THE DECREE

EDITORIAL Dear Chief . . .

Recently signs popped up around the Student Union pertaining to the availability of applications for freshman class officers, junior class officers and for day student senators. This, in itself is not an oddity, but what makes it an oddity is the date: November. For almost the entire first semester the two classes and day students have had no representation or no leadership.

The junior class has no representation, for one reason, because last spring no one chose to run for the offices. But why the new attempt at an election has taken so long to come about is what should bother the student body.

Freshman have no officers because there has been no election. Someone decided that the Freshman needed some time to get to know one another. Now, in November, somebody has decided its time for that election to take place. Evidently the Freshmen know each other now. Who decided to wait this long? The Elections Committee Chairman? No, because since Rich Kershner was elected Vice - President of SGA there has been so such chairman. The decision was made by the President and Vice - President of SGA, Wilbert Harrison and Rich Kershner respectively, because, according to Mr. Kershner, "Wilbert and I took it upon ourselves to do it ourselves."

The executives of student government, since they could not find a student willing to be Elections Chairman, have, in their way of thinking, become the Committee. So it seems that Wilbert Harrison and Rick Kershner decided to wait almost a whole semester before giving freshmen any chance at class leadership.

If the Vice-President and President of SGA now consider themselves to be the elections committee this column would then assume that it was also their decision to wait almost a full semester before staging an election for day student senators.

When asked why the day student senate applications have taken this long to be available, Mr. Kershner replied:

"In the case of day student senators, day student (elections) are held late this year because... we didn't have any kind of compiled record of how many there were; how many were full time day students. We had a listing of how many were day students, which causes confusion as to whether you have two or three senators for the amount of day students there are. Many of the day students are part time which doesn't qualify them for representation."

Mr. Kershner must stand corrected. First of all, if the SGA did not have an accurate count as to how many day students there are it must only be because they did not try to find out or because they did not know where to find out. Mr. Kershner must stand corrected further in his statement that special day students do not have the qualifications for representation. This column realizes that Mr. Kershner knows they have representation, but it is by "full time equivalency" that they are represented. That is to say, if two special day students are taking six hours each, they then become, for senate elections, equal to one student since their total equals 12 hours, the basis for being a full time student. So, it seems, the reason that elections for day student senators have not been held because Mr. Kershner and Mr. Harrison, in their new and added capacity of Election officials, did not find out the Number of day students after "full equivalency" is taken into consideration until now. But it cannot be because the "compiled records," as Mr. Kershner put it, were not available.

Dear Chief,

We feel that it is about time for a few eyes to be opened around here. The dorm situation is ridiculous. We are told by our own Bishops' Law that the male students are more mature and can take on more responsibilities than the "helpless" females; "The upperclass men's residence is operated with a minimum of regulations and restrictions on individual freedom of students. This is done with the full expectation that residents of the hall will exercise maturity in their judgment concerning their behavior. All upperclassmen are expected to be fully aware of and abide by the regulations of the college and the Residence Hall Council and to accept their share of responsibility for the operation of the residence hall. (Quoted from page 31 of '71-'72 Bishops' Law)

Should we, the female species, follow their example? Should we wreck our bathrooms? Should we rip our phones off the walls? Should we throw cherry bombs in our commodes? Should we break our washing machines so they will wash for nothing? Should we throw our trash out the windows? Should we break into the candy machines? Should we be so responsible as our Bishops' Law says our males are? Should we sit idly by and let their immaturity go unnoticed as it has repeatedly in the past?

We love you guys but we feel that whether or not we have gained our freedom, we have better shown our maturity. Now we want our reward!

Respectfully, Patti Kern Verna Wentz

Dear Chief.

It has come to our attention that there has been a change made in the function of North Hall Dormitory Council. The way in which we found out about this change is our major concern in writing this letter. The change which so disturbs us is the fact that the ARC's now have have the power to administer punishment to any girl they find breaking a rule by issuing a penalty slip to her, stating her punishment. The ARC's are not required to take any case to the Dorm Council, The major complaint, we have as Dorm Council members, is the fact that we, as a council, were not told about this when it came into effect. This is to say the Deans told the ARC's the power they now have to administer penalty slips but made no mention of it to the council members. To the best of our knowledge we were the first two people out of the six on dorm council to hear anything about the change and this did not come from the Dean's written or verbal account of the change. A third member of the Dorm Council was confronted by one of us about the change. Together we decided to discuss this change, administered from the Dean's offices, with the whole Dorm Council at our last meeting. The Council decided the change unfair to the girl who commits an infraction. The Council has met with the Deans. What will come of it, we don't know.

writing, this letter is to tell the student body in what manner such a change has taken place. The ARCs knew their position as administered from the Dean's office. The Council was not advised by the Deans of any change in their functioning power. Maybe the Deans felt if we didn't know about the change, we wouldn't object if by chance we found out later. The point is, we the Council, do object. Maybe this is not their reasoning behind not telling us about the change. The disturbing fact to us is, the Deans did not in anyway inform us, the Council, of the change.

> Sincerely, Sheryl Tillett Susan Gillis

Council Members North Dormitory

Summer Sabbaticals Set

NEWS BUREAU---Two N. C. Wesleyan College faculty members, William Vance Mizelle and Dr. Rexford F. Tucker, have been granted summer sabbaticals for 1973, according to an announcement by Wesleyan President Thomas A. Collins.

Mizelle, assistant professor of English, will attend the University of Salzburg, Austria, during the July – August regular summer session studying the German language, its history and literature. Prior to entering the university Mizelle will travel in Europe to gather material for future writing and research applicable to group studies, May Term projects and tours which may be included in Wesleyan's curriculum.

Dr. Tucker, assistant professor of religion and sociology at Wesleyan, plans to attend a regular summer session at a university in North Carolina for study in social theory and research. His summer studies

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(Continued from Page 1) nosed an M. S. patient his life becomes a day to day horror by not knowing when the disease will strike him next.

The progression of M. C. is unpredictable. An M. S. patient never knows at what time he may go blind, loose his balance or lose other forms of physical control.

Circle-K at Wesleyan in cooperation with Circle-K International will be working to combat the crippling disease of Multiple Sclerosis. This past week declared as M. S. Week, by Mayor John Minges of Rocky Mount, is a beginning. A beginning through research, that will lead to the abolishment of our disease before it becomes our childrens' disease. will be designed to expand offerings in sociology at Wesleyan pursuant to preparing a composite major in the field.

Dr. Tucker expects his research eventually to result in a better balanced sociology curriculum at Wesleyan, thereby offering the students a wider selection in the discipline.

Homecoming

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all students, but since organizations on campus have plans for Friday night we feel that attempting to stage an event that night would not be worthwhile. We are looking into the possibility of having some sort of event Thursday night if it meets the approval of our advisors and if money is available."

Soon an itinerary of scheduled events for the week-end will be available for the student body.



Many public, school, and college libraries have prepared and distributed lists of books on pollution. Encourage your library to do so, and get a copy of the list. Read about ecology more often it is a very important aspect of our world today. The better informed we are as individuals about ecology, the better our chances of saving our environment.



According to Mr. William Garlow, NCW Registrar, the information has been available for some time. When Mr. Garlow was asked if it were possible that student government officials did not have the resources to find out how many day students are enrolled

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It is hoped, by this column at any rate, that now that the national presidential elections are over and that all the signs and billboards of both candidates no longer obscenely hang everywhere that members of our student government will now turn their attention and energy away from national elections and focus it instead on student government at Wesleyan.

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