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## Trustees, Advisors Organize for G-W's New Decade

### TRUSTEE OFFICERS

Shown with Lloyd C. Best, owner of Shelby, new G-W trustee chairman, are Mrs. Ruth Sisco of Shelby, secretary, and H. Max Craig of Stanley, vice chairman.



### Best Will Lead College Trustees

North Carolina banker executive Lloyd C. Best of Shelby will lead Gardner-Webb College's Board of Trustees as the institution enters a new decade of advancement.

Best, vice president of Best Bakery, Inc., was elected trustee chairman at the board's late November meeting. He succeeds R. Patrick Spangler of Shelby, who had served as chairman of the board for the past four years.

Best is a long-time supporter of the college, having once previously been trustee chairman.

College President E. Eugene Patten said, "We are most pleased that Mr. Best has agreed to serve as our chairman of trustees. We shall soon enter into a whole new drive and this will mean many new responsibilities for all of us. His knowledge of the school's past and his interest in its future will be of great value. Our trustees will be vital factors as we begin our forty-year college program."

Other officers named by trustees are H. Max Craig of Stanley, executive vice president of Gaston County Dyeing and Finishing Co., vice chairman; Mrs. Ruth Sisco of Shelby, retired Shelby businesswoman, secretary; R. Patrick Spangler of Shelby, meat factor, treasurer; Miss Charlotte Strancy of Falkons, assistant secretary; and Forest C. Roberts Jr. of Gastonia, assistant treasurer.

## JOHN L. FRALEY HEADS G-W ADVISORS



JOHN L. FRALEY

John L. (Buck) Fraley of Cherryville has been elected chairman of Gardner-Webb College's Board of Advisors. The executive vice president of Carolina Freight Carriers Corp., he succeeds Charles F. Mancey of Kings Mountain.

Stan Lovelace of Forest City, plant manager of General Pipe-fitting Co., was elected vice chairman, and Joe Colburn of Shelby, president of First Federal Savings and Loan Association, was named secretary at the advisors' meeting late last year.

Eleven new members named to the Board of Advisors are Hoyt Bailey, George Blawie Jr. and Earl W. Spangler, all of Shelby; Mrs. L. P. Fries of Hickory; W. J. Fiere of McAdenville; Marshall Roach of Gastonia; Arthur Smith of Charlotte; David J. Stowe of Belmont; Tom C. Wilson of Winston-Salem; Alan T. Withrow of Charlotte and Mrs. Richard Rice of Greenville, S. C.

Committee chairmen named at the meeting include Lovelace, chairman of the executive committee; Newton Brown of Bennettsville, S. C., finance committee chairman; J. D. Pitt of Morganton, public relations committee chairman; J. V. Schweppe of Shelby, curriculum committee chairman; and Charles Alexander of Kings Mountain, title and character committee.

### Greenville Alumni To Meet Feb. 5

The big Greenville, S. C., G-W Alumni Chapter will meet Feb. 5 in Greenville. Alumni Activities Director J. Randolph Elrod reports. John Roberts, editor of The Baptist Courier, is handling arrangements. The chapter includes the towns of Greer, Enley, Pickens, Mizden, Simpsonville, Parton, Irwin, Taylors, Travelers Rest, Mars Hill, Siler, Piedmont and Greenville. Further details were to be mailed by the alumni office.

### SENIOR STATUS REFLECTED IN CHARTER

Gardner-Webb College's charter has been amended and filed with the Cleveland County Clerk of Court to elevate the college from junior to senior status.

Attorney J. Toliver Davis, chairman of the Trustee Charter Revision Committee, reported its work completed at directed by the full trustee board. The action completes a process first embarked with President E. Eugene Patten's 1967 recommendation that G-W enter the forty-year program. The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina on Nov. 13, 1968, approved the college's growth to a four-year school, and in November, 1969, the convention voted to change the name to Gardner-Webb College and amend the charter to make its senior status official.

The G-W Alumni Association was to hold its quarterly luncheon meeting Jan. 24 on the campus. Alumni Activities Director Elrod said the group would see a preview of a slide presentation on "The Old and New of Gardner-Webb College."

## WITH THE ALUMNI

The Rev. B. A. Cooper '40 has assumed duties as pastor of High Peak Baptist Church, 5th Memorial Baptist Church in Fort Mill, S. C., was his previous post.

The Rev. and Mrs. Paul Johnson (Vine Road) '56, ministers to the Phillips have moved to Martins on the island of Miranda, where the Rev. Mr. Johnson is engaged in field evangelism.

Ronda Upson (Mrs. James) Foster '65, a High Point native, is a new second-grade teacher at Ballfour Centre in Asheville. Nancy Kay Brady (Mrs. Albert E.) Cursing '65 has graduated from East Carolina University with a B.S. degree in primary education. She teaches first grade at Wynolf Elementary School.

Michael E. Blackwell '66 is employed in Detroit, Michigan, in the industrial engineering department in General Motors.

Robert George Wiley Jr. '67 is an accountant with Post Meriwick Mitchell and Co. in Jackson, Miss.

Wanda Lagerfelt '67 is a fifth grade teacher in the Berke County School System and lives in Montgomery.

Foster B. McClain '67 received a B.A. degree from Wofford College in 1968 and now is stationed with the U. S. Army at Ft. Rucker, Ga.

Lozier Marpley '67 is pastor of First Baptist Church of Hot Springs.

Sgt. Douglas C. Spalden '67 is a medical records specialist with the 55th USAF hospital at Ft. MacArthur Air Force Base in Florida.

Airman Charles R. Stain '68 has completed basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas and has been assigned to Lowry Air Force Base in Colorado for training as an aerial photo systems technician.

### BACK IN TOUCH

Stephen K. Powell '60 recently discovered a copy of The Web in the Spartanburg County Library and contacted his old coach with the address office. . . . the publication wasn't reaching him at home. He wrote to inform the office of the discovery and his new address, 134 Anita Dr. in Spartanburg, S. C.

He's a loan officer of The Citizens and Southern National Bank of South Carolina.

What about all your old alumni? Moved lately? We specially encourage you to keep us informed when we seem to be out of communication.

### IN MEMORIAM

The Rev. Clarence Wayne Arke '46 died Dec. 18 following heart surgery. He was the pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church in Kings Mountain.

The Rev. Forrest Tegen '54 died Dec. 11 at his home at Rauc, 2, Taylorville. Former pastor of both Union and Westview Baptist churches in Cleveland, Ga., he was a graduate of Lenoir Rhyne College and Duke University School of Divinity as well as Gardner-Webb. His wife, the former Jean McWain '53, previously taught at Gardner-Webb. The Rev. Mr. Tegen served the college schoolboard in many endeavors and was a past president of G-W's Alumni Association.

Sgt. James Tenny Woods '67 of Darby, N. C. who died of combat wounds in South Vietnam last June, has been awarded post-

### LEARNING TRADE

In reply to a letter concerning his recent statement as general secretary-treasurer of the S. C. Baptist Convention, Dr. Hoesoe G. Henson tells you—on-check how he began his education.

"Did you not know? I attended the Beaufort Springs High School, now Gardner-Webb, my alma mater, as 'milk man,' kitchen read, librarian, tree chopper, cotton picker, repair man, dormitory custodian, news reporter, amateur psychiatrist-counselor, barber, letter writer for letters, plough boy and a few other things that I will not name."

He also had time for class!

homonas medals including the Silver Star for extraordinary valor. He braved danger to and was wounded in a heavily mined area and was leading his men from the area when hit by an enemy explosive trap.

### BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. W. Lynn Ferrell (Fanny) of Shelby, a son, Wilton Mason, Dec. 14. The Rev. and Mrs. E. Dean Colby (Fairy-Loe Davis) '58 of Palestine, a son, Nathan Adrian, Sept. 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin T. Ledbetter (Patricia Vincent) '65 of Beaufort Springs, a daughter, Elizabeth Dawn, Nov. 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Magoon (Christine Heise) '46 of Easton, N. J., a daughter, Kimberly, Oct. 1.

### MARRIAGES

Susan Elizabeth Davis to Bryan F. Gruver '64, both of Union, S. C., Nov. 27.

Alma Bessie Farnborough of Huxbury to Russell Gene Swink '46 of Coonley Springs, Nov. 27.

Martha Jean Strong to Alton Gerald McCraw '63, both of Gallatin, S. C., Nov. 27.

Rebecca Ann Patterson of Raleigh to John Presley Logan '60 of Ellerbe, Nov. 2.

Erma Long Shou of Goshaw to Bobby James King '67 of Asheville, Nov. 20.

Stella Ann Haley of Moyden to Michael Thomas Webster '46 of Midway, Nov. 4.

Betty Marie Massey '60 of Stanley to James Humphreys Poyser of Gastonia, Nov. 25.

Linda Karen Solo to Stephen Grady Thomas '64, both of Randle, Nov. 25.

Mary Ruth Britton of Salisbury to John Robert Caldwell, Jr. '68 of Mount Ulla, Nov. 6.

Shirley Faye Hoyle of Shelby to Marcus Wilfred Logan '69 of Mooresboro, Nov. 7.

Charlotte Ann Wilson '69 of Lake Norman to Joseph Walker Sakers of Charlotte, Nov. 9.

Ova Louise Barnes '70 to Michael H. Felt, both of Gastonia, Nov. 25.

Belinda Marjorie Kearney '70 to Larry Gene Blackwell, both of Flat Rock, Oct. 24.

Patricia Nell Owen '70 to Johnny Nathan Ellis Jr., both of Gastonia, Nov. 2.

### Lineberger In New Post

Merton T. Lineberger '33, missionary to Argentina, became national secretary of the Association of Baptist Churches of the Federal Capital (city of Buenos Aires) in December. His address is Domaria 4479, 2 Pasa B, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

## LITTON SUCCEEDS HARRIS AS COACH

One of the nation's outstanding young coaches has taken the helm of Gardner-Webb football as the college goes to senior status.

New head coach for the Bulldogs is George Litton Jr., formerly athletic director and head coach at Lees-McRae College.

Coach Norman Harris, whose Litton succeeds, has been promoted to administrative assistant whose responsibilities will include working with faculty athletics in promoting the college's athletic program. He'll also seek funds for scholarships and recruit athletes for the school.

Litton already has begun some recruiting for the future, and in addition to interviewing top high school prospects, has coached five of Lees-McRae's top players in school this semester.

Four of the former LM players are defensive specialists, and the fifth is a fullback and placekicker, Homer Sanders. Last year, Sanders was the nation's fifth top placekicker among junior colleges.

Litton, 36, was at Lees-McRae since 1962, and during his years there put together nationally ranked teams. His 1967 team had an undefeated season and was ranked second in the nation. In 1968 and 1969, his teams ranked 10th. He was named 1967 National Junior College Coach of the Year in the Eastern Division.

A graduate of East Tennessee State University, he and Mrs. Litton have two sons. He will serve at G-W as assistant professor of physical education as well as coach.

Coach Harris, Black Mountain native who played football at Duke University and High Point College during his own student days, has completed 22 years as Gardner-Webb's athletic director and football coach. His career record with the Bulldogs is 107 wins, 71 losses, and 13 ties.



GEORGE LITTON JR.

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If you complain to be seen just how large our web will grow, but this much we know, once you're seen in, we never let you go. This is the spirit of Gardner-Webb.

## Varied Activities Occupy Faculty

Dr. T. Ferman Hewitt and his wife led a tour group to Israel and Greece Dec. 10-Jan. 8. Both are wide travelers. Dr. Hewitt took part in an archaeological excavation in Jordan, sponsored by Southern Baptist Seminary and Drew University in 1964.

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G-W Professor Hubert C. Dixon served as chairman of a discussion group during the Dec. 12-15 meeting of the Mathematical Association of America's Committee on Undergraduate Progress in Mathematics. Assistant Professor Paul Jolly also attended the session. Principal discussion topic was transfer curricula in math for two-year colleges.

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Dr. Robert Blackburn, chairman of G-W's Division of Health and Physical Education, has been elected chairman of the school and college section of the N. C. Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation.



BLACKBURN



COX

He will be in charge of the program at the group's annual meeting this year in Asheville.

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Dr. Betty Cox, English department chairman, recently was named treasurer of the North Carolina-Virginia English Association. Her husband, Dr. Charles Cox, is director of the college's fine arts division.

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Dr. Arthur G. Nabrah, history professor, has been presented a certificate from the Dictionary of International Biography in London. The award was given for his contributions in the field of interdisciplinary studies.

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## Holiday Tourney Held

Building Club members Ken Street and Bill Weaver served as co-chairmen of the G-W Holiday Tournament at year end. The four-team tourney was the fourth the college has hosted and its first as a senior school.

Eighteen-year-old Susan Aron, Gardner-Webb freshman, signed as the tournament queen.



FORMER CLASSMATES MEET ON CAMPUS

G-W President Posson, Clarence Leatherman

## Committee Member's Visit After 28 Years Recalls Memories Of Earlier Gardner-Webb

IT TOOK 28 years for one alumnus to return to Gardner-Webb's rolling campus, but Clarence Leatherman couldn't have selected a better time for his visit.

Leatherman, who attended G-W classes in 1941, came back to the campus recently as a member of the N. C. Board of Higher Education's visitation committee.

A 10-year veteran of the state legislature, he has served four years as chairman of the House Committee on Higher Education and three years as a member of the Southern Regional Education Commission. His counsel and help will be invaluable as Gardner-Webb prepares to present its case for re-accreditation to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

BACK in Bowling Springs, Leatherman had a memory-filled reunion with a classmate, college President E. Eugene Posson, who was a freshman with him in 1941.

"I can remember so well that Miss Virginia Smith took one of those old tape speaker radio sets to her history class on Monday following the Sunday attack," the legislator recalled. "We sat there through the class listening to reports of the war."

Dr. Posson recalled that the school had about 70 students then, and that John R. Centrell was president.

Leatherman recalled that President Centrell "went on my note for \$90 so I could go to school that year."

HE REMEMBERED Dr. Posson's efforts to get an education, too.

"I can well remember how Gene would work most of the night at Doyce Mill and then go to school all day," he said. "He really wanted an education and I have admired him for his contributions in the field of education."

Leatherman earned his law degree at the University of Tennessee and has been practicing law in Lincoln since 1959. He and his wife have three children, one of whom is a daughter who wants to attend Gardner-Webb.

YES, Clarence Leatherman has some fond memories of his days on this campus and G-W's future to have such alumni as it strives to even greater heights in the 1970's.

## BRYSON NAMED COACH OF YEAR



BRYSON

Jerry Bryson, Gardner-Webb College's young baseball coach, has been named Coach of the Year in District Eight of the National Junior College Athletic Association.

The district is composed of North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky and Mississippi.

Bryson, a native of Gastonia, flew to Washington, D. C., to accept the award Jan. 10. The presentation was made by Pug Marvino, chairman of the awards committee for the Junior College Division of American Baseball Coaches. He is head baseball coach at Phoenix College in Phoenix, Ariz.

Bryson's team posted a 22-4 record last year and went to the national playoffs in Grand Junction, Colo.

Last season was Gardner-Webb's last as a junior college.

## Bulldogs Head For Successful Season

The S. C. Herrell Scholarship for students preparing for full-time service in Christian vocations will be awarded for another year at the college. Named in honor of the donor, S. C. Herrell '21, retired Cleveland County minister, the fund provides for subsidizing a needy student preparing for service as a minister, missionary, doctor, nurse or teacher.

Veronica Murdock, 18-year-old G-W sophomore, came back from between-semester holidays convinced Susan class is real. Her unexpected trip home to Hawaii resulted from the concern of fellow students, who learned her father had suffered a serious heart attack. They rallied to raise her \$450 plane fare through campus donations and contributions from First Baptist Church and a college program. The administration added its own Christmas "present"—her expenses were postponed until she returned.

A 30-minute television show, "Gardner-Webb College Presents A Devotion," can be seen at 9 a.m. each Sunday on Cleveland County's Cablevision Channel 10. College minister Charles Peterson says programs follow a varied format, featuring ministerial students, student folk music groups, interviews with Christian athletes, coaches and summer mission workers and presentations by professors and administrators.

The program's need especially at reaching the unchurched, sick and shut-in and at giving television experience to students.

Gardner-Webb College's present student body includes young men and women from 61 of North Carolina's 100 counties, from 17 states and nine foreign countries. The foreign countries include Thailand, which has five representatives on campus; Lebanon, three; and Haiti, Hong Kong, India, Nigeria, Panama, Taiwan and Venezuela, one each.

The nationally known Columbus Boychoir was to appear in campus concert Feb. 1 as part of the college's Distinguished Artist's Series.

The fame of Gardner-Webb basketball continues to spread far and wide largely because of the efforts of a 6-3 sophomore center, George Adams, who is currently the nation's leading scorer.

Adams, a Kings Mountain lad, led all NAIA scorers in real intensity with a 32.1 per game average, and is largely responsible for the Bulldogs' 9-4 record in their first year of senior college basketball.

The Bulldogs have posted wins over Mars Hill, UNC-Asheville twins, Cason-Newsom, Wofford, Pfeiffer, Mars Hill, Berry and Piedmont.

The losses were to Campbell, Cumberland, Lenoir-Rhyne College and Mars Hill.

That loss to Mars Hill was the first time since February of 1966 that Gardner-Webb had lost a game on their home court.

Gardner-Webb plays a tough game on the boards, with Adams getting help from 6-4 Tony Spagnolo and 6-4 Dennis Carter. Richard Thorne, 6-3 transfer student, is the team's defensive standout who has always defeated the opponents' leading scorer.



**AUTO PRESENTED**—Paul Carter, center, owner and president of Carter Chevrolet, presents the keys to a 1970 Impala to George Utten, new head football coach at G-W. Ronnie Burns, former G-W grid player and now sales manager at Carter, looks on. The car will be used for recruiting and related activities.

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