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Alcott And Ness Will Join Army University In Italy

Faculty Members Help In Education Program For Troops

John V. Alcott, head of the University of North Carolina Art Department, who has been on leave for the last two years to do Navy educational work in Washington, and Kenneth Ness, acting head of the Department, have been selected by the War Department to serve on the faculty of the University Study Center of the Army Education Program for troops in the Mediterranean theatre of operations, it was announced here today by Chancellor and Vice-President Robert B. House.

Ness

While Mr. Ness is on leave to join Mr. Alcott in Italy for a four-month period of Army instruction, William Meade Prince, artist-illustrator and visiting lecturer in the University's Art Department, will serve as acting head and will direct art studio classes until both Mr. Alcott and Mr. Ness return to Chapel Hill in December.

Mr. Ness will leave Chapel Hill to fly to Italy within the next week or so to join Mr. Alcott in Florence where they will serve as civilian education specialists in the Study Center just opened there with an enrollment of 1300.

Courses Offered

In addition to fine arts, courses being offered include agriculture, business administration, education, journalism, science and liberal arts. The program is being presented for enlisted personnel and officers not engaged in full-time military duties who wish to pursue a course of study in keeping with their individual post war plans.

Colonel William P. Scopey, Director of the Theater Information and Education Division, and Major Edwin H. Miner, Theater Education Officer, head the Army Education Program in the Mediterranean area. The Study Center at Florence is under the command of Brigadier General Tate.

Student Loan Office Changes Location

The Student's Loan Fund Office, formerly located in 209 South building, has moved to 312 South.

The second floor office is now being occupied by the vocational adviser for women.

Spend your vacation money for War Bonds and insure America of a real vacation.

'Damn Good Piano' Truman Tells Wilder

One of Carolina's alumni was with President Truman when he viewed the American occupation troops in Frankfurt last week. The Durham Herald, July 27, 1945, carried the following paragraph:

"After playing the piano at Bolling's mess, Truman turned to Lt. Roy E. Wilder, Jr., of Spring Hope, N. C., and declared, 'Damn good piano.'"

Wilder was an undergraduate in the department of journalism here about 1935 and worked for the News Bureau. Leaving before he got his degree, he worked on a Duplin paper two years and on the Sanford Herald two years. He worked for a short time on the Greensboro Daily News, the Wallace Enterprise, and the World Telegram, New York. He had been working on the Herald Tribune, New York, a year when he went into service during the early phase of the war. He got his basic training at Fort Riley, Kansas, and in the fall of 1943 was stationed in Nashville, Tennessee, a lieutenant in the 2nd Cavalry Regiment. In the fall of 1944 he was with the 1st Army in the capacity of a public relations job after having visited England, Normandy, Rennes, Brussels, Holland, Germany, and Paris, which he entered with the first American troops who reached it.

In a letter dated October 17, 1944, to Professor Phillips Russell of the journalism staff, Wilder described Paris as "The most wonderful city I've ever visited. I loved everything about it—the kisses on both cheeks; the old women who smiled and asked: 'May I kiss you?'; the sidewalk cafes; the pretty prostitutes hipping past the Cafe de la Pais; the people who invited you into their homes and uncorked champagne hidden for four years; the gay abandon with which the girls rushed past on their bicycles, skirts flying, high-riding coiffures held in place by miracles; the reckless fashion in which the French drove their automobiles; the phantasmagoria of scents in perfume shops jammed with GIs."

In a later paragraph of the same letter Wilder evidenced that he was a true Carolina man. "The trees in the rolling hills of the Ardennes breed

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Deeb Speaks Tonight On United Nations Charter And Near East; IRC Sponsored

Di Senate Will Discuss Powers Of Delegation

Scheduled For Tomorrow Night In New West

Di Senators will take the floor tomorrow night in a discussion of the powers of the American delegate to the Security Council of the UNO. This question, which has been under heated debate in the Senate of the United States, will appear before the Senate at its regular weekly session on the third floor of New West building at 9:00 p.m. The Di not only welcomes, but cordially invites visitors to its discussions; visitors are accorded all rights of Senators, including that of participation in the debate. Senator Jack Lackey is to present a factual report on the topic preceding the discussion.

Arthur Budlong, Chairman of the Membership Committee, has announced that the initiation of two new members, Tom Corpening and Adrian Carroll will take place previous to the introduction of the question, and Banks Mebane, Critic of the Senate, announced that classes in parliamentary procedure will begin after the debate. These classes will be conducted by Mebane, and will be compulsory for Di Senators. Anyone who wishes to do so may attend these classes, Mebane announced.

UVA To Have 1000 Members By Next Spring

Organization Is Fastest Growing On Campus

Carolina's newest organization, the University Veterans Association, is probably the fastest growing club on the campus. The group will celebrate its first birthday in September yet it already has over fifty per cent of the returnees on the campus taking an active interest in it.

As over 250 returnees are expected at Chapel Hill by fall and over 1000 by spring, the future growth of the association should be large.

The UVA was founded in September, 1944, on the basis that the veterans of the present war, having shared so many things in common while in the service, should get together in solving the mutual problems in the return to civilian life.

This, of course, does not mean that the group has been businesslike in outlooks. Picnics and receptions have testified to the fact that the club has a very definite social side.

One of the first problems which the UVA, working in connection with Dr. Perry's office solved, concerned the veterans and compulsory physical education. When a returnee would ask why he had to take physical education the administration would reply "to pre-

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Peace Conference Delegate Speaks At Graham Memorial

On Tuesday night the International Relations Club will present Goro Deeb, secretary to Lebanese Delegation at the 'Frisco Conference and international student and traveler, in a speech to the student body and public on: "United Nations Organization and the Near East." It will be held in Graham Memorial at 8 p. m.

Mr. Deeb, a candidate for a doctorate in Political Science, is a Syrian with

progressive ideas, who came to the United States for the majority of his higher education. He is a member of the University Faculty serving as Instructor of Political Science and Social Science.

The speech will be especially pertinent as it will deal primarily with the manner in which the United Nations Organization will affect the Near Eastern countries and what sort of contribution these states will make to the Organization. His speech is expected to include remarks on the Franco-Syrian dispute, the Pan-Arab League and its future, and the other knotty international problems that make the Near East a hot-bed of problems which must be solved before international peace and security can be maintained.

Native Syrian

Besides being a native Syrian and having a personal knowledge of the conditions which exist in the problems on which he will speak he has done academic research on these problems and wrote his thesis, which was widely praised, on "Syria Between the Two Wars" dealing with the French mandate and other aspects of the subject. Mr. Deeb deals with the Near Eastern problems from the international point of view rather than from the narrow nationalistic viewpoint as he has acquired a cosmopolitan philosophy by his travels throughout the world and extensive inquiry into governmental and social dynamics.

He was appointed secretary to the Lebanese Delegation just before the opening of the San Francisco Conference when Lebanon had become officially a member of the United Nations. He flew to the conference in time to be there for the opening of the Conference and stayed the entire duration of the conference in his official capacity. He was mentioned in Time Magazine during the conference. Since he returned from the Conference, he has addressed civic bodies in Chapel Hill and surrounding communities and the soldiers at Camp Butner. Of his speech at the local Ro-

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It's Flower Plucking Time But Janitors Hands Are Tied

By Tom Corpening

"The time to pick the flower is when it's in bloom," asserted Mr. Adolphus Clark, a University janitor for over a quarter of a century. To Mr. Clark, the flower is the small raise asked for by the janitors, and the bloom is the surplus in the State Treasury and the generally prosperous times in other fields of labor.

"If the sun is ever going to shine on this University, it is shining now," Clark said. He believes that the janitors have been as loyal and honest to the University as any of the employees, and that their good service has not been duly rewarded. He showed this reporter a clipping from a Tar Heel, dating close to fall, 1932, a period of grave financial crisis for the University. On the clipping Dr. Graham was quoted as saying to the janitors: "It is the spirit of men like you," he said, "that cannot be defeated. We are going to fight together, everyone of us. We are going to carry through and win." Dr. Graham spoke after the janitors had voluntarily promised to work harder, and to remain loyal to the University.

Mr. Clark believes the janitors fulfilled their promise, and have continued to render great service to the

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AUWO Closes First Phase Of Activity

The Chapel Hill Chapter of Americans United for World Organization has completed the first phase of its activity. This spring and summer it has been very active in bringing influence to bear on congress in favor of American participation in world organization. They have also presented addresses on topics of current international interest. Their speakers include Dr. Hexner of the Political Science Department, Dean Wetach of the Law School, Dr. Woosley of the Economics Department, and J. M. Broughton, former governor of North Carolina.

In the aspect of utilizing public opinion for international cooperation, the Americans United has made its major contribution. It has taken action to obtain legislative approval of the United Nations Charter, the Bretton Woods Proposals, the extension of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements, and the Food and Agriculture Organization. All these vitally important measures have been given legislative approval except the FAO and its approval is expected in the near future.

The present officers are: Acting President, J. Brewster Snow, Secre-

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Fuller And His Band Play For Friday Night Frolics In YMCA Court

Jimmy Fuller and his band, imported from Durham, will furnish music for the Friday Night Frolics, to be held this week at the YMCA court unless rain causes transference to the Graham Memorial lounge.

Fuller's group played for the first Frolics of the summer term three weeks ago.

Also billed as week-end entertainment is the co-sponsorship by Graham Memorial and the YMCA of "Music Under the Stars" scheduled for the Forest theater.

Thursday night the weekly bridge tournament will be held in the Graham Memorial lounge with theatre tickets the prize.

Publisher Sees Two Chapters And Buys Novel By Houston

By Jessie Gregory

Phillips Russell, Carolina professor of journalism, sent Frank Taylor, the publisher, to Noel Houston, ex-Russell pupil who was writing a book.

Stating that he spent one and a half years finishing his book, Houston came in from working on his vegetable garden and talked about his first novel, *The Lottery*.

Acknowledging his admiration for and debt to Phillips Russell, Houston stated that Russell provided invaluable help to writers by guiding them individually and pointing out certain sign posts to them. According to Houston, Russell realizes that the desire to write is an individual thing which no teacher can bring to life and so leaves the writing pretty much up to the individual.

"Along with a great many other writers, I also owe much to Paul Green; he's an inspiration to anyone," Houston stated. And he read a letter of congratulations from Paul Green in which Green stated that it was being said that the forthcoming novel, *The Lottery*, would make a good movie also.

Before coming to Chapel Hill, Houston worked as a reporter for the *Oklahoma Daily* covering murder trials and writing movie features. Sent to Hollywood to do a series of features, he interviewed Bette Davis and other movie celebrities. Houston first came to Chapel Hill in 1937 to study under Paul Green, Frederick Koch, and Phillips Russell. After studying a year in Chapel Hill, Houston was awarded a Rockefeller fellowship in playwriting.



HOUSTON

He spent a year with Paul Green as assistant director of the "Lost Colony" production, and then returned in 1941 to make his home in Chapel.

While in Chapel Hill, Paul Green, Betty Smith, Paul Finch, Howard Richardson, and Houston formed a small group which met every Sunday night at the Green's. Here they read to each other their work and received criticism from Paul Green and from each other. Houston's praise of Betty Smith and *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* was high. "She's a wonderful girl, and she's worked for and deserves everything she's received. She is utter-

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Mexico Hasn't Changed Much Due To War Says Carolina Student; Poor Suffer, However

By Sam Summerlin

Mexico is a land of contrasts: from scorching deserts to snow-capped volcanoes, from hot chili to tasteless tortillas, from marble palaces to wretched huts, from the rich to the poor, from gentleness to ferocity, from prayer to pistol-packing. The effects of war have assumed this same pattern of striking contrast.

War has scarcely touched the lives of rich Mexicans or the thousands of wealthy refugees who have swarmed like locusts to Mexico to devour its beauty and its excitement. They live like kings, driving Cadillacs, drinking cocktails, eating steaks, going to bullfights and horse races. Their only inconvenience comes from high prices, a comparatively small item in their pleasure-seeking existence.

Poor Bear Brunt

But war has struck Mexico, for in the midst of such opulence live the

pobres (poor people) who have borne the brunt of soaring prices. There is no OPA, and the consequences have been terrible. While our Nelson Rockefeller throws a \$1,000 banquet in Mexico City at Ciro's night club (obviously in the interests of the "Good Neighbor Policy"), the *pobres* find it increasingly difficult to merely exist on a diet of beans and tortillas. A little brown Mexican boy standing naked in the hot sun, his stomach bloated from a lack of decent food, is just as much a war casualty as the emaciated creatures that have emerged from the German concentration camps. Mexico's hunger should also sit at our peace table. We should not always carry in our minds Hollywood's eternally glorious, glamorous, breathtaking conception of Mexico, the Land of Dreams.

Russia, already realizing that Mexico is the gateway to Latin America,

sent her most able ambassador there, the late, great Constantine Oumansky. The British are also on the job there, and they understand the complicated Latin temperament far better than we do. If we do not help Mexico to solve her problems, she will turn to Europe for aid rather than to her northern neighbor.

As An Ally

As far as being an ally in this war, Mexico has far outdone the other countries of Latin America, except for Brazil. To most Americans a force of some three hundred men would seem insignificant, but Mexico is proud of her Esquadron 201, composed of Mexican fliers trained in Texas, which is now fighting in the Pacific. Indeed, Mexico gave a moving and solemn farewell to her warriors when they went to war, and General MacArthur, in a letter ad-

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