

## Frosh Class Meeting

In its No. 4 issue, The Collegian posed the question, "What will the freshmen do now?" We hope what they did, or rather didn't do, at the freshman class meeting Nov. 11 won't be a true prediction of things to come. We are referring to the poor attendance—less than 50 from a class of 750—at the Wednesday meeting. This meeting, unlike previous ones, was well publicized and we are sure that more than 50 freshmen knew about the meeting. Many students had complained about having a meeting at the 11:30 free hour because it conflicted with lunch. The officers of the class thoughtfully scheduled the meeting for noon; still, less than 50 students attended. At this meeting the newly elected president and vice-president of the class were introduced and a treasurer and secretary were elected.

We believe the freshman class of Charlotte College can do better than this.

## CC's Progress Praised

Born in the aftermath of World War II to serve the needs of veterans, a small, all male college was founded in Central High School on Elizabeth Avenue. It didn't have a president—only a director, and her office was in an extra book closet. The "director" was Miss Bonnie Cone and the college was Charlotte College. The story of the development, though comparable to the myth of Cinderella, has not been an overnight affair. The road has had an occasional stone.

In 1949, it was felt that the college had served its purpose, that it was no longer needed, and the North Carolina College Conference, which was supporting the institution, ended sponsorship. But Charlotte College would not die and through student fees and donations from interested citizens, the college survived. This was also the year CC got a president—Miss Cone, of course. The college lived on donations and fees for five years, until May, 1954. At this time, the city of Charlotte voted a special tax to help support the school. In 1955, the North Carolina General Assembly made the first appropriation for support of Charlotte College. This action officially brought the college under the North Carolina community college system, gave it its first board of trustees, and made it eligible for annual grants-in-aid from the state.

On November 4, 1958, through a bond election, Mecklenburg County enabled Charlotte College to acquire 270 acres on Highway 49. On October 27, 1959, a statewide bond election provided additional capital for all colleges in the North Carolina community college system. Another county bond election on November assured the necessary funds to provide classroom, administrative, and library facilities for the then rapidly growing college. In 1960, the Charlotte Community College Foundation was established to enrich and strengthen the college through private sources supplementing state appropriations and student fees.

In the fall of 1961, Charlotte College took another giant step. The campus was moved from old Central High School in the center of Charlotte to its present location on Highway 49. We were given 270 acres of growing room. In May, 1963, the General Assembly of North Carolina presented Charlotte College with a charter to become a senior college. In addition, the state took over full support of the college and established plans for it to become a campus of the University of North Carolina.

1964 has been another big year in the life of Charlotte College. Last spring, the campus was expanded to 917 acres by a gift from the County Commissioners. And just the other day, the board of trustees of UNC approved a plan for the 1965 General Assembly to make Charlotte College the fourth campus of the University.

Yes, we've come a long way. The Collegian congratulates Charlotte College, her president, and her students on their achievements. Let's keep up the good work.

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# Freshman Vice - Pres., Secretary Criticize Lack Of Enthusiasm

The Collegian welcomes letters to its "Letters To The Editor" column. All letters should be legible and written on only one side of the paper. All letters must be signed. (However, the signature will be withheld on request.) The Collegian reserves the right to edit all letters.

### Editors, The Collegian:

It is unfortunate that in our present society those people who express an interest in the community affairs have to suffer because of a lack of interest among the great majority of citizens. The respective classes of this campus are prime examples of this wide spread indifference of the masses.

Where has the enthusiasm gone? Surely not to Charlotte College. The freshmen have left their hanging in some cobwebbed hall at high school; the upperclassmen have stored their's in that dusty attic they call a mind to save it for a later date. But there is no later date; the time is now.

School organizations are on the verge of collapsing. No club, committee, or organization can expect to survive by draining the vital blood from its working members and officers, especially while the so-called "members" who want the club as a name listed in the Si Si sit back on their carcass and watch.

It is difficult for one to understand why people pay for social activities but fail to come to them. For example, the College Union paid \$400.00 for Lord's International. How many attended? Twenty-seven people — 10 students, and 17 faculty members and their families. What did each person pay to actually see it? The equivalent of \$15.00 per person. You as an individual paid a part of that sum in your fees.

The unsupported social activities at Charlotte College are costing more money than we, as students, can pay; therefore, entrance charges to subsequent social functions are higher to overcome these deficiencies.

Why do we have these "long hair" programs? They were planned by last year's committees of the Union. Why didn't you know about them before now. You had your chance to get on these committees and you still have a chance for next years activities. So the fault is yours, not Charlotte College's. You have no right to complain.

"I don't have enough time to come out to Charlotte College for activities because I work and it's too far." Yet it's not too far or too much time to drive through Harold's, Shoney's, or the Hoot Mon Restaurant. Perhaps you don't realize that more than half of the activity committees' members work at part-time jobs, yet they make it to the functions. Maybe they are late and have to leave early, but they do come.

Remember you are paying for your education; nobody will force you to participate. It is not your obligation to attend

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social functions, it is your privilege. It has been paid for.

Pat Archer, Secretary of the Freshman Class  
Bill Hodges, vice-pres. of the Freshman Class

### Activity Fee

#### Editors, The Collegian:

Many of our students have expressed concern about how our student activity fees are spent and by what student organizations. For this reason we are issuing the following report concerning the state of the Student Government Association and the Student Activity Fee.

These are the major student organizations on the campus of Charlotte College, their purposes, and the amount of money that each has been appropriated by the Student Activity Fee Committee in order to carry out their respective purposes for the year 1964-65.

#### I. The College Union: \$7,810.

The purposes of the College Union are to provide for the recreational, social, and cultural activities of the college.

#### II. Athletics: \$7,752.00.

The Athletics Committee administers all athletics and sports at Charlotte College and arranges all games, meets and other sporting events.

#### III. The Si-Si (Charlotte College's Yearbook): \$6,775.00.

The purpose of the Si-Si is to

to present a written and pictorial record of the campus activities of each year. The publication is supported in part through the sale of advertisements.

#### IV. The Charlotte Collegian (Charlotte College's Newspaper): \$2,200.00.

The purposes of the newspaper are to provide a voice for student opinion and to provide a regular means of communicating the news of campus affairs and happenings.

#### V. The Student Legislature: \$2,135.00.

The purpose of the Student Legislature is to provide a democratic means by which the students at Charlotte College can govern themselves and their activities through their duly elected representatives and offices.

John D. Scott  
President  
Student Government Association

### Reading Day

#### Editors, The Collegian:

The executive committee of the SGA requests that the Administration, in making future calendars, leave a reading day between the last day of classes and the first day of examinations in cases where the examination period does not begin on Monday.

Gus Psomadakis  
Vice President, SGA



As seen from the roof of the College Union, the student area of the paved CU parking lot is filled, but the reserved faculty area still has plenty of space left, and students are forced to go to the unpaved LA parking lot. How long will this continue? (Staff photo—Estridge)

## Dear Boss

dear boss:

the next time  
you find yourself  
in the college union  
lightly place your index finger  
on one of the many windows  
and you might feel the pain  
who said  
these are the times  
that try men's souls  
and  
suspicion is the companion  
of mean souls  
and the bane  
of all good society  
and  
a bad cause  
will ever be supported  
by bad means  
and bad men

but wait  
perhaps to point  
much better be  
the words of d  
r p marquis  
who said  
i have noticed

that when chickens  
quit quarreling  
over their food  
they often find that  
there is enough  
for all of them  
i wonder if  
it might not be  
the same way with  
the human race  
and  
an idea  
isn't responsible  
for the people  
who believe in it  
quotably yours  
vw the beetle

postscript:

red buttons  
used to resolve his act  
with a musical patter  
whose main theme was  
quote  
strange things are happening  
unquote