BASKETBALL UNDERWAY

Basketball at Charlotte College officially got under way November 20, when the Owls traveled to Maxton, North Carolina, to meet Presbyterian Junior College. The trip proved to be one of very little enjoyment for the Owls because they were very rudely thumped by the host Maroons 90-58.

The score is enough to scare you to death, but you can rest assured that this score is not a true indication of the strength of these Owls. This is a very inexperienced ball club with a young coach. It might take our guys a while to get going, but when they do they will be very hard to stop.

The game at Maxton is one in which the spectators saw the visiting Owls in front at half-time only to wilt in the second half. P.J.C. tried to run with our boys in the first half and they found the going unusually rough.

In the second half P.J.C. went into an unorthodox zone defense which completely baffled our Owls. The inexperience that prevails on the club worked at a big disadvantage against such a zone defense.

Bill Hunter led our scoring with 24 points. "Big" Bill, as he is known by his teammates, played a fine ball game and he is coming around rapidly.

This issue went to press before the Owls game with Pfeiffer, and even though the Bulldogs will be heavily favored to trounce our boys, don't be too surprised if the boys from Pfeiffer have to go all out to defeat these spunky Owls.

GLEE CLUB MEETS

About the middle of November the Charlotte College Glee Club met for the first time. The Glee Club practiced for two weeks and presented their first program November 23.

The seven boys based their program on the theme of harvest at Thanksgiving time. The group did a splendid job and several excellent solos were sung.

Don Trapp is really doing a fine job with the Glee Club, so all you Owls that can "hoot" come on out and support the new Charlotte College Glee Club.

HALF-TIME

If you were a member of the Charlotte College basketball team, here is what you would hear at half-time. Naturally, doing the talking is our splendid Coach Buddy Smith.

Once in the dressing room all of the players would be speaking their piece when suddenly Coach would say, "O.K. let's go." With that statement silence would prevail.

"You boys are playing pretty good ball, but you tend to let up at

times. You guards, you have got to set up faster on defense. Quit trying to steal the ball in the back court.

"And you forwards, quit trying to drive against a zone; I've told you a hundred times you can't do it. Bill, you and Neal, (Bill Hunter and Neal Broome) move out of the middle when you see the guards are trying to drive.

"Keep hustling and you'll get some breaks. O.K. let's get out there and tear into them. Same five that started the game. LET'S GO!"

You have just read the briefing that Buddy Smith often gives his squad at half time.

DUKE PROFESSOR TO SPEAK

Dr. Ralph J. D. Braibanti, Associate Professor of Political Science at Duke University, will speak at the next CC assembly on January 12, 1955 at 7 P.M. He will speak on "Post-War Problems of Japan." Dr. Braibanti was a U. S. Military Government officer in Japan from 1945 to 1947 and a political adviser to the Civil Administrator of the Ryuku Islands in 1952. He plans to return to Japan in 1955 for two more years of work and study. He has been a visiting lecturer at several American and Canadian universities and we shall look forward to hearing him at Charlotte College.

PARLEZ-VOUS FRANCAIS?

Early in November a group of Charlotte College students, encouraged by Dr. Pierre Macy, formed themselves into a French Club, with the purpose of the organization being to learn through enjoyment more of French life, traditions, and of the language itself. The following officers were elected: President, Louella Robinson; Vice-President, Boyd Mattison; Secretary and Treasurer, Margaret Falkenberg first quarter, and Fred Kennedy second quarter; Faculty Advisor, Dr. Macy.

The first meeting, or program as we like to call it, was held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Macy. Two very interesting films were shown, after which delicious and generous refreshments were served by Mrs. Macy. Most of the conversation throughout the evening was in French, and a few lively songs topped off the program. The membership of fifteen was rather large as a beginning, even though the meeting was held on a Saturday night. Many of the participants brought their dates, who were also quite welcomed.

The second meeting of the club was on December 4th and followed a Christmas theme. After two excellent films in vivid color were viewed by the members, a few recordings were played. Dr. Macy then pleased the group with a solo, "Noel." One of the main attractions at both the meetings has been the very interesting father of Mrs. Macy. He has recently arrived in this country from France and does not yet speak English. Everyone enjoys conversing with him in his native tongue, as he is very patient with our limited vocabularies.

Thus far, the club has been a success; we hope it will continue to be so. All students of Spanish and French and any other interested persons are urged to join our

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