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### Four New Trustees Elected

Two Fayetteville residents are among four new trustees elected to the Methodist College Board of Trustees. Their election came Wednesday (June 9) at the North Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church which met on the Methodist College campus.

Fayetteville residents elected to membership are Dr. Charles M. Speegle and J. Bernard Stein. Also elected were the Reverend Clyde G. McCarver of Rockingham and the Reverend Rufus H. Stark II of Raleigh.

Trustees who were re-elected include: Vice-Chairman Henry Dixon, Mebane; J. Nelson Gibson, Gibson; I.H. O'Hanlon, Fayetteville; W.V. Register, Dunedin, Fla.; Dr. Terry Sanford, Durham; and Wilbur R. Smith, Fayetteville.

Stein is a former member of the Methodist College Foundation Board of Directors and served one year as chairman of the Community Loyalty Campaign. After graduating from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and attending the UNC-CH law school, he joined the J.B. Ivey Co. of Charlotte. He is now president of Capitol Department Stores, and is a member of the North Carolina Merchants Association and the National Retail Merchants Association.

In 1951 he was named National Brand Names "Retailer of the Year" for the United States. Stein has been president of B'Nai B'Rith Lodge for two years.

Dr. Speegle has also served as

chairman of the Community Loyalty Campaign and was president of the Methodist College Foundation in 1974-75. He is engaged in the private practice of veterinary medicine and is a member of several veterinary medical associations in addition to serving as a past president and director of the North Carolina Veterinary Research Foundation.

He is a member of Highland Presbyterian Church having served as a deacon for five years (including chairman of the deaconate) and as an elder for the past 12 years (including clerk of session for the past six years and vice-moderator). Dr. Speegle attended North Carolina State University and received his doctor of veterinary medicine degree from the University of Georgia.

The Rev. Mr. McCarver is currently Rockingham District Superintendent of the North Carolina Conference, United Methodist Church. He is a member of the World Methodist Council and was a delegate to the World Methodist Conference. He received his bachelor of arts degree from the University of Georgia and his master of divinity degree from the Duke University Divinity School.

The Rev. Mr. Stark is currently pastor of Raleigh's Fairmont United Methodist Church, and in the conference is chairman of the Division of Missions. He received his bachelor of arts and master of divinity degrees from Duke University.

#### R.R. Allen Elected Board Chairman

Richard R. Allen, president of D.R. Allen & Son, Inc., has been elected chairman of the Methodist College Board of Trustees. He replaces Dr. Mott Blair of Siler City, chairman for the past nine years, who resigned the chairmanship but will remain on the board.

Allen came to the board of trustees on July 1,1975. He is a charter member of Haymount United Methodist Church and presently serves on the church's board of trustees and as chairman of the Building Committee and the Administrative Board. Allen was a district lay leader for the Fayetteville District for seven years and was a delegate to the 1966 World Methodist Conference in London.

In addition to serving as president of

the construction firm founded by his father, he is chairman of the board of four corporations and a member of the board of directors of four others. A graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute, he is



Richard R. Allen

married to the former Joan English and they have three children.

He was recipient of the Fayetteville Jaycees "Distinguished Service Award" in 1966, was listed in the 1968 edition of "Outstanding Young Men of America," and received the Realtor's Cup for outstanding community service from the Fayetteville Area Chamber of Commerce in 1973.

He is a former director of the Fayetteville YMCA, Salvation Army, and the Red Cross, is past president of the Fayetteville Rotary Club and is a former district chairman of the Boy Scouts of America

New Major, Minors Approved By Trustees When freshmen arrive for registration August 29, two new academic programs will be offered for the first time. A new major and minor in Christian Education and a new minor in Mass Communication were approved by college trustees at their spring meeting.

Students enrolling under the 1976-77 Academic Bulletin now have a choice of 20 majors and 23 minors.

The Christian Education major ties in very closely with the already existing Religion major. In fact Christian Education majors take five Religion Department courses in the course of their study. The major is designed to prepare students for ready entrance into graduate programs or for service as Assistant Directors of Christian Education.

The Mass Communication Department combines the former Journalism and Speech Departments. New courses being offered include Basic Photography, Introduction to Broadcasting, and Persuasive Speaking and Writing.

## M.C. Recipient Of Many Gifts



Mrs. Noele Me'ry (left) of Paris, France, visits the Lafayette Room of the Davis Memorial Library. She is the wife of General Me ry, French Armed Forces Chiefof-Staff, who was visiting nearby Ft, Bragg. Hostesses were Mrs. Elaine Porter (right), assistant.

Hostesses were Mrs. Elaine Porter (right), assistant professor of French, Mrs. Sybli Marks of Ft. Bragg, Mrs. Michelene Sterling of Ft. Bragg, and Mrs. Norma Womack, curator of the Lafayette Room.

Methodist College has been the recipient of several gifts lately.

For the first time this fall two new scholarships will be awarded. They are the Carolina College Alumnae Association Scholarship and the Mary Jeanne Blackburn Scholarship. Both are endowed scholarships.

Carolina College was a Methodist College for women located in Maxton from 1912 to 1926. Their alumnae association is now affiliated with Methodist College. Carolina College alumnae and friends have already placed \$4,040.68 in the restricted scholarship fund.

Thus far \$3,734.35 has been contributed to the Mary Jeanne Blackburn Scholarship account which was initiated by the Fayetteville District, North Carolina Conference, United Methodist Church. It will be awarded to a Methodist College student who is also a member of the conference. Mrs. Blackburn is the wife of Bishop Robert M. Blackburn, bishop of the conference.

The scholarship fund was begun by Fayetteville District Superintendent James H. Miller, Jr. and contributions have come in primarily from the North Carolina and Florida Conferences of the United Methodist Church, Mrs. Blackburn is a native of Florida.

Anyone wishing to add to the Mary Jeanne Blackburn and/or Carolina College Alumnae Association scholarships should send their tax deductible contributions to Methodist College.

George Beasley, president of WFAI radio station in Fayetteville, has donated a 30-volume set of "The Great

Soviet Encyclopedia" to the Davis Memorial Library.

The set covers 30 subjects, ranging from agriculture to world history, in 100,000 articles comprising a total of 21 million words. "The Great Soviet Encyclopedia" is "... the most complete primary source on the Soviet Union ...." according to the New York Times

Before entering the broadcasting business, Beasley was a high school principal. He currently is a member of the Wayne County Board of Education, and resides in Goldsboro.

"Cross Field," a painting by J. Menache, now hangs in the east lobby of the Horner Administration Building. The acrylic painting measuring 47¾" x 63¾", now a part of the college's permanent art collection, was a gift from the North Carolina Art Society. Mrs. Lola McMillan, chairman of the Fayetteville Chapter of the art society, made the presentation.

The Lafayette Room of the Davis Memorial Library has received two gifts.

A commemoratie plate showing the Marquis de Lafayette signing his enlistment in the American Revolutionary Army has been presented by the Cumberland County Historical Society in memory of former president and founder Jack Crane. Mrs. W.D. Sherman, president of the society; Miss Kitty Purdie, member; and Mrs. Jack Crane formally presented the plate to Dr. Samuel J. Womack, dean.

The Charlotte Blume School of Dance presented three dance recitals in May with proceeds going to the Lafayette Fund. Coordinators of the event were Mrs. Charlotte Blume Seike and Mrs. C.C. Duell. Mrs. Duell was a founder of the Lafayette Room and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Methodist College Foundation.



#### Roy Whitmire Joins Staff As Comptroller

Roy A. Whitmire has joined the staff of Methodist College as comptroller.

A retired lieutenant colonel in the U.S.Army, Whitmire replaces Oliver C. Culbreth who is retiring.

Since leaving the Army in 1974, Whitmire has been an independent and associate real estate broker in Fayetteville. He holds a bachelor of science degree in government from the University of Maryland and the master of business administration degree in marketing from the University of Alabama.

Whitmire is a member of the American Marketing and Management Associations, North Carolina Real Estate Brokers, Toastmasters International, Masonic-Scottish Rite and Shrine, and Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

Whitmire and the late Mrs. Whitmire have two children: Chris (22) and Richard (18), and they are members of St. Johns Episcopal Church.

Methodist College admits students of any race, color national and ethnic origin or any religious denomination to all the privileges programs and activities generally made available to students of the college. Methodist College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin or religious denomination in the administration of its educational policies, scholarhsips and loan programs, athletics and all other college administered programs.

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