

SENIOR OF THE MONTH

Brown Active In Campus Affairs

By EDITH W. MANGUM

The ECHO Staff names Calvin Brown the outstanding student of this issue and of the month.

Calvin, a history major and biology minor, and senior, has been chosen on the basis of scholarship, personality and his outstanding contributions to campus life.

Since coming to NCC three years ago, "Mac," as he is known to all, has lived up to a splendid record which he set in high school. He attended J. A. Chaloner High School in Roanoke Rapids, N. C., where he was an honor student and active in numerous activities. He was prexy of the Dramatic's Club for one year, a member of the high school's band for four years, editor of the school's newspaper for one year, and played football and basketball.

Since entering NCC "Mac" has continued to make a high academic average and has been active in numerous campus affairs. He is a member of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity, a member of the Phi Alpha Theta Historical Honor Society, and a member of the Pi Gamma Mu Social Science Honor Society. Recently he was appointed to Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities.

"Mac" is also a member of the Social Science Club. He has been on the Steering Committee for two years, a member of the



CALVIN BROWN

Dormitory Council for two years, and a member of the Student Congress for two years. Lately he was accepted as a candidate for membership in Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society.

Mac's hobby is reading. He likes to read historical journals. He also likes music and is an avid movie goer as well as football and basketball fan.

Upon graduation, "Mac" plans to attend NCC's Law School or the Law School at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

The Echo staff proudly salutes Calvin Brown — STUDENT OF THE MONTH.

Scope of Art

Art - Drama - Music - Dance

DANCE DEPARTMENT

By the time this issue of the ECHO is out, the Senior Orchestras will have presented its first concert, "The Little Match Girl."

An interest in the aesthetic appeal of the dance has prompted the senior and junior dance groups to hang drapery at the windows of the dance department. All the girls have purchased leotards, and the boys plan to make their rehearsal outfits uniform in the future.

Jean Lawhorn, '57 graduate, is directing dance in a high school in Portsmouth, Virginia.

Hampton Institute of Virginia has invited the Senior Orchestras of NCC to participate in a two-day dance workshop.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

On December 10th in B.N. Duke auditorium, Allen Brown, '43 graduate of NCC, was presented in recital as the second attraction of the Lyceum series.

Since 1943 Mr. Brown has be-

come quite well known in the concert field for his piano artistry. He has received the highest praise from numerous music critics for his skill and technique.

The Tuesday night recital included selections from Bach, Mozart, Mendelssohn, William Grant Still, Stanley Bate, and Chopin. Each selection was invested with the peculiar flavor characteristic of each composer. Generous applause from the audience bears out the fact that Mr. Brown's performance was an immensely enjoyable one.

Mr. Howard A. Roberts, assistant professor of voice, will be presented in recital on January 17th in B. N. Duke auditorium. A tenor, Mr. Roberts earned both a bachelor and master's of music at the Cleveland Institute of Music. He has played the role of Robbins in a production of "Porgy and Bess" (including the European tour.) He toured with the "One World" ensemble, and appeared as tenor soloist with the Robert Shaw Chorale.

Lassie's Spotlight

By BETTYE PAIGE

The Mary McClain-coached Freshmen number one team climaxed a brilliant season of speedball competition by sweeping through the speedball tournament held in the Women's Gymnasium recently. The Frosh toppled the Sophomore team to annex the crown in the finals.

In the first round of the speedball tournament, the number one Freshmen, Sophomores, and number two Freshmen received Byes while the Seniors won over the Juniors by default. The semi-final round pitted the number two Freshmen against the Sophomores in one bracket, and the Seniors and number one Freshmen in the second bracket.

The latter teams in each bracket emerged victoriously to face each other in the finals.

In the championship game the Frosh were led by captain Johnnie Grantham. Other players in-

cluded Lillie B. Lilly, Mary Wooten, Annie Blount, Doris Rogers, and Mary Jordan. For the losers, Mary Harris, Doris Hodges, and Arden McKeatham proved to be outstanding players on the Soph's team. All exhibited exceptional skills in the championship tussle.

Others on the winning team included Joan Fuller, Shirley Cumbess, Virginia Lucas, Virginia Lee, Athaline Newsome, Janie Hall, and Parthenia McCall.

Under the guiding hand of Thelma Norman, the Women's Athletic Association has begun preparing itself for its next regional that is to be held sometime in February of 1958 for winter sports. This is to take place on the campus of Hampton

Student Congress Holds Town Meet

North Carolina College's Student Congress recently hosted president Elder, campus leaders, faculty members and the personnel deans at a "Buzz Session" in the Science Building.

The purpose of the gathering was to discuss and air various student problems on the campus and to introduce new ideas and opinions about some of the forthcoming legislation in the Student Congress.

The main feature of the session was a picture about student life at NCC. This film represented the first sound production by our Audio-Visual Aids department. Mr. J. E. Parker, AV director, introduced the film.

Some points discussed at the gathering were: a proposal for a Student Publication Board, an honor system, financial control of student organizations, recreating the lost spirit among NCC students, and service in the dining hall.

Opinions pro and con were expressed on these points; however, no decisions were reached.

Jerome Dudley, speaker of the Congress, presided over the discussion. Dudley stated that "this is the first in a series of 'buzz sessions' that the Congress plans to give throughout the school year."

The Student Congress meets three times a month in the Moot Court of the Law building. Meetings are at 10:30 on Saturday mornings. Representatives are from various undergraduate classes on the campus.

Institute. After the Christmas recess, the W.I.P. will resume its program with an emphasis on basketball.

Spanish Club News

The Spanish Club has started the year with a host of activities.

On November 7, the members had a dance hour, during which they were taught cha cha and mambo steps by the college dance group.

On November 25, an election of officers was held. Elected were James Harper, president; Jannel Drayton, vice-president; Kenneth Murphy, secretary; and Velma Spence, treasurer.

Other appointments were chairman of the program committee, Leonard DeShield; members of the committee, Esther Godette, Olivia Graham, and William Hamilton; and reporter,

Josie L. Simons.

After the business session, the members sang Spanish songs and played games. On December 9, the members made Spanish Christmas greeting cards which they exchanged on December 16 at the Spanish Christmas party.

All persons interested in joining the "El Circulo Hispano-Americano" are cordially invited to the meetings on the second and fourth Monday nights in the Education building at 7 p. m. The members of the "El Circulo Hispano-Americano" wish a Merry Christmas—Felices Navidades and a Happy New Year—y prospero ano nuevo to all—a todos.

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