

# EDITORIAL

The growth of Wilkes County can be seen in numerous ways. In the past few years we have acquired a fine college, a Holiday Inn, a Cadillac dealer, a pizza parlor, a Jiffy Kitchen, and five laundromats. Growth can also be seen in the fads that eventually get to Wilkes. Some come late, but nearly all get here. Rock 'n Roll hats have come and gone, so have Duncan yo-yo's, bobby sox, and flat-top haircuts. Upon us now are short dresses (bless 'em), long hair, Indian apparel, and Volkswagens.

However, the newest pastime for at least one person in or near Wilkes, that of making bomb threats, reflects growth of a negative nature. Recently, two establishments in our county were warned by a male voice that bombs were planted in these establishments. Fortunately no evidence of the bombs was found, but damage was still done. If the threats at Wilkes Central were intended to disrupt classes or to "get even with" the administration or a member of the faculty, the job was accomplished, but look who else suffered. Students stood an excellent chance of catching an illness as they stayed in the cold while the building was searched. At Holly Farms, employees lost valuable work time. I should think they would have been paid, though I do not know. These pranks do not hurt one person or one group of people; they hurt all persons involved.

In addition to all this, a threat over the telephone is a misdemeanor, punishable by fine, imprisonment up to two years, or both fine and imprisonment. This crime is covered in Chapter 14, Section 196 of General Statute of North Carolina State Law.

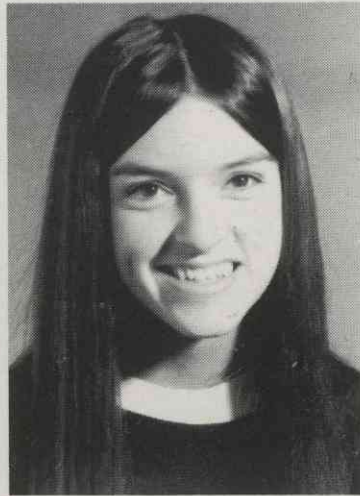
We are fortunate that WCC was not plagued with such an incident.

## PLAN ON ATTENDING ASU?

If you are a male student planning on transferring to Appalachian State University and are interested in the Reserve Officers' Training Program, you should contact the professor of Military Science, USAIG (SR DIV ROTC) third U.S. Army, Appalachian State University, Boone, North Carolina 28607, 704-264-4200 before February 15, 1971.

## From The Bookstore

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car. The supply is limited and the price is reasonable, so hurry!

## STUDENT GUIDANCE CENTER

You don't need Aladdin's Lamp to make your plans come true! YOU ARE THE GENIE! Your choice of a career is one of the most important decisions in your life. Plan now! Make the best possible preparations for your future. Study carefully and realistically your abilities and interests. Then, select a field in which you can use them to the best advantage. Consult your Guidance Counselor for information on the qualities you possess for your chosen vocation.

The counseling staff is made up of three full-time counselors. Mrs. Virginia L. Bassett, Counselor hold a Bachelor of Science degree in Secondary Education and a Master of Science degree in Guidance and Counseling from Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, Alabama. Before joining the staff of Wilkes Community College, she taught History four years in the public schools of Calhoun County, Anniston, Alabama.

Miss Mary Morehead, Counselor received an Associate in Arts degree from St. Petersburg Jr. College, a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education from Florida State University and a Master of Arts degree in Guidance and Counseling from Appalachian State University. Before coming to Wilkes Community College, she taught Physical Education in Pinellas County, Florida and had a graduate assistantship in physical education at Appalachian while doing graduate work.

Mr. Bob Thompson received his Bachelor of Arts in Social Studies from Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, Tennessee, and his Master of Arts in Guidance and Counseling from Appalachian State University. He has taken additional courses beyond his Masters degree at N.C. State University, The University of Georgia and California State. His previous work experience has included being a Navy pilot, a high school teacher, a high school counselor and Director of Student Personnel at a Technical Institution.

The facilities of the Guidance and Testing Center are available without charge to all students to assist them in selecting an appropriate academic or technical-vocational program and ultimate vocation.

The counseling center is located in Thompson Hall. The counselors are available to help stu-

## A \$3-MILLION WASTE BASKET?

The only air pollution problem at Wilkes Community college is caused by the exhaust from automobiles. The college building contributes no impurities to the air because it is completely electrically operated. But inside the halls of WCC there does exist a problem.

Mr. C.A. Shaw, Dean of Administrative Service, has stated that "Our aim is to keep this building immaculate." How can this aim be met when trash is discarded without regard to cleanliness or sanitation? Will students stop using the cigarette urns as trash cans? Will they stop tossing burning cigarettes toward the urns in the hope that they will hit? How does the student commons look to visitors? It is not the primary job of the hostess to clean other's discarded trash.

Students were informed of their responsibilities concerning wastepapers and sanitation on orientation day. Have they forgotten, or do they not care? Is it the Student Government's responsibility to inform students of their duties? Must the administration act as police to combat inside pollution?

But, it is the responsibility of every individual to dispose of cigarettes and waste papers in the correct containers. It costs several thousand dollars a year to keep Wilkes Community College clean and sanitized. With this lack of cooperation, will it begin to cost more? The actual cost of maintenance for this building is \$35,000 yearly. And that is just for cleaning it!

If the students will join in and fight against trash at WCC, maintenance costs will be lowered and we can all enjoy the benefits of more pleasant surroundings.

Students with vocational and curricular choice, adjustment to college life, and any other decisions students might wish to discuss with a professionally trained counselor.

The Center administers aptitude, interest tests and mental maturity tests to anyone who desires this service and maintains a file of occupational information to help guide students in career selection.

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