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## Announcements

### Convocations

The Honors Convocations originally scheduled for April 2 has been re-scheduled for April 9th. The Convocation on April 2nd will be held in the Cafeteria and will consist of a CBS film, "Bulldozed America" and a student eco-in.

### Amendments

On Tuesday March 24, 1970, two proposed Constitutional amendments met with student body approval. The first amendment provided for a change in the composition of future constitution committees. The second amendment permits the Vice Presidents of the respective classes to represent the classes in the Senate. It might be noted that nineteen students constituted the student body vote. I am sure Richard Nixon would be pleased to know that N. C. Wesleyan has its own "great silent majority".

Bill Brantley,  
President of the Senate



The Shadows of Knight, shown above, won first place in the Circle K Talent Show held March 26. Left to right are: Lessie Pitman, Earnestine Dancy, lead vocal, and Mary Johnson. Photo by Gary Christopher.

## Dr. Wilde Looks At Dean's Office

Dr. Sim O. Wilde, Dean of Students at Wesleyan, announced on the March 23 Senate

meeting that he had submitted his resignation as Dean of Students. This resignation will take effect in the coming Fall semester.

In an interview with a DECREE reporter, Dean Wilde talked of the conditions surrounding his resignation.

DECREE: "On Monday night you announced before the student senate your intention to resign as Dean. Exactly what are the reasons behind your decision?"

Wilde: "They are purely professional and personal. I came here in 1965 running from an administrative position, wanting to teach, wanting to do some writing. I was here one year, and loved that one year--as just a faculty member. Then the dean of students position became available, and I was under student and administrative pressure to take the position, so I did. This is my fourth year with it, and I feel that it is time to leave. I wanted to leave; the opportunity came. Dr. Smith is leaving; we are reorganizing the Educational department. It's a good opportunity for me to get back into the active end of the field.

DECREE: Then you will be largely devoting your time to the Education department.

Wilde: Right, I think this is the best way to leave the job, by the way. I leave it with a lot of regrets.

DECREE: Do you have any new ideas for the education department?"

Wilde: I have, but I'm not ready to let them out yet, for a lot of it depends on how we can organize my function. I can say that we are considering the possibility of including in my re-

## Changes Announced In Teacher Program

Several changes have recently been announced in the admission procedures and requirements for the teacher education program.

In order to facilitate planning and scheduling of both the prerequisite courses and the actual student teaching phase of the program, the application procedure will be a two step procedure:

1. As soon as a student makes the decision that he or she wishes to enter the program, application should be made for admission to the TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM. This

should be done through the Director of Teacher Education. Application is not binding on the student but serves to assist the faculty in planning course offerings and in helping students meet certification requirements without the necessity of overloads and summer sessions. This step is intended for early identification and counseling purposes.

2. At least two semesters before the individual plans to enroll in the actual student teaching phases of the program, he or she must file an application for student teaching. The date of this application is a change from the previous deadline of the semester before actual student teaching. This application is considered binding on both the student and the college. The purpose in moving the date back is to place the college in a better position in competing with other colleges for the services of competent supervising teachers. Late application will be the exception and not the rule and will be ruled on in individual cases by the Teachers Education Council.

Requirements for admission to Student Teaching which will go into effect as of September 1, 1970 are as follows:

1. The Block Program shall consist of: Education 62, Education 72, and Education 99.

2. To be assured of placement, application must be made ten months before the semester in which student teaching is to be done. (Application for student teaching in Winter Term 1973 must be filed in Winter Term 1972.)

3. Applicant must have completed the following courses, prior to entrance into the Block Program: Education 1, Education 24, and Education 53. A student may take the pro-

sponsibilities something to do with our experimental college program such as the Mayterm.

DECREE: In your four years as dean, the policy of "Freedom with Responsibility" has been the philosophy. Do you think you have been successful with this?

Wilde: In comparative terms, it has. By and large I have been pleased with the fact that we have operated a do-your-own-thing campus where we try to stay out of students' hair and they stay out of ours.

DECREE: Then you are happy with what the dean's office has accomplished?

Wilde: Yes, I am. We have established some Mickey Mouse rules; I think we've updated the campus to suit the present day in terms of our rules and regulations. Some people will laugh at that, but I find that even in

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## 'The Creation' Slated For 8:15 Tuesday Night

The Wesleyan Singers will present Joseph Haydn's Oratorio, "The Creation," at their seventh annual Commencement Concert Tuesday, April 7, at 8:15 p.m. in Everett Gymnasium at N. C. Wesleyan College here. The program is presented in honor of the graduating senior class, and the public is cordially invited to attend free of charge.

The 60-member choral group is under the direction of Dr. William Sasser, chairman of the Wesleyan Music Department. Accompanists for the performance are Mrs. Thelma Sasser and Bruce Wright, pianists. Three guest soloists will be featured in the presentation; Rebecca Carnes, soprano from Chapel Hill; Dr. James Cobb, tenor from Wilson; and Jeff Ishee, baritone from Murrefreesboro.

Mrs. Carnes, music supervisor of the Durham County Schools, has sung many leading roles with opera productions in Chapel Hill and has appeared frequently on WUNC-TV there. Dr. Cobb, chairman of Atlantic Christian College's Music Department, is known throughout the state for his solo performances. Ishee, who teaches voice and directs the choir at Chowan College, has appeared as lead baritone in many Opera Theatre productions at UNC-Chapel Hill and served as resident soloist in the Duke Chapel Choir.

"The Creation" is considered one of three foremost oratorios, along with Handel's "Messiah" and Mendelssohn's "Elijah." With this performance, the Wesleyan Singers will have performed all three major works.

## ELECTIONS

For Editorship Of THE DECREE, THE DISSENTER And ASPECTS For 1970-71 Will Be Held Monday, April 13 In The Student Union.

## Supreme Court Justices, Class Officers Chosen

By PARA RODENHIZER

Student Government Elections were held Friday, March 27. Students voted for Supreme Court justices and class officers.

The Supreme Court justices elected were Craig Gross, Bill Brantley, Scott Polley, Ned Hill and Allen Perry. Also elected were Phyllis Webb and Betty Anne Lee.

Filling the office of President of the Senior Class is Sharon Grace. Becky Frankel was elected vice-president, Secretary of the class for the '70-

'71 year is Betty Jo Bryant. Phyllis Patterson was elected treasurer.

Helen Steiner was elected president of the Junior Class with Dave Forrest assisting her as vice president. Molly Levin and Raye Suitt were elected Secretary and Treasurer, respectively.

Danny Winstead was elected president of the Sophomore class with Steve Pierce elected as vice-president on a write-in ballot. Tricia Nickens was elected secretary of the class and Debbie Sink will serve as treasurer for the '70-'71 term.