NEWSLETTER

Department of Classics December, 1964 University of North Carolina

FACULTY

Kenan Professor Emeritus B. L. ULLMAN was awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Letters by the University at the University Day ceremonies on October 12. "Inspiring teacher, painstaking scholar, gracious friend, to quote from the citation, "Dr. Ullman vividly demonstrates in his career extending over half a century the qualities of the great Renaissance humanists who brought about the revival of the classics." Dr. Ullman, the citation continues, is "honored both here and in Europe for his energetic service as a scholar and statesman in the learned world." Professor Albert Suskin, Chairman of the Department, presented Professor Ullman to Chancellor Sharpe for the presentation of the degree.

Professor T. ROBERT S. BROUGHTON has accepted an appointment as Paddison Professor of Classics here. Professor Broughton's recent work, The Magistrates of the Roman Republic, a fundamental reference work for students of Roman history, has received the Award of Merit of the American Philological Association. It is one of many books and articles which have made Professor Broughton a leader in his field.

On November 16 the Department of Classics sponsored a lecture by Professor BENJAMIN D. MERITT entitled "The Athenian Defense Against Persia." Professor Meritt, a member of the faculty of the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, New Jersey, since 1935, has made his office a center for the study of Athenian inscriptions. He himself is the author of numerous books and articles, dealing principally with Athenian financial documents and the Athenian calendar. His lecture stressed the importance of the recently discovered decree of Themistocles in interpreting the events of 480 B.C.

Our international faculty: Professor FRANCO MINARDI, Visiting Professor of Classics, took advantage of the Thanksgiving holiday to make a lightning visit to Italy. He took time to stop in Rome and give two lectures in Messina before returning. Professor BERTE MARTI is pursuing her researches at Rome this fall, but will return for her regular spring semester of teaching to Chapel Hill.

At the meeting of the North Carolina Classical Association held at Duke on November 7 Professor EDWIN BROWN presented a lecture on special features of Vergil's poetic art. A few days previously Mr. Brown had read a similar paper for the Philological Club. Professor PHILIP STADTER spoke at the same meeting on a less abstruse feature of another poet's art: Plautus' representation of inebriation in his dialogue. A forum discussion on the future of the Latin curriculum in North Carolina was presided over by Professor B. L. ULLMAN. At the business meeting Professor KENNETH RECKFORD was elected president of the NCCA and PHILIP STADTER was re-elected secretary-treasurer. The NCCA voted to accept the invitation of the Department of Classics and hold its 1965 meeting in Chapel Hill.

The University of North Carolina was also well represented at the Southern section meeting of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South held over the Thanksgiving holiday in Charleston. Professor HENRY IMMERWAHR reported on a most interesting ball in Boston: a small late sixth century Greek terracotta ball, with a rattle inside, made to imitate a regular playing ball, but decorated with scenes similar to those found on vases, as well as inscriptions, one of which (I am of Myrrhinus) identifies it as belonging to a young lady. Professor HUBERT MARTIN presented an analysis of Plutarch's Amatorius. Professor ROBERT S. ROGERS
of Duke, who is teaching a seminar at UNC this year, spoke on Mentagra in Rome, and LEON GOLDEN, visiting fellow in the Duke-UNC Combined Program in the Humanities, moderated a symposium on Classical Education in America. Also attending the meeting were Professors ALBERT SUSKIN and KENNETH BECKFORD.

Mrs. IRIS FRIEDERICH, who had been absent for a term visiting her home in Australia, returned to full activity in Murphey Hall this fall. She is joined on the distaff side by Mrs. SARA IMMERWAHR, who is teaching a course in Early Aegean Archaeology, and Mrs. LUCIA STADTER, who is teaching two lower level Latin courses. Mrs. Stadter is occasionally seen in Murphey Hall accompanied by a new arrival, her son Paul, born last May.

ACTIVITY IN MURPHEY HALL

The first meeting of the UNC Classics Club was held in October. The guest speaker, Professor HENRY IMMERWAHR, gave an informal talk on temples and sanctuaries in Greece, illustrated with slides taken during his stay in Athens last spring. The newly-formed club elected BILL WEST president, JIM GRAVES secretary-treasurer, and ROSANNE CAGACE social chairman. Coffee and cookies were served after the meeting.

On October 22 the North Carolina Society of the Archaeological Institute of America presented a public lecture by Richard D. Barnett of the British Museum on the subject of ancient transportation from Sumer to Hellas.

Distinguished visitors to the UNC campus and the Department of Classics have included HUGH LLOYD-JONES, Regius Professor of Greek at Oxford and presently visiting professor at Yale, and Professors ERIC TURNER, of University College, London, the general editor of the Oxyrhynchus Papyri. Both spoke informally to interested graduate students and faculty members on recent work with papyri.

Mrs. SUZANNE TARR has assumed the job of part-time secretary and typist in the Department.

The Institute for Latin Teachers was so successful in 1963 that it will be repeated this summer with an enlarged program. Professor ALBERT SUSKIN, director of the Institute, announces that courses in Vergil and Cicero will be complemented by courses in Greek and Roman Civilization and a Survey of Greek Literature, for which knowledge of the languages will not be required.

GRADUATE STUDENTS

This summer was the season for marriage, as JACK CATLIN took to wife Janet Green, and BILL WEST Joanne Garrett.

Other important changes of status have been made by TED CRANE, who received his Ph.D., and by WILLIAM E. CUNNINGHAM, DONALD WADE, LOUIS PALANCA, AND JANICE Pritchard, who have received their M. A. degree.
ALUMNI

At the CMWS meeting in Charleston, alumni of the Department giving papers included EDWARD E. BEST, JR., of the University of Georgia, RICHARD M. FRAZER, JR. of Tulane, WILLIAM C. PERRINE of the University of Richmond, BENNY R. REECE of Furman University, TALBOT R. SELBY of the University of Richmond, JAMES N. SETTLE of Duke, and ROBERT E. WOLVERTON of Florida State University.

IVY M. HIXSON (M.A., 1932, Ph.D., 1952) finds that her responsibilities as Academic Dean at Salem College leave her time to teach only one course.

VAN COURTLANDT ELLIOTT (M. A., 1929, Ph.D., 1932) when last heard from was still Chairman of the Department of Classics at Roxbury Latin School (Boston) and Associate Secretary of the Medieval Academy of America.

ANN FLEMING DEAGON (M. A., 1951, Ph.D., 1954) is teaching at Guilford College. Under other activities on the postcards sent out for the Newsletter, she lists two daughters, Andrea and Ellen, now 6 and 2 respectively.

The present location of graduate students who have left Murphey in the course of the year:

MD ALLISON, King College, Bristol, Tennessee.
GINNY BROWN, 6 Ash Street, Cambridge 28, Massachusetts (she is studying Arabic at Harvard).
TED CRANE, William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia.
GRIER DAVIS, Reed College, Portland, Oregon
BILL AND CYNTHIA KING, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.
LEWIS HAYMES, Western Kentucky State Teachers College, Bowling Green, Kentucky.
HARRY LACEY, Casady School, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
JANICE PRITCHARD, St. Agnes School, Alexandria, Virginia.
BARNEY RICKENBACKER, teaching both at Wake Forest and at Salem College,
Winston-Salem, North Carolina.
JIM WILSON, Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem.

Philip Stadter, Editor
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NOTE: The editor welcomes and encourages contributions of any news items about, or of interest to, alumni of the Department of Classics.