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TRIBUTE TO A BUILDER OF DREAMS

On the sixth day of October, one of the few remaining pioneer educators of this country passed into the boundless and timeless infinity of the great beyond. The passing of Dr. James Edward Shepard, president and founder of the North Carolina College will have its reverberations all over the country and possibly in many foreign lands as Dr. Shepard had traveled in his earlier years extensively.

From virtually nothing Dr. Shepard has built an institution that ranks with the best of the country. During the first few years he relied mainly on student fees and public contributions for support. Finally a congregation from a white church of this city took upon itself the payment of the salary of one professor. In one of the darkest hours of the school's history, when the dream of a builder of dreams seemed to be falling apart the state of North Carolina took on the support of the institution. Through the ever persistent urging of Dr. Shepard, the state was influenced to start a building program which is evident by the modernistic plant and which Dr. Shepard never lived to see finished. The school survived some five different changes in name and finally emerged as the North Carolina College at Durham.

Dr. Shepard did not confine his interests to the school alone. amazingly as it seems. He was Grand Master of the Prince Hall Free and Accepted Masons in North Carolina. He was president of the State Negro Teachers Association for a number of years. He served on the board of directors of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank and he also was a member of the Board of Trustees of Lincoln Hospital. As one who knew the character of the man would expect he manifested a profound interest in the Oxford Orphanage and he served as a member of the trustee board there.

He had an interest in nation-wide affairs and his opinions and views on national problems or issues were highly respected. He believed that all men, no matter how repulsive or given to malice they were, had virtues. He also believed in straightforwardness and the possessing of a business-like approach by young people. Nothing pleased him better to see a punctual, business-like student.

The magnanimity of the man cannot be measured by mere words or facts nor is this poor tribute an attempt to do so I doubt if I or you will live to see the complete effects that Dr. Shepard has wrought on this city, this state and this country. The fruits of his labor will out live us. The hand that guided nothing to an accredited institution has gone to enjoy the ecstasy and joys of a well earned rest. Dr. Shepard, in a sense is not dead, for his life was made immortal by his devotion to a task.—C. M. R.

PAY PUBLICATIONS FEE

Another attempt is being made to publish regularly a student newspaper on our campus. Several previous attempts at getting the paper off the press regularly have failed for two main reasons. The first and more important one has been the lack of funds sufficient to support a representative newspaper. The second reason has been that there was a lack of student interest in the publication.

The present attempt, like all the others, is doomed to failure if we cannot eliminate these two prevalent causes. The only way that we can avoid another failure is through you, the students.

Since only a third of the cost of printing this paper can be defrayed through advertisement, the remaining two thirds must be met by you, the students, as you would not be likely to want a paper full of advertisements. This year a campaign has been launched for the collection of the publications fee. This is just five dollars and each student who pays will get eight issues of **THE CAMPUS ECHO** plus a copy of **MAROON** and **GRAY**. In addition to this there will be no charge made when you have your individual picture made or when your organization takes a page in the yearbook.

It will not be possible to print the **Campus Echo** or the **Maroon** and **Gray** if only a fraction of the students actually pay publications fee. Each student at this college must pay his publications fee in order that both publications may be printed. It is extremely urgent that each of you pay your publications fee immediately.—C. M. R.

GET DOWN TO BRASS TACKS

The first quarter is half over. For most of us the first quarter is the toughest. We have a tendency to permit the ecstasies of Summer to predominate in our memory. The current sports season has us "on edge" also. For new students the newness of the place makes it hard to get adjusted. There are literally thousands of things to keep us from concentrating on our subjects. We must not, however, allow this to happen.

There are certain scholastic requirements which must be met if we are to stay here at North Carolina College, so let's get down to "brass tacks" and work.

THE QUIZZER



Rubin Weston, Esther McDonald, Phyllis White, and Louise Jackson.

This month's "Quizzer" question is "Why did you select North Carolina College for furthering your educational and cultural career?"

The poll was taken among the freshman students, and of the many varied and interesting answers we present the views of the following:

RUBIN WESTON of Philadelphia, Pa., says he decided to come to North Carolina College because it was recommended to him as one of the best schools in the South and had an excellent course in commerce, his major.

ESTHER McDONALD of Sanford, North Carolina, says, "Since I intend to minor in library science, and since I had heard praises of the school of library science here, I came without hesitation."

LOUISE JACKSON (*The Quizzer*) from Sanford, North Carolina, says, "I chose North Carolina College mainly because I know it is one of the best Negro schools in the country. Secondly, because of recommendations by my principal and the incomparable

campus atmosphere one encounters here.

PHYLLIS WHITE of Lynchburg, Virginia, says, "I chose North Carolina College because of its scholarship requirements and in the interest of my vocational guidance."

"The geographical aspects, the type of training one receives and the very high standards were major reasons for my choice of North Carolina College," says MINNIE HACKEY of Sanford.

LILLIAN NEWKIRK who hails from New York City stated that she selected North Carolina College because she wished to major in chemistry and had heard and read of the excellent chemistry department here, as well as the friendly atmosphere that exists.

"I decided to come to North Carolina College," DONALD LEEK, JR., of Gary, Indiana, smilingly, told your reporter, "because I knew it was a school with an 'A' rating, and because of the social and cultural outlets I knew I would find here."

LETTER BOX

Dear Editor:

Why is it that salesmen who come into our canteen are not informed that no smoking is allowed? The persons in charge never hesitate to reprimand loudly any student who shows inclinations toward breaking a rule, and there should be no exceptions if the smoking rule is to be enforced.

A JUNIOR

The General Alumni Association of North Carolina College extends sincere greetings to the student body, especially to the freshmen and transfers, faculty and staff members. It is our wish that the year 1947-48 will be the most profitable educational experience of your lives. This is your year; make the most of it.

The Alumni Association looks forward to the time when its ranks will be increased and strengthened by many of you. A great task lies before us, and we're anxious to have you join us and lend your helpful hands.

The *Campus Echo* Staff deserves much credit for its untiring efforts in providing this monthly publication. More power to it!

M. S. JOHNSON
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THE LOGIC OF AN ECHO

A college newspaper should serve as a stimulus toward the creation of interest in the activities and events that are fundamental for a successful collegiate life. It should be instrumental in creating an impregnable bond between the individual students, thus, enabling the students to accomplish through plurality what would seem futile through division.

North Carolina College has been without this phase of student activity too long. The need for a united student body has been demonstrated on numerous occasions. With these necessities confronting us, the Staff of the new **CAMPUS ECHO** dedicates this and the future editions to the promotion of student activity and student expression.

POEM OF THE MONTH

No chance? Why the world is just eager
For things that you ought to create:
Its store of true wealth is still meager,
Its needs are incessant and great,
It yearns for more power and beauty
More laughter and love and romance,
More loyalty, labor and duty,
No chance? Why there's nothing but chance!
For the best verse hasn't been rhymed yet,
The best house hasn't been planned,
The highest peak hasn't been climbed yet,
The mightiest rivers aren't spanned,
Don't worry and fret, faint hearted,
The chances have just begun,
For the best jobs haven't been started,
The best work hasn't been done.

—BERTON BRALEY

23 ALUMNI ARE EMPLOYED AT N. C. COLLEGE

A recent count reveals that there are now 16 North Carolina alumni employed as faculty and staff members at our Alma Mater. They are Miss Ila Blue, English instructor; Miss Evna Penn, secretary to the undergraduate school dean; Miss Josephine Pope, secretary to the dean of women; Mrs. Lizzie Canandy, secretary to the Public Health Education School.

Miss Betty Cheek, secretary to the publicity department; William A. Tuck, publicity department head; Herman Riddick, head football coach; George Mack, assistant football coach; Charles Alston, maintenance supervisor; Mrs. Lucy Allen chef; Mrs. H. S. Scarborough, assistant Davis, dietician; Joseph Alston, chef; Mrs. H. S. Scarborough, assistant bursar; Miss S. A. Holloway, bursar; Miss Dorothy Wilson, Summer School librarian; Mrs. Ann McAden John-

KEEPING UP . . .

WITH LOUISE JACKSON

The freshmen are all initiated to the college program now, and are slipping into the new environment rather well. The "how-do-you do's" have been said, and John has met Mary, and, wonder of all wonders, romance is already in bloom. Or did you perhaps think, my friend, that sitting on the lawn is just a fad to be engaged in when one is tired? Where in this world have you been? You're so old fashioned!

Get in the swing of things. Haven't you noticed the new clothing trend yet either? Or did you presume that the lassies nowadays have carried grandma out for her dresses. Anyway, isn't it terrible to see dresses so very long? Well, anyway, the lassies are stylish, and are we style experts? No, so we sit silently and suffer.

The girls over at Annie Day Shepard Dorm are really happy. Such an air of joviality. They make you feel right at home and as if you had known them all the time. Perhaps that accounts for the decrease in homesickness among the girls. You think that isn't the major reason? Well, that helped anyway.

Been down to the 'gym' lately? Do you take physical 'ed'? Have trouble controlling your feet? No! Well, this isn't for you, but really, there are some people who just don't know what "halt" means. Do you get it, or must we slice your noggin open and sort of pour it in gradually?

Well, as you would say in French 211, au revoir, my fine friends, and please learn to keep up with the changing trend.

Be-Bop Classes Take

The Campus By Storm

With Other Fashions

Heavy horn rimmed glasses adorn the faces of or mutilate the appearance of approximately fifty per cent of the students on North Carolina College's campus. The heavy rimmed spectacles are called "Be-Bops" or just plain "Bops." They are the by products of "Be Bop" music originated by Dizzy Gillespie. They seem to be the fad for this campus at least.

In one of my classes, which is relatively large, I looked around me and found that I was virtually the only "square" in the class as I did not have on "Bops." You are considered not to be on the "kick," an expression which I can not explain, and therefore you are classed as a "square," another vague expression to me, if you don't proudly display a pair of "Bops" over your nose.

I once heard Dr. Wright, psychology professor say that the average college student needs some type of glasses because he is likely to read very heavily. I wonder could this be the reason for the bespectacled appearance of so many students or are they wearing them for reasons of style and appearance. Time will tell.

—CLAY ROSS

son, instructor of library science; James T. Taylor, chief of Veterans Administration office; Miss Adelle Ferguson, secretary to Veterans' Administration office; Mrs. S. Floyd, public health graduate, coordinator for School of Health Education; Miss Farepa Watson, librarian.

I expect my friends to tell me about their conquests and good fortune. But once is enough; repetition bores me or makes me envious, and furthermore I like to boast, too.

I do fairly well in handling my personal affairs, except when world tidal waves upset my plans.