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Mizelle Presents Poem Again

"Elegy for Dylan Thomas: A Poem for the Theater," by Vance Mizelle, assistant professor of English here was presented at the Tank Theater on March 18 and 19.

The elegaic work, which was enthusiastically received when given its premier reading at the college last Dec. 11, recalls the sudden and tragic death of the famous Welsh poet here in America 14 years ago. The mood of the elegy is interrupted from time to time with excerpts from Thomas's poetry and prose.

Mizell was joined in the reading by two fellow faculty members and one student from N. C. Wesleyan: Dr. Jack E. Teagarden, professor of English and chairman of the Humanities Division; Miss Kathleen Malley, instructor of English; and George Watson, a senior English major from Gold Rock, N. C.

Mizelle has been active in the Tank Theater, the latest adjunct of the famed Rocky Mounts Arts Center, since its inception. He directed its first two productions last year and

played roles in its latest two plays. The elegy is the first time one of his own compositions has been presented.



Mr. Mizelle

Miss Bonnie Royster, director of the Tank Theater, expressed delight in being able to present the elegy. She explained that one of the functions of the Tank Theater was to make available and as widespread as possible the works by local writers in furtherance of the community theater.

SGA ELECTIONS HELD

As campaigns and candidates have become the center of attention throughout the state and nation, so it is that students at N. C. Wesleyan have found their thoughts and energies centered on the election of SGA officers for the coming year. Campaigns began with the filing of applications with the SGA office by March 1. The following days found the halls of nearly every major building on campus decorated with a variety of art work urging each student to support this candidate or that.



Blackman

On March 5, 1968 at 11:00 AM a special elections assembly was called and all candidates for the offices were presented to the student body by Jack Winstead, this year's SGA President. Candidates for the office of Defense Counselor

were Brian Flynn and John Woollen; for the office of Attorney General the candidates were Alvin Horne and Jim Overby. Only one candidate, Linda Lane, sought the office of Treasurer. Likewise, Marilyn Schoon, running for reelection to the office of Secretary was unopposed in her campaign. Jim Gill and Glenn Cockrell were the candidates for the office of Vice President. For the office of SGA President, one of the highest honors obtainable by a N. C. Wesleyan student, the nominees

in the coming election and to present his platform. The student body was urged both by the candidates and the SGA President to exercise their right to participate in the student government by supporting a candidate, backing his efforts, and above all by voting during the March 8th election.

The fairly representative voting made Jess Blackman the next President of the SGA. Glenn Cockrell was the successful candidate for the office of Vice-President. Marilyn



Cockrell

were Charles Kemp, current Vice President of the SGA, and Jess Blackman, a transfer student and chairman of the elections committee.

Each candidate had the opportunity of speaking to the student body to ask for support



Overby

Schoon and Linda Lane, both unopposed, were elected Secretary and Treasurer respectively. Brian Flynn will serve as Defense Counselor next year and he will be opposed by Jim Overby, Attorney-General.

Monogram Club To Present Second Annual Horse Show

On March 30, 1968, the Monogram Club of North Carolina Wesleyan College will hold its Second Annual Horse Show. The show will be held on the north end of the campus located six miles north of Rocky Mount, N. C. on Highway 301. Predominately a western show, riders from Eastern North Carolina and South Eastern Virginia are expected to exhibit horses as they did last year.

It is the desire of the Monogram Club to establish this show as an annual event which the citizens of this area can look forward to each year. As it

is one of the first shows of the season, it gives exhibitors a chance to show their horses and ponies in order to prepare them for the spring and summer shows. Although young, the show offers a wide variety of classes with trophies and ribbons given in all classes.

Plans for this year's show began in early December and will culminate with the show on March 30. All members of the Club participated in the planning, headed by President Barry Buck of Silver Spring, Md. and Tony DeMuth, Jr. of Farmville, Va. Those mem-

bers with previous show experience head the various committees, but the work is shared equally. Through this Horse Show, the Monogram Club pursues its chief goal of promoting sports, not only on the Wesleyan Campus, but throughout the area.

One of the outstanding features of the show is that it allows the younger riders fun and show experience. Many of the riders are under the age of 16. Many of the classes were designed for the younger riders in order that they might build self-confidence in showing at a young age. This, according to several advisors of the show, is most important in helping future exhibitors. Those who start showing at the age of six are reasonably experienced by the time they are fifteen. This is not to say that the show does not offer anything for the older, more experienced rider. There are an equal number of strictly adult classes offered.

On March 30, the Monogram Club is anticipating more than last year's number of exhibitors. As the show grows through the years, it may well become one of the best in Eastern North Carolina. Only time will tell.

Noted Author Lectures Here

Will Oursler, one of America's most distinguished authors, delivered a public lecture here in N. C. Wesleyan College's Garber Chapel Thursday, March 14, at 8:15 p. m. The public was invited to attend without charge.

The lecture, entitled "Stop Living With Cliches," was one of many given by Oursler, who is considered by many to be a leading spokesman on matters of current importance. By relating to literature, religion, art and many other areas of current controversy, Oursler relates his own dynamic philosophy of man in a free society.

Born in Baltimore, Oursler was graduated cum laude from Harvard College in 1937. After a brief newspaper career in Boston, he became assistant editor of Detective Magazines, a position he held until 1943 when he became a war correspondent in the Pacific for a magazine syndicate.

He has been a free-lance writer and lecturer since the close of the war and has written a number of well received books. Among them are "Narcotics, America's Peril,"

"The Boy Scout Story," "The Healing Power of Faith," "Light in the Jungle" and many others.

His credits also include numerous articles published in such magazines as Esquire, Nation's Business, Reader's Digest, Parade and others.



Mr. Will Oursler

THE N. C. WESLEYAN CONCERT BAND WILL GIVE ITS SPRING CONCERT TOMORROW NIGHT AT 8:15 P. M. IN THE GYMNASIUM. MR. DILL WILL CONDUCT AND IT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FREE OF CHARGE.