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# Interview: Dickie Matthews, Charlotte **College Student Council President**

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Richard Douglas ("Dickie") Matthews has almost become a landmark at Charlotte College in the past two years. Last spring the student body elected this quiet but friendly young man president of the Student Council

Matthews is twenty years old. He finished high school at East Mecklenburg in 1955. He is modest and does not like to talk about the honors

and offices he held there, but he finally admitted having been a member of the National Honor Society. He feels that there is considerable difference between high school and college. "I think most of us had it pretty easy in high school," he said. "I certainly did. But when I got to college-whew! I really had to get down to business.'

He plans to spend one more year here at C. C. before transferring to N. C. State College, where he hopes to pursue a curriculum of electrical engineering. When interviewed, he spoke enthusiastically about the field of engineering. He stated that engineers are in great demand and that the field is teeming with opportunities for qualified people.

Matthews, in his unassuming way, is an idealist. He described the ideals and aspirations that he had when he came out of high school. "I suppose I thought I was going to revolutionize something," he said. "College life has changed my viewpoint somewhat. I've kept my ideals, but my high hopes have descended to a more practical level. I guess it's just a part of growing up."

This young man with a very mature outlook philosophized at some length on the valuable influence of a college environment, "I'm glad I decided to go to college," he said. "I hadn't intended to, but I won a scholarship to Charlotte College. An aptitude test indicated that I might do well at engineering.

"I've met some fine people here at C. C.," Matthews continued. "Many of them are older than I am. I wouldn't take anything for what I've learned from them-their attitudes about education and

### Sports

ern warfare.

On May 1, 1957, the Secretary

of the Army announced that as

part of the new weaponization

program, the Army is adopting a

new service rifle and cartridge.

The adoption of this new rifle will

replace four U. S. Army shoulder

First, it will give the army a bet-

ter and lighter weapon. Second, it

will simplify maintenance and

parts problems. Third, it will re-

duce the training time for the com-

bat soldier. And fourth, it will give

the infantry greater fire power.

ing its testing stages, has been

undergoing army evaluation tests

since 1952 with the t-48. (The t-48

is another experimental rifle that

was under consideration by the

army but failed to pass field quali-

fication tests in the final stages.

The M14, known as the t44 dur-

## Ball and Shot

### By Dave Harmer

It was primarily designed around the old B.A.R. action.)

Long before the new rifle was conceived, the army, in 1945, adopted a new service cartridge. This is called the t-65 (now known as the 7.62 mm NATO), the idea being that it is much

weapons that are in current use. The standard M 1, which was easier to deadopted by the Army in 1936 and sign a rifle to is better known as the Grand; fit the cartthe Browning automatic rifle ridge than it (B.A.R.); the caliber 30 carbine; is to design a and the M 3 submachinegun. Such cartridge to fit a change was not a 'will o' the wisp' the rifle. The idea, but one of positive thinking t-65 is nothing brought about by the needs of modmore than the old 30 with the The new rifle, designated as the case shortened M14, will serve several purposes.



one-half inch to absorb excessive powder space found in the old military cartridge. Winchester is now loading this same cartridge commercially for its model 70 and is calling it the .308 Winchester. It is just about the same as the .300 Savage that has been on the market since the early twenties. Ballistically, it is about the same as the 30-06. With a 165 grain slug, it develops a 2,785 feet per second muzzle velocity and a 2,700 foot pound muzzle energy. At 100 yards,

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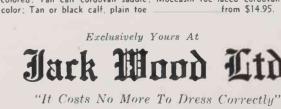
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