

Grad Student Association Seeks To Help Individuals, UNC

The Graduate Student Association is an organization to carry on activities relevant to both the individual graduate student and the University at large, according to Peter Hartjens, co-ordinator of the Graduate Student Association. GSA was organized last May

by 65 graduate students. An eight-man interim executive committee, composed of two each from the humanities, natural sciences, professional schools, and social sciences, was appointed at the time to "work intensely" over the summer in evaluating the role of the graduate student.

Hartjens said the committee created a number of standing committees dealing with various issues relevant to graduate students and planned

a meeting for the graduate student orientation, to be held today.

Hartjens will address the meeting, informing all incoming graduate students of the status of the Association and asking them to fill out questionnaires inquiring as to their ideas about GSA.

Returning graduate students will be given the questionnaires during their registration.

Hartjens explained GSA has

shifted its emphasis from the original role of confronting the University administration to one of acting as an organization which gathers information from the various academic departments concerning the handling of student problems and disseminating that information to the other departments.

The change was due to a feeling on the part of the interim committee that the various departments were basically autonomous as far as the apportioning of funds within their departments.

GSA will continue to deal with University and community problems, he said.

Hartjens said he had talked over the summer with Student Body President Ken Day and the two had expressed a common hope to co-ordinate the operation of GSA with that of Student Government.

A general meeting of all graduate students is planned in the near future to discuss the future role of the GSA.

Carolina Prof Accepts Chair At Oxford

Fletcher Green, designated by generations of his students in American history as "The Master Teacher," will become the Harmsworth Professor at Queens College, Oxford University, England in late September.

Forty-eight years a teacher of history and more than 30 years a member of the faculty of the University of North Carolina, Kenan Professor Fletcher M. Green has retired at Chapel Hill and has accepted the unique chair at Oxford for the 1968-69 year.

Prof. Green will lecture on two subjects: "Slavery and Secession-Up to 1862" and a general course in "American History From Early Colonial Days to 1845."

One of the chief differences Mr. Green expects in lecturing at Chapel Hill and at Oxford relates to class participation by the students—asking questions and two-way communication between teacher and students. It is not customary that students in Oxford colleges ask questions during class periods.

"I will welcome questions," said Green, "and I hope to encourage them. But I am prepared to speak the lectures as traditionally delivered, and will adjust to circumstances as I find them."

A new trend in England towards greater class participation has been noted, and historian Green will feel comfortable when interrupted or challenged.

University Requests Moderate Water Use

University Lake, Chapel Hill's water reservoir, is "down" 200 million gallons. But there is no reason to call for curbs, at the present time, on water use at the University of North Carolina and the town of Chapel Hill.

However, residents are asked "to be moderate in use of water." The situation is not bad enough to ask for drastic reduction in water use at the moment.

The capacity of University Lake is 600 million gallons. There are at present 400 million gallons in the lake.

The average daily use of water in Chapel Hill during the past few weeks have been 4 million gallons per day. When all students are back and the University begins the year next week, the daily consumption will reach 5 million gallons of water.

Water in the University Lake is down today 55 inches from the spillway—the lowest point since 1954 when it dropped to 66 inches below the spillway. It is now going down at the rate of one inch per day. In 1954 local water users were asked to stop watering lawns and stop washing cars. The drought in 1954 was not relieved until Hurricane Hazel hit in October.

During the past 12 months

Chapel Hillians, including the University, used one billion 200 million gallons of water, or twice the capacity of the University Lake in the one-year period.

Plans are underway, looking to the future, for raising the height of the dam at the lake, so that the capacity of the reservoir will be enlarged to take care of growth and other foreseeable needs.

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