

# Wesleyan Chapel Choir Lists Christmas Activities

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The Wesleyan Chapel Choir began as a small group under the direction of Dr. Sasser. Now under the leadership of Mr. Lawrence Gupton, it has grown to comprise some fifty-four members. This group, whose primary function is to provide music for chapel services, represents the college at various conferences and in many Methodist churches. Choir members are chosen through auditions or previous membership, and their diligent efforts are not rewarded with any scholastic credit. These students take a great deal of pride in their work and they receive most favorable reviews.

On December 3, the choir held a retreat at the First Presbyterian Church of Rocky Mount. Here the members practiced for their presentation of "The Messiah" scheduled at this church for December 11. The choir along with the Rocky Mount Chorale will be accompanied by a string orchestra and harpsichord.

Wesleyan faculty members, Mr. Mizelle and Mr. Rabby, will perform solos and Mr. MacLean will participate in the orchestra.

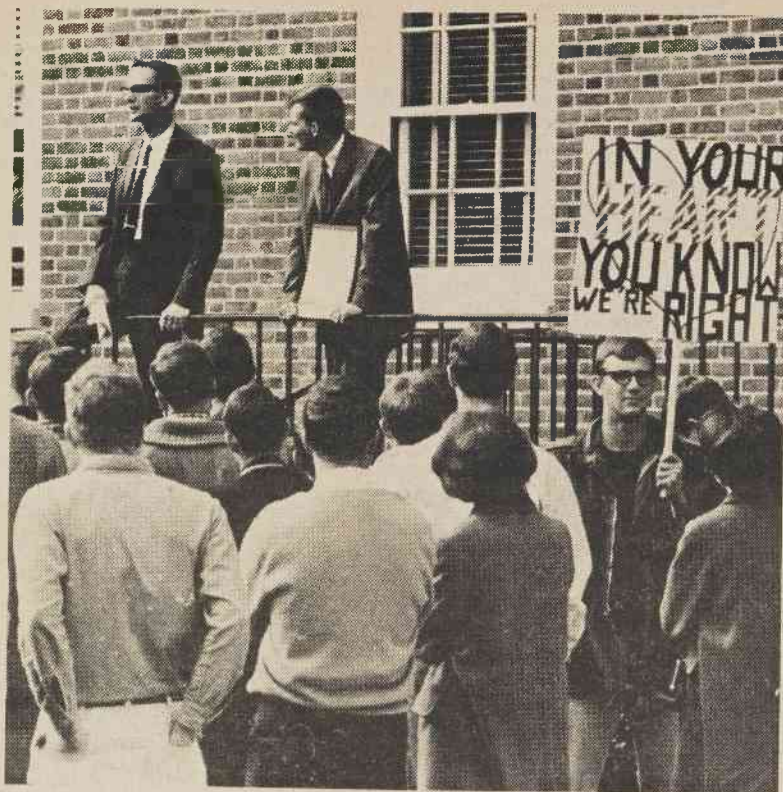
The first off-campus concert was to be held on December 4, at the First Methodist Church of Ahoskie, North Carolina. This concert follows the one staged during the Methodist District Conference held in the college gym on November 23.

The choir's Christmas plans include a taped program to be presented for the second year on WRAL-TV. The annual Christmas Program will be presented during chapel on December 15. At this time, the choir will present a program of traditional Christmas music.

The entire choir including its officers, Chic Ball, president, Bill Gruver and Mike Kells, co-tour managers, Barbara Crawford, secretary-librarian, Billy Norton, treas-

urer, and Carlton Livesay, accompanist, are excitedly awaiting the Chapel Choir Tour, March 2-6. By working two days a week, half of the program has already been committed to memory. The thirty-seven members of the touring group will be picked on the basis of ability as well as on attendance and loyalty. Offers have been received from as far north as New York City and as far west as Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Future engagements will include a Spring Concert, probably with the Rocky Mount Chorale, the possibility of making a record, and a trip to Lake Junaluska to sing for the Methodist Conference. The choir will of course continue singing in Methodist churches throughout North Carolina. The Wesleyan Chapel Choir has established itself as a fitting ambassador of good will for North Carolina Wesleyan College.



## Renowned Painter Gives Lecture

Miss Harriet Fitzgerald, Director of the Abingdon Square Painters, was on the Wesleyan campus December 7 and 8 in conjunction with the Arts Program of the Association of American Colleges. Miss Fitzgerald delivered a lecture entitled "How a Painting Works" to an audience of townspeople and students on the night of the 7th and visited several classes and talked with students and teachers about Art in America.

The lecture was primarily an introduction to art from a Modern point of view. In the course of her talk, Miss Fitzgerald explained current trends in art in the twentieth century.

Miss Fitzgerald has served as director of the Abingdon Square Painters in New York since the founding of that organization in 1948. This organization is a cooperative group of professional artists and students.

Miss Fitzgerald has received much national acclaim for her

painting. In 1938 she won an award in a competition sponsored by the American Artist's Congress and she has had five solo showings of her works at the Charles Barzansky Gallery of New York in addition to showings in various galleries throughout the country.

She acquired her interest in art early in life and began her studies at the age of eleven. Her professional training was received at the Art Student's League of New York and she traveled and studied extensively in Europe.

Miss Fitzgerald attended Stratford Hall and is also a graduate of Randolph-Macon Woman's College, on whose Board of Trustees she now serves.

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## Mrs. Edge Promoted

Mrs. Jean Brake Edge has been promoted from Instructor of Physical Education to Assistant Professor of Physical Education at NCWC according to an announcement from President Thomas A. Collins.

The Trustees have enthusiastically approved the promotion of Mrs. Edge, an Edgecombe County native who has been an instructor at the college since September 1963. She has directed the women's physical education program at the college and serves as advisor for the WRA of the students. She has served effectively on numerous faculty committees.

Mrs. Edge, a graduate of West Edgecombe High School earned her B. S. degree at East Carolina College and her M. Ed. degree at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She taught high school in Kinston and Rocky Mount prior to employment by the college.

She is married to Robert F. Edge, who, until recently taught at Edwards Junior High School. They are active members of Englewood Presbyterian Church and numerous community activities.

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