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Technical Terminal Program Ranks With Best In South As Curriculum Speeds Up

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With the field of science, electronics, and mechanics playing an increasingly important role in the function of our world today, we are finding that a phase of education that was formerly relatively obscure is coming into its own. This is the field of the "technologist," the intermediate between the skilled worker or craftsman and the engineer.



The Technology Program offers courses in the mechanical and electrical fields and in electronics and communication, and is designed to be completed in two years; whereupon the graduate is awarded the degree of Associate in Science. By this time the graduate has been thoroughly instructed in many practical courses dealing directly with his chosen phase. The Technology curriculum is not all technical courses, however; the student is also required to take some of the basic math, chemistry, and physics courses which are required for engineering. This useful combination of technical and fundamental subjects enables the Technology graduates to help fill the increasing gap between worker and engineer.

Here at Charlotte College, the program was officially begun last year and is now well under way in its second year with a new class started. With the appointment of the new terminal program director, Mr. William Halstead, the program has been set into full swing, and the college has secured access to a great deal of new and modern electrical and mechanical equipment, including a fully equipped welding shop.

Probably the greatest reason for the increasing popularity of the two-year terminal program is the fact that recent developments in the fields of science and technology have created new and terrific demands for this new breed of education.

We at Charlotte College can be proud that our school is one of the first and few colleges that offer this new type of program—a program that is destined to affect the technical and scientific achievements of our country in the future.

Absentee Admit Card's Required

Mr. H. T. Higgins, registrar, announced a new system for absentee excuses at the beginning of the winter quarter January 2. The new system states that every student who is absent must go by the C. C. office and pick up an Absentee Admit Card before he will be allowed to enter a class.

No student will be eligible to return to his class unless he has an admit card.

Mr. Higgins stated that the new system was initiated because of the lateness of students turning in excuses during the last quarter. He said, "Some students would wait as much as a week after returning to school to turn their excuses in to the college office. This new system will make it easier for the office staff to keep the records straight."

In the past, the student had only to turn in an excuse to the office and go on to class.

County And City School Boards Call For A Bond Election Soon

Date Will Be Set "Within Sixty Days"

The Mecklenburg County Commissioners approved last week a bond election to decide on a two-cent tax levy for county residents. The money would be used for the growth and improvement of Charlotte and Carver Colleges.

The city council joined the county commission later in calling for the two cent tax levy.

The election was called for "as soon as possible."

This means that it will be held in about sixty days, because it takes that long to set up the election machinery.

A Chamber of Commerce campaign was promised by Mr. Thomas L. Robinson and Mr. Paul Younts, president and former president, who urged that the election be called.

The tax must be approved before July 1, or the \$600,000 set aside by the state will be forfeited.

The move for the adoption of the levy was made by Commissioner Ernest K. Brown.

The tax, which amounts to two cents per \$100 valuation, is already paid by residents of the city.

Miss Bonnie Cone, director of Charlotte College, was more than pleased that action had finally been taken. She expressed her hope that the bond issue would be approved and asked for the support of all students in the campaign for the tax.

"The approval of the levy would be a fitting climax to a year which has seen the city college pick out a proposed campus site, and then receive accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools," she said.

Dickie Matthews, Student Council President, joined Miss Cone in calling for the students' support. "It is almost a matter of life or death, so far as we are concerned, that the election prove favorable," he said. "We have grown too big to continue successfully in borrowed buildings any longer."

Change Is Made In Class Times

The subject of the fifty- and fifty-five minute classes having been pondered, discussed, and just wondered about in general, we will attempt to clarify the subject to those who have pondered, discussed and just wondered in general.

All classes which commence at four o'clock and five o'clock are fifty minute classes. Six and seven o'clock classes are fifty-five minutes. The aforementioned facts are probably apparent to most of our observing students.

Lastly, all assemblies have been and will continue to be at either six or seven o'clock.

436 Enroll For Winter Quarter

Final tabulation reveals that Charlotte College has enrolled 436 students for the 1958 Winter Quarter. As expected, this is a slight decrease in the record 492 last quarter. Mr. Harper Higgins, registrar, informed the Collegian that there is always a drop, but that the decrease this year is smaller than in the history of the school.

Informed sources said that the total of the day school enrollment was 75, an unprecedented rise over the fall quarter.

Information was not available concerning the number of students in the different courses of study.

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Charlotte College Chorus Gives Program In Pre-Christmas Assembly For Students

The College Chorus presented Christmas in song and word in an assembly during the closing nights

of the Fall quarter. Under the direction of Harvey Woodruff, the Chorus presented carols of the

season and anthems of praise.

Among the selections were "O come, O come, Immanuel" with Miss Susan Thomas, soloist. Susan did a fine job in her first performance before her fellow classmates. Another well-known piece was the ever-loved "Silent Night" with soprano obbligato by Ann McRorie. The glory and beauty of Christmas were remembered to us in the reading of Luke's Christmas story and in the telling of the story of the "Last Name."

Thanks go to the members of the Chorus and its director and accompanist who presented a splendid program despite handicaps and shortage of preparatory time.



(Staff Photo—Hill)

Collegian Plans Popularity Poll For Professors

With this issue the Collegian announces plans to conduct a popularity poll for teachers, the result being announced in a later issue. All students are eligible to vote.

The poll will show the most popular teacher, and the most popular male and female teachers. We've been voting for the most popular students for a long time, now let's give the overworked faculty a chance.

The poll will be held at the same time as the Annual's Superlatives.



(Staff Photo—Killough)

Dorothy McAllister Chosen F. T. A. Head

The Future Teachers of America is an association that is taking on a job that is especially important to our educational system today. Creating interest in teaching cannot be over-emphasized, and the FTA is one of the organizations designed to cultivate a sincere and serious attitude toward the teaching profession. Some of the general purposes of the FTA can best be explained in the following manner by Mrs. Dorothy McAllister, of the Charlotte College Chapter: Local education, Mrs. McAllister said, "is a foundation for professional democracy. It is a proving ground for civic leadership. It is close to people and community problems. It is in a position to discover needs, definite problems, and make plans for improvement of education in civic life. It can keep close to school boards and to city and county government. It can work with local members of the legislature and congress to secure legislation needed for educational advancement."

The F T A was established in 1937 as a project of the National Educational Association. The Charlotte College chapter has eleven members including five officers. The recently elected officers are: President, Dorothy McAllister, Vice president, Judy Spurrier, Treasurer, Lorna Byers, Secretary, Gay Hinson, and Historian, Reid Wentz. Other members include Margaret Fisher, Anne Hunter, Ann McRorie, Jane Ann Carmichael, Bill Reid, and Shirley Hathcock.

At a recent FTA meeting in Raleigh, Reid Wentz represented Charlotte College. A delegate from Charlotte College will also be sent to a meeting coming up in March.

Some FTA members received excellent training by assisting with the kindergarten classes at The

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