

# — Don't Quote Me —



## UNC's 'Ban The Bomb' Unit

### MORE LETTERS

# Need For Certainty Independence Day

High Point College is to be congratulated on its excellent choice of a baccalaureate speaker, Dr. Lisbon Pope, Dean of the Divinity School of Yale University and a native of Thomasville. He certainly knows his religion.

It has been my observation that college is very unsettling for young people, when it might very well be a "vantage point for vision—a vision that can illumine the years and the centuries just ahead."

I am not one of those people who fear that to question any of the accepted versions of religion and dogmas of the past is heresy. I believe a new and up-to-date interpretation of the Bible is in order, one that will have validity and meaning for 20th century young people. Through all the ages, religious teachers and prophets have endeavored to teach on the level of the understanding and maturity of the times in which they lived. (Analogy: the small child and Santa Claus), but when a child becomes a man, he must put away childish things. Some one has said the new new churches are the wave of the future, because they dare to interpret God in the light of a new age.

Dr. Pope quotes Sir Richard Livingstone as saying that the universities and colleges "have an influence on our world which is almost as great as that of the church on the middle ages." Youth comes to college, asking for certainty in an uncertain world. If we don't have a new certainty to put in the place of the old upset certainty, we are guilty of giving youth a stone, when he asks for bread. No great teacher, or builder of any kind,

is satisfied just to tear down. If he must demolish, he does so in order to build something better.

This doesn't mean that what he builds today won't be superseded by another interpretation tomorrow. For religion, like everything else, changes. It grows. And when we close our minds to all growth, large numbers of people desert organized religion for a world of nothingness. I don't know which is more damaging to our youth, to hold blindly to the past, or to throw the whole thing out the window. I talked to one student who was majoring in Religion, who said he didn't believe anything. Another student said after studying the history of religion, she marveled that all religion had not been killed. She was a Fundamentalist and an older person. She said the study had not affected her.

In closing I quote Dr. Pope again—"Will it be reported of us in after years, if there are those to ask and to reply that when the world asked the colleges and universities for direction and unity and leadership in the 20th century, it received a set of football scores, a program for the junior prom, an atom bomb and a great deal of discussion about the relativity of all things."

Otelia Connor

Yesterday 186 years ago, the Liberty Bell rang its deep voice all over Philadelphia, proclaiming freedom throughout the 13 then colonies of England, in what is now the United States.

For 186 years we have revered that day and we celebrate the Fourth of July with almost every conceivable festivity.

Fireworks, picnics, band concerts, and parades are common on this day, but how many of us stop to give thanks for our Independence?

We have, in the United States, a nation that is dedicated to the preservation of liberty throughout the world.

However, not only the past, but the present, and most important, the future pass through our minds on this day.

Our sights are set high, and every citizen must strive to meet our goals. We must do our best, each in our own way, to help this nation grow.

Yet there is still another thing we must look to, as we scan our history and our future.

There is an all-supreme, guiding force that inspires and encourages us. We can give thanks to God for His works.

We might offer a prayer of thanks such as the following anonymous one:

Our Lord; we have seen Thy merciful goodness, and have

# B.A. Dean's List Posted For Spring

The School of Business Administration last week announced that 47 students had qualified for the BA School's Dean List for the Spring Semester of 1962.

These students were Henry Gray Absher, Peter Burns Archer, Richard C. Bean, William Keff Beasley, Blaine W. Blevins Jr., Richard Lane Brown III, Sherrill Maynard Capps, Charles Samuel Chinnis, Charles Allred Coble, Wallace Lee Daniel Jr., John Jay Deiffell Jr., Henry White Graham, Joseph Spurgeon Harris, John Lewis Hooks.

Thomas Bryan Jackson, Robert Edward King, William Franklin Lamm, Charles Louis Leder, Clyde Toby Leff, Paul Lynn Leonard, Sammy Walter McNairy, Edward Martin Manning, Steve Findley Moore, James Elhan Pell, James Barry Pittleman, Joseph Derrel Pool, Ralph Williams Pope, Henry Howard Sandlin, Howard Lee Schweitzer, Larry Ray Shouse, Robert Dresden Skees.

Samuel Hugo Smith Jr., Larry Gordon Somers, Teddy Ray Spivey, Leonard Leathers Stewart, Joseph M. Strother, Albert Fost-

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Help our nation to be strong, and to continue to repel and extinguish from the earth, all those who would deny us our precious freedom.

We ask Thou to impart Thy wisdom to our leaders, so that they may continue to guide us in search of Thine own truth.—Amen.

Louis Rosenthal



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