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Library Hours Extended Loan Service Announced

Due to requests from a number of students late in the fall semester, the library will extend its week end hours beginning Saturday, February 6.

Effective this date the library will be open from 1-4:30 p.m. each Saturday during the winter semester. The library will continue to be open Saturday morning from 8:45 a.m.-12 noon. Friday night hours will be discontinued, with the library closing at 5 p.m. each Friday.

Sunday hours will remain the same: 2-5 p.m. and 6:30-10 p.m.

In announcing the addition of Saturday afternoon hours, librarian A. W. Stewart stated, "Student response to these hours as expressed through their use of the library will determine whether Saturday afternoon hours will be continued for the indefinite future."

Mr. Stewart also announced that inter-library loan services are available. He recommended that students notify any member of the Wesleyan College Library staff and chances are

good that the item requested will be in your hands within a week or less.

The Wesleyan Library has access to the In-Wats service offered of the North Carolina State Library, whose purpose is to expedite inter-library loan. In some instances, the book requested is mailed to the borrowing library the same day the request is made. In other cases, the time elapsing between date of request and date received is a week. In a few cases, this time may be as long as two weeks. All mailing costs are assumed by the Wesleyan Library.

Requests for periodical articles needed by a student should be made at least a week before the article is needed. Photocopies of articles are supplied at the rate of 10 cents per exposure; most libraries have a minimum charge of \$1.00 for photocopy service. In most instances, an article requested by a Wesleyan student can be obtained from an academic library in North Carolina.

Students are invited to submit requests for books and articles not in the Wesleyan Library at any time.

Pi Epsilon Rush Begins

During the week of January 11 through January 16, Pi Epsilon Sorority will have its second rush week. Sunday, January 11, all girls interested in rushing were urged to attend a tea in the faculty lounge. For the remainder of the week, parties will be held by invitation.

Bids will be sent out Monday, January 19. The Rushees will have until Tuesday, January 20 at 5 o'clock to accept the bids. Pledge period, which will follow, will include numerous service and social activities.

Dorm 'Condition' Check Causes Council Action

By JIM VAN LAAN

Dean of Students, Sim O. Wilde, stated Friday concerning the announced investigation of dormitories, "It's not a room search, it's a room check."

Marjorie Hagins, Resident Counselor of Edgcomb Hall and also the official in charge of the investigation, added her vehement agreement to Wilde's statement, saying, "This is not a room search."

"The major purpose of the room check," scheduled to occur between the 15th of January and the 1st of February according to Dean Wilde, "is to see if the condition of the rooms will cause damage or injury to college property."

When questioned concerning the form signed by students at the beginning of the year reporting the condition of college property in their rooms, Wilde answered, "I guess we thought that, even though the students had signed a card, we needed to inspect the situation now."

"What happened is the Director of Housing, Mrs. Hagins, said to me that there was evidence that the mattresses were

on the floor," Dean Wilde responded to questions concerning the search's need.

Wilde continued, "we were shocked last spring to find the conditions of the rooms. Because of the way the rooms were kept, it resulted in damage."

"We proposed to the Business Office that we would check the condition of the rooms periodically. We should have about four a year," Wilde added in further explanation of the cause.

Mrs. Hagins defended the general inspection, explaining, "There is a lot of difference between a room search and an investigation. We're not checking up on any students at all. This is just a routine investigation."

In response to the question concerning the lack of a definite date for the investigation, Mrs. Hagins stated, "I can't set a date, because I just don't know what will happen. It's just between those dates because I don't know when I'll have a chance."

Wilde added, "I had in mind that Mrs. Hagins and an ARC

would check each floor at their convenience. It would be impossible to check while all the students were in their rooms."

He also gave the assurance that "there will be no search of trunks, drawers, closets, and so forth."

In discussing the reactions of the students to the announcement of the room check, Wilde said, "I don't think they are really reading the memo. They're carrying a chip on their shoulders. Their attitude is that what ever the administration does, it is going to hurt them. It's almost as though they're looking for an excuse."

Wilde also stated, "There isn't a student here who can claim that their privacy has been violated under the sanction of this office."

Wilde concluded by saying, "This may be a situation in which the students may be pushing me into a position they don't want, where I would have to declare the dorms official residence halls, with full responsibility for their care on the shoulders of the students and I don't think they want that."

Theatre Department Announces One-Acts

By JIM VAN LAAN

Wesleyan's Theatre Department announced last week that the rehearsals for the one-act plays, which will be presented on January 29, 30, and 31, are underway and are proceeding satisfactorily. The plays, "A Morning After the Fig Tree Bloomed," "The Hundred and First," and "The Sandbox," will be presented in the Ex-

perimental Theatre at Wesleyan and will provide an opportunity for the public to view the modern trend in drama and theatre.

These plays are designed to provide drama students with the chance to learn various acting and directing techniques from first-hand experience. The directors, Sheila Glover, Ann Bland, and Bob Bronough, chose their casts from a number of

Wesleyan students who attended the auditions held before the mid-semester break and are presently holding rehearsals four nights a week in the Experimental Theatre.

The first play, scheduled to be presented in the performance is "A Morning After the Fig Tree Bloomed," directed by Ann Bland, which depicts individual dilemma within the environment of disillusionment. "He," played by Jim Van Laan, finds himself searching for the joys of innocence despite his wife's perpetual attempt to keep him within her world of superficiality. Miss Bland contrasts "She," portrayed by Barbara Koehnlein, with the Messenger, characterized by John Crumpler, in an attempt to openly display the conflict of "He," stressing emotional dilemma with the dilemma of the society and environment surrounding the inner-self of the individual.

"The Hundred and First" is a one-act play, satirizing the institution of welfare in its present state, while at the same time providing an insight into the nature of people. Bob Bronough, who is directing this play, has the largest cast as well as the second slot in order of production. On the most obvious level, "The Hundred and First" depicts the struggles of Sam Morris, as Mr. Stochstill, to have his family placed on the list of New York City's hundred neediest cases, his infinite arguments and conflicts with his family, and his humorous misadventures with

representatives of society. Stochstill's family is played by Judy Johnson, his wife, Ethel, Martha Polley, as Mary Agnes, Stochstill's daughter, Ed Hardy, his son, Tommy, and Barbara Epps, as his mother. The other members of the cast include: Sean Moran, Nancy Philipps, Dave Siple, Linda Williams, Paul Tuttle, Joe Vinson, Anne Laughner, and Ronnie Dean.

The final play for the production is "The Sandbox" by Edward Albee, under the direction of Sheila Glover. "The Sandbox" is a farcical comedy concerning death, people, and cliches and stars Miriam Leyda in the role of Monny, Maria Gargano as Grandmother, Jim Van Laan as Daddy, Robert Thompson portraying the Young Man, and John Hornaday as the Musician. Glover's production of "The Sandbox" is designed to appeal to the emotional senses of the viewers, making them laugh at their lives' contradictions.

Working with the directors are Mr. Tony Dingman, producer and head of the drama department at Wesleyan, and Scenic Designer Rick Houch, a Wesleyan senior who is designing the sets for each of the three one-acts. The primary concern of the directors at this point is to rehearse the plays sufficiently, but not to over rehearse. Despite the poor facilities and the lack of money, January 29th should provide an entertaining evening.

Weekly News Review

There has been a "significant increase" of communist activity in the northern most area of Viet Nam. A U. S. helicopter was brought down, the 1,433rd of the war. Some officials point to this stepped up activity as possibly a preliminary move for a Spring offen-

sive when the weather improves.

Joseph A. "Jock" Yablonski, who was unsuccessful in his campaign for the presidency of the United Mine Workers was found shot to death along with his wife and daughter. No valuables were taken and police of-

ficials said no motive had been uncovered. The F.B.I. began investigating the slaying last Tuesday.

The secret inquest into the death of Miss Mary Jo Kopechne opened last week. Senator Edward F. Kennedy was the first to testify about the death of the young secretary who died when the car she and Kennedy were riding in plunged into a pond on Chappaquiddick Island, Massachusetts.

Vice President Agnew continued his good-will tour, visiting Nepal, Afganistan, and other central Asian countries.

The Kansas City Chiefs floored the Oakland Raiders 17-7 in the American Football league bowl game and the Minnesota Vikings smashed the Cleveland Browns 27 to 7 in the National football league bowl to give berths in the Superbowl.

Nu Gamma Phi Elects Officers For New Term

Nu Gamma Phi recently announced the list of their new officers for the Spring Term, of 1970. The officers are: Robert C. Leyda, President, Thomas G. Dyer, Treasurer, William David Walker, Secretary, Craig Gross, Chaplain, Jim Gill, Warden, and Galen Heaps,

Historian.

Nu Gamma Phi concluded their announcement by stating, "We wish to make our sincere offer of our services when needed by THE DECREE. We also hope for a semester of continuous cooperation between your office and our Fraternity."