

Professor Evaluation at Westminster

Could It Happen at UNC-C?

NEW WILMINGTON, Pa. (I.P.) — Some professors at Westminster College are being rated by their students on terms of the professor's personality, capability, content, testing, mechanics, and students' general feeling toward him and his class. This is a trial program of the Professional Life Committee on recruitment and promotion of the Self Study.

According to Dr. Phillip Lewis, dean of the college and chairman of the Self Study's Steering Committee, the form distributed to selected professors is to be used to examine the validity of this type of instrument for evaluating professors. Class types include elective, required, and major courses.

The student does not sign his name but indicates by letter (H, A, or L whether he considers himself high, average, or low in ability. He then rates his professor by the same terms on 36 items.

The forms, collected and sealed in a labelled brown envelope, are stored in the registrar's office until after final grades are turned

in. They are then returned to the professor so that he may add the grade distribution for each class.

The instructor may use his own discretion for any other use he makes of the evaluation forms while they are in his possession.

The forms will be submitted to the committee so that they may be evaluated for the desired data.

According to Dr. Lewis, the committee will not identify the results with any individual instructor or students, and the forms will be destroyed after use.

Dr. Lewis also noted that several departments already use a similar evaluation form for their own purposes. Students rate the professors' personalities as to

friendliness, enthusiasm, positiveness, humor, grooming and tolerance.

They rate his capability, according to his appearance of being well informed in the subject matter, ability to express his thoughts well, clarity and pointedness of explanations, sensitivity and awareness of students, how well he listens to the students, and willingness to help students individually if necessary.

The professors' tests are rated for warning, number, adequacy, emphasis of understanding as well as memorization, being "well marked," promptness of return, and fairness.



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Track Team Gets Ready for Meet With Catawba

By Mark Klafler

In preparation for its season opening meet on Friday March 21 against Catawba, the University of North Carolina at Charlotte track team held time trials last week.

Captain Larry McAfee termed the times "pathetic."

Rather than despairing, McAfee is surprisingly optimistic. One might better understand his optimism if he knew the circumstances the team has operated under until now.

The most obvious disadvantage is the lack of track and field facilities. Up until last Friday the team had held all its workouts and practices in the dingyness of the Union Parking Lot. The time trials in question were held in the parking lot with a stiff wind blowing and a few of the boys nursing colds.

Since Friday the practices have occurred at Garinger High School. But this still leaves the team

without a locker room to dress and take showers in.

What is truly significant about this is that fourteen boys have enough dedication and enthusiasm to transcend whatever obstacles are thrown in their path. That even without the most basic track facilities these boys will not let that factor thwart their desire to be a member of this track team.

When one examines the situation in another conference school, St. Andrews, the magnitude of the spirit on the UNC-C team is amplified many times over.

Over the past few years, St. Andrews has poured thousands of dollars into its athletic program. The result has been a beautiful physical education building and a sophisticated outdoor track.

St. Andrews will not field a track team this season. Even with the aforementioned attractions, not enough boys turned out.



Permit to Purchase -- Need a Gun?

The phone rang one day last week and it was my friend John calling my friend Wayne. John was in need of two persons over 21 years of age to testify to his "good moral character." I thought John was in jail and needed somebody to go post his bond. John wasn't in jail yet.

John wanted to get a permit to buy a pistol. And John needed someone to swear to his "good moral character."

So Wayne and I went to see John and we went to see the Deputy Clerk of Superior Court. She asked John why he wanted a permit to purchase a weapon. John told her that he wanted to do a little hunting with a gun.

That is the truth. The Clerk told John that his reason wasn't good enough. So then John told her that he did a lot of traveling and needed the pistol for that reason. That is the truth. She was almost satisfied with that reason. Then she said that John should say that he needed it for self protection. John said that. That was a lie.

Wayne asked her if there was any charge. The clerk said there wasn't. I asked if there was any expiration date on the permit.

The lady said there wasn't. So Wayne and I decided that we ought to have one of those permits too. She asked Wayne why he wanted one. Wayne told her he had a hang-up for 7-11

stores. The clerk almost smiled. She asked me why I wanted one. I told her I wanted one so that I could get John if he did anything wrong with his and the police were coming to get me. She didn't smile this time. She asked us again. We lied.

After 15 minutes the Clerk of Superior Court had prepared some legal looking papers before us and we signed them.—3 times. We did not at anytime while we were there show any evidence for our names, ages, or addresses. We could have given false names, lied about our ages, and also about where we lived. There would not have been any difference in the proceeding.

After we signed everything she

handed us the permits. In part it reads thusly: "...whose place of residence is in Charlotte Township, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, having this day satisfied me as to his good moral character, and that the possession of one of the weapons described is necessary for self-defense or the protection of the home, a license or permit is therefore given said (person) to purchase one pistol from any person, firm or corporation authorized to dispose of the same."

Now that I have it, what do I do with it? I don't have a use for a gun, I don't need it, and in fact, I don't want it. It makes interesting conversation to say that I have a Permit to Purchase Weapon.

Publications Sponsor Photo Contest

The ROGUES 'N RASCALS and the CAROLINA JOURNAL are sponsoring a photo contest to be held in conjunction with the Union's Fire Arts Week. The purposes of this contest are to find if there is sufficient interest in photography on this campus to warrant instituting a course in photography, and to discover hidden talent that might possibly be put to good use on one of the student publications.

The rules for the contest are as follows:

1. Only UNC-C students are eligible to enter.
2. Only black and white photographs may be submitted.

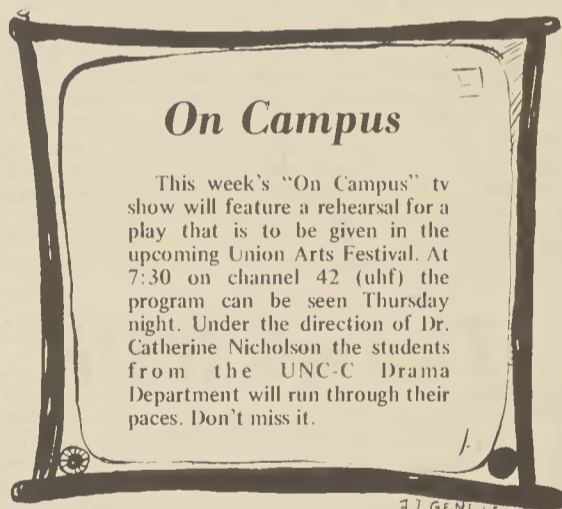
3. There is no limitation on the size of the photos.

4. Entries must be submitted to the editors of either publication sponsoring the contest or else placed in their mailboxes behind the Union desk.

5. The deadline for submitting entries to the contest is Tuesday, March 25.

Three prizes of \$15 for first place and \$5 for both second and third place will be awarded. The judges for the contest will be professional photographers from the Charlotte area. Judging will take place on Wednesday, March 26, and the winning entries will be on display in the Union Thursday and Friday.

Lost & Found Man: "May I help you?"
 UNC C STUDENT: "Yes, I seem to have lost a Rayborn."
 L & F Man: "I see. I'm afraid that none have been turned in here."
 STUDENT: "Well, thanks anyway. Think I'll look for it in Tallahassee."



Piedmont Foundation Provides Grant

The Piedmont Club Foundation of Charlotte has given \$10,000 to the University of North Carolina at Charlotte for the benefit of the Division of Economics and Business Administration.

The grant was announced Wednesday by John Schuber, Jr. of Wachovia Bank, chairman of the Foundation Board.

The foundation is an adjunct of the Piedmont Club, a civic organization which contributes to educational, cultural and other charitable causes. Mr. Schuber said the UNC-C grant represented funds which have accumulated through investments.

The grant, to be administered by the Foundation of UNC-C, will be used for one or more of the following purposes:

- To pay a salary supplement to members of the faculty of the Division of Economics and Business Administration.
- To assist members of that faculty in research, writing or travel.
- To purchase books or periodicals for the library in the area of economics and business administration.

John Chapmen is president of the Piedmont Club. Members of its Foundation Board are Stuart Elliott, Morton Church, J. Robert Covington, J. J. Hanes and Paul Marion.

State Math Conference Held Here

Last Friday and Saturday the University was host to the State Mathematics Teachers' Conference. Dr. Joseph Schell, chairman of the math department spoke on "Some Mathematics Expectations of College Freshmen." Among the other topics included in the program were mathematics in the U.S. and abroad, the use of mathematics games in the classroom, why teach geometry, and a two-year Algebra I program for less capable students.