

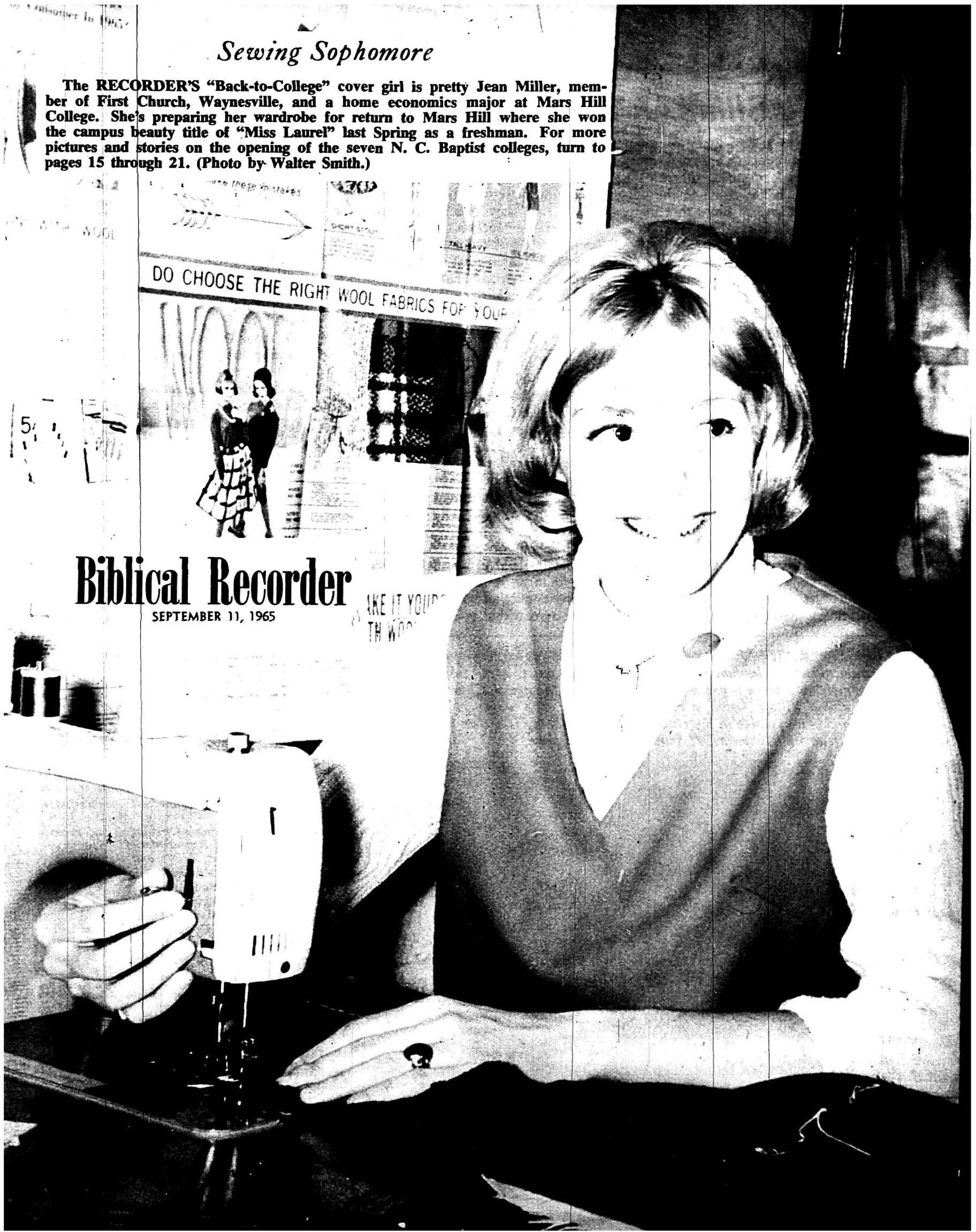
Sewing Sophomore

The RECORDER'S "Back-to-College" cover girl is pretty Jean Miller, member of First Church, Waynesville, and a home economics major at Mars Hill College. She's preparing her wardrobe for return to Mars Hill where she won the campus beauty title of "Miss Laurel" last Spring as a freshman. For more pictures and stories on the opening of the seven N. C. Baptist colleges, turn to pages 15 through 21. (Photo by Walter Smith.)

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Big Slim, An Unusual Teacher

No one has taken time to count how many newspapers and magazines come to the RECORDER office each week. Eleven dailies come to the editor's desk and several times that many non-dailies are scanned by Associate Roger Branch. In addition, there are about 600 church bulletins and papers each week so there's no question about what to do with "spare time" around the RECORDER office.

In several of the weekly papers there is a column written by "Parson Jones." Although he is not identified, we presume he is a minister. At any rate, he has an understanding of church problems that is absolutely uncanny at times. The following column is typical:

Dear Mr. Publisher:

Our Sunday School lesson last Sunday was about dogs. Big Slim was voted in as the new teacher of the Men's Bible Class a couple Sundays ago, and we've been getting some unusual lessons ever since.

The first Sunday he talked about how nousey newspaper men was. He

said you couldn't go no place anymore without being run over by the press. He allowed as how he went to a political rally and there was so many newspaper fellas that they was interviewing one another. I reckon you're wondering where he got his Scripture for the mighty interesting lesson. Well, over in the Bible where that little short man named Zachaeus had to climb a sycamore tree it says "and he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press." That word "press" means "crowd" in the King James languages, but pore old Slim didn't know no better. Anyhow, he tore the hide off them newspaper fellas.

Like I said, this past Sunday was about dogs. He told how dogs had always been man's best friend. He pointed out that dogs never held demonstrations. Not only that, they were clean-cut people. They didn't cuss, drink, smoke or chew.

Hezekiah objected to all this talk. He swore he'd rather have a wife any day than an ole hound dog. After all a dog couldn't make hot biscuits. Big Slim agreed that was true, but he said

he'd like to see Hezekiah's wife run a possum.

One thing about the lesson Mr. Publisher, it wasn't dull. Course it wasn't religious either. Slim got his text over there in the Good Book where the pore man was at Lazarus door begging for scraps. It says "Moreover the dog came and licked his sores." Well Slim thought "moreover" was the dog's name so he spent the whole hour talking about moreover the dog.

It just goes to show you the things a fella can get out of the Bible. Everybody thinks they're experts on the Good Book. If you don't believe it ask 'em. Even ole Kruchief goes around quoting the Bible.

Before they'll let a Doctor cut out gallbladders he's gotta have a heap a schooling. They won't let a lawyer go to work til he knows all them laws and loop-holes. A teacher in school has even got to have a sheepskin. But all a fellas gotta do to be a Bible expert is to have a pulse beat.

Mr. Publisher, don't let on to Big Slim that I told you all this cause he'll get mad and quit the church. He's already mad cause I read out of the Revised Version of the Bible last Sunday. He said the people that translated that thing didn't have no religion.

See you in the funny papers.

Yours truly, Parson Jones

MRS. NORTH CAROLINA who represented this state recently in the Mrs. America contest in San Diego, Calif., is a Baptist. Mrs. Lacy Hair and her husband, an attorney, are members of Snyder Memorial Church in Fayetteville and attend Village Drive, a mission of Snyder. She works in the nursery. Her husband is also active in the church. The Hair family is shown here. The children are (left to right) Stewart, 7; Scotty, 5; and Suzanne, 4.



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Colleges' Assets Help Offset Future Uncertainties

WE WISH WE KNEW more about the future of our seven Baptist colleges in this state, but this we do know: They are opening for another session, offering a Christian education to more than 10,000 young people. (See pages 15 through 21.) With more facilities and buildings, many more could have been accommodated. Just what effect continued federal assistance to other colleges will have on our North Carolina Baptist schools cannot be determined at this time. (Last week another \$4.7 billion bill passed.) In the meantime, North Carolina Baptists will do all they can to see that reasonably good support is given to their colleges. Only time will tell whether this will be enough.

As another school year gets under way, our thoughts turn particularly to the three most important assets any college has—the students, the faculty, and the administration.

Not only will our churches depend on these colleges for pastors and other staff members, but lay leadership will come from these campuses—doctors, lawyers, businessmen, and others. This is a factor often overlooked. To those who speak irresponsibly of the contributions of our colleges, this fact ought to sink in. Tax-supported schools were not designed to major on the training of youth for leadership roles in the church.

Probably the most overlooked and under-appreciated group is the faculty. Think of those able, dedicated

teachers who have stayed with our colleges through times of adversity as well as prosperity. Many could have moved on to better paying positions, but they have remained because of loyalty to Christian education. These devoted teachers represent the most valuable asset of any college.

And finally the college presidency—is there a more demanding job anywhere? If so, we don't know about it. Baptist colleges in Texas and Oklahoma recently lost their presidents, both returning to secular education fields. The average tenure of presidents of church-related colleges is only eight years. Fortunately, the average in our seven colleges is much better than this. The president must be a funds-raiser, denominational relations man, financial expert, academician, personnel director and confidante of students in trouble, among other things. Being human, presidents make mistakes, but no one can question that their hard work and devotion have been big factors in keeping our colleges moving ahead, despite great odds and a multiplicity of problems. Without a good president, an institution is seriously handicapped.

These students, faculty members and presidents need our sympathetic understanding—and a little prayer now and then won't hurt. With this, the future of our colleges will be brighter.

There Will Never Be Another Man Like Dr. Vipperman

DR. JUDSON L. VIPPERMAN was a remarkable man. He died Aug. 24 at age 88. They held a memorial service for him last Sunday at Long Creek Church, Dallas, paying tribute to his work in so many areas of life.



Dr. Vipperman in an earlier photo.

Born in Surry County, he was converted at 10 and was preaching two years later. He was ordained in 1897 at the age of 20. He was educated in the public schools and academies of this state and at Baylor University, Southern and Southwestern Seminaries. Dr. B. H. Carroll, founder and first president of Southwestern, said of him, "I have prayed for an Elisha and I fully believe I have found him in you." Dr. A. T. Robertson of Southern, great Greek scholar, called him "The Incomparable Vipperman." His grasp of the Greek language, even at age 16, was remarkable. Later he could quote the entire Bible from memory, a feat matched by only a few people anywhere.

He was at Long Creek longer than at any other church, but his ministry touched a number of churches in this

state: East Church, Gastonia; the old First Church, Belmont; First Church, Spencer; the old Hebron Church; a church in Wilmington, and others. He also served at Columbus, Miss., and Southside in Spartanburg, S. C.

One of the highlights of his long and fruitful ministry came Oct. 7, 1930, when he was chosen as chaplain to the Prime Minister of England at the dedication of Kings Mountain Battleground. The prayer he offered that day, only 1½ minutes in length, was carried around the world by an international hookup.

Always a friend of young preachers, Dr. Vipperman made a deep and lasting impression on them. O. B. Reel, pastor at Tuckaseegee, Mt. Holly, was one of them. "One could not touch his life without having a deeper appreciation and a greater respect for the Word of God, His Church, and His people. I will never forget his Biblical messages . . . that gave direction and purpose to life. The many hours of personal instruction are still bringing inspiration and challenge to my ministry," he says.

And so, another member of the "old school" has gone to his reward. Folks at Long Creek last Sunday agreed there would never be another one like him. And they are right.

Arkansas Faces Up to Federal Aid for College

LITTLE ROCK (BP)—If they want to keep a first-class university, Arkansas Baptists will have to rethink their position on separation of church and state, the president of Ouachita Baptist University declared here.

Ralph A. Phelps Jr. spoke to a group of 300 ministers and laymen. The meeting was called to discuss federal aid to education, and the Baptist position on it.

Phelps said trustees decided if the university wanted to remain in "the first magnitude," it would have to take part in the Higher Education Facilities Act of the federal government.

The convention, when it meets here Nov. 15-16, faces the federal aid issue. It will decide whether Ouachita, which it operates, can accept federal grants for buildings.

Another speaker was R. Orin Cornett of Washington, Baptist layman and educator. He is vice-president of Gallaudet College, former U. S. Office of Education official and former executive secretary of the SBC Education Commission.

Cornett said there is no "strict separation" of church and state. Ownership of tax-exempt campuses and second-class postage rate privileges constitute government subsidy for Baptist colleges, Cornett pointed out.

He added most Baptist colleges already are participating in student loan and college housing loan programs operated by the government.

Phelps said Ouachita faces one of three choices:

1. Accept federal funds and try to "maintain our integrity."
2. Refuse federal grants and suffer a "decline in educational standards."
3. Close the school. "Some persons have told me they would rather close Ouachita than accept federal funds," the university's president stated.

Phelps was asked, in a question and answer period afterward, if Baptist criticism of other faiths would not be compromised if Baptists accept federal grants.

He answered that much of Baptist criticism of Roman Catholics had been "inconsistent and ineffective." He said further "it is not a question of Catholics

MRS. MARGARET CRAIG MARTIN, executive secretary of the Meredith College Alumnae Association, receives a trophy representing top place among American private women's colleges for improvement in incentive giving. Making the award, which included a check for \$1,000, is Dr. Fred Armstrong, Director of Research and Projects for the U. S. Steel Foundation.



Meredith Alumnae Have New Laurel in Their Trophy Case—National Award, Plus \$1,000

Meredith College alumnae will gather this weekend (Sept. 11) to admire a new laurel in their trophy case and prepare for their annual giving program. The occasion is their annual fall council, which is being combined for the first time with the executive committee planning workshop.

The prize to be shown to most of the women for the first time is a first place national award, which was accompanied by a \$1,000 check, for incentive giving among private women's college's in the United States. Executive Secretary of the Association, Mrs. Margaret Craig Martin, accepted the honors at the summer meeting of the American Alumni Council at Atlantic City, N. J.

Meredith was honored for work that represented personal contact with over 50 per cent of known alumnae during the 1963-64 year. The association contributed over \$111,000 to the college development program in the two calendar years that ended July 1, 1965.

being in one camp and non-Catholics in the other."

He said Harding College (Church of Christ), located in Searcy, Ark., accepted federal funds. Harding has an endowment of \$13 million compared to Ouachita's \$2 million, according to Phelps.

To be "really consistent" on church and state matters, Phelps went on, Baptists would "demand that all their property be taxed and ministers, living in parsonages whose rent is paid by the congregation, would list that rent as income on their tax return."

"I don't see any great rush to do that," Phelps observed.

MH Pastor Named to New Post



Roger E. Williams, Jr. has resigned as pastor of Mills Home Church to head the Long Range Development Program of the Children's Homes.

He will continue as pastor of the church on the campus of Mills Home in Thomasville through Oct. 31. The 47-year-old development director came to the Children's Home pastorate nine years ago from the Highland Church of Hickory.

Mr. Williams said his decision to resign as Mills Home pastor to accept the development post was prompted by the fact that "all across North Carolina and beyond there are thousands of people deeply interested in what we are doing—and in what we hope to do in the future."

Last Call for Those Cards

Pastors who have not returned cards ordering materials for **BIBLICAL RECORDER** Day on Oct. 10 are urged to do so immediately. A prepaid, addressed card was provided in the letter mailed Aug. 25 to all pastors except those whose churches have the **RECORDER** in the budget. It will greatly facilitate procedure in the **RECORDER** office if these cards can be returned in the next few days.

Changes

J. B. Gibson, Former N.C. Pastor, Going To First, Asheboro

J. B. Gibson, pastor of the Morningside Church, Spartanburg, S. C., has accepted a call to First Church, Asheboro, effective Oct. 1. He will preach his first sermon at Asheboro Oct. 3. Before going to Spartanburg, Mr. Gibson was pastor of Stallings Memorial Church in Salsbury and before that served as pastor of Stough Memorial, Pineville. . . .

Dr. Stanley A. Nelson will preach his first sermon at Ridge Road Church in Raleigh on Sunday, Sept. 19. Since 1960, the 34-year-old minister has been pastor of the University Church in Wichita, Kans. A native of Turon, Kans., Dr. Nelson earned his B.D. degree at Southwestern Seminary in 1956 and his Th.D. degree there in 1963.



Dr. Nelson

While at Southwestern, Dr. Nelson served as pastor of the Mt. Olive Church at Paris, Texas, 1955-58, and pastor of the First Church, Bogata, Texas, 1958-1960. He has been particularly active in student work, speaking at several BSU state conventions and retreats. He brought the convention sermon this year at the Kansas Convention.

In the South Fork Association, **Paul K. Drum** plans to retire at the Centerview Church the first of the year and has so notified the church of his plans. **Rexford Hobbs** has resigned Cedar Grove in the same association and plans to enroll at Fruitland. . . .

First Church, Shelby, has called **Roland Leath** as assistant pastor and minister of education. A music director will be secured in the near future. Mr. Leath has for many years served in the combined education-music post. . . . **Leroy Sisk** has resigned as pastor of Churchill Drive, Shelby, and will report as chaplain to Ft. Gordon, Ga., on Sept. 24. He has been serving as clerk-treasurer of the Kings Mountain Association. . . . **Carroll Stegall** of Randleman has been called as minister of music at Emerywood Church, High Point. A graduate of Wake Forest College, Mr. Stegall has done graduate work in music in New York City.

Robert B. Poole, pastor at Pine Level in the Johnston Association for the past four years, has resigned as of Sept. 19 to become pastor at Corinth near Elizabeth City. At Corinth, he succeeds **Tom Austin** who accepted a pastorate in Virginia. . . .



SWEPSONVILLE CHURCH has received a banner designating its Sunday school as a Standard Sunday School. Dr. Herman Ihley, secretary of the State Convention's Sunday School Department made the presentation. Left to right are **Leon Henderson**, present Sunday school superintendent; Dr. Ihley; **Roy Cantrell**, pastor; and **W. K. McAdams**, incoming superintendent of the Sunday school. Dr. Ihley said the church is one of the few in the state that has maintained Standard requirements for five consecutive years.

Life in the Churches

Temple in Hickory Begins New Building

Ground has been broken for a new four-story educational building at **Temple Church, Hickory**. It will be constructed adjacent to the present church building and will include five assembly rooms, 28 classrooms, three primary departments, three beginner departments, four nurseries, pastor's study, offices, kitchen, reception room, library, choir loft and baptistry. During construction of the building, the present church building also will be completely renovated. Completion is scheduled for April, 1966. Total cost will be \$126,266 and when completed, the building will serve 700 to 900 persons in Sunday school and the sanctuary will seat 500 for worship services. Frank Robinson is pastor.

Snyder Memorial Church, Fayetteville, was shocked recently by the sudden death of Roberto Martinez, 51, a Cuban refugee who had been in the community only a month. Mr. Marti-

nez had made his profession of faith in Christ two weeks before his death and presented himself, along with his family, as a candidate for baptism. According to his own testimony, the family made its decision because the church showed them "what Jesus is like" in bringing them to Fayetteville and giving them an opportunity to start life over again for the third time in 51 years. Prior to coming to Fayetteville, the Martinez family lived in Miami for two years. They have a daughter who is married to a soldier stationed at Fort Bragg.

Bennett Walker, pastor at Deep Creek in the Mount Zion Association, returned to the pulpit Sept. 5 after being out for the past three months recovering from a heart attack. Associational Missionary Frank Ingram supplied for Mr. Walker during his convalescence.

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Campbell's New Maps Prepared By Ministerial Student Who's "Compelled" to Get Education

With its 600 acres and 48 listed buildings and other points of topographic interest, Campbell College is not overly large as colleges go; but to a freshman on campus for his first day of college Sept. 13, Campbell will seem "mighty big"; and a good map of the place will be a godsend.

He will be given one, newly executed in accurate perspective to show all the features of a campus radically improved in five years of preparation for senior-college standing.

The new map, available by the hundreds of lithographed copies, is a gift of Joe Bryant, formerly an expert draughtsman for Western Electric, but now a Campbell junior.

For orientation Joe's map will be helpful, to be sure; but the youngster wanting to get his bearings at the college might do better to talk with Joe himself.

The Kernersville native, at 28 the father of two lively boys, is a pre-theological student who will be entering Southeastern Seminary a year from now, having finished at Campbell in three years of continuous study.

Busy Schedule

Joe's advice, valid for anyone, has particular force for young prospective ministers. If you can swing it, he says, go straight through college without taking on off-campus work. And it's better, perhaps, not to marry before graduation, if one must earn support for a family while paying college expenses. Joe wouldn't change his present situation for anything. It's true, however, that to help him continue in his studies Mrs. Bryant, the former Elizabeth Pardue of Kernersville, has served as a seamstress in a nearby garment factory. And his own long day leaves him not much time for his children.

Joe himself is student pastor of the Baptist church at Duncan. With prayer meetings, choir practice, visiting, and preparation of Sunday sermons, this involves him in the equivalent of at least two solid days per week of work for the church.

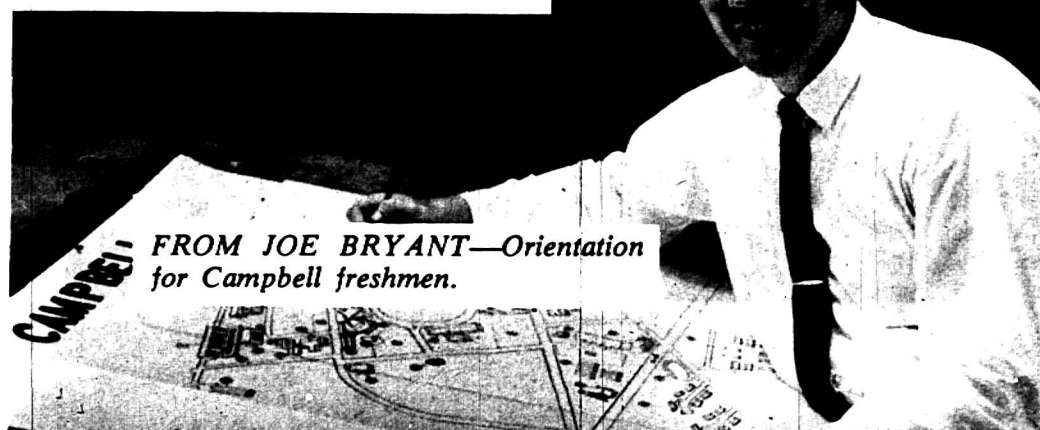
For him the days are gone when he could check into his draughtsman's job at eight and out of it at five, forgetting it in between. Now his routine begins at seven in the morning and runs till midnight, day in and day out.

"Vigorous and Searching"

He is in it, he says, because he feels "compelled to do it." He has abandoned any thought he may have had that he already knows all that he needs to know about religion and theology. Campbell's religious program, he says, is "vigorous and searching"; and this is as it should be, he believes. "Without forgetting its basic tenets, we need to examine our faith in accordance with the demands of the time," he says.

Campbell's religion department pulls no academic punch to lighten the load of students who have churches. This, too, is right, Joe thinks, since a minister can't use college training and information that he doesn't have.

Realistic, he expects no academic miracle to get him through. He accepts the idea that intensive study is a kind of prayer; and prayer of this kind is what college work requires. Going into term finals, the only reasonable kind of prayer for any student to pray is, Joe says, "Lord, help me to remember what I have learned."



Utah Church Wins Development Award

A struggling, mountain church in Cedar City, Utah, with four missions has received the Home Mission Board's church development award.

The 61-member First Church, nestled at nearly 6,000 feet elevation in the Cedar Mountains of the Rocky Mountain range, received the award recently at Glorieta Assembly. K. Medford Hutson is pastor.

The church was started in 1960 when Southern Baptists discovered the denomination had no church along the 400-mile strip of Highway 91 between Provo, Utah, and Las Vegas, Nevada. Cedar City's population of 8,000, existing on mining, agriculture, manufacturing and tourism, is predominantly Mormon. Tourists visiting Bryce Canyon, Zion National Park and the Cedar Breaks swell the population in tourist season. On some Sundays the visitors outnumber the members, Hutson says.

The church's missions are at Richfield, Beaver, St. George and Milford. Hutson's schedule is that of a modern-day circuit rider. On Sunday morning he is at Cedar City, at Milford that afternoon and at Richfield at night. . . . round trip of more than 250 miles. During the week he visits each mission, prepares two radio programs on tape and makes as many personal visits as possible. He somehow finds time to lecture at the College of Southern Utah once a quarter on what Baptists believe and speaks in high schools on invitation. —(BP)

Readers Write

BETTER UNDERSTANDING NEEDED

TO THE EDITOR:

The crying need in many of our churches is for a better understanding between the pastors and the churches. In saying this, I am impersonal because my pastorates have been long and pleasant, as a whole, though I have not escaped some of the barbs directed at the average pastor. This lack of understanding, many times, is the fault of us pastors but often the trouble is in the church. No pastor is perfect, neither is any church membership perfect. There are imperfect people in the pews as there are imperfect pastors in the pulpits. Nobody can please everybody long at a time. In no place are squabbles and wrangling more out of order than in the church of God. There is no one more dependent upon others than a Baptist pastor. A pastor should know "when to go" but if he leaves a pastorate everytime a note of opposition is sounded, he will stay on the run throughout his life. For the truth is that in some churches there appears to be a few whose business it is to lash away at the pastor. This is not a pretty picture but it is as true as it can be.

Many times the opposition that a pastor endures is subtle and unchristian. Maybe the pastor doesn't know the trouble. Perhaps he has not observed the formulae set by "Brother Detector" and "Sister Inspector." Insincerity amongst church people is deplorable. Grapevine communications in the church are detestable. Sometimes good people get the habit (and cultivate it) of complaining at their pastor and, at least occasionally, these complaints are directed at his family. Whether directed at the pastor's family or not, murmurings invariably hurt the pastor's family. No individual can hurt more in his heart than a faithful pastor. The hearts of many pastors are made to ache by thoughtless and acid tongues. Many pastors would preach better and do better pastoral work were it not for the obsession of some to lambast.

Some pastors cannot lead in building new fences, as they would like, because so much of their time is taken up in mending fences that have been torn down by a grumbling minority. Nursing the disgruntled is a mammoth task for the pastor who has to contend with this type of members. Right here, in this area of our church life, is an ethical breach that needs attention and repairs. Pastors should not be forced to flounder in a web of criticism that is alien to the mainstream of the work of the church. We need to be Christians in our church and pastoral relationships.

The church calls the man whom God has called. He is called as a pastor,

755 Eligible to Participate

There Were 65 Four-Year Winners in This Year's Junior Memory Work Tournament

The 1965 Junior Memory Work Tournament shows the largest participation ever, with the highest number of four-year winners on record. The total eligible to participate was 755. Of this number 650 were winners, 61 losers, and 44 did not participate.

The 65 Four-Year Winners are as follows:

Alexander: Antioch, Alice Winecoff; Bethlehem, Phil Icard.

Anson: Wade, Joyce Warner.

Buncombe: Asheville, First, Teresa Chandler, Bruce Dent, Client Eisenhower and Billy Reynolds; Calvary, David Brookshire; Hominy, Dianne Williams.

Cabarrus: Centerview, Randal Perkins and Scotty Yow; Lakewood, Ricky Beck and Janet Sorrow; McGill Street, Lynette Vanderburg; North Kannapolis, Melva Hardin; West Point, Dennis Biggerstaff and Timothy Collins.

Central: Green Street, Carole Edwards and Susan Price; High Point, First,

leader and shepherd. He hungers for love and understanding and without these christian attributes his ministry is woefully abridged. With love, prayers and Christian support, a church can make an ordinary preacher a good preacher but without these good graces a good preacher can be turned into an ordinary preacher. A pastor should not only build up the church but the church should build up the pastor.

—A. P. STEPHENS, Lumberton

METHODIST PASTOR WRITES

TO THE EDITOR:

Your recent article on Aurora (Aug. 14th issue) and the prospects here interested me very much. We feel that this area does have tremendous potential for the church; it certainly is a great challenge. I only hope that the churches in Aurora and surrounding area will be up to the opportunity and take advantage of it to assimilate the people into the churches.

We are glad that the Baptists now have a pastor full time. His work will be cut out for him because there is much need here—for all churches. We look forward to working with Mr. Lutz and his people in this area of opportunity.

If you have them available I would like to have a dozen copies of the Aug. 14 issue of the BIBLICAL RECORDER containing the article about Aurora.

—JAMES E. SMITH, Pastor
Aurora Methodist Church

Elizabeth Ann Eagle, Nancy McDermott and Maurine Wilson.

Cheoah: Robbinsville, First, Paul Gillespie.

Dan Valley: Leaksville, First, Marion Osborne; Osborne, Wanda Alley; Providence, Cynthia Nance.

Elkin: Elkin, First, Linda Mathis.

Flat River: Mt. Creek, Amy Blackwell.

French Broad: Davis Chapel, Charles Ammons; North Fork, Ronnie Buckner.

Gaston: Cherryville, First, Jana Beam; Fairview, Rilda Cheek.

Green River: Round Hill, Beverly Jaynes.

Haywood: Green Valley, Wayne Frady and Darlene Swanger; Hazlewood, First, Robert Hyatt.

Kings Mountain: Elizabeth, Martha Sue Cline and Danny Gantt.

Little River: Antioch, Elaine Sloan; Lillington, Susan Senter.

Mecklenburg: Charlotte, First, Jimmy Underwood; Enderly Park, Susan Benjamin; Pritchard Memorial, Robert Haigler; Whiting Avenue, Carlos Gilstrap; Wilson Grove, Jimmy Burris.

Mitchell: Bear Creek, Hilda Buchanan, Shirley Buchanan; Grassy Creek, Nelda Hollifield, Tommy Lee Hollifield; Spruce Pine, First, Dean Gunter and Roger Stroup.

New South River: Piney Green, Mark Warren.

Piedmont: Magnolia Street, Mary Beth Summers.

Raleigh: Falls—Judy Leonard; Forest Hills, Jane North; Garner, First, Ray Boone.

Randolph: Asheboro, First, Aileen Cavinness; Greystone, Mendall Smith.

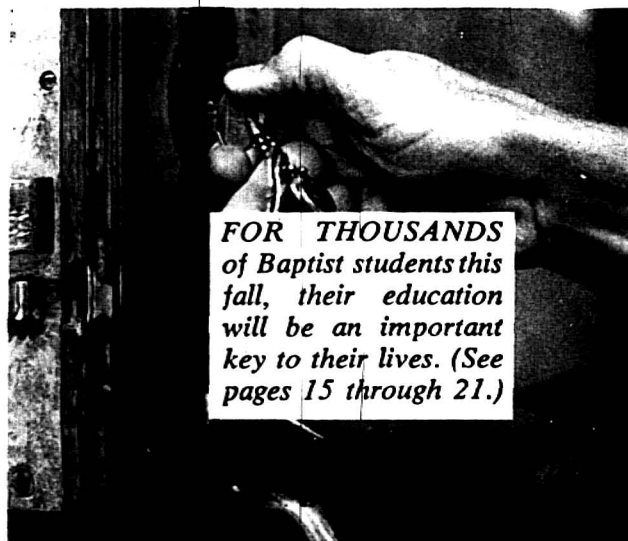
Robeson: Lumberton, First, Danny Pruitt.

South Fork: Lincolnton, First, George Finger.

Stanly: West Albemarle, Susan Griffin and Vickie Griffin.

West Chowan: Ahoskie, First, Jo Ann Williford.

Yates: Bethesda, Jane Freeman and Janice Mitchell.



FOR THOUSANDS
of Baptist students this
fall, their education
will be an important
key to their lives. (See
pages 15 through 21.)

Dallas Poll Reveals Opposition to Drink; Other Opinions Vary

Southern Baptists come nearest to complete agreement on the subject of social drinking, according to an opinion poll conducted at the SBC session in Dallas.

Tabulations of responses on the Electro-matic Opinionnaire operated in the exhibit area reveal that 90.1 per cent thought social drinking is "wrong for the Christian and churches should take a position against it."

Points of view were far more varied on other subjects of current concern. In response to the question "Should race be a factor in considering applicants for church membership?" 44.5 per cent said each church must decide; 43.5 said "No"; and 9.5 replied "Yes," with 1,032 people taking part.

On Christian higher education, 55.5 per cent felt that Southern Baptists should increase their number of colleges in view of tremendous enrolment increases that are predicted. However, 34.3 per cent were in favor of gradually ceasing operation of colleges and letting other private or state colleges take the responsibility.

The main reason why Southern Baptist churches are losing some of their young people to other denominations is "Lack of concern and understanding on the part of Southern Baptist workers with young people," declared 58.2 per cent of 669 people commenting on the subject. Another 19.7 per cent said Southern Baptist doctrine is thought to be too conservative or old fashioned.

Opposition to changing the name of the SBC was expressed by 40.1 percent of the 613 responding, while 33.4 favored a change to "make those parts of the country other than the South feel more a part of the convention." Further, 20.3 per cent said the name should be changed to conform to geographical boundaries.

Respondents also said that the annual convention program should emphasize consideration of Southern Baptists' role in today's world (40.7) and preaching and inspiration periods (35.7). They said the churches need to emphasize evangelism (36.6) and Christian ethics and social relationships (23.3).

Hugh B. Hines, Sr., Dies

Hugh B. Hines, Sr., 86, pastor in this state for more than 47 years, died recently at Sanford. For 35 years, he was missionary in the Atlantic, Chowan, and Roanoke Associations. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Dixie Hollowell Hines; two daughters; and three grandchildren. He was buried at Edenton after services earlier in the day at First Church, Sanford.



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"Why Are the Advertisements So Good and The Shows So Bad?" Bewildered Child Asks

The other day when my seven-year-old and I were watching TV, she asked an innocent, but thought-provoking, question:

"Daddy, why are the advertisements so good and the shows so bad?"

Well, I'd never thought about it that way, but looking at it through her eyes, I could see her point!

I don't remember exactly what we were watching, but I'm sure it was something with turmoil in it. (Is there any other kind?) And she had noticed that the atmosphere changed when the advertisements came on. Instead of the shouting and shooting of the program, the ads featured happy people with smiles on their faces. And the music was jolly, with a catchy tune you could hum as you skip.

"Which one is real?" I could feel her asking. I asked myself the same question. To be sure there is bloodshed and violence in the world, but is there nothing else?

Of course, the TV industry would defend itself by claiming that they are only providing what the people want.

I wonder.

Is our taste so bad and are our standards so low that we want nothing but crime and violence? Are we letting the lowest level of our society dictate the standards by which we live?

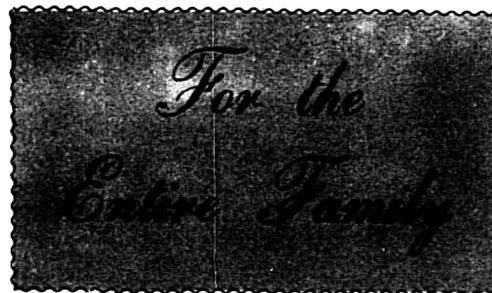
There is no denying the claim that TV shows have a tremendous effect on children during their formative years. Those of us who were grown when we saw our first TV set may have underestimated its influence over children who are just learning about life and who have a tendency to believe everything they see.

Of course, there are *some* good programs on TV, and we ought to be grateful for them. But there are also *many* that aren't really fit for adult consumption, much less children's.

What kind of shows are your children watching? Do you know? If you don't, you'd better find out . . . and quick!

—JOHN S. COMPERE, *Pastor
Oaklawn Church, Winston-
Salem*

Last year, Southern Baptists gave over \$67,000 through the Cooperative Program to the ministry of the Christian Life Commission for the purpose of developing Christian morality.



I Believe in Young People

In the annals of history yet to be written I believe that the young people of our generation will stand high in their achievements and basic character in comparison with other generations. A group of adults in our day who have lost their moral convictions and their spiritual moorings seem to take delight in magnifying the exploits and the escapades of youth. When a young person gets in trouble it is so easy to exaggerate his misdemeanors. We forget so many of the fine achievements and attitudes of that vast throng of youth who basically make the right choices in life and abide by deep convictions.

Yes, I believe in our young people—in their deathless idealism in a world that wants to suffocate the ideal; I believe in their spirit of hope for the future in a society that spends so much of its energy in moods of self despising and despair; I believe in their mood of enthusiasm that reaches out for worthy enterprises to promote; I believe in their capacity for dedication to projects that seek to heal the hurt of humanity all over the world. I believe that today's youth will make a heroic response to the call of Christ if we adults will truly let Christ make his impact felt through our lives.

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The rabbi smiled and answered quickly: "At your wedding, Father O'Brien."

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Billy's mother had been watching him squirm as he studied his next church lesson. Finally she asked him what was the matter.

"Oh, Mother," he burst out, "this catechism is awfully hard. Isn't there a kittychism I could study?"

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Asked why the Lord waited until the very last to make woman, the cynic replied, "Well, He had a whole lot to do and just didn't want anybody standing around telling Him how to do it."

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MISTRESS: Have you given the goldfish fresh water?

MAID: No ma'am, they ain't finished the water I gave them yesterday yet.

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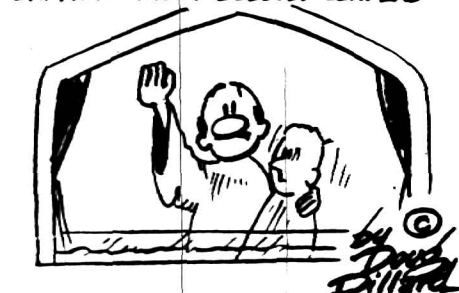
CUSTOMER: "This photograph makes me look older than I really am."

PHOTOGRAPHER: "Well, that'll save you the cost of getting one taken later on."

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Tourist: "Good river for fish?"

Fisherman: "Must be. Can't persuade any to come out."



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Growing in Understanding and Patience

Scripture: Philippians 4:1-7; Colossians 3:12-15

The Christian does not live his faith in a vacuum but as one of the fellowship of believers and in constant contact with other members of humanity. Growing in Christlikeness involves progress in the application of love within human relationships. So, part of that growth will be in the areas of understanding and patience.

The first Scripture portion for this lesson comes from one of the greatest New Testament books, Paul's warm and often touching letter to the church at Philippi from prison in Rome. It is tender, even emotional, and strangely, under such circumstances, keyed by joy. He loved this church that had given him no trouble; the contrary, it had in loving gratitude tried to minister to his needs. Small wonder then that he in the first verse calls them "brothers whom I love and long for." They were his "joy" because of their love, peacefulness, generosity and general spiritual progress. He calls them his "crown," this being the word used for the victor's wreath in an athletic contest. He felt that these Christians, who so delighted him, represented God's reward for his missionary ministry. Pleased with them, he advised them to stand fast or remain faithful to their Lord in all things.

An Apostle's Plea

Three sections of this passage pertain directly to the subject of the lesson: The conflict between two members of the church, the role of fellow Christians in mediating in the conflict, and the exhortation to moderation in verse 5. Nothing is known about the disagreement or the persons involved, Euodia and Syntyche, beyond this brief reference. They were active Christians who had worked with Paul in the gospel and, therefore, must have been among the earliest converts there, perhaps part of that band of women to whom Paul first preached by the riverside (Acts 16:12-13).

The problem was tragic—two sisters in Christ had disagreed and would not be reconciled, two noble women making themselves ignoble by an unresolved quarrel. Past services and present zeal for Christ were mostly nullified by a display of unchristian spirit. Remembering their contributions and concerned that they grow in the deeper dimensions of Christian character, Paul begs them to agree in the

Lord. "In the Lord" means "because you share a communion with the Lord" and perhaps also indicates that they will find the grounds and power for agreement in the Lord.

Mediating Fellowship

The next plea is to an unidentified person, perhaps the bearer of the letter, Epaphroditus, or the person in a pastoral position who would be expected to read the letter aloud to the congregation. He, with the other devoted laborers for Christ, is urged to intervene in the dispute, using prayerful and loving influence with the two women to end it. This is the proper application of church discipline where the sustaining fellowship loves its weak (often only temporarily weak) members back to spiritual health.

In contrast to conflict Paul calls for joy. Lest they be so amazed as to fail to take seriously such an exultation from a man in chains, he repeats the call. In the face of difficulty, let joy reign. Next, he calls for moderation (forbearance, gentleness, magnanimity) in their lives to such degree that it will be obvious to everyone. William Barclay explains the term as justice that goes beyond strict justice because it is tempered with mercy. It goes the second mile in dealing with others.

The passage concludes with another injunction and a promise. First comes a reminder to keep values in perspective because "The Lord is at hand." Then Paul tells the Philippians not to be torn apart by anxiety over anything but to take every problem to God in prayer, remembering to count blessings already received and letting the inevitable thanksgiving pour out in that prayer. This habit opens the door to healing of anxiety and to filling with that peace which "passes understanding" because it

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is too overwhelmingly rich and bountiful for complete comprehension by man and also because it is beyond man's ability to obtain for himself, coming only as God's gift.

Garments of Christian Grace

The text section from Colossians is composed of list of personal characteristics which should increasingly be the Christian's trademark. They make up the distinctive uniform that identify the wearer as part of Israel, God's chosen people, a new humanity holy and beloved of the Father. They identify the wearer with Christ because they are like him. Note that every one has to do with right personal relationships between man and man.

William Barclay, the English commentator with an enlightening mastery of Greek, is helpful in understanding some of these terms. Bowels of mercies—pity, compassion or mercy. "It is not too much to say that everything that has been done for the aged, the sick, the weak in body and mind, the animal, the child, the woman has been done under the inspiration of Christianity." (Barclay) Kindness—This term also carries implications of mellow goodness. Humbleness of mind or humility—Barclay calls this a virtue introduced by Christianity and based on the creatureliness of man in the presence of his Creator and on the belief that all men are sons of God. Meekness or gentleness—the golden medium between too little and too much anger on the part of a man who is self-controlled because he is first God-controlled. Longsuffering or patience—This is the spiritual power never to be worn out by the weakness, meanness, pettiness of other people—a rare strength indeed.

This business of living together constructively and as Christian is serious. Paul piles up similar terms to enforce the point. Forbearance and forgiveness are commanded. Forbearance is very like patience. It means working through trying and irritating difficulties with patience and self-control. And forbearance and forgiveness are but two aspects of one frame of mind. Who can forbear without forgiving or forgive without forbearance?

Then the motive and standard of forgiveness are cited, both being "as the

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Church Members Don't Die, They Just Fade Away, Ga. Pastor Says

ATLANTA (RNS) — "Church members never die — they just fade away."

An Atlanta pastor, William H. Greenway, associate pastor of Fortified Hills Baptist church, made the statement in his church bulletin — then modified it a bit.

Now and then a church member passes on, he admitted, "but the pastor conducts many more funerals for those outside the membership than for those within it."

He said that some church members "might as well be dead as far as being a help to the church is concerned. . . . They never come! They never express an interest! They never give! They have just faded away, back into Backslider's Land."

Mr. Greenway said the flock has other members who do their "fading away" only in Summer, when they take to the lake or the picnic ground and are not seen again until Monday morning "when they do not dare give their boss the same excuse they give the Lord."

His bulletin to the congregation concluded with: "Church members never die — if they are Christians, for Jesus said, 'Whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die.' But in a day when their witness and support is needed as never before, many of them surely fade away."

Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive." There is no other acceptable measure for the Christian than the standard set by Jesus Christ. The man forgiven so much by God in Christ can do no other than forgive. To do less is to deny the Lord of forgiveness and the experience of forgiveness.

The crowning characteristic is love. It unifies and makes possible all the other graces mentioned. Out of it grow forgiveness and compassionate concern for others like unto that displayed by Christ. It is the chain that binds the Christian brotherhood together in harmony. It is the highest expression of Christian character because it is most like Christ.

The final command is to "Let the peace of God rule in your hearts." This is the way to settle differences within either the individual or the church. Because all are members of one Body, that peace is imperative; it is directed, even commanded, by the Head of the Body, Christ.



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MICHAEL RAY, chaplain to Morrison Training School, Hoffman, teaches a Bible class. Seated to the left is R. E. Edwards, assistant superintendent of the school with two school counselors to the right.

Morrison Boy Says

"Hard to Live Christian Life"

"Last year while I was at Morrison I told the preacher I wanted to be a Christian and was baptized in the Morrison Lake. After I was released I went home but no one spoke to me about going to Sunday school or church and after several weeks I was back here. I know I believed in Jesus and have asked Jesus to forgive me of my sins many times, but it is hard to live the Christian life if I don't have someone to help me except on Sunday afternoon when the preacher comes."

Many of the boys at Morrison Training School have come to me saying similar words. It is not enough to know about Jesus but these boys need friends. They need to know the Word of God and His promises and see the love of Christ in the lives of those they come in contact.

In the past 10 months many of the boys have accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour and are living for Him on the campus and witnessing to others. Every first and third Tuesday nights of the month about 25-30 boys meet together for Bible Study with the chaplain. Each boy, who does not own a Bible is given one by the WMU of Beulah Hill Church. Since many of the boys have questions, which the Scripture has prompted, sometimes the study seems slow but many changes are evidenced in the lives of the boys and we praise God.

State Missions In Action

Remember Special
Offering Sept. 19

Sandhills Association sponsored a Vacation Bible School June 21-25 at Morrison for 57 boys who volunteered to attend. The boys were enthusiastic in their study of the Old and New Testament, character and mission study, and on Thursday morning when an invitation was given every boy either committed his life to Christ or rededicated his life to Christ.

The cooperation received from the staff at Morrison, especially H. Parker, superintendent, and R. E. Edwards, assistant superintendent, was most encouraging. In a letter Mr. Parker recently stated, "I would like to take this opportunity to express to you my thanks and appreciation for organizing and effecting one of the finest Vacation Bible Schools we have ever had here at Morrison. Our boys enjoyed it so much and I am sure that their lives will be enriched as a result of these experiences." —Michael Ray

(Mr. Ray is associational missionary in Sandhills Association and serves as chaplain at Morrison Training School.)

Chaplain's Influence

Some Worship First Time at Odum Prison

Odum Prison is a "close security" unit located four miles south of Jackson, in Northampton County.

The superintendent, Major Hugh Logan, who has been with the institution from its beginning at this new location five years ago, has seen many changes in the operation of a prison. One of these changes has been in the nature of chaplaincy work with the prisoners. This work was begun by James Daily who was pastor at Jackson and Potecasi. He began by having a Sunday service and going out to the prison on Saturday for personal counseling sessions.

After Mr. Daily retired from the ministry, Floyd Key, who was pastor of Lasker and Creekville churches became chaplain. Mr. Key served for



DALPHON THOMPSON, Baptist chaplain, counsels with inmate at Odum Prison.

about three years and established a good relationship with those who work for the institution. The first of June, 1965, Mr. Key resigned to become pastor of a church in Tennessee and Dalphon J. Thompson, pastor of Potecasi Church, became chaplain.

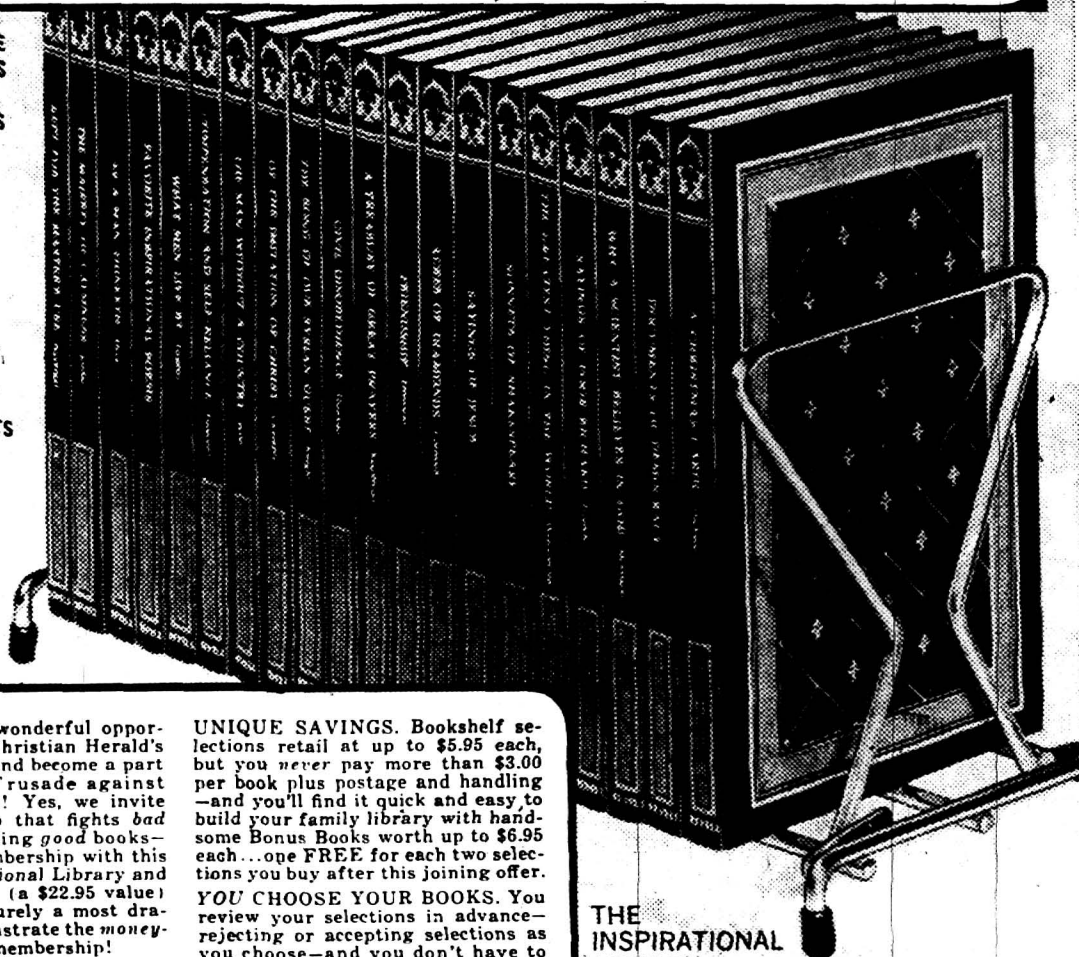
The work of the chaplaincy has been a rewarding experience to the prisoners. In many cases, because of circumstances, they have not had religious training available to them. Many may go to worship for the first time. Others come to a chaplain for personal needs that could not otherwise be met.

Effective results have come, both directly and indirectly, through this ministry. Some follow up their Christian interest through study courses from "Correspondance Bible Course" of the Home Mission Board. Others express their desire to live the Christian life, in all of its difficulties, at the prison.

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In 70th Year, Wingate Enrols 1,425—and It's Still Growing

Wingate College, established in 1896, enters its 70th year with a record-breaking enrollment of 1,425.

Located a short distance from North Carolina's largest city (Charlotte), Wingate attracts many students from the two Carolinas. It also has students from almost every state in the union and from foreign countries as well.

Keeping the physical plant apace with a growing student body is a never-ending challenge. Even the returning sophomore this year will find dramatic changes in the campus landscape.

During the summer a new administration building was erected. A new residence for young women has been contracted for and students this fall will have the opportunity of taking a non-credit course in sidewalk superintending.

Strong Faculty

In keeping with student enrollment and physical plant growth, the faculty also has grown—in size, depth, and quality. Now exceeding 80 in number, Wingate's teachers include a record number with doctor's degrees.

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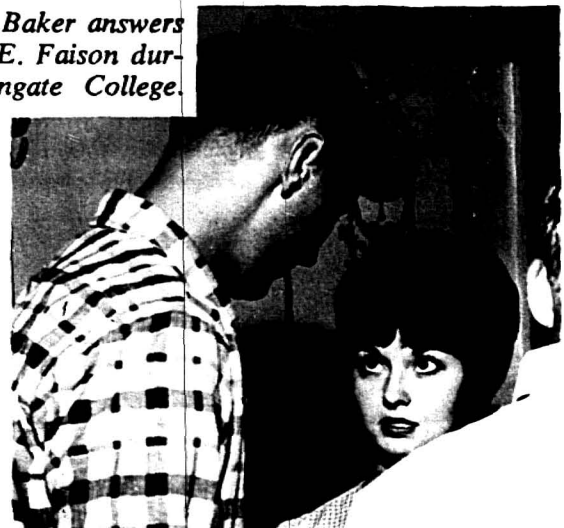
Back to College

A special section devoted to opening activities at the seven Baptist colleges in North Carolina—Wingate, Gardner-Webb, Wake Forest, Meredith, Mars Hill, Campbell and Chowan.



ONE of the pleasures of study at Wingate is walking to class on shrub-lined walks passing under shady trees. Linda Stonestreet of Albemarle and John Hamrick of Gaffney, S. C. are shown on the beautiful campus.

SOPHOMORE Martha Baker answers a question for Garland E. Faison during registration at Wingate College.

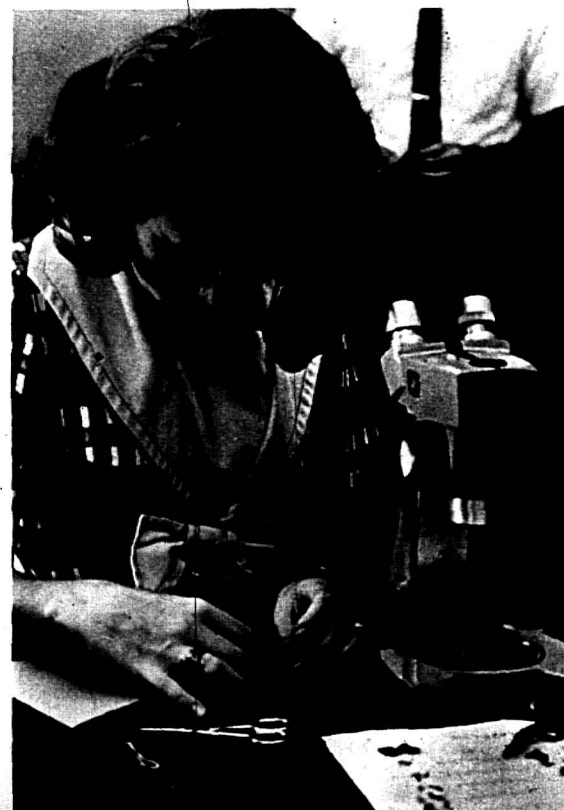


ZOOLOGY students like this one at Wingate will soon be exploring the complexity of insects in their lab work.



But not everything has changed at Wingate. Classes, as always are limited in size so that each teacher may come to know his students personally and well. The campus atmosphere has not changed, either. Neither have the thrice-weekly chapel services, featuring outstanding Christian leaders.

Wingate's friends—and they are numerous—say that with the continuing help and support of North Carolina Baptists, the college will continue to grow in every way.





UNDER the watchful eye of Mrs. Leonore Tuck, home economics head, Preston Butts of the maintenance force checks a measurement as Campbell College readies the Cornelia Campbell residence to serve as a home-management laboratory for its first undergraduate majors in home economics.

Follow important college happenings through the pages of the Biblical Recorder each week.

UNOFFICIAL ROLE—From a sidewalk vantagepoint, librarian James Sistrunk, with entering freshmen Sharon Mateja of Maysville and Bill Hunter of Kenly, superintends the laying of coping stones for the new south wing of Carrie Rich Memorial Library at Campbell College.



Campbell Expects 2,150 Students; New Library Addition Welcomed

With beginning of the orientation of freshmen Sept. 13, Campbell College will launch its 79th academic year. According to A. R. Burkot, academic dean, the actual registration is expected to reach 2,150 full-time students, an increase of 183 over last year's fall enrollment.

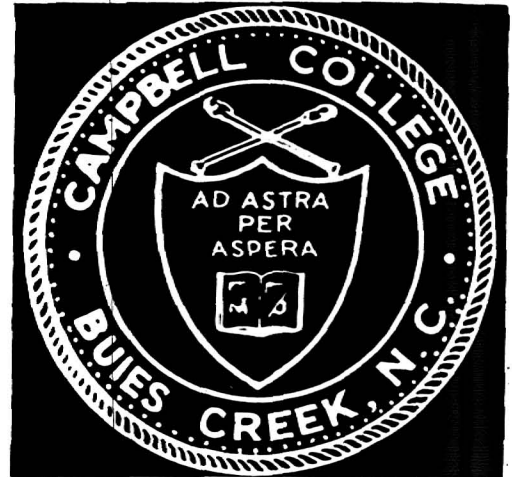
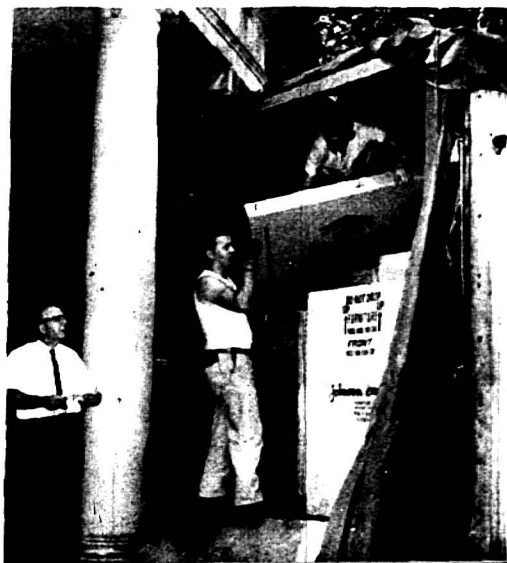
To speed the enrollment process, the college has adopted IBM registration equipment and procedure. All available space for resident students has been filled since June.

Readying the campus for this fall's influx, and, incidentally, for accreditation review of its senior-college program during the coming year, Campbell has just finished its largest summer of remodeling, renovation, and deferred maintenance. Spending some \$65,000, it has renovated and refurnished its two oldest men's dormitories; and remodeling storage areas freed by construction of a new 29,000 sq. ft. maintenance plant, it has installed the equivalent of one good sized classroom and office building. In the judgment of Lonnie D. Small, the business manager, the college now has no substandard classroom buildings or dormitories.

Largest capital addition as the new school year begins is the new two-story wing for the Carrie Rich Memorial Library costing \$250,000.

To complete the physical plant necessary for offering for the first time full majors in home economics and home economics education, the residence of

INTO the old north wing of Carrie Rich Memorial Library, under the watchful eye of Librarian James Sistrunk, goes a vanload of new equipment, while workmen (not pictured) erect a new south wing twice as large as the parent structure.



the late Mrs. Cornelia Campbell has been converted into a home management house. Campbell expects 18 young women to receive degrees next Spring as its first specialists in home economics. Also new in next year's graduation lineup will be some eight students receiving degrees in geology.

The new emphasis on home economics and geology and a Latin American student-exchange program to be launched experimentally this fall are the only major changes in curriculum. The Latin American institute will be under direction of Dr. S. Herbert Cockburn of the modern language department.

TALENTS are for using, says Mrs. Betty Brandenburg, director of nurses at Betsy Johnson Memorial Hospital (left); and trained talent in nursing is too valuable to let lie idle, when hospitals everywhere need trained assistance on full or part-time basis. Mrs. William Ogburn, R. N. (right) recent graduate of Bowman-Gray hospital is using hers, as a relief nurse in the hospital in Dunn, while her husband is attending nearby Campbell College.



New Buildings, Departments

Numerous Changes Evident as G-W Begins 1965-66 Session

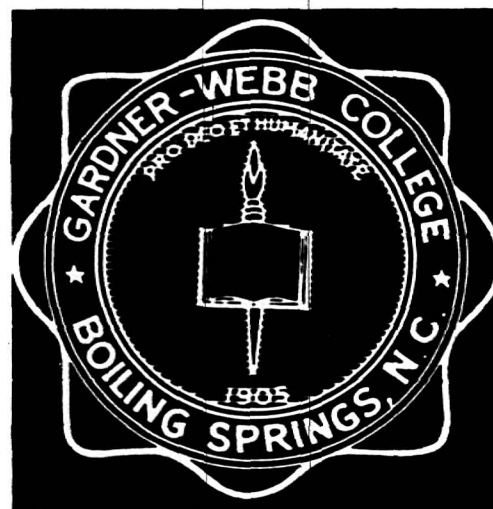
Gardner-Webb College moved into its 1965-1966 session on the tide of numerous major changes.

These changes involve the schedule, registration system, increased enrollment, new buildings, two new departments and continued construction on the campus.

Freshmen arrived Aug. 25 to begin orientation under a schedule which allows them to conclude the first semester before Christmas holidays. Registration was carried out by IBM Data Processing and 1,050 students, largest enrollment in the college's history, found the campus an uproar of construction.

A campus center costing over \$1 million when furnished is now in second floor construction stages, steel for initial work in covering the swimming pool has arrived and a new dormitory for men will be opened for the first time.

Forty students are enrolled in the college's first Associate in Arts Nursing program and a full schedule of art and ceramic science classes are avail-



able for the first time.

Statistics and numbers aren't generating all the excitement as some officials predict this incoming class may stay for the entire four years. Gardner-Webb presses toward the senior status goal on the basis of continued success in its drive for \$1,125,000. This campaign resumes in the fall and on its success depends the history of this co-educational junior college.



REGISTRATION at Gardner-Webb was simplified this year with the use of a data processing system, but the human element was still an important factor as shown in this picture.



FORMS AND MORE FORMS AS college gets underway across the state. Lines are more typical of those first days than the many forms to fill out and only a veteran of the long, hot registration activities can fully appreciate the "red tape" entrance to college. This picture was taken at Gardner-Webb.

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BUSY DAYS are ahead for these and other students at Gardner-Webb. Wayne Fortune and Mary Griffith are shown in front of the Dover Memorial Library.

As 110th Year Opens, Old and New at Mars Hill



CATALOGUING several hundred books and preparing them for shelving is a major part of the summer work at Memorial Library at Mars Hill College. Sarah Cabe, who graduated in May and joined the library staff immediately, puts the library seal on the first of a whole stack of new books.

SHINING five dozen pairs of football shoes is just one of many tasks that must be done in preparation for the opening of a new school year and another football season. Mars Hill College punter Johnny McLeod takes advantage of some free time between the close of summer school and the opening of the fall term to give his own shoes a quick buff on the shiner.



Mars Hill College began its 110th year on Sept. 7 with an old situation and some new faces and facilities.

The familiar situation was, "dorms full; admissions open only to commuters." Anticipated enrollment is 1,325; same as last year.

Outside the admissions office, however, several things were different. Twelve newcomers joined the faculty and two others returned from leaves of absence, raising the teaching staff to 83.

Two familiar faces were missing. Dr. Ella Pierce, head of the English Department and a member of the faculty 40 years, retired and moved back to her family home in Murfreesboro, where she will join the Chowan College faculty.

Harvey "Pop" Lance, math teacher and confidant of students over the last 20 years, also has retired and moved away.

There were plenty of "seasoned" teachers, however. For example, Mrs. Nona Moore Roberts will be serving her 47th consecutive year. She is head of the Modern Languages Department.

Self-Study

In addition to teaching during 1965-66 the faculty will be engaged in a thorough self-study of the college, a major step toward accreditation as a senior college.

On the campus the most obvious difference is a sidewalk superintendent's delight. It's the beginning of construction on a new physical education building. An acre and a half site on the west side of the campus has been cleared, thousands of yards of dirt have been moved and the task of driving 600 pilings for the foundation of the 265 x 188-foot building is in progress. Construction will continue into 1967.

A new football stadium, adjoining the site of the new building, will be put to use for the first time this fall. Dedication is scheduled at the homecoming game with Carson-Newman on Oct. 9.

A quarter-mile track around the gridiron will permit reorganization of an intercollegiate track team.

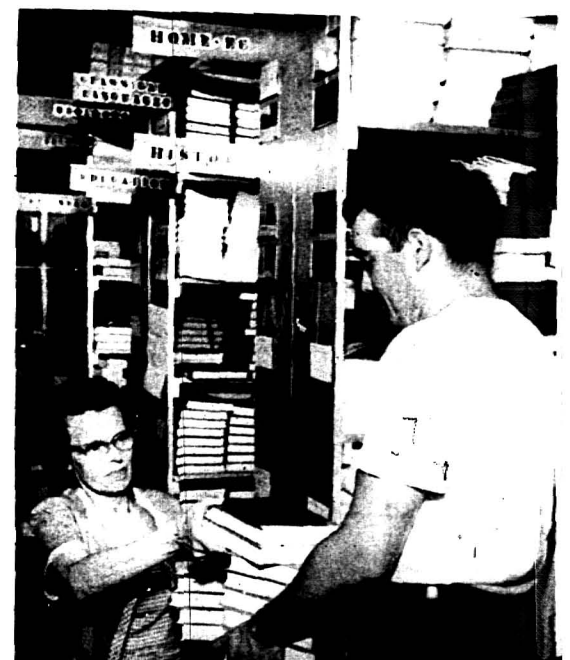
Elsewhere students found a new chemistry laboratory in the science building and several thousand dollars



worth of new equipment in other science labs. Two residences on the campus have been renovated, one to accommodate boys and the other to provide apartments for faculty.

The stage is set, therefore, for the beginning of another fine year. There is one disturbing cloud on the horizon. That is the knowledge of an impending loss. Dr. Hoyt Blackwell, president since 1938, has announced he will retire next summer. Although a trustee committee is seeking a successor and everyone is hopeful on that score, there still promises to be an unusual degree of nostalgia attached to Dr. Blackwell's final year.

SHELVING a sufficient supply of textbooks for 1,400 students is a tremendous task, and Mrs. Ossie Ponder and Donald Caldwell, Jr. of the Mars Hill College Bookstore staff can attest to that. They've spent most of the summer doing just that.





YOUNG PRINTER—Charles Stevens is making up a brochure for the Department Health and Physical Education in the School of Graphic Arts of Chowan College in preparation for making off-set plates for printing.

"I Sent You a Troubled Boy—You Sent Me Back A Man," Mother Says

"I sent you a troubled boy," Mrs. Carl E. Stevens of Asheville told John McSweeney, of the School of Graphic Arts at Chowan College, "and you sent me back a man, for which I am most grateful."

If her son Charles was ever troubled, he was certainly also busy. He published his own newspaper, "The Haw Creek News," with a mimeograph machine when only 11 years old, and a newspaper route, carrying the *Asheville Times*, and also ran a printing job shop through high school. Charles bought a small hand-press when he was 12, then used profits from printing jobs on it to buy a larger job press. His most recent job press is in his father's garage at 52 Cisco Road in Asheville.

A May, 1965 graduate of Chowan College, Charles is quiet, modest, unassuming, and has a reputation as a sincere, hard worker. Herman Gatewood of the School of Graphic Arts at Chowan says, "Charles is the most outstanding student we've had in a long, long time."

Charles does much research on his own, not required in class, explains Mr. Gatewood. Hard work is easily seen in his serving as editor of the *Chowanoka*, Chowan College yearbook, during his freshman and sophomore years. He organized the material, designed the

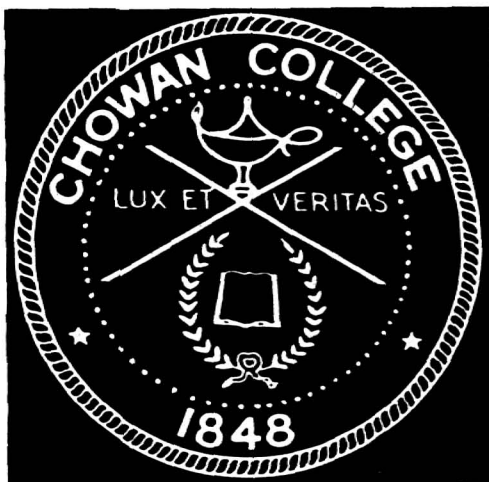
TOGETHERNESS

—Chowan College Professor Wilson Johnson, Jr., is being helped by twin daughters Libby, left, and Linda.



Twin Daughters Work, Too

Chowan's Progress a Family Affair for Wilson Johnsons



book, made his own layout, and printed it. Mr. Gatewood calls it "a one-man job." Staying at the School of Graphic Arts after graduation, Charles printed the College Catalogue, brochures, the Faculty Handbook, the Student Handbook and all other college material printed this summer.

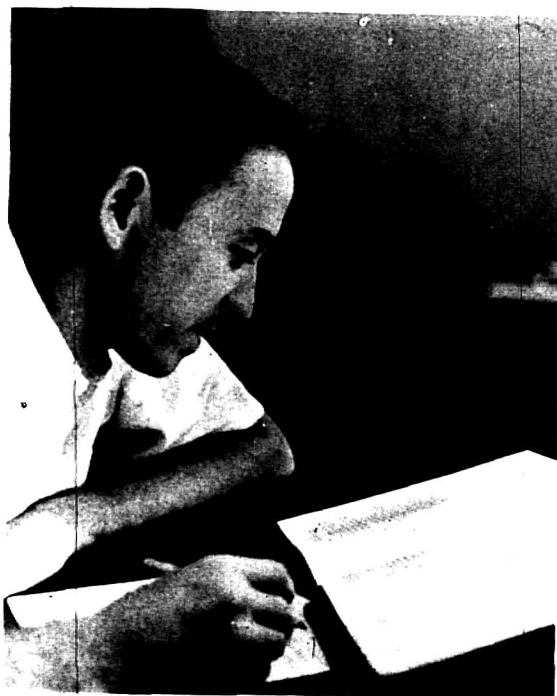
His father, a plumbing and heating contractor in Asheville, and other family members demonstrate the same drive and initiative as Charles.

Charles is proud of his family and instructors—John McSweeney, Herman Gatewood and William Sowell—and he calls them "the best in the world."

Wilson Johnson, Jr., veteran pharmacist now in the Department of Science and Mathematics at Chowan College, has a family which emphasizes togetherness.

His twin daughters, Mary Olivia—better known as "Libby"—and Linda Ann, work in the Office of the Registrar and are registering students for Daddy's classes. Together, Libby and Linda made the college Dean's List for scholastic excellence during the spring semester and are helping register a capacity enrollment, within limits of available facilities and the student-faculty ratio, of 1,186 students for the fall semester.

During their freshman year at Chowan, Libby and Linda participated in the campus' tremendous growth, watching three new buildings rise among ancient pines and majestic oaks: Robert Marks Hall, a new classroom building; a new residence hall for women, and the two-story Penny Infirmary. While they work and prepare for their sophomore year, finishing touches are being put on partial renovation of the Columns Building—center of administrative activity, erected in 1851—and plans are being drawn for a proposed new library.



This photograph reflects a pose that thousands of students will take up soon. Shown here is Harold Ausley of Dunn.

MRS. LOUISE HARRIS of the Wake Forest College bookstore prepares for this fall's book-buying rush.



WF Library Strengthened With Grant

The biggest change at Wake Forest College this fall will be in the Library, backbone of any educational institution.

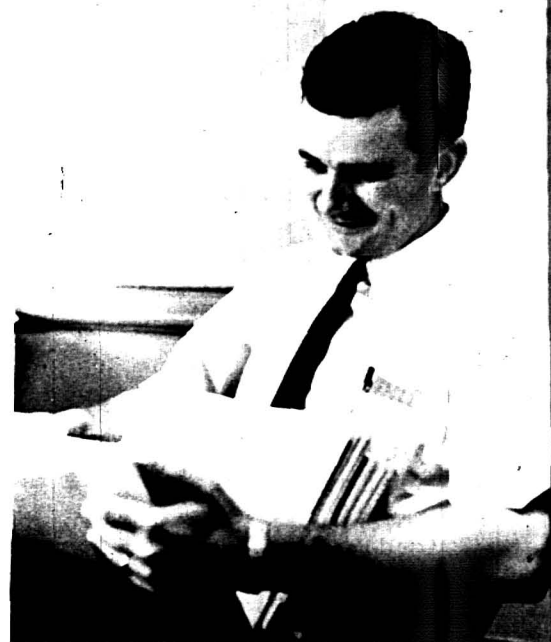
The college received a grant of \$3,500,000 this spring from the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation for the Z. Smith Reynolds Library.

The grant will mean that two additional stack areas in the library will be equipped, increasing its capacity by two-thirds. Twenty-two additional locked carrels will be installed. The book collection will be reclassified from the Dewey to the Library of Congress System and there will be a substantial acceleration in the buying of books and periodicals.

One other change will be to make the library operation an open-stack one. This will mean that there will be controlled exits and that after the books have been arranged, library users will be able to locate and get their own books.

All told, enrollment this fall will be slightly larger. The freshman class—around 700—will be the largest in four years because this spring's graduating class was a large one. Total enrollment should be around 2,950.

For the freshmen there will be a concentrated six-day orientation period beginning Sept. 14. Registration will be Sept. 17 and 18 and classes will begin Sept. 20.



*ADMISSIONS
Director William G. Starling looks over some last-minute applications.*

CLASSROOM scene at Wake Forest depicts the seriousness of the college education task.



Orientation Week Slated

First of 900 Students Begin Arriving at Meredith College

Meredith College expected the first of around 900 students to begin arriving on campus for the new school year Sept. 8 when some 300 freshmen and transfers began a week of orientation proceedings.

Although there are no new buildings or major campus improvements as far as structural additions, new and returning students will be greeted by a remodeled cafeteria with new furniture. All the dormitories have been thoroughly cleaned and several of the dorm parlors have been renovated and equipped with new furnishings. The dormitory rooms were refurnished during the 1965 spring semester and all have new beds, desks and dressers.

A new heating plant is near completion now and should be ready for the first cold weather. The student supply and book store, which also doubles as a soda shop, has been modernized and expanded. Among new features is a complete cosmetics counter.

Early Arrivals

Freshmen and transfers were preceded in arrival by several dozen upperclassmen who traditionally arrive on campus early to serve as counselors and help faculty and staff members with orientation.

Events during orientation week included formal and informal social functions, campus tours, student government training sessions and an introduc-



tion to Raleigh churches. President Carlyle Campbell will meet the new students in convocation at 8:30 a.m. Sept. 14.

Remaining upperclassmen will arrive by Saturday, Sept. 11 when registration is to begin. Registration will be completed on Monday and the entire student body will meet together for the first time at dinner on Monday evening. Classes for the first semester begin at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14.

Dean L. A. Peacock said Meredith expects around 780 dormitory students and 130 day students. Enrollment will be boosted slightly by acceptance of special students who will not be working toward a degree. The approximately 900 students will be about the same number as last year's enrollment.

Comments on

BOOKS

By C. Sylvester Green

Human History and the Word of God by James M. Connolly (Macmillan. \$6.50). When a noted historian sets out to write about history, one may be sure what he writes will be worth reading. But what that historian has to say about Christianity, first as a fact and then as a set of ideas and ideals, is even more significant. For there have been and are those who argue that history with Christianity so presented merits neither philosophy nor theology for its meaning. Analyzing astutely the great writings of Bultmann, Brunner, Barth, Tillich, Niebuhr, and some outstanding contemporary historians, Mr. Connolly turns his scholarship upon the process of synthesizing basic religious thought of our time. It is not to be read lightly, nor with haste, but this book offers many rewarding moments of enlightenment for the studious reader. The magnification of divine direction, and the meaningfulness of human accomplishment weave a masterful thesis for this new study of human history.

The New Reformation by John A. T. Robinson (Westminster. \$1.45). Dr. Robinson, Bishop of Woolwich, slashed through some rusty thinking in his "Honest To God," and he speaks with equal positiveness minus dogmatism in this new book. He bemoans the secularization of the church, but believes the church can be saved as laymen find Christianity more relevant and develop a kind of lay theology that will give them a rejuvenated interest in what the faith is and can do. With that approach he believes "the church can be the carrier of the new life for the new age."

The Pastoral Ministry of Church Officers by Charlie W. Shedd (John Knox. \$1.25). Dr. Shedd goes back to the New Testament church for confidence that the work of the local church should be done by laymen: the pastor serving as coach and trainer. He shows how! In his own churches he has had spectacular success in training his church officers to tackle pastoral tasks and perform them with efficiency. It is a practical, possible program of Christian service laymen could and should render.



"BIG THREE" leaders at Meredith College arrived on campus Sept. 1 to help with orientation week. They are (From left) Anita Hauser, Student Government president; Sandra Flynt, president of the Meredith Christian Association and Judy Hamrick, president of the Meredith Recreation Association. All three girls are from Winston-Salem.

Southern Baptists and Extremism

By Wayne E. Oates

Southern Baptists have reason to be forewarned that the extremist groups and individuals are beginning to infiltrate, attack, and assault churches, pastors, boards, and executives.

Extremism is an over-reaction to threat, a reaction that is fantastically out of keeping with the realistic threat at hand. For example, Communism is a realistic threat to our way of life. The extremist's reaction to the threat, however, is fantastic, fanatical, unrealistic, compulsive, and obsessional.

Ten out of ten people to him are either Communists or about to be Communists. As such, the extremist is the least dependable person to deal with the real threat of Communism. He cries "wolf, wolf" so loud and so often that he inoculates the whole community against the threat of the real wolf.

In the words of Proverbs 28:1, then, the extremist is the one who runs when no man pursues. The more he runs the further from the center of things he gets until we say he is either "way out" or "far right" or "far left."

Extremists of both the right and the left have much in common, although they hurl invectives at each other, catch-others in the cross fire.

First, the extremist projects blame upon external forces, persons and groups. He has little or no power of self-criticism, and insight into his own weaknesses and limitations is absent.

Second, the extremist denies any connection between charges against a person and any feeling of enmity he may have toward him. He says that "there is nothing personal in his attack," but that he is fighting for "principle." There is a split between his ideas and feelings.

Third, the extremist is an authoritarian personality who despises weakness, suspects attempts at reconciliation as a confession of guilt, and interprets efforts at kindness as a sign of stupidity and weakness.

Fourth, the extremist is a cultist who forms an "in-group" of dependent followers who accept unquestioningly the absolute truth of what he says. Slogans, phrases, catch-words, maxims, and clichés are passwords for the in-group and test-words with which to identify

the enemy who does not follow the party line.

This cult continually tests and re-tests the loyalty of its own individual members by suspecting them. They in turn must demonstrate their loyalty by more and more extreme protestations of words and deeds.

Fifth, the extremist always poses as a final authority with a pretense of "research." He has "uncovered" the "facts" and is giver of these to the uninformed. As such, publications by extremists pose as "research" studies with many "sources" quoted to fit the purposes of the extremist's position. Any source can be used for the extremists' own purposes, even the Bible.

Sixth, this use of information is partial. The extremist deliberately levels out hindering details, sharpens what is left, and spreads rumor with alarm. An important issue is made ambiguous by missing information and the resulting rumor is used as propaganda.

Finally, the extremist is characterized by commercialism. He is in it to get something out of it. Far right extremists "milk" money, prestige, and attention out of inflamed and confused issues. They do not want the situation to improve, really. They keep the hurrah going because it is profitable to them. The extremist loves luxury, avoids work; survives parasitically off others' labors.

In coping with extremists, several steps can be taken by an effective pastor or religious leader.

First, do not expect to "convince" them rationally. This requires insight and admission that they "prophesy in part." They do not have this.

Second, do not expect kindness from the extremist or imagine that the kindness you show him will be anything other to him than a confession of guilt on your part and that he was totally right all along. Be brief, consistent, and hard-nosed in your emotional distance. He is your enemy. Face it.

Third, simply recognize his right to disagree and do not try to reconcile your differences. Do this at the outset, not after the "tar-baby" has been hit four times and you have nothing else with which to challenge his point of view.

Fourth, anticipate controversial is-

ssues which are fodder for extremist's appetites, define the issues clearly, write your position down in advance of the "hue-and-cry-stage" that breeds extremist propaganda. Then stay with your position. This calls for foresight and advanced thinking about the issues that can divide a congregation, an agency, or a denomination. It calls for creative and aggressive leadership rather than maintaining and defensive leadership.

Fifth, do not appease an extremist by letting him take over the policy and personnel decisions of your organization. If he wants someone fired, remember he is taking over your leadership when you permit it.

Sixth, give adequate, accurate information about any important issue and state the issues and underlying reasons for action briefly and clearly. Controversy breeds on rumor. Rumor rests on ambiguity of information and issue.

Finally, don't do things that make an extremist's profits greater by giving him more publicity. An extremist can stand anything better than to be ignored.

"Have nothing to do with stupid, senseless controversies; you know that they breed quarrels," says 2 Timothy 2:23.

Extremism can be understood and coped with, but not as a rational kind of human behavior. It is irrational, springing from the need of the masses for an escape from the freedom of responsibility into the narcosis of authoritarianism.

It is irrational, springing from the extremist's need to punish and to be punished lest others be trusted and felt near.

Extremism is irrational, springing from the need of responsible leaders to please others, to be thought kindly of by all men, and to avoid being stern with idolatrous men who "measure themselves by themselves and compare themselves with themselves and prove themselves to be unwise."

The extremist has "a morbid craving for controversy . . . imagining that godliness is a means of gain" (1 Timothy 4, 6). But the task of the responsible leader is to cast down every high thing that puts itself in the place of God, even the extremist, looking to himself lest he be also tempted—*The Baptist Program*

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