



RIGHT; Attorney General Jim Gill and DECREE Editor Ed Smith chatted together as controversy surrounding them continued.



LEFT: Bishop Wong skirmishes with Virginia Wesleyan player for control of the ball.

Campus Controversy Settled

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pears to turn the DECREE office into the DECREE lounge.

Seeing the necessity of peaceful settlement, both Roberts and Smith accepted these recommendations as "binding."

Roberts then announced an assembly for early this week at which he and Smith will explain the conflict and its settlement to the entire student body.

As tensions mounted and conflicts became sharply in the conflict over the suspension of DECREE funds defined, a spe-

cial meeting of the Senate was called by Bill Brantley, Vice-President of the SGA and President of the Senate. Brantley stated that "this Senate meeting was called tonight for the expressed purpose of considering two resolutions." The Senate meeting became the crisis for the controversy over Wesleyan's student newspaper, THE DECREE.

After accusations and complaints from both sides, SGA President John Roberts had notified THE DECREE by means of a letter that "the funds of THE DECREE have been withdrawn until further notice." He continued saying, "This is being done under the powers given to the President of the Student Government Association by Article VI, Section 2, paragraph a, sub-paragraph 2, of the Bishop's Law which states: 'the president shall be responsible for enforcing the Student Government Association and for executing the program and business of the Student Government Association.'"

At the Senate meeting called for the night of October 1, Brantley presented two resolutions, both of which were sponsored by Roberts. The first read, "The Senate voices by vote its approval of the actions taken by President John Roberts in limiting the access to the funds of the present DECREE staff. The actions were taken because it is the belief of the SGA that the present DECREE staff does not publish the great majority of student opinion." Senate Parliamentarian Bruce Wright stated that, "It seems to me that the Senate might as well close up for the year if the Senate has no checks-and-balance system over the Executive Branch."

Dean Sim O. Wilde expressed his opinion on the resolution by saying, "I think it's a matter to be settled by the Student Supreme Court. I told John that he could get away with it at

least until someone tried to stop him." Wilde also said that "the first resolution is an attempt to sound the Senate on their feelings." After lengthy debate on this resolution the Senate defeated it.

Brantley then presented the second resolution of Roberts, which stated, "The Senate stands behind the Constitutional rights of the President of SGA and his considerations in executing his rights." Opinions on the resolution ranged from Bruce Wright's "I see the second resolution as nothing more than an attempt to appease John's hurt feelings," to Allen Winters' comment that "we must realize that the Senate has no power." After heavy discussion had continued for several minutes, an objection to the consideration of this resolution was raised and passed.

As the Senate meeting wore on, the Senators finally compromised and passed Carolyn Dabney's resolution as it was amended by Bruce Wright. The final, entire draft reads: "Be it resolved that the Senate recommend to John that he withdraw his action until such time as the Supreme Court can meet and decide on its constitutionality. We request THE DECREE to be as fair as possible to the actions of the President on October 1, 1969. This would involve equality in the space provided at the discretion of the editor."

Bishops Blitz Va. Wesleyan

The North Carolina Wesleyan soccer team won its first match of the season Thursday, October 2, by defeating Virginia Wesleyan in a score of three to one. The game was played

in a very steady rain.

The October 2 win offsets their loss to Guilford the Saturday before by a score of three to one. The Bishops in their win dominated the game throughout until the fourth quarter.

The Bishops' goals were scored by Bob Kendall, C. B. Daughtridge, and Rick Ladd. The blue and gold now carry a one to two winning record for the soccer season so far, and it is quite apparent that they are improving with each game.

Wesleyan's offense looked fairly strong for the first time this season, and if they can keep improving on it the Bishops may have a few surprises for everyone by the end of this season.

Moore Comments On Controversy

In an interview granted on October 3, Dean J. W. Moore said, "A college-supported newspaper must accept final control by the Board of Trustees" because it is "a part of the family and must expect certain restrictions on freedom."

Moore pointed out that the DECREE staff is doing unusually well considering the small allowances given it by the college. "But," he added, "there is room for improvement."

In enumerating some of the faults of THE DECREE the Dean stressed that the news should not be editorialized. "The editorial policy should be the business of the staff, but the approach should be organized so as to allow all the chance to say their piece."

"The real crux of the problem of freedom of the press lies in the question: does the editor really encourage and seek dissenting opinion?" THE DECREE, the Dean said, has in some cases not structured its reporting so as to present all views.

News Summary

By DON HENCHEL

Domestic--Nine negroes in Sub-Cabinet positions believe that the Nixon Administration is stressing job training and placement in its attempts to aid underprivileged Blacks. The emphasis in the entire approach is on quietness rather than an open civil rights crusade.

A new ideology among students that combines an amount of self-indulgence with an awareness of the advantages reported by a sociologist, Dr. Jeffery K. Hadden, who calls the ideology "Prevatism."

Congressional opponents of the Subterranean Nuclear test blast in the Aleutian Islands last Thursday (10-2-69) appealed to Pres. Nixon arguing that the atomic explosion could possibly set off a chain of earthquakes in the islands of Alaska.

Senate Republican heads asked for a moratorium on criticism of Pres. Nixon's Vietnam policies as confusion and desension appeared amongst the Democratic critics. The major roadblock of such a movement is Senator J. W. Fulbright, who has called a meeting of his Foreign Relations Committee to discuss a new series of hearings on Vietnam.

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