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## CC Construction Begins

### Second Phase Bond Issue Approved

By Jerry Leonard

The community college system won round two November 8 in its struggle for expansion. Mecklenburg voters approved the \$975,000 bond issue by a resounding 3 to 1.

**This latest bond issue makes available funds, to be matched by the state, for the completion of phase two of the building program for Charlotte College and Carver College.**

The building plans for CC consist of three phases. Each phase calls for the addition of buildings on CC's new campus on NC 49. Phase one is slated for completion in early September 1961.

Hard work on the part of the Chamber of Commerce, friends of the college, trustees, faculty members and students pushed the bond issue through. All are to be congratulated on their success.

The school's teachers worked particularly hard in giving talks throughout the community. These talks were an attempt to reach various influential groups in Mecklenburg. Evidently they swayed many votes to our cause.

Such crusaders as Miss Bonnie Cone, Mr. Murrey Atkins, Mr. Oliver Rowe, Mr. C. A. McKnight and Mr. Sheldon Smith convinced Mecklenburg voters of the value of an ever-growing Charlotte College.

**Many people undoubtedly are wondering about the possibility of CC's becoming a four-year college. Although these bond issues do not include this, a drive is under way to effect a four-year institution.**

The Chamber of Commerce and the College Board of Trustees are now planting the seeds for a four-year school. They think the best way to succeed is to make CC an indispensable part of the North Carolina higher educational system.

Miss Cone thinks Mecklenburg must continue to make adequate provisions for the existing two-year college and it must keep the board of higher education aware at all times of the need for a four-year institution on our expandable campus. With this need before them it is hoped that the state will assume total financial support of CC and provide a four-year curriculum.

### NEA Will Meet

The Student National Education Association will meet at the home of Pat Norman, 2940 Rozzells Ferry Road, on December 20 at 8:00 p. m.

There will be a Christmas program and short business session. Members may invite guests to this meeting.



Miss Cone, Maj. McLendon Break Ground for Science Building

### Owl's Roost Business Grows

Business at the Owls' Roost is showing steady improvement. Gross sales which averaged \$12 each day during the 1959-1960 school year have increased to about \$20 daily.

The combined book store and lunch concession is now open for business from 10 AM to 8:15 PM. Working personnel have been increased to three for your convenience. In addition to Mrs. Bailey, the Roost now boast the part-time help of Mr. John G. Wheelock (economics instructor extraordinary) and John Simon (the busiest counter-man in town).

All text books required at CC are stocked at the Owls' Roost. A complete line of equipment for engineering students is also carried, plus various and sundry school supplies for all curricula.

Lunch items include sandwiches, snacks, candy, coffee, soft drinks, ice cream and milk.

Oh yes, kleenex and other notions.

Mrs. Bailey said that the busiest period of the day is from 5:45 to 6:00 PM. The noon rush is not yet what it should be; but the Roost is growing in popularity as a meeting place, and increased business will be a natural result.

Some students use the Owls' Roost as a studyhall. Down there, a coke on the table and a sandwich as a bookmark are manners of good taste, (Pun, thank you). One student remarked that he liked to study there because it is quiet.

Business hours of the Owls' Roost have been extended to 8:15 on an experimental basis. It is hoped that business during this period will warrant making this schedule permanent.

**Profits of the Owls' Roost are already being returned to the students in the form of loan funds. It is anticipated that that all net profit will be channeled to student activities and**

**that some money may be used to convert the "campus barn" into a student recreation center.**

By the way, we students do not receive profit from the coke-vending machine.

This Owls' Roost was started in 1954 as a 30-to 40-square-foot cubicle next to the auditorium.

It is the nucleus of the commercial concessions of the college union we will have in 1962.

Suggestions for improvement of the Owls' Roost's operations, its schedule and stock will be welcomed by the management.

The Owls' Roost is for your convenience, and its net profit is for your comfort and welfare. Make it your meeting place—give it your business—share in its profits.

### Parnassian Staff Members Selected

The Writers Club has selected Jeannie Strathdee as business manager and Bill Ferguson as art editor of the 1961 CC student magazine, The Parnassian.

Jeannie is enrolled in her second semester of journalism. She was a member of the Writer's Club last year. Her short story "Who Is There?" appeared in the 1960 spring issue. She is employed by The Charlotte News.

Bill is a first-quarter freshman and the first member of the writer club selected on the basis of his artwork. He is secretary-treasurer of the Writers Club.

The Parnassian will be published in April.

### Contractor Gets Head Start On First Phase Construction

Groundbreaking Ceremonies Mark Official Start Of Building Construction At The New CC Campus Site.

By Jane Bennett

A Charlotte College campus has become a reality at last. Before the ink was dry on building contracts, bulldozers were working to clear the land for the first two buildings on the Highway 49 campus site.

They respected tradition, however, and stopped their engines long enough for an official groundbreaking ceremony on Monday, November 21.

Over 200 persons attended the 11 o'clock ceremonies. They included city, county and state officials, educational leaders, student and friends.

### College Foundation Is Formed

By Jane Bennett

The administration of gifts to the Charlotte Community College and the awarding of scholarships to students will henceforth be in the hands of twelve prominent Charlotte men.

These men were named recently to the board of directors of the Charlotte Community College Foundation, Inc.

At a meeting October 27, the directors signed the charter of incorporation of the new non-profit foundation.

The following were named to the foundation board:

B. W. Barnard of North Carolina National Bank, James G. Cannon of Southeastern Factors, Inc., and Robert Lassiter, attorney, each for five-year terms.

Carl G. McCraw of First Union National Bank, Joe Robinson of Wachovia Bank and Trust Co., and John Belk of Belk's Buying Service, for four-year terms.

James J. Harris of James J. Harris and Co., Dwight Phillips, Charlotte businessman, and John Scott Cramer of Wachovia Bank and Trust Co., three-year terms.

C. W. Gilchrist of Charlotte Chemical Co., Douglas Aitken of Bank of Commerce, and W. H. Barnhardt, textile manufacturer, for two-year terms.

Three ex-officio members are members of the Charlotte Community College Board of Trustees. They are J. Murrey Atkins, trustee chairman, John Paul Lucas, Jr., trustee vice-chairman, and Oliver Rowe, chairman of the finance committee.

Mr. Barnard, chairman of the trustee committee leading to the foundation, explained its purpose in this way:

**"We have three uses in mind: (1) endowing faculty chairs to attract teachers of high caliber, (2) scholarship aid to needy students, including specific donations made to the colleges and (3) special projects such as adding to the library or buying special technical equipment".**

The foundation will accept any gifts. Several donations have already been received.

J. Murrey Atkins, chairman of the board of trustees, was master of ceremonies. He mentioned the names of a few who had worked untiringly to see the dream of a Charlotte College materialize—the late W. A. Kennedy who had selected the site, and the late Cecil Prince who had played such a large part in assuring the future of Charlotte College.

John Paul Lucas, vice-chairman of the board of trustees, recognized the visitors.

Among the distinguished guest was Lieutenant-Governor Luther Barnhardt. He called it "a great day - not only for the people of Charlotte and Mecklenburg county, but for the state of North Carolina as well."

**Miss Bonnie E. Cone, director of Charlotte College, gave its history during a 14 year struggle for survival and growth.**

**She was given a standing ovation by the audience.**

The principal speaker for the occasion was Major L. P. McLendon, chairman of the Board of Higher Education for North Carolina. He said he was in a "spin" from the rapid succession of happenings around there. "I don't have a speech," he said. "Miss Cone gave me only twenty-four hours' notice."

"This must be a happy day for you", he said. "It is a momentous occasion, in the life of the community and in the state."

**"The North Carolina Board of Higher Education has tremendous faith in community colleges, and particularly in this one," Major McLendon assured the visitors.**

He referred repeatedly to the "beautiful campus site". "As you erect your buildings on this beautiful site", he said, "let me urge you, regardless of whether you have a building of beauty and adequacy, to develop a college with character. The character of a college, either good or bad, is easily discernible. It is evident in the faces of the faculty, and in the hearts of the students."

Major McLendon turned the first shovel of earth. He was followed by Mr. Atkins, then by Addison H. Reese, chairman of the building committee, and finally by Miss Cone.

A luncheon was given out-of-town visitors after the ceremonies.