

# Challenge To Botanists

In view of the brand new School of Business Administration buildings, the new Medical School and hospital buildings, the new Lutheran Church, H dorm, and plans for continuing the building program indefinitely along the current neo-gothic-georgian lines, a real challenge is presented to ardent research scientists.

What this town needs is an extra-vigorous strain of ivy.

## Racial Prejudice

# Reviews And Previews

Judus Maccabaeus, the Handel oratorio presented by the Chapel Hill Choral Club Tuesday, January 15, has the not uncommon stigma for choral music of its time of combining sometimes fine music with the most antiquated libretto. Handel had the misfortune of attaching his genius to some of the worst of 18th century verse. How much this has to do with the Judus's success in concert today is a knotty critical problem; but in spots not even the innocent music of Handel can hide such lush gems as "Ah! wretched Israel! fall'n how low, from joyous transport to desponding woe."

Despite these obstacles director Joel Carter produced some splendid sounds from the Choral Club as well as from his own aria. In a group performance of this kind, the choruses with the orchestra yield greater satisfaction, partly because the libretto is less well understood by the audience and partly because Handel's thematic material has more volume. The fugues of the several choruses were especially effective.

The soloists not unexpectedly suffered somewhat by comparison; they had no strength in numbers. Misses Martha Heygel, Anne Lynch, Roberta McKinney, May Marshbanks, Messers. Bruce Pruitt and William Whitesides had problems not entirely of their own making. Prof. U. T. Holmes was substantial as always in his part.

—J. B. Stroup.

## DUKE CONCERT . . .

Constance Hunting gave a piano recital on Tuesday evening at Asbury Hall, Duke Women's Campus. A Sonata in D by Haydn demonstrated the artist's clearly defined precise style. Schubert's Sonata in A, Opus 120, affirmed her maturity of interpretation and admirably restrained romantic perception. Other selections included Schumann's Papillons, from the Carnival, the locus classicus of romantic writing, two Brahms Capriccios and three Debussy Preludes.

B. P.

# Letters To The Editor

Madam Editor:

The grossness of your account and conclusions reached as a result of the vote of Jan. 14, 1952, in regard to the annual Law School Dance, were exceeded only by the manner in which the Law School handled the question.

Your conclusion that those who voted in favor of the dance also voted in favor of unsegregated dances is far from true. The issue as voted in favor of unsegregated dances is far from true. The issue as voted on was ineffect, "Will we have a dance this year as we normally do, or will we dispense with our traditional Law School Dance (and incidentally all other social events) because we now have Negroes as members of the Law School Association."

We who voted "Yes" were really and fundamentally voting in favor of not letting the "tail wag the dog". Why vote not to have a customary and traditional dance? Are we to deprive ourselves of the main social event of the year because the federal courts have held that the negro race? The problem as we see it cannot be solved or helped by eliminating social events. That in short would be cutting off one's nose to spite one's face. The question as posed to the voters meant that we were or were not going to

have the traditional dance. The vote did not imply that a "yes" answer approved of unsegregated dances. We voted to have the dance in spite of the segregation problem.

All in all it is our belief that the vote of the Law School Student body did not approve of unsegregated dances. We can have the traditional dance with our vote and we could not have had it under the only other alternative offered to us.

Twelve students signed this letter. Fourteen who voted "yes" read it. One refused to comment and one agreed but did not choose to sign.—Editors

Madam Editor:

An open letter to the police: I have read that you have fined an out of state (Maryland) student for having 'improper' tags on his car. It has been made clear in The Daily Tar Heel that the reason for this is because the Maryland law states that this should be done to out of state cars in Maryland. However, after talking to the Maryland State Police, I find that this law is not enforced for service men or students. Since North Carolina has chosen to enforce this law, I think that a letter should be written to the Maryland State Police suggesting that they also enforce the law.

Henry R. Kritzer

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