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Pictured left to right: Wayne Myers, Rodney Morrow, Zim Zimmerman, Coach Garland Allen, Jim Franklin and Charles Mack.

Campus Happenings

- New Student Leaders Elected
- Rutherford-Polk Alumni Chapter Organized
- Bicentennial Day Celebrated
- Admissions Outlook Continues To Improve



BILL BAUCUM



DEBBIE HALL



MACKIE SINCLAIR



SHERRY SETZER

Bill Baucum, Durham, is the newly elected President of the Student Government Association for 1976-77. Others elected to serve their fellow students were Debbie Hall of Pocomoke, Maryland, Vice-President; Mackie Sinclair of Gerton, Secretary; Sherry Setzer of Granite Falls, Treasurer; and John Linderman, Kings Mountain, Chairman of the Student Center Board. The Student Government Association handles general student legislation and discipline in accordance to its constitution and bylaws approved by the college's board of trustees. In addition, the organization promotes the general welfare of the student body and brings about participative understanding with the administration and faculty. The student center board functions to expand and coordinate the social, cultural, recreational and educational opportunities for the members of the Gardner-Webb community.



The admissions outlook for Fall, 1976, is encouraging. Both applications and acceptances are presently running ahead of last year. Director of Admissions, R.W. Abrams '62, estimates that the Fall enrollment will include approximately 400 Freshmen. The college is pleased with the continuous flow of students who are recommended by our Alumni. This is one of the finest ways in which our former students can "support the Webb." Incidentally, there is still room for more students for Fall semester. So all friends of the Webb are encouraged to continue to send prospective students to the college during the Summer months.



The Rutherford-Polk County Alumni Chapter was reorganized on May 13 with more than forty members in attendance. Jack Waters '69 was elected President following a program which was presented by Eddie Holbrook, Athletic Director and Head Basketball Coach at GWC. This brings the number of active Alumni chapters to 14.

Bicentennial Day was held on campus on Wednesday, April 28. The day-long program featured a special Bicentennial Chapel program, picnic lunch, recreational activities with competition between dorms, movies, vesper services and a dance. It was truly a most enjoyable day for the Gardner-Webb family.



Last Summer 141 plus Gardner-Webb students worked in church related positions in eleven states across our nation. Rev. Buddy Freeman, Campus Minister, predicts that this will be exceeded this summer. The students serve as pastors, associate pastors, music directors, education and youth directors, work with the Home Mission Board or serve as members of an evangelism team or musical group.



The resurfacing of the tennis courts has begun. Immediately upon the completion of the Spring semester the complete renovation of the existing tennis courts was started with the laying of the new asphalt base. After allowing time for the asphalt to properly cure, a lakhold topping will be applied so that our students will have a much improved facility for next Fall.



The Seere-Reebuck Foundation has presented an unrestricted grant of \$2500 to Gardner-Webb College. The grant was one of 18 given by the foundation to privately supported colleges and universities in North Carolina totaling more than \$59,000.



The Fellowship of Christians United in Service enjoyed its best year ever during 1975-78. Over one hundred and forty students at Gardner-Webb College had opportunities to participate in 43 revivals held throughout Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Florida during the year. The revival team is a most important aspect of a student's education and opportunity to share Christ. When the teams are invited to a church for a weekend revival the students live in the homes of the church members. Each student has an important part in the revival team, such as preaching, directing music, playing the organ or piano, singing solos, teaching a Sunday School class, sharing a personal testimony, or leading in fellowships. The FOCUS teams had more requests than could be fulfilled this year.

McGraw Receives Honorary Degree From Campbell College



DR. THOMAS J. MCGRAW

Thomas J. McGraw, acting president of Gardner-Webb College, received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws during the 80th annual spring commencement exercises of Campbell College on May 10.

The honor, according to Dr. Norman A. Wiggins, president of Gardner-Webb's sister institution, near Raleigh, was in consideration of McGraw's major contribution to the development of Gardner-Webb as a senior institution during its recent years of advance to senior college standing. Gardner-Webb's Southern Regional Accreditation, first received in 1972, was reaffirmed last December by the Southern Association of Colleges and Universities.

As vice-president for academic affairs since 1968, McGraw has given major leadership in the self-studies and other particulars of academic and administrative development preliminary to qualifying Gardner-Webb for its present full recognition as a senior college.

A graduate of Gardner-Webb, who has had his further higher education at Wake Forest, Appalachian State, and Duke universities, McGraw moved from public school administration to his first position at Gardner-Webb, director of development, in 1962. He has had successive additions of responsibility at vice-presidential levels, having become in 1973 executive vice-president and dean of the college. He has been serving as acting president since February of this year.

Since 1971, when he was named its alumnus of the year, President Wiggins noted, he has been cited twice by trustees, faculty, and staff of his own college for outstanding contributions to its progress.

Receiving similar recognition with Dr. McGraw in the awarding of honorary degrees during the graduation ceremonies were Dr. Carlyle Campbell, president emeritus of Meredith College, son of the founder of Campbell; retiring U.S. Congressman David Henderson, who is a member of the school's presidential board of advisors; the Reverend Jimmy Morris, director of the A.J. Fletcher Baptist Communications Center of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina; and the Reverend Billy Mobley of Ahsokie, immediate past president of the General Board of the Baptist State Convention.

Pinkston Named Alumnus Of The Year

Julius Pinkston, assistant controller at the Charlotte branch of the J. P. Stevens Company, was named Gardner-Webb College "Alumnus of the Year" at the school's annual alumni banquet.

Four others received special recognition and new officers and directors of the Alumni Association were elected during a brief business session. Over 500 people attended the event which featured entertainment by a roving accordion player and a master magician.

The Rev. Charles Rabon, '52 of Columbia, S.C., was given the "service to denomination and church award"; John H. Cantrell, '24 of Boiling Springs, S.C., was given the "service to community award"; and Jack Creech, '35 of Shelby, N.C., was presented the "service to Gardner-Webb College award."

Mrs. Susan Madeline Norrell of Atlanta, a member of the Class of 1962, received the class agent award, presented annually to the class agent whose class contributed the largest amount of money to Gardner-Webb during the year.

Elected as president of the association was Max Padgett of Forest City, N.C. He is the associate superintendent of Rutherford County Schools and past vice president of the G-W alumni. Elected as vice president was Julius Pinkston of Charlotte. Mrs. Sue Grice of Gastonia, N.C., will serve as secretary.

New directors named to serve three year terms are: Dr. Horace G. Hammett, Columbia, S.C.; Donald G. Yelton, Shelby, N.C.; T.R. Cauchy, Belmont, N.C.; Bill McSwain, Gastonia, N.C.; Minna B. Rice, Greenville, S.C.; Julia Crawley, Yadkinville, N.C.; Jack Creech, Shelby, N.C.; Arch Fowler, Greenville, S.C.; Glenn Pettyjohn, Winston-Salem, N.C.; and Don Longest, Rockingham, N.C.

Directors elected to one-year terms are: Dr. T. Robert Mullinax, Raleigh; Dr. H. Gene Washburn, Boiling Springs, N.C.; Wayne Troutman, Concord, N.C.; Sara Nell Beam, Gastonia, N.C.; John Washburn, Jr., Boiling Springs, N.C.; Jeff McNeill, Central, S.C.; Julian Fowler, Ben-



Julius Pinkston, Alumnus of the Year and Award Winner, John H. Cantrell.

nettsville, S.C.; James L. Williamson, Charlotte; and Bessie Self Johnson, Charlotte; Forrest Hunt, Forest City, N.C.

A native of Fayetteville, Pinkston attended Gardner-Webb Junior College from 1949-51 and received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Wake Forest University. His career with J.P. Stevens began in 1958.

In service to the community, he has been president of the United Fund and PTA in Cheraw, S.C., an officer in the Rotary Club and chairman of the Textile Division of the United Community Service Program in Mecklenburg County. Pinkston is a past member of the Board of Directors of the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce and currently is chairman of the Greater Carolinas Chapter of the American National Red Cross.



Newly elected Alumni President Max Padgett with Award Winners Jack Creech and Charlen Rabon.

Pinkston has served Gardner-Webb as a member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors and chairman of the 1975-76 Annual Fund. Under his leadership the fund has increased three times over last year's total. He will serve next year as vice president of the association.

Vice president of the First National Bank of Shelby, Creech has served as president of the G-W Alumni Association for the past three years. He is a member of the Bulldog Club Board of Directors and newly-elected member of the Alumni Board of Directors. Creech has also served as chairman of the Annual Fund.

Rev. Rabon has been a member of the General Board of the Baptist State Convention of South Carolina since 1972. He has served as pastor of First Baptist Church, Camellon, Ind.; Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Shelby, N.C.; First Baptist Church, Kershaw, S.C.; and Boiling Springs Baptist Church, Boiling Springs, S.C., as well as being president or moderator for four different associations.

An active supporter of meaningful community projects, Cantrell is chairman of the Governor's Beautification Committee of Spartanburg County and president of the Men's Garden Club. He is a past officer in the Sons of the American Revolution. Cantrell serves his church as a member of the Order of St. Andrews Society of the Episcopal Church of the Advent in Spartanburg.



Mr. John P. Carlton of Spartanburg represented the class of 1912.

Gardner-Webb Receives \$100,000 From Myers Estate

Gardner-Webb College will receive \$100,000 from the estate of industrialist Albert G. Myers of Gastonia, N.C., who died April 15.

The gift was a portion of \$1 million that Myers willed to six area colleges, Myers Memorial United Methodist Church in Gastonia, and the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children in Greenville, S.C. Founder of Textiles, Inc., Myers left an estate worth more than \$5.6 million.

"His gift will touch thousands of lives," said Dr. Thomas McGraw, acting president of the college.

GWC Annual Preaching Clinic

Gardner-Webb College will sponsor the seventh annual Preaching Clinic August 16-20, 1976. The Clinic which is offered to freshmen and transfer ministerial students is designed to assist the students in learning the techniques of sermon preparation and delivery. The Clinic will cover all aspects of preaching: history of preaching, introduction, conclusion, illustration, sermon ideas, type of sermons, invitations, etc.

Rev. Buddy Freeman, College Minister at Gardner-Webb College, coordinates the clinics. He says, "This year the Clinic will involve 14 lectures concerning sermon preparation, research in the library and four excellent sermons by preachers in the area. Also each student will preach a sermon at the conclusion of the clinic."

Rev. Freeman feels that Gardner-Webb College has one of the best practical and academic programs available for the young man called of God to preach. He says, "Gardner-Webb College will provide many preaching opportunities for the students. This is why we need to help the ministerial students to learn the fundamentals of sermon preparation before they enter Gardner-Webb College."

Anyone desiring additional information can contact Rev. Buddy Freeman at Box 892, Boiling Springs, North Carolina 28017.

McGraw indicated the money will probably be used for the school's endowment fund.

A man's residence hall was constructed at Gardner-Webb and named in his honor in 1967. He was a friend of former Governor and Mrs. O. Max Gardner for whom the college is named.

In his will Myers wrote that "for many years I have been deeply interested in smaller private colleges in this area, feeling that they have contributed heavily to the building of character in our youth and in creating in these young people greater appreciation of the basic value in life."

Agreement Reached With Charlotte Memorial

The School of Medical Technology at Charlotte Memorial Hospital has entered into an agreement with Gardner-Webb College whereby Gardner-Webb students may earn the bachelor of science degree in medical technology.

The program requires students to complete three years of study at Gardner-Webb and a fall calendar year of instruction in medical technology at Charlotte Memorial Hospital. The degree will be granted by Gardner-Webb.

"We are pleased to enter into this affiliation with Gardner-Webb for the purpose of increasing the effectiveness of both institutions in education for the important branch of medical technology," said Dr. John T. Cuttino, director of the School of Medical Technology.

Students enrolling in the program must complete the basic course requirements as prescribed by Gardner-Webb plus supportive studies and electives as outlined by the college. The major course in medical technology will be taken at Charlotte Memorial Hospital.

Gardner-Webb has a similar agreement with the Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest University.

Alumni Coffee Club Adds New Members



The Alumni Coffee Club membership now totals 82. In addition to those mentioned in the last edition of The Web the following now are owners of a beautiful continental mug like the one pictured:

Mr. Edwin Harold Benckst
Miss Madeline Stroppe
Mr. Robert R. Forsay
Mrs. Julia C. Crawley
Mr. Ralph L. Falls
Mr. J. Wayne Epley
Mr. W. B. Simmons, Jr.
Dr. Helen M. Skinson
Mr. W. M. Gillespie
Mr. Tommy Cash
Ms. Betsy Chiles
Mr. John Hugh Cantrell
Mrs. John Hugh Cantrell
Mrs. E. B. Arndt
Mr. Roger D. Buwer
Mrs. R. E. Price
Mr. Billy G. McSwain
Mrs. Robert Jones
Mrs. Edna Mack
Mr. Stephen J. Dvorsak
Mrs. Phyllis A. Brown
Mr. Nolan P. Howington
Mrs. Bertie R. Thomas
Rev. Glenn E. Felmet
Mr. Forest Roberts, Sr.
Ms. Annie Luann Roberts
Chaplain Newton R. N. Hardin
Mr. Martin Arthur Mosely, III
Dr. Don Cheek
Mrs. Rachel Cheek
Mr. Lee Fincannon
Mrs. Lee Fincannon
Rev. James Sides
Mrs. James Sides

Any alumnus of Gardner-Webb may become a member by giving to the Annual Fund an amount less than the price of a cup of coffee per day for one year. Only 10¢ per day or a minimum of \$36.50 will make you a member of the Coffee Club. Join today by mailing your check to the Annual Fund, Gardner-Webb College, Boiling Springs, North Carolina 28017.

Alumni Update

The 1920's

Mary C. Thompson Kiser, '25, plans to retire soon from a music store business. She lives at 430, 5th Ave. West, Hendersonville, N.C. She has one son, Ron, who is in the real estate business in Asheville and Mars Hill, where he and his wife Susan and 8 year old daughter, Beth, live. Susan is a high school math teacher in Marshall.

The 1930's

Marlow A. Stroup, '36, retired April 25, 1976 from the active pastorate. He served as pastor of the Choctaw Baptist Church, Blairsville, Ga. for 10 years. He and his wife, the former Gladys Callahan of Shelby, have bought a home at 505 Gardner Street, Shelby, N.C. Mr. Stroup will be available after May 1 as interim pastor and for evangelistic work. His mailing address is P.O. Box 2258, Shelby, N.C. 28150.

The 1940's

Bill Gibbons, '47, is editor of the *Gaffney Ledger*. He resides in Gaffney, South Carolina. Bill continues to serve Gardner-Webb in several capacities including his work as a member of the college's Board of Advisors.

Thomas R. Causby, '49, is an officer at Belmont Textile Machinery. He and his wife, the former Hal Pratt, live in Belmont, N.C. Tommy currently serves on the Gardner-Webb Board of Trustees.

The 1950's

Jean McSwain Teague, '53, was commissioned as a Missionary Associate on March 9, 1976, at the Baker James Cauthen Chapel, Foreign Mission Board Headquarters, Richmond, Virginia, to serve as an elementary teacher of English at the Amman Baptist School, Amman, Jordan. On September 10, 1976, Mrs. Teague will go to Colleway Gardens, Pine Mountains, Ga., for 14 weeks of orientation. After spending a week or so in Shelby for Christmas, she will leave for her field (approximately December 30, 1976).

The 1960's

James L. Bracken, '61, has been appointed the new pastor at Falling Creek Baptist Church. Rev. Bracken is the former pastor of Grant's Creek Baptist Church in Meysville. He is a graduate of Gardner-Webb College and attended Wake Forest College.

Jerry R. Walker, '61, Special Representative for Jefferson Standard Insurance Company, has successfully qualified for membership in the Company's President's Club. The President's Club is the Company's top Honor Club. Membership is awarded to representatives who have distinguished themselves with life insurance sales of \$1,000,000 or more during the preceding calendar year.

Carbel Crout, '65, received his B.S. from Mars Hill College in Physical Education in 1967. He received his M.Ed. in Secondary School Administration from Clemson University in 1973. He is married to the former Sharrn L. Proctor of Forest City, N.C. They have one daughter, Ashley, 18 months old. Mr. Crout taught and coached at Easley Sr. High School in Easley, S.C. for 6 years. Since 1973 he has been Athletic Director and Head Football Coach at St. Andrew's High School in Charleston, S.C.

James E. Maynor, '67, has been promoted to Vice President of First Union Mortgage Corporation, a subsidiary of First Union National Bank. Maynor, a native of Spindale, N.C. joined the bank's Mester Charge Department in 1969. He has served as accounting director for Mester Charge, operations manager for Charge Plan, Inc. and director of the bank's "Instant Cash Reserve" service. He joined First Union Mortgage Corporation in January, 1976. In addition to attending Gardner-Webb College he received his degree in Business Administration from the University of Georgia. He is married to the former Linda Cuthshaw of Waynesville, N.C.

Richard E. Gerwig, '69, and his wife Ellen Gerwig, '71, have recently moved to Culpeper, Va. Richard is now the chief pilot for Omni Services, Inc. Omni Services is the holding

company of Uniform Rental. Ellen has been working for Culpeper Memorial Hospital.

The 1970's

Wayne Epley, '71, of Rutherfordton has been promoted to Vice President of Bill Ziglar Advertising and Associates. Epley was formerly District Sales Manager for western South end North Carolina. Epley, 35, is a graduate of Gardner-Webb College in Business Administration. He will continue to live in Rutherfordton, but will handle customer relations throughout the southeast.



EPLEY



FOWLER

Arch F. Fowler, '72, who works for Equitable Life Assurance Society, has produced at the 2,900 Club level of The President's Cabinet for the month of March. Arch led the entire Developing Sales Force in South Carolina with more than \$4,000 Production Credits to win the DSFR of the Month Award.

Terry Wayne Weavil, '72, a native of Forsyth County, was ordained in January, 1976, at his home congregation of Fries Memorial Morevian. He was installed as pastor of Mount Bethel Morevian at Cane, Va. He is married to the former Holly Ann Stewart of Bethlehem, Pa., and they will live at Rt. 1, Cane. He graduated with a B.A. degree in history at Gardner-Webb College. He graduated in January, 1976, from Morevian Theological Seminary in Bethlehem.

Armen N. Abajian, '73, recently received his Masters Degree in Food Technology and Science from the University of Tennessee. He and his wife, Angela, and son, Vick, live in Lawrence where he is doing his practical training in the area of food sciences. Armen is seeking his U.S. Citizenship.

Kay Smith, '73, daughter of Mr. &

Alumni Update

Mrs. Eunice Kelly of King and a graduate of South Stokes High School has been licensed by the Gospel Ministry by Milbrook Baptist Church of Raleigh. A graduate of Gardner-Webb College, she is currently a senior at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary working toward the Master of Divinity with Religious Education degree.

Sharon Annette Gregory, '73, has taken a position as Director of Christian Education in Norfolk, Va. at Azalea Baptist Church.

Dene La Rue Eller, '73, has joined the faculty of Sacred Heart College. Miss Eller, a native of China Grove, N.C. will be an adjunct instructor in physical education.

Banks Smith, '76, of Cheraw, S.C., has been accepted to the S.C. Medical University, School of Pharmacy, at Charleston. His wife, the former Becky Thompson of State Road, N.C., has been accepted in the School of Respiratory Therapy.

Edith Bailey Coach, '61 & '76, has received notice from the Surgeon General of her commission as an Assistant Junior Health Officer into the U.S. Public Health Service. She and her 3 year old daughter, Robin LeAnne, will be moving to Baltimore, Maryland on July 2 where Edith will be doing graduate work in Medical Record Administration at the U.S. Public Health Service Hospital.

Births

Jane Rogers Reynolds, '65, and husband, Dale, announce the birth of a son, Eric Paul, born March 20, 1976.

Donald G. Ledbetter, '66, and wife announce the birth of a son, Jonathan Samuel, born February 14, 1976. Don is pastor of the Boylan Heights Baptist Church in Raleigh, N.C.

Helen Ballard Smith, '66, and husband, Steve, announce the birth of their first child, Michael Glenn, born June 14, 1975. The Smiths live on Rt. 2, Mooresboro, N.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony (Tony) L. Johnson, '68, (Cynthia Ware, '69) announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, Jennifer Leigh, born January 4, 1976. Tony and Cynthia live in Charlotte. Tony is Production Super-

visor for Jefferson Pilot Broadcasting's WBTV. They have a daughter who is 8 1/2 years old.

Nellie Jolley Hawkins, '69, and husband, Steve, announce the birth of twins, a daughter, Lesley, and a son, Wesley, born November 30, 1975.

Mr. and Mrs. William (Bill) Kreswell Neely, '71 (Wanda Suddreth, '71), announce the birth of a son, William (Will) Suddreth, born April 28, 1976. The Neelys live in Radford, Virginia.

Alan Myrhe, '72, and wife announce the birth of a daughter, Marci Elizabeth, born March 29, 1976. The Myrheys live in Charlotte, N.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Brannocome, '73, (Linda O'Bryant, '74), announce the birth of a daughter, Amy Lynn, born December 13, 1975.

E. Mayson Easterling, III, '74, and wife announce the birth of a daughter, Angela Mary, born February 15, 1976.

Marriages

Clifford Eugene Ramsey, '72, to Jadine Sellers, '71, February, 1976. Clifford is staff manager of Southern Life Insurance in Shelby. Jadine is a 7th grade language arts teacher at South Cleveland Junior High School. The couple live in Shelby, N.C.

Joy Ann Jolley, '72, to Paul Fredrick Shuman, February, 1975. She is an employee of First Federal Savings & Loan Association in Gastonia, N.C. The couple live at 915 Nottingham Drive, Apt. 36, Gastonia, N.C.

Richard Marion Carter, '71, to Eola Kay Millwood, December, 1975. He is employed by Pacolet Machinery.

James Thaxter Best, Jr., '71, to Francene Laree Arden, April, 1976. He is employed by Hooper-Holmes Bureau in Atlanta as an insurance investigator. The couple resides at 2550 Hargrove Road, E-203, Smyrna, Ga.

John Bettis Spangler, '72, to Donna Jeanne Wilfong, April, 1976. He is employed with Mutual of Omaha Insurance Co. of Charlotte. The couple reside on Countryside Drive in Charlotte, N.C.

Phillip Wenzford Kirkland, '72, to Barbara Ann White, '73, May, 1976.

Philip is assistant manager at K. and K. Toy's. The couple live at 2402 Lednum St., Apt. C, Durham, N.C.

Patsy Lynn Cornwell, '73, to J. William Pugh, May, 1976. The couple reside in Shelby where the bridegroom is employed by Cleveland Memorial Hospital.

Kathy Starr Biddy, '74, to Jerry Arvin Roberts, April 16, 1976. She is employed as a teacher at Bethlehem Elementary School. The couple reside on Rt. 1, Wilber, N.C.

Debra Darlene Jackson, '75, to Robert Elliott Gilbert, May, 1975. She will be employed by Rutherford Hospital in Rutherfordton, N.C.

Ray Dean Carpenter, '75, to Debra Anita Black, April, 1976. He is employed with Dora Yarn Mills of Cherryville. The couple reside in Shelby, N.C.

Jill Elizabeth Newton, '75, to James B. Londero, December, 1975. She is employed by Ryder Truck Rental and Leasing. The couple live at Rt. 7, Hickory, N.C.

Boyd Allen Wall, '75, to Suzanne Denise Ross, February, 1976. He is employed with Lily Mill of Shelby. The couple will make their home in Shelby, N.C.

Alma Annette Highsmith, '75, to Gordon McDonald Coggins, Jr., April 18, 1976. She is a registered nurse presently attending East Carolina University to get her B.S. degree in Nursing. The couple are residing in Greenville, N.C.

Ronnie Bruce McGuirt, '73, to Connie Marie Warmoth, May 22, 1976. He is an assistant manager for K-Mart Stores in Rock Hill. The couple will reside in Rock Hill, S.C.

Wofford Boswell Caughman, Jr., '75, to Catherine Leila Bailey, May, 1976. He is Minister of Youth in Raleigh and attends Southeastern Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, N.C. The couple will reside in Raleigh.

Ricky Austin Beam, '76, to Carol Renee Page, '76, May, 1976. The couple will reside in Boiling Springs.

Rick Tressler, '78, to Joy Suther, May 22, 1978. The couple will reside in Boiling Springs, N.C. while Joy finishes her senior year at Gardner-Webb College.

Business Interns Gain Valuable



Ernie Spangler
First Federal Savings & Loan
Shelby, N.C.



Billy Joe Stagie
N.C. Department Of
Natural & Economic Resources
Mt. Mitchell, N.C.

This Summer eight Business Administration students are participating in a program which is designed to bridge the gap between academic theory and actual business operations. The internship program places students with cooperating business firms or other organizations for a full-time semester of work experience during their Junior or Senior year. The work experience is supervised by an individual designated by the company or organization within which the student is employed. The student is actually enrolled in BA 320—In-

ternship, which earns the student 15 semester hours credit as well as providing him with valuable practical experience. The student's grade is determined by the faculty coordinator after he receives evaluations from the student and his supervisor.

The internship program was initiated in 1972 under the guidance of Mrs. Helyn Lowery and Mr. Deck Andrews of the GWC Department of Business Administration. Since that time more than 40 students have participated in the program which limits the number of students approved to

participate to those chosen by a selection committee. Each then receives a highly personalized work-study experience. The participating students are given the responsibility to identify a business or agency that is interested in participating in the program. The businesses or agencies that choose to become involved are asked to make a payment of \$900 to the college for the internship. This is to underwrite a tuition scholarship for the intern and to pay visitation expenses for the faculty member who supervises the interns program.



Loan Brown, III
Troutman Industries
Troutman, N.C.



Don Willis
Citizens National Bank
Gastonia, N.C.

Experience

Mr. Deck Andrews, Chairman of the Department of Business Administration is quite clear in his personal evaluation of the internship program. He states, "The semester in which our students serve as interns is by far the most meaningful semester of their four years with us." He points with pride to the list of students who have participated. It seems that nearly all of them have been successful in their chosen careers after graduation. Although it is certainly not required or expected, it is obvious that many businesses and agencies have hired their interns on a permanent basis after the student completed his or her work at Gardner-Webb.

The former GWC students who participated in the program that were asked to comment were unanimous in their praise of their internship experience. Steve Walker is now employed by First Federal Savings & Loan in Shelby, N.C., where he worked as an intern. In discussing the program, he said, "My internship experience was certainly good for me personally. I was able to get an overall view of all aspects of the business. I found that the actual experience of

working in the business enabled me to learn more than I could ever learn in a classroom situation alone."

During a recent conversation with Mr. John Eastorling, Vice President of Carolina State Bank in Gastonia, N.C., he expressed his feeling about the internship program by saying, "Our bank is thoroughly pleased with the program. Our intern's contribution to the bank has been significant even though he has only been here a few weeks. We are delighted to be able to expose our intern to the real world of banking. Our major goal in the program is to provide a stimulat-



Cindy McGraw
Rutherford Hospital
Rutherfordton, N.C.



Lee Taylor
A. V. Wray & Sons
Gastonia, N.C.

ing challenge to the intern while making a contribution to his education." Certainly this is one of the finest endorsements that the program could receive. It is encouraging that his response was typical of the responses received from the participating employers.

According to Mr. Andrews, this kind of attitude among area employers is the major reason for the success of the internship program. It also is the reason he feels that future years will see even more students and employers taking part. He stands ready to discuss the program with anyone who is interested.



Bert Reimberry, Jr.
The Hartford Insurance Co.
Atlanta, Georgia



Mike Davis
Carolina State Bank
Gastonia, N.C.

Commencement Exercises Dedicated To The



Three hundred eleven students received diplomas from Gardner-Whit College on May 18, along with a challenge from commencement speaker Dr. Cecil Ray to confront the awesome list of unfinished tasks in the world.

"The world has a place for the person who can see opportunity and who has something to offer," said the

general secretary-treasurer of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. "I can verify that opportunities do abound for those who know what life is all about."

Dr. Ray asked the graduates to learn the answers of the exam questions in life: Who am I? What is life all about? and Where are the opportunities?

"Christ gives us the best example

in Mark 10:45," Ray said. "The key emphasis to His approach to life was to serve rather than to be served, to seek giving more than getting and to value others above self. The two big words were 'serving' and 'giving'."

"Christ calls for us to give more attention to what life means than to what life provides."



Rev. T. Robert Mullins receives Honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree.



Mrs. Bash Stroup is presented Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters Degree.

Memory Of Dr. Lewis And Professor Dixon

Six students received commencement awards in recognition for outstanding achievements.

Stephen McFaddin Lewis, a mathematics major from Bolling Springs, N.C. was awarded the J.D. Huggins Citizenship Medal, and Sarah Louise Ormand, an intermediate education major from Columbus, N.C., was given the Etta L. Curtis Citizenship Medal. The awards are presented to the male and female graduates exhibiting the best record in scholarship and general interest in college activities.

Miss Ormand also received the senior scholastic achievement award for her 3.90 academic average.

The junior scholastic award was presented to Donna M. Jones of Kings Mountain with a 3.58 average. Mary Vista Jones of Shelby received the sophomore award with an average of 3.89, and Leona Shawn Gay of Goldsboro was given the freshman award for a 4.0 average.

Dr. Thomas J. McGraw, acting president of the college, conferred honorary degrees to Mrs. Rush Stroup of Shelby and the Rev. T. Robert Mullinax of Raleigh. Mrs. Stroup, a long-time trustee and benefactor, received the doctor of humanities degree and Mullinax was given the doctor of divinity. He is Executive Secretary of the Baptist State Convention Council on Christian Higher Education.

Co-founder along with her late husband of the Eagle's Stores Company, Dr. Stroup took over the operation of the 10 store chain in 1930 upon the

death of her husband and successfully directed the business through the depression-ridden '30's.

She was first elected to the college's board of trustees in 1934 and has served almost continuously, except when rotated off by policy of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. Dr. Stroup is the only woman to have ever served as chairman of the board, being first elected to that post in 1959.

In addition, she has served as vice chairman, secretary, treasurer and member of various committees. Presently she is vice chairman of the board and chairman of the executive committee.

Dr. Stroup is the only woman in North Carolina to have served as trustee of three colleges—Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill and Wake Forest. Dormitories for women at Gardner-Webb and Mars Hill have been named in her honor and in her husband's memory.

She was named Woman of the Year by the Business and Professional Women of Shelby in 1954. Dr. Stroup is an active member of the First Baptist Church in Shelby.

Dr. Mullinax assumed his post as head of the Council on Higher Education in 1971.

A native of Cedartown, Ga., Mullinax is a graduate of Gardner-Webb College and Wake Forest University. He received his bachelor of divinity degree from the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

He served as pastor of several North Carolina churches: Bunn Baptist



Dr. Cecil Ray shown here presenting challenge to graduates.

tist Church, Bunn; First Baptist Church, St. Pauls; First Baptist Church, Cary; and First Baptist Church, Laurinburg.

Active in the realm of Christian education, Mullinax has served as president of the Youth and Education Directors' Association, Birmingham, Ala.; president of the Southeastern Seminary Alumni Association; and president of the Robeson Baptist Pastors' Conference. He has served as a member of the board of directors of "The Biblical Recorder" and currently is a member of the Special Education Study Committee of the Missouri Baptist Convention.

Mullinax has appeared as a speaker and lecturer at many churches, associations and Christian



Mrs. J. Thomson Lewis, escorted by Dr. John Drayer, accept plaque from Dr. Robert Lamb.



Mrs. Hubert C. Dixon and Dr. Paul Jolley accept plaque presented to her by the Gardner Webb family.

Commencement Exercises Continued

colleges throughout North Carolina, and has written articles for a number of Baptist magazines and periodicals.

He and his wife, the former Rachel Smith of Mount Holly, have three sons, Tom, 21, Marc, 19; and Ben, 15. They are active members of the First Baptist Church in Raleigh.

Two members of the college faculty who died during the year were remembered for their contributions. They were Dr. J. Thurman

Lewis, who served as academic dean and professor of religion and ancient languages for 11 years, and Hubert C. Dixon, who was chairman of the Department of Mathematics and Physics and professor of mathematics for 41 years.

Dr. Randy Crothers, chairman of the Department of Education and director of the teachers' training service, was cited for his services upon retirement. He joined the Gardner-Webb faculty in 1968.

Also, plans were announced to establish an Endowed Chair of Bible to be named for the Rev. B.E. Morris of Charlotte, a retired pastor and currently a guest lecturer in the Department of Religious Education.

Hatcher S. Elliott, pastor of Beverly Hills Baptist Church in Asheville, delivered the haccenlaruete sermon.

He told the graduates to allow God to open for them a meaningful life. "Life can become for you one endless round full of sound and action but signifying nothing, unless there is a divine dimension. Without this element, your education is like an automobile with a flat tire."

The real worth of your college education will not be decided on the basis of whether or not you find a good job or whether you make a lot of money."

Rev. Elliott added that there is no substitute for courage in life's battles. "Your education can help you maneuver," he pointed out, "but your morals are the strong man without which the battle is lost."



Lilla Garcia Yevner receives her diploma from Dr. Thomas J. McGrew.

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(Please type or print)

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Degree received at GWC: _____ Date degree received: _____

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Name of college	Dates attended	Degree received
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Self-employed: Yes No (Check correct one)

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Statesville—Mooreville—Iredell—Davie GWC Leaders Raise \$41,390



Mr. Lee Fincannon Rev. James B. Sides Mr. Art Fincannon Rev. Elmer Thomas Rev. Rick Cockerham

Gardner-Webb College opened a Development Office in the North Carolina National Bank Building in Statesville, N.C. for the purpose of promoting Gardner-Webb and providing information to prospective students and supporters.

The office served as a base for the Statesville area fund-raising efforts for the college, part of a \$10,000,000 program which was started in the fall of 1974. To date \$1.5 million has been realized through the good efforts of friends like the ones in the Statesville area.

Mr. Lee Fincannon, a college trustee from Statesville, served as chairman of the fund-raising drive in the Iredell-Davie area. Working with Fincannon were Reverend Jimmy Sides, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Mooreville and President of the Iredell County Gardner-Webb College Alumni Chapter; Mr. Tommy Alexander, a member of the Gardner-Webb Board of Advisors, serving as special gifts chairman; Mrs. Rachel Cheek, secretary of the Iredell County Gardner-Webb

Alumni Chapter, served as attendance chairman; Mr. Art Fincannon, a sales representative from Radio Station WSIC, served as attendance and publicity chairman; Reverend Elmer Thomas, Associational Missionary of the South Yadkin Baptist Association, served as advisor to the campaign; and Reverend Rick Cockerham, pastor of Fairview Baptist Church, and Mr. J.V. Johnson, a contractor and builder, served as area general gifts chairmen. Mr. Joe Gilley, GWC Trustee, served as key man from Mooreville.

Gardner-Webb College Sunday was held in 21 of the 46 Baptist churches within the South Yadkin Baptist Association on May 2.

A prospect Kick-Off Dinner was held at Statesville Senior High School on May 3 with 229 attending. Dr. Thomas J. McGraw outlined future plans for the college following entertainment by the College Choral Ensemble and a slide presentation by Mr. Van Scott, Director of Public Relations.

Gardner-Webb College concluded

the formal aspects of its capital gifts campaign on May 31 with a total of \$41,390 being contributed.

At the report meetings, campaign leaders reported contributions of \$22,115 from the general gifts area and \$19,275 from the special gifts section.

Dr. Thomas J. McGraw told the leadership at the final report meeting that "their enthusiasm and hard work have helped make a great college greater." He also said, "Not only have you helped us financially, but you have also done something that is vital for the future of Gardner-Webb—you have told the story of the college to the people of Iredell and Davie Counties and you have impressed upon them our commitment to Christian higher education. The rewards of this campaign will be reaped for many years."

Mr. Bill J. Briggs, Coordinator of Development, presented gifts of appreciation to the key leaders of the campaign for their dedication to the capital fund drive.



Mrs. Rachel Cheek Mr. Joe Gilley Mr. J. V. Johnson Mr. J. T. Alexander, Jr.

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Two GWC Golfers And Coach Earn Honors

Zim Zimmerman and Jim Franklin, both of Morganton, N.C., earned NAIA All-American honors for their play in the National Tournament held recently at the Alamance Country Club in Burlington, N.C. This was the second time that Zimmerman has received the honor. The play of these two newly honored All-Americans was instrumental in the Bulldogs winning the NAIA National Golf Championship. Zimmerman is a junior and Franklin is a sophomore. The 12 low players and ties in the National Tournament make up the All-American team. The following were included in this select group:

Will Brewer—David Lipscomb College, Tennessee
Bill McIntyre—Sam Houston State, Texas
Chuck Scott—Elon College, North Carolina
Tony Randall—Francis Marion College, South Carolina
Jim Franklin—Gardner-Webb College, North Carolina
David Braxton—Elon College, North Carolina
Tim Seogen—Wisconsin-LaCrosse, Wisconsin
Kris Kinell—U.S. International University, California
Willis Nance—Pembroke State University, North Carolina
Mike Free—St. Bernard College, Alabama
Jan Rube—U.S. International University, California
Zim Zimmerman—Gardner-Webb College, North Carolina
Dan Sheffer—Florida Atlantic, Florida

Coach Garland Allen who has guided the GWC golfers to third place and first place in the last two national tournaments was honored as the NAIA Golf Coach of the Year. This was certainly an appropriate ending to a great year of Bulldog Athletics.



Zim Zimmerman regests as NALA All-American with four consistent rounds.



All-American Jimmy Franklin on his way to 3rd round 73.



Dr. Garland Allen, NAIA Coach of the Year, gives instructions to Bulldog golfers.

Bulldog Golfers Are National Champs

The 1976 Gardner-Webb Golf Team has become the first athletic team in the school's history to win a National Championship. After being 7 shots out of the lead after the first round the Bulldog golfers played steadily each day and eventually went into the final nine holes only three shots behind the team from U.S. International of San Diego, Calif. With the pressure on, the Gardner-Webb team members simply outplayed the field and stormed past U.S. International. They then withstood a charge by the best team Elon College. At the end of the 72 hole tournament it was Gardner-Webb winning the National Championship by a single shot with a team score of 1193 with Elon College second at 1194. U.S. International finished third with 1196.

"We're tickled to death to win," stated Coach Garland Allen, "That's what we intended to do. We didn't play particularly well, certainly not as well as we're capable of playing, but we had four good scores each day, and that's what counted."

The Bulldogs displayed excellent balance from top-to-bottom. Although none of the five golfers broke par during the four-day tourney, only one turned in a round higher than 77.

Gardner-Webb had a first day score of 301 then came back with a 295. The Bulldogs made their charge on the third day, shooting a 297 while playing in a cold, steady drizzle. G-W

turned in a 300 score for the final round.

"We had some key holes during the final round, but probably none more important than 17 and 18, and the way they were played by our freshman, Wayne Myers," Allen said. "He made par on both holes and had to come out of the trap each time to do it. He could have folded right there and that would have been it. But he made two great pars under tremendous pressure."

Sophomore Jimmy Franklin was low scorer for the Bulldogs with rounds of 75-73-73-75 for 296. Zim Zimmerman was next with scores of 73-76-75-74 for 298. Both were named to the 13-man All-America team.

Myers had a four-day total of 300 with rounds of 76-73-76-75, and Rodney Morrow was one stroke behind with scores of 77-75-73-76. Charlie Mack rounded out the effort with rounds of 77-74-83-77.

Each member of the team made valuable contributions in the winning effort with each playing at least one outstanding round in the tournament. Of the five-man squad, two will be lost to graduation—Rodney Morrow and Charles Mack. The others—Zim Zimmerman, Jim Franklin and Wayne Myers all have eligibility remaining and should give GWC a very strong nucleus for another outstanding team for 1977.

It was the fourth appearance by

Gardner-Webb in the national tourney. The Dogs finished fifth in 1971, 12th in 1973 and third last year.



Rodney Morrow shot a 73 during the rain-soaked third round.

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It yet remains to be seen just how large our web will grow, but this much we know, once you've seen us, we never let you go. This is the spirit of Gardner-Webb.