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Charlotte College Plans Nurses' BA Course

Charlotte College plans to establish a nursing program as a separate department within the college, with a department director and at least one qualified faculty member in each of five instructional areas.

The College expects to assume full responsibility for all aspects of the degree program in nursing, including such facets as employment and control of the faculty; policies and practices relating to admission; retention and welfare of students; curriculum development; instruction of nursing students throughout their program; and contracting for the use of clinical resources.

The college's desire to begin a baccalaureate degree program in nursing was expressed in March of 1962 in a presentation of the Charlotte area's higher educational needs to the Governor's Commission on Education Beyond the High School. The Board of Trustees of the Charlotte Community College System stated in that presentation: "There is a need for a four-year school of nursing. . . ." In subsequent reports the area's urgent need for graduates of a baccalaureate degree program in nursing was cited.

However, the formal request for approval from the Board of Higher Education for this degree program was delayed until after a three-day consultation visit of Dr. Gwendoline MacDonald from the National League for Nursing. This visit was not scheduled until mid-June 1963, and the written report was not available to college officials until early in July.

College Trustees, recognizing the need throughout North Carolina for nurses holding the baccalaureate degree, believed that they should proceed at once with the implication of such a program. At its November 11th meeting, the Board voted unanimously to request approval by the Board of Higher Education for Charlotte College to offer the B.S. degree in nursing including the early employment of a director who could assist in the development of a curriculum to be presented for later approval by the Board of Higher Education.

The need for a four-year school of nursing in the Piedmont area was pointed up by the Director of the Southern Regional Education Board, Winfred L. Godwin, who stated in an article in the *Charlotte Observer* that "Nowhere in the United States are there enough nurses to fill the health needs of our growing population, but their absence is particularly conspicuous in the South. Here we have only 173 nurses for each 100,000 population in spite of the 90,000 active registered nurses within our region. The National League for Nursing suggests 300 nurses per 100,000 population as a minimum requirement."

This year 11,045 registered nurses were working in North Carolina. By 1970, when North Carolina's population will top the 5-million mark, we will need not less than 16,000 reg-

istered nurses. This is 5,000 more than were available for work in 1962.

Today there are 32 schools of nursing in North Carolina. Only six of these schools are accredited and have instructors with college degrees. In contrast, nearly two-thirds of the teachers in the non-accredited schools have no college degree, and over half of these teachers have had no college work. More than a third of the students from the non-accredited schools fail to pass their state licensing examination.

It is anticipated that the curriculum for nursing students will be developed to fit into the already approved pattern for a B.S. degree program at the college. At the present time, all course offerings in general education considered contributory to the nursing major are available at Charlotte College, except Bacteriology.

The space for this laboratory has been made ready for the equipment which will be installed during the summer of 1964, thus making it possible to offer Bacteriology in 1964-65. Anatomy is another course the prospective nurses will find required. It is being taught for the first time this year in a newly equipped laboratory.

Though the Charlotte College library will continue to grow to meet the needs of each new course offered by the school, it will take time and money to develop an adequate library

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Charlotte College Plans Expansion

When Charlotte College first contemplated buying the land that makes up the present campus, there was an old barn, a few shacks and several large houses on these acres. Now plans and dreams have turned into the actuality of brick and concrete; four buildings are complete and over 1300 students are attending daily classes in the modern, spacious school.

Now, new plans have been approved by the state calling for construction of three more buildings upping the capacity to over 4,000.

\$4-million in state money will be needed for the buildings scheduled to be finished in time for the school year beginning in the fall of 1964. The engineering, math, buildings include a computer center to be located behind the present Kennedy building; an additional classroom building to run to east and north of the Liberal Arts building in a "J" shape; a new building to the east of the Student Services building to house the administrative facilities of the college. At this same time, money will be borrowed to complete the Student Service building, which will cost almost \$602-thousand.

According to President Bonnie E. Cone, construction on



Betty Craig — Miss December

Memorial Service Held For Murrey Atkins

A short memorial service for James Murrey Atkins, Chairman of the Charlotte College Board of Trustees, was held in the Library Auditorium on December 4. In the service, Dr. Bonnie E. Cone reviewed contributions made by Mr. Atkins to Charlotte College. Professor Corkey then offered a prayer, after which Dudley Jarnigan, President of the Student Government Association, read se-

lections of Scripture. Accompanied by Richard Van Sciver, Mr. Harvey Woodruff sang "If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee." The hymn was followed by a eulogy of Mr. Atkins delivered by Mr. Paul Lucas, a member of the Board of Trustees. In his speech, Mr. Lucas emphasized the contributions of Murrey Atkins to his community.

The fifty-seven year old president of the R. S. Dickson Investment Company, died in Presbyterian Hospital on December 2. The funeral service was held December 4, at the Myers Park Methodist Church with the pastor, Dr. J. Clay Madison, and Rev. James E. Fogartie, of Myers Park Presbyterian Church, officiating.

As an area business and social leader, Atkins served as a city councilman, as chairman of the former city school board, and as a director of the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce. He had also been a member of the Board of Governors of the Investment Bankers Association and District Chairman of the American Securities Dealers Association.

Governor Terry Sanford, Mayor Stan Brookshire, and many others praised Atkins' many contributions to the community he loved.

Said Sanford: "Murrey Atkins earned his reputation as a successful businessman, a strong supporter of education, and as a civic leader. The Charlotte area and the entire state benefited from his work. For years to come the students at Charlotte College will be beneficiaries of his efforts."

Mayor Brookshire expressed his feelings this way: "In the death of J. Murrey Atkins, Charlotte lost one of its finest citizens . . . an outstanding leader who placed service to his community above self-interest. He will be greatly missed in the business, civic, and church affairs of our city."

Wanted: Stairway To The Stars

A gift of \$1,000 from the Jefferson Standard Foundation plus additional funds from the school provided the money for a Cassegrain telescope bought last August by Dr. Herbert Hechenbleikner, Head of the Biology Department. After consulting with the Director of Morehead Planetarium in Chapel Hill, the Astronomy Professor at Catawba College, and members of the Astronomy Club in Charlotte, Dr. Hechenbleikner purchased from California the 8-inch telescope.

This telescope is one of the most advanced models of its size, and it is adequate for use in teaching astronomy in the not too distant future at Charlotte College. At the present time the telescope is in the basement of the Kennedy Building. It will be set up on the top of the old cylo near the boiler house.

The most immediate obstacle that the Science Department faces is the lack of steel steps

Washington Official Joining Faculty

William E. Jackson, of Washington, D. C., will become a faculty member at Charlotte College next semester. Mr. Jackson is now with the Bureau of the Budget with offices in the Executive Office Building, next door to the White House.

"I always wanted to teach," Mr. Jackson said, "I went into Political Science with that in mind. The only question was, 'Teach where?'"

"When I got out of Columbia College, I wrote letters to a lot of places, but never got quite the job I was looking for.

"Then I got this letter from Charlotte College and went down there, saw the campus, talked to Miss Cone and people in the city and decided that this is what I was looking for.

"There was so much enthusiasm about the college with everybody I talked to, and such wonderful prospects for its future.

"In such a heavily populated area, with the community support that's there, it offers a rare opportunity to participate in the molding of a great institution of university status."

William E. Jackson graduated from Davidson College and the University of North Carolina. He has completed all of his work toward his Ph.D. from Columbia University except his dissertation. A native of Moore County, North Carolina, he will move to Charlotte next month and begin his teaching career.

Still a young man, but with a bright political career in Washington, he stated that although Charlotte does not have the political life of Washington, it was not without attractions of its own.

"As it becomes aware of the voting wallopp of its expanding population," he stated, "the whole area is becoming more politically sophisticated."

to go up the cylo. Because of the expense of steel steps, Dr. Hechenbleikner has been looking for the past 4 or 5 months for second-hand steps. So far his efforts have been in vain.

As the astronomy course grows, the Cassegrain will be able to accommodate all the additional equipment that the proposed astronomy class will need to become more familiar with the stars. Mr. Robert A. McRae, the probable astronomy teacher, explained a few of these extras. A photographic plate or camera photographs the reflected image; a spectrograph analyzes the spectrum and shows the chemical and physical view of the heavenly body; and a drive rotates the telescope to compensate for the rotation of the earth.

CCUN Celebrates Christmas

The Charlotte chapter of the Collegiate Council of the United Nations entertained foreign students, faculty, and friends at an old-fashioned southern Christmas celebration on Saturday, December 14, at the College.

Guests who gathered at five o'clock shared the experience of decorating the tall Christmas tree in the lobby of the College Union. The tree was trimmed with strings of popcorn, cranberries, colored paper chains, decorated cookies, and candy canes. No modern manufactured ornaments were used.

After a sumptuous Christmas dinner of roast turkey, baked ham, and all the fixings, including cider—all prepared by Mr. O'Connor and his staff—a program of American Christmas Scenes was presented by Mrs. Janie Miller, with students and faculty members participating.

Mrs. Miller read Van Dyke's "The Other Wiseman." A touch of humor was enjoyed by the students in a scene between Mrs. Winningham and her "retarded" son, Prof. Dan Morrill. Music was furnished by the 22-member Cochrane Girls Ensemble, directed by Mrs. Florine W. Marren; and by Ken Bozeman and Joan Wood singing Christmas folk songs.

Malachi Greene narrated the program. William Green was soloist, and Tom Meacham, president of CCUN, gave the Christmas prayer. Santa Claus was there, of course, to the delight of the Vilas family. Even the weary Christmas shoppers were a part of the American Scene, played by Joyce Pressley, Susan Weber, Bill Wills, Bill Queen, George Simpson, and George White.

The real portrait of Christmas concluded the program with the Nativity scene. Beth Groom played the role of Mary; Denny Swing was Joseph; and Judy Morgan, the angel.

Then the last hour was spent in talk around the Christmas tree and in consuming the edible tree decorations.

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