

## Planetarium Skies To Be Improved

A quarter of a million dollars worth of new instrumentation will be installed in the Morehead Planetarium with

funds granted by the Board of Trustees of the Morehead Foundation.

Hugh G. Chatham, vice-chairman of the board, announced the gift after the trustees' study of the presentation of the new instrument and additions by A. F. Jenzani, planetarium director.

The new Planetarium instrument prototype was demonstrated for the first time to Planetarium directors from all over the world at their recent meeting and visit to the Zeiss factory in Oberkochen.

Arrangements for the modernization program have been made by Roy Armstrong, executive secretary of the Foundation, Chancellor J. Carlyle Sitterson, Business Manager J. A. Williams, Purchase Director R. L. Hardison, and Carl Zeiss, Scientific Director W. E. Degenhard.

Jenzani said that "In decades to come, the new instruments will assure infinitely greater academic and aesthetic benefits to millions of people in all walks of life."

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## Religion 'In' Thing With Students — No Sermons But Inquisitive Study

By JOAN PAGE

Religion is "in" with Carolina students these days. Preaching and indoctrination in the classroom are "out."

In keeping with a national trend among large state universities, Chapel Hill students are enrolling in religion courses in record numbers. Around 1,000 have signed up for this fall. Student demand has led to a doubling of the religion faculty in the past five years.

Ironically, the wave of interest in the study of religion is centered on campuses of the bigger state institutions, so often singled out as seats of "radicalism" and "atheism."

Berkley reports that one of the most popular courses on its campus is "The English Bible as Literature." At Chapel Hill, a course on "The Origin and Significance of the Bible" attracts 200 students each semester.

The New York Times partially attributes this upsurge of interest in religion to a Supreme Court ruling that the Bible is worthy of objective study for its literary and historic qualities, plus the fact that faculty members no longer fear or feel superior to the teaching of religion.

Religion Department Chairman Samuel S. Hill Jr. says Chapel Hill students are interested in a scholarly and comparative study of religion. They seem eager to delve into the probings of such theological scholars as Tillich and the Niebuhrs.

"They will not tolerate preaching in the classroom," says Dr. Hill. "Like the political campus rebels, students who turn to religious study demand that such teaching

take place in a setting of academic freedom. They reject indoctrination and insist on a no-holds-barred atmosphere."

University students, Dr. Hill adds, want their professors to explore questions with them and point out alternative possibilities. "They don't want to be dogmatized. The minute a professor begins to focus on one approach, the brighter students reject it."

Dr. Hill has some definite ideas as to why students are being drawn to religion courses.

"They are seeking a chance to grapple with the great questions concerning man and reality. Many of them sense there must be something better to religion than what they've been taught. In search of a new approach to religion, they want to compare their training and views with those of students from other areas and other faiths."

Dr. Hill credits both the "God Is Dead" movement and the Second Vatican Council revision of Roman Catholic doc-

trines in terms of contemporary life with spurring student interest in religion.

Moral issues such as Viet Nam and civil rights, coupled with a sense of meaninglessness and anxiety in life, also are sending students to religion classes in a search for identity and for answers to what it means to be alive.

"Students feel they ought to be responsible members of society," Dr. Hill said. "They believe that somehow the study of religion will shed light on what it means to be responsible."

As to how religion should be taught, Dr. Hill maintains that neither a church college nor a state institution "has any business indoctrinating students." Yet, since religious questions deal with personal human existence, "inevitably you ask and deal with questions which cannot be treated from a purely detached viewpoint."

Most religion courses, he believes, can properly be adapted to a dialogue format, with views of theologians, profes-

### Pharmacy School Enrollment Up

Total enrollment in the University School of Pharmacy will show a substantial net increase this fall.

And, interestingly, female pharmacists-to-be will make up slightly more than one-third of the student body.

Dr. M. A. Chambers, assistant dean of the pharmacy school, said that final registration figures will change slightly "but the enrollment

picture will still look good." He noted that the size of the classes is increasing so that a large number of graduates can be expected in the coming years.

Total enrollment in the pharmacy school's four years of study will be in the neighborhood of 349 students, up by about 40 over last year and a dramatic increase of 70 over 1964 and 110 over 1963.



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### Miss Teenage America Lauds Dress Of Jacqueline Kennedy

Colette Daiute was in New York recently, winding up her great year as 1966's Miss Teenage America. We stopped by to have tea and talk with her about clothes and make-up and whatever else was on her mind. Colette says that Jacqueline Kennedy is still her fashion ideal. She likes the way Mrs. Kennedy always chooses clothes that are exactly right for her, with the emphasis on simplicity and elegance. Next question — pants and pants suits for town life. "I like them, but I'm sure it will take a while before they are accepted in the smaller cities and towns." Colette thought that evening pants would catch on quicker, and she has chosen some for herself in dressy fabrics. From a long story to a short one, we asked about skirt lengths. Colette said hers were about one inch above her knee but said the decision should depend on "what shape your legs are in, and how old you are."



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