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Conference Champions -- Cross-Country, Volleyball

CROSS-COUNTRY

Methodist College finished its second cross country season by winning first place in the conference tournament and taking the championship for the 1965 season. The tournament was held on November 13 at St. Andrews College in Laurinburg. The participating schools were Methodist, St. Andrews, Lynchburg, Wesleyan, and the College of Charleston. The Monarchs outpaced their closest competitor by fifteen points. The final scores were: M. C.—34, St. Andrews—49, Lynchburg—60, Wesleyan—102, and College of Charleston—116.

Leading the determined Monarchs was Jerry Huckabee. Jerry finished the race in 22 minutes and 5 seconds. He was second in the race. Jerry, being a senior, ran his last race for Methodist College. Coach Gene Clayton said about Jerry: "Jerry wanted to do a fine job for his last meet, and he did so by beating three men he had not beaten before. He was an excellent team captain." The team will certainly miss Jerry next year.

Coach Clayton's thoughts on the tournament are that "we knew we had a good chance to win, but we didn't think we would beat them that badly. Our victory can be attributed to total team effort. The boys wanted to win and each one of them gave one hundred per cent effort."

In summing up the season as a whole, Clayton said, "I was very proud to be the coach of a group of men who would work so hard to win the championship. This was their aim at the first practice session, and they worked continuously to achieve it. Very few people understand how much work and time and energy it takes to practice every day by running six to eight miles, then running four miles in a meet. I would like to express my appreciation for their fine work and efforts this season."

VOLLEYBALL

The D. I. A. C. volleyball tournament was held on Saturday, November 19, at North Carolina Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount, and Methodist College walked off with all the honors. Coach Frances Douglas in her first "venture" as a coach for Methodist proved her abilities



CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONS—From left: (front row) Ronald Hodges, Morris-town, New Jersey; Mickey Benton, Kenansville, N. C.; Jerry Huckabee, Fayetteville, N. C.; Rod Reeves, Fayetteville, N. C.; (back row) Marvin Hester, Jr., Fayetteville, N. C.; Howard Hudson, III, Garner, N. C.; Charles Teachey, II, Clinton, N. C.; Coach Gene Clayton.

by bringing home the trophy. The team members consisted of: Dave Cooper and Bob Ellis, Falls Church, Virginia; Dale Marshall, Colfax, N. C.; Gary Miller, Augusta, Georgia; George Pearce, Mantoo, N. C.; Peter Rapelye, Chattanooga, Tennessee; D. K. Taylor, Jr., Fayetteville; Edwin H. Voorhees, Morehead City, N. C. It was the popular feeling of the other schools that Methodist was the

"underdog" but failing to let this dampen their spirits, the Monarchs proved to be the "topdog."

At no time in the tournament did Methodist College trail any other team and they were only tied once.

Other teams participating in the tournament were N. C. Wesleyan, St. Andrews Presbyterian, and Lynchburg College.



CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHIES—Miss Frances Douglas, left, volleyball coach; Ernest Schwarz, third from left, director of physical education and athletics; and Gene Clayton, cross-country coach, extreme right, observe the presentation of the Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference championship trophies to President L. Stacy Weaver during a chapel program at the college. Dale Marshall, left, presents the volleyball trophy and Jerry Huckabee, right, presents the cross-country trophy.

MEMO From The President's Desk



I bring greetings to all of you. All of us at the college have many things for which to be thankful and find many occasions to be grateful and remember all of the friends who are so sincerely interested in our welfare.

We are continuing to develop the college. The opening of two additional dormitories at the beginning of the fall term in September allowed us to substantially increase our enrollment. Our growth is as rapid as we can assimilate on a sound basis.

The academic recognition of the college proceeds in an orderly fashion. Our membership in and recognition by the North Carolina College

Conference was established a year ago and continues. The same is true of our approval by the University Senate of The Methodist Church for the training of ministers. Our Candidate for Membership status in the Southern Association has been approved for another year and our request for a full inspection by a committee from the Association has been granted. We expect this committee to visit the college in April, 1966, and to make a report to the Association at their fall meeting in December, 1966. This is the earliest possible schedule which a new institution can meet under the rules of the Association.

The faculty and staff continue to be faithful, competent, and energetic. The students, for the most part, are serious-minded and cooperative. They are busily and successfully engaged in a number of activities, including the principal activity of academic achievement. We note with some degree of satisfaction an increased level of academic attainment, as reflected in the mid-semester grades.

Interest in the college increases, both in the local community and in larger areas. This is reflected in increased support and in an increasing number of applications for admission. We shall continue our policy of making our facilities available first to those areas which constitute our constituent body. At the same time, we welcome applications from those who can bring to our campus knowledge of and interest in other parts of our country and of the world. A majority of the counties of North Carolina is now represented in our student body. In addition, we are serving students from sixteen other states.

We are now proceeding with plans for the erection of some further very necessary buildings. We hope to proceed with this undertaking by the late spring or early summer.

And so, as one year closes and another begins, we bring words of greeting and appreciation to all of those who labor with us, who work for us, and who remember us in their prayers. May God continue to bless you and bring you health and happiness in the New Year.

Sincerely yours,
L. S. Weaver
President

Founders' Day Speaker



The Reverend J. W. Page, district superintendent of the Rocky Mount District of the Methodist Church and a trustee of the college, speaks for the Founders' Day Program on November 1.

Jaycees Complete \$20,000 Pledge



FINAL PAYMENT — Marvin Epstein (right) president of the Fayetteville Jaycees, presents a check for \$2,000 to I. H. O'Hanlon for Methodist College during the current annual financial drive. It completes the Jaycees' pledge made 10 years ago to give \$20,000 to the college at the rate of \$2,000 a year.

Drama Club Presents "Bell, Book And Candle"

The Green and Gold Masque-Kays, Methodist College's Drama Club, presented their first production of the current school year on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, December 8 and 9.

The play, "Bell, Book and Candle" by John Van Druten was directed by Mrs. Miriam L. Ussery assisted by Miss Ann Wilkin.

The cast consisted of Kathy Hill, Fayetteville; Jack Kerr, Buffalo, N. Y.; Dorthy Gittleman, Fort Bragg; Bill Blacklock, Fayetteville; John Leeger, Gary, Indiana.



A scene from the drama "Bell, Book and Candle".

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1965-66 BASKETBALL PROSPECTS GOOD



THE 1965-66 BASKETBALL SQUAD—From left: kneeling, Davis Bradley, 6'-3", Soph., Millbrook; Bill Honeycutt, 6'-2", Soph., Linden; Carson Harmon, 6'-2", Jr., Durham; Wayne Warren, 6'-1", Soph., Dunn; Jim Darden, 6'-5", Fr., Linden. Standing, Coach Ernest Schwarz; Phil Honeycutt, Manager, Linden; Marvin Hester, 6'-0", Soph., Fayetteville; Johnson Murray, 6'-2", Soph., Goldsboro; Linwood Ferrell, 6'-4", Fr., Spring Lake; Wyatt Harper, 5'-10", Fr., Kinston; Richard Dean, 5'-8", Fr., Roanoke, Va.; Jim Diethofer, 5'-10", Soph., Pinehurst; and Gene Clayton, Assistant Coach.



The college chorus presents their Christmas program during chapel on December 15.

(DRAMA Continued)

The drama Club did a superb job of designing and building the stage and the set.

The directors, cast and assistants are

to be commended for the excellent performance following many long hours of hard work.

Wilbur Smith Establishes Scholarship

An endowed scholarship has been established at Methodist College by Wilbur Smith of Fayetteville.

Smith, who recently retired after 23 years as manager of the Sears store in Fayetteville, announced his decision to establish the scholarship during a dinner in his honor at the time of his retirement.

Smith turned over to the college a check for \$11,500, the interest from which will provide an annual scholarship of approximately \$500.

In announcing the scholarship Smith said, "I came to Fayetteville a poor boy. I am a rich man now, if riches are counted by the friends one has. And I want to do something to show my appreciation for what Fayetteville has done for me."

The scholarship will be designated as the Wilbur Ritchie Smith III Scholarship.

S.G.A. Sponsors Viet Nam Day



Brig. General J. W. Stilwell, right, commanding General of the U. S. Army John F. Kennedy Center for Special Warfare at Fort Bragg and Lt. Col. Andrew Nisbet, left, of the Psychological Operations Department of the Special Warfare School chat informally with students following a Viet Nam Day observance at the college recently. The program was sponsored by the Student Government Association in an effort to inform the students of the "whys" of Viet Nam. A letter signed by students was sent to Gen. W. C. Westmoreland, Commanding General of the U. S. Army in Viet Nam expressing support of the U. S. troops and appreciation for their heroism. A letter has been received from General Westmoreland expressing appreciation for the overwhelming display of support by the Methodist College student body.

College Receives Sears Roebuck Foundation Grant



Homer Tillery, right, manager of the Fayetteville Sears store presents a check for \$2,000 from the Sears Roebuck Foundation to President Weaver. Col. William P. Pope, left, executive director of the Fayetteville College Foundation and Wilbur Smith, general chairman of the current campaign being conducted by the Fayetteville Foundation, observe the presentation.

College Shares In Donaldson Trust

The assets of a famous old Fayetteville school, The Donaldson Academy and Manual Labor School, were dissolved in the summer of 1965 and Methodist College received the real estate and securities, totaling over \$62,000.

The school, which was chartered in 1833, ceased operation in 1903, but the board of trustees continued to serve and invested the school's assets.

The trustees decided on Methodist College as one of the recipients of the assets because "it comes closest to being a successor to Donaldson Academy." Location of the College was one of the chief considerations.



Claude Rankin, secretary of the board of trustees of Donaldson Academy, transmits to President L. Stacy Weaver, the college's share in the assets of the Academy.

Fifteen Seniors Elected To Who's Who

Fifteen Methodist College seniors have been elected to WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES. Announcement of this recognition was made by Dr. Samuel J. Womack, dean of the college, during the Founders' Day Program at the college in November.

Students receiving this honor from nominations made by the faculty of the college are Larry M. Barnes, Fayetteville; Mrs. Doris Beard Britt, Fayetteville; Anne Butler, Marion, South Carolina; Gordon Dixon, Mathews, Virginia; Ella Rose Hall, Fayetteville; John Handy,

Raleigh; Katherine Kalevas, Fayetteville; James Link, Fayetteville; Danny Nau, Jr., Fairless Hills, Pennsylvania; Emory Pollard, Chantilly, Virginia; Mrs. Madeleine Schoenborn, Fayetteville; Ed Voorhees, Jr., Morehead City; Roberta West, Mount Olive; Tommy Yow, III, Rockingham; Marie Zahran, Fayetteville.

Criteria, established by the faculty, for nominations of these students are: seniors with better than a "C" average, leadership and participation in academic and student activities, and promise of future achievement.

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