

# The Enquiry

**Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary**

Wake Forest, North Carolina 27587

LESTER TO SOUTHERN  
by Steve Jolly

Dr. Andrew D. Lester, Visiting Professor of Pastoral Care here at SEBTS, will become Associate Professor of Pastoral Care at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., beginning in January 1977.

Dr. Lester, a native of Coral Gables, Fla., earned a B.A. from Mississippi College and a B.D. and Th.D. from Southern Seminary.

The author of several books and

numerous articles, Dr. Lester has been Director of the School of Pastoral Care at North Carolina Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem since 1970. He has been teaching at SEBTS since 1972.

EVANGELISM AS DISCIPLESHIP  
by Don. Hall

Thursday October 28 the Student Sub-committee on Evangelism Training sponsored an Evangelism Emphasis Day at SEBTS. Richard Everett, Associate Director, Division of Evangelism, North Carolina Baptist State Convention, was the guest speaker in chapel and afterwards entertained students in the Mackie lounge.

Everett believes evangelism is discipleship. "We've got enough people who call themselves church members," he said; "What we need are people who are willing to say, 'I claim Jesus as Lord of my life, and I'm living for him.'"

If we don't show anyone what God is like, he said, then we're not really living. "The only way to be a disciple," he added, "is to be a disciplemaker."

Everett is a 1972 graduate of SEBTS.

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FROM A BIRD'S EYE VIEW, EDITORIAL  
by Don Hall

"Anytime we move to do, we risk. We might be faced with change, so we stay where we are. Thus joy in new experience is never found."

These words spoken last Thursday in chapel by Carol Neese are both pungent and piercing. They allude to realities that can only be grasped if one decides to do and then steps out and does.

Taken in the context of these opening statements, The ENQUIRY is experiencing a new awakening. Once almost dying from lacking student input, it is now thriving with a 19-person news team allowing more people to do less work and thus improve input and increase output.

For the rest of 1976-77, SEBTS is going to wake up, because through the mobility of the ENQUIRY news team efforts, we are going to know what is going on: at SEBTS, in Wake Forest, Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, and anywhere else. If news applies to us, it will be applied locally onto the pages of the ENQUIRY.

Communication is important, so The ENQUIRY news team meets once a week evaluating developments and discussing what is going on. Currently we are meeting at 5:00 pm on Tuesdays upstairs in Mackie Hall.

We as a team are going to add "credibility" to a long list of words describing this newspaper. Although operating within the limitations of a bi-monthly newspaper, we are going to report the news coming out of the nine administrative offices, student council and trustee meetings, forums, special lectures on campus and cover the diverse happenings off campus. We are going to report and announce events yet to come.

We as a team are trying to make this ENQUIRY worthwhile to everyone on this campus by having correspondents covering everything. If we fail, tell us. Our office is upstairs in Mackie Hall, but you can catch us on campus at least four days a week. Until Fall of 1977, the ENQUIRY's mailing address is box 2188, SEBTS.

We welcome letters but prefer to limit them to half-page, single spaced typed manuscript.

NC STATE RADIO STATION REOPENED

WKNC, student radio station at North Carolina State University, returned to the air Wednesday, October 20, after a five month layoff while its power was increased.

The station at 88.1 on the FM dial, now has 3,000 watts of power. Up from 30 watts, it will cover a radius of 35 miles. Transmission also has been converted from monaural to stereo.

The WKNC station is in the NCSU Student Center, and the transmitting tower is on top of the D. H. Hill Library building.

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dining room, bath, closed-  
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556-3037 (night)  
(Mr. J. L. Warren)

HELP WANTED!!

Jay Winston is the SEBTS student body representative to the Wake Forest Chamber of Commerce. If anyone of the Seminary family has any helpful suggestions or complaints, tell him. He is your voice to the community.

EXPERIENCING THE MOMENT  
by Don. Hall

With a specific attack of trying to experience quality moments in the Christian mission, this year's Conference on Mission and Ministry is entitled, "Experiencing the Moment."

"I am excited about this conference," Brenda Kneece, general chairperson of the conference said in last Saturday's interview. "In this conference," she said, "we have a three-pronged approach-- that of being taught, being challenged and being invited to be a minister."

This is going to be accomplished through a "multi-media approach" with a theme of the spoke and wheel, thus having many routes to take.

Varieties of media and of program formats are going to be used throughout the conference: there will be fellowships as community, worship in community and individual worship and groups diverging into seminars (a total of 20 this year). "We are going to provide a doing as well as a listening," said Brenda, "and we will have a series of experiencing different kinds of experiences."

Throughout this multi-media presentation in music and speakers will be "a striving for community as well as an individual discovery of one's own unique revelation."

In the conference the participant will experience the moment in three ways. (1) In art one will experience the educational aspect. (2) In retrospect one will experience the challenging aspect. (3) In ministry to other people, one will experience the invitation to mission.

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"As Christians we are ministers and have missions," said Brenda. (We, as SEBTS students, should not allow this opportunity to experience quality moments slip through our fingers.--Ed.)

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Raleigh News and Observer  
(October 15, 1976) for WKNC  
article.

Update #26 (October 1976)  
for first two paragraphs of  
enrollment article.

Radio Station WQDR (Raleigh)  
for Concert List.

Raleigh Times (October 23,  
1976) for calendar information.

## SEBTS HAS RECORD ENROLLMENT by Terry Myers

The students have returned to campus in record numbers this Fall. The head count is 997, with 896 in regular classes and 101 in night classes.

They come from 184 colleges and universities in 28 states and 11 countries overseas. This Fall, 684 students are married (76.3%). 108 students are women.

Dr. Fred Sandusky, registrar, states that the enrollment at Southeastern is up in proportion to the national enrollment figures for this fall semester.

When asked, "To what do you attribute the increase in enrollment at Southeastern," the registrar replied that in his opinion, "Students today feel that there must be something more than 'Nixonism' and the style of life shown them by the Watergate era."

Dr. Sandusky further stated that "History has shown that people turn to the ministry and religion after times of adversity such as we have recently known in our political and social lives."

Sandusky noted that we are seeing no instances of "student unrest" on campuses of the nation today, and he believes that this is a sign of hope for the future of our nation.

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## BOSTWICK FIRE by Carson Brisson

On October 19 at approximately 6:00 p.m., a small domestic fire broke out in Apartment 13, Bostwick Hall.

The fire started when Dr. and Mrs. Charles Allen, occupants of the apartment, left turnip greens cooking while they went jogging. Upon returning, the

Allens promptly brought the small flame under control, but not before a neighbor, Ken Holt, had alerted the Wake Forest Fire Department. The Wake Unit responded swiftly and in force but found the fire subdued.

Although the incident caused no personal injury and only minute property damage (the turnips and a pot perished), it did illustrate the need for some type of fire-alarm system in Bostwick.

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## J. NIXON DANIEL, JR. SCHOLARSHIP FUND ESTABLISHED

The J. Nixon Daniel, Jr. Scholarship Fund was established here when SEBTS recently received a check for \$10,130 from friends and fellow members of the First Baptist Church of Pensacola, Fla.

Daniel, a SEBTS trustee until his death in 1975, had been active in leading the Board of Trustees to set up a special scholarship fund. The gift of \$10,130 becomes the corpus of an endowment fund to assist first year students here. It was made possible by members of the First Baptist Church of Pensacola, where Daniel had served as chairman of the deacons, and by members of the Florida Bar Association.

The presentation was made by Dr. James L. Pleitz, pastor of the Pensacola church and received by W. Randall Lolley, president of SEBTS. Pleitz, in making the presentation in chapel, said that he wished "every student here could have a member and deacon in his congregation like Nixon Daniel."

STUDENT ACTIVITIES FEE: PURPOSE AND BREAKDOWN  
by Jim Brown, Woody Catoe

The student activities fee was approved to provide needed and additional services to students which could not be funded through usual budget allotment. Since the primary function of the entire area of Student Activities is to provide student services through a variety of media, the fee was applied to the budget in this area.

This \$20.00 fee was charged to M.Div. and Associate Degree students (not Th.M., D.Min. nor special students). Of this total, \$15.00 funds Health Services, \$2.50 funds I. D. and Directory costs and \$2.50 funds services related to Student Activities.

Projected income from the fee was figured at 90% of last year's figures (90% of 796 X \$2.50 equals approximately \$1750.00/semester). The actual amount for Fall semester is \$1921.25.

Breakdown of fee (approx. \$3500.00/year)	Activities Fee	Amounts available to Student Council
<u>1975-76 Budget</u>		<u>1976-77 Budget</u>
\$1000.00 (Student Council)	+ \$400.00=	\$1400.00 Regular S.C. Budget
1500.00 (Missions Conf.)	+ 400.00=	1900.00 \$1400.00
approx. 6686.00	+ 1400.00=	8086.00 Out of Miscellaneous
(Work Grants)		<u>1500.00</u>
500.00 (Miscellaneous)	+ <u>1400.00=</u>	1900.00 Total for
	<u>\$3600.00</u>	S.C. \$2900.00

Any monies generated in addition to the \$3500.00 estimated will be made available to Student Activities.

STUDENT COUNCIL APPROVES RECORD BUDGET  
by Steve Jolly

On Monday, October 18, the Student Council met for an extended business session lasting two hours. The session was marked by several significant pieces of legislation.

The session opened with the appointments of Don. Hall as Enquiry Editor, Don Taylor as Th.M. Representative and Michael Hale as D.Min. Representative.

The 1976-77 Student Council budget was approved. President Jim Brown presented a budget of \$2900.00 in the face of revenues produced by the Student Activities Fees. The budget breakdown to the student committees is as follows: Ethics, \$100.00; Off-Campus Ministries, \$318.00; Student Welfare, \$550.00; Social, \$580.00; Constitutional Revision, \$40.00; Communications, \$200.00; Publicity, \$100.00; Arts, \$712.00; Fellowship of Christians United in Service (FOCUS), \$300.00. The entire amount approved is equal to the Council assets leaving a balanced budget.

Other business included reports on a "Share It with Your Neighbor Meal," a movie program, a picnic for international students, the establishment of a Spiritual Life Sub-committee, a student forum for November 5, a plan for opening Mackie Hall on Saturday from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. and a resolution requesting specific trial periods for new student activities.

HAPPENINGS IN AND ABOUT RALEIGH

FILM SERIES AT ST. MARY'S  
COLLEGE STRESSES FAMOUS WOMEN

St. Mary's College announces the schedule for the 1976-77 Forum Film Series. In keeping with St. Mary's position as an educator of young women, the emphasis of their films is on the great women in film history. They will therefore present films starring actresses such as Greta Garbo, Mae West, Katherine Hepburn, Ingrid Bergman, Vanessa Redgrave and Glenda Jackson.

They will also show two films featuring the great movie teams of Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy, and Ginger Rogers and Fred Astaire.

These films will be shown on Monday or Tuesday nights at 7:30 in Ragland Auditorium. There is no admission charge. The 1976-77 film schedule is as follows:

- OCTOBER 11--TOP HAT--Ginger Rogers and Fred Astaire.
- NOVEMBER 15--CAMILLE--Greta Garbo.
- DECEMBER 2--NOTORIOUS--Alfred Hitchcock directs Cary Grant and Ingrid Bergman.
- JANUARY 11--CASABLANCA--Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman.
- FEBRUARY 8--PAT AND MIKE--Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy.
- MARCH 14--A THOUSAND CLOWNS--Jason Robards.
- APRIL 12--MARY, QUEEN OF SCOTS--Vanessa Redgrave and Glenda Jackson.

WQDR CONCERT LIST

- OCTOBER 30--THE OHIO PLAYERS in the Charlotte Coliseum.
- NOVEMBER 7--DOC AND MERLE WATSON, BLUE GRASS EXPERIENCE, GREEN VALLEY RAMBLERS, and J. B. PRINZE at Walter Williams High School Auditorium in Burlington.

Tickets at area Record Bars.  
NOVEMBER 12--BILLY COBHAM with the GEORGE DUKE JAZZ BAND at UNC-Chapel Hill.

NOVEMBER 14--STEVEN STILLS with a special guest at the Triad Arena in Greensboro. Tickets at area Record Bars.

NOVEMBER 15--CHICAGO in the Capitol Center in Largo, Md. The Charlotte Coliseum hosts CHICAGO on November 17.

NOVEMBER 16--JOHN DENVER at the Civic Center in Roanoke, Va., and November 24 at the Capitol Center in Largo, Md.

NOVEMBER 18--Jazz-rock flutist TIM WEISBERG at UNC-Chapel Hill. For ticket information, call the UNC Union at 933-1157.

NOVEMBER 20--FUNKADELIC and the PARLAIMENTS in the Charlotte Coliseum.

NOVEMBER 24--GINO VANELLI at Norfolk Scope.

NOVEMBER 25--KISS in the Charlotte Coliseum.

For updated concert information, call WQDR anytime from the Raleigh area at 834-3683, or toll free from anywhere in North Carolina at 1-800-662-7517.

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CHEAP FOOD IN CAFETERIA  
WEDNESDAY

by Don. Hall

Lyman C. Franklin, honored in 1961 for having the best dining hall in the U.S. Navy, has maintained that degree of distinction in his services here at SEBTS.

On Wednesday, November 3, from 5-6 p.m. in the Seminary Cafeteria, Lyman is offering us "ALL WE CAN EAT" for \$1.50.

Included in the menu will be Lyman's "famous" Italian sausage pizza, beef ravioli, spaghetti with sauce and meat balls, hot French bread, drinks and desserts, with salad bar provided.

## HAPPENINGS IN AND ABOUT RALEIGH

### "EQUUS" COMING

"Equus" one of Broadway's most stunning dramas and winner of the 1975 Tony Award for best play will be performed at 3:00 and 8:00 p.m. this Saturday, October 30, at Stewart Theatre on the campus of N. C. State.

Written by British playwright Peter Shaffer, "Equus" is the story of a young stable boy who has blinded six horses with a metal spike. On one level, the play explores the boy's story, but on a deeper level, it delves into the forces of sexuality, guilt, worship and power in people.

Tickets, five dollars for the public, remain for the 3:00p.m. matinee only. The play is part of the Stewart Theatre series.

### "IN WHITE AMERICA"

The Shaw (University) Players and Company will open its theatre season with "In White America" at 8:15 p.m. Friday in Raleigh's Memorial Auditorium.

The play depicts the roles of black leaders in American history.

Tickets are on sale at Shaw University and Sam Goody's in Crabtree Mall and will be available at the auditorium box office on Friday.

### SHOW TO FEATURE BARBERSHOP MUSIC

The Raleigh chapter of the Sweet Adelines will present its annual show of barbershop music at 8:00 p.m. this Saturday, October 30, in Raleigh's Memorial Auditorium.

The program, "Musical Kaleidoscope," will feature two quartets, Boston Common and the Sea Gals. The Sweet Adelines, an 80-member chorus, will also present selections of old and new songs.

Tickets are available from chorus members or at the door

at the night of the performance. Admission is \$2.50 for adults and \$1.00 for children and senior citizens.

The Sweet Adelines will donate a portion of the proceeds to Haven House, a home for problem teenagers.

### MUSIC

Violinist Michael Ponder, performance at the N. C. Museum of Art, 4:00 p.m., October 31. Free.

The Bill Gaither Trio with Henry and Hazel Slaughter will be in concert at the Greensboro Coliseum, Saturday, October 30, at 7:30 p.m. All seats reserved. Tickets are available in Raleigh at the Baptist Book Store, 3000 Old Wake Forest Road for \$3.00, \$4.00, and \$5.00.

### STAGE

Season memberships for Pied Piper Players of the Student Theatre Guild of N. C., children's season, on sale at The Little Art Gallery, North Hills Mall, and Miller and Rhoads, Crabtree Valley Mall. Plays include "PETER PAN", "GOLLIWOPPERS" and "GO JUMP IN THE LAKE." Memberships \$4.00, available for Saturday afternoons or evenings or Sunday evenings. For further information call 787-3638.

"LOOK HOMEWARD ANGEL," Based on Thomas Wolfe novel, 8.00p.m. Wednesday to Saturday, Carolina Playmakers, UNC-Chapel Hill.

"THE GLASS MENAGERIE" By Tennessee Williams, 8.00p.m. Wednesday to Saturday, Pittman Auditorium, St. Mary's College. Admission is \$2.50 for adults, \$1.50 for students. Call 828-2521 for reservations.

"AN OLD FASHIONED MELODRAMA," And a specialty act, presented by Theatre in the Park, 8:15p.m. Friday, Saturday and this Sunday.

## STUDENTS "ON THE ROAD" TO SHARE FAITH

Called FOCUS teams, they are ready to hit the roads in Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina to share their faith in Jesus Christ. Made up of students from SEBTS, the teams provide churches with special one-day or weekend programs of worship, study and fellowship.

FOCUS--meaning Fellowship of Christians United in Service--is a student-created and student-run service to the churches. Each team reflects the interests and abilities of its members. Activities and ministries are adapted to the needs of each church and the gifts of the team members.

FOCUS teams provide programs for all age groups in activities for revivals, seminars, retreats, teacher-training workshops, fellowships and worship.

Churches may arrange for a FOCUS team by writing: FOCUS, Box 2138, SEBTS, Wake Forest, N. C. 27587, or by calling (919) 556-3101, Ext. 248.

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## TRUSTEES ACCEPT \$100,000 GIFT FOR EVANGELISM; ELECT OFFICERS

A \$100,000 gift for the teaching of evangelism was accepted this past week by the trustees of SEBTS here. Made anonymously by a North Carolina family, the gift was accepted by the trustees as a challenge gift, to be matched two dollars for one dollar to endow a professorship in evangelism, authorized earlier.

"This is a tremendous opportunity for Southeastern Seminary," said President Lolley. "It will give our many friends a chance to join this fine

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family in establishing a permanent teaching position in evangelism. It is a dream beginning to come true."

In its semi-annual meeting the trustees also elected Tom Brandon, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Sherman, Tex., as chairman for 1976-77. Other officers elected were Frank Campbell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Statesville, N. C., vice chairman; Edgar Wyatt, Raleigh, N. C. businessman, treasurer; and John Howell, pastor of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., secretary.

The officers will be joined by Robert Brown of Trenton, Tenn., Hugh Chambliss of Huntsville, Ala., E. T. Vinson of Scotland Neck, N. C., David Britt of Raleigh, N. C., John Roberts of Baltimore, Md., and Howard St. Clair of Princeton, W. Va., to form the Executive Committee.

The trustees also heard a progress report and toured the one million dollar Denny library building, scheduled for dedication in March 1977.

Authorization was granted for the Seminary to confer an Associate degree, previously designated the Certificate in Theology. The degree will be awarded to persons who complete the two year course of study.

The trustees voted to establish the J. Nixon Daniel Scholarship Fund in memory of the Pensacola, Fla., churchman and lawyer. Daniel served on the board of trustees from 1966 until his death in 1975. The First Baptist Church of Pensacola where he served as a deacon recently presented the Seminary with a gift of \$10,130 to establish the fund. An existing trustee scholarship fund of

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\$7,515 was merged with this gift.

Another gift of \$6,085 from the Harold C. and Francine C. Fechner Charitable Trust was received by the trustees. Made in the name of the St. Louis, Mo., couple, the gift will assist in endowing the Seminary's Carver-Barnes lectures.

The trustees accepted a proposal for the creation of a Development Council for SEBTS. The Council of thirty businesspersons from Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, the District of Columbia and the Northeast will assist the Seminary in its program of institutional development.

In connection with its meeting, the trustees met with faculty and administrative workgroups to continue the long range planning process, scheduled for completion in March 1977. Included in the long range planning process is a one-year data gathering center for studies in urban ministries, scheduled to operate during 1977 in Washington, D. C.

WHAT IS OUR ETHICAL RESPONSIBILITY OUTSIDE THE ROCK WALL?

by The Ethics Committee

During the month of November the students of SEBTS have two opportunities to step outside the rock wall and become involved with the community at large. These two include being involved in the electoral process of our nation and in the bloodmobile drive for the northern section of Wake County.

November 2 is the day when we as Christian citizens have the ethical responsibility to engage in our country's electoral

process. The polling center for registered voters in Wake Forest is located in the community center at the swimming pool on West Owen Ave.

Our ethical responsibility in the life of the community continues on November 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with the bloodmobile on our campus in the conference room of Mackie Hall. Donors and volunteer workers should contact Bev Jessup in Johnson Dorm and Wanda Brown in the Women's Dorm.

Let us show the community outside the rock wall that we take our ethical responsibility seriously by participating in these two events.

PASTORAL MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

by Diane L. McClelland,  
Chairperson

"They might not need me, but they might. I'll let my head be just in sight; A smile as mine might be precisely their necessity."

....Sometimes Seminary can be a very lonely place of service. Students and faculty members tend to get so involved in studying and in ministering unto the world around them that they forget the needs of one another. A lot of times they forget that ministers also need ministered unto!!!!!!

The Pastoral Ministries Committee was formed to try to help meet the needs of the SEBTS family. Right now, we are trying to extend a little love and sunshine into the lives of those who are facing the trials of illness, either themselves or someone in their family. However, since our family stretches ever so many ways, we are finding it hard to reach all those who are in need. The problem is that we do not always hear when someone is facing a sickness. This

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is where YOU can help!! When you hear that someone is down and out let us know!! At the present time there are two ways in which you can get this information to us: one is by leaving a message at the switchboard or with the president's secretary, Anna, or two is to call me at the Women's Dorm. (If YOU have any suggestions on a better system, PLEASE LET US KNOW!!)

Anyone who wants to serve on this committee is encouraged to get in contact with me as soon as possible. (Another area in which the committee could serve is simply finding out what exactly are the "needs" of this seminary. Perhaps YOU would like to work on this!!)

Remember: Service can be given wherever there are people.

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OBSERVATIONS ON CLASS ATTENDANCE  
by Clarence E. Byerly

Why is it that some professors require class attendance while others do not have such a policy? It seems strange that Southeastern cannot endorse a class attendance policy that can be upheld by all the professors.

The seminary catalogue states that "Class participation is considered an important part of the learning process. Therefore regular class attendance is expected and students are responsible for the mastery of materials for credit" (p. 38). This statement of seminary policy seems equitable because it leaves classroom attendance somewhat open ended, and it calls for the student to master materials.

Student class attendance can possibly be categorized in three ways. First, there will always be that group of students who enjoys going to class, although

the reasons may be varied. Second, there will be a group who detests the idea of attending class. They also have many reasons. A third group fits in between the above mentioned groups. These are the ones who can just as easily go to class, as not go. These last two categories are the ones that concern those who call for a mandatory class attendance.

Some of the reasons for not going to class can be briefly stated: "The class is boring"; "I learn more outside the classroom than when I do go" (This comment applies only to certain classes.); "The professor beats around the bush and never says anything"; or "I had a professor two times before, and I heard all he had to say the first three weeks I took him." These complaints may or may not be justified.

If, as the catalogue policy states, class attendance is expected, although not mandatory, then the professors should look to the reasons class attendance falls off sharply rather than require attendance to have bodies in the classroom. One would be hard-pressed to find evidence that a "reluctant" student in the classroom has really learned. Too often we find this type of student operating in a memorizing syndrome.

The professor still has the last word, even if mandatory attendance is not required. The catalogue policy says that the student must master the assigned materials for credit. If a student masters the material presented without regular class attendance, then the professor should feel his job complete. This is one major objective of teaching, is it not? We need to admit to ourselves that some classes are not the most inspiring, and, frankly, there are times when it seems that

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little preparation went into the lecture. The professors have a responsibility to present quality material to the students, and the students have a responsibility to learn the material. I question whether mandatory class attendance really gets at this issue. Honest mastery of the material can take place in and out of the classroom. If the material in the classroom is important enough to be mastered, then the testing procedures should reflect this emphasis rather than require attendance.

It is almost inconceivable that a seminary student would not want to go to class. However, each of us will have to live with the priority we have given to our learning, but if avoidance of the classroom becomes the alternative of a student, then let us respect that decision.

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HOME AWAY FROM THE HOME:  
A SATIRE ON JOHNSON DORM  
by Steve Sumerel

If you ever get bored with seminary life and want to have a good time, see exciting Johnson Dorm. Only a few minutes from anywhere on campus, it is easily recognized by the mud slides between the new library and it.

I have been a dorm rat for six long years, but I must admit that Johnson offers experiences I never thought possible. Whenever it seems the sun just will not shine, I only have to look up at my 50-watt bulb. Whenever the whole world seems to be falling down on top of me, I know it is only the ceiling. No floods will ever reach the third floor, and since no one in my section takes a shower, we

do not worry about the clogged drain.

Advantages are unlimited at Johnson Dorm. The floor managers are great, but I would not let my sister marry one. The sound of the toilets have prepared us not to panic in case of nuclear attack. I get piped-in music 24 hours a day, usually from down the hall. We have hot and cold running water, although we are never sure where it is going to run or if it will be hot or cold. Our community refrigerators give us all the opportunity to share our food, whether we know it or not. We have a gambling casino in the lobby downstairs. There are gambling fanatics who are not allowed at the vending machines. One day I hit the jackpot and got five brownies for a nickel, but I lost a quarter playing the coke machine. I went upstairs and nearly choked to death.

Life goes on at Johnson Dorm, and in later issues you unfortunately who do not live there will get first-hand reports.

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TALKING TO MYSELF

by Clyde M. DeLoach

On Being Me

I cannot remember exactly how I came to be me. I do not even remember applying for the job. My parents are very noncommittal about the whole thing. They still have the sales slip in case they ever get the chance to return me.

All seriousness aside, in the hope of getting acquainted, here are some things that I do not ever want to do again (but probably will): go through orientation doing the things I had already done during the summer; take a shower that offers the pleasures of both freezing and scalding to death; talk to someone who does not see

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me, hear me, or care about me; see people on campus who are in pain and then hear some pious Christian talk about how much one cares about "people"; think about how little I am doing to help.

Here are some things that I want to do (but probably will not): prove that the New Testament was originally written in English and translated into Greek by a disgruntled monk; be a professional wrestler; date the dark-eyed woman in my class; get to know my professors well; learn to listen to people and be open and able to help.

But, me being me, I may just be talking to myself.

## HAPPENINGS (continued from page 7)

"COUNT DRACULA" by Woody Allen and "THE MONKEY'S PAW" by W. W. Jacobs, 9:00 p.m. October 30, Cary High auditorium, presented by the school's drama department. Tickets are 50 cents and available at the door or by calling 467-9844.

## ART

WILLIE NASH, N. C. graphic artist and N. C. Central University graduate, one-person exhibit, NCSU cultural center, through Friday. Exhibit hours: 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. daily.

"A DISPLAY OF PERSONAL HISTORY DISCARDED BY AN UNKNOWN WOMAN," family snapshots, Joyner Gallery, Meredith College, through Thursday.

"ART AND THE POLITICAL STATEMENT," theme for the November exhibit at Raleigh Artists' Community. Featured will be three N. C. editorial cartoonists. Entries must be submitted before November 4. Call 828-1206 for information.

Print exhibit by STEPHEN WILLIS WHITE, Duke University instructor

in printmaking, Little Art Gallery North Hills Mall, through this month.

## LEISURE

FREEDOM TRAIN, a national Bicentennial project, will be at the N. C. State Fairground Thursday through November 1. Train features exhibits and artifacts depicting 200 years of American history. Tickets are \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for senior citizens and children 3 to 12. Children under 3 will be admitted free.

BONNIE MEDINGER, chairman for ERA, League of Women Voters, will speak at noon Thursday, YWCA.

FALL WREATHS WORKSHOP, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, N. C. Botanical Garden, Chapel Hill. Cost is \$ 2.00.

STATE CAPITOL, open for public touring, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Tours for groups by appointment, call 829-4994 or 829-3456.

"TECHNICOLOR SKY" and "WHAT DO YOU THINK, PYTHAGORAS?" Morehead Planetarium, Chapel Hill, through November 1.

FREE FILMS, 8:00p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, movies from 1917 to 1930, Erdahl-Cloyd Wing Theatre of the D. H. Hill Library, NCSU.

URBAN STUDIES CENTER INFORMATION, students interested in the Urban Studies Center and Internships in Washington, D. C., are urged to meet with Dean Meiburg and Dr. Richardson in the Bethea Room at 10:00 a.m., Friday, October 29.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE  
SBC: A REPORT TO THE STUDENTS  
by Jim Brown

On September 20-21 the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) met in Nashville for its semi-annual session (the other session will be held January 20-21, 1977). I was privileged to attend, and I wish to share with you some impressions.

The September meeting of the Executive Committee is designed to carry out the recommendations and resolutions of the SBC held in June. The January meeting is designed to deal with budget requests and to prepare recommendations to be presented at the June 1977 SBC.

The Executive Committee is comprised to three major committees: Program, Administrative and Finance. These committees meet separately during the two days to discuss their respective tasks. Many subcommittees make up each committee. At these sessions each subcommittee reports on its work accomplished prior to their meeting. At the September meeting there were two plenary sessions where each committee presented reports, recommendations and resolutions. The full body of the Executive Committee then votes on these presentations.

Also at the plenary sessions the agencies of the SBC gave reports. These include: the six seminaries, the Foreign and Home Mission Board, the WMU, Brotherhood, Radio and T. V. Commission, Christian Life Commission, Historical Commission, Stewardship Commission, SBC Foundation, Convention Operating Budget, Baptist Joint Committee, Annuity Board and a statement from the president of the SBC, Dr. James L. Sullivan.

My response to the Executive Committee was a very positive one. There existed a sense of

oneness, optimism and encouragement. To me the reports from the six seminaries were most encouraging. Duke McCall, president of Southern Seminary said it well, "God has preceeded us on our seminary campuses." Dr. Lolley pointed out that the students are emphasizing missions more and more on the campus. Each of the Southern Baptist seminaries has enjoyed tremendous growth in the past few years. One seminary president pointed out that, "By their presence and their words they are saying that God has called us to a task."

Some good news is that the Executive Committee has approved a joint fund-raising project for the six seminaries. A special committee on seminary endowment was formed for this task. What this means is that the six seminaries will join together in a campaign, with a national theme, to raise capital funds to be divided proportionately among the seminaries. A rough estimate of the monies that might be raised would be around 20 million dollars. This will mean that money would be available to Southeastern to meet the crunch of a rapidly expanding seminary.

The average cost of one year of theological study is now \$3365.00. This fact alone speaks highly of Southern Baptists for providing adequate theological education at a nominal cost to the student. In a separate article I pointed out just how well this theological education is provided.

Discussion of the Bold Missions Thrust weaved its way throughout the Executive Committee meeting. The Missions Challenge Committee has prepared an extensive report concerning the role of Southern Baptists in missions for the 25 years. It is pointed out that the South is expected to see the greatest increase in population in the next 25 years. This is significant since this area is already

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a stronghold for Baptists. In meeting this challenge the Mission Challenge Committee has challenged all areas of Baptist life to respond to this need. It is projected that Baptists, working with others in the Christian movement, will present the claims of Christ to every person in the U.S. in the next 10 years and to everyone in the world by the year 2000.

It seems to me that the leaders of our convention are insightful and committed to fulfilling our role in Christian service. I believe our convention is in good hands.

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#### THE STATE OF SOUTHERN BAPTIST SEMINARIES

by Jim Brown

During the Executive meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention (September 20-21) Badgett Dillard, Assistant Director of Financies at Southern Seminary, presented a statement concerning the state of Southern Baptist seminaries in particular and other seminaries in general. The following is an excerpt from this statement.

First, interest in providing adequately for the financial needs of seminaries relates directly to the extent to which seminaries are taking seriously their responsibility to educate professional leadership for the churches of the denomination.

In the 1960's, there was strong pressure to make theological schools focus on scholarship for the sake of scholarship. Happily, most seminaries are now moving to the position held all along by Southern Baptists--namely, that the primary purpose of a seminary is to provide professional leadership for the churches.

Second, with the exception of the Methodists, most other denom-

inations are still debating the issue of how best to finance theological education, and many are envious of Southern Baptists that we have devised a workable plan, and that it works so well.

The critical question for many denominations continues to be, what priority, if any, should be assigned to theological education in allocating the available financial resources of the denomination? The commitment of Southern Baptists to educate our own leadership has set that priority for us.

Third, knowing the high priority that we as a denomination place on theological education, and our strong commitment to provide adequately for the training of those whom God has called to be his ministers, it should not be surprising to anyone that Southern Baptist young people are responding to God's call in such great numbers, and that some one-fourth of all students in all non-Catholic seminaries are Southern Baptist students in Southern Baptist seminaries.

Fourth, your seminaries are among the best managed seminaries in the United States. I really think they are the best managed, but I am willing to acknowledge that some others do very well. Like my other observations, this is based on my impressions from a variety of perspectives. But, unlike the other three, it can be documented with data provided by the Association of Theological Schools." (Used by permission of Badgett Dillard)

I am thankful that Southern Baptists have such a strong commitment to equip men and women for the ministry.