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CHAPEL SPEAKERS: February 14-20.

Wednesday; Dr. Ralph Norton, Red Bank Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Thursday; Dr. Gordon Psalms, Professor of Religion, Grand Canyon College, Phoenix, Arizona. Founders' Day.

Friday; Marc Lovelace, Clarence S. Howard, Ernest C. Mills, Monroe B. Motts, and Thomas A. Shepherd.

Tuesday; Ben Johnson, Herbert Huthmacher, Donald Mimbs, Earl D. Owenby, John W. Shipp, and Leon S. White.

(Dr. Stealey is ill and will not speak as previously announced.)

IT'S HAPPENING.....

Tuesday, Feb. 13; Basketball, 4:10 p.m. in the Gym. Demons vs Angels.

Wednesday, Feb. 14; TRUSTEES MEETING.

Thursday, Feb. 15; FOUNDERS' DAY.

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-----Basketball, 4:10 p.m. in the Gym. Tigers vs Saints.

Friday, Feb. 16; Informal Discussion Group. Watch Bulletin Board for details.

Sunday, Feb. 18; Murdoch teachers leave from Cafeteria at 10:00 a.m.

ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES

BASKETBALL--In last Tuesday afternoon's game the Tigers pulled away from the Angels with a 52-48 win. High scorers for the winners were Brunson with 14 and Clyde and Wakefield with 10 and 8 respectively. High scorers for the Angels were Williams, Morgan, and Rickenbacker with 19, 11, & 10.

In Thursday's game the battle was hot under the basket for the Saints and Demons but with less than a minute to go, the Saints gained 2 points on the foul line which put them ahead 42-40 which remained until the buzzer sounded. High scorers for the winning Saints were Fore (14), Dowis (10), and Tucker (8). High scorers for the Demons were Elliot, Rayermer, and Finch with 10, 9, 8 in that order.

Today's action will see the Demons vs

the Angels and Thursday the Tigers will play the Saints. Games begin at 4:10 p.m.

---Nancy Morgan

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NEW AUDIO-VISUAL OFFICE HOURS

The Audio-Visual Office is now offering service during all of the Library's hours of operation from 8:00 a.m. Monday until 4:30 p.m. on Friday. No service will be provided during weekend hours beginning at 4:30 p.m. Friday. Please plan to pick up any equipment or materials prior to that time.

TYPING ROOM AVAILABLE

A typing room has been set aside on the Second Floor of the Library. The second room on the left on the rear hall, formerly designated "Faculty Study", has been renovated to the extent that it is now deemed suitable as a typing room for students. This additional status symbol is welcomed, along with our new Student Center.

Although it is hoped that a typewriter will be available soon, you will have to bring your own at the present. ---B.H.

S.C.O.M.A.M.

The Student Conference on Mission and Ministry will be held on campus February 23-25. The Housing Committee needs housing accommodations for the students who will be here the nights of February 23 and 24. If you will have a bed or beds available in your room or home on these nights, PLEASE give your name, room number or address, and number of beds available to Sherry Dixon, Wayne Brown, Wayne Coley, or leave information in the Student Activities Office by February 16. Thank you for your cooperation.

---Sherry Dixon

A son, David Timothy Lutz, was born to David and Renie Lutz on February 12 at the Watts Hospital.

Dr. Blackmore's book, A Preacher's Temptations has been chosen by Pulpit Digest's Book Club as its selection for February.

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TIES WITH OTHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Among the strongest and most valuable of the ties Southeastern has with other institutions is that involving North Carolina State University. Each Thursday night of the Spring Semester from 7:00-9:00 p.m., the course CW-164, Agricultural Education, meets under the leadership of the various Department Heads from N.C. State, each man a leader in his particular field.

Some of the Departments represented at these class meetings are: Department of Sociology and Anthropology under Dr. Selz C. Mayo, Department of Economics under Dr. W.D. Toussaint, Department of Soil Sciences under Dr. R.J. McCracken, and Farm Management and Public Affairs under the charge of Extension Economist, Dr. Charles Pugh.

For anyone interested either in serving in a rural situation or interested in learning more about the rapid changes in this area and the affects upon your ministry, such a course as this, under the leadership of qualified scholars in the field, demands your consideration as you plan your course of study for next year.

For further information, please see Dr. Hendricks.

EDITORIAL

Like unto the feeling of any student of Archaeology when an earthquake wipes out your working trenches, was our reaction when we learned of Dr. Marc Lovelace's joining the faculty at Stetson next Fall.

Southeastern will lose not only a member of the Seminary community, but a scholar, teacher, friend, wit, Christian, and inspiration.

He may well have shaken up our stratas of presupposed presuppositions, yet after digging down to bedrock, the class, upon firm foundations, could better stand and seek to live the commision, "As you go..." meaningfully and guide others to do the same.

It is hoped that the "Recently Excavated Inscription" will be taken not as a joke, but "In Praise of an Esteemed Archaeologist.

-----C. Creed Caldwell

RECENTLY EXCAVATED INSCRIPTION OF A HYMN IN PRAISE OF AN ESTEEMED ARCHAEOLOGIST

While excavating an Eastern tell,
Bothered by scorpions and heat like *
Deciphering what the Ancients wrote,
My stomach full of fragrant goat;
I can't help but mutter in Arabic words,
As I unearth another strata of sherds,
"That it seems a disgrace
That the whole human race
Must leave as a heritage
Old piles of garbage."

Here a dagger; there a lamp;
Oh, by golly, I've developed a cramp
Crawling around with brush and trowel
I'm nearly tempted to throw in the towel.
Though I love the work,
At times I get irked
By those simple souls
Who, surveying my holes,
Continue to babble
That I'm doubting the Bible.

From bedrock up
In each shattered cup,
History we learn and insights too
Of Yahweh's purpose for me and you.
Excavations cost alot of money
And without meaning to be funny,
Without a doubt I'd like nothing more
Than once again reach Israel's shore,
Hit the beach and rush pell-mell
Inland to dig another tell.

(* At this point, a fragment of the original inscription is unfortunately missing. -----Ed.)

LETTERS:

Lets Look Again At Dr. King

Well, the cat is out of the bag, so to speak. For some time observing students have been speculating what it would be like if Chip Conyers were to really speak his mind. On January 16 in his editorial on Dr. King he has revealed his thoughts. Here are a few succinct observations to be drawn from his editorial.

In the stating of dangerous oversimpli-

fications of complex issues, the article expresses half truths and clarifies them into a brief summary of the "facts." Now really, can Dr. King be accredited with all he is charged to be responsible for? Has not Dr. King practiced non-violence in the racial revolution more than one would expect in most social revolutions? (see British labor movement, Indian struggle for independence, or in the U.S. look at agrarian tension on the American frontier, American labor movement, populist reform, Nat Turner rebellion, as a few basic studies of social movements with particular emphasis on the control of conflict)

There is evident little understanding of the social and environmental influences on the efforts of Dr. King at racial progress. Of course, a study in the social and environmental foundations of current civil rights activities would require considerable research and attention. So the "hit and run" approach overlooks many insightful explanations sociology and culture would provide into the non-violent revolution.

The intention of his editorial seems entirely negative! Do the insights as expressed make a positive contribution towards the attaining of racial harmony on this campus, in the Southern Baptist Convention, and among the peoples of our nation? Perhaps the editor would be willing to explore in a "positive" manner the area of racial reconciliation between peoples and what individuals, groups, or our government might undertake to do to build bridges between racial groups.

Reflecting upon the context of the last several articles, has the editor anything to say in an affirmative statement? We wait to see if a coherent examination of the facts can be presented, demonstrating a knowledge of background research material before sweeping generalizations are made upon the racial conflict in America.

----Paul Clark

 MISSIONS----A Matter of Identity

Recently, at a conference similiar to the one which will be held on our campus soon, a student inquired earnestly of a foreign missionary:--"But sir, if you do all of those things, when do you 'mish'?" After the laughter died down, the speaker, also in earnest, replied to the young man who had so innocently asked the question, "I 'mish' as I do these things." (cont.)

Missions, so vital to Christianity, is not a part of life; rather it too is a way of life. Before anyone can attempt to understand or help others, he must become one of them. Sociologists call this "participant-observer studies." Often they will become so emotionally emeshed in their investigations, they cannot objectively view the situation. The apostle Paul "became all things, to all men, so that he might win some."

Jesus referred to this as involvement. We must follow his example in regard to this matter as in all of life's situations.

Unlike psychologists, sociologists, and philosophers who only attempt to define man, Jesus knew men as they were. He knew, and he understood. He knew what was in man's heart. He also knew what they ought to be and what they could become because of God's love. Because of this, he had compassion and concern for them.

Next, Jesus lived where the people lived. He entered into their experiences. He made personal contacts with them in their homes, at work, everywhere. He shared their joys and their sorrows. Most of all, he IDENTIFIED himself with the unloved. He ate with Zaccheus the publican. He healed the blind and the lepers. He spoke with the woman of the streets. He showed love where others expressed hate, greed, and lust. Finally, he took man's sins, as if they were his own, upon himself. He bore their sins on the street, in the shops, in the fields--- on the cross.

Not only did Jesus identify with mankind, he became our substitute. Our transgressions, our iniquities, our sins nailed him to that cross. How much we owe to him in gratitude, praise, and service!

This is the imperative for missions. His love is our motive. If we love him---truly love him---we will not have to be commanded or coerced to "go." We will not have to be begged and assessed for financial support. If we love men, we will not have to be persuaded or convicted to respond to the greatest need of the hour for our world: Christ's love shed abroad, and at home, in the hearts and lives of men.

For gratitude is the giving of ourselves to him, and to others in his name, because he first loved us. Praise is the adoration he deserves as savior and Lord of our lives. Service is the expression of love--Christ's love in us--for the world and all men in it. Missions is being IDENTIFIED with him, as one of his, busy in his task of teaching, preaching, and healing!---Gene S. Carnell, Jr.

STUDENT CONFERENCE ON MISSION & MINISTRY

Our theme, "Christ on the Frontiers," seeks to emphasize a belief that Jesus Christ is on the frontiers of our age. It is hoped that our Conference may present some of the frontiers where Christ is to be found. If our thesis is valid and Christ is on these frontiers, shouldn't we seek to be where Christ is already present?

An Ecumenical Conference

This year's Conference will include seminar leaders and speakers from several denominations; Episcopal, Methodist, United Church of Christ, United Presbyterian, and Southern Baptist.

Some Seminars of Special Interest For Seminary Students:

The Inner-City Frontier--Mr. Bill Amos will lead a discussion on the challenge of the inner-city church and the Christian mission to the inner-city.

The Church's Struggle for Integrity--

The Oakhurst Baptist Church of Decatur, Georgia has become involved in many worthwhile social action programs. Mr. Jack Nichol, the minister, will share the experiences of his own church's struggle for integrity. He has an article on this subject in the recent Home Mission magazine.

Ministry to the Mentally Retarded--

Chaplain Harley Cecil will not only discuss chaplaincy to the mentally retarded, but ways in which your church can become involved in this ministry.

Ministry to Industrial Workers--This Seminar will be concerned with not only the industrial chaplaincy, but also with ministry in an industrial setting. Mr. Lowell Sodeman is well qualified in this area.

New forms of Student Ministry--Mr. Ed Christman will discuss many new forms of campus ministry: Ecumenical campus ministry, coffee house, summer projects, etc.

Missionary as Innovate and Catalyst--

This panel will involve Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bivins, students on furlough at our seminary, and also Mr. Charles Allen, who is also a student, and his wife. Dr. Patterson will moderate. They will discuss the challenge of overseas missions and the changing role of the missionary.

Rural Community Development--

Dr. Judson King will lead this seminar concerning the rural poor, share croppers, land lords, etc. He will discuss some of the things being done at Franklinton Center to help the poor and to improve race relations. This seminar will be valuable for the student who is serving or may serve a rural area.

Frontiers of Reconciliation--This seminar is designed for those students deeply concerned about the Negro community and in ways by which white and black Christians can be reconciled. Mr. Tom Kimrey, who is a student at Union Seminary in New York, will also be concerned with social action and community development in an urban area.

OTHER EVENTS

Friday Evening Happenings--A happening is a spontaneous event which seeks to involve the participant in a meaningful way. It is the participant's responsibility to become involved in the lights, colors, and sounds which he will experience. Each person must interpret the Happening in the light of his own experience and his own conscience. At the same time each person must realize that he is part of a group of persons who are seeking to become Christians and who represent a small part of the Christian Koinonia.

One of the happenings will concentrate on the horror, futility, and meaninglessness of war. It will feature two films shown simultaneously along with psychedelic images and sounds. Another happening is being planned by Richard Styles and William Pollard, U.N.C. student. It will involve a court room scene with the participants on trial. A third is planned by the Wake Forest University B.S.U.

The Carnival of Nations--one of the highlights of the Conference presents international students and missionaries wearing national dress from Nigeria, Israel, Japan, Germany, and Thailand. The HMB and FMB will have special displays. This will also be a time for fellowship and refreshment.

Saturday Night's Entertainment--Meredith State, and Old Dominion B.S.U.s will provide folk music and hootenanny.

Saturday Night Panel Discussion--With Dr. Daisuke Kitagawa, Dr. Clarence Jordan, Mr. Bill Amos, Mr. John Nichol, and Dr. Luther Copeland on "The Christian Pioneer".

Worship Services-- will include short devotional talks by some of the seminar leaders. Also folk-worship groups from Wake Forest University and Meredith College will participate. Dr. Kitagawa will lead the Saturday and Sunday morning worship services and Dr. Jordan will lead the Saturday evening service.

(More information on the Conference will appear in next week's Enquiry. --Ed.)

-----Robert Wynne
General Chairman,
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