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Founder's Day
February 21, 1979
Dr. Donald M. Prince

Dr. Prince is vice-president of Rand McNally & Company, with responsibilities for directing the company's Education Publishing Division, which publishes books and other materials for elementary and secondary schools and colleges.

Last month he completed a six-year term as chairman of the Illinois Board of Higher Education, the statewide coordinating board governing all public universities, colleges and community colleges. Originally appointed by Democratic Governor Daniel Walker, he was re-appointed by James Thompson, Walker's Republican successor, evidence of the broad non-partisan support enjoyed by the Board during his tenure. Perhaps the major achievement of the body under Prince's chairmanship was the adoption in 1976 of the Master Plan for Postsecondary Education in Illinois, which assisted in providing future directions for Illinois higher education.

Prior to joining Rand McNally in 1967, Dr. Prince had been active in public education in many capacities. Until that year, he had been Head of the Department of Educational Administration and Professor of Education at Illinois State University at Normal. He was formerly a superintendent of schools, a principal and a teacher on the secondary levels in the state.

Dr. Prince earned his bachelor's degree from Murray State University, Kentucky; his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Illinois; and an M.B.A. from the University of Chicago.

He has been a member of the board of directors of the Association of American Publishers and has served on the Graphic Arts Council Foundation. He has been president of the Illinois Association of Secondary School Principals and the president of the Illinois Association for Education Administration.

Dr. Prince is a resident of Winnetka and a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church of the North Shore in Wilmette, where he has served as lay leader and chairman of the board.
ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

CONVOCATION

HONORING THE FOUNDERS

Westbrook Auditorium, Presser Hall
February 21, 1979 11:00 a.m.
President Robert S. Eckley, Presiding

ORGAN PRELUDE
Toccata in D minor ("Dorian"),
BWV 538/1......................Johann Sebastian Bach
David Gehrenbeck, Organist

PROCESSIONAL
March for Joyous Occasions ........... C. Alexander Peloquin
David Gehrenbeck, Organist

INVOCATION .................. Chaplain William Luther White

Festival Alleluia .............................. Jean Langlais
The Collegiate Choir
Dan Crede, Organ
Rex Neff, Conductor

PRESENTATION OF SPEAKER ........ President Robert S. Eckley

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Independent Higher Education:
Reality and Promise ................... Donald M. Prince

ALMA WESLEYANA
From hearts aflame, our love we pledge to thee
Where'er we wander, over land or sea;
Through time unending loyal we will be —
True to our Alma Mater, Wesleyan.

When college days are fully past and gone,
While life endures, from twilight dream till dawn
Grandly thy soul shall with us linger on —
Star-crowned, our Alma Mater, Wesleyan!

BENEDICTION ................. Chaplain William Luther White

POSTLUDE
Pasticcio (Organ Book, 1956) .................. Jean Langlais
David Gehrenbeck, Organist