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N. A. L. For Bookstore?

Why doesn't the bookstore stock pocket books such as the excellent selection published by the New American Library of World Literature which range in interest from the *Psychology of Sex* by Havelock Ellis to the *Great Dialogues of Plato*, a new translation by W. H. D. Rouse which received a very favorable review in *Time*. There are about twenty publishers in the pocket book field today with each line devoting at least ten per-cent of his total output to educational type books. With these inexpensive volumes the student can have a good library for the price of two textbooks.

The bookstore could also carry The Modern Library which enables the student to obtain some of the finest books ever written, hard bound, at a very reasonable price.

The last type of books that we would like to mention are the books designed to help college students. These are the books that should be carried first. Whenever a difficult course is taught here at the college, there is an immediate sell-out of College Outline Series and Schaum's Outlines in that subject at all the downtown bookstores who always express surprise at the fact that the college does not carry its own supply.

Our bookstore can be more than just a storage room. It can become an active part of our college education.

Exams

Time goes swiftly by. The time for exams is near. What we do in the next few weeks will greatly affect our final examination grades. Now is the time to start reviewing. Projects and themes should also be turned in as soon as possible. We of the staff have found it quite hard to study for exams and write themes or book reports at the same time. If we get everything except the studying for examinations out of the way, our final examination results will probably be a little higher.

Team Support

The Charlotte College basketball team is in a fast league this year and will need some backing from the students of Owl Land if they are going to be the team that we would like them to be. As far as interest goes, the members of this year's team have it. We of the student body should get out and show the members of the team that we have just as much interest as they do. The "Owls" are going to be playing all of their games at home this year. This fact makes it possible for us to get out to support the team.

Clubs

We of the staff wish to thank the officers and advisors of the various clubs at Charlotte College for the cooperation that they have given us. We are truly happy to see that the old clubs are getting the support that they deserve, and just as happy to see the formation of new clubs. Interest in extra-curricular activities has certainly increased at Charlotte College. All of the clubs want more members. Look for Miss Gay Hinson's article about the various clubs that we have at Charlotte College. If you decide that you would like to join one of the clubs . . . please contact Miss Hinson.

"WELLS THE WIZARD"

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C. C. students that if one has intelligence, knowledge, and dexterity he need never fear of being placed in a strait jacket.

John Clifford is 17 years old and a student of Central High School, where he is very active in radio and drama. He is president of the Thespian Club at Central and has taken a leading role in several of the plays. His most memorable part was his portrayal of St. Andrew in which he used a neon halo. This device received its power from a Ford coil and batteries fastened to his back and the wiring was in some places very poorly insulated. With the prospect of several thousand volts going down his back if he made a wrong move the "saint" was

extremely well-behaved and after the play he received many congratulations for his saintly behavior. John is interested in attending Charlotte College or another college he has in mind after he graduates from Central. If he decides to come here, he would make a very welcome addition to Charlotte College's radio and dramatic programs.

RHO GAMMA ALPHA

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and Merle Reynolds are old members.

Election of officers took place the following Friday. The following were elected: Merle Reynolds, president; Gay Hinson, vice-president; Ann McRorie, secretary; and Judy Spurrier, treasurer.

The Preservation Of Holy Scriptures

"The word spoken by Jehovah endures forever." (Isaiah 40:8.) Is this statement of the ancient prophet true in 1956 A.D.? How do we know whether the Bible is reliable or not, especially in view of the fact that we have no original manuscripts or photographs of such manuscripts? Has it changed to any measurable extent since Moses began writing in 1513 B.C.?

Today 1,700 ancient Hebrew manuscripts are in existence. In addition to these, there are 4,000 manuscripts of the Greek Scripture in the original language.

Bible manuscripts were preserved through the destruction of Jerusalem by Babylon in 607 B.C. (Daniel 9:2; Nehemiah 8:1-3.) Many manuscripts were made following this event because of the scattering of the Jews and the necessity of supplying the many synagogues with Scripture.

How careful were the copyists? Professional Hebrew scribes took scrupulous care in making copies of the originals. It was a sin to write a word from memory; every word, every letter, was counted. Nevertheless, these scribes made textual changes. For instance, hundreds of times the words "God" and "Lord" were substituted for "Jehovah." The highly educated Masoretes followed the scribes. They exercised far more care in copying the manuscripts. No changes were made. In fact, notations were made concerning the changes, every one of them, made by the scribes. They produced what scholars call the Masoretic Text, the oldest copy of which is the Codex Babylonicus Petropolitanus of 916 A.D.

In 1947 the famous Dead Sea Scroll of Isaiah was discovered. Over one thousand years older than the oldest copy of the Masoretic text, but not one appreciable change! Biblical scholars and scientists alike were amazed to find that aside from minor changes in spelling one thousand years of copying had not produced a significant error. Does this give us a clue to the accuracy of the Biblical text today?

Greek Scripture manuscripts of the second and third centuries establish beyond doubt the accuracy of that part of the Bible. Sir Frederic Kenyon, an outstanding English scholar, declares in his book *The Bible and Archaeology*: "The interval then between the dates of original composition and the earliest extant evidence becomes so small as to be in fact negligible, and the last foundation for any doubt that the Scriptures have come down to us substantially as they were written has now been removed."

Imperfect men copied the ancient manuscripts. The important point for us to learn is not that fallible men made error, rather that fallible men during centuries of copying made so little error. The purity of the text has been preserved in spite of the ridicule of modernists, the slander of heathen, and the destructive fury of despots. In these recent years more and more manuscripts have been brought to light. All give eloquent testimony to the accuracy of present translations.

"Consequently, we have the prophetic word made more firm, and you are doing well in paying attention to it as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until day dawns and a daystar rises, in your hearts. For you know this first, that no prophecy of Scripture springs from

from the night owl

What is it that enables MR. TINKHAM to throw those "wicked" tests in his math-7 class?

Does anyone know where LAWRENCE ODOM can find a blind date for an old Army buddy?

ANN McRORIE and her CHARLES belong to a "Mutual Admiration Society."

JANE ANN CARMICHAEL and GAY HINSON have a dilemma trying to get the attention of two blue-eyed C. C. guys.

DICK O'BRIAN—Expectant father.

Seen in English essaying—BOB BUNN, PHIL SWARINGEN, ANNABELLE JARRELL, WALTER VESTAL, and ARCHIE T.

Last seen sticking her tongue out at people—NANCY FISHER.

PADDING PARKER got his nick-name at the last Frat initiation.

What does GWEN do so much out of class?

Last seen whirling the ribbon on a Royal Quietwriter—ELIZABETH ANNE.

JUDY and WAYNE make a darling couple.

Did you know that PEGGY HOOVER was one of the original Dixie Belles?

LORETTA YOUNG kinda (just kinda) likes a guy named JACK.

Pat Faulkner

Pat Faulkner, last year's Collegian Editor and one of the men who helped us to get this year's paper off to a flying start, is now with the U. S. Marines at Parris Island, S. C. Pat is really a representative Collegian down there. He has been accepted for O.C.S. and may receive an appointment to Annapolis. For those readers who have asked for his address, it is: Pvt. James P. Faulkner 1466492, Plt. 316-B Co. 5th Rec. Trn. Com., M.C.R.D., Parris Island, S. C.

Finance Committee

The members of the Finance Committee have been selected. They are: F. Marks Arnold, Frank Garner, Tommy Cato, Jack Moore, and Henry "Chick" Byrd.

CC Bulletin Board

Congratulations To JOYCE and BILL LEMMOND on the birth of a baby girl, DENISE LYNN, November 8th.

For those who have asked

Lost and found articles are to be turned into the main office. Please call immediately if you have lost something as storage space is limited.

any private release. For prophecy was at no time brought by man's will, but men spoke from God as they were borne along by Holy Spirit." 2 Peter 1:19-21.

Around Town

Say, have you been down to the new library yet? It is magnificent. Charlotte can well be proud of it. The cost of the building is \$1,100,000. Freshmen can now enjoy writing theme after theme. The library is one of the most modern buildings in the city. It has been erected on the site of the old Carnegie Library built in 1903. A vast storehouse of knowledge awaits each student. In fact, it is a gold mine of learning.

Speaking of gold mines, why don't you go out and visit the old Rudisell Gold Mine? Yes, gold was discovered in Mecklenburg in 1799. Our ancestors got most of it; so our legacy consists of a point of interest.

In a manner of speaking, Mecklenburg is one big gold mine. The tax evaluation in 1950 was estimated at \$275,000,000. That is a comfortable sum.

Charlotte's a wonderful place for having a good time. Just think! There are 18 motion picture theatres, 5 bowling alleys, 19 billiard parlors, 3 skating rinks, 2 riding academies, 8 golf courses, 1 baseball park and 1 fairground.

This is a fast growing town. By 1887 horses were drawing cars down Tryon and Trade. Then in 1893 the horses got to rest; the city switched to electricity. Buses knocked the streetcars off the thoroughfares in 1938.

Charlotte is a peaceable town. Except for an occasional murder, the peace has been seldom broken since 1754. You remember that date, don't you? Well, that was when commissioners appointed by the Royal Governor held a heap-big pow-wow with King Hagler, Chief of the Catawba. The Injuns and white folks came to peaceable terms.

SIGMA LAMBDA CHI (Continued from page 1)

organization that will never again be deactivated. The members of Sigma Lambda Chi sincerely believe that Charlotte College needs more social life and hope that they may be of some help in increasing the social activities of the college.

The twelve men who reactivated the Sigma Lambda Chi fraternity are: Doug Biddy, Frank Garner, Bill Reid, Ken Harris, Merwin Foard, Hal Parker, Bill Hinson, Tommy Cato, M. C. Love, Bill Wagner, Bill Drinkard, and Bob Butler. The nine new members of the fraternity are: Richard (Dickie) Matthews, Lionel D. (Rip) Bass, Darrell Avery, Jackie Morris, Joe Pickard, Tom Reddeck, Dave Russell, R. C. Watts, and Chick Byrd.

The Executive Council of the Sigma Lambda Chi fraternity is composed of: President, Doug Biddy; Vice President, Frank Garner; and Secretary-Treasurer, Bill Reid.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL STATEMENT

July 1, 1956—November 1, 1956

Activity Funds

Receipts July 1, 1956 to November 1, 1956	\$1,168.00
Surplus July 1, 1954 to July 1, 1956	643.15
Total receipts and surplus	\$1,811.15
Disbursements:	
Athletics	\$ 100.00
Music	6.63
Handbook printing	127.75
Social Activities	147.53
Student Government	42.85
Student Newspaper	117.55
Total Disbursements:	\$ 542.31
Balance November 1, 1956	\$1,268.84