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## Building Campaign Chairman Named, Architect Selected

O. Max Gardner, III has been named campaign chairman for the fund drive for the \$3.5 million Convocation-Special Events center at Gardner-Webb College. Murphy-Martin Associates of Shelby has been named architectural firm for the building.

"We are very pleased that Max Gardner has taken on this great responsibility for us. As the name Gardner-Webb implies, the Gardner family has been closely associated with the College for generations. This is just one more example of their commitment to its goals and ideals," said Jerry McGee, associate director of development. "I am certain that under Max's leadership, the funds for this new building will be forthcoming from the surrounding communities. People know and respect him as a community leader and as a person dedicated to high ideals."

President Craven E. Williams joined McGee in expressing his delight in having O. Max Gardner III as campaign chairman. He noted



(Left to right) O. Max Gardner, III and Jerry McGee review preliminary architect renderings of the new Convocation-Special Events center.

that "Mr. Gardner is now taking up once again a cause which had been championed by his grandfather and again by his father."

Mr. Gardner is an attorney in Shelby and is vice-president of F. W. G., the O. Max Gardner

Foundation and Cleco Development Corporation. He is president of Whistle Stop of Shelby and manager and partner in the Gardner Co. He is also president of O. M. G. Three.

He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina School of Law,

where he graduated with a Juris Doctor degree with honors.

At UNC he was president of the Student Bar Foundation, a member of the Morehead Law Fellowship Committee and a recipient of the Judge Walter Clark Award. He was also a member of the North Carolina Law Review staff, received the 1974 "Outstanding Law Graduate" award from the Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity and was inducted as a member of the Order of the Coif.

He has served as associate trial attorney with the Greensboro law firm of Smith, Moore, Smith, Schell & Hunter. He taught a third year seminar at the UNC School of Law and, prior to that, was research assistant to the former N. C. Supreme Court Chief Justice, the Hon. William H. Bobbitt, and the present N.C. Supreme Court Associate Justice, the Hon. J. William Copeland.

He is married to Janet Huffstetler Gardner, and they have three children: O. Max Gardner, IV, age 9; Sarah Olivia, age 7; and Ralph Webb Gardner, age 4.

## Alumni Weekend Planned For April 14-15

A fabulous alumni weekend is planned for April 14 and 15 on the College Campus. Things start off with a bang on Friday at 7:30 p.m. with the production of a musical production by the Fine Arts Department.

Saturday dawns with a 9:30 a.m. registration in the Charles I. Dover Student Center, registration lines will be open until 6:15 p.m.

Alumni will have their choice of golf, tennis or bridge in the morning. The Captain's choice golf tournament will begin with check-in at 9:30 a.m. at Riverbend Golf Club. Green fees and cart are \$8.50. The tennis tournament, doubles only, begins at 10 a.m. and will last until 2 p.m. in the afternoon. Partners are assigned for play at campus courts; no charge.

The bridge tournament begins at 10 a.m. in the Dover Student Center and there is no charge.

At noon there will be a casual lunch with entertainment in the Bulldog Dining Room, downstairs in the Dover Student Center.

Class reunions are from 2 to 4 p.m. The class of '77 will be in the



O. Max Gardner Building; the class of '73 in the Dover Student Center Lounge; the class of '68 in Stroup Dormitory Lobby; the class of '53 in Nanney Hall Lobby; and the Golden Years Classes honoring Classes 1908-1928 will be at the President's Home, Riverbend Acres, from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

A special reunion of all music majors and health and physical education majors will be held in the O. Max Gardner Building from 4:30 to 6:00.

The alumni banquet will be held in the Dover Student Center dining room. At 8:15 there will be a spring musical in Hamrick Building, sponsored by the Fine Arts Department.

## Bold Dimensions Plowing Ahead



Trustee John Ayers and Pres. Craven Williams review some college plans. Ayers recently gave the College \$25,000 for its Bold Dimensions in Higher Education program. Ayers is a Charlotte businessman and land developer.

The Bold Dimensions in Higher Education program, with a \$10.5 million goal, is plowing steadily ahead. Since it has been officially underway July 1977, gifts and commitments total \$1,250,000, or about one-tenth of the goal.

"We realize we have quite a long way to go," noted Dr. Paul Holcomb, director of development, "but we are making significant progress. We expect at least the campus development part of it to move more quickly now that we have a campaign chairman for the new building and Jerry McGee is going to be working closely with it."

The largest amounts contributed so far are support for teaching, academic programs and library, and support for students. The former has gifts or commitments totaling \$535,000, while the latter has a total of \$382,000. Goals are \$4 million and \$2 million respectively.

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## McGee Named Associate Director of Development



**JERRY MCGEE**

Jerry E. McGee was promoted to Associate Director of Development in January.

Among McGee's new responsibilities will be directing the campaign for the proposed \$3.5 million special events-convocation center planned for the Gardner-Webb campus. This facility is part of the school's ambitious Bold Dimensions Program—a \$10.5 million undertaking. McGee will continue to oversee alumni activities and direct the Annual College Fund.

In making the announcement, Dr. Williams commented, "Because of the uncertainty of today's economy we do not want to borrow funds to construct new facilities. Therefore, a strong effort in fund raising will be required. Jerry McGee has ably demonstrated his thorough understanding of Gardner-Webb and its needs. He represents this College extremely well. This recognition is highly deserved and directly reflects our increasing dependence upon him and his leadership."

Dr. Paul Holcomb, director of development, said, "I am extremely pleased that Jerry McGee will direct this phase of the Bold Dimension Program. Since I came to Gardner-Webb College a little over six months ago, Jerry McGee has impressed me as an individual who

can get the job done."

McGee joined the staff of Gardner-Webb in August, 1975 as Director of Alumni Activities. He came from Richmond Technical Institute in Hamlet, N.C., where he was director of Placement and Financial Aid. Prior to that, he was director of economic development at Tri-County Community Action, Inc., in Laurinburg.

A native of Rockingham, N.C., McGee graduated from high school there and received his B.S. degree in physical education and psychology at East Carolina University and his master's degree in counseling at Appalachian State University. He is currently enrolled at Nova University, where he is studying for his doctorate in higher education.

McGee is married to the former Hannah Cole Covington and they have two children, Ryan, age 7, and Sam, age 4. The McGees attend Westview Baptist Church.

"We have begun planning the campaign for the \$3.5 million facility," McGee stated. "We are reviewing organizational and leadership needs, and identifying target areas for the drive."

He noted that the new building would house a performance area for drama and music, physical education activities and intercollegiate athletics. He said plans call for several classrooms in addition to activities areas.

"The present physical education center is very much overcrowded," McGee said. "The facility was built for 400 junior college students; there are now 1400 senior college students with 175 majoring in health and physical education. Presently we do not have an adequate area for the performing arts. Since music is one of our finest academic programs, we must have improved facilities for their activities. With our outstanding basketball program we also need to be able to seat 4,000-5,000 in the gymnasium area."



Carmen Christopher, standing, looks over a score with Mrs. Patricia Harrelson. Dr. George Cribb, chairman of the fine arts department, looks on.

## Music Grad To Sing With Symphony

Carmen Christopher, of Shelby, a music graduate of Gardner-Webb College, has been chosen over several other finalists as the soprano soloist for the Asheville Symphony's production of Verdi's "Requiem," to be held in the spring.

Ms. Christopher was chosen over several finalists in auditions held last September. Symphony rehearsals will not begin until April, with the production scheduled on Saturday, April 22 at the Thomas Wolfe Auditorium in Asheville.

Ms. Christopher is a music graduate of Gardner-Webb College and has been a student of Mrs. Patricia Harrelson, a member of the faculty, for three years. Mrs. Harrelson is the coordinator of the vocal program

at G-W and director of the opera workshops.

Singing opera and operatic concerts is not new for Carmen Christopher. While she was at Gardner-Webb, she had several leads in operatic workshop productions, including "The Telephone" this fall. She was a soloist with the G-W Choral Union last May and sang with the North Carolina Symphony String Ensemble when they produced Schubert's Mass in G major here last spring.

Carmen graduated from G-W in music in the spring of 1976, but returns to the campus for weekly lessons with Mrs. Harrelson. Ms. Christopher is associated with Belding-Lily Co. of Shelby.

## Ben Fisher Retires



**BEN FISHER**

Ben C. Fisher, who was on the faculty and staff of Gardner-Webb, has announced his retirement, effective

September 30, after 40 years of service to Southern Baptists. While at Gardner-Webb, Dr. Fisher was chairman of the English Department from 1947 to 1948. From 1948 to 1952, he served as executive assistant to the President and director of public relations.

Dr. Fisher is retiring as executive director-treasurer of the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. He has been instrumental in bringing national recognition to Southern Baptist educational institutions. He has served in Christian higher education for 30 years.

One of his greatest contributions has been in trustee orientation. He is recognized as an authority in this field and has written extensively on the subject.

## Bold Dimensions Plowing (Continued From Page 1.)

with a goal of \$3.5 million for the new special events-convocation building, so far has only \$87,000 in gifts or commitments. Hopefully, this picture will brighten considerably as the official fund-raising campaign gets under way this spring.

Some of the more significant gifts in the last few months are: The A.T. Withrow gift of more than a third of a million dollars to be used for the student loan fund; \$100,000 anonymous donation to be used to establish scholarships for students in the fine and performing arts; gifts totalling \$100,000 to establish the B. E. Morris Biblical Scholar program; an anonymous gift of a remainder interest in a personal residence and cash, totaling \$97,500, the John F. Ayers gift of \$25,000 over the next five years; the Paul

Bridges gift of 100 shares of Duke Power stock; and Mrs. C. A. Brittain's gift of several thousand dollars to establish a scholarship fund to assist students studying music.

Gifts and commitments have been coming in from alumni, friends, parents, churches, corporations and foundations, but much more is needed over the next few years.

"In the next year or so, we will begin contacting the faculty and administration of the College and the general alumni body for special gifts," stated Dr. Holcomb. "The cooperation and response of all members of the College family, alumni and friends, thus far have been good," said Dr. Holcomb. "If our efforts are rewarded as they have been over the last few months, I am confident we will reach our goal."

# Dorothy Edwards, Registrar For 31 Years, To Retire



Dorothy Edwards talks with student Rick Batey, a senior.

"When my father was 87, he planted a cotton patch, worked it and he and ma picked it, just so he could meet his pledge to Gardner-Webb," recalled Mrs. Dorothy Edwards. Dorothy Washburn Hamrick Edwards has deep roots in Gardner-Webb College.

When she retires as registrar on June 30, 1978, she will take with her part of the history of the College. For 30 years she was registrar. But her roots in Gardner-Webb go back much further. Her father, brother and grandfather have all been members of the board of trustees of Gardner-Webb.

Mrs. Edwards' grandfather, Willard Winslow Washburn, was the first signer of the Certificate of Incorporation of the Boiling Springs High School, which later became Gardner-Webb College. That was on November 13, 1905. He served as a member of the Board of Trustees from that time until his death in 1933, the same year Dorothy entered the College as a student.

Her father, J.C. Washburn, served from the time of her grandfather's death in 1933 until 1946, at which time her brother, Dr. W. Wyan Washburn, became a member of the Board, to serve until 1959. Another brother, Seth, taught in the biology department for a time and Dr. Wyan Washburn also taught here for a time and has served as college physician since 1946.

"I heard Boiling Springs talked about from the time I was a little girl," said Dorothy. Although neither grandpa nor my father had much formal education, they were great believers in education and both were great supporters. They gave sacrificially. Both my grandfather and father signed personal bank notes so that the school could go on during the Depression."

Dorothy is the seventh of fourteen children of a farmer. All but one of the eleven living family members received a college education. Of those, two are medical doctors and one is a professor. "All of us had to help work our way through," remarked Dorothy. "I was the first child to come to Gardner-Webb, since it wasn't a college until 1928. Altogether, seven of us attended Gardner-Webb and one taught here." Dr. Wyan Washburn, the college physician, started Royster Memorial Hospital, now Crawley, in Boiling Springs. Her brother Gene is also a physician at Crawley.

"We told Daddy that we would try to help the others through college. Wyan helped me and two others get through. I helped Daddy with three of my brothers. Then later he paid me back. My father was a remarkable man. He lived until he was 92. My mother had her ninety-thirtieth birthday on December 19. My parents were married for 68 years before my father died."

Dorothy graduated in 1935 from Gardner-Webb, then a junior college. She completed her education by graduating in English from Meredith. In 1937 she married Shannon Hamrick. "I lived one mile south of Double Springs Baptist Church and my husband lived one mile north of the church," recalls Dorothy. "So we grew up in the same community. We went to church together from the time we were children."

Her marriage was shortlived. Dorothy's husband died less than ten years later in 1947 and they had one son, Dr. Phillip Edward Hamrick, now a senior scientist with the National Institute of Environmental Health Science in the Research Triangle. For over twenty years she was a widow until she married Talmage Edwards from Rutherford

County in 1969.

Talmage's father, J.J. Edwards, was a member of the original Board of Trustees from the Sandy Run (Baptist) Association. Talmage's brother, Carl, and O.P. Hamrick of Boiling Springs were the first two students to register when the school opened in 1907.

In 1946, with her first husband in failing health, Dorothy returned to Gardner-Webb College as secretary to Dr. Philip Elliott, then president. Less than a year later she became acting registrar and, in 1948 was named registrar. She has remained in this position, year after year helping students surmount academic and personal problems.

In 1953 and again in 1958, the students of Gardner-Webb dedicated their yearbook to Mrs. Edwards. The students feel deeply about her. "She's committed to the College and to us," said Robin Mikalunas, a senior. "She is the epitome of the Gardner-Webb spirit." John Linderman, also a senior, commented: "I admire her constancy. Nothing shakes her. She lends real stability to the students. No matter what situation arises, she can handle it."

Dr. Craven E. Williams, president of the College, commented: "The words one would use to describe Dorothy Edwards' impact on this College would sound unrealistic, unless one actually knows her: un-

selfish, thorough, totally dedicated, entirely honest, and the list goes on and on. Legions of students have been encouraged by her firm, yet mild manner, and hundreds of faculty members have found guidance and support in her calm and wise leadership. She faithfully served three presidents of this College, and I feel most fortunate in having had her counsel during my first two years. She will be leaving with the heartfelt thanks of a grateful institution."

Dorothy views her work as one of helping students, not just helping with registration and keeping academic records. "I always try to give a personal word of encouragement to the students. It makes every difference in the world—to show that you're interested in someone, where he or she is from, what someone is planning to do. I think we all lose something when you lose that personal touch. Each individual is of personal worth, regardless of his race, his financial status, or whatever it may be. If you respect and show you're interested in someone, it makes a difference. To me, that is the difference in just education and Christian education—that personal relationship and care and concern."

Dorothy is taking early retirement because of her husband's ill health. Her eyes welled up with tears. "I'll miss it, no question about it. It's been my life, really."

## Church Named To Honor Dr. Lewis



DR. THURMAN LEWIS

A church in Haiti has been named in memory of Dr. J. Thurman Lewis, former professor of ancient languages and literature at Gardner-Webb.

One of Dr. Lewis' former students in Hebrew, now serving as a pastor near Port-au-Prince, Haiti, named the church Englise Evangelique Baptiste Lewis "Memorial" (Lewis Memorial Evangelical Baptist Church). Mike Remy, the pastor, was one of the first recipients of the Christian Service Foundation Scholarship at Gardner-Webb.

The renaming of the church culminated a week of spiritual revival and baptisms. "We feel that naming our church in (Dr. Lewis's) memory will help us perpetuate the spirit of love and interest which so vividly

characterized his attitude towards us," writes Mike.

Remy writes that they have begun another church in the area of Port-au-Prince in association with a pastor friend. Apparently, a church in Florida is going to help them build the church once the land is secured. "They planned to come down in February," writes Mike, "and we want to have the foundation ready before their arrival. We still do not have the land. Yet, we are more than certain that God will honor our faith if He so desires."

Dr. Lewis, for whom the Haiti church is named, joined the Gardner-Webb faculty in 1964. He died in 1975.

In his will he bequeathed funds to establish a chair of Biblical Languages and Semitic Studies. He was former academic dean and professor of Biblical languages and religion. He also served as chairman of the Colleges division of humanities.

In 1971, Dr. Lewis co-founded the Christian Service Foundation, an organization providing scholarship aid for deserving Gardner-Webb students preparing for full-time Christian vocational services. To date, the Foundation has awarded 212 scholarships.



# Pat Spangler, Trustee, Is A Man Of Many Facets



**P**at Spangler is the kind of man who can get Moslems, Jews or Roman Catholics to contribute to a Baptist College. He has been known to move mountains for Gardner-Webb, his beneficiary.

He is also the kind of man who has a flair for building buildings, highways and bridges; yet, with that same discerning eye, can choose exceptional works of fine art for his enormous and varied collection.

Like many of his art collections, R. Patrick Spangler is a piece of genuine Americana. He feels he has a long-standing obligation to making public repayment to a society and an economic system whose freedoms and opportunities were such that a young man with little more than a high school education could succeed so abundantly within it.

R. Patrick Spangler freely acknowledges his debt to country, state and community, they also owe him considerably.

## STARTED AT BOTTOM

Remember the stories of the young man who started working by rolling a wheelbarrow in the construction business, only later to come to own and operate that business. Pat acknowledges he was the owner's son, but he still had to learn the business from the ground up, and expand the business considerably.

When he started at Spangler and Sons Concrete in Shelby, he was 19 and then, in 1946, the business was very small. "My father started with a half-bag cement mixer," recalls Pat. "Today, we have enough equipment to mix 840 bags of cement simultaneously."

Pat speaks with genuine pride but without vanity. He is a sensible man. "Of course, I didn't do it alone—I had plenty of help." And he points to his brother Bud and to the more than 100 employees who have been loyal to the company over the years who have, along with Pat, enjoyed the fruits of its success.

Today, Pat Spangler, a Shelby native, is treasurer of Spangler and Sons, Inc., president of Spangler's Ready-Mix Concrete, Inc., president of Shelby Sand and Stone, Inc., and treasurer of Asphalt Paving of Shelby, Inc.

He and his brother Bud took over Spangler enterprise when his father Ernest died in 1960 and have expanded the family business into a multi-million dollar concern.

Sitting behind his crowded desk at Spangler & Sons Concrete in Shelby, Pat mused about his business, his art collections, his civic work and his devotion to Gardner-Webb College.

He actually began working part-time for his father in the concrete business at the age of 10. After two years at Anderson Aircraft School in Nashville and three years in the service, he returned to his father's business at the age of 19. "I took one day off after I left service, then went right to work," recalled Pat. "I've never had time for play."

With the same whirlwind that characterizes his career, he met, courted and married his sweetheart, Eloise Young, also of Shelby, all in nine months in 1948.

## Fund Drive Chairman For G-W

There's not a gram of false pride in

Patrick Spangler. Some self-made men feel a trace of embarrassment at the absence of an alma mater in their credentials. Not Pat. He has an honorary doctorate from Gardner-Webb, awarded in 1972 for his outstanding service to the college since 1963. He is currently serving his eighth term as chairman of the board of trustees.

Pat first became active in Gardner-Webb's life when he was named to the college's Board of Advisors in 1963 and was elected vice-chairman that same year. Both College and company have enjoyed significant growth and development in the last 15 years.

In 1964 Pat was named national general chairman for the college's 1964-65 fund drive. The goal was \$1,125,000, but Pat and his colleagues raised \$2,750,00, more than twice the goal.

For his incredible feat in that fund drive, he was awarded the Marts and Lundy Medal for Philanthropy in 1965, only the second time this national honor was bestowed.

Pat is quick to point out that there are many more people involved in a fund drive and he only helps. But he doesn't shy from the task. When pressed, he will tell you that as chairman of the board of trustees he spends several hours a day, three or four days a week, working for the college, sometimes traveling many miles late at night.

## Believer In Students

In difficult hours, Pat holds on to his goals of helping young people receive an education by helping to provide the facilities and helping offset the rapid escalation in cost at a private, church-related college.

"There are a thousand and one causes one could get involved in, but I saw something at Gardner-Webb I have seen nowhere else—sincerity, a commitment. I caught a glimpse of basic Americana, the kind of beliefs that America was founded on: self-reliance, independence, willingness to help others.

Pat has put his heart—and his time—into being a trustee ever since he was appointed to G-W's board in 1966. That same year, he and his brother Bud gave a stadium and track field to the college and named it in memory of his father Ernest and in honor of his mother. His brother had played football at Gardner-Webb. Before the new stadium, the college was having to play all its games at Shelby High School.

That same year, the students at Gardner-Webb responded by dedicating its yearbook to Pat Spangler, only the second time they had gone outside the college family.

Without enumerating too much, Pat has contributed greatly to the life

of the college since then. He first served as chairman of the board in 1967 and again in 1968 and 1969. In 1970, he was named national general chairman for the college fund to help make G-W an accredited senior college. The goal was one and a half million, but Pat and his colleagues raised more than twice that. That same year, the board of trustees named a dormitory in his honor.

In 1972 he was again chairman of the board and that year G-W bestowed upon him the doctor of humanities degree. The years 1973 and 1974 also saw him as chairman, and 1977 and 1978. In between those times, he was always serving in some capacity: as a member of the executive committee, finance committee, or treasurer or any combination of the three. In 1976 he was to chair the presidential search committee.

## Presidential Search

"The hardest, meanest job I ever had was helping to select a president of the college. It took many hours of hard work for the four members of the committee and the two ex officio members," Pat recalled.

"We looked at hundreds of applications from all over the country. The decision weighed heavily on us, because we couldn't afford to make a mistake. If we had, we would have done a grave injustice to Gardner-Webb. Fortunately, we made a fine choice in Dr. Craven Williams. The committee was most impressed with not only his credentials and articulate manner, but with his supreme dedication to academic excellence and quality education. We were also impressed with his youth."

That same summer Pat suffered a severe heart attack and was taken to Cleveland Memorial Hospital. "Literally, they brought me back to life on the table," Pat remarked.

## Political Scientist

The above is a small accounting of R. Patrick Spangler, businessman and trustee of Gardner-Webb College. It would be quite a story of one man's progress in and of itself. But it is merely one of many parts of the man known by Shelby and the State of North Carolina. Also to be told, albeit necessarily briefly, are the accounts of Patrick Spangler, the participant in state and local public life . . . Patrick Spangler the art collector and world traveler . . . Patrick Spangler the husband and father.

Let's begin those further examinations of the man and his life with the event which launched him into public life. He was chosen to be an area worker in the Luther Hodges-for-governor campaign in the late 1950's. In 1959, he was chosen by Gov. Hodges to serve as chairman of United Nations Day in N.C. In

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Terry Sanford's campaign for governor, he worked as a fund raiser and organized the surrounding counties. In 1961, Gov. Sanford appointed him as a member of the advisory committee of the N.C. Trade Fair.

He was state cochairman of Skipper Bowles' bid for the governorship. Bowles accurately called him the five-star general of the Gardner-Webb Growth Brigade and said that many of his contributions "will be of lasting benefit to this county and to the entire state."

For both Dan Moore and Bob Scott, he was area campaign manager of Cleveland and surrounding counties. Scott appointed him to the State Banking Commission. Moore appointed him chairman of Commerce and Industry and first vice-chairman of Conservations and Development Board. In 1962, he served as a member of the N.C. Trade Fair Delegation to Europe.

From 1963 through 1965, he served as chairman of the industrial committee for the Piedmont Area Development Association in Cleveland County. In 1963, he was elected Shelby's "Man of the Year." In 1971, Gov. Scott awarded him the distinguished Citizenship Award.

The list could go on, but these are the highlights.

Always a Democrat, he served Jim Hunt as a fund raiser and is currently a very close friend of the administration.

### Private Life

In addition to serving his county and state, Pat has also served First Baptist Church in numerous capacities, including deacon, Sunday

school teacher and treasurer. He has also served the Boy Scouts extensively, including district chairman in 1964.

He and his wife Eloise met at First Baptist Church. They now have five children: Lynn, age 28; Jane, age 26; Jean, age 25; and twins, Pat, Jr., and Penny, age 20. All the children attended Gardner-Webb in some capacity, and Lynn graduated from there.

Their home on Elizabeth Road in Shelby is filled with valuable art collections, antiques, crystal, silver and porcelain. Pat seems to take the greatest pride in his collection of fine Cybis porcelain figurines. He is said to have the largest collection of Cybis in the Southeast. "You'd think a man in my business would trade pocketknives or something like that," he chuckles.

For a number of years he has served on the board of directors of the Shelby Art League. He makes the arrangements for the Shelby art show annually. "Art is as important as food or clothing," Pat feels. "It's part of making a complete person."

Pat is a Rotarian, whose motto is "service above self." It seems to fit his life-style. "Whatever I do is paying my rent for the space I occupy in life. I think everybody has rent to pay. If they don't pay the rent, they haven't understood their obligation," Pat espouses.

His contribution to Gardner-Webb, to county and state was summed up well by his friend Skipper Bowles, when he said: "This rare man, this dedicated Christian—this hardworking, results-oriented man is a blessing to us all."

## Alumni Plan Visit To Greece



The Parthenon, an ancient Greek ruin in Athens.

The glory that was once Greece's can be observed first hand in a tour of Athens being offered by Gardner-Webb College.

The tour of eternal Greece will depart from Charlotte on June 15 and return on June 23. The package includes roundtrip air transportation, accommodations for seven nights at the Athens Chandriss Hotel based on double occupancy, Continental breakfast daily, a welcome party, a half-day excursion of Cape Sounion and more. The cost of the tour is \$699.

Situated at the southeastern tip of Europe, Greece occupies the loveliest and most enviable position in the Mediterranean, the most beautiful of seas.

The trip will include plenty of time to enjoy the warm sun, cooling sea

breezes and refreshing water. Included in the tour will be visits to such world-renowned spots as the Parthenon (built in the 5th century), the temple ruins of the ancient Greek gods and the birthplace of democracy.

Athens successfully blends the old and the new in a kind of gaiety that is unique even in Europe. Music pervades the air.

Among the many optional excursions available from Athens, there is a three-day Aegean cruise, stopping at many ports of call.

Reservations may be made by sending in a deposit of \$100 per person. For more information, contact Jerry McGee, associate director of development, in the Alumni Office, telephone (704) 434-2361, ext. 261.

## Basketball Team Has Fantastic Season, Tie For No. 2 In Nation

by Larry Thomas



The 1977-78 regular basketball season, one of the most exciting and successful in senior college history, has been completed with the Bulldogs 22-2 in NAIA and 27-2 overall.

The 'Dogs, ranked first in the NAIA poll in January, began the year by taking the first annual NAIA International Cup Basketball Tour-

nament in Kansas City, Nov. 19-21. The Bulldog's took on and defeated Scotland's National team 98-70, Portugal's team 119-58, China 117-77, and in the championship game won over Czechoslovakia 98-87.

After playing so well in the international games, the Bulldogs came home to start their regular NAIA season. Even though the first three games featured 20 point plus wins over Wofford 95-70, Limestone 91-70, and Mars Hill 68-47, the 'Dogs were not playing "good ball."

Next on the schedule, the Bulldogs took on defense of their WBTV Carolina Classic Championship. The tournament was in its third year and the 'Dogs had won it the previous two years. Playing better than they had in the first three games, the GW contingent beat Livingstone in overtime 109-103. In the semi-finals, Pfeiffer was the victim, falling 73-72. In the championship game, for the third consecutive year, Gardner-Webb met Lenoir-Rhyne to decide the title. The Bears went down 97-86 in a game which saw the Bulldogs play like "the Bulldogs."

Gardner-Webb's Holiday Classic

was the next event, and this year for the first time, the format was changed from a tournament to a double-header. The 'Dogs beat N. C. Methodist in the opening game 84-60, and then polished off High Point the next night 114-95.

Next came a string of six games of which five were decided in the final minutes, three of them in the final two seconds.

The Bulldogs met Belmont Abbey in the Charlotte Coliseum and went to the wire for a 77-73 win. Next, in Lenoir-Rhyne's doubleheader in Hickory, the 'Dogs met powerful Guilford, a team which had several times in recent years kept the Bulldogs out of post-season play. Bruce Price, a senior point guard from Siler City, N.C., hit a 15 foot jumper with two seconds in the clock to ice the game 94-92.

Against Johnson C. Smith the next night, the 'Dogs had a somewhat easier time winning 119-96.

Catawba's Indians visited Boiling Springs next and gave the Bulldogs all they wanted. Down by two points with just seconds remaining, Carl Martin, 6-4 senior post from Jonesville, N.C., got a rebound and

put the game into overtime with two seconds left in regulation. The 'Dogs took over the extra period and went on to win 90-86.

The next opponent was High Point at High Point, a different team from the one the 'Dogs beat in the Holiday Classic. Charlie Floyd, 6-7 transfer from Wake Forest, hit for 42 points to keep the Panthers in the lead for most of the second half. But 6-2 junior John Borders from Waco, N. C. hit two free throws with one second on the clock in regulation to send the game into overtime. With one minute left in regulation, the Bulldogs were down by four. In the overtime period, neither team could gain an advantage, and the score was 97-97 with six seconds showing. Gardner-Webb called time out and set up the play. Borders, who had put the 'Dogs into overtime, got the ball with two seconds left and calmly put up a 20 footer to win the game.

Lenoir-Rhyne's Bears visited Boiling Springs for the next contest and played perhaps their best game of the season. With sixteen seconds left in the game the Bulldogs had a 5 point lead, and even though the

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Bears outscored G-W 5-1 in that time left, the 'Dogs won the game 87-86.

The fifteenth opponent and fifteenth victim was Sumter, S.C.'s Morris College. In a game that was never close, the Bulldogs won.

The Bulldogs took off the week of Jan. 29-Feb. 4 to spend some time with the Bulldog Club on their annual trip. This year they returned to Hawaii.

Heritage, UNC-Asheville, and Mars Hill were the next opponents in Bost Gym and each went home with a loss. The Bulldogs overwatched Heritage 107-64, outclassed UNC-A 89-87, and reversed Mars Hill's slowdown 63-47.

The first District 26 loss came at Salisbury in the next contest as

Catawba's Indians continued their home court domination of the Bulldogs with an 83-73 win.

Limestone came to the Webb primed for their national championship game and left with an 85-67 loss.

Pfeiffer's Falcons were next in a rematch of the second round of the WBTV Classic, a 73-72 Bulldog win. This time was to be different, and the 94-76 G-W victory put to rest many questions concerning the 'Dogs abilities to adjust to hardship.

The three final regular season games saw the Bulldogs defeat High Point 111-85, Lenoir-Rhyne, 91-84, and Presbyterian 98-65.

The Bulldogs will participate in the District 26 Tournament March 7-8 and may go on to Kansas City for the NAIA national tournament.

House of Representatives from the 35th District. He is presently night auditor at Statesville Holliay Inn.

**Harry Gilmore Carter, III, '74**, was a December graduate of of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He received a degree in religious education.

**Jack T. C. Cole, '74**, recently accepted a position with the First Baptist Church in Batesburg, S.C., to serve as minister of music and assistant to the church's pastor, Rev. Marion Aldridge. Cole has served churches in both North and South Carolina in recent years. He is married to the former Martha Christopher of Landrum.

**Henry Thomas Hill, '74**, was recently promoted to assistant cashier at the Lexington Office of Branch Banking and Trust Company. He joined the bank as a trainee in the Charlotte office in 1974. He is presently a director of the Lexington Jaycees.

**Bob Brown, '75**, was recently named director of the Drexel Community Center. Brown served for two years as director of the Burke Youth Center in Morganton, and is currently employed as athletic director for the Valdese Community Center and Recreation Commission. Brown and his wife, Janice, live in Lakeview Acres between Drexel and Valdese.

**Terry Maston Barnes, '75**, was a December graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He received a degree in religious education.

**Elizabeth Bland Paige, '75**, was a December graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. She received a degree in religious education.

**Andy Ingram, '76**, has been elected to serve on the Cheraw City Council. Ingram is the youngest member ever elected to the City Council. He is associated with Ingram Insurance and Real Estate.

**Sandra Jill Haney, '76**, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force. She will report for active duty as a registered nurse at the base hospital at Carswell AFB, Ft. Worth, Texas.

math teacher in the Cobb County school system in Atlanta, Georgia. The couple is residing at 104-G Hunter Hill Drive, Hagerstown, Maryland.

**John Hogue Gjelbaug, '71**, to Sharon Pickard Stribling, Oct. 15. He received his master's degree from ASU and is presently a partner in Looking Good, Inc. at Boone. Sharon is presently a student at Appalachian State University. The couple resides at Boone.

**Michael Robert Sturms, '71**, to Karen Lynn Kilby, Oct. 15. He is presently teaching at Mineral Springs Junior High School. She is affiliated with the Lewisville School Kindergarten.

**Joseph Woodrow Towerly, '71**, to Frankie Jean Hardy, Nov. 12. He is employed as marketing manager by E [ S Enterprises in Tarboro. A student at Edgecombe Technical Institute, Frankie is employed by A [ S Engineering in Scotland Neck. The couple resides at Route 2, in Scotland Neck.

**Wayne Clark Harvell, '72**, to Susan Marie Soul, Oct. 29. He is employed with Vintage Distributing Company in Charlotte, as a wine salesman. She is associated with Johnson, Poole and Welister, Aberdeen attorney as a legal secretary. They reside at 2500 East Way Drive, Apartment 28-A, Charlotte.

**David Murchison Blake, '73**, to Connie Yvonne Register, Aug. 14. He is employed with Etna Oil Company in Wallace, N.C. where the couple resides.

**Melisa Ann McClure, '73**, to Williard Dwight Caldwell, Oct. 8. They are both employed by Haywood County Consolidated Schools.

**Randy Michael Pendleton, '73**, to Catherine Ann Hoffman, Oct. 15. He is employed by the Mount Holly Police Department. Catherine is associated with J.B. Ivey Co., in Charlotte as an assistant buyer.

**Jesse Wylie Grant, Jr., '74**, to Teresa Collen West, Dec. 3. He is the owner and operator of G and G Sporting Goods and the Village Pantries, Chester. Teresa is a senior at Winthrop College, majoring in elementary education. The Grants reside at 123 Henry St., Chester.

**Noah Lee Hyde, '74**, to Minnie Norma White, Oct. 30. He is associated with the Albemarle Hospital as executive housekeeper. She is employed by the Albemarle Eye Care Center. The couple is currently residing in Elizabeth City.

**Deborah Ann McMillan, '74**, to Dwight Raymond Jones, Oct. 1. She is employed as a teacher by the Caldwell County Schools. He is employed by Moore's, a division of Evans Products, in Hickory, where the couple will reside.

**Susan Katherine Dobbins, '75**, to Thomas Dudley Pemble, Oct. 29. She was employed at Diagnostic Laboratories in Charlotte, prior to her marriage. He is employed by the

# Alumni Update

## THE 30'S

**J. Harry Arrowood, '34**, recently filed as a candidate for the Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners, subject to the Democratic primary. Arrowood retired from the U. S. Post Office after 32 years of service. He is currently owner and operator of J. Harry's on S. Main Street, Kannapolis. He is married to the former Vivian Irvin, and they have two children.

## THE 40'S

**Gladys Boroughs, '42**, recently received the Bronze Hope Chest Award, the highest award given by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society for volunteer service. She served as hostess chairman for MS's fund-raising brunch and fashion show.

**Charles H. Whitehead, '49**, was recently appointed superintendent of Cannon Mill's Plant 15 at Concord. He is married to the former Myrtle Farrell of Pittsboro, and they have two children, Beth and Charles, Jr. The family resides at 409 Tiece Street, Kannapolis.

## THE 50'S

**Martha Goforth, '57**, has recently become a registered dietician. She has been employed with Cleveland Memorial Hospital for 10 years. Martha lives on Route 2, Cherryville, N.C.

## THE 60'S

**Stephen K. Powell, '60**, was recently appointed to the 1978 Committee on Convention Organization for the American National Red Cross. Powell is presently Vice-President of the Citizens and Southern National Bank of S.C.

**Mrs. Jerry Causby, (Becky Blalock), '62**, is presently

employed as executive secretary and editor of company publications at Wix Corporation in Gastonia. The Causby's have two children and reside at 440 Holly Circle in Mt. Holly.

**Spec. 5 James A. Rogers, '69**, and wife, Frances, were recently assigned with the Eighth U. S. Army in Korea. Spec. Rogers entered the army in 1968.

**L. David Vaughn, '69**, completed his education at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University at Daytona Beach, Fla., and has recently become a Pilot with Allegheny Commuter Airlines in Hagerstown, Maryland.

## THE 70'S

**Steve Freeman, '70**, currently a sophomore in the School of Veterinary Medicine at Auburn University, was recently elected to the office of president of the Auburn Student Veterinary Medical Association.

**Vickie Lynn Gordon, '72**, was a recent graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. She received a degree in religious education.

**Alan H. Mayhew, '72**, recently joined Carolina First National Bank in Mooresville. Mayhew will serve as assistant vice-president. He will also serve as manager of the East Center Avenue Bank. He is currently a member of the Alumni Board at Gardner-Webb. Mayhew and his wife, Gail, have one daughter, Marci Elizabeth, age 21 months.

**Glenn Reid Walker, '73**, was a recent graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He received a degree in theology.

**Isaac Daniel Messer, '73**, was a December graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He received a degree in theology.

**Daniel R. Whitson, '74**, recently announced his candidacy for the seat in the North Carolina

Picker Corporation of Atlanta, Ga. The couple is residing in Atlanta.

**Jack Douglas King, '75**, to **Virginia Hope Hathcock, '75**, Nov. 27. She is employed by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. He is a first lieutenant with the Marine Corps and is stationed at New River.

**Roger V. King, '75**, to Helen Adair, Aug. 17. Roger is presently admission counselor at Gardner-Webb College. The Kings reside at King's Wood Apartments in Shelby.

**Michael Lee Mahaffey, '75**, to Carol Ann Shealy, Nov. 5. She is a registered nurse at Pardee Hospital. The couple is residing in Phoenix, Arizona.

**Vickie Diane Witherspoon, '75**, to Steven Allen Marlowe, Aug. 28. She is employed as a registered nurse by Catawba Memorial Hospital in Hickory. He is employed at Village Motors in Conover. The couple resides at Rt. 2, Claremont.

**James Robert Cline, Jr., '76**, to **Angela Gale Cooper, '76**, July 30. He is presently attending Southeastern Theological Seminary at Wake-Forest. She is employed by Georgetown County Memorial Hospital as a medical secretary. The couple resides in Raleigh.

**Robert Tim Gregory, '76**, to Jacqueline Louise Hullender, Aug. 21. He is a sale representative with NASCO of Nashville, Tenn. She is associated with Sana's Beauty Shop of Gaffney. The couple resides at 103 Robinhood Lane, Gaffney.

**Sharon Marie Saunders, '76**, to Kevin Dean Starr, April 8. Kevin is an instructor at Catawba Valley Technical Institute. She is a registered nurse at Lincoln County Hospital. The Starr's reside in Maiden, N. C.

**James Lewis Cranford, '77**, to **Cynthia Ann Voorhes, '77**, Aug. 27. He is employed by Deering-Milliken Co. in Lockhart, as a supervisor trainee. The couple resides in Union, S.C.

**Robert Conrad Pettyjohn, '77**, to **Karen Lynn Chapman, '77**, Dec. 17. She is presently teaching at Fairforest Middle School in Spartanburg. He is assistant director of the Cherokee County Boy's Club. The couple resides in Gaffney.

**Cyrus McKillop Purser, '77**, to **Ruth Miriam Robinson, '77**, Oct. 23. She is employed by the Alexander County Department of Social Services in Taylorsville. He is associated with his father, and he is also employed by Holly Farms Company in Hiddenite. The Purser's reside at 205 S. Second St., Taylorsville.

**Teresa Smith, '77**, to Rick Brewer, Nov. 26. She is employed by Hampton County Health Department. He is associated with Hampton County Bank. The couple resides in Varnville.

**James Dean Thompson, '77**, to Jan Renee Ford, Oct. 7. She is employed by Loray Day Care Center. He is employed by Gaston

County School System at Cherryville High School.

**James Marion Peek, '78**, to Belinda Paulette Dill, Oct. 8. He is presently attending Gardner-Webb College and she is a staff member at the College. They reside in Boiling Springs.

## BIRTHS

**Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Barrett, '66 (Jeanette Benfield, '65)**, announce the birth of their daughter, *Crystal Marie*, on September 11. Gordon is employed with Duke Power personnel training in Charlotte.

**Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Williamson, '75 (Constance Crump Williamson, '76)**, announce the birth of their son, *Benjamin Michael*, January 5, 1978. The Williamsons reside at 405 Huss St., Lincolnton, N. C.

**Mr. and Mrs. George Franklin Smith, (Denise Smith, '77)**, announce the birth of their daughter, *Heather Mariel Smith*, November 18. The Smiths reside in Boiling Springs.

**Mr. and Mrs. S. Charles Kale, '72**, announce the birth of *Melissa Stewart Kale*, November 7. The Kales reside at 5724 Linford Drive. Charlotte.

**Jeanne Dorsey Burks, '68**, and her husband, Dan, announce the birth of a son, *Dan Randolph Burks, III*, on September 29, 1977. The Burks also have a 3-year-old daughter, Ginger. Jeanne is a Home Economics teacher at Cherryville Senior High School and at North Gaston Senior High School. Dan is co-manager of Harris-Teeter Supermarket in Shelby.

**David Phillip Gold, '72**, and his wife, **Deborah Gail Prescott Gold, '73**, announce the birth of a daughter, *Felicia Michele*, born January 27. The Golds also have another daughter, Donna Marie, who is 2 years old. The Golds reside in Columbia, S. C.

**Donald M. Hartsoe, '73**, and his wife, **Donna Ellington Hartsoe, '73**, announce the birth of a daughter, *Kelly Dawn*, born September 21. The Hartsoes live in Clover, S. C.

**Lt. Bill Barkley, '75**, and his wife, **Sylvia Johns Barkely, '75**, announce the birth of a son, *Wesley William*, born January 19 at the Naval Hospital in Pensacola, Florida. Bill is in the Marine Corps.

## New Gym Needed

Being No. 1 in the NAIA basketball polls was tough, especially if you have a small gym like Gardner-Webb College has. At a Saturday night home ballgame in January even the press had to be turned away from Bost Gymnasium by 7 p.m. The game started at 7:30.

Head Coach Eddie Holbrook said, "I think the Saturday night game was a rather obvious illustration of how we need a larger facility for games with real tough competition."



Dr. David Gardner times his student assistant, Melinda Childers, on the bicycle ergometer while he monitors her heart rate.

## New Human Performance Lab

The health and physical education department has set up a new human performance laboratory.

The lab is designed to enable the physical education instructors to determine precisely the level of physical fitness of an individual. From that point, an individualized program to increase physical fitness of the student can be planned and implemented.

"What we're really doing is test measuring the cardio-vascular fitness level of an individual," stated Dr. David Gardner, a G-W assistant professor in health and physical education. "We can build a program for students to help them achieve their optimum level of physical fitness," he said. "Stress testing basically provides a more scientific approach in exercise prescription. We have to identify areas of proficiencies and deficiencies," remarked Dave.

The physical education department has a new bicycle ergometer, heartbeat meter and a skinfold caliper. The bicycle ergometer is a stationary bike that enables the instructor to adjust the workload for a person to pedal against and determine the speed. With the heartbeat meter hooked up to the subject, you can have the subject work so that he elevates his heartrate to the maximum level for his age. "We can find out how long it takes to get an individual to the maximum level, plug this into a

formula and determine the level of fitness," noted Dr. Gardner.

"To obtain any cardio-vascular benefit from any exercise you have to get the heart rate up to a certain level and keep it at that level for an extended period of time, say six or seven minutes. Then enough exercise has been completed to benefit the individual," affirmed David.

The skinfold caliper is a very simple measuring instrument. By measuring skinfolds at certain places on the body, the instructor can determine what percentage of the total body weight is fat as opposed to lean muscle. This, along with the bicycle ergometer, helps give a total fitness profile on the individual.

Looking into the future, Dr. Gardner sees the possibility of acquiring more sophisticated equipment. The more immediate possibility is a conditioning program for the College family, but, with the right equipment, Gardner-Webb could even be the sight of a cardiac rehabilitation center. Such a center would require "a lot more equipment and personnel," says Dave. "There is one in Charlotte and one in Asheville, but none around here."

Coming back to the present, Dr. Gardner said his new human performance laboratory equipment would give health and physical education majors good experience in conducting stress testing and give them some exposure to exercise prescription.



## Campus Ministers Do A Lot For Baptists



(Left to right): Bob Abrams and Buddy Freeman.

Between them, the Rev. Buddy Freeman and the Rev. Robert Abrams do a lot for the Baptists on the Gardner-Webb College campus and for North Carolina Baptists in general.

As director of church relations at G-W, Bob Abrams is the liaison between North Carolina Baptist churches and the College. Formerly director of admissions, Bob was appointed to his new position last July. This fall he traveled 5,987 miles visiting churches and 34 of the Baptist Associations in the state. In a year's time he may not get to all 80 associations, but he will try.

In his position, Bob also works

closely with the College's Ministerial Board of Associates, which meets bi-annually.

Throughout the year, Bob attends numerous conferences to glean information about how various groups see the College's directions and to give them in return information about the College.

His services are especially invaluable to the churches. Among other things, he keeps them aware of available ministers and ministers of music, including Gardner-Webb graduates.

In addition to these activities, Bob promotes and directs the Royal Ambassadors' and Acteens Day on campus.

In his private life, Bob serves as interim pastor of Grassy Pond Baptist Church near Gaffney, S.C. Before joining the Gardner-Webb staff in 1963 as Director of Promotion, he served as pastor of Deaver View Baptist Church in Asheville and of First Baptist in Sylva.

Buddy Freeman is the campus minister. In this capacity, he serves the College family, including the administrative staff. He serves as a counselor to students and staff. This alone keeps him quite busy.

In addition, Buddy conducts the students' prayer meeting each

Wednesday evening on campus. He also directs the student revival team for the deaf which tours throughout the Carolinas, and he heads the committee for radio service to the blind and print-impaired.

He oversees the work of students as they serve various churches. "We have sixty students serving churches in various capacities," Buddy pointed out. "Last summer we had 160 students working in churches in twelve states and three foreign countries."

As campus minister, he also directs the Baptist Student Union. When a student or staff member is in the hospital or some member of their family dies, it is Buddy that visits them and gives them comfort. He directs the ministry to the jails, to Crawley Hospital in Boiling Springs and the ministry to three rest homes in the area.

A native of Kings Mountain, he was pastor of Plainview Baptist Church in Cleveland County before joining G-W in 1968. With Antioch Church, he has completed his 17th interim pastorate. In addition, he conducts revivals and special programs with youth and emphasis on college and university campuses throughout the state.

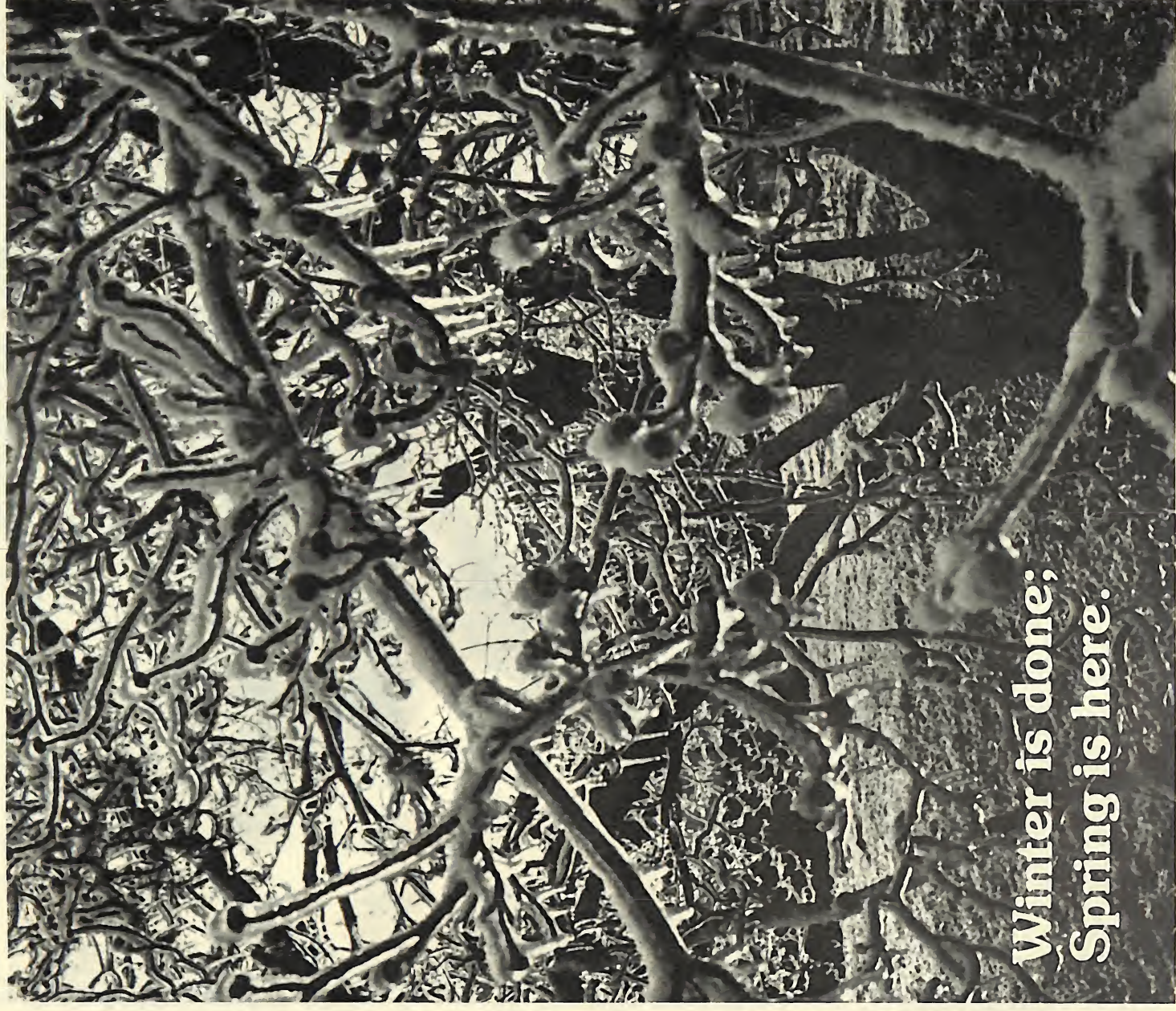
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