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SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS for the June graduating class in 1945 were (1-r) Betty Lou Cypert, Treasurer; Wynette (Winkie) White, Vice-P esident; John Waldroup, President; and Richard Willingham, Secretary. Below, officers of the February graduating class included President Charles Hackney and Secretary-Treasurer Lois Ribelin Cran-



'45.1've been happy with both.

Yes, I guess whatever it was I came to

Chapel Hill looking for I got. And that's

about all I'm inspired to write on my as-

signed subject. So now I can get on with

the mellower thoughts that cross my

mind as I ponder Carolina then and now.

20th reunion that "some of those folks

have changed so much they didn't even

go class that it's not only the changes

time has wrought-there are a lot of

members of the class of '45 who never

coeds who graduated in June of '45 had

even arrived! And so it was with many of

us. Thus, a 25th reunion of our class gets

us together with new friends as well as

Tremendous Changes

Veteran Students Hold

New Organization

zation for themselves.

serial number, and rank.

reteran group at Carolina.

Meeting; Plan To Form

Forty out of 65 medically-discharged

veterans now enrolled at the University

met last night (Oct. 6, 1944) in the

Horace Williams Lounge of Graham

Memorial to discuss setting of an organi-

up a constitution were voted down when

the men pointed out that they did not

feel prepared to commit themselves so

quickly, nor the many veterans who

would come after them. Each introduced

himself by name and service division, but

omitted length of time in service, station,

The veterans were welcomed by Deans

House, Mackie, and Bradshaw, Profs. Guy

Phillips, W. H. Plemmons, William Perry,

and Ed Lanier. It was accepted as a fact

hat they would start some kind of a

GRAHAM MAY RETURN

The possibility that President Frank

raham may return to the University of

orth Carolina was brought out recently

ovember, 1944) when Graham asked

esident Roosevelt that he be released

m his duties with the War Labor

Motions to name committees and draw

The war made ours such a come-and-

recognize us!"

brought us together.

forties.

H. C. observed rather aptly after our



For All the Changes Through the Years, the One Thing

She Can't Accept Casually Is Today's Boy-Girl Dormitory

By Lois Ribelin Cranford, '45

years at Carolina. Well, to tell you the truth, I'm not sure I ever knew just what I expected-though I

guess I got it: H. C. in the fall of '43 (which originally was my senior year), and a journalism degree in February of

Living nearby in Durham, we have watch-

ed them as they were happening . . . the

village bursting out of its village ways as

our lovely little University exploded into

what seems to us now like our old school

plus several others all rolled into one

My assignment from the editor was a little loose-something on what I expected and what I got out of my

Carolina Coed/Mother Reflects . . .

Silver Anniversary in Perspective

That 'Painful Optimism' of '45: -Was It Justifiable Then or Today?

By CHARLES WICKENBERG

We were the last class, June 1945, before The Bomb.

It exploded into history two months later, August 14, a towering, deadly mushroom shaped exclamation point for mankind. The end of World War Two, it was also

Former Editor of The Tar Heel Discovers '25 Years Come Down Hard Sometimes'

the beginning of our incredible quarter century.

We fathered and mothered a new gen-

Terrible Cost of Wars Felt Acutely In Class of '45; 23 Died in Service

The terrible cost of World War II and the Korean War was felt acutely by the Class of '45. Of the scores who fought with the military services, 23 died in conflict or in service-connected accidents. The General Alumni Office compiled

this list of the class war dead: ROBERT ALEXANDER AIRD, JR., from Woodside, N.Y., AAF Lt., killed in motorcycle accident in Foggia, Italy,

1946. JAMES CLARENCE ATKINS, from Raleigh, Army Sgt. with 97th Div., landed with troops in invasion of Okinawa and was killed in action on April 11,

RALPH THOMAS BYERS, from Shelby, killed when his plane crashed on Mount Taylor, New Mexico, Dec. 17,

JESSE WILSON COLE, from Sanford, S/Sgt., 8th AAF and tail turret gunner on B-24 Liberator; was awarded Air Medal for meritorious achievement in accomplishing aerial operational missions over occupied Continental Europe; killed in

action over Germany on Nov. 26, 1944. CHARLES NORWOOD COLEMAN, from High Point, Ensign in Naval Air Corps., killed Feb. 2, 1945 when his small Navy plane crashed in takeoff at Pasco,

WILLIAM BURGAN EDWARDS, from Graham, Lt., killed in action on May 22, 1945.

LEWIS MARSHALL FOSTER, from Southmont, Pvt. in Military Intelligence in infantry, killed in action near Cassino, Italy on Feb. 17, 1944 while serving with a Headquarters Observation Post.

ROBERT HUGH GORDON, from Spencer, T/5 in Army, killed in action in Europe on Dec. 15, 1944.

STANLEY PHILIP GRANGER, from Reading, Pa., Pfc., 157th Inf., Co. C, 45th Thunderbird Div., injured in march on Rome and died when his evacuation hospital was bombed by enemy planes on

EDWIN HAYNES GREGORY, from Halifax, Pfc. in paratroops, stationed in New Guinea, May to Nov. 1944, received Silver Star; killed in action on Leyte on Dec. 21, 1944.

AUGUSTUS HAMILTON, JR., from Fayetteville, 1st Lt., AAF, P-47 fighter pilot, killed in action in France on July 14, 1944. ERNEST HORTER, from Balboa,

Canal Zone, Lt. (jg), Navy, his 4-engine transport plane crashed off Kwajalein, Sept. 1950, en route to Korea. GEORGE HOWARD, JR., from Tar-

boro, missing in typhoon at Okinawa, Oct. 9, 1945. WILLIAM B. HYATT, from Winston-

Salem, Pvt., US Army, died at Moore General Hospital on March 27, 1944 after a serious illness of some time. HAROLD FREDRICK KRAUSS,

from Fayetteville, 2nd Lt., 434th Fighter Sqd., 479th Fighter Grp., 8th AAF, flew P-51 Mustang; died as a result of wounds received in Germany, April 16, 1945; Air Medal awarded posthumously.

JOHN CURRIE McLEOD, from Max-(See '45 WAR DEAD, Page Four)

No Smoking!

Chancellor House, in a letter to all faculty members, has stated that students should not be allowed to smoke while in

His statement has been generally interpreted by professors to mean that all smoking by both civilian and military students is to be discontinued.

Faculty members interviewed by The Tar Heel were "heartily in favor" of the policy and said that they do not think it is fair to allow civilian students to smoke while they are in classes with military students who are not permitted to do so.

A long-term building program to pro-

vide for a greatly expanded post-war stu-

dent body of seven or eight thousand

students has just been announced (Oct.

Expected to get under way early next

17, 1944) by Dean R. B. House.

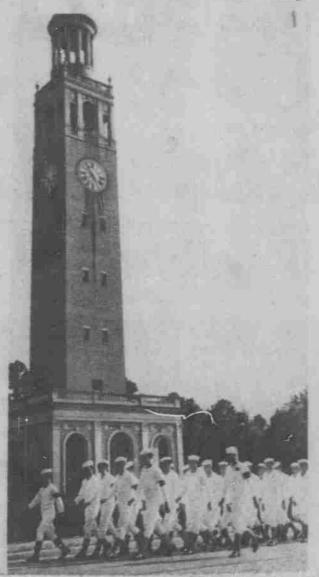
Long-Range Post-War Building Plans

For 10 Years Given by Dean House

eration, those lean, strangely dressed questioning ones with an eye cocked on the end of the world.

They grew up taking for granted jets, television, space travel, men on the moon, nuclear power plants, transplanted hearts, drugs, cars, nudity, unblushing profanity and maturity.

There have since been six presidents of the United States, and the nation is larger



Carolina Cadence '45

Now the Executive News Editor of the State-Record newspapers in Columbia, S.C., Charles H. Wickenberg Jr., came to Carolina as a U.S. Marine, during which time in 1945 he was Editor of The Tur Heel.

by two states. The leaders of that Old World have died into today's history books along with the events that marked our youth.

We've been through a Cold War and the Marshall Plan, Whittaker Chambers and Joe McCarthy, Korea and Cuba-and now Indochina, NATO and SEATO, The Great Society and The New Frontice, "All deliberate speed" and "At once."

Assassination, violence, riots, and ugly underground movements at ends of the political and color spectrums have crowded into the years along with the hoolahoop and mini-things.

Those 25 years come down hard,

It is easy to recall the warm, spring days of 1945 in Chapel Hill when things smelled sweet and fresh and the evening was something to look forward to despite the military curfew. It is all misty and nostalgic with memories of pretty girls.

Another campus, another year-U.S.C. at Columbia two weeks ago-spans the time with more vivid recollection of the stinging hurt of rocks thrown madly and the eye-scalding and throat-burning pepper gas loosened by National Guardsmen on students violating another kind of

It seems such a long way from the pious editing of The Tar Heel to running blindly for refuge, gassed four times in one night for another story, another era. The years came down hard again only

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Dr. Frank Reviews UNC's Heritage -From World War II to Viet Nam

By Dr. Frank P. Graham

The members of the Class of 1945 were here at the difficult beginning of the Second World War. In 1970, you are here for your twenty-fifth reunion at the difficult beginning of what we hope will be the ending of the war in Viet Nam.

As I look in the faces and scan the lively events recorded in your own Yackety Yack, a tidal wave of previous memories of you and your stirring years together in scholary, athletic and campus affairs, prompts me gratefully to recall in this fragmentary note that you, your college mates, and your generation around the globe, won the Second War.

Some 30,000 youths, including the Pre-Flight School cadets, trained here on their way to the farthest fronts. Many of you dear to us all never returned from the Atlantic-African-European and Pacific-Asian fronts. They gave in the promising bloom of their youth "the last full measure of devotion" in the struggle against Nazi racism and its tyranny across the far reaches of a threatened world.

of 10 years. Addition of two wings to the

University Library, built in 1927, is the

first project. Another major one is a new

building to house the School of Com-

fire-proof building near Wilson Hall

(zoology). The present NROTC Armory

is to be replaced by a permanent struc-

ture which will be located in a more con-

venient place on campus and will provide

greatly improved facilities for the Depart-

ment of Naval Science and Tactics. The

plan also calls for the construction of a

the Department of Romance Languages,

now in Murphey Hall, the Koch Memorial

Theatre to replace the Playmakers Thea-

tre. A religious center to replace the

present YMCA building, five new dormi-

tories, and a new shop building for the

UNC repair shops. The University is also

planning to help in rebuilding of the

Chapel Hill High School which was de-

pletion of the University Power Plant by

addition of a soot eliminator, thus solving

a problem which is becoming acute for

some of the residents of the western part

Another important project is the com-

stroyed by fire two years ago.

of town.

Other plans include a new building for

coliseum to be used by the NROTC.

Botany will be housed in a modern

merce, now housed in Bingham Hall.

Dr. Frank P. Graham, continuing keen of mind though he is frail of body sends his greetings to the Class of '45. Restricted to his home with his sister in Chapel Hill, Mrs. Shipp G. Sanders at 240 Glandon Drive, he recalls the dark cays when members of the Class of '45 were on campus during World War II.

From the time of the knock-out blows at Pearl Harbor, you put your lives on the line in Africa, the Normandy beaches, the drives across France and Germany, the perilous Pacific seas, heroic islands and the hazardous air, all the way from Midway to Guadalcanal to Okinawa, the last gateway to Japan where the curtain fell on the final scenes of the tragic drama. Out of it all was born the United Na-

tions without which there would probably have been a third world war and which today stands in dire need of more ade-



'Dr. Franh' in '45 (Photo by Charles Wickenberg)

quate support and strength in ministering to the needs of the people in the nuclear

Today on the home front you are in the forward lines of the struggle for the equal freedom and dignity of people in increasing response to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights mothered through the United Nations by a great American lady who became in her lifetime the first woman of the world.

Your Alma Mater which obeyed the law of the land as it then stood by actions of the Supreme Court nevertheless sought to prepare your minds and hearts for the times which were ultimately to come in new decisions of the Supreme Court as the law of the land in all the States for equal justice under law in progressive fulfillment of the principles of the great Declaration of Independence for which the

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The faces of almost all of the 3,000 or so students that were at UNC in 1943 Facts & Figures Weight & Waist

giant institution.

even saw each other until reunions Facts and "Figures" on weight, waist, For example, H. C. left for the Marine and hair loss for '45. Corps in September 1943, before the

WEIGHT: 296 responses on questionnaires; gain was 5,022 lbs.

Average weight gain-17 lbs. per alum. Total class membership-1,156 Extension of figures-19,652 lbs. gain-

But we all were here in an era we coned by entire class-10 tons! sidered very special and we share some Eight people did not respond to very special memories of Chapel Hill and weight question-all women. the University in the early and mid-Only 25 of 296 lost weight, or 8%;

biggest weight loss was 17 lbs. Largest weight gains-82 lbs. and 80 lbs.; both of these were M.D.'s (Milam &

There have been some tremendous Cornwell). changes at the "Hill" in these 25 years. WAIST:

> 275 responses on questionnaires; gain was 990 inches. Average waist increase—four inches per

Extension of figures-4,624 inches gained by entire class; 128 yards; 1-1/3 football fields-13 first downs. 53 people did not respond to waist

question-mostly women. Only 3 of 275 lost inches or 1%.

were at least familiar to me. And I could put a name to probably one-fourth of them then. (But, please, this weekend wear your name tag at all times, and I hope whoever prints the names will write boldly, because "approaching" middle age is sure dulling my name-calling ability, even if the face hasn't changed.)

Now with something like 16,000 students on campus, I'm afraid that feeling of "closeness" to everybody who loved Chapel Hill that I remember as "typical" of our college days is hopelessly lost to this mod generation which seems to regard dear old Chapel College as "the establishment"-which one is supposed to be against-and they rebel at its restrictions and its authority, even its motiva-

Security in Authority But AUTHORITY it was back in the

mid-forties-in caps and underlined. And I can't remember rebellious feelings toward it-I think I felt more secure because of its Authority.

I do remember when a coed in Spencer Dorm (and a Valkyrie at that) got expelled because somebody went snoopin' and unearthed a bottle of bourbon in a suitcase under her bed. Although personally I objected-even then-to the idea of the housemother's going through a suitcase under the girl's bed, I was very silent about it. I wouldn't have dared protest-would you? Today there'd be less hubbub if she'd been caught growing pot in her windowbox!

These days, for a mere \$12 a year, a coed can rent a refrigerator from the University for her dorm room and manufacture her own setups!

Can't you just visualize the spon-(See COED MOTHER, Page Four)



But there was always Hogan's Lake . .

year, the program is planned for a period