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#### Southern Bell Investigates Cases Of Telephone Fraud

By JULIA ROBINSON

Dean of Students Sim O. Wilde Jr. announced last week that Wesleyan College was among twenty colleges and universities in North Carolina whose students were involved in a long-distance telephone fraud.

Dean Wilde said that Mr. Roger H. Allred, Security Officer Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, said that the fraud usually occurs when students charge calls to unauthorized numbers or to fraudulent telephone credit card numbers.

Dean Wilde stated, "We are urging Mr. Allred to prosecute any and all of our students who are guilty of such fraudulent telephone calls as provided by North Carolina law. In addition, we are asking him to report to us the names of any students involved so that we may prosecute them under the laws of our Student Government Association. Fraud of this nature will be interpreted under the SGA Constitution as theft nd students so convicted will ace possible suspension from

### IFC Pledge Period Begins January 20

By PARA RODENHIZER

The Interfraternity Council held its annual Rush Week January 11-16. During this week, parties were held for prospective pledges of Alpha Delta Chi and Nu Gamma Phi fraternities and Pi Epsilon sorority.

The week began Sunday, January 11, with interested students meeting with the Interfraternity Council. Here the pledge rules were given to the

Pi Epsilon launched its week of recruiting by opening Alice's Restaurant in the teacher's lounge Monday night. During this time girls interested in pledging went to the "psychedelicized" room and met sisters of Pi Epsilon, dressed as "hippies." Wednesday evening an open house was held serving Russian tea and cheese fondue. On Friday evening a party with the theme of a casino was held at the Boat Club of Rocky Mount to further enable the girls and sisters to get to know each other.

Nu Gamma Phi spokesman,

Pete Welsh, said that their festivities began Monday evening with an informal open house in the fraternity's lounge on third floor of South Hall. Tuesday night, an informal stag smoker was held with free beer and food at the Pizza Inn. Wednesday night a semi-formal party was held at the Rocky Mount Boat Club. The fraternity invited girls dating Phi brothers to attend the party to meet the prospective pledges. The fraternity's advisor, Dr. Kilgore, and his wife were present also. Thursday, a stag smoker was again held at alumnus John

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# Dr. Kilgore Announces Changes In Chemistry

By MARY GETLEIN

The Chemistry department at Wesleyan has now accepted a complete "awakening" of the general requirements and policy of the department in the hope of attracting more students to the aid of the department, in order to promote more interest in the general field of science, and in order for it to be more helpful in relating to scientific problems of today.

Dr. John Kilgore, head of the department, explained Tuesday in an interview, the basic changes due for the department. Most specifically, the changes have to do with two areas of improving and upgrading requirements for majors in the chemistry department and, secondly, that of promoting and strengthening the non-major students' interest in courses offered in the chemistry department.

The most radical change for graduates, Dr. Kilgore said, "is that of basic graduate requirements being changed." He then went on to explain that a B.S. in chemistry was designed mostly for those people who were going on to graduate work in science, while a B.A. degree is designed for a "liberal arts education in science."

There will now be a broader emphasis for B.A. students for example, a one year Biology course, never before part

of a chemistry degree; a twotrack option in physics or math; a lessening of emphasis on the math part of the degree, which results in a less mathematical degree.

The fore mentioned specifics will do several things for the student. One, it provides a "framework for the pre-med, pre-dental students," it being their responsibility to pick up needed courses in Biology.

Secondly, it offers a possibility as Dr. Kilgore put it, a "B. A.T." degree, that is a little more than the average B. A. degree. With the system as it is now set up, it offers "good possibillties" for a double major, with biology majors taking three additional courses.

Third, it fulfills all requirements for secondary school science teacher, excluding, of course, education courses needed.

Dr. Kilgore then switched the subject from present changes in new courses to hopes for courses in the future. One was a further change for science majors and the other a possible change for the non-science-oriented student at Wesleyan.

"We are trying to make some contacts," said Dr. Kilgore, "and trying to work out some sort of program where a student could take this (major offering) and finish up his work in a hospital in medical tech-

nology. The student would then be granted a B.A. in chemistry from Wesleyan, and would also be a registered medical technologist from the other school participating."

There are no basic changes for the nonscience-oriented student at Wesleyan who has to finish his requirement in science, to graduate; to him goes the recommendation that he take Chemistry 10, Physics 10; 11, 12; Chem 11, 12; and Biology 1, 2.

"However," continued Dr. Kilgore, "we seriously consider putting in a general seminar, one-hour course, for students who need to pick up an additional hour here and there." Such a course would be an "open" course, meaning probably no pre-requisite upon entering, but starting at second-semester freshman and on up.

There are two reasons for such a course are: one--to ful-fill needed hours. (Divisional requirements for a student, if enough were taken) and two-the staff can't afford to spend anymore than one hour a week on a general course.

The purpose of such a course would be to "build up a plain, lively, interest in science, with the application of science without going through the theory of the subject."

"Of course, you cannot expect to learn anything about science without going through the theory first, but if it's structured simpler, it will mean more to the non-science-major student," Dr. Kilgore went on to explain.

Such a course would be a seminar-type course which might talk about topics that are in the minds of people, emotionally, but that they have no real scientific knowledge of. (Some examples, Dr. Kilgore gave were cyclamates; smoking; drug addiction; air and water pollution.)

"Through the plain collection of data and the learning of how to interpret this data," Dr. Kilgore finished, "students could understand, scientifically, some of the vehement problems of today."

## Weekly News Review

By DONN HENCHEL

For more than 30 months the Nigerian Civil War has persisted and after, the deaths about two million of its people, the war came to an end. The announcement of capitulation

### A. B. Lewis Speaks At First Convocation

By MARY GETLEIN

The "Ecology of Poverty" was presented in Wesleyan's Convocation on Jan. 15 by A.B. Lewis, National Treasurer of the N.A.A.C.P.

Before he began to speak, Mr. Lewis explained that while he knew very little about ecology, he knew a lot about poverty, and would try to tie the two together.

He began with a brief history of mechanization in the United States, stating that with the start of the Industrial Revolution, the beginning of organized work on a massive state. This, then, brought about

the never-before-realized problem of massive ownership and massive workership. The worker in the factory was dependent on his boss for his job, which left him in a insecure position, for his livelihood rested upon the wishes and demands of someone else.

Mr. Lewis went on from this to point out the three ways the underprivileged and discriminated against have gained equality with the owners. The three ways were the right to vote, the right to organize, and the right to get an education.

"The right to vote has been the biggest single denial in this (Continued on Page 2)

came as Brig. Phillip Effiong, Biafra's chief of staff asked hs people to "lay down their arms and put an end to the bloodshed." President Nixon, in conference with Britians Prime Minister, Wilson, agreed to send 10 million dollars worth of food and medical supplies to mass starvation in Riafra. As a reply, General Jakubu Gorvon, Nigeria's leader, said that all foreign nations offering aid could keep their money. He said he wouldn't accept aid from people who had been party to the loss of so many lives. The solitary airplane that left Biafra was forced to evade machine gun fire and panicky mobs as it took off from the airstrip at Uga. It was only possible that 45 people could be taken aboard the aircraft, Reports from inside Biafra told of mass starvation and wholesale death. Its a pity that the mass offering of food and medical supplies have had to wait until the bloodthirsty defeat of Biafra. Perhaps this will final-Iv awaken those who have ignored this problem so long.

Israeli jets raided the outskirts of Cairo for the second time in a week. The raid was purportedly viewed by Egyptians in the capital. The jets struck nine miles from the city. The planes also bombed Egypt's largest military base about 25 miles from Cairo.

The head of the Soviet Foreign Ministry's press department said at a news conference that the U. S. would be welcomed at an all-European security conference, but went on to critize the North Atlantic Treaty nations for trying to complicate the holding of the security conference.

### Dorm Check Cancelled; Forms Fulfill Purpose

Dr. Sim O. Wilde, Dean of Students, has announced that there will be no room check conducted as previously stated by Mrs. Marjorie Hagins, Director of Student Housing.

The room check, orginally scheduled, was to be conducted as a result of an agreement between the Business Office and the office of the Dean of Students due to the damage in-

curred to the rooms and furniture last spring. The room check has been cancelled because the dorm council of North Hall officially objected and pointed out to the Dean of Students and the Director of Student Housing that the form which all dorm residents were required to complete two months ago was designed to replace the room inspections.