

Cherry Speaks On Opening Radio Program

Governor R. Gregg Cherry, honorary chairman; and R. L. McMillan, state chairman, of the North Carolina Symphony Fund, and Dr. Benjamin Swalin, director of the North Carolina Symphony, and Mrs. Swalin will participate in a half-hour State-wide radio program on Thursday night, August 2, from 10:30 to 11 o'clock.

Most of the half-hour program, which will originate in Raleigh from the studios of Station WPTF, and be carried by most North Carolina stations over a State-wide hookup, will be devoted to popular musical selections by Dr. Swalin, with violin, and Mrs. Swalin at the piano. Governor Cherry and Mr. McMillan will make brief talks.

The occasion will mark the opening of the intensive phase of the \$100,000 fund raising campaign for the Symphony's expansion program, which at present is shaping up nicely, most of the Districts having been organized, according to Dr. J. O. Bailey, who returned yesterday from a week's tour of the western part of the state.

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ly sincere in all she says and insists on taking the kind view of everyone, but there is the strength of high resolve behind all she does," Houston stated. He and Betty Smith came to Chapel Hill about the same time and worked in Playmakers writing one-act plays together. Neither were interested in the novel at the time, but since then Betty Smith has written the best seller, *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn*, and Houston has just finished his first novel, *The Lottery*. Houston still maintains, however, that he is not yet sure he wants to be a novelist.

So far Houston has published more short stories than any other type of literary work. "In fact," he said, "I've been pretty lucky with my short stories: I've sold practically every one I've written. Right now Houston has a contract with *The New Yorker* under which *The New Yorker* has the privilege of seeing all his short stories before they are published. Most of his stories are about some freak of personality or circumstance, and *The New Yorker* likes that kind, according to Houston.

Stating that the inclusion of his story "A Local Skirmish" in the 1944 Yearbook of American Short Stories was the fulfillment of a boyhood dream, Noel Houston said that the boyhood dream was created when looking at the rows of American Short Story Yearbooks in the Oklahoma Public Library. "I often wondered if I would ever be up there on a shelf," he said.

"I like 'A Local Skirmish,'" but Paul Green thinks 'A Clean Kitchen' is my best short story," Houston added.

The Lottery, which will be published in March of next year, is the story of a 17-year old Raleigh girl who goes to the inauguration of McKinley and marries a man whom she believes to be a Congressional secretary. Her husband, whom she soon finds to be a professional gambler, takes her west to a 1901 Oklahoma land rush. He dies and she is left at 18 the wealthiest widow in the Southwest. The novel is the story of her struggle to reach maturity and find a way of life as the new town tries to grow up.

MEXICO

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dressed to the president of Mexico, expressed his gratitude for Mexico's sincere and meaningful contribution toward the Allied cause. Up to now, Mexico and Brazil are the only two Latin American countries that have sent troops overseas, Brazil having sent an expeditionary force to Italy. Moreover, Mexico has sent tons of supplies to the United States to aid the war effort, and thousands of Mexican laborers are now working here to help alleviate the labor shortage.

Mexico has pretty señoritas, gallant caballeros, beautiful costumes, rhythmic dances, and exotic moonlight nights, but that is only one side of the picture. Mexico's problems are manifold and serious; deep-seated and apparently unalterable. But with time they can be solved, and although it is mainly Mexico's own responsibility, it is partly our duty to aid when it is possible, and to be sympathetic and understanding toward a country which is striving to attain the very things for which we are fighting.

Many Honored By Dr. Knight In Talk Friday

In his address Friday night on "The University and the Public Schools," as a part of the Sesquicentennial observance of the University of North Carolina, Dr. Edgar W. Knight, Kenan professor of education, paid high tribute to the public educational leadership of Dr. James Yadkin Joyner, of the University class of 1881; the late Prof. M. C. S. Noble, of the class of 1879, and the late Prof. N. W. Walker, of the class of 1903. Of Dr. Joyner he said:

"Under his leadership the principle of equality of educational opportunity came to be recognized and accepted in North Carolina and so also did the duty of the state to protect children through compulsory-attendance legislation; public support for schools increased four-fold and their term nearly fifty per cent; there was a ten-fold increase in library facilities; local-taxation districts increased from about 200 to more than 2,000; nearly three hundred state high schools and a score or more of farm-life schools were established; a schoolhouse a day was built every day in the year during a large part of his administration; and the state gained a new perspective of teaching and of professional educational administration.

"Dr. Joyner, who was the third Southerner ever to be elevated to the presidency of the National Education Association, saw his position as state superintendent as an opportunity for energetic and wise educational leadership and through it to serve the state he loved and to promote its best interests through the advancement of the welfare of children always and everywhere. An indefatigable worker and wise leader, marked by that precious quality of patience, he could fight when he had to do so, but he never entered into warfare merely for the joy of the struggle. For thirty-seven years he served the public educational interests of this state, as county superintendent before he could vote, as chairman of a county board of education, as teacher and superintendent of public schools, as professor and dean in the Woman's College, and for seventeen years as state superintendent of public instruction and through that high office was the recognized public educational leader of his State. In the face of discouragement and opposition, Dr. Joyner laid strong and deep the foundations for a better public educational system of his state."

Of his former colleagues in the University, Dr. Knight said:

"I cannot let this occasion pass without paying tribute also to two other sons of the University of North Carolina whose fine services in and outside the campus helped mightily to relate the work of this institution to the best educational interests of the state, to which they were both passionately devoted. Few if any alumni or members of the University family have ever been more deeply and actively interested in the public schools or worked more diligently to advance their cause than the late Professors M. C. S. Noble and N. W. Walker. Both good teachers themselves, they exalted the office of the teacher and saw in teaching one of the most satisfying and rewarding of all human activities. Their annual reports to the president of the University constantly emphasized the importance of good teaching in the life of this state and the obligation of the University of North Carolina to prepare good teachers for the schools.

"The others were Dr. R. H. Lewis, of the class of 1882, and Edwin A. Alderman, of the class of 1882. In the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools Mr. Walker for many years held strategic and influential positions and his counsel was sought with extraordinary respect.

"As State Inspector of High Schools from 1907 to 1919, he blazed new trails in a commonwealth that had to learn that secondary education was a legitimate function of the state. As professor of secondary education here for many years and also as acting dean of the School of Education, as active worker in the North Carolina College Conference, Mr. Walker always worked diligently and intelligently to raise the educational standards of his native state. Very able but very modest he was marked by extraordinary fortitude and a quiet willingness to be forgotten. No son of

SPORT SPINS

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From the looks of the Wake Forest slate, they had better get to practicing, and quick . . . Pre-Flight, with that pair of games with the nation's two best — Army and Navy — will launch practice in a week or so too according to reports.

Carolina is still hard at the grind of working on the gridiron, with games on deck with three bowl contenders of last year—namely, Tennessee (Rose), Duke (Sugar) and Georgia Tech (Orange). This is a tough slate for any team, but you can bet your bottom dollar the Tar Heels will be hard to get by—no matter who the opposition might be. Coach Snavely held a light scrimmage session between drizzles Saturday . . . No report on results.

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took off on his slugging streak . . . And speaking of hitting streaks, rotund Pat Seerey, Cleveland Indian "hot and cold" slugger, was really hot just a couple of weeks ago when he lashed out three homers and a triple in a single game to rack up a total of fifteen bases and eight runs batted in. Your reporter has seen Seerey perform many a time, and the news of his slugging feat was not too much of a surprise at this end; the chunky outfielder has an unhealthy habit of going hitless for several days, but let him get his eye on the ball, and the opposing managers know that the only thing that will keep them at that point is to have the fences moved back, and quick.

UVA

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pare you to fight in the war." This didn't quite make sense to the group. Protests were made and eventually the rule was lifted.

The association is now fighting for many things which will benefit the boys who come here under the governmental educational plan.

Among these are better housing and eating for veterans. A common problem is the married veteran who cannot get a decent apartment because he is not "military personnel" (any longer) or because he has no children and cannot get a housing priority.

A more generous system for granting credit for courses taken while in the service is wanted. The veterans seem to think that returnees at other schools get much better deals in this respect. Also the veterans need more specialized advice when they first arrive, many have little idea of what they want to do when they come here. More advice is needed as to courses, degrees, etc.

Also a club house is wanted—some place where the veterans can congregate and hold their social functions. Until this is gotten, the association needs a permanent meeting place.

Jim Booth, the president of the organization, with the help of the other officers and many of the members, has been doing great work in trying to obtain these and other things of benefit to the local veterans.

this University ever rendered public secondary education in this state a greater and more lasting service.

"The place which Professor Noble gained for himself in the educational life of this state was unique, and as the faculty of the University sometime ago expressed it, progress in education in North Carolina was due in large part to his untiring efforts. For sixty-three years a teacher in his native state, Dr. Noble believed educational work was high among the noblest of all human undertakings. After teaching in Bingham School, he organized and became the first superintendent of the schools of Wilmington, then came to Chapel Hill in 1898 as professor of pedagogy to succeed Edwin A. Alderman, who had become president of the University. Dr. Noble taught, wrote, spoke, and lived for better schools and better teachers in North Carolina, and in his official reports as head of the department and later dean of the school of education here he always emphasized the obligation of the University to prepare excellent teachers for the schools of this state, and to attract promising young people into educational work."

The dress that Homer Humdrum likes best for a beautiful woman is one like Venus wore when she arose from the sea.

High School English Teachers Need Training In Speech, Institute Of English Decides

"We are determined that the tired, rasping voice of the English teacher shall not longer be used for a student's dislike of good English," said Miss Lillian Parks, president of the North Carolina English Teachers, in a statement marking the close of the third English Institute, which has been in session here since July 2.

Both the tiredness and the rasping are to be objects of frontal attacks by the organization. Recommendations of the teaching load committee, adopted at the Central Committee meeting on July 25, point out the duty of English teachers is "to safeguard their own mental and physical health, as well as the mental health of their pupils," by careful budgeting of time and energy. The recommendations, based on detailed analysis of work diaries kept by representative teachers, cautioned against working days in excess of ten hours and warns teachers that under present conditions of overload "the teacher who wrecks her health in attempted perfectionism is not giving the greatest possible long-run service to the schools, already crippled by dwindling teacher replacements."

"We are planning to do better than ever what we attempt to do," said Miss Parks, "but we hope we shall not

be expected to attempt so much that the fatigue of long hours after school correcting papers, coaching plays, editing publications, and sponsoring other projects will make our students pity us for being dead on our feet or hate us for being cross and irritable."

The report, containing specific suggestions for time allotment will be mailed to every member of the state organization.

Voices may have unpleasant qualities even when no fatigue is present, Miss Parks pointed out. Consequently, the organization is joining forces with the Carolina Dramatic Society and other groups, to encourage teachers to take special courses in speech at the earliest opportunity. At the last Institute conference on July 24 representatives of the English departments of senior colleges in the state voted approval of the proposal to include speech among the courses required for certification of new English teachers. The English teachers' Central Committee, meeting the following day, also endorsed the proposal.

As evidence that the program undertaken by the organization would be followed through vigorously, Miss Parks cited the recent accomplishments of the North Carolina English

Teachers. A quarterly leaflet edited by and for the teachers has been circulated regularly for two years and will continue to keep the membership encouraged and informed. A language arts bulletin, ready for distribution in all public schools in September, includes a substantial quantity of content provided by the organization, which proposes to continue the cooperation with the State department of Public Instruction in revision of the English curriculum. Up to now nearly fifty books have been reviewed by a special committee. Three institutes, with regularly scheduled conference forums have brought together several hundred teachers and lay people for free discussion of educational problems. Local councils of English teachers have supplemented these institutes conferences with similar discussion groups in more than a dozen centers throughout the state. District organizations have been reestablished and projects specifically needed in each geographical area are to be sponsored by appropriate district committees. The organization has more than doubled its membership within the past year. All activities of the organizations are directed to one end—"more effective teaching of English in the schools and colleges of the State."

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hyperdevelopment is not desirable."

"But the prevailing standard is also a purely relative one," T. J. replied, "and there is no way to determine if what is desirable by it is really desirable by an absolute standard."

"But surely, since there is no absolute standard, the prevailing standard must be considered operationally correct," I said.

"Not necessarily," was T. J.'s reply. "In fact many times in the past it has been proven to be entirely false."

"But that was only when a different standard replaced the one then operating," I said. "After all, standards are changing constantly, and what once is correct is not necessarily so the next time."

"Possibly one could synthesize a standard from the constantly changing ones that would approach the absolute," T. J. said, "but that, like the topic of this argument, is something beyond telling. Time alone will tell."

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tary, Mrs. J. S. Henninger, and Treasurer, J. B. Bullitt.

The status of the organization is in doubt because the national organization has not decided whether it will continue its functions. It was created to insure Senate ratification of the United Nations Charter. Since it has fulfilled its original purpose, there is doubt as to its continuation and in what form, if continued.

Dr. Snow stated that if Americans United were discontinued, the local unit would affiliate itself with some other organization like the Southern Council on International Relations.

ALUMNI

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names and addresses of former students in service, the lists of those decorated, the gold-star roll, and so on. Records show that some 8,500 former students have gone into service. More than 215 are known to have been killed in line of duty; 50 others are missing. Four hundred have received decorations, including two Congressional Medals of Honor, two Distinguished Service Crosses, nine Navy Crosses, 11 Legions of Merit, 41 Silver Stars, 69 Bronze Stars, 86 Distinguished Flying Crosses, 205 Air Medals, and various other medals and commendations. The count is not yet complete.

They ride in taxicabs, They sniff at row on row of books And even haunt the labs.

I always wear a tuxedo to a banquet so that, in the middle of a speech, I can pick up a few dishes, leave the room and impress everyone that I am one of the waiters.

I saw a cow slip through the fence. (The fence must have had a hole in it as big as some of these around the campus.)

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University. He also believes that the promise contained in Dr. Graham's words has failed of completion: the University is now seeing better times, but the janitors remain the most underpaid group of employees of the University.

In summary, Clark said, "We have to learn to live together. The day is coming when peoples have to look upon a man as a man. If people could think right, they'd do better."

Desiring to get the way a janitor feels about the whole question of a raise, Mr. Clark was asked, "Why, do you think, do the janitors need a raise?"

"We are all looking to live better," Clark said, "and to live decent. Except a man get a decent wage, he can't beautify his home, improve his town, be a better citizen, be clean, wear clean overalls to work, or do what he needs to do. We don't make enough to save—even to stay out of debt. If a man can pay his taxes, he feels like asking for good roads, for getting rid of bad smells, for a clean community. Peoples oughta pay a man enough to live on."

An AP release on July 28 said: "The State now is in the best financial condition in its history, Governor Cherry said proudly today, but he emphasized that 'only a proper handling of currently available funds can insure a safe and happy future for North Carolina.' He cautioned against undue spending which might 'throw the balance the other way and undo all we've accomplished in reaching financial independence.'"

The janitors want a basic rate of 50 cents an hour. This is an increase of 5 cents an hour. There are approximately 50 janitors employed by the University. In order to raise their salary, it would cost the University about five or six thousand dollars a year, which is a little over \$100 a year per janitor.

The Textile Workers Union of America (C.I.O.) asks a weekly wage of \$33.70, which means an annual emergency wage of \$1,752. This is supposed to be the minimum fair wage, the cost of living of families at minimum subsistence levels. The janitors' wage is 45 cents an hour, or about \$21 a week; a few of the janitors make as high as \$25 a week. This approximates \$1100 a year, gross income. The next consideration is to see how a janitor lives on a theoretically below-subsistence level salary.

Dr. Charles M. Jones, pastor of the

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tary Club, Dr. Godfrey of the History Department stated: "Deeb made a very fine and informative speech. Not only does he speak well but he has a grasp of the current international problems."

Buddy Glenn

Buddy Glenn, IRC head, stated in regard to the speech: "The Club feels on the basis of Mr. Deeb's reputation that his talk will be both interesting and informative. We urge all students interested in current affairs to come to the meeting." Glenn also stated that at the conclusion of Deeb's talk the meeting would become a forum and all persons will have a chance to question the speaker or make comments on his remarks.

The meeting will be held in the main lounge of Graham Memorial at 8 o'clock.

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nostalgia. They are coloring now, and I can smell Kenan Stadium, pretty girls with carnations, pop corn around the Carolina Theatre."

He discussed tentative plans for returning to Carolina in his latest letter to Prof. Russell, dated June 2, 1945, sent from Press Camp, 12th Army Group, in Germany. At present he has 73 points toward his homecoming to Chapel Hill.

Presbyterian Church, in Chapel Hill, discussed the basis of paying employees. His talk applied to people in general. He said:

"When paying a man, you must consider three things: 1) a minimum wage necessary for a man to exist, simply to stay alive; 2) the importance of his work—its value to the community; 3) most important of all—his needs—the necessities and the extras which we consider so essential to life; the things we take for granted—like having enough money to go to the movie when we feel like it, or to fix the radio when it breaks, or a hundred other things we never think about."

He said that if a man doesn't make a living, then you have no moral right to employ him.

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