



Stern discusses Germany

By Lynn Ferro

During the course of his lecture on "Einstein's Germany" Sept. 24, Dr. Fritz Stern said, "Einstein is similar to a latter day Saint Francis of Assisi." He based his comparison on Einstein's appearance and taste, which were simple and modest.

Dr. Stern, Seth Low Professor of History at Columbia University, is considered an authority on Germany, its politics, culture and history. He did his undergraduate work at Columbia University, during which time he met Einstein, who

he later found to be his distant relative.

As the lecture went on, everyone's interest seemed to grow. Everyone who attended the lecture left with more insight on Einstein, Germany's culture, and its changes during the Einstein era. His lecture was "brilliant," and "intriguing," students and faculty agreed.

Dr. Bruce Waller of the Philosophy Department introduced Dr. Stern who then began the hour-and-a-half lecture. He described Einstein's character, beliefs, accomplishments, and his treatment by the Germans.

When Einstein denounced the Hitler regime, all his books were burned, his works seized and he was exiled from Germany, Dr. Stern said.

Dr. Stern has taught at Cornell, Yale, two universities in Germany, Paris, and now at Columbia University. He has written four books on Germany's culture, history, and some famous people within Germany. He is currently working under a grant from the Ford Foundation on a book on Contemporary Europe. His stop at Elon was brief but impressive.

The distinguished Fritz Stern lectured on "Einstein's Germany" last Wednesday evening. Stern has met Einstein, who was a distant relative of his. Photo by Whitmore.

Frats reconsider fall rush

By Leon Proffitt, IFC reporter

The present fall rush system was the main topic of discussion when the Interfraternal council met on Sept. 17.

Many fraternities feel that fall rush has become too expensive in relation to the number of bids given out.

They say that because first semester freshmen may no longer accept bids to join fraternities, (a rule created out of the Grand Charter Review), there is no longer a need for expensive rush parties.

Several alternatives to the present system are being discussed. If any fraternity

member has a question or alternative suggestion, contact your IFC representative.

In other business, the Student Union Board (SUB) met with the IFC to discuss plans for the Fall Weekend. Chairman Jerry Hooker discussed several ideas with the council. Definite plans will be forthcoming.

Freshmen elect officers

Freshman class officers elected Sept. 24 include: Jenius Cox, freshman class president, Beverly Bod, vice-president, and Denise Tate, secretary-treasurer. Cyndy Koger was elected

sophomore class president and 3 senators were also elected. David Adams was elected senator for precinct 1, Sharon Stakiets for precinct 2, and Scott Northridge for precinct 3.

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