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At This Special Time Of Year, We'd Just Like To Say... Help!

With the New Year coming up, we think it appropriate at this time to reflect on the past issues of The Collegian and make some pertinent plans for the future. We have encountered, to make a gross understatement, some unexpected happenings.

To give you fair warning, we intend to fuss a little, point out a few shortcomings, and generally tell about some of the rare and weird things that have taken place since we put together the September issue of The Collegian.

The deadlines slip up on us in the middle of the night. They usually catch us sitting here with many grammatically incoherent stories and a mess of red eyeballs. Sometimes the material looks as if it were not quite good enough for an English theme paper.

There are often stories three or more pages long when we have enough room for only one page (and it is not unusual to find a neat little note pinned at the top demanding that the story be printed as it is without changing a single word).

Layouts must be carefully planned and stories fitted into exact spaces. Pictures must be judged for their merit and in the rare instance that we find any that are usable, they must be fitted into our space requirements. Another problem that we often face is identifying people in pictures because someone forgot to make a note of whom he was photographing.

Then we have some stories that were left over from the previous edition that should have been in the last issue, but we couldn't for the life of us find a place to put them.

But the really annoying thing about this business is that the only time we are able to spot a serious error is after the paper has been printed and our nerves have settled sufficiently to calmly enjoy a cup of coffee again. Then all of the overlooked errors stand out like Madison Avenue signs.

What we would like, as a special Christmas gift to everyone connected with The Collegian staff, are stories (or "copy," to use newspaper lingo) well written and neatly typed. These should be turned in to the paper as soon as possible so that they can be included in plans for the next issue.

We of course intend no disrespect to anyone. This is just our way of expressing our own bewilderment with some of the problems that face us in putting together these issues of the paper. We thought you might like to know about them.

So here we sit in the wee hours of the morning with a red sunrise creeping over the horizon and quite a few things yet to be accomplished.

Christmas Reminder: Be Honest

It's not that we wish to damper the gala spirits of the Christmastide, but we noticed someone cheating on a class test the other day, and we think that the Christmas season brings a special time when all of us should look at ourselves objectively and try to better ourselves for service to our fellowmen. This, we think, is in keeping with the spirit of the Christchild and with the universal brotherhood of men. It is a spirit that outlasts the season of December 25, and cheating on a test is contrary to this spirit. Cheating in the classroom is a disservice to one's fellowmen.

And how can the professor evaluate the progress of the student if the student cheats on a test? Cheating thus destroys the purpose of the test. And thus it undermines the cheater's education. If too many cheaters come out with high scores, the professor may think that the student who completes the test by using only his brain cells has not studied as much as he should. The professor may think that the work in the course must be reevaluated.

If a person does get through his four years of college by a cheat-paved road, he has done a disservice to mankind; but he has cheated himself. Copying answers from cleverly concealed cards during tests is not putting knowledge into the mind. If a student gets through college or just one course or just one day by false pretenses of knowing what he does not, he really has cheated himself.

Some schools laud their honor systems. But systems are not needed for honest individuals. One cheating student can by no means destroy the dignity of an honest fellow student, professor, or school.

But by cheating, he does take away some of his own glory. And he will, no doubt, lose ability to look his fellowman squarely in the eye.

Donations To Charlotte College Received From Many Sources

By GEORGE THOMAS

Rome was not built in a day, and the same goes for Charlotte College.

The enthusiasm of the students, the goodwill of the faculty, and the generosity of well-wishers and friends promise a bright future for the college and its growing campus.

CC students are grateful recipients of the following donations to the college:

Valuable historical docu-

ments, including a 1789 map of Mecklenburg County; copies of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, the Report of the Ordnance Department of the Confederate government made by Brigadier General Josiah Gorgas, and Ralph Donnelly's "The Charlotte, N. C., Navy Yard." They were presented by Aaron D. Boggs, Jr., of 1011 Herrin Ave.

Iris and bulbs from Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Page Jr., to con-

tribute to the rapidly developing natural scenery around the campus.

A large aquarium worth more than \$100 to the library by Dr. Belle Palmer.

Monetary gifts, including \$100 from Mrs. Alton L. Bland, given for any useful purpose, and \$8 from Mrs. Marie S. Currie for the upkeep of a magnolia tree.

A set of silver candelabra, trays and pitcher for entertaining purposes was presented by Miss Polly Johnston, president of the Altrusa Club of Charlotte.

The National Geographic Magazine, Vol. 114, July-Dec., 1958, was given to the library by Mrs. Howard Wade.

LeGette Blythe gave two autographed volumes of his book "William Henry Belk," one each for the library and Dr. Cone.

Large bamboo poles as trellises for plants are the gift of Arthur Jones of the North Carolina National Bank.

The college received the road right-of-way from Mallard Creek to the campus through the generosity of Mrs. Carrie P. Alexander, J. W. Kirk, and the Construction Brick and Tile Company.

Cashboxes for typewriters in the library were made by Orville Haynes of Clyde, N. C. C. W. Gilchrist of Charlotte Chemical Company gave a bookkeeping machine for the business office.

Jefferson Standard Broadcasting Company gave two color television sets.

Edgar Terrell of Terrell Machine Company gave two Japanese holly plants.

Dr. Paul Moser of Claremont gave a two-wheel trailer, and J. C. Jones of Central Avenue, Charlotte, gave tires for the trailer.

Dr. Cone On Board

Dr. Bonnie Cone of Charlotte College is serving on the Davidson College Board of Visitors.

The board was set up in August, 1956, to aid the present and future program of the college by advising with the President and other administrative officials.



Meeting The Deadline

The Bell

That bell, that bell,
That nerve jangling bell . . .
How loud, how loud,
How ridiculously jolting loud,
Muffle it! Muffle it!
That annoying library bell.

—Tonda Taylor

BY GENE HORNE

'Party' Planned For Canady

As head of the new Student Council Traffic Committee, Clinton Canaday has been villainously dubbed our new "chief of police." It is his job and the job of his "cops" (campus fuzz) to issue tickets to violators of the parking rules.

He is also responsible for the "kangaroo court" for three-time losers.

The idea was immediately unpopular among certain groups of habitual "law breakers." There is a tall oak tree behind the Science Building that has his name carved on it.

One group told us they're going to have a "rope party," and they want Clinton to "hang around" till the fun dies down. But that may be stretching it a little bit.

"It's semi-formal, kind of a 'neck tie party,'" one of them said. "Clinton is the guest of honor."

Actually, though, we need a courageous man like "Chief" Canaday to get tough about the parking problem. The signs aren't tough enough.

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We've made a mistake. It wasn't the first—we've made one or two before—but this was the worst. Our new school colors are NOT Carolina blue and white. They're GOLD and white. Carolina gold, maybe.

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Reggie York, editor of the annual, told us that this year's edition is going to be the best yet.

We thought you'd want to know when it will be out, so we asked him.

"Well," said Reggie," at the present rate—and if all goes well—we hope to have it ready by the early fall of '64."

The Si Si staff is putting in double time now, and we know how much work goes into the making of a good yearbook.

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We were admiring the signs publicizing games, etc., the other day when we noticed this one sign near the student lounge.

It was a picture of an old car with students falling over the sides. It said: "EVERYBODY'S GOING TO THE GAME!"

Brilliant!

Then it said: "Charlotte College vs. Gardner Webb, 8 a.m., December 3."

That was eight o'clock on a Sunday morning, for goodness' sake!! We asked publicity committee co-chairman Brenda Long about it. She consulted Dwight Christenbury, artist.

It was quickly changed to 8 p.m., Dec. 2. We were still playing Gardner Webb, though. Speaking of games (and we were), we saw one the other night. Those boys really played hard!

It wasn't all in vain, though. All twelve of the CC rooters in the stands really appreciated their efforts.

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With the holidays coming up—and this being the Christmas edition and all—we thought we'd end with something really nice about Christmas.

Carol Holden gave us the best suggestion yet: what more can be said about Christmas than "MERRY CHRISTMAS!!"