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Mr. Grier Bess, chairman of the board, and Ken Mayhew, executive vice-president, presents Carolina Freight Honeywell 300 Computer to Mr. Charles Meek, coordinator of business affairs, Mr. Deck Andrews, chairman of the division of business and economics, and Mr. Keith Griggs, assistant professor of data processing.

Carolina Freight Makes New Computer Possible

The department of business administration of Gardner-Webb College is anxiously awaiting the arrival of a new computer system for the college. Through the generosity of Carolina Freight Carriers of Cherryville, N.C., a Honeywell 300 computer has been acquired, which will make many new areas of instruction possible, and fill many administrative needs.

The new Honeywell computer is vastly different from the one the college has been using. The Honeywell computer has a memory of 40,000 positions, an 800 card per minute card reader, 5 magnetic tape drives, 2 magnetic disk drives, and an 1100 lines per minute printer.

The acquiring of the new computer system was made possible by the need for Carolina Freight to upgrade their facilities to a more powerful system.

Besides enhancing the capabilities of the administrative needs of budgeting, record keeping, registration, grade reporting, and financial reports of the college, the new computer will be used primarily in the academic program.

In making this announcement, Deck Andrews, chairman of the department of business, said, "We are very excited about our new computer system and feel that now we will be able to expand our curriculum and offer courses to the entire student body. We will be able to teach our students on a system that is very much like what they will encounter in the real business world."

At present, Gardner-Webb offers these computer-related courses: accounting, COBOL, RPG, Fortran, computer concepts, principles and fundamentals. With the acquisition of the new computer several more computer-related courses can be developed by the college, and the computer fee will be dropped from the present \$125 to \$25. This will give each student an opportunity to take courses related to the computer and strengthen their academic program.

The computer will be moved into the area being reserved for it in the Webb Administration Building by August 1 and is expected to be fully functional soon after the start of the fall semester.

Gardner-Webb Receives "Webb's Universe"

Edwin Yates Webb, Jr., of Gastonia has presented Gardner-Webb College with a large beautifully framed copy of the speech his father made in a congress May 8, 1896, which was responsible for the erecting of the Kings Mountain Battleground monument and the naming of the battlefield as a national park.

This presentation, Mr. Webb says, is only the beginning, however. He has made provisions for Gardner-Webb to receive his entire "Webb's Universe" — "Webb's Universe" is a unique gathering of thousands of bits of memorabilia relating to Mr. Webb's family. These are thousands of pictures of family and friends, newspaper clippings, cards given to him on father's day, cartoons, large, framed declarations of his philosophies, all housed in a special building 13 x 26 x 6 feet and designed and constructed by Webb. The building now is near his home on the Remount City road in Gastonia, but is completely portable, and will at sometime in the future, be transported to a suitable location on the Gardner-Webb campus.

Webb is obviously proud of his family and his country, and his family has meant much to his country. He tells of a great grandfather named Denton, who inspired the name of his home county, of his father, E. Y. Webb, who served in the U. S. Congress from Shelby for 20 years, and was also a federal judge. Webb, himself, is an inventor, a scientist, a photographer, an engineer, and a mathematician. He is a graduate of what is now North Carolina State University with masters degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Webb is especially proud of his two sons, one now dead, who followed their dad into engineering fields. A special area of Webb's life is devoted to the memory of his younger son, Eugene, who died three years ago. His "little red-haired boy" is how Webb refers to him. Webb says he has always read extensively, as many as 30 newspapers and four magazines regularly. All this he could be able to answer his own questions. But, he emphasizes, when he didn't know an answer, he'd go to the library because he wanted "always to be correct."

Duplicate of the famed "Kings Mountain" speech of his father are located in the museum at the battleground and at the Shelby Hall of Fame.



E. Y. Webb, Jr., left, presents "Webb's Universe" to college president, Dr. E. Eugene Poston.



FACULTY UPDATE

Faculty granted leave by the Board of Trustees May 30, 1975—
Dr. Larry Sisk, Professor of Education

Faculty receiving promotions by vote of the Board of Trustees May 30, 1975—

Dr. Howard Hare, promoted to Professor of Business
Mr. William H. Skove, promoted to Associate Professor of English
Mr. James K. Teyler, promoted to Associate Professor of English
Mr. Ray Birmingham, promoted to Assistant Professor of Psychology
Mr. Joe Hoyle, promoted to Assistant Professor of Business
Mr. Ken Stanford, promoted to Assistant Professor of Health Education and Physical Education
Mrs. Shirley Toney, promoted to Assistant Director of the Nursing Program and Assistant Professor of Nursing

Faculty attending Summer School—

Mrs. Doris Sumner, Assistant Professor of Math, attending Appalachian State University working toward Ed.S. degree
Mrs. Luritta J. Practor, Assistant Professor of Health Education and Physical Education, attending Appalachian State University working toward Ed.S. degree
Mr. Robert Reynolds, Instructor of Music, attending Florida State University

Jean Taylor, Assistant Professor of Social Science, attending Appalachian working toward Ed.S. degree
Ernest Handerson, Associate Professor of English attending Appalachian State University.

Dr. George, coordinator of foreign travel, attending Institute on Management Science in Higher Education at Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan.

Faculty working on doctoral dissertations—

Ralph Logan Carson, Assistant Professor of Religion
Thorton Chibren, Professor of English
Ray Pyle, Director of Counseling
William H. Skove, Associate Professor of English
James K. Taylor, Associate Professor of English
William H. Wilborn, Assistant Professor of Political Science and Geography

Alumna, Alumnus, Alumnum

There is much confusion about the appropriate term for a graduate of an institution because the most widely used terms are Latin words, with plural, possessive and objective usages governed by the rules of declension of Latin nouns.

To facilitate correct use of the proper words for the proper persons, we are providing for your reference the basic singular and plural forms of the word formed from the base root "alumnus—" in the nominative, or subject case.

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| Massive singular: | alumnus |
| Massive singular: | alumnus |
| Massive plural: | alumni |
| Female plural: | alumnae |

The term "alumni" is also used in certain English contexts to include groups of "alumnae" and "alumnus," regardless of gender. Therefore you have an "alumni" association. Many Latin people would have this term be "alumnae," because that is the neuter plural word. But the confusion between an "alumnae" (meaning women graduates) and "alumni" (meaning a group of male graduates) would be needless.

If there is ever any doubt as to the appropriate term for a person who is a graduate, then he/she/it may be correctly referred to in the neuter singular, "alumnae."

New for the possessive, or genitive, case...

Jerry McGee Named Director Of Alumni Activities

Dr. B. Eugene Patten, president of Gardner Webb College has announced the appointment of Jerry Edward McGee as Director of Alumni Activities for the college.

McGee has been director of financial aid and placement at Richwood Technical Institute in Hazlet, N.C. since 1971 and before that was director of economic development with the Tri County Community Action, Inc. in Lenoirburg.

McGee is married to the former Hannah Cole Covington and they have two children. The McGees attend the Baptist Church.

McGee received his education at Rockingham High School, earned his B.S. degree in physical education and psychology at East Carolina University, and his masters degree in counseling at Appalachian State University.

Dr. Patten stated that McGee will assume his duties at Gardner-Webb on August 1.



Shown above with G-W's new Honeywell 300 computer are, left to right, Keith Griggs, Assistant Professor - Data Processing; Jim Franzburg, Assistant Vice-President - Carolina Freight; and Dick Andrews - Chairman of Division of Business and Economics.

Charles E. Mack, Jr. Steps Down

Dr. E. Eugene Poston, president of Gardner-Webb College has announced the resignation of Charles E. Mack, Jr., after nine years of service to Gardner-Webb College as coordinator of business affairs and business manager, effective July 31.

Dr. Poston said, "Mr. Mack has served Gardner-Webb College faithfully and well as coordinator of business affairs and business manager over the past nine years.

"He and his family have added much to the development of the school from a junior college to a fully accredited senior college. Mr. Mack has put in long hours of overtime work to help the college.

"The entire Gardner-Webb family wishes for him and his family the very best in the future." In leaving Gardner-Webb, Mr. Mack said, "The opportunity of service to North Carolina Baptists and Gardner-Webb has been a rich and rewarding experience for both myself and my family. The association with the governing boards, faculty and staff has been a source of inspiration during my tenure here."



Alumni Update



Mrs. Nell J. Warren (Kala Mae Kesser '60), lives at Route 2, Box 128, Clyde, N.C. She and her husband have two children, Luciana, 6½, and Furman, age 5.

Hoyle H. Edgerette '61, resides at Route 2, Rutherfordton, N.C. and is employed with the Rutherford County Board of Education.

Mrs. Ruth Whitesides Gibson, '65, is teaching second grade at East Elementary School, Cherryville, North Carolina. She has been at East School for 10 years.

Mrs. Lanny Donald Hoyle (Glenda Deen Poston, '61), resides in Harrisburg, N.C. and is employed by the Caharra County Schools in Concord.

Mrs. Carol Bradley Hardin, '65, of Charlotte, has been selected Secretary of the Year 1975-1976 for the Charlotte Chapter of the National Secretaries Association (International). She is married to Jack B. Hardin, '66, and they have one son, Mike. Jack and Carol are state managers of North Carolina for National Holiday Hamster Travel Trailer Club. Carol started to work as executive secretary to the president of Scandara, Incorporated, of Charlotte on January 15, 1968 and was promoted to assistant corporate secretary in 1973. She has completed seven years at Scandara. Jack is Phlogographic Technician at Sycamore Packaging in Charlotte.

Donald R. Besse '67, assistant principal at Hibernia High School, was unanimously approved by the Caldwell County Board of Education as principal of Lenoir High School. Besse taught at Denver Junior High School before becoming assistant principal at Hibernia. He is married to the former Christine Watts, director of secretarial services at Rite Aide Electric Membership Corp., and they have two children, Paige Alkann, '64, and Scott Douglas, '67.

The Reverend Joe C. Davis, '66, assumed duties as pastor of Chesa Grove First United Methodist Church recently. Reverend Davis entered the ministry in 1962 and has served

three churches before going to Chesa Grove. His last church was Bethel United Methodist Church in Hickory. Married to the former Miss Mary Glover, the Rev. and Mrs. Davis are parents of three children, Susan, 18; Brantly, and Mark.

The Reverend Wayne Dixon, '61, has been installed as pastor of the Glenside Springs and Laurel Park Presbyterian Churches in Ashe County. Rev. Dixon is married to the former Nancy Lay of Statesville and they have three children, Mrs. Fred (Kathy) Ramsey of Shelby, Gary and Charles.

The Reverend Wilbur Robert Glasgow, '61, is pastor of First Baptist Church of Jacksonville. He is married to the former Judith Leraine Paterson, '61. They have two boys, Kyle 13 yrs. and Keenan (3 yrs.).

Mrs. Badd L. Jensen, Jr. (Doris McElwain, '61) teaches 8th grade at Lenoirville Middle School. She and her husband, who is principal at Wadeboro Middle School, reside at 1217 Tanglewood Street, Wadesboro, N.C.

Miss Martha McAllister, '62, was employed as a special project nurse by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in its April 8 meeting at Columbia, S.C. She will serve in Tanzania. Currently she is a public health nurse in Montgomery County Health Department. Troy, Miss McAllister has worked as a staff nurse in Ashburn and Winston-Salem, as a public health nurse and as a delivery room nurse in Denton, Ga. She was a missionary journeyman for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in Ghana, West Africa.

Mr. James T. Holbeck, '63, was chosen "Teacher of the Month" in May at West Charlotte School, where he teaches 8th grade Language Arts-Social Studies. Mr. Holbeck resides between Dooling Springs and Lattimore, N.C. and has taught for 6 years in his present position with a total of 10 years in the teaching profession.

Stephen Earl Cape '65, resides at 2585 Parker Trail, Kernersville, Georgia and is employed with the Hall County Board of Education, Gainesville, Ga.

Ben Leigh '65, of Charlotte has been named area sales manager of the Norton Co. for the southern region. Before joining Norton, he was a field sales engineer for Hewitt-Robins Inc., a division of Litton Industries, and a principal of Industrial Transmission of Charlotte, Inc.

R. Joy Smith '65, now Mrs. C. V. Townsend, Jr., lives at 311 Brookridge Drive, Colonial Heights, Virginia. Her husband graduated from Southern Seminary in 1974 and is now associate pastor in Colonial Heights. The Townsends have one son, Jonathan M. Townsend, born October 1973.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne N. Houser (Peggy Jean Paterson '66 & '65), reside at 1514 Rosedale Street, Florence, S.C. Wayne received his B.A. from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte on May 16, 1975. He was transferred to the Fiber Industries Fabricate Plant at Florence, S.C. in charge of Computer Systems. Mrs. Houser is employed by The Housing Authority of Florence. They have four children, Garry, Bruce, Pam, and Susan.

Betty Sue Baumgardner, '66, married Dr. Jan Leedingham in 1966. Their first child, Kerry Margaret, was born December 12, 1974. Betty attended the University of Kentucky and graduated from Morehead State University with an A.B. Degree in Art in 1974. Dr. and Mrs. Leedingham reside in Ashland, Kentucky.

Marshall Stewart, '66, assistant vice president and trust officer of First Union National Bank, Charlotte, has been elected president of the 45-member class enrolled at Campbell College for the current Sixth Semester Session of The Southeastern Trust School. Marshall, who has served at First Union for 8 years, a year and a half in trust work, is past president of First Union's Young Management Association, and a member of Charlotte Sales and Marketing Executives. He is married to the former Linda Caldwell of Newton and they have two daughters ages six and five.

Larry S. Wood, '66, is President of QD



Beth Griggs with new Honeywell 280 Computer.

Alumni Update

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Rooley, Inc., 1515 6th Street, NW, Winter Haven, Florida.

Nancy Beanks Milstead, '67, has been employed for the past three years as a nurse by Dr. Claude A. Frontier of Asheville. She lives in Asheville with her four year old son, Shawn, and is currently taking night classes at the University of North Carolina at Asheville.

Wayne Stessel, '67, resides at 810 Parliament Street, High Point, N.C. and is employed by Mass Drug Company in High Point.

Robert Steven Ellis, '68, is Seventh Grade Mathematics and Science Teacher at Central School in Kings Mountain. Before entering the teaching profession, he was a salesman, bookkeeper, and National Park Ranger. He joined the Kings Mountain faculty in 1970 as a sixth grade teacher at Grover. He is married to the former Betty Jo Hardin, '68, and they are the parents of a five-year old son.

Miss Eva Marie Stumate, '68, is now minister of music and education at Fellowship Baptist Church in Raleigh. She has been named to the list of Outstanding Young Women of America for 1974.

Mrs. Paul M. Wooley, (Carolyn A. King, '68), is employed by the General Electric Company in Asheville, North Carolina. The Wooleys live at Route 5, Box 36, Asheville, N.C.

Heose L. Biddy, '68, of Taylorsville has joined the Walker Insurance Agency in Taylorsville as a marketing representative. He is currently enrolled in the business administration curriculum at Catawba Valley Technical Institute.

Richard E. Gerwig, '68, and wife Ellen Walden Gerwig, '71, live at Route 3, St. Marks

Road, Taylor, South Carolina. Richard is a commercial pilot for Stevens/Soschardt in Greer, South Carolina.

The Reverend Charles W. Dellinger, '71, of Cherryville has completed the requirements for graduation from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He was awarded the Master of Divinity degree on May 10. Rev. Dellinger is now pastor of Mills Memorial Baptist Church, Shelby and is married to the former Lynn Baxter of Cherryville.

Charles P. Morrison, '71, received his Master of Divinity degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary on May 10. He will be going to Richmond, Va. as Assistant Pastor of Westhall Baptist Church. He and his wife have one child, Angela (1 1/2 yrs.) and are expecting another in August.

Roger H. Ligon, '72, has been employed for the last three years as Credit Manager for the Ford Motor Credit Company, Charlotte, S.C.

The Rev. Kays S. Pendleton, '72, is the new associate minister at First United Methodist Church, Salisbury. He served as pastor of the Pine-Grove United Methodist Church from 1968-72 and at the Lenoir Circuit from 1973-75. The Rev. Pendleton is married to Rebecca Nease Fisher and they have a daughter, Kathryn LaGae, born August 13, 1973. The Pendletons live at 328 Stonewall Road, Salisbury, N.C.

Thomas R. McLaughlin, '73, and wife, Libby Nazz McLaughlin, '73, live on Route 5, Mooresville, N.C. Thomas is head football and basketball coach, Physical Education Teacher at East Fredrick School in Statesville, N.C. Libby is a first grade teacher at South School in Mooresville.

Airman First Class David W. Patterson, '73, and wife Sandra D. Prouse, '74, live at Route 7, Box 98 MAFB T/P, Valdosta, Georgia. The Pattersons have one son, Samuel Joe Patterson, born February 25, 1975.

James Alan Skaley, '73, of Route 1, Box 138A, Holston, N.C. is employed in the Data Processing Department of Inverhardt Furniture Ind., Inc. in Lenoir, N.C.

Betty J. Behren, '74, is employed at Rutherford Hospital, incorporated as Secretary to the Executive Director and Assistant Executive Director. Betty lives at Route 1, Box 43D, Mooresville, N.C.

Curie England, '74, is now a ministerial student at Southeastern Baptist Seminary at Wake Forest, N.C.

Tessie Haddock, '74, has been called as minister of youth for the summer for Orangeburg's Newlin Baptist Church, Orangeburg, S.C.

John Robert Latta, Jr., '74, and wife Barbara live at Apt. G7 Park Towne Estates, Simpsonville, S.C. John is now a department supervisor with Durring-Miliken in Greenville.

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IN MEMORIAM

Dr. L. V. Ghidella, former faculty member, died June 21, 1975.