

UNC Press publishes scholarly works

By CATHY WARREN
DTH Staff Writer

Tucked away on Boundary Street in Brooks Hall is a small but distinguished publishing establishment called The University of North Carolina Press.

Its operation is similar to that of any publishing company, said director Matthew Hodgson, except that it does not publish fiction, textbooks or books about current events. It also has a special affinity for books about North Carolina and the South.

"Content is much more important than to write in a clever, zippy way," Hodgson said. The majority of books published by the UNC Press are scholarly works, he said.

Hodgson said the UNC Press avoided being too hasty in publishing books about contemporary subjects, whether it is criticism of an author who is still writing or of an event in recent history, such as the Greensboro Communist-Klan shootout.

"We've had 10 to 15 young reporters come in and ask if we would publish a book about it (the shootout)," he said. "That's still in the courts. We want to wait until there is documentation."

Mixed in with such scholarly titles as *Borges and His Fiction* by Gene H. Bell-Villada and *The Devil and Commodity Fetishism in South America*, by Michael Taussig are David Sticks' *The Outer Banks of North Carolina* and Patsy Moore Ginns' *Rough Weather Makes Good Timber*, a book of North Carolinian tales and reminiscences.

New this fall is *Understandings* by Paul Kwilecki, a book of photographs of Decatur County, Georgia and *An Artist's Catch*, Frank Stick's collection of watercolors of fish which was sent to Japan for printing to get expert rendering of the watercolors in print.

Authors of these books are scholars from all over the country and "gentlemen scholars," people of any occupation who have developed their interest in some facet of North Carolina to an expert knowledge.

In the field of scholarly publications, authors send their books to university publishers known for publishing in their particular field.

"It's a shared experience," Hodgson said. "We send some books up to Chicago, (for example), and they send some down to us."

"Two-thirds of the books published here are written by scholars elsewhere," he said.

The UNC Press is particularly well known in the field of classics and certain areas of history. In music history, professor William Newman's *History of the Sonata and History of the Oratorio* are "standard books read throughout the world," Hodgson said.

In an article in the October 18 *New York Times Book Review*, the UNC Press was ranked by a Princeton colleague among big presses such as Harvard and Yale.

The article also noted the press' track record for publishing outstanding books in American history

and the press' commitment to "a critical examination of Southern life" in the 20's and 30's, when the UNC Press became a center for such studies. Its examination of education, land use, tenant farming, mill villages, child labor, textile unions, chain gangs, lynching and race relations during that period "brought support from Northern foundations and praise from eminent scholars," the article read.

At present this commitment to regional publications is continued in the interest of the UNC Press in what Hodgson calls "books about our backyard."

Books about wildflowers, North Carolina history, biographies, ghost stories and folk tales are included in this group.

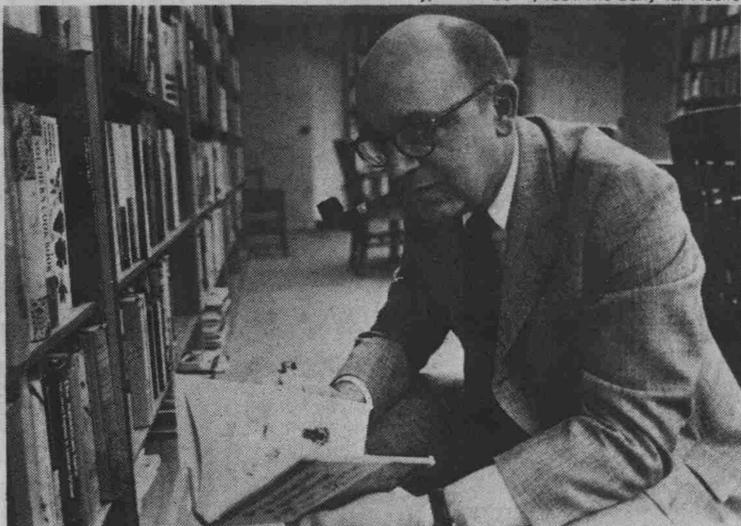
Their authors are "gentlemen scholars" of varying occupations such as banking, real estate and advertising, Hodgson said.

"They are people who have some leisure time and frequently some money," he said.

One example is David Sticks who is a real estate agent living at Cape Hatteras and the author of *Graveyard of the Atlantic and Outer Banks of North Carolina*.

Founded in 1922, the UNC Press is one of about 70 university presses in the country, about 30 of which are active, Hodgson said. He qualifies active presses as those which publish over 30 books yearly. Some only put out six or seven books a year.

The UNC Press published 58 books last year, but cutbacks in library funding will force it to cut



University of North Carolina Press Director Matthew Hodgson scans publication ... books are scholarly works rather than fiction, textbooks or current material

back on publication this year. "Our chief market is large libraries," Hodgson said. "Their funds for acquisition this year are static or cut."

"We won't be able to expand our list this year," said Gwen Duffey, managing editor. She estimated that the number of books published would drop to 35 this year.

New sickle cell program offers many services

The Comprehensive Sickle Cell Program of the North Carolina Memorial Hospital operates a center designed to care for persons with sickle cell anemia. The center, with a staff consisting of hematologists, nurses and counselors, enables sickle cell patients to receive many types of services.

"We are attempting to inform sickle cell patients of the many services available to them," said Dr. Lee R. Berkowitz, a hematologist with the program, which opened two weeks ago. "We have set up a clinic where people from the student body, the faculty or the community can come to receive proper treatment."

Berkowitz said the treatment process began when a person came to the clinic to see a hematologist, and a medical assessment was done. A social worker also talks to the patient. "The patients then see a group of people who work with the state sickle cell program before talking to our program director," Berkowitz said. "Next, the blood and lab work is done. "We try to integrate all the information we have received to give the patient all the help we can," Berkowitz said.

Coordinator Sue Sparrow said the program was important to the University because it informed black students and faculty of medical and social services available to them. "We felt that blacks should know that the program is here," Sparrow said. "Due to a large black population in this area, the rate of sickle cell anemia is rather high," she said.

— KYLE MARSHALL

Blood drive set for noon today

A Red Cross Blood Mobile is scheduled for noon to 5 p.m. today at the Chi Psi fraternity. The Blood Mobile, sponsored by the fraternity, is to be held at 321 Cameron Ave. All students are urged to donate blood.

for the record

In "Series of Brazilian films to be shown," (DTH, Tuesday, Nov. 3), the story incorrectly reported the film *Black Orpheus* would be shown Tuesday. The film is tonight at 8 p.m. in the Union Auditorium. The DTH regrets the error.

Counties say their needs ignored

By ALAN CHAPPLE
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Rumblings of discontent have been circulating around many of North Carolina's northeastern counties recently, and officials in many of those counties are bringing into the open complaints that state officials in Raleigh have been ignoring their needs.

"We've been left out of a lot of things by the state government in the past," said W. Raleigh Carver, chairman of the Pasquotank Board of County Commissioners. "But we're a part of North Carolina, and as far as I'm concerned, we're going to stay that way."

At a meeting of the Hertford County Industrial Development Commission in Murfreesboro last month, comments were made pointing out the economic plight of northeast North Carolina. Though the comments — which threatened secession of some northeast counties to Virginia — were made in jest, many officials have said the criticisms were justified.

"We're true and loyal Tar Heels," said Wayne Deal, Hertford County manager. "We just want Raleigh (the

Hunt administration) to know that we are here and would like some attention and help."

The problems faced by the northeast primarily revolve around a lack of industry and a poor road system in the region.

"In that portion of the state the major problem is a lack of economic development," said Brent Hackney, press secretary for Gov. Jim Hunt. "But this administration has made an all-out commitment to help the northeast."

The governor's office and the state Department of Commerce have made efforts to attract industry to the area, and their success has been evidenced by the proposed building of a Cummings-Case diesel engine plant in Whitakers, near Rocky Mount.

Because of the lack of jobs, many northeasterners work in nearby Virginia. The Tidewater area around Norfolk, Va., offers employment in its shipyards, in a Ford plant and in construction.

"Northeast North Carolina has many natural ties with Tidewater," Deal said, "and we need to take a look at our relationship with Virginia."

Deal maintained, however, that his region needed an influx of employment opportunities.

"We don't have all the jobs we need," he said. "We've been doing a lot of homework to attract new industry. We know we will have to help the state in its effort to help us."

Recent cuts in state highway funds also may hinder the region's attempt to attract outside industry.

"We really need better roads," Carver said. He said without major highways and easy access to the area, many industries were hesitant about moving to the northeastern area of the state.

Hackney said the governor was aware of the region's need for better roads, but because of the national budget cuts, he said, the funding was not available.

"We're trying to help them out in terms of new roads, but money is awfully tight," he said.

"This administration has made a real and sincere commitment," he said. "We're trying to buck a lot of years of history here. It's not something that's going to change overnight."

Diplomat refuses internment apology

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Retired diplomat John J. McCloy said Tuesday the 120,000 people of Japanese ancestry interned by the United States during World War II were due neither reparations nor an apology.

McCloy, 87, who was assistant secretary of war at the time, said the suffering by Japanese-Americans and Japanese aliens was no worse than what others underwent in the stress of war.

He spoke forcefully for nearly four hours before the Commission on War-time Relocation and Internment of Civilians.

The panel was created by Congress to recommend whether the United States should compensate those who lost their jobs, homes, farms — and often their dignity — because the government assumed their loyalty could not be counted upon.

McCloy said the uprooting of the people of Japanese origin from their West Coast homes was decided upon by men like President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Secretary of War Henry Stimson, who could not be accused of racism.

"It sends me up the wall when someone suggests we ought to apologize for what they did," he said.

He said everyone made sacrifices, including those who gave up everything to join the Army.

"Is there not a big distinction between serving your country — as you and I did — and being stigmatized as disloyal?" asked former Supreme Court Justice Arthur J. Goldberg, a commission member.

McCloy replied, "All of us suffered. People who died on two Jima suffered too. I don't think we ought to apologize."

At one point, McCloy used the term "retribution" to describe the internment, provoking the only Japanese-American member of the panel, William Marutani, to question him closely. Marutani, a judge in Philadelphia, spent six months in a camp before enlisting in the U.S. Army. Marutani had the stenographer play a recording of the proceedings to make sure he had heard correctly.

McCloy had said, "I don't think the Japanese population was unduly subjected considering all the exigencies to which a number did share in the way of

retribution for the attack that was made on Pearl Harbor."

"Retribution" means "a deserved punishment for evil done" and Marutani apparently inferred that McCloy meant the internment of the Japanese population in the United States was a retribution for Pearl Harbor.

McCloy said he wanted to withdraw his use of that word.

In his formal statement to the commission, McCloy suggested the Japanese-American community had benefited from having been interned in camps.

He said: "I hope the commission will find, as I believe to be the case, that the whole operation was as benignly conducted as wartime conditions permitted."

"I gained the impression, after making considerable effort to follow the destinies of those who had been relocated, that on the whole the deconcentration of the Japanese population and its redistribution throughout the country resulted in their finding a healthier and more advantageous environment than they would have had on the West Coast following the Pearl Harbor attack and the reports of Japanese atrocities in the Philippines and the Southwest Pacific."

Improving orders

Book proposal set

By KEN MINGIS
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To reduce the number of late textbook orders each semester, Student Government recommended Monday that one person in each department be responsible for turning the book orders in on time, Student Body President Scott Norberg said.

The proposal was made to the Faculty Educational Policy Committee, which will discuss it at its Dec. 7 meeting before making any final recommendations to the Faculty Council, FEPC member Sam Mitchell said.

"Last semester 77 percent of the order forms were late," Norberg said. "Our recommendation would make one person responsible for distributing the forms, reminding the faculty when they (the orders) are due and getting the completed forms back to the student stores," he said.

"We want to tackle this problem within each individual department," he said.

"The committee seems to be receptive," Mitchell said. "It looks good to me."

Earlier this semester the Faculty Council passed a resolution urging members to make more economical use of textbooks,

and asked the FEPC to look into the problem more.

When textbook orders are late, especially when the same books are to be used, the student store can buy the books back at 10 percent to 33 percent of cost, Norberg said.

If the store knows that the book will be used again, it will pay a student 50 percent of the price, he said.

"The number of books and classes per student makes the size of this waste especially hard," Norberg said. "We can't do anything about the price the publisher charges, but we can cut the waste that comes with late orders."

Norberg said that this recommendation was not as strong as some that had been discussed. One such proposal would have required faculty members to submit orders by a set date; if they did not, the same books would be ordered for them for next semester.

"There are good objections to that," he said. "Many times departments have not completed hiring their faculty, or professors may be rethinking the course material," he said.

In addition to Monday's proposal, Student Government also recommended that the UNC Provost follow up on the success or failure of the system within one year, Norberg said.

Rain threatens shuttle launch

The Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — The prospect of overnight rain threatened to postpone today's scheduled launch of the shuttle Columbia despite a perfect countdown so far. Officials continued to express optimism that a "launch window" would open.

Air Force forecasters said Tuesday afternoon that there was a 40-60 percent chance of showers overnight — at the crucial time Columbia would be loaded with supercold fuel that powers its flight.

NASA officials have said rain would force a postponement of the mission because precipitation would freeze around the fuel tank and chunks of ice might threaten to damage the shuttle's thermal tiles during the shock of launch.

Launch was scheduled for 7:30 a.m. EST, 45 minutes past dawn, and shuttle test manager Donald K. "Deke" Slayton said, "It's going to go."

Capt. Don Greene, the Air Force shuttle weather officer who made the forecast, said, "our job is to pinpoint" breaks in the cloud cover and he expressed confidence a launch window would open for today's liftoff.

Greene said today's forecast called for isolated showers, and Thursday looked worse than Wednesday.

"Friday is marginal," he said, "and then we will run into problems at Edwards." Edwards Air Force Base is the prime landing site for the shuttle.

"The countdown is so smooth, it's making us a little nervous," said Bill Jones, who guides the astronauts through their training. "The only problem is the weather."

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