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Dennis Hayek, Tom Weisinger, Hugh Cross and Lewis Baker help stuff Capital Campaign folders for distribution. According to Vice President for Development Dr. Allen Cordts, this is only one way in which students are helping the efforts of the Capital Campaign Program. Connie Murray (in background) and Marsha White also assisted Dr. Cordts.

Inter-Club Council Meets To Plan Campus Open House

By GARY CHRISTOPHER

The Thursday night meeting of the Wesleyan Inter-Club council at the President's home yielded a decision for the college to participate in the Rocky Mount's "All American City" festivities on March 21. The Inter-Club Council consists of the presidents or chairmen of all campus organizations. In this first meeting of the 1969-70 school year, the council de-

cidied to coordinate Wesleyan's participation in the city activities.

March 15-21, All-American City week as declared by Mayor John Minges, will run from March 15 through 21 and will culminate in a downtown parade and receptions in honor of Rocky Mount's illustrious citizenry who will return for the festivities. In an effort to promote city spirit and to sustain college-city relationships, the I.C.C. will design a float for the parade and will welcome the visiting citizens on Saturday.

Eileen O'Grady, chairman of the float committee, announced that the plans for the Wesleyan float are as yet inconclusive but that a general plan which will highlight the diverse aspects of campus life will be presented to the float designers employed by the city of Rocky Mount. Although the actual design and construction will be by these professional designers,

students will offer suggestions concerning the design, and some students will ride on the float.

The visitation of the returning Rocky Mount natives will be coordinated by an I.C.C. Reception committee and Tour committee chaired by Darlene Conarey and Allen Winter respectively. The visitors will be given a campus tour highlighting the different academic departments. The tour will end in Nash dormitory where there will be a reception for the visitors. The "Consorts Limited," a campus musical group, will provide entertainment during the reception. Students and faculty are invited to attend and to greet the visitors.

DECREE editor Julie Robinson will head the publicity committee in the I.C.C. endeavor.

Allen Cordts, Director of Development, will advise the Inter-Club Council steering committee in this project to promote better city-college understanding.

'Red Carpet City' Overcomes Racism

By CHUCK WATERS

Spurred by a 75 member delegation, the National Municipal League recently granted Rocky Mount the status of an All-American City. As with the other ten finalists, a definite effort to improve the city by

the citizenry had to be clearly evident and the legend of the "seventy-five" from the Eastern Seaboard city might well become a favorite and enshrined achievement to the inhabitants and hopefully inspiring as well. Listed in the current issue of LOOK MAGAZINE (March 10, 1970) as merits

warranting the league's decision were reforms--pointedly needed ones. The cost of the proposed \$20 million rerouting of the Seaboard rails that split the town down the middle to be met by citizen contribution of approximately 25% and optimistically the other 75% will be delegated by the Federal Government. New hospital and airport projects were also favorable but the most important issue involved in the judging was Rocky Mount's efforts to heal the division between black and white. The solution of integration met resistance by student and citizen alike, resulting in disturbance and preliminary disillusion of purpose but gradually it is being discovered that both blacks and whites are indeed colored, thus allowing true attempts at racial flux to be sincere and not mere to kenism. For there is another hue coloring Rocky Mount, one that the citizenry willingly placed upon their town, the crimson regalness of the Red Carpet City. If the carpet is to remain as desired all must be allowed to stride upon it freely. Apparently the League agrees.

Senate Announces Proposed Changes

The Senate of Wesleyan College announced this week that they have proposed and passed two constitutional amendments in the course of their other duties and responsibilities. Bill Brantley, SGA Vice-President and President of the Senate, reported in correspondence to the DECREE editor that only two requirements remain to be met before the amendments become law. These two are: 1) publication in THE DECREE, and 2) a subsequent vote by the student body.

The two amendments as re-

ported by Brantley are:

1) Article 7, Section 1, subsection (B) of Legislative be changed to read: the vice-presidents of the classes; and

2) Article 7, Section 2, subsection (D), clause 1, subclause (b) of Legislative be changed to read: shall consist of a chairman and two members appointed by and from the Senate.

President Brantley concluded his correspondence by stating that a vote by the student body will be taken two weeks following the publication of the two amendments.

Control Of Pollution Called 'New Ball Game'

By BECKY FRANKEL

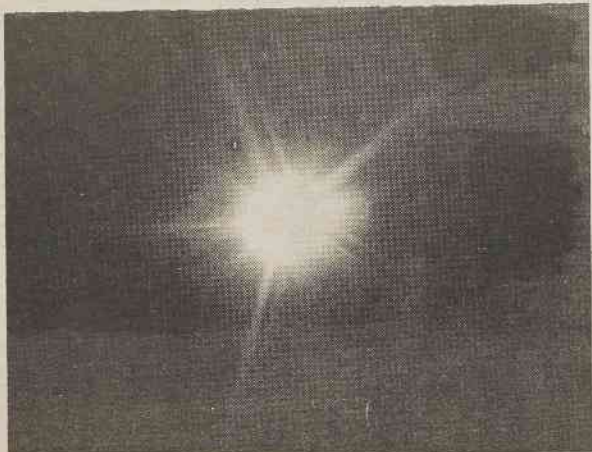
Dr. Henry A. Bend from N. C. State University presented a lecture on pollution during this week's convocation. Dr. Bend has held positions at several institutions of higher learning such as Cambridge, Oakland, etc. He is also a member of numerous scientific societies including, among others, the American Chemical Society. An author of some forty papers concerning his field, Dr. Bend attempted to raise questions in students' minds concerning pollution.

Using slides to intensify the importance of his questions, Dr. Bend presented five problems that face us. These problems are poverty, prejudice, peace, population, and pollution. Concerning these questions, we

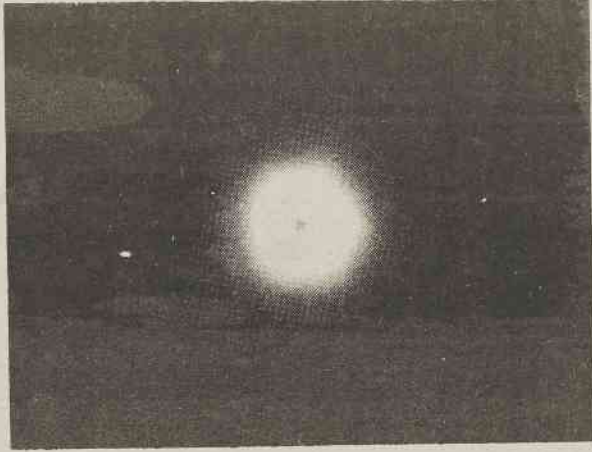
were asked, "To what extent can man manipulate his environment?" or more specifically "To what extent can man manipulate his physical environment?" To illustrate how drastic a problem pollution is, Dr. Bend pointed out that: "What goes in / Must go out / Or pile up!"

Throughout his speech, Dr. Bend stressed the fact that in controlling pollution the invisible changes in our environment can be the greatest threat to our existence.

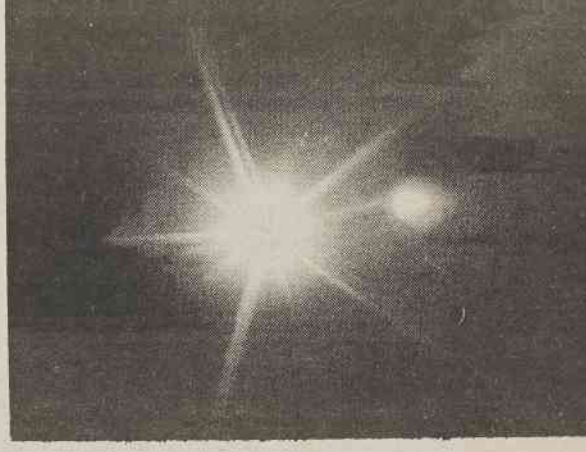
After a discussion of the chemical and physical aspects of pollution, Dr. Bend concluded with his belief that life and controlling pollution are "... a new ball game." In other words, we need new rules, new equipment, and, in essence, a new style of life to face this threat.



The eclipse as viewed by Wesleyan students. The moon has almost totally obscured the sun.



Totality: The corona with the moon fully blocking the sun.



After totality: The moon is seen emerging from the front of the sun.