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Something Sacred

It appears very difficult for man to avoid being an extremist. He goes all-out with a vengeance in one direction until at least his radicalism has brought him to dire straights. Then with swift reactionary and corrective measures he swings too far toward the opposite pole and finds himself completely would forbid segregation in largely responsible for the stymied.

We have experienced, in our time, a day of rash and ruthless iconoclasm. Men have stripped off every taboo, debunked all our heroes, cast down all our altars, ripped away the finesse and niceties of living, violated and desecrated sanctuaries, and declared in the name of "enlightenment" and "freedom" their emancipation from idolatry, superstition and fear. This movement which began roughly in the fourteenth century has moved with unabated fury and increasing tempo to a catastrophic crescendo in our own time. The flaunting title of a modern motion picture brazenly declares "NOTHING SACRED."

PASSING SENTENCE

By Jonathan Marshall

When I was in grade school, I used to wonder how a group of women could call themselves the Daughters of the American Revolution. 150 years after the-Revolution.

After much thought on the subject, I decided that they must be the Great Great Great Granddaughters of the American Revolution, or the GGGGAR.

The GGGGAR, popularly known as the DAR, has been having some sort of a picnic or party in the Capital recently. The girls seem to have lost a bit of their original revolutionary ferver, however, but maybe that's what comes of getting old.

It wouldn't surprise me if the GGGGAR came out for a program advocating a return to ruffles and kneebritches for men. They have already come out against Federal aid to education: but maybe Jefferson, a man who believed in education, was too much of a revolutionist. Yes, people around Wash-

ington are a strange race, and maybe the GGGGAR has become infected by it. One wellknown character in D. C., who is known as Honest John, is really puzzling though.

It seems that this Honest John is a Republican, but he joined the Southern Democrats in opposing Truman's Civil Rights program. Now the guy turns around and tacks an amendment on the Housing Bill which public housing.

publicly, that this character is

The boys had made the run

to Durham earlier in the after-

noon and now the only thing

left to do was stop by the ice

plant and pick up a little ice.

ed road heading in the di-

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night of "gay fun." The ma-

roon convertable pulled up

to a stop on the beautiful

banks of lake Hogan and the

blankets were spread and the

portable radio was turned on

and sweet music flowed

through the air. Everything

was beautiful and romantic.

It was spring and they, were

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The final piece of ice melted

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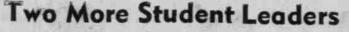
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By Edlyn W. Freerks

Book Review -

"Master of all trades and jack of none"-thus came the words of Historian and Journalist George Fort Milton in reference to the man that the editor has termed "the new Chrichton"-Dr. Archibald Henderson. And thus is recorded the expression of men of note from the beauty of the Carolina campus to the shores of another continent-men who through experience have found indisputable evidence to support the contention that Dr. Henderson is really the twentieth century version of the "sixteenth century virtuoso in scholarship and literature," James "The Admirable" Chrichton, a name which is synonymous with versatility.

There have been few times in the history of journalism that any editor has so successfully compiled such a complete variety of opinions of local and international personalities as has been done by Samuel Stevens Hood in this work. But when one realizes the scope of the influence of Archibald Henderson in the world today, it is not then hard to understand why almost two dozen prominent individuals gladly took time out of their crowded schedules to pay tribute to such a leading figure in the fields of mathematics, dramatics, history, philosophy, and literature.

But the book does not stop there. In order to give the reader a chance adequately to appreciate the work of this "example of abundant living," the editor has also included biographical sketches of his varied life. Students, especially, will enjoy the interesting way in which this information is presented. The "hard facts" are tied together with human-interest anecdotes, many of which are quite colorful and which easily point out one of Dr. Henderson's most priceless assets-a unique scene of humor.

Charles A. Beard, the Historian, referred to this recently retired head of the Department of Mathematics as a man who had an "interest in all things human and an awareness of the interrelations of science, arts, and letters." Support for this is carried out as experts in the many fields of life reviewed only a fraction of the hundreds of books and articles that have been contributed to the world by this gentleman who turned down the presidencies of universities to remain in Chapel Hill to further the interests of this institution and the state in which he was born.

"Archibald Henderson: The New Chrichton" is a challenge as expressed by Alexander Guerry, Vice-Chancellor of the University of the South: "It is a challenge to every man to break the bonds of specialization, to throw open the windows of his mind, to enrich his life and the lives of others by genuine interest and activity in fields of human enterprise. What he has been and what he has attained are an example to the timid and weary souls who are unwilling or unable to leave the beaten path, and are proofs that the mind and heart have a greater reach than we believe possible."

This is the "brilliantly versatile, indefatigably productive, charmingly colorful, and many-sided Archibald Henderson" (Senator Frank Porter Graham).

government in high school back

ETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The man who has been

speedy and efficient manner in It's all very confusing, but which our recent campus elecone must assume that Honest tions have been carried out is John knows what he's doing. Al Winn, the new president It is rumored, and even stated of the Carolina senior class.

As chairman of the Elections tied up with a real estate lobby; Board for the past year, AI of course, no intelligent people had as his thankless job the would even think of such a thing. task of lining up the ballots, Oh, yes, the character known as polling places and other thous-Honest John has a last name- and and one little things that it's Bricker, and he comes from must be done before an election

Meet Winn And Williams By Frank Allston, Jr. of the Student Legislature, a

Campus Personalities -

NAT WILLIAMS, left, and Al Winn were winners in recent campus elections.

Nat got his start in student member of the Legislature's budget committee, president of the United World Federalists and a member of the student budget finance committee. Nat has also worked

scholastically as well as politically. This is borne out

in Thomasville and carried his interests right on through two other institutions of higher education into Carolina. The other schools which the newly elected "wheel" attended were Marion Institute in Marion, Alabama and the United States

-Staff photo by Mills

on the Daily Tar Heel and he was an orientation councellor last fall. Williams is a chemistry Naval Academy. major and has done very well

Campus leaders are sure that Navy's loss was Carolina's gain and that Nat will

It has been reported that Napoleon once stabled his calvary, both men and horses, in the Refectory of Santa Maria delle Grazie in Milan. From the walls of the Refectory Leonardo Da Vinci's masterpiece "The Lord's Supper" looked down upon the strange entourage below. In coarse ribaldry the crude soldiers amused themselves by hurling balls of manure at the incomparable figures of Christ and his disciples! Impervious to beauty, with no respect for consummate artistry, and no reverence for the deep religious significance of the scene, nor for the characters depicted there, these men preempted themselves of the last vestige of respectability that makes man man. Something like this has been going on all over the world in our time. In doing irreparable damage to the sacred achievements and holy heroes of the past, modern man has outraged his own soul and damned lake. his children to coarseness and bestiality.

With no gods to fear, with nothing holy, with no beliefs and no hope, under a cold and silent heaven, modern man looks longingly out upon the bleak and barren horizon of human perspective and sees nothing, absolutely nothing, but the sinister shadow of his own lonely figure. Modern man is "lost" in a vaster sense than the word has ever connoted before. We are no longer a handful of sheep who have taken the wrong turn of the path in a little back pasture hard by home. We are a mournful multitude of teeming millions adrift in an infinite cosmic sea; wistful wanderers through time and space; temeritous tinkerers with the explosive forces of the universe, the reactions from which have left us quivering with terror; specious spectators overcome with undulating waves of nauseous vertigo from looking too long into the endless abyss.

Our rash iconoclasm has left an aching emptiness at the heart of modern society. We have stripped away form, beauty, order, meaning, value, from our lives and nothing is left but stark functionalism. Man becomes what he worships and with nothing greater or nobler than himself to contemplate he becomes a bleak copher. What man holds holy is the integer before the cipher which brings significance. The higher and holier the idea of God man holds in reverence the greater the value the integer brings to the cipher.

Phillips Brooks once declared, "Poor is the age which has not reverence Poor is the soul which has not reverence! You may have many powers and gifts, but if you have not reverence there is a blight upon them all." This, our age, has many powers and gifts such as no other age has ever had but, tragedy of tragedies, there is a blight upon them all! A sign in the front of the Riverside Church in New York reads, "Please do not enter the Chancel". That is right. It is a symbol. There ought to be some things in the world across which we shall not drag our muddy feet. Something sacred! The free church tradition does right to insist that it is wrong to reverence the stone, or the architecture, or the setting, but, beware, lest, desecrating the symbols, we desecrate the ideas behind them!

The age of the iconoclast has come to an end. In the shambles of Europe; in the threatened wasteland of Western Society; in the war-swept Orient he who can set up an altar before which men can find faith in God, faith in themselves, and faith in the possibilities of human society, will be tocan be successfully held.

This presidential election and two other recent events YOU'RE ONLY have brought a large measure of happiness to Winn. He says YOUNGONCE he is happlest, however, over his recent admittance into The darkness of the night was the Law School, but he is just beginning to fall upon also very pleased about win-Chapel Hill as the maroon conning the presidency and a vertible pulled up in front of seat in the Student Legisla-Alderman and four boys piled

ture this term. out and went in to pick up their Al doesn't limit his actividates. Four boys and four girls. ties to his new jobs alone. In That made eight. Simple arithaddition he is a member of metic. Eight people in one car the Di Senate and he will on a beautiful summer night continue to act as chairman made things lovely. And so all of the Elections Board until piled into the car and were off president Bill Mackie appoints to a night of fun at Hogan's a successor.

> Winn, a rising senior from Petersburg, Florida, is another of our politicians who got his start in high school where he was in student government affairs and was president of his junior class.

The new senior class leader is a member of the Sigma Bhi Epsilon social fraternity. where he was once vice-president. Fraternity life takes up quite a bit of his spare time, but Al says he enjoys doing "just about anything."

Having lettered in varsity boxing here in 1947, Al is naturally sports-minded. He is a member of the Monogram Club and says he particularly enjoys fishing, boating, riding, hunting and dancing.

and soaked into the brown paper Winn has been described as covering and the last empty an eager and conscientious fifth bottle was thrown into worker and many observers the lake and they prepared to look for great things from the make the journey back to new president. Chapel Hill. Coed hours, you

Al said after the election that know. One of the girls who hadhe wished "to thank the people n't been drinking asked the who voted for me and I hope driver to "please be careful," that I can justify their faith." Most sideline politicians believe that he will.

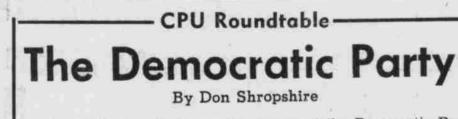
"Tormenting Tri-Delts," answered Nat Williams, the new secretary-treasurer of the Carolina student body when asked his favorite past time in the The nearer they came to Chapel Hill more gas went into course of our interview of one of the two "Campus Personalithe carburator and the louder they sang; soon the momentum ties of the Week.'

of the car had surpassed the re-Likable Nat, who describes flexive abilities of the driver; himself as a "Senior for the there was more gas; there was third year and returning next year," is another of those livea curve; there was an attempt at the brakes, but it was a little ly politicians who is not conlate for that. Too late. For none tient with just one en're-curof them would ever see another ricular activity, but has found spring; none of them would ever his way into many campus acride in the moonlight again. tivities since arriving at Chapa-And the little girl who didn't lina.

drink did enqoy living. But they ary-ireasurer

by Nat's recent admission into make one of the better student body officers that the Phi Beta Kappa. Nat is a member of Kappa University has seen in several Alpha social fraternity where years.

he is the number three. As one observer mused, ". . . he was a good legislator-kept In addition to tormenting the Tri-Delts, Nat says his other it interesting." Nat's former colleagues are confident that he interests are athletics, beer and raising African violets. Along will also keep student governthe line of athletics, he says ment interesting with his keen mind and refreshing personalihis chief interests are riding horses and playing golf. ty.



About this time last year the future of the Democratic Party appeared very dark. In the 80th Congress it was in the minority for the first time since 1930. Moreover, it was being harassed by disunity within itself. Several of the New Dealers were supporting presidential candidate Henry Wallace in protest against the administration's foreign policy, and numerous Southerners were so aroused over the President's Civil Rights proposal that it seemed likely that the Southern wing might form a new party. The three-way split developed, and so there seemed little doubt but that the Republicans would easily win the presidential election in November. Yet, Harry Truman surprised everyone by receiving over two million more popular votes than Mr. Dewey and 304 out of 531 electorial votes. The Democrats also won clear majorities in both Houses of Congress.

It looked as if President Truman would have little trouble in persuading the 81st Congress to enact the various measures of his "fair-deal" program. The serious lack of executive-legislative harmony of the two previous years was believed to be over.

Nevertheless, since the 81st Congress convened in January, very little administration-sponsored legislation has been passed. The basic cause is obviously a coalition of Southern Democrats and Republicans on many issues. This situation is by no means peculiar to the present Congress, for it has been quite noticeable at certain times ever since 1937.

The coalition has been particularly effective in regard to labor legislation. Organized labor is comparatively weak throughout most of the South, and, consequently Southern congressmen as a rule do not reflect pro-labor sympathies. On matters regarding public housing, health insurance, minimum wages, and broadened social security provisions many Southerners take a conservative position and line up with the Republicans.

The principal difference between Northern and Southern Democratic Congressmen, however, is in the realm of civil rights legislation, but here the Southerners have few allies among the Republicans, so they employ the use of the fillibuster in the Senate to block such bills. Federal aid to education would benefit the South more than any other section, but due to the race issue, they are inclined to oppose legislation of this type.

On the other hand, there is a great deal of harmony within the party on farm legislation, tariff policy, and foreign aid programs, while the Republicans are often divided among themselves on these issues.

In addition to the Southerners many other specific groups constitute the Democratic Party of today. Among them are most labor organizations, Catholics, Jews, and various other minority groups. Of course, large numbers of people vote independently of the policy of their respective groups, but most of these voters have consistently supported the Democratic party. With such diversity of interests, it is easy to understand why party unity is often quite difficult, if not impossible.

Nevertheless, with all its internal problems, the Democratic Party enjoys the support of many independent voters since on the whole it stands for economic and social progress in a capitalistic democracy. The CPU will discuss the strength and weak- 43. clasp

HIRE A JANITOR Editor:

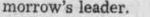
Have you seen those assinine creatures, butts of campus jokes and tools of the administration, that act as scavengers about the base of South Building? Those mistaken characters are evidently unaware that it makes no difference to us just how the Y court may look. Furthermore. if the administration wants the campus clean, it can very well hire a janitor to do the work. Looked at from a practical point of view this selfappointed rubbage detail is actually contributing to unemployment. If the amount of trash on the

grounds require a janitor one should be hired. There are a number of people that would be willing to be paid for such work.

Besides the foregoing points, it hurts my conscience to be disturbed as I leisurely sit sipping my morning coke. All I want is to be left in peace without having some guy ask me to move over so he can pick up a Dixie cup and put it in the can which is only a few feet away. If the cup is that close to the can it does not need to be moved.

Rip Collins

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were young and you are only a native of Thomasville, nesses of this party at its 8:00 p.m. meeting tonight in the Grail -Samuel Tilden Habel, Ph.D. young once. Georgia, has been a member Room. Visitors are cordially invited:

