

Dr. Keasey Is Elected Head Of N. C. Family Life Group

Dr. Lester D. Keasey, professor of sociology at Appalachian State University, was elected president of the North Carolina Family Life Council, Inc., at its annual conference Oct. 5-8 in Winston-Salem.

Having served the Council as president-elect the past year, Dr. Keasey had served on the board of directors for three consecutive three-year terms and was program chairman in 1966.

As chairman of the Constitution Committee, he spearheaded changes of the by-laws on the relationships of local and state councils' affiliation to the National Council on Family Relations. The Greensboro Council was accepted at the annual convention as the newest local council member established under his leadership.

Dr. Keasey came to Appalachian in September, 1967, after 13 years of teaching religion and sociology at Lenoir Rhyne College. In Western North Carolina, he has been program chairman, committee chairman on family life, vice-president and president of local PTAs. A former member of the State Commission of Marriage Coun-



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seling and Referrals, he is now secretary-treasurer of the State Association of Marriage Counselors. He was workshop leader for the State Congress of Parents and Teachers (1963 and 1965) in family life education.

Dr. Keasey has served many Western North Carolina con-

gregations as conference family life leader in church-sponsored programs. He was first executive director of the Family Guidance Center, Inc., of Hickory and was a marriage counselor there for seven years. He is now counselor and consultant for the New River Mental Health Center, which is headquartered in Boone.

Frequently Preacher of the Day on Sundays in Lutheran churches in this area, he has been given the five-year distinguished service award by Lions International, was president of the board of directors of the Senior Citizens Clubs of Western N.C., has been camp curriculum consultant and advisor and is the author of treatises on theological communication.

His professional memberships include the American Association of University Professors, the National Council on Family Relations and the American Association of Marriage Counselors. He is listed in "Who's Who in American Education" and "Who's Who in the South and Southwest."

Dr. Keasey received his B.A. degree in history from Gettysburg College, the bachelor of divinity degree from the Lutheran seminary of Gettysburg, his M.A. degree from New York University and the doctor of philosophy degree from the University of Pittsburgh. He studied marriage counseling at the University of Minnesota in 1964-65 under a National Institute of Mental Health fellow grant.

The former Joy Silvis, Mrs. Keasey teaches second grade in the local demonstration school. They have two sons, John Mark who is a freshman at the University of Louisville, and Paul Allen, a sophomore at Watauga High. The Keaseys' home is on Forest Hill Drive.



BULLDOZERS AND SCRAPERS speed the Faculty Street improvement project (Boone Thoroughfare) along. Work is now just past the west end of Duncan Hall on the Appalachian campus. The east end of the project at the ASU athletic practice field is paved and usable. The project will go to Water Street where traffic will be turned back to King Street. (Staff photo)

Col. Wilson To Be Speaker On U. S. Position In World

Colonel Samuel V. Wilson of the Special Services Division at Ft. Bragg, N. C., will speak in W. H. Plemmons Student Center at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. His topic will be "The Current U.S. Position in World Affairs."

This program will be the first in a series of monthly talks by area and campus specialists in contemporary issues. The series is being co-ordinated by Appalachian's History Department and the Student Center.

Noted Movie Producer Visits His Home Town

Neil Hartley, of London, England, visited last Tuesday and Wednesday with his mother Mrs. Pearl Hartley of Boone. Their guest was Bob Register, also of London.

Mr. Hartley came to York the previous Sunday evening for the opening of his new movie "Charge of the Light Brigade", which had previously drawn a tremendous response from huge crowds and

Col. Wilson has had a long career of military service. Commissioned a Second Lieutenant-AUS in 1942 at the age of 18, he later attained the rank of Captain after serving in the China-Burma-India Theater as a member of the 5307th Composite Unit (Provisional), popularly known as "Merrill's Marauders."

During a three-year European study program from 1943-51 Col. Wilson was assigned to the State Department's Diplo-

matic Pouch and Courier Service. He functioned as an official interpreter at conferences in Berlin, Potsdam and Vienna and served in a liaison capacity with elements of the Soviet Armed Forces in East Germany and Eastern Austria.

From 1959 to 1961, Col. Wilson was assigned as the Director of Instruction of the United States Army Special Warfare School where he achieved special recognition for developing and writing the initial course of instruction in Counter-Insurgency Warfare.

Early in 1966, he was elevated to the position of U.S. Mission Co-ordinator/Vietnam and Minister-Counselor of the American Embassy, receiving in connection with this assignment a Presidential Appointment to the personal rank of Minister.

The last six months of his three-year tour of duty in Vietnam were spent in an experimental civil-military command position as Senior U.S. Representative, Long An Province.

Dr. Doris Cox On ASU Staff As Chairman Library Science

Dr. Doris Cox has joined the faculty of Appalachian State as an associate professor and Chairman of the Department of Library Science. She is currently teaching an introductory course in librarianship and a course in research methods of librarianship. She is also working with people preparing theses in the area of library science.

Originally from Tallahassee, Dr. Cox came to Appalachian from the University of Georgia's Department of Library Science, where she taught for three years. She previously taught at Western Carolina University for four summers and served one year as a visiting instructor in the Florida State University Library School.

Dr. Cox received her A.B. in the field of English from Florida State College for Women. She holds an M.A. degree in library science from F.S.U. Library School and has just completed work for her Ph.D. at Florida State, majoring in educational administration and

supervision. Her doctoral study was concerned with the curricular role of the school library, which is currently her field of special interest.

Dr. Cox has number of years experience as a public school librarian in Florida and holds a Florida certificate for Supervision and Specialist in Library Science. She is a member of Beta Phi Mu, Phi Kappa Phi, and Kappa Delta Pi.

She and her husband, A.R. Cox, Jr., reside at Hound Ears with one of their sons, Cris. "We first began coming into the mountains because of our interest in collecting rocks from this area," said Dr. Cox. "The excellent reputation of Appalachian in preparing educators drew me to the school."

Mr. Cox is retired from the Florida State Department of Education. He and his son plan to open a Boone office as income tax consultants. The Coxes have three other sons, one is a junior at the University of Georgia, and two live in Tallahassee.

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