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## Carr Named To Head UNC's New \$2,400,000 Univac 1105

One of the nation's outstanding authorities on electronic computers, mathematician John W. Carr III of the University of Michigan will be director of Carolina's new Computer Center.

President William C. Friday and Dr. William M. Whyburn, vice president for graduate studies and research of the Consolidated University, announced that Carr will also be an associate professor of mathematics on the Chapel Hill campus.

Carr will be in charge of the \$2,400,000 Univac 1105 Data Automation system, which is scheduled for installation at Chapel Hill in 1959.

The computer has been acquired by the Consolidated University by arrangement with Remington Rand Co., the Bureau of the Census and the National Science Foundation. Its installation marks a significant step toward automation of science for the South.

Carr is a Durham native and a graduate of Duke University, from which he received a B.S. degree in electrical engineering in 1943. His father, John W. Carr II, is a member of the Duke University education faculty.

Though only 35 years of age, Dr. Carr has had extensive experience in the operation of electronic computers.

He was introduced to this relatively new field while a research assistant in mathematics in 1948 on Project Whirlwind at the Digital Computer Laboratory at MIT. He received the M. S. in E. E. in 1949 and spent the following year as a Fulbright Scholar at the Sorbonne



JOHN W. CARR III  
to direct UNC computer

in Paris. During his stay in Europe, he spent two months with the group at the Mathematical Laboratories, Cambridge University, which had just finished building the EDSAC (Electronic Delay Storage Automatic Calculator), the first electronic stored program calculator to operate.

Ideas gained here were applied to the Whirlwind I Computer on his return to the United States, when as a staff mathematician he had the responsibility for the Library of Subroutines first developed for that computer.

He received a Ph.D. in mathematics from MIT in 1951, writing his thesis on a discussion of certain mathematical techniques in solving partial differential equations using high-speed digital computers. In 1951-52, he participated in the solution of some of the first problems presented to the Whirlwind. In 1952 he became a research mathematician at the Willow Run Laboratories

of the University of Michigan, directing the preparation for use of the MIDAC (Michigan Digital Automatic Computer).

From 1952 to 1955, he was supervisor of the Digital Computation Department, Willow Run Laboratories, which used the MIDAC in the solution of engineering and scientific problems. In September 1955, he joined the staff of the University of Michigan as assistant professor of mathematics.

During the past 18 months he has served as consultant to the Digital Computation Unit using the IBM-650 and is now participating in planning for using the IBM-704 to be installed in April 1959. On September 1957, he was appointed an associate professor of mathematics.

He has served on the National Council of the Association for Computing Machinery from 1954-56, and as president for the two year term ending in June 1958. He has also served as a trustee of the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics. He is now a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

At the University of Michigan, his courses have included methods in high-speed computation.

In 1954 he organized the first University of Michigan Summer Conference on Digital Computers. By 1958 this course had grown to over 300 persons (supervised jointly by five staff members) with lecturers including visitors from Germany, Great Britain, the USSR and Ireland. He speaks French and German, reads French, German and Russian and is engaged now in translations of Russian papers in numerical analysis for the National Science Foundation.

## Bach's 'Christmas Oratorio' Is Presented By Choral Club

Bach's "Christmas Oratorio" will be performed by the Chapel Hill Choral Club in Hill Hall Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Part of the Tuesday Evening Series sponsored by the UNC Music Department, the program is open to the public without charge. The annual Christmas concert, one of two major appearances given each year by this community group, will be broadcast by radio station WUNC.

Under the direction of Dr. Joel Carter, associate professor of music at the University, seven members will appear as soloists in the first three parts of Bach's oratorio presented by the choristers.

Tenor Robert Melton, staff member at Duke University Hospital, will sing the role of the Evangelist. Alto solos will be sung by Betty Jean Smith of Chapel Hill.

Dr. U. T. Holmes, Kenan professor of Romance Languages, will

perform the bass recitatives. Barbara Peacock of Chapel Hill will handle the soprano recitatives.

The bass aria, "Mighty Lord," will be sung by Marvin Tatum, UNC graduate student from Richmond, Va. Beth Diaz, Durham, and David L. Vaughn, graduate student from Salem, will sing the soprano-bass duet, "Lord, Thy Mercy."

Lee Bostian, graduate assistant in the music department and regular accompanist for the 35-year old organization, will play for the soloists.

He will be joined by Kay Knight, an English major from Osceola, Mo., in a two-piano arrangement of the orchestral accompaniments for the choruses.

Dr. Glenn Watkins, UNC assistant professor of organ, will play for all the recitatives and will perform a transcription of the orchestral "Sinfonia," which introduces the second part of the oratorio.



PARKED—Parking for many, along with this unidentified motorist, hasn't been much of a problem for the last three days. Drivers found their cars quite willing to half in ditches, steep hills, and other inconvenient places much to the dismay of their owners. All the trouble stemmed from an estimated six inch snowfall — and the weather bureau says more is probably on its way!  
Photo by Bill Brinkhous

## Mankind On Trial Is Theme In Drama 'Sign Of Jonah'

Mankind on trial, accused by those he has persecuted, and judged by God, forms the theme behind tonight's production of "The Sign of Jonah."

The play will be given at 7 p.m. both today and Monday in the small chapel of the Episcopal Church. Admission is free.

Written by Guenter Rutenborn, a minister of a Lutheran parish in East Germany, the drama portrays parallels of guilt and sin between Rutenborn's war time Germany and Jonah's Nineveh.

The publisher's preface to the script states that into the German war scene "comes the voice of Guenter Rutenborn, confessing his personal guilt for all these atrocities—with none of which he had any direct connection. And he writes a play, 'The Sign of Jonah,' in order to examine in a public trial who in the nation, who in the world, really was guilty."

The blame of this guilt and sin, the preface continues, falls on the shoulders of all mankind as Rutenborn tries to point out in the drama.

Staged in the small chapel of the Cross, the drama uses no backdrops or settings so that an unobstructed view of the altar and cross is before the audience at all times. Director Bill White said that "no settings are used so that the bare and simple meaning of the altar can be free to be a background to the clear and meaningful interpretation of the play."

Even the play at times breaks from the complexities of the mod-

ern theater and allow the actors to speak to the audience as themselves.

On the production staff assisting White are Jim Pfaff as Stage Manager; Rufus Russell in charge of lighting; Susan McCotter as mistress; and Tommy Taylor as house manager.

The cast includes Bob Ketter as Jonah; Art McDonald as the Judge; Betty Rhodes as the Queen of the South; Bobbie Hicks as the Woman in the Street; Darwin Solomon as the Man in the Street; Herb Drinnon as the Merchant; Craven Mackie as Michael; Doug McDermott as Gabriel; Bill Smith as Raphael; and Jane Townend as the Prompter.

### Rides Wanted

Mike Shalett, 309 Stacy To Washington, D. C. Wants to leave Friday afternoon. Gary L. Yingling, 111 Aycock To Washington, D. C. Robert C. Rohlf, 308 Stacy Phone 89112. To Mass. or vicinity of Albany, N. Y., anytime after noon Friday.

### Parties Not Meeting

Meetings of the two campus parties, University and Student originally scheduled for Tuesday and Monday, respectively, have been cancelled.

The University Party will not have another meeting until the first Tuesday in January. The Student Party will meet again after Christmas.

## Recent Chicago Fire Causes Check Into N. C. Institutions

By ROBERT H. BARTHOLOMEW  
In view of the recent Chicago school fire that claimed the lives of some 90 people, it is worth noting what is being done by North Carolina institutions to prevent such a tragedy here.

A recent visit to N. C. Memorial Hospital here brought out some startling facts. These facts are startling because the average visitor to the hospital has no idea of the complex and complete plans that are in effect to protect the patients, the staff and the property of the taxpayer.

A giant modern hospital may very well be compared to a ship traveling through a combat area. In the case of an attack, no person needs to be told where to go or what to do. These actions have been drilled into the people through long months and years.

This is the system at N. C. Memorial Hospital. In the case of a fire, every person knows what he should do. This is not a new system, it has been in operation since the hospital first opened in 1952.

Monthly fire drills are held, both day and night. These drills do not consist simply of a bell ringing and each member of the staff taking his station. Often fires are lit on the hospital grounds and the staff, including nurses, actually use fire-fighting equipment. Also, from time to time, special motion pictures on fire prevention and fire control are shown the staff.

At Christmas N. C. Memorial Hospital is as well decorated as any private home. Christmas trees are seen on each floor and gay ropes of holly and cedar decorate the doorways. However, no electric

lights are used in these decorations, with one exception. A lighted tree is in the main lobby, but its lights are disconnected when the information desk closes at night. Dry foliage and hot lights have proven to be hazardous.

A large hospital such as N. C. Memorial has a sizeable group of maintenance men, such as plumbers, guards, electricians, painters and mechanics. These men are the first line of defense against fire. Once a hospital alarm is sounded, this group immediately swings into action with all available equipment.

When the fire department arrives, these men retire to a labor pool and await any call for help the department may make.

The labor pool is made up of all persons not needed to fight the fire. If the fire department needs help or patients need to be moved, the labor pool goes into action.

There have been a few fires at N. C. Memorial Hospital, mostly bedding catching on fire from a smoker.

### INFIRMARY

Students in the Infirmary yesterday included:

Brenda Jean Bryan, Lois Louise Sharp, Elizabeth Ann Reed, Bert Barrow Warren, Joseph Thomas Judd, Everett Gordon Hassel, Wayne Arnold Babb, James Arthur Ryder Jr., William Chandler Price, Michael Leoy Byers, onaid Lee Shubbin, Robert Cambell Walker, Nicholas Burton Bragg, Margaret Pennington Addison, Robert Wayne Ramsay, Gloria Lee Olds, Ann Buche, John Chalmers Eagle, Paul Anthony Quiries.

## Weather Bureau Indicates Possible Heavy Snowfall In Store For Tar Heelia

### FOUND GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

## Fitz-Simons Gets Term In Jury Guilty Verdict

Mrs. Marion Fitz-Simons was sentenced Friday night to a two to three year sentence in Women's Prison at Raleigh for manslaughter in the slaying of Miss Diana Johnson on Dec. 7 during the Playmakers' production of "Look Homeward, Angel."

Judge W. Reid Thompson handed down the sentence after a jury convicted Mrs. Fitz-Simons of manslaughter during the annual mock trial sponsored by Phi Alpha Delta legal fraternity.

Defense Attorney Stan Gertzman said that in consideration of the overwhelming evidence against his client "we were well pleased" with the two-year sentence, but added he planned to appeal.

A packed courtroom waited in silence for 20 minutes before the jury filed in to give its verdict.

Mrs. Fitz-Simons showed no emotion when the verdict was read. Gertzman, obviously shocked at the manslaughter conviction, immediately made a motion that the jury be polled. One by one the jurors stood and pronounced the verdict individually as the crowd watched in silent anticipation.

During the lengthy trial the prosecution dwelt on the fact that Mrs. Fitz-Simons' diary was discovered after the killing and that in it was a notation in Mrs. Fitz-Simons' hand writing to the effect that she intended to kill Miss Johnson if ever an opportunity were afforded her.

Florist David Evans testifying for the state told the jurors he recognized the flower pot used in

the slaying as one which he had sold to Mrs. Fitz-Simons. This evidence given by Evans was considered by Gertzman as the most damaging to his client's case.

The prosecution called witnesses who testified to the fact that Mrs. Fitz-Simons prior to the slaying had threatened Miss Johnson's life with a foot-long hatpin. Mrs. Walter Spearman testified that Mrs. Fitz-Simons told her that she would kill Miss Johnson. Betty Green, also testified that Mrs. Fitz-Simons had made similar threats against Miss Johnson's life.

Bob Ketter testifying in behalf of the state said he had heard the defendant threatening Miss Johnson.

In a surprise move the defense produced witnesses to prove that these incidents prior to the death were not connected in any degree with the slaying itself.

Harry Davis and Foster Fitz-Simons testified that these threats Mrs. Fitz-Simons made toward Miss Johnson were planned by them in order to help Miss Johnson "get into character" for her role in the Playmakers' production of "Look Homeward, Angel."

Mrs. Fitz-Simons took the stand and testified that the entire affair was "extremely unfortunate" and that the incidents prior to the accident had no connection whatsoever.

"We were only trying to help her," Mrs. Fitz-Simons said.

The defense apparently proved to the satisfaction of the jury that the assertions of the prosecution

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The U. S. Weather Bureau at the Raleigh-Durham Airport last night issued warnings of possible heavy snow for the already snow-covered eastern part of North Carolina.

According to the Chief Forecaster, a storm center located in the Gulf of Mexico had failed to develop but that it was highly probable that North Carolina might be dumped with upwards of six inches of snow.

According to the Forecaster, the weather pattern now being formed is unlike that of Thursday morning which positively indicated heavy snowfall.

Snow began late yesterday afternoon in Alabama and Georgia, with snow beginning in the mountains of western North Carolina about 3 p.m. and extending out as far as Charlotte.

An 8 p.m. Associated Press weather advisors stated that snow was falling as far north as Columbia, S. C., with the note that N. C. was heavily threatened with accumulations of six inches of snow.

The threat of snow, or snowfall, depending upon further storm developments, should be over Sunday night with the temperature expected to drop very low, according to the weather bureau.

Persons have been asked to keep in contact with latest weather advisory as they will become more specific as to the areas and amount of snowfall to expect.

### BULLETIN

The UNC debaters in the New York Hall of Fame Debating Tournament posted an 8-0 record to place second in the standings behind St. Joseph's of Philadelphia in a field of 43 teams. Third place was tied between Princeton, Dartmouth, St. Peter's, and Georgetown. Second place was awarded on an individual point score basis.

## Dr. Howell Fills Five Difficult Positions; Has Gained Distinction In Each Of Five

By ANN A. SMITH  
Professor of English, secretary of the faculty, author of a prize-winning book, world traveler and adviser to foreign students—five people?

No, one person at UNC lives each of these roles. Dr. Almonte C. Howell, a member of the University faculty since 1920, has been noted for his accomplishments in these five areas.

It is impossible to say in which field Dr. Howell has gained the most distinction. He is a man de-

voted to carrying out the responsibilities of each position. One of his duties as advisor to foreign students is a relatively new job, and Dr. Howell was eager to discuss the challenging task.

At the University there are 108 foreign students at the graduate and undergraduate levels in addition to about 18 people from other countries with whom Dr. Howell is concerned. Thirty-one nations are represented in the UNC student body.

"I want to help these students feel at home and to help the faculty

understand the problems of the foreign students," Dr. Howell said.

Asked about this kind of counseling, Dr. Howell told of a young student from Italy who of his own volition came as a freshman to UNC. He worked 27 hours a week at a job in order to remain in school and made a high scholastic average.

The boy, however, realized that he was doing too much: he couldn't keep on working and continue making good grades. He came to Dr. Howell with his problem. Dr. Howell in his capacity as advisor to foreign students secured for the ambitious student a scholarship which enabled him to work less outside and give more time to his books.

Dr. Howell cited other examples in his dealings with foreign students since he took over the position this fall succeeding Dr. Sturgis Leavitt.

Another achievement this year on Dr. Howell's part has been the establishment by the YW-YMCA of classes in English for foreign students. It was he who suggested the idea which was promptly put into effect.

Foreign students, he explained, read English fairly well but have difficulty in following class lectures. The course is designed to help these students understand spoken English and take notes.

Dr. Howell has learned much about foreign customs in his trips abroad. The recipient of three grants from the Department of State, he has taught in Guatemala, San Salvador and the Honduras.

In 1955-56 he was visiting professor of English literature in the National University of Seoul in South Korea.

At UNC he has two social fields of interest: teaching English composition to science students and teaching literary aspects of the Bible. Both courses are unique in certain respects.

The science writing course which is required for the B. S. degree at

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Snow-blinded squirrel playing outside Graham Memorial.

Man standing in his yard—watching his wife shovel the walk.

Red noses, the red cheeks, the red ears — and the red faces of the unfortunates who lost their equilibrium on the snow-ice.



SMILE — Eight months old Max D. Ballinger, Jr. gives a hearty endorsement to the Christmas season as Dad prepares to record his first Christmas via photograph while Mrs. Ballinger looks on. Mr. Ballinger is a third year law student and Mrs. Ballinger teaches the fourth grade at Franklin Street elementary school. The couple reside at 144 Daniels St.  
Photo by Bill Brinkhous