

November 2, 1972 To: News and Observer and Robesonian

Local student is on Homecoming court

Kari Michele Hagan, Public Relations 488-7110, ext. 228

NEWS

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. Miss Linda Ann Bullard, one of five coeds elected to reign over the 1972 Methodist College Homecoming festivities in Fayetteville October 28, was announced to the queen's court during the soccer game halftime between MC and UNC-Greensboro Saturday.

Linda is the daughter of Mrs. Alberta Bullard of Rowland, N.C.

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November 2, 1972 To Fayetteville Observer area newspapers, and radio

Presidential Search Committee

Kari Michele Hagan, Public Relations 4887110, ext. 228

NEWS

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C._____Following Methodist College President

L. Stacy Weaver's announced plans for retirement, Dr. Mott Pl Blair,

Chairman of the Board of Trustees, appointed a presidential search

committee made up of Board of Trustees, alumni, faculty and student

body member.

It will be the duty of the search committee to hire a new president for Methodist College by the end of this school year.

Serving on the committee are:

Mr. J. Nelson Gibson, Chairman, Gibson, N.C.; Dr. Terry
Sanford, President of Duke University, Raleigh, N.C.; Mr.
Norman Campbell, Burlington, N.C.; Mr. James M. Peden, Jr.,
Raleigh, N.C.; Mr. Dillard Teer, Durham, N.C.; Dr. Graham S.
Eubank, Fayetteville, N.C.; Mr. Henry Dixon, Mebane, N.C.;
Dr. C.D. Barclift, Durham, N.C.; Mr. John Hensdale, Fayetteville,
N.C.; Mrs. Earl Brian, Raleigh, N.C.; Mr. Lenox Copper, Wilmington,
N.C.; Dr. Mott P. Blair of Siler City as an ex-officio member. All

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Search Committee

above are members of the Board of Trustees.

Other committee members are:

Rev. Thomas S. Yow, III, Fayetteville minister; Mr. John (Chip) Dicks, III, president of the student body and Dr. Willis Gates, Chairman of Fine Arts.

Speaking engagements, Dr.S.J.Womack

Sept.24 - - Preach, Homecoming Service, Wesley's Chapel (N.P.EDens, pastor)

Oct. 22 - - Preach, St. Paul's Methodist Church B.F. Meachin, pastor

Oct.8, 15, 22, 29 -- Taught Course on Paul's Letter to Romans, Haymount Methodist Church

Nov. 5 -- Preach, Richlands Methodist Church C.C.Boggs, pastor N.C. Christian advocate
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Dr. Samuel J. Womack, Adademic Dean at Methodist College, was guest minister for the homecoming service at Wesley's Chapel on September 24. He preached at St. Paul's United Methodist Church on October 22 and Richlands United Methodist Church on November 5. Dr. Womack was the teacher for the church-wide study on Romans at Haymount United Methodist Church on October 8, 15, 22 and 29.



November 6, 1972 To: Fayetteville Observer
Religion Editor
Students make trip to Duke Univ.

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The "Life and Teachings of Jesus" class at Methodist College visited the Rare Book Room at Perkins Library on the Duke University campus Saturday, Nov. 4. Accompanying the students were Dr. Lorenzo Plyler, chairman of Religion and Philosophy at M.C., and Dr. Deryl Johnson, associate professor of philosophy.

Curator John Sharpe led the tour, highlighted with inspection of several ancient Greek documents necessary to the English translation of the New Testament.

Following the tour, M.C. alumni Michael Safley and Ray Gooch, both juniors at Duke Divinity School, joined the group for dinner.



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November 9, 1972 To: Fayetteville Observer and area radio

Dr. Gautam addresses national convention

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Chairman Dr. Sudhakar Gautam (got-um), has returned from

St. Louis, Mo. where he addressed the eighth annual American

Water Resources Conference on November 2.

Dr. Gautam, a native of India, is a noted economist and author of over 30 publications pertaining to India's economy and population.

Appearing before more than 400 engineers, doctors, professors and administrators involved in helping preserve the world's natural resources, Dr. Gautam presented his treatise on the financial aspects of Inidan irrigation projects.

India is a nation that has a vast unutilized water potential. "Out of the total surface water resources assessed at 1356 million acre ft. only 250 million acre ft. are being used under the present economic conditions in India," Dr. Gautam explained.

"Since 1921 all irrigation works
are financed by State Governments either from general revenues or
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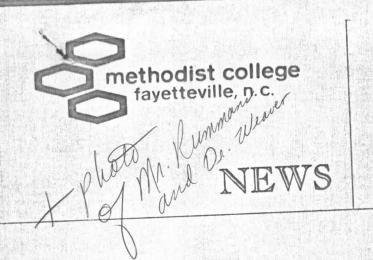
Dr. Gautam

more often from the loans raised on government security," said

Dr. Gautam. The irrigation projects are all rated on their rate of
return as either "productive" or "unproductive." After a period

of development, usually 10 years, the projects are judged on
whether they have paid for themselves.

Association is an important group in the struggle to conserve the natural resources we take for granted, whether they be water, air, minerals, land, etc. It is this group of 'experts' duty to analyze our resource situation and direct them to the areas where they are needed most for optimum utilization and maximum production.



For release Monday , Nov. 13

Nov. 10, 1972 To: Fayetteville Observer

Sears presents contribution

Kari Michele Hagan, Public Relations 488-7110 ext. 228

Manager Al Rummans presented to President L. Stacy Weaver of

Methodist College a contribution \$2000.00 in grants to be used

as the college deems necessary on Friday.

Grants totaling more than \$48,922 will be distributed to 41 privately supported colleges and universities in North Carolina this week by the Sears-Roebuck Foundation, Rummans said.

The North Carolina colleges and universities are among more than 950 private, accredited two- and four- year institutions acress the country which are sharing in \$1,500,000 in Sears Foundation Ffunds.

Nationally, private colleges and universities will receive \$1,000,000 in unrestricted grants and an additional \$500,000 through a Seams Foundation program to assist colleges and university libraries.

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Sears contribution

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FOR RELEASE:

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1972

Grants totaling more than \$48,922 will be distributed to 41 privately supported colleges and universities in North Carolina this week by the Sears-Roebuck Foundation, a spokesman, Al Rummans, said today.

In the Fayetteville area, Methodist College will receive grants totaling \$2,000.00.

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November 15, 1972 To: Fayetteville Observer

MC Foundation meeting

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President L. Stacy Weaver and an address by Ray A. Muench, Jr., manager of the Public Works Commission and a Methodist College Foundation Director, highlighted the luncheon meeting of the Methodist College Foundation Board of Directors, Tuesday at the college cafeteria.

The resolution, signed by the board members in attendance, honored President Weaver with the statement that follows. "On learning of the announced resignation of Dr. L. Stacy Weaver the members of the Board of Directors of Methodist College Foundation reflected on the providential wisdom of those who selected him as the first President of Methodist College. Only a few can fully understand the gawesome diversification of responsibilities in putting together in a short span of years, something so big, composed of so many aparts, most of which are human parts. None but a man with tremendous personal force, with prophetic vision, with every

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as he has, made it appear easy. As part of the growing host who love Methodist College and cherish its ever-increasing worth to the people of our region, we, the Directors of Methodist College Foundation, wish to record our gratitude to Dr. L. Stacy Weaver for the spirit and quality of his tenure as President, and our gratitude to Almighty God that a man of his unique qualifications was in the right place at the right time."

Ray A. Muench, Jr. told the group of the Public Works Commission's (PWC) never ending service to the community. Electricity, water and sanitary sewer planning and engineering are vital issues in a rapidly expanding area such as Fayetteville.

Since 1950 the meters of electricity used by area residents has multiplied over three times where it has reached a 1972 rate of 38,000 meters, Muench pointed out. Muench reminded the directors that the demand for water and electricity has always been met by PWC in Fayetteville even during peak usage periods in the hot summer months.

Treasurer Woodrow P. Bass presented the financial report. Methodist College Foundation's grand total cash and unpaid new pledges is \$29,239.38.

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President of the board C.C. Ingram installed new directors Dr. Clarence S. Olive and Mrs. John W.

Wyatt, Jr. He also urged board members to turn in their suggestions for the 1973 Loyalty Fund Campaign to begin in January.



November 15, 1972 To: Fayetteville Observer and hometown paper Columbus Ledger

Senior recital Kari Michele Hagan, Public
Relations

FAYETTEVILLE N.C. Miss Vickie Lynn Herndon will present her senior voice recital Sunday, November 19 at 3:00 pm in Methodist College Reeves Auditorium.

A music education major at Methodist College, Vickie has been active in the MC chorus throughout her four college years. On occasion she was a feature soloist for the chorus. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger A. Herndon of Columbus, Ga., Vickie is also a member of the MC Music Club and the national Student Education Association.

At Southern High School in Graham, N.C., Vickie sang with the Southern Belles and Sons Choral Ensemble.



November 15, 1972 To: Area publications

May be used free of charge FEATURE: student pastor

Kari Michele Hagan, Public Relations 488-7110 ext. 228

FAYETTEVILLE_____ "Come together think about yourself and God's reason for puting you on Earth and then sticking with you," might be a typical Ken Valentine answer to a troubled teenager. Ken Valentine is a student; he's young, confident and excited about working with people. As assistant pastor of Camp Ground United Methodist Church in Fayetteville under the direction of Rev. R. Dennis Ricks, Ken is fulfilling a life-long dream to serve others. "That's why I chose the ministry," Ken said. "A minister should be constantly busy striving to do something for someone else." Ken is a junior religion and psychology student at Methodist College in Fayetteville.

Wanting to help others isn't a new goal for this young student pastor. While in the fifth grade Ken decided to become a minister. Encouraged by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Valentine, and re-Methodist College Professor of religion Dr. L. Plyler, Ken has been active throughout high school and college with numerous projects

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Ken Valentine

aimed at doing something for those people near him. Growing up in New Hyde Park, N.Y., Ken was always around to assist his church pastor, the Rev. Mr. Mosier of Hillside United Methodist Church. During his three years at Methodist College Ken has taken over several leadership positions which enable him to work with other students. Being president of the Methodist College Chorus and Koinonia fellowship group, a class senator and dormitory hall counselor brings a flood of personal contacts and opportunities to support his idea that a minister should join in with his congregation on a one to one basis rather than preach to them from the pulpit.

At Camp Ground United Methodist

Ken does just that; he works with the congregation on a person to person basis through visitation. Since last June, he has organized a youth service, at which the young people carried out the entire morning worship service, and a youth choir.

Ken teaches a seventh and eighth grade Sunday School class and visits with the members of the congregation two nights per week as well as full time church work on the weekends in addition to the work he does with the 13 to 17 year old age group in the youth choir.

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Ken Valentine

It's no longer startling or even an attention getting statement to say "young people today seem confused and uncertain." Ken finds that the teenagers he councils have problems peculiar to their age and environment just like young men and women everywhere. Innovations in church education usually take a long time to come about. As a counselor, Ken feels the kids are seeking to understand the violence around them, sex, scientific theories, eand other current topics, in relation to Christianity . Instead of doling out advice when faced with a young person's confusion, Ken asks the person to think about himself and what he has been taught. Then to further clear up the question Ken discusses the Christian view point of the matter. "In an age where man continues to seek world peace and advanced life styles through money and politics, there is a real need for him to find a better relationship with his fellow man and God. The answer to peace and coexistence lies within each individual and not in some artificial means," Ken believes. "Religion is still and always will be the basis of life."

When teaching the seventh and eighth graders, Ken goes beyond the printed lesson with the youngsters.

"It's important that they question what they have read." Ken explained.

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Ken Valentine

"Last Sunday we read a story about Moses and the burning bush."

One boy told the class that God talked to Moses through a burning bush." This triggered Ken to try and get the kids to relate this Bible story to man as they know him today. Ken questioned,

"Did God speak with a human voice?" "Can God appear in an object that is on fire?" "How does God speak to us today?"

Ken thinks one needs to come to an understanding of God's teachings in context with the knowledge and experience available to him in his own environment and world.

over how mankind was created is a confusing issue to most young people. They ask which theory about the creation of earth and mankind are they supposed to believe— the Bible's account or the "Scientific Theory of Evolution. Conversations of this nature help clarify the Christian teachings on the creation and enable the student to make some decisions on his own. The idea is not to tell them what to believe, but to discuss the issue on both sides, enabling the teenagers to make their own conclusions.

hopes to be working with Camp Ground United Methodist serving his community while gaining valuable experience in the ministry.

After graduation from MC, he plans to enter the seminary devoting

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Ken Valentine

his life to helping people come together..... within themselves, as well as together in groups to worship God.



November 16, 1972 To: Fayettevil e Observer David Prather

Thanksgiving

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NEWS

FAYETTEVILLE _____ In a Thanksgiving message to Methodist College Wednesday, President L. Stacy Weaver urged students and faculty to be thankful for the Methodist College heritage and to be aware of their responsibility to preserve it.

President Weaver stressed that

people seem to be most thankful in times of adversity, such as

the first Thank sgiving when over half the settlers had died making

their home in the new world. Thanksgiving was declared a national

holiday by Abraham Lincoln also in a period of turmoil and death.

Then, President Franklin Roosevelt set Thanksgiving at its current

date during the depression of 1933.

Other Thanksgiving activities
on campus include communion at Hensdale Chapel, 10:30 Monday,
November 20, with Dr. Samuel Womack as celebrant. Resident
students will enjoy a steak dinner Tuesday, November 21 as a
Thanksgiving meal, before leaving for the Thanksgiving vacation
Wednesday.

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November 16, 1972 To: Fayetteville Observer Mrs. Moffit

Senior art exhibit

NEWS

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FAYETTEVILLE_____ The Lou Clemmons senior art exhibit is now on display in the lobby of Methodist College Reeves Auditorium. The paintings and drawings will be available for public viewing until the Thanksgiving holidays begin next Wednesday. Clemmons is the son of Mr. and Mrs.

M.D. Clemmons of Fayetteville.

Clemmons' exhibit includes some 450 paintings, mostly acrylic, and pen and ink drawings representing two- and one-half years work as an art major at MC. The themes are mostly bold shapes and bright colors with orange, green and purple dominating.

During his undergraduate work Clemmons has experimented with most all mediums and styles of art.

Four years with the coast guard, previous undergraduate work at UNC-CH, and several summers work with outdoor camps have provided Clemmons a wide variety of subjects and experiences to paint from.

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Senior art exhibit

After graduation in December,

Clemmons will work for the Tacoma, Wash, YMCA as director of back packing. Later he plans to enter the University of Washington to get a B.S. degree in Forest Resources. Outdoor recreation, and camp and park design, and many other phases of forestry come under this degree heading. In addition to camp work, photography is one of Clemmons main hobbies.



Nove'mber 17, 1972 To: Fayetteville Ob Howard Ward

Craig Knight

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FAYETTEVILLE_____ All Conference Methodist College
basketball guard Craig Knight anticipates the 1972-73 basketball
season with the same hard driving enthusiasm and determination
he is known for on the Monarch squad.

Averaging 13 points per game last season, Craig is described by Coach Gene Clayton as one of the most sincere, hustling basketball players he has ever known. Craig has the aggressiveness, skill, and desire necessary to win for Methodist College.

"Basketball has always been important in my life," Craig said. "In high school I was All Conference and All American." But about a year ago something changed Craig's outlook and made him realize what an even greater impact his life could be if he directed himself toward working with youth and the ministry. "Since I made

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Craig Knight

this decision to follow God, at a youth retreat last year, my life has been filled with much more love and happiness and a closer relationship with my parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond C. Knight, Sr., of St. Petersburg, Fla,, "Craig explained happily.

basketball a try after graduation in 1975, Craig's desire to work with young people has led him to a post as lay pastor at Marvin United Methodist Church in the Grayscreek community, and Cotton United Methodist Church in Hope Mills. Another Methodist College student, Jim Hundley, and Craig live in the Marvin Church parsonage to better serve their congregations.

Directing sixth graders right on up to seniors in high school leads Craig into quite a diversity of activities. Young people are such a 'challenge' Craig enthused. "With so much spare time and extra spending money, kids need a place to go." "My idea is to provide a gathering place with a constructive atmosphere instead of leaving them out around town to get into trouble or disillusion, Craig continued. Joining together to learn about Jesus' love

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Craig Knight

and teachings is the important thing for adolescents, Craig believes. With this need in mind, Craig and Jim hope to start a coffee house at the church in addition to the outings, talent shows, skating parties and fellowship groups—they help organize for the church youth. In past months, the youth group of about 25 has collected donations for St. Judes Hospital and UNICEF.

The 6 ft., 185 lb. guard's ambition to become a church youth director has been strengthened if anything by his experiences so far. Between youth work, a history major, basketball, Koinonia fellowship group, Circle K, and the Monarch Club at MC, Craig realizes little extra time.

When possible, he devotes an extra hour to visitation in the church congregations, or prepares a sermon for the following Sunday service. Having gone through all the experiences of growing up not so long ago, Craig's insight into the problems of youth make him a valuable asset to the community.

Craig is picked as a probable

Conference title last season. Whether it is basketball, campus activities, or church ministry, Craig jumps into the action in full force giving his all for the particular tem he is on.



November 20, 1972 To: Fayetteville Observer Local students give recitals

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NEWS

FAYETTEVILLE_____ Two Fayetteville Methodist College students presented student recitals in Reeves Auditorium November 17.

Pat O'Briant, pianist, performed Brahms' "Intermezzo Op. 118 No. 1."

Pat is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Q' Briant of 1528 Brooside in Fayetteville.

Miss Martha Timmins daghter of
Mr. and Mrs. Wesley D. Timmins of 1608 Morehead Ave., Fayetteville,
presented a vocal selection entitled "Alma Mia" by Handel.



November 20, 1972 To: News Journal
Linda Sue Baker Huff gives recital

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major at Methodist College, presented a student piano and voice recital November 17 in Reeves Auditorium. Her piano selection was "Roumanian Folk Dance No. 6" by Bartok. Mrs. Huff's vocal selection was "In the Garden" by Schumann. Mrs. Huff is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles David Baker of Raeford.



November 20, 1972 To: The Robesonian

The Laurinburg Exchange

Mary Lane Cleaves gives recital

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NEWS

Miss Mary Lane Gleaves, a junior at

Methodist College, presented her student voice recital November 17

in Reeves Auditorium. Her selection was entitled "My Heart

is a Silent Violin," by Oscar J. Fox. Mary Lane is the sagranddaughter

of Mrs. Gertrude Gleaves of Maxton.



November 20, 1972 To: The Robesonia Meredith Stone gives student recital

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Miss Meredith Stone, music major at Methodist College, presented her student voice recital on November 17 in Reeves Auditorium. Her selection was entitled "Hark! How Still" by Franz. Meredith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Stone of Rowland.



November 20, 1972 To: Red Stprings Citizen and Robesonian

Music student gives recital

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Miss Janet Graham, a senior at

Methodist College, presented her student voice recital

November 17 in Reeves Auditorium. Her selection was entitled

"Long Ago in Bethlehem" by Mcravian Carol. Janet is the

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Robert Graham of Red Springs.



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November 20, 1972 To: Sanford Herald Susan Russell gives recital

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FAYETTEVILLE Miss Susan Russell, a music major at Methodist College, presented a student voice recital November 17 in Reeves Auditorium. Her selection was entitled "RO Rest in the Lord" by Mendelssohn.

Susan is the daughter of

Mr.and Mrs. Curtis P. Russell of Sanford.



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November 20, 1972 To: Delaware State News Record Observer County Record

Faren S. Elliott gives music recital

Kari Michele Hagan, Public Relations 488-7110, ext, 228

Faren S. Elliott, music major at Methodist College, presented his student organ recital November 17 in Reeves Auditorium. His selection was "Little Prelude and Fugue in C" by J.S. Bach. Elliott is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Aaron Elliott, Jr. of Henderson, Maryland



November 20, 1972 To: Fayetteville Observer area radio and channel 12

Winners of essay contest

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FAYETTEVILLE _____ Winners of the essay contest at Methodist College entitled "One Who Takes But Never Gives May Survive But Neber Live," have been announced by Dean Samuel Womack. Out of several entries in the contest sponsored by Mr. Ernest Wood of Cape Fear Realty, Miss Gail Vaughan received first place and a check for \$50.00, Miss Bonnie Crabtree placed second and was awarded \$25.00, and George Edwards received \$10.00 for third place.



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November 20, 1972 To: Hometown newspaper

Local Student is essay contest winner

Kari Michele Hagan, Public Relations 488-7110 , ext. 228

has been awarded first prize in a Methodist College essay contest entitled "One Who Takes but Never Gives May Survive but Never Live." Gail received \$50.00 from the contest sponsor Ernest Wood of Cape Fear Realty in Fayetteville.

Gail's parents are Mr. and Mrs.

Howard T. Vaughan of Chase City.

Ernest Wood Cape Fear Realty

Essay of 200 words or less on "One Who Takes But Never Gives May Survive But Never Live". For Methodist College students.

Prize -- First, \$50 Second, \$25 Third, \$10

Wishes Stacy Weaver, Jr. to be one judge. College to select others.

Telephone Mr. Wood, 483-4580 Mr. Wood seeks publicity for Methodist College and Cape Fear Realty.

Ros. Phone 4852854

PICTURE AND CAPTION SENT TO FAYETTEVILLE OBSERVER Nov. 22, 1972



November 24 TO: Fayetteville Observer and AP, UPI

Dr. Karl Berns Dies

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PAYETTEVILLE, N.C._____ Dr. Karl H. Berns, Director of
Development at Methodist College and former Assistant Executive
Secretary for Field Operations of the National Educational
Association (NEA) for 20 years, died today at the age of 74.
Death came as the result of a stroke. He is survived by
his wife, Mrs. Bernice S. Berns.

An "educational statesman"
in state, national, and international affairs, Dr. Berns came
to Methodist College in 1965 as Professor of Education and
Psychology. While serving in this capacity he was salso
supervisor of student teachers in the education department.

Upon retirement from the faculty Dr. Berns sassumed an administrative position with the Methodist College Foundation and was
serving as Director of Development at the time of his death.

As Director of Development, Dr. Berns coordinated the Foundation's
annual fund raising drive in the Fayetteville community. His valuable

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Dr. Berns

contribution to MC was exemplified in the 1971-72 campaign which was one of the most successful in the history of Methodist College.

Serving throughout the United

States as Assistant Executive Secretary for Field Operations

of the NEA, Dr. Berns participated in more than 700 conferences

on campuses in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, Canada and Australia.

As a "man on the move" with NEA, Dr. Berns visited over 150

schools in England, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Germany,

Holland, Switzerland, Austria, and the Soviet Union, Asia, Africa,
and countries in the Near East.

The title of "educational statesman" was presented to Dr. Berns in 1959 when the President of the University of Maine awarded him the honorary degree of Doctor of Science in Education. In addition to his life membership in the NEA, Dr. Berns was also a member of the North Carolina Association of Educators.

Dr. Berns considered his job as director of the NEA Building Fund Campaign his most significant accomplishment. In 1952, when he became director of the campaign, the quota was \$5 million in five years. However, Methodist College

Dr. Berns

within four-and-one-half years, coordinating over 10,000 volunteer workers throughout the nation, he had raised close to \$10 million for the NEA center which which stands in the heart of the nation's capital.

A native of Navarre, Ohio,

Dr. Berns began his educational career as a rural school teacher and later as a superintendent of Ohio Public Schools.

His formal education included a B.S. in Education from

Kent State University, the M.A. degree in Psychology from the University of Akron, the L.L.B. degree from William Mc Kinley Law School and the Ph.D. from Ohio State University.

An internationally known educator, world traveler and authority on school law, Dr. Berns authored several publications including "Legal Relationships of School Employees," "Gleaning from the Field," and "In the Eyes of

the Law." In addition to his travels for the NEA, Dr. Berns was on the lecture circuit for W. Colston Leigh, Inc. of

New York City.

Being active in church work,

Dr. Berns once taught a men's Bible class for 20 years with an average attendance of over 500. Since coming to Methodist

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Dr. Berns

College iseven years ago, Dr. and Mrs. Berns have been members of Fayetteville's First Presbyterian Church.