



MOTOWN REVUE star MARY WELLS will headline the weekend's features as North Carolina Wesleyan College observes its first Homecoming Weekend, December 16-17.

Singer Mary Wells To Perform At Homecoming

Mary Wells, nationally known recording artist, will provide the entertainment for the First Annual Homecoming Dance to be held at Tarrytown Mall December 17 at 9:30 p. m.

Miss Wells, with her scintillating style of combining blues and mellow ballads with a strong vibrancy, now has developed into one of the nation's better nightclub performers and has become one of the more sought after performers for personal appearances on college campuses throughout the nation.

She has had many top selling records in her short six-year career. She wrote and recorded her first song, "Bye, Bye, Baby", at age 15. The record swept the nation for eight months on the top of the national charts.

Seven months later, Mary recorded "I Don't Want To Take A Chance," which stayed on the charts for four months, and her album, "My Guy," has been one of the all-time best sellers since its release.

Miss Wells career had an interesting beginning. When she was 15 she had written a poem, and although she couldn't read music, she thought of a tune to fit it and made a trip to the Motown Record Corp. offices to get some opinions. The tune was transcribed and the result, "Bye, Bye, Baby," sounded good to Motown officials. There was one problem. There was no artist available to sing it. The result: Mary Wells sang, Motown recorded and this first effort stayed on the best-selling charts for eight months.

This record, plus the success of "I Don't Want To Take A Chance," prompted Mary to postpone her studies and she began a national tour with the Motown Revue.

Her renditions of top rock-n-roll favorites helped to make the tour one of the most successful in rock-n-roll history. Turn-away crowds greeted her performances in Chicago, Cincinnati, Philadelphia and St. Louis.

The overwhelming results of her records and her "My Guy" album induced 20th Century-Fox to a keener look at the talented songstress and a four-year recording contract resulted.

Miss Wells began singing early in her life. Although she had never studied music, she sang in the Junior High School choir of 70 students where her musical talents were first discovered. She went on to Detroit's Northwestern High School, noted for its outstanding choir, and was featured soloist during her first year.

Accompaniment for Miss Wells performance will be provided by The Inmates, a well-known local group from Raleigh, who are noted for their showmanship and versatility.

We can be absolutely certain only about things we do not understand.

Eric Hoffer

Two Wesleyan Professors Receive Sabbaticals

Summer Sabbatical study and travel programs were granted to Dr. Arch W. Sharer, Professor of Biology, and to Dr. James R. Hailey, Associate Professor of Religion, at NCWC, by the Board of Trustees at a recent meeting.

Dr. Sharer received approval to use the summer of 1967 for several weeks of travel and study in the tropics or subtropics of Central and South America. He would study organisms of particular interest such as reptiles and amphibia, such as are found in the Barro Colorado Island of the Panama Canal Zone, or some similar areas.

Upon conclusion of the major study period, he would make brief visits on his way back to North Carolina at institutions and environmental areas in Central and South America.

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Dr. James R. Hailey will either serve as Caravan Counselor for the Methodist Youth Caravan to Europe for the summer of 1967, or study and do research work in Palestine. If he serves as Caravan Counselor, he and Mrs. Hailey will lead a select group of college youth in work visits to Methodist Churches in England, Germany, Italy, Austria, Switzerland, and France.

The alternate summer sabbatical program would call for Dr. Hailey to do Old Testament research in archaeology and geography by traveling in Palestine, visiting important archaeological sites and participating in the excavation under the program of the American School of Oriental Research in Jerusalem as planned by Dr. Nelson Cleuch of Hebrew Union Seminary in Cincinnati.

The summer sabbatical is designed to enrich the background of the professor, to lead to research and writing in his discipline, and to enhance classroom teaching for all students.

Tomorrow will be a better day if you begin to improve it today.



DR. SHARER



DR. HAILEY

INTERFAITH

by Jim Perry

Although many views have been aired on the subject of required chapel from a different point of view. Let me say in the beginning that I oppose any form of required worship service. I don't believe an individual can be forced to worship. There are those who wish to abolish chapel entirely. Obviously this cannot be done as long as we retain our present relationship to the Methodist Church. Therefore, the logical thing to do is to change the present form when and if of the problems of required monotony of the services. Every Thursday there is the same order of worship that people just quit listening to after a while. There is no change of pace in the services with the exception of services assigned to Dr. James. Students can predict everything except the hymn numbers.

Do I have a solution? I don't know if there is one, but I have an idea. Allow chapel speakers to draw from other sources such as poetry, philosophy, or even politics; and encourage them to use different orders of worship. As you recall, the Interfaith Commission used this type of service on November 22 for Thanksgiving. For those who were present it was received as a welcomed change of pace. Let me again point out that this is no solution.

It may be a step in the right direction, and we need to take some steps in the right direction. This problem will never be solved by faculty alone. It must be solved by faculty and students joining in a cooperative effort to achieve a common goal.

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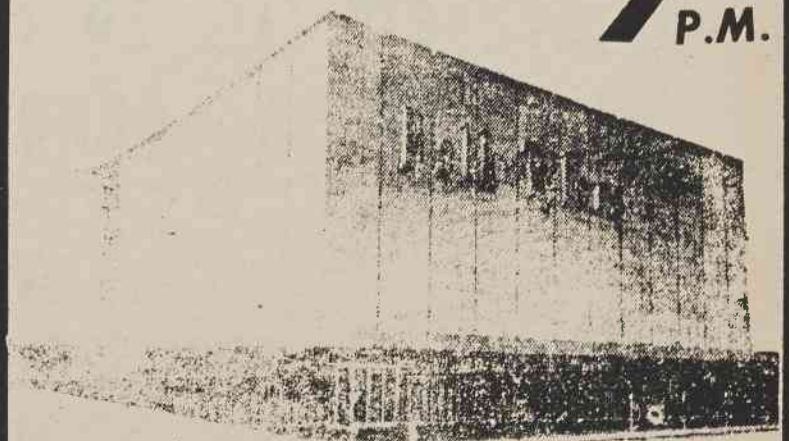
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