows:

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At two o'clock that afternoon what could well be the clash of the century will take place when the alumni basketball team clashes with the faculty team. although both teams are keeping their line-ups under lock and key, it is safe to assume that the alumni, who will be have such stars from yesterday as Don Hines, Dapper-Dave Brady, and Bill Garlowe, plus some secret weapons from their ranks to represent them.

The faculty, under the direction of Robert Chafin, math instructor turned coach for the occasion, have at their disposal such dynamic threats as Dr. Hailey of the Religion Department, Mr. Gray the librarian, and Mr. Lowenthal of the Language Department, plus Mr. Scalf, Mr. Music and Dr. Bauer of the Physical Education Department who will likely be substitutes.

Although Mr. Chafin will dis-

close no names, he readily admits that his starting line-up, aptly named the "Five Tons of Fun", is something awesome to behold. He also indicates that with a starting team like this one, several substitutes will be necessary so that the faculty can have a "finishing team."

Later in the day, after the liniment and rub-downs to ease the pain of sore muscles, the alumni basketball team will join the rest of the alumni for a banquet to be held in the college cafeteria. The banquet, which will consist of Filet Mignon and trimmings, will cost \$1.75 per person and is open only to Wesleyan Alumni and their guests.

The Homecoming Dance, which is being held in Tarrytown Mall, will begin at 9:30 and will feature a show by popular recording star Mary Wells. Music for the evening will be provided by the inmates a popular dance group from Raleigh. Cost for the dance is \$3.00 per couple.

The dance, which is semi-formal, will be highlighted by the crowning of Wesleyan's first Homecoming Queen and the presentation of her court. The Queen will be selected from a group consisting of two representatives of each of the current classes at Wesleyan.

Special discounts have been arranged for alumni at Quality Motel Hal Orr's and Coral Courts. Alumni who are planning to return to Homecoming should make their own reservations at these two motels, stating that they are returning alumnus.

ALUMNI

Come to the first Wesleyan Homecoming Week-end and enjoy mulling over old times with your classmates and friends. The Wesleyan Social Commission has made every effort to see that this weekend will be an entertaining and joyous one for each and every alumnus who returns to school Friday and Saturday, December 16 and 17.



CHRIS FELTS, a junior transfer from Chowan Junior College, has led the Bishops basketball team in scoring in their first three games. With 61 points in the three games, Chris has shown early that he is a welcomed addition to the team. (See further details on games on pages 6 and 7).