

# Gardner - Webb College Announces Plans To Build Football Stadium

BOILING SPRINGS, N. C.—A football stadium and track will be constructed at Gardner-Webb College within the next two years and will be known as Spangler Memorial Stadium, announced Dr. E. Eugene Poston, president of the college.

The Spangler brothers' substantial donation toward construction of the stadium will be added to the existing fund for this purpose, stated Dr. Poston. To be located on a seven acre site behind the Bost Physical Education Building, the stadium is presently in planning stages with no cost estimates or other details available.

Naming of the stadium came after a vote of approval by the board of trustees of a recommendation by the executive committee of the trustees on Feb. 12. R. Patrick Spangler, presently serving as overall chairman of the college's major 50th Anniversary Phase of the Decade of Advance program and his brother, Earl (Bud) Spangler, a former student at Gardner-Webb, are active supporters of the college. Pat Spangler is also on the college board of advisors.

The Spangler brothers own and operate Spangler and Sons Concrete Co. in Shelby, Spangler Ready Mix Concrete Co. in Kings Mountain and the Shelby Sand and Stone, Inc. of Shelby. Earl Spangler, a 1946 alumnus of the college, attended the University of North Carolina. He is vice-president of First Federal Savings and Loan in Shelby, a Kiwanis Club member, member of the Shelby First Baptist Church and is married to Evelyn Harrill Spangler. The couple has four children. Pat Spangler played a major role in Cleveland County's industrial development through his work with the Shelby Chamber of Commerce.

State-wide recognition of his ability came when Gov. Terry Sanford appointed him in 1963 to gather Shelby businessmen for North Carolina Day at the World's Fair. He also served as a Trade Fair delegate to Europe and has been active on other state level posts. A Rotarian, Mason and Shriner, Spangler was awarded the "Citizen of the Year" award by Shelby Lions in 1963. He is married to the former Eloise Young and they have five children. The family church membership is at First Baptist Church of Shelby. Their father, Ernest Webb Spangler, was a well known figure in Shelby for many years, having been born in the city and serving it 15 years as superintendent of streets. He organized Spangler Concrete Co. 22 years ago and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Shelby. His wife, a native of near Plymouth, resides in Shelby where two of her three children reside. A daughter, Mrs. Edward Erickson, lives in Mt. Prospect, Ill.

Dr. Poston, speaking on this addition to the college's physical development said, "A fully equipped stadium will complement our academic program and will bring many people to the campus each year, providing a site for intercollegiate sports, intramural programs, commencement services, rallies and entertainment programs." "As president of Gardner-Webb College, I am convinced that an athletic stadium is a necessity, if we are to serve our area properly," concluded Dr. Poston.

In 1964 Clemson University conferred an honorary degree of Doctor of Law on Brosnan. A native of Albany, Ga., Brosnan is a graduate of the Georgia Institute of Technology with B.S. Degree in civil engineering. After three years employment with the Georgia Highway Department, Brosnan launched his railroad career in 1926 as a student apprentice and track laborer with Southern Railway of Macon, Ga. His subsequent career has all been with Southern Railway.



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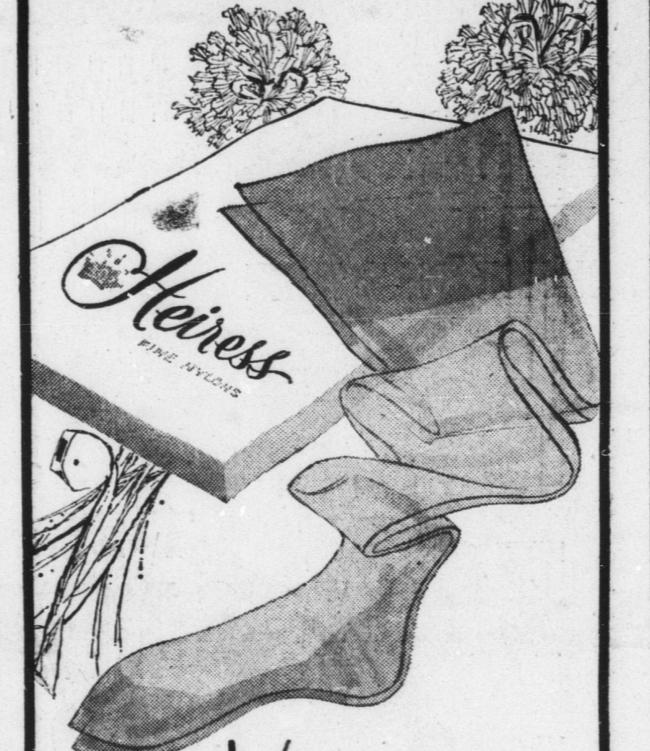


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## Gardner-Webb Gives Plans For Convocation

BOILING SPRINGS, N. C.—D. William Brosnan, president of the Southern Railway System, will be featured speaker during the three day convocation slated at Gardner-Webb College March 20-22. Brosnan, 1963's "Railroad Man of the Year", will speak during a dinner for business and industrial leaders at 7 p.m., March 22, at the college student center. This meeting will round out three days of activities which will include a Sunday afternoon message by Dr. Billy Graham

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