## **Musical Season Begins**

This year's annual Pop Concert was another great success. The Pops Concert gives musically Talented students a chance to perform. Several groups performed to a crowd composed of students and Rocky Mount citizens.

Among the highlights of this year's concert was the direction of Wesleyan's concert band, under the guidance of Ms. Sharon Lockwood. Ms. Lockwood directed the band through the "March of the Spanish Guard." Bill Dawson a sophomore, performed a difficult baritone solo with amazing agility. It was one of the best concerts the band has given in three years.

Next among the performers was the Wesleyan Singers under the direction of Noel Lovelace. While the group is comparitively small they perform as well as any large choir. The balance between sections is something that is hard to attain but Lovelaces group does so admirably.

Among Wesleyans more talented musicians is Rodney Wade. Rod exhibuted his fine

talent with his trumpet solos in both the concert band and the Wesleyan Jazz Band. Arthur McCoy is the director and trombonist in the Jazz Band. One thing was noticed and that was that of the seven members in this group only three were from Wesleyan's student body.

At the head of Wesleyan's musical format is one of the most talented, versitile groups to be found in Rocky Mount.

These people are usually referred to as the Chambers Singers. The group is composed of 11 members who meet twice weekly. They offer a totally new concept in music enjoyment utilizing theatrical blocking with new arrangements of contemporary and traditional music. The Chambers singers are the genius of Dr. John Davis who creates and arranges about 90 per cent of the blocking and music. The only complaint that most people have is that the Chambers singers are not seen as much on campus as they are off. It is hoped that the Chamber Singers will arrange for a concert of their own later in the year.



#### **By KEVIN KICKOY**

Robert Askew told me that I should call this column "WHAT'S HAPPENING OR WHAT SHOULD BE" since I've been taking his advice for a few years another one couldn't hurt.

Will someone tell me what it is about this campus that makes it so different from any other campus in the nation? Well I'll tell you why, it's because we don't care about this school. No really think about it for a minute. Why don't we do something on weekends? There are so many things going on in this school that socially it is enough to put you in bed at nine on Friday night.

It looks like things are looking up though, the Frosh class is in the midst of sponsoring a beer/softball game. Sounds like people at this school are beginning to party. Everybody knows that all work and no play make Jack a dull twerp, right? So the question is how do we all find something to do to keep us entertained through these long semester weeks. I've been thinking about it and I've come up with some good ideas, I think.

What would everybody think

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if the social commission contracted a fairly decent band and gave a concert in the Pines? This hasn't been done in the past and if we had a band that get us all rocking it would be a blast. We could make it open so that anybody could come, which might be a hassle, or we could close it to ourselves and have a good time, party together and raise some hell. This would be a pretty big job and everybody would have to help somehow.

We would have to build a stage and take it down again but I don't think it's anything we couldn't handle. Now when I talk about a band I don't mean somebody like the Tams, I mean someone like a band that you would find at the Attic in Greenville on a Saturday night. The weather would have to be just right and we would have to have an alternate building if we get ripped off and it rains. It could be something that everybody would enjoy, no matter what you like to do . . . Just an idea. What do you think?

Next we could arrange a beautiful moonlight tour of the senic rural regions of Rocky Mount via hayride. Pure nostalgia right? We could add a new twist to it though. We could have a special wagon just for those of you who would like to be together and a wagon for those of you who just want to have a good time and raise hell. We could stop somewhere in a wooded region and take a break. Suppose we also had a car parked in this place and in the car we had an iced chest (cooler for all you veterans) with hot dogs. Then we could eat hot dogs, but first we would have to cook them over a campfire. How about if we had a portable generator in the car also, and a movie projector and a screen. We could show a horror picture in the woods, at night, while we were eating hot dogs over a campfire. Then we could pack up and come home drunk as hell and stuffed to the gill. These were just a couple of ideas I've got plenty more where they came from. Why don't you do me a favor if you like these ideas, drop a note under the Decree door. Tell me what you'd like to do, and if you have any ideas, I promise I'll write about them every issue the paper comes out. If you're

as tired of doing nothing as I am maybe we can go to the social commission with some new ideas. Since I'm one of the people on the commission there's a good chance that they might listen to us, well like I said it's all up to you. I'm asking your help.

### **Founders' Day Convocation**

NEWS BUREAU-The Rev. James H. Bailey, pastor, of Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church, Greenville, recently delivered the featured address at N. C. Wesleyan College's Eighteenth Founders' Day Convocation on Friday, Oct. 25.

Wesleyan President Thomas A. Collins presided over the celebration, which began at 11 a.m. in Everett Gymnasium on campus.

Also on the program was R. Vann Massey of Norfolk, Va., a member of Wesleyan's first graduating class, the Class of '64, representing his classmates on the occasion of the tenth anniversary year. Massey, vice president of the Alpert Corporation, a national shopping center and land development firm, presented ambitions for Wesleyan during its next ten-year period. Special choral music was

presented by the Wesleyan Singers, under the direction of Noel Lovelace, instructor of music at Wesleyan. Dr. William G. Sasser, Chairman of the Music Department, also presented an organ prelude and postlude.

Honored guests were Wesleyan's Board of Trustees, met in the board's semi-annual session which followed a buffet unch in the College C Board Chairman J. Phil Carlton, chief district judge of the Seventh Judicial District, presided over the trustee meeting. The college awarded Certificates of Merit to long-term employees. Dr. Collins and Ray Bandy, prominent local businessman and a founding father of Wesleyan both received 15-year awards. College personnel who received certificates were: George E. Harper, night supervisor of the gymnasium; Mance Hargrove, cafeteria; James Knight, maintenance; Dr. Allen S. Johnson, Chairman of the Social Sciences Division; Dr. Ralph James, assistant professor of religion; Dr. Sim O. Wilde Jr., Chairman of the Education Division; Lorene B. Murchison, administrative assistant, admissions;

Mack H. Sturgill, assistant profesor of Romance Languages; Edward J. Wiltrakis, assistant professor of mathematics; Elizabeth B. Ackiss, secretary, sciences division; and Margie S. Hagins, residence counselor and director of housing.

The guest speaker, Rev. Mr. Bailey, is a native of Dar-lington, S. C., and was graduated from Wofford College. He received his B.D. degree from Duke University and later studied in the graduate schools at Syracuse University, Southern Lutheran Seminary and Yale Divinity School. Early in his career, he taught religion here at Wesley-

#### **13 Wesleyan Students Named** To Who's Who

(Continued from Page 3) and a member of Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society. Gray hopes to attend graduate school next year.

Gregory W. Williams, who serves as V-Pres. of the SGA, is a senior History major, from Dover, Delaware. His other activities include membership **Omicron** Delta appa, Nu Gamma Phi and IFC. Greg, who would like to further his education at the Duke Law School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cary T. Williams. Douglas Elder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Elder, of Yardley, Penn., is a senior Theatre major. He is President of Wesleyan Players and serves as Secretary of Sigma Omega Fraternity. In addition, he has been a member of the Freshman Orientation Committee and is a Theatre Teaching Assistant. Doug hopes to attend graduate school in Theatre. John Julian Griffin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Griffin of Rocky Mount, North Carolina. He is a senior Economics major. (Not pictured are Grant Mann and John Griffin.)

**Decent Food Comes Home** 

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At this contract conference several things were decided. Firstly, the quantity of food has been increased by the allowance of unlimited seconds. This is a first to many of us who have been here for at least three years. Secondly, the amount of beverage allowed has no limit, this includes milk. It is asked that those students who drink milk not take milk from the cafetertia, but take the amount needed to satisfy them at meal. By doing this we can still keep the amount of wasted milk low until we are able to receive milk at a bulk rate again.

On Tuesday of the same week Mary Anne Brinser, Greg Williams and SGA president Jimmy Smith met with the top Slater Officials. The meeting turned into a general discussion of grievences concerning food, and gave the officals an idea of what we would like to have. With the exit of Eckler a new man comes to the scene; this man is Mr. John Packer. With the emergence of a younger manager we see the coming of new ideas. Mr. Packer is still in his early 20's and was formerly assistant manager at Meridith College. When asked about the new program he replied "There's going to be new food, and plenty of it." He also mentioned that this Sunday there would be a buffett and he would personally stand out there and carve the roast. This is also a new trend at NCW and looked forward to with great and eager anticipation.

It looks like Wesleyan students are about to receive VIP treatment in the dining room and after what we have been through it's about time. So cheer up and hold on to your pants. All that Slater asks is that we give them a little time to get themselves set up and restaffed. There is one thing though that everyone should be interested in and that is that instead of telling us that there

would be a change soon we were told that there would be a change effective immediately.

Special thanks should be awarded all those who championed the cause for better food, espeically to Sigma Phi Delta who plastered the halls with signs complaining about the food. The students have triumphed with a major victory for the first time, lets up it isn't the last.



