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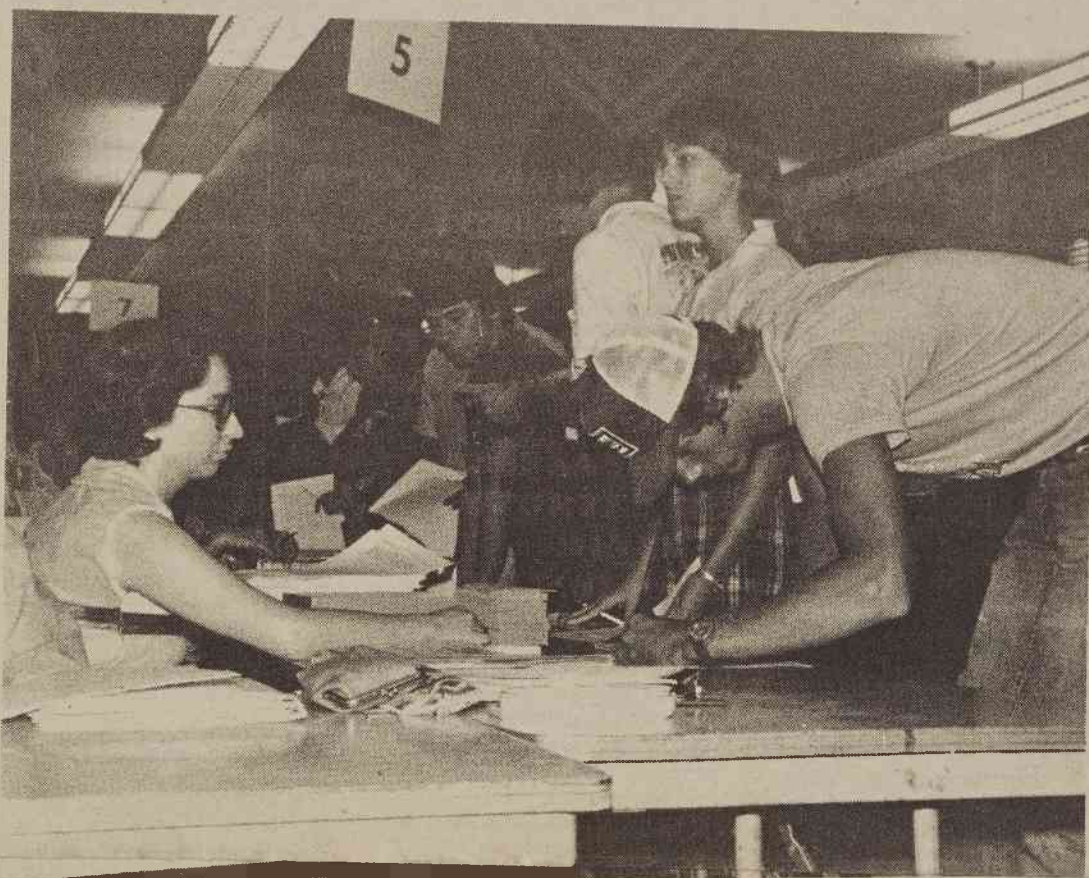
NORTH CAROLINA WESLEYAN COLLEGE, ROCKY MOUNT, N.C.

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REGISTRATION DAY AT WESLEYAN

September 5, 1979 will be remembered in Rocky Mount as the day the remains of Hurricane David passed through, causing driving rain and minor flooding in the area. Another event occurring on that day was a new experience for many. On the campus of North Carolina Wesleyan College, over 700 new, returning, and special students passed through fall-term registration in Garber Chapel. Long lines were the order of the day and cries of pain could be heard coming from the Business Office and from the Bookstore. Ouch! Some smiling faces were observed despite all, as returning students greeted old friends and many students posed for I.D. and Yearbook pictures.

Wesleyan's enrollment climbed to an all-time high of approximately 850 students this year. Among these were students from 17 states and 7 foreign countries. Dorms are filled close to capacity and the

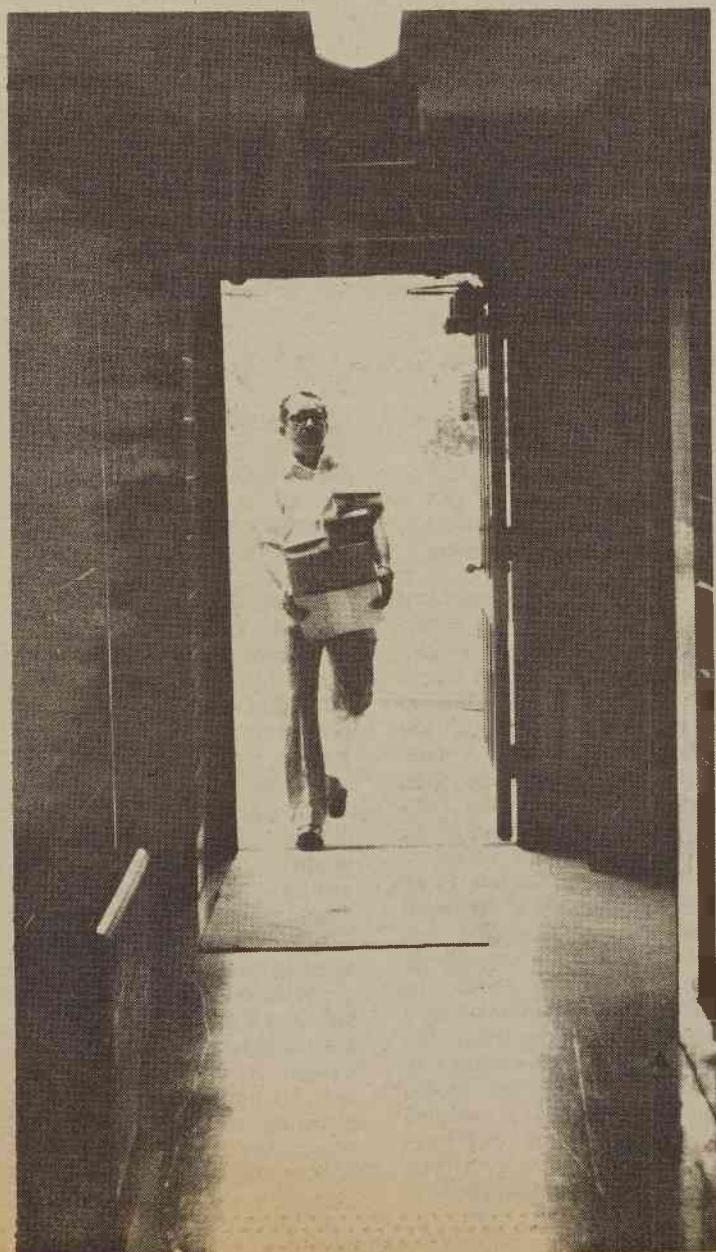


number of day students has also increased. Thanks to a lot of hard work by the admissions staff, the registrar's office, the business office and every other member of the college faculty and staff, registration day was successful, in spite of bad weather from Hurricane David.

The beginning of classes on Thursday, September 6, began a new career for many students and a different approach to academic life than high school offered. Many opportunities exist for making new friends and learning about life, through academics and also through dorm life and other activities. Each person must learn to be responsible for himself and act according to his own discretion and good judgement.

Returning students can be glad they have one more registration day down and new students can look forward to new discoveries they have to make.

LOOK OUT WESLEYAN, HERE I COME!



Boxes, crates, suitcases, and bags...

Screens and curtains to put up and posters too.

"Mom, what am I going to do???"

I'm only half unpacked
My roommate is due.

This room is too small,
Where are we going to put it all???

Bills to pay, books to buy.
Schedules and a social life to plan.

When will I ever have time for
my number one man?

Meetings and tests,
Which way do I go?

Better hustle girl, you're
going too slow!!!

"Don't just sit around
waiting for things to happen,"
has become one of my favorite
sayings. Many students may

feel that there is nothing at Wesleyan for them to do. But after the recent Orientation Weekend I say, "Nuts to you!!" All one has to do is stop for a minute and you'll find something to do. For some of the new students, the weekend was utter chaos. Every time they turned around they were confronted with new activity. Between tests and evaluations, meetings and long lines, most had very little spare time to sit around and get bored. Preparing schedules and arranging their rooms became very time-consuming. When they finally had a few spare minutes, most students had time to realize what they were getting into.

Believe it or not, there was even time for fun. Thanks to the much needed rain; however, many of the ac-

tivities planned had to be moved inside. Can you imagine trying to have a watermelon seed spitting contest in the lunchroom; or trying to play softball in the gym? Thanks to an enthusiastic Orientation staff, we made it. New games were planned and they made do with the available facilities. Pizza, cartoons, movies, and a concert gave the new students even less time to get bored.

"One big happy family," that's what we're supposed to be here at Wesleyan. So here's to family life. According to Chaplain John Betleyon at Vesper Services, we are our "Brother's Keeper." So if you see someone in need, even if you don't know him, reach out, and you're certain to make a friend.

Jean Goolsby

