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## Looking Ahead

April is almost gone; April is the month for many things. The rains of April bring life to the earth; the rains give the air a clean and fresh smell. The cool brisk winds of March become gentle and warm in April. April also has a great effect on people—young and old alike. The men and boys think of boating and swimming; the ladies and young ladies think of new summer clothes and visits to the beach.

At Charlotte College, April is the month for many events. Elections of Student Government officers is one of the most important events. The young men and women who were elected to head the student government have our sincere and warm congratulations. We feel that the students of our great college made wise choices when they went to the polls.

Congratulations are also in order for the six young men and the young lady who were chosen as Marshals for graduation exercises in June.

There are more events coming up in May. Other elections are going to be held. Sophomore officers and editors for student publications must be chosen. Vote as you believe for only with your active support can our student functions perform as they are meant to.

Look ahead now for final exams. An extra burst of energy now can put you over the top later.

Be prepared for the graduation exercises the first of June. This will be our largest graduating class in history. Important people from all over the United States will be present and all students and their guests will be needed to show that a permanent college is really needed at Charlotte.

School colors has been a subject of discussion for some time and several of the faculty and a large percentage of the student body agree that a change is needed but none is certain to what. Green and white, blue and white, the choice is up to you.

Looking ahead is a vision, behind a dream. What you see is what you make it. The future can be yours.

## The Habit Of Failing

Contrary to student opinion failure is neither to be condoned nor laughed at. It is merely a bad habit.

Some students fail because they lack the necessary intelligence. Others because they lack the time or the interest needed to pass, but the majority of students fail because of bad habits.

They early adopt the popular philosophy that it is immoral to spend outside time for studying. They form the habit of never taking a note in class. They consider it unethical to use outside reference books. They work hard and diligently at anything else. They find that if one starts early enough and refuses to deviate from these habits he can consistently make lower and poorer grades.

Can these people find and effect their own cure or must they, like smokers and drinkers who wish to change, be helped and guided?

In the majority of cases a student who desires to change can do so by concentrating on one fault at a time and going thru the correct motions until they become naturalized. For others, guidance may be found from a counselor or friend. In all cases it is up to the student to try or fail.

College is not just a place away from home. It is a start for new beginnings, a field for trial and experimentation, and the home of knowledge. It is not the place to start the habit of failing.

## Understanding The Bible

By Merle Taylor

The Bible is God's Book. In it are contained His thoughts. We cannot learn these thoughts by merely reading over the pages. Understanding of the words is essential. We must understand them the way He wants us to understand them.

Do you read the Bible to understand it? What translation do you use? Why do you use that particular translation—because it aids your understanding of God's Word or because you are just accustomed to reading it?

Many people cling to the *King James Version* of the Bible. They are more familiar with it than with modern translations. Perhaps they are reading it for its literary effect. The *King James Version* was translated in 1611 A.D. In that day and age it was the modern, up-to-date translation. It could be read and understood. The situation has changed today. It is difficult to understand. Why?

Read the *King James* translation of 1 Corinthians 10:24,25: "Let no man seek his own, but every man another's wealth. Whatsoever is sold in the shambles, that eat." Why should one seek another man's wealth? What is a shambles? What kind of food can you buy in a shambles? How clear is the rendering of a modern translation of the Bible! "Let each one keep seeking, not his own advantage, but that of the other person. Everything that is sold in a meat market keep eating." Rather than seek another's wealth, seek to do that which will bring him advantage. Shambles is a meat market.

Words change much during three centuries. In fact, some mean the exact opposite in 1957 of what they meant in 1611. Hence the reader of the *King James Version* may get the exact opposite of the truth from his study of that translation.

Consider 2 Thessalonians 2:7 and 8: "The mystery of iniquity doth already work; only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked be revealed." Should the reader understand that the apostles of Christ allowed apostate Christians to infiltrate true Christianity and to remain in the congregations? It doesn't seem reasonable that they would do so.

The misunderstanding is cleared up by the *New World Translation*: "The mystery of this lawlessness is already at work; but only till he who is right now acting as a restraint gets to be out of the way. Then, indeed, the lawless one will be revealed."

In 1611 "let" meant to hinder, the opposite of its present day meaning. The apostles did not allow apostasy. Only after their death did false Christians begin to flourish in the congregations.

The expression "by and by" in Luke 21:9 is misleading. One would think it meant in the uncertain future time, but the *New World Translation* states "does not occur immediately."

Compare these Scriptures in the *King James Version* with the rendering of one of the modern translations: Acts 17:3; 28:2; 1 Corinthians 13:13; 1 Samuel 8:13; Psalm 4:2; Mark 10:14; Genesis 39:8 and 2 Corinthians 8:1. Thus you see the value of the modern language rendering.

The translators of the *King James Version* did not expect their (See BIBLE, p. 4, Col. 4)

## from the night owl

By Charles Couch



Congratulations to the new officers of the student body. Dickie Matthews, Jon Bass, Ann McRorie, and Marvin Pridgen should do a fine job and be a credit to the school.

Pardon me, but I, for one, would have enjoyed the choral program more if the chorus had done more of the singing. Audience participation is fine, but not when a fine singing organization could provide all the music. Without a doubt, the best part of the program was the singing of *I got plenty of nothing* by the chorus.

Not too much response to the query about spring athletes. See Gus Deal for information about any sports in which you're interested.

There is a fine "Letter to the Editors" in this issue. Read it and write in your comments.

I am highly in favor of vacations, and the Easter one came at a most opportune time. The lack of a break between winter and spring quarters was hard on the constitution.

Anyone in school who is thinking about buying a new car should contact me before doing so. The same goes for a used car. I have an agreement with one of the salesmen at an automobile establishment and could find it profitable to mention his name. It wouldn't hurt to see him, so please see me first.

We of the newspaper are beginning to line up ads for next year's paper. We would appreciate it if those of you who work for local businesses would drop the name of the firm into the slot in the door of Room 301.

## CC Bulletin Board

Congratulations . . . . .  
To JANN BRYANT and SMITHY BIRMINGHAM on their marriage, April 6, 1957.

To all students . . . . .  
Want excess paper taken off your hands—notify any Sigma Lambda Chi.

Socials:  
Don't forget the spring dance and be on the alert for a picnic in May.

Congratulations . . . . .  
To MR. and MRS. W. S. STALLINGS on the birth of their daughter, LAURA ELIZABETH.

## Letters To The Editor

Where Are C. C. Clubs?

Dear Editor:

The new student, just coming to Charlotte College, usually hears rumors to the effect that various clubs are available to him. But that is about all. He sees no special effort made to seek his participation in Club activities. Instead, he is given the impression that the clubs are "closed-shop" propositions with no need of a newcomer's services. The clubs exist to provide opportunity for development and expression of a student's ability and interest in a particular field. But this cannot be done until all of the clubs are better organized with a definite time and place for meetings and better publicized.

David K. Sims

## CLUB CHATTER

By Gay Hinson

Student Council Officer elections have passed; Sophomore Class Officer elections are coming up. With all the polling hustle and bustle, the clubs may forget that the election of officers in the individual organizations is also very significant. To insure the continuity of progress and development of Campus Clubs, your Clubs Editor would like to emphasize the importance in selecting 1957-58 organization officers. I anticipate the best and look forward to club election results.

Looks as though the Writers' Club is going places. Members approved their Constitution at a meeting last month. A social at Miss Denny's followed the business meeting. The creative writers are working on two major plans: A quarterly publication, *Owl's Tracks*, be on the lookout for it; and the tapping of new members, be on the lookout for hammers.

Sigma Lambda Chi has been extremely active since our last issue of the paper. A party was held at Henson's Hide-Away near Crowder Mountain the early part of this month. (Understand it's hidden-so-away that you need a map to find it). Eats consisted of hot dogs with chili sauce and everything and anything that goes with hot dogs, pop, chocolate cake and coconut pie. Say, did you notice the "Amos's 'n Andy's," "Mamma's and Suzie Q's," and "Cow Pokes" floating around the campus? Let you in on a secret, they were actually C. C. guys . . . very special ones; in fact, they were Sigma Lambda Chi pledges. Congratulations and lots of luck to the new members: Malcom Blankenship, Bob Falkenberg, Bill Gordon, William D. Hoover, John Martin, Bruce Patrick, and Leigh Winslow. A recent meeting held at the home of Bill Drinkard put the final stamp of Sigma Lambda Chi on the pledges. Election for the 1957-58 officers also took place, and it looks like the fraternity is in for another successful year under the leadership of President, Bill Wagner; Vice-President, Joe Pickard; Secretary - Treasurer, Jon Bass; Corresponding Secretary, Dickie Matthews; Scribe, Henry Byrd; Herald, Gerald Autry; Warden, Jackie Morris; and Pledge Master, Gregg Hoppings. Congrats to a great group of guys.

Invitations to become a charter member of Sigma Tau Sigma have been mailed to those eligible for membership in this society. Note to those in receipt: This is an honor and a privilege.

Both of the College language clubs are planning socials. Saturday night, April 27th, is the date planned for a wiener roast and dramatic production by members of the Spanish Club. The French Club Monsieurs and Mademoisells are having a banquet and special entertainment at the Chez Montet on the 12th of May at 7:00.

Belonging to clubs can be wonderful fun and educational too. By joining in the activities of a group, you can learn new skills, develop new interests, and make new friends.

EDITOR WINS

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warmth and sympathy, and her determination to see a job through—all qualify her to make a great contribution in that much-needed field of teaching.

Nancy has brought great honor to Charlotte College as well as to herself.