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# **Reeves Auditorium Readied For Fifth Graduation**

## NAME FIRST DEAN, FOUNDING BISHOP GRADUATION SPEAKERS

Bishop Paul Barber, Resident Bishop of the Raleigh Episcopal Area of The Methodist Church, and Dr. Clarence Ficken, a leading Methodist educator and first dean of the college, will be the principal speakers for the fifth annual commencement exercises at Methodist College.

Bishop Garber will preach the baccalaureate sermon Sunday, May 26, 11 a.m., and Dr. Ficken will deliver the commencement address at the graduation exercises May 27 at 10:30 a.m. For other weekend activities, see SCHEDULE, pg. 1.

Graduation exercises will take a new setting this year in the newly completed Fine Arts-Auditorium Building. The exercises will be the first event held in the structure.

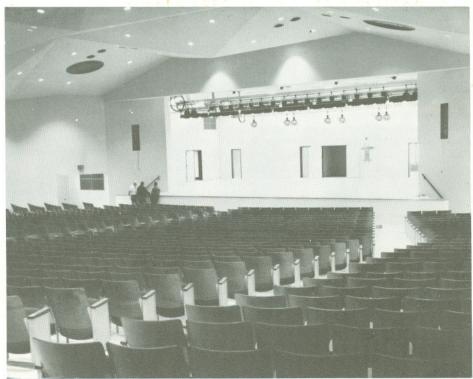
With this move into the Auditorium, an indication of continued growth at Methodist, appropriately goes the fact that the two principal confinement



DR. FICKEN BISHOP GARBER

speakers played a major role in the founding and beginning years of the college.

It was under the leadership and guidance of Bishop Garber that the institution came into being as one of the two new colleges chartered in the N. C. Conference in 1956. Likewise, Dr. Ficken, academic dean and acting president of



Reeves Auditorium nears completion as the May 26-27 commencement exercises approach. The stage, 77' wide x 48' deep, and a portion of the 1206 seating area are shown above.

Ohio Wesleyan, came to Methodist in 1960 as the first Dean to help develop and shape the academic program of the new institution.

#### BISHOP GARBER

Bishop Garber, a native of New Market, Va., received the B.A. degree from Bridgewater College, and the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Pennsylvania. He has received several

honorary degrees: the L.H.D., Simpson College; D.D., Duke University; LL.D., Randolph-Mason College; LL.D., Bridgewater College; D.D., Emory University; and the D.D., Washington and Lee University

Bishop Garber was ordained in 1926 in the Western North Carolina Conference and became professor of church history at Duke University Divinity

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#### FIFTH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT

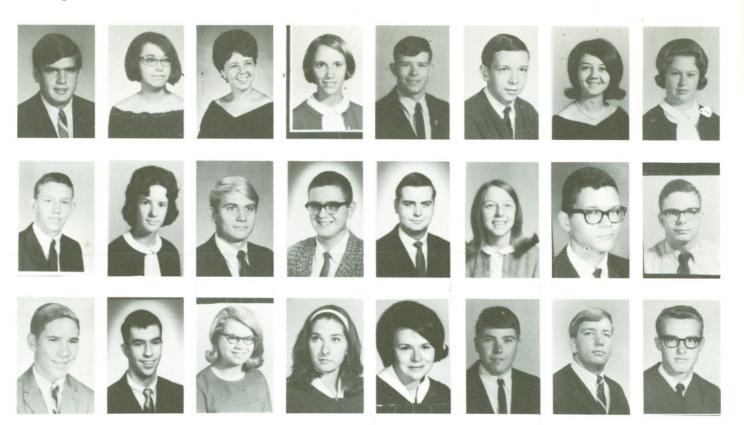
May 25-Alumni Banquet 7 P.M. \_\_\_\_\_ Tour of new facilities

May 26-Baccalaureate Service 11 A.M. \_\_\_\_\_ Bishop Paul Garber

May 26-President's Reception for Seniors and Families 4 P.M.

May 27—Graduation Exercises 10:30 A.M. \_\_\_\_\_ Dr. Clarence Ficken

# Top Scholarships Awarded 24 Incoming Freshman



Scholarship winners from left to right are: Row 1-Larry Barnes, Elaine Berry, Ellen Butterfield, Judith Carroll, Jackie Carter, Jerry Clemmons, Kathryn Cook, Joselyn Evans, Row 2-Ray Gooch, Patsy Hall, William Landis, Larry Lugar, Howard Lupton, Mary Reeves, J. P. Sanders, Guy Simpson, Row 3-Rudolph Simpson, Tommy Smith, Cynthia Treece, Linda DiCenzo, Dory Kestner, Wilson Fisher, Donald Leatherman, Kim Nazarchyk.

#### MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Methodist College Merit Scholarships have been awarded to 19 incoming freshmen for 1968-69. The scholarships, of varying amounts up to \$600 renewable annually, are awarded on the basis of high school records, Christian character, financial need, and competitive examinations.

New recipients of the scholarships are: Larry D. Barnes of Smithfield, a graduate of Smithfield High School; C. Elaine Berry of Greenville, J. H. Rose High School; Ellen Butterfield of Charleston Heights, S. C., Chicora High School; Judith Carroll of Cary, Cary High School; and Jackie Lee Carter of Fayetteville, Stedman High School.

Also receiving the Merit Scholarships are: Jerry L. Clemmons of Fayetteville, Central High School; Kathryne Cook of Elizabethtown, Elizabethtown High School; Joselyn L. Evans of Graham, Southern Alance High School; Ray Gooch of Franklinton, South Granville High School; and Patsy Hall of Fayetteville, Stedman High School.

Other Merit Scholarship recipients

include: William Landis of Oxford, Ox-

ford High School; Larry Lugar of New Bern, New Bern High School; Howard Lupton of Rocky Mount, Rocky Mount High School; Mary E. Reeves of Clyde, Tuscola High School; J. P. Sanders III of Four Oaks, Four Oaks High School; Guy Simpson of Norfolk, Va., Norview Senior High; Rudolph Simpson, Jr. of Lumberton, Lumberton High School; W. Tommy Smith of Sandstone, Va., Rocky Mount (N. C.) High School; and Cynthia Treece of Ellerbe, Ellerbe High School.

#### OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS

Other top scholarship recipients include Linda DiCenzo of Fayetteville, Fayetteville Senior High. Miss DiCenzo will receive the Charles Rankin Memorial Scholarship which is awarded on the basis of scholarship and need. Another Fayetteville Senior High student, Dory Kestner, will receive the Fayetteville Woman's Club Scholarship.

E. Wilson Fisher of Fayetteville, Stedman High School, will receive the Terry Sanford Scholarship which is given by Mrs. Tom McLean.

Also awarded to an incoming freshman is the Cummings Scholarship pre-

ferably given to a young man who plans to enter the ministry or a young woman who proposes to go into a fulltime church vocation. The recipient is Donald Leatherman of Morehead City, West Carteret High School.

Receiving the Richard M. and Ashton Lilly Scholarship is C. Kim Nazarchyk of Fayetteville, Central High School. The Lilly Scholarship is awarded by the Fayetteville Observer.

#### SUMMER SESSION

Registration for the 1968 summer session at Methodist College will be Friday, June 7. Classes will begin on June 10 and continue through July 19.

The curriculum includes 46 courses offered in: art, biology, chemistry, economics, education, English, French, history, mathematics, music, philosophy, physics, political science, psychology, religion, sociology, Spanish and speech.

### **Speakers**

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School. In addition, he was the Registrar from 1928-42 and Dean from 1941-44.

Elected a bishop of The Methodist Church in 1944 by the Southeastern Jurisdiction Conference, he was assigned to the Geneva, Switzerland Episcopal Area. Bishop Garber has served as president of the Council of Bishops, as chairman of the Commission on Higher Education, as president of the Board of Education, as vice-chairman of the Commission on Chaplains, as chairman of the Commission on Camp Activities, and as vice-president of the Methodist Corporation (property in the District of Columbia).

The Bishop was also a member of the Commission on Promotion and Cultivation; the Department of Ministerial Education; the Commission on Interdenominational Relations; the Ecumenical Council; the Board of Publications; the Commission on Course of Study as well as committees of the World Methodist Council.

Bishop Garber has been a trustee of Randolph-Macon Academy; Ferrum Junior College; Louisburg College; Wesley Theological Seminary; High Point College; American University; Pfeiffer College; and Virginia Wesleyan College.

Fraternities in which the Bishop holds membership include Phi Beta Kappa, Delta Sigma Phi, Tau Kappa Alpha, and Theta Pi. He is a member of the American Society of Church History and several other professional organizations.

#### DR. FICKEN

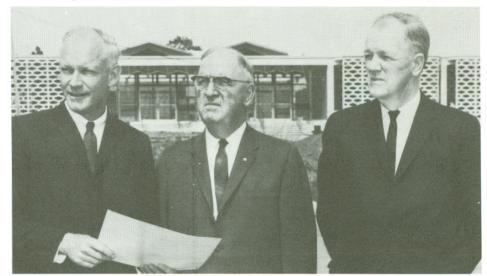
Dr. Ficken, a native of Huntingburg, Ind., received the A.B. degree from Baldwin-Wallace College; the A.M. degree from Northwestern University; and the Ph.D. degree from the University of Wisconsin.

In 1924 Dr. Ficken became the Dean of Men at Macalester College, St. Paul, Minn. After serving in this position for nine years, he became Dean of the College and served for twelve years (he was also Acting President for two years). From 1946 to 1960 he was with Ohio Wesleyan University as Dean of the College and Acting President (three years).

After coming to Methodist College (1960-62) he went to Baldwin-Wallace College as a staff associate and later to Philippine Christian College in Manila as a consultant.

Dr. Ficken has been executive secretary of the Ohio Commission on Education Beyond High School, a member of the Ohio Council on Teacher Education, and a trustee of Baldwin-Wallace College. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Kappa Delta Pi, and Omicron Delta Kappa as well as several professional organizations.

# Chapel Named In Honor Of J. W. Hensdale



Methodist College trustee J. W. Hensdale, center, examines the campus chapel site after the Board of Trustees named the future structure in his honor. Mr. Hensdale, secretary of the board, is executive vice president of the Belk-Hensdale group of stores in eastern North Carolina and a leading Methodist layman with membership in the Haymount Methodist Church, Fayetteville. Standing with Mr. Hensdale are Dr. Mott P. Blair, left, chairman of the board; and Dr. L. Stacy Weaver, college president.

### SUMMER CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

June 4-7-North Carolina Annual Conference of The Methodist Church

June 9-15-Civitan Youth Leadership Conference

June 10-21-French Workshop for Secondary School Teachers

July 19-21-Youth Conference, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

July 21-26-Annual Conference Session (A.C.S.), Methodist Youth Fellowship

August 2-3-Methodist Youth Fellowship Subdistrict Leaders Workshop

August 3-8—School of Christian Mission, N. C. Conference of The Methodist Church

August 11-17—North Carolina Classroom Teachers Association and North
Carolina Education Association Leadership Conference

To Each of These Methodist College Extends a Cordial Welcome

# A Special Welcome To Methodist Conference

Methodist College is pleased to have the North Carolina Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church meeting on campus June 4-7, 1968.

On May 15, 1956, during a special session of this Conference held in Goldsboro, Methodist College was born. The intervening years have seen the college grow to a student body of over 1,000, a faculty of more than 60, and a 600-acre campus with 15 buildings all valued at a total of about 8 million dollars.

This will be the first year that the

Conference has held its meetings and housed its delgates on a college campus. The college is looking forward to this opportunity to say "thank you" to the founding church by hosting this conference and by extending our hospitality to the ministers and laymen of our Conference and all those who will be visiting.

This experience will add another "first" in the long line of such accomplishments in the short life of this new college.



Outstanding Senior Athlete for 1967-68 as recognized at the annual spring Athletic Banquet is Johnson Murray, center. Murray also won the WFLB All American Athlete Award. JoAnna Cherry, fourth from left, received the Sherry Sellers Memorial Cheerleading Award. Most Valuable Player awards went to (from left): Danny Gibson, golf; Hal Johnson, tennis; Richard Swink, wrestling; (Miss Cherry, Murray); Jim Darden, basketball; Howie Arden, soccer; Paul Dhyse, bowling; and Howard Hudson, cross-country.

# Royal Arts Bloom As Festival Arrives

Beauty and the arts bloomed across the Methodist College campus as the third annual Royal Arts Festival began.

Opening the gala occasion on April 28 was an art exhibit at the Davis Memorial Library by the Fifth Dimension Student Art Club.

Campus talent took the stage April 29 as sMALL TALK, the student newspaper, presented "To Broadway With Love," a variety talent show.

A recital by William Miller, tenor, followed on May 1 under the sponsorship of the concert-lecture series.

The crowning event came May 4 when selection of the 1968 May Queen was announced at the May Dance. (See picture, col. 3)

Activities during the following week included an outdoor band concert May 7 by the Methodist College Wind En-

semble. Green and Gold Masque Keys presented three one-act plays May 8 and 9: "Decompose", "Impromptu" by Tad Mosel, and "Hello Out There" by William Saroyan.

May 11 the College Chorus in conjunction with the Community Chorus and the Fayetteville Symphony presented an oratorio, "Israel in Egypt" by George Frederic Handel.

#### (See photo, right)

Trudi Jaber flashes a radiant smile as she is crowned the 1968 Methodist College May Queen at the May Dance on Saturday, May 4. Crowning Queen Trudi, a sophomore from Clarksville, Va., is the 1967 May Queen Marsha Henry Nardone (Mrs. Robert).

# May Queen Crowned



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