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Cataloguer Mrs. Marie Kennedy (seated) and library assistants II, Mrs. W.K. Hall (left) and I, Mrs. V. C. Williams (right) tackle the tremendous task of tracing walking books. They seem to be pondering whether the library is "to be or not to be."

## CAROLINA AREA COLLEGES MAY MAKE MERGERS

A federal government drive for greater racial mixing on college campuses is likely to have a profound effect in North Carolina, perhaps even eventually bringing mergers of some schools.

Exactly what will come is not known, since the Department of HEW's first set of recommendations for the state were made public only a few weeks ago. They call for recruitment of more Blacks at three campuses of the University of North Carolina. But officials of the North Carolina Board have been pointing out for months that mergers were recommended in other states under circumstances similar to some in North Carolina.

The mergers elsewhere were recommended for areas in which a predominantly white school and a predominantly black school stood close together.

North Carolina has four areas which fit that description: Greensboro, Elizabeth City, Fayetteville and Durham-Chapel Hill. The recommendations affected the UNC branches at Greensboro, Raleigh and Chapel Hill.

They were told to step up their recruiting of Blacks to get a greater racial mix within a year. As in public school integration matters handled by HEW, at stake eventually could be federal funds, of which North Carolina's state-supported universities now get about \$20 million a year.

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The spokesman said A&T's president, Dr. L. C. Dowdy, had submitted the plan to HEW and had got back a letter praising his "commendable effort." A&T's enrollment is about 1% white.

Dowdy's plan involved primarily increased recruiting efforts similar to those recommended by HEW for the UNC branches. There was no mention of possible merger either in HEW's recommendations for UNC at Chapel Hill, which has the predominantly Black NCCU close by at Durham. No report has been made public on the HEW team's visit to NCC. The dual facilities at Fayetteville are predominantly black Fayetteville State University and a military center operated at Ft. Bragg by North Carolina State University.

At Elizabeth City there is the predominantly black Elizabeth City State University and the traditionally white College of Albemarle. Recommendations for other North Carolina universities are

expected soon, perhaps within a few days.

Cameron West, director of the Board of Higher Education, said he was sticking by his previously stated prediction--- that HEW will call on the state to "dismantle the dual system of higher education."

## UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND

NEW YORK, N.Y.,—An appeal for support on behalf of the United Negro College Fund is being made again to college and university students across the country, it was announced by Martha B. Lucas Pate, chairman of the Fund's College and School Division.

Citing the latest census bureau statistics, which show a marked increase in black student enrollment, Mrs. Pate said, "because of this important development, much of the burden of educating these students will be on black colleges. In order to help alleviate this burden I'm calling upon students of the nation to help make this trend a success by supporting the College Fund and its 36 member schools."

This year's appeal is being made to more than 4,000 colleges, universi-

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### TO BE OR NOT TO BE

## The Library Is Disappearing

By Mrs. Marie Kennedy  
Circulation Librarian

The Administration and the Chestnut Library Staff have taken a serious look at a progressively bad situation, the diminishing book collection and library materials. They all wonder if the present bad situation will require nothing less than a Security Officer of a checking device.

Mrs. Kennedy told THE VOICE that the open book stacks and open reference sections for some reference books are experiencing near disaster for library materials. She said if the library cannot rely on its patrons to use stack privileges honestly and correctly, the library would have to resort to a means of making sure the library materials are charged out properly.

A Security Officer would have the right to check each patron who leaves the library to see that no materials are carried out that are not properly checked.

To date are missing the following:

1. Current periodicals.
2. Back issues of periodicals from the periodical's storage bins.
3. Two (2) Volumes from a set of reference books valued at \$55 per volume.
4. Volumes from several sets of encyclopedias.

## DORM BURNS

On Saturday, January 11, The Brothers' Dormitory at Malcolm X University burned. Fire destroyed all the clothing and books within the structure.

The fire is believed to have been caused by a coal stove that had overheated. There were fourteen brothers in the dorm at the time, but none were injured; however all their belongings were destroyed.

## New Programs Receive Approval

North Carolina's Board of Higher Education has approved bachelor degree programs for French and black studies at Fayetteville State University.

The edict means that Fayetteville State students can commence majors in these areas at the beginning of the academic year 1970-71.

Also, approved was a laboratory school for the institution's Teacher Education program. Included in this package are facilities and staff.

In addition, language laboratory improvements received approval. This will augment facilities in the foreign language area.

Other programs presented by Fayetteville State University were deferred for additional information. The board will make a final decision on them prior to August 1, 1970.

The FSU faculty, on the recommendation of the Educational Policies and Curriculum Committee, approved two electives for the English department. These are Journalism and Theatre -- Stage Craft and Scenic Design.

This is the university's first course in journalism and it will be a news workshop dealing with style, make-up, reporting, administration, design and writing.

The Theatre course will deal with theory and practice of stage production and design; physical theatre and equipment, problems and practice in scene construction and paint.

5. An ever-increasing number of books of all types from the library collection that have NOT been properly charged out.

She said it takes the time of the Circulation Librarian to have to collect an unimaginable amount of money for overdue books and lost books. This time could be spent in enhancing the circulation service, and the large portion of the library budget now used for replacing missing books could well be used to add to the book collection. She asks that each student and all student organizations, please help keep the book collection in the library.

ELDRIDGE

PRESENTS

PAPER AT MEET

San Antonio, Texas—Fayetteville State University's Dr. H. M. Eldridge presented a paper at the annual meeting of the Mathematics Society and Mathematics Association of America in San Antonio, Texas, January 22-26.

"Strengthening the College Undergraduate Program in Geometry and the use of Topological Coordinates" was the subject of Dr. Eldridge's paper which was presented during a seminar featuring representatives from universities and colleges in the United States and personnel from industry.

Dr. Eldridge, professor - chairman, mathematics department at Fayetteville State University is a consultant in mathematics to the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. He is the author of "Impact of Modern Math".

Dr. Kuchibhatla V. Suryanarayana, FSU associate professor of mathematics, also attended the meeting.