

## Norman Cousins To Appear February 2nd

### Queens College Of Years Gone By

The very name Queens College seems to suggest a long and interesting history; and, indeed, one is not disappointed. This college has been in continuous operation since 1857 and it may be regarded as the direct descendant of two much older institutions.

The first of these institutions was a classical school established in 1758 and called Queens Museum in honor of Queen Charlotte. When the Revolution broke out, the name was defiantly changed to Liberty Hall. The course that was planned was similar to the curriculum of the University of North Carolina, but more limited. In 1779 the Carolinas were invaded, and the school was discontinued.

Sometime later the Charlotte Male and Female Institute was established. In 1822 it was divided and Female Academy moved to College and Ninth Streets. It was short-lived, however, for in 1829 it was closed.

In 1857 the Charlotte Female Institute was founded and situated on Ninth Street. It has been in continuous operation under other names ever since then.

The first president of the embryo college was Dr. Robert Burwell. His wife, Margaret Anna Burwell, for whom Burwell Hall is named, was Dean of Women.

In 1894 the Mecklenburg Presbytery took over the old Female Institute, renovated it, and changed the name to Presbyterian College for Women. It continued at Mint Street until 1912 when the Presbytery contracted for fifty acres of land in the Myers Park section. All except twenty-five acres were sold and an endowment of \$100,000 was raised. Five attractive buildings were erected of Indiana limestone and tapestry brick, and Queens College as we know it today was established.

This is the past. What of the future? If the greater Queens' plans go through, we should find changes as great in 1957 as those in 1912. If the curriculum and the standards grow proportionally, we have every reason to believe that Queens College will be one of the most outstanding institutions in the south.

### Long Dorm. Named For 1857 Teacher

Long Dormitory, or North as it is still called by the students, was built in 1912 as one of the five original buildings on campus at a cost of \$125,000. It was named for Miss Lily Webb Long. Miss Long had taught in the school when the Burwells had been at its head, and in 1857 she began a school known as the Charlotte Seminary. In 1895 when Mecklenburg and Concord Presbyteries wanted a school located in the presbyteries, Miss Long gave up her school and was given the position of Dean of the new school. The new school was located on College and Ninth Streets.

The first year that we notice anything about the names of the dormitories is in the 1922-23 catalogue, as follows: "No longer will the dormitories be known as North and South Dormitories; but by designation of the Alumnae Association, the North Hall is hereafter to be officially known as Lily W. Long Hall, and the South Hall as the Mildred Watkins Hall, and students will hereafter be so assigned."

Despite the fact that these two dormitories have been named, they are still known to the students as North and South.

No news is good news  
How often have you read it;  
But you can bet most anything  
The staff has never said it!



QUEENS ON COLLEGE STREET

### Mrs. Morrison Makes Gift Of Dormitory

Doubtless, many students at Queens know little about Morrison Dormitory in which is housed one of the most popular places on campus—the dining room. The dormitory, with a capacity of 42 students, was constructed in 1926 at a cost of about \$90,000, after a request from President W. H. Frazer to Mrs. Cameron Morrison that she give the building.

Originally, there was a vague—but very vague—plan that there should be a swimming pool in the present Recreation Room. But the materialization of that idea is quite obvious.

Prior to the construction of Morrison Hall, the dining room was located into the library, with both the kitchen and the small library located in the business office.

A great improvement has been made in the dining room since 1942 with the addition of the lovely pictures of well-known colleges and universities. The committee appointed to choose these pictures was composed of Dr. and Mrs. Blakely, Miss Rena Harrell, and Miss Alma Edwards at that time a member of our faculty. The pictures were enlarged from small prints by a man in New Jersey at a cost of \$2 per square foot.

One picture in particular, that of Magdalen College at Oxford, was reproduced from an English post card given by Dr. Dorisse Howe, head of the biology department. However, it lacked clouds; and so the man in charge had his son fly over New York to photograph clouds to be superimposed on the card.

The twelve pictures include Yale University, University of North Carolina, Duke University, University of Virginia, Harvard University, Princeton University, William and Mary, Davidson College, Magdalen College of Oxford, Cambridge University, Cambridge, England.

### Gift From Mrs. Moore Is Y-Hut

Many of us have wondered how "The Hut" came into being. Its origination is one example of what Charlotteans are doing to promote Queens College spiritually, as well as scholastically.

While visiting her daughter at Greensboro College early in 1926, Mrs. Ernest Moore attended a few meetings at their "Y-Hut" and saw how much it meant to the girls to have such a building entirely for their religious meetings.

"Queens should have such a building also," was the thought that busied Mrs. Moore's mind upon her return home. It was not long until her thought materialized into what all of us realize to be one of the finest and truest expressions of thoughtfulness.

### Blair Union Erected For Dean Of School

Attached near the entrance of the Day Student's Building hangs a plaque with the following words on it, "1935—This building the Day Student's Union is dedicated to the memory of Elizabeth H. Blair, Dean of Instruction and Advisor of the Day Student Council. By request of the Day Students of Queens Chicora College."

The Day Students building is the "hang-out" for Queens who live in town. It is a modern brick building located on the campus and is made up of a large living room, equipped with lounges, chairs, piano and radio-phonograph. There is also a study room with chairs, tables, and lockers, a small kitchen, and a rest room.

Dr. Frazer, former president of Queens, was one of those who promoted the building of Blair Union for Day Students. Since the erection of the Day Student's building many appreciative Charlotte girls have enjoyed its benefits, spending free periods there, joining the gab-fest that go on, or listening to the radio. Day Students eat lunch in Blair Union and often times gym class meets here when the weather does not permit outside activity.

### Nancy Gordon Is Elected By Freshmen

In the first election of the new year the officers of the freshman class and the chairman of May Day were elected.

As president of the freshman class is Nancy Gordon. Nancy is the daughter of Mrs. Frank Guthrie Gordon of Washington, D. C. While at Queens she has been elected the representative to legislature and is a member of Alpha Eta Sigma.

Suzanne Blackmon, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. S. J. Blackmon of Kershaw, S. C., is the freshman representative to legislature from South Dormitory, a member of Chi Omega, a member of May Court, and a reporter from the Blues. She has been elected vice-president of the class.

Winkie Williams, secretary of the freshman class is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John Williams of Spartanburg, S. C. She served as chairman of the class the first semester.

Mary Katherine Nye has been elected treasurer of the class. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Bruce Nye.

Sarah Virginia Neill, a junior from Seneca, S. C., has been elected chairman of May Day. "Ginny" is the daughter of Mrs. R. D. Neill. While at Queens she has been chairman of the freshman class and a member of the Linnean Club her freshman year.

### Burwell Hall Named For Noted Dean

In the summer of 1912 five buildings were erected in the Myers Park section of Charlotte. In September of that same year Queens-Chicora College opened in its new location in this section. These five buildings were the science and music buildings, Long and Watkins dormitories, and Burwell Hall. The latter was constructed by John Nolan, internationally known landscape architect and cost around \$345,000. Mr. Nolan was from Boston and laid out all of the plans for the Myers Park Section.

Burwell Hall was the same today as it was then, except for a few changes and improvements on the inside. The present library was used as a dining room from 1912 until 1926. The present business class room was the kitchen, the home economics room was the pantry, and the suite of rooms Miss Harrell now occupies was then occupied by the detentions. With the building of Morrison Hall in 1926 this was changed.

The fireplace has been improved by Dr. Blakely. Formally it had two flues and much higher mantle. A window was closed over with beaver board between the two flues. This was remodeled in 1940 at which time the library was remodeled also.

Many of the pictures that show fine art have been loaned to the college by Walter Clark and Mrs. Jacob Binder.

Every girl that leaves Queens may forget many things, but the name Burwell Hall will always ring in her ears. It is named Burwell in honor of the Burwells who were administrators from 1857 until about 1880.

### Science Hall In Honor Of 1890 President

The Atkinson Memorial Building, better known to everyone here on the campus as the Science Building, was built in 1912 when all of the other larger buildings were built. It was named for Dr. William Atkinson who was president of the college in 1890. Among his many duties he also taught science. Queens College was then known as the Charlotte Female Institute.

The main lecture room and the adjoining rooms were constructed in the form of an amphitheater. It was sloping so that it could be better used for demonstration purposes. In the basement of the biology laboratory there were originally showers. There was a fire in 1926 which came very nearly being disastrous to the building. It originated from the boiler one evening about six o'clock when everyone was at diner. Therefore it had time to rage undetected for some time. The floor was badly scorched and charred. In spite of the bad effects of the fire, it was greatly improved when it was remodeled and constructed as it is today.

As the name implies it is the building where all of the sciences are taught. It has always housed the home economics, chemistry, biology, and physics laboratories. The alumnae office which for many years was the location of the post office, is also in the science building.

Some people never associate with their inferiors because they can't find any.

Moye—"I passed Shakespeare today."  
Libba—"Did he speak?"

Last year she was a member of I. R. C. and is secretary this year. She is a member of Alpha Delta Pi, the Queens Players, and is also a reporter for the Blues.

### Noted Author And Critic Will Speak



NORMAN COUSINS

Editor, author, critic, and authority on democracy—that's Norman Cousins, the famous executive editor of *The Saturday Review of Literature*, who is coming to Queens on Feb. 2. He is the second lecturer on the 1944-45 Concert Lecture Series.

Although Mr. Cousins is not yet thirty years old, he is recognized as a famous authority on world affairs and non-fiction books, and as the youngest editor of any major magazine in America.

This remarkable young man was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize before he was old enough to vote, and only a few years later he was called to Washington to serve on a Presidential economic conference. Later he was asked to appear before a Congressional Committee considering a new Cabinet post for a Secretary of Arts and Sciences.

From 1935 to 1940 he was an editor for *Current History*, and since early 1940 he has been editor of *The Saturday Review of Literature*, the most distinctive literary periodical in America. Others on the Editorial Board include Henry Seidel Canby, Elmer Davis, Amy Loveman, Christopher Morley, and William Rose Benet.

Mr. Cousins work on *Current History* gave him an interest in world affairs and there he gained his reputation as a literary critic and an authority on history-in-the-making.

Besides his work as an editor, Mr. Cousins has gained prominence as the author of *The Good Inheritance* and *The Democratic Chance*.

He has also directed literary forums for the N. B. C., on which many of America's most noted authors have appeared.

### Ninnis Music Bldg. Honors Mr. J. R. Ninnis

The Ninnis Music Building, to the north of Burwell Hall, was built in 1914, and named in 1925 for Mr. J. R. Ninnis, former director of music at Queens. Mr. Ninnis studied in Vienna and London, where he was assistant organist and choir director at the Southwark Cathedral. He taught at Queens from 1913 until 1934.

This building contains the college chapel, which has a capacity of five hundred, and in which chapel services and concerts are held. It is equipped with a three-manual organ and concert grand piano. This building also contains the music studios, classrooms, and practice rooms.

A young girl's mind is like chicken salad, it contains so many things a person never suspects.

A flirt is like the Tower of Pisa. She is always inclined but never falls.