

Library Addition Nears Completion



Bob Evans, left, of Durham, retiring president of the Carolina Forum, well known non-partisan student organization which has brought many famous speakers to the campus, and the new president for the coming year, Jim McLeod of Florence, S. C. See Forum story on page 7.



Construction work on the \$1,615,000 addition and renovations to the University library, along with the installation of new equipment, are expected to be nearly completed by the opening of the fall school term in September and a formal opening of the addition will be held on October 12—University Day, Charles E. Rush, director of the University libraries and chairman of the library division, said yesterday.

The new addition and renovations to the old building will give the University one of the finest college libraries in the nation, he said.

Capacity of the library for book storage, reader seating facilities and staff working space is more than doubled by the addition. It also provides "admirable space for the great special collections and almost unrivaled research and investigation facilities for local and visiting scholars," Rush stated.

Graduate and research student carrel capacity will be increased to more than 530, which is extraordinary among universities, he said. This will give more than ample space for research work in the book stacks.

Storage space for more than 1,000,000 volumes will be available upon completion of the addition, and air conditioning is being installed in the portions of the building where books are to

be stored to protect them from atmospheric damage. This will also offer better protection for the library collections, among them the Hanes Foundation collection for the Study of the Origin and Development of the Book, the Archibald Henderson Collection of Shawviana, and scores of others. These collections have drawn so many visiting scholars that the library in past years has been hard put for facilities.

Vault space for rare books and documents will also be trebled in size by the addition of two new storage rooms.

The brick and limestone addition, which takes the shape of a large letter U enclosing the older T-shaped building, is approximately 210 feet wide by 110 feet deep and has two basements and 10 levels in the book stacks.

Completion of the addition and reconstructions within the old building will bring about a number of additional changes.

The Rare Book Room, containing priceless books assembled during the past 156 years, will for the first time be housed and displayed under proper conditions. The photographic reproduction laboratory, Bulls Head Book Shop and Library Extension rooms will be enlarged and renovated.

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Naval ROTC Students Have Ended Their Florida Training

Three weeks of aviation indoctrination training at the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla., highlighted summer cruise training for 35 University NROTC Midshipmen who complete the junior phase of their summer training tomorrow.

Included in the training they received at the "Annapolis of the Air" was a brief indoctrination into the Naval Air Corps, through practical experience and academic study.

C. Rigdon Is Recalled To Duty

Chandler H. Ridgon, well known Air Force master sergeant of the Air Force ROTC unit here, has been ordered to Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., for processing to resume his rank of captain. He left for Maxwell Field this week prior to reporting to Pope Air Force Base at Fort Bragg for duty with the Deputy for Personnel of the 9th Tactical Air Force.

While at the University, Sergeant Rigdon instructed basic courses in air science and was coach of the AFROTC rifle team and in charge of drill instruction.

Sergeant Rigdon is entitled to wear Master Parachutist and Canadian Parachutist Wings plus his theatre ribbons and four battle stars.

The son of Mrs. Elsie E. Warren of Kennett Square, Pa., he has during his duty at Chapel Hill built a home in Sanford where he has resided with his wife and two small children.

Rathburn Resigns

James Rathburn, for the past two years director of Graham Memorial Student Union, retired this week to devote his full energies to the Institute of Research in the Social Sciences as a research fellow.

He has been succeeded by Charles H. Ufen, former director of the Travel Agency.

Ufen will serve in this capacity until September when Jim Roth will take over as permanent director.

Upon leaving, Rathburn said that he "had thoroughly enjoyed my past two years as director of the Student Union and would like to thank all of those who have helped me and the Student Union in weathering a trying period in the University's history."

But it wasn't all work for the Tar Heels. Dances were held weekly at the cadet recreation club, ACRAC, attended by young ladies from Pensacola and the Gulf Coast area. One big dance was given the 800 midshipmen by the city of Pensacola, and representatives from every college unit were on hand for the entertainment.

Actual training for the midshipmen was set up in three phases at the Naval Air Station, Saufley and Correy fields. The boys from Carolina spent one week in classroom study on the academic phase of naval flight, one week in practical study of the maintenance and operation of a Naval air base, and a third week in actual flying.

Gray's Secretary Excited Upon Meeting Mr. Truman

By Ralph Mulford

Had a chat the other day with a Colorado country girl who confessed she's just had the "thrill of her lifetime."

She was pretty Mrs. Ardith Johnson, Secretary to Gordon Gray, UNC president, and her lifetime thrill came when she "shook hands with the President of the United States."

"Funny," she said, "we went to the White House, and the President was there, joshing with reporters, and acting for all the world like you see him in the newsreels."

"I guess that shouldn't have been too surprising, but somehow I hadn't expected it to be just that way. It was very informal, and he shook my hand said, rather warmly, that he was glad that I was able to be there."

Her visit to the White House was with Mr. Gray in connection with his new job as director of this country's psychological warfare against Communism.

"We commute between Wash-

TB Hospital Bids Asked

The State will try again this month to get bids on a tubercular hospital to be built here.

New bids on the 100-bed structure will be taken on August 28, the State Budget Bureau reported today.

It will be the second attempt to get the hospital under way. Late last year bids were received but they far exceeded the money the State had available. They were rejected, and officials of the tubercular hospital system took their case to the General Assembly. The result was a directive to the Medical Care Commission to provide up to \$500,000 of Federal hospital-building funds for the project.



Dot Hogan
Miss Chapel Hill

Pres. Bowers Making Plans For Next Year

Henry Bowers, president of the student body, arrived in Chapel Hill last Friday from a tour of Paris, Oslo and the Atlantic Ocean. Bowers made his trip on the Battleship Missouri through the courtesy of the United States Navy in which he is a candidate for a commission.

President Bowers, who spent two nights and a day in Paris, reports that the fabulous city is made for nights. "Paris, from the Follies to Place Pigalle, lives up to its 2,000 year reputation," he said.

"Oslo is quite impressive, too," Bowers continued. "It is a clean, modern and beautiful city. Everyone I saw during the week I spent in and around Oslo appeared healthy and not in want. The Norwegian Socialist form of government has achieved with its mixed economy an amazingly high standard of living."

"Rough" was the only comment Henry made on the ocean.

2 Students Injured In Auto Crash

Two University students were injured in a car-bus accident approximately seven miles west of Chapel Hill on the Greensboro highway early Monday morning. None of the occupants of the bus were injured.

Howard E. Blake, graduate student of Cumberland, Md., driver of the car and his roommate Melville F. Warren, graduate student of Faison were the injured students. Blake's condition was reported as serious at the Duke Hospital, suffering severe head lacerations, possible fracture of the jaw, fractured ribs and possible internal chest injuries. Warren was released from the hospital after being treated for superficial injuries.

The student driven Chevrolet convertible traveled 400 feet veering across the road and coming to rest in the ditch on the left side of the road after side-swiping a bus. The bus was carrying the Soul Stirring Gospel Singers.

Wanted

Suggestions for something new and different in the way of a student body—faculty entertainment for the second summer session! The summer activities program would like to initiate a social of some sort, similar to the watermelon festival held annually for the first session, to become characteristic of the second summer session.

A prize of \$5 will be given for the winning entry. Please send all suggestions to the Graham Memorial Student Union office.

Name

Address

Suggestions

(Use a sheet of plain paper if necessary)