

Question And Answer Session Held

Dr. Wey Outlines Bold New Plans For Appalachian

Appalachian State University's new president, Dr. Herbert W. Wey, set forth a series of bold, new plans for his institution and then opened the floor to students for a no-holds-barred question and answer session in a university-wide Fall Convocation Thursday morning, Nov. 13.

The address, which was Dr. Wey's first formal appearance before the student body, revealed

previously unannounced plans for more closely involving Appalachian's students in curricular planning and in self-government.

Agreeing with two recent campus visitors who lectured on "Dissect and Disorder on the American Campus," Dr. Wey stated his belief that university students should be involved and included in the planning of the curriculum they study, that their

education should be individualized, and that students should be involved in the evaluation of their teachers.

And striking a blow for innovative teaching methods, Dr. Wey said, "The students have a right, also, to be involved in the instructional program."

"We have known for years," he explained, "that the best way to really fix what you have learned is to have the opportunity to teach this to others. I would recommend that you be involved in teaching while you are still undergraduates, not to prepare you to teach nor because you would do a better job than your professor, but because teaching others what you have learned will greatly improve your own knowledge and help you retain what you have learned."

In another stand against tradition, the president called for an amplified program of independent study courses in our undergraduate program.

"Not only should we offer new courses on an independent study basis," he continued, "but I feel it is possible to adopt many of our present courses so students could take them on an independent study basis."

Speaking on the students' role in policy development and the actual operation of the university, Dr. Wey announced plans to form a student research union which will be commissioned to investigate issues relating to Appalachian students.

"The research union," Dr. Wey proposed, "will be free of political influence and the research will be done entirely by students. The findings will be disclosed to persons and campus agencies who may use them

as basis for decision making. "It is hoped," he proposed, "that his effort will result in a greater communication among students, faculty and administration, and among students themselves."

"Issues and conditions to be investigated could range from curriculum relevancy and faculty evaluation to house rules for women students. Personally, I see this group as one very im-

portant means of getting more and better student participation in the operation of our institutions."

Appalachian students struck at the heart of several campus issues in a free-wheeling question and answer session which followed the president's address.

Referring to ASU's practice of placing students with voting

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ASU CONVOCATION—This is part of the student body that gathered for the convocation last week at Appalachian State University. Dr. Herbert Wey, ASU president, addressed the

students on a number of questions and fielded answers from among the students. (Staff photo)

Jaycee Event Saturday

Ollie Jackson Wins Miss Watauga Title

Boone Beauty Was Runnerup The Last Time

Miss Ollie Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Avery Jackson of Boone, was crowned Miss Watauga Saturday night at the Jaycees' twelfth annual pageant before a crowd of 750 people.

Elmer White and his ASU Stage Orchestra opened the pageant playing the theme, *Age of Aquarius*. Emcee Bill Ross introduced the contestants as they appeared in the evening gown competition.

The talent entry of the new Miss Watauga was the song, *Where is Love*, from the musical *Oliver*. She was accompanied by Mrs. Otis Strother III at the piano.

The pretty brunette, who was first runner-up in last year's competition, is a former Homecoming Queen at Watauga High School. She has been named the Collegiate Civics Club Co-ed of the Month at Appalachian State.

First runner-up to Miss Jackson was Miss Nancy Faye Stacy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Starr Stacy of Boone. Miss Stacy was also selected as Miss Congeniality by the other contestants.

Second runner-up was Miss Doris Deborah Dickson of West Jefferson. She is a home economics major at ASU.

The other two finalists were Miss Janet Esther Evans and Miss Celia Diane Cater.

Miss Kris Anderson, who fulfilled the unexpired term of Sharon Lineau (Miss Watauga 1969 who was married in the fall), crowned the new Miss Watauga.

The judges were Jerry Ball of Charlotte, Judge Willard I. Gatling of Charlotte, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Lee Porter of North Wilkesboro, and Mrs. Wayne Burgess of North Wilkesboro.

The other contestants were Glenda Kay Simmons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn E. Simmons of Hickory; Laura Diane Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Miller of Boone; Kathryn Leigh Godwin, (Continued on page two)



NEW MISS WATAUGA—Pretty Miss Ollie Jackson is presented the coveted crown of Miss Watauga County of 1970 during the Miss Watauga pageant Saturday night. Placing the crown on her head is Chris Anderson, the retiring Miss Watauga. (Flowers photo)

Burley Auctions To Begin Monday

It'll be burley selling time Monday—the time when the golden leaf is at its richest. The Boone Tobacco Market opens at 9 a. m. Monday, Nov. 24, with sales starting out in the Farmers Burley warehouse on West King Street.

Manager R. C. Coleman said that already there is more than three-quarters of a million pounds on the floor ready for the opening sale. Farmers have been trucking in the crop since 12:01 a. m. Friday, Nov. 14. Coleman said quality appears to be good this year from casual inspection of baskets on the floor.

He said there is plenty of floor space available in all Boone warehouses. Sales are expected to move to Warehouse No. 2 on Faculty Street Tuesday afternoon and to the Big Burley on NC 105 bypass Wednesday. No tobacco will be sold Thanksgiving Day. Sales will be resumed Friday.

Daily sales will run from 9 a. m. until the daily quota of floor space is filled.

Twenty-seven per cent more people visited the Blue Ridge Parkway last month than in October 1968, according to a National Park Service survey.

In October 1969 1,608,498 individual visits were tabulated as against 1,266,789 in October 1968.

For the calendar year to date in 1969 there have been 16,770,885 Parkway visitors as against 16,147,480 for the same period in 1968, for a gain of 5.1%.

The October visitation count is given by districts, the first figure in each case being 1968, the second 1969:

James River, Va., mile 0 to 105, 191,896; 170,156.

Rocky Knob, Va., mile 105 to 217, 358,855; 381,103.

Blaine, N. C., mile 217 to 265, 253,176; 192,565.

Asheville, mile 265 to 407, 594,771; 522,571.

340,300 pounds is sold, Coleman said.

The Boone market serves tobacco farmers in Watauga, Avery, Ashe, Alleghany, Yancey and Mitchell counties.

The Boone market closed out last season's sales with a season average of \$73.56. Totals

for the season were 3,652,514 pounds with a value of \$2,685,606.50.

The 1968-69 season sales were up 618,134 pounds over 1967-68 and cash value rose \$570,098. The average per hundred pounds was up \$3.85 over the previous season.

Robert Bingham Heads State YDC

Robert (Bob) Bingham, 31-year-old Boone native, was elected president of the North Carolina Young Democratic Clubs during the annual convention last week-end in Raleigh.

It was Bingham's second try for the top post. He was elected without opposition. Last year he lost a close battle with Charles Rose III of Fayetteville.

Bingham, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Bingham of 214 Pine Street, is director of real estate sales at Grandfather Golf and Country Club.

Bingham's election was the first time a previously loser returned and won the YDC

presidency. He scored another political first in 1966 when he became the youngest candidate ever in a congressional race.

Other YDC officers elected include Charles Wineberry of Wilson, vice president; Judson Davis of Winston-Salem, secretary, and Peggy Wall of Raleigh treasurer.

The convention declined to pass a resolution affirming support of President Nixon's Vietnam war policy. Instead, they passed a resolution "encouraging our Congressional delegation to influence President Nixon to move as swiftly as possible to end the war in Vietnam."

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JACKIE HENSON

Jackie Henson Is Morehead Candidate

Jackie Henson, senior at Watauga High School, has been named the 1970 candidate for Morehead County for the Morehead Scholarship to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Announcement was made last week by Dr. Gene Reese, chairman of the Watauga County Selection Committee.

The Morehead Award, provided by the John Motley Morehead Foundation, amounts to \$1750 for each of four years at the University in a study

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United Fund Nearing Goal

Boone's United Fund has edged to within \$2,117.18 of its 1969 goal of \$23,000 with the Thanksgiving deadline only one week away.

The latest report of contributions and pledges was announced by UF Treasurer Mrs. Stanley Harris Jr.

Jerry Moretz and John Austin, co-chairmen of the drive, urged workers to turn in pledges and funds to Mrs. Harris before Thanksgiving.

The drive started on September 29. As of Monday, a total of \$20,882.82 had been reported to the treasurer.

The Boone United Fund gives financial support wholly and in part to 25 agencies dedicated to the health and welfare of the community.



ATTEND CONVENTION—Gov. Bob Scott chats with Democratic leaders at the State YDC convention last week-end in Raleigh. With him are Rep. Nick Gallifianakis, Robert Bingham of Boone, YDC president, and Rep. James Wright of Texas, keynote speaker.

Radio Station Award Winner

Radio Station WATA in Boone won two first-place awards in this year's North Carolina Associated Press news awards competition.

The awards were presented last weekend at the fall meeting of the North Carolina Associated Press Broadcasters in Raleigh.

WATA won first place among non-metropolitan stations in the sports and documentary categories. Other first-place winners in this class were WHKY of Hickory in state news coverage, WCHL of Chapel Hill in local news coverage, WIBC of Hickory in editorials and WLON of Lincolnton in women's news.

Projects Awards Made At Farm-City Banquet

Awards for outstanding community projects during 1969 were presented to seven Watauga County communities Thursday night, Nov. 13, at the annual Farm-City Week banquet held at Holiday Inn.

Some 300 persons representing all areas of living in Watauga County were present at the banquet.

Community awards were presented to the following communities:

Cove Creek, Valle Crucis, Rutherford, Beaver Dam, Matney, Deep Gap, Triplet, and Timbered Ridge.

The awards were presented by R. G. Shipley as part of the local activities of the com-

munity development program of the Northwest Area Development Association.

The banquet address was presented by Dr. Kenneth F. Keller, assistant director of the N. C. State University extension service. He spoke on "Who Am I?"

Dr. Keller emphasized the importance of knowing oneself and what "makes you tick." He noted that everything man has, has been given to him to take care of . . . since man dominates the earth.

He outlined three characteristics of mankind that has enabled him to become the dominant creature of the earth.

Wisdom, he said, is the know-

ledge also of the heart as well as the head. Mankind has the ability to interpret knowledge and the discernment to know

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Boy Scout Show To Be Presented 22nd

The Old Hickory Council presents its 50th Anniversary Scout Show at the Memorial Coliseum, November 22, from 1 to 9 p. m.

This will be a booth show displaying many exciting skills with a short attraction on the hour every hour from 1 through 9 p. m.

If you have not purchased a ticket from a scout, you may purchase them at the door.