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F. Carter Williams, AIA

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"We wish to extend our sincere congratulations to you, the editor, editorial board, and others of the North Carolina Chapter, American Insti-
The officers and directors of the North Carolina Chapter of the American Institute of Architects are gratified with the recent formation of the Guilford Council of Architects as reported in this issue of our magazine. The Guilford Council along with those of Raleigh and Charlotte will be of inestimable value in their localities in furthering the exchange of knowledge among our members, and in extending the scope of our relations with and service to the public.

The central pages of this issue outline the official program and social activities of the Summer Meeting of the North Carolina Chapter of the American Institute of Architects to be held in Atlantic Beach, North Carolina, June 24, 25 and 26. In addition to the general business and social activities, we also will receive first hand reports of the South Atlantic Regional Conference held in Savannah May 10, 11 and 12, as well as of the National Convention held in Boston the third week of this month. We anticipate the best attended and most informative meeting yet held during any Summer.

If you have not yet made your reservation for the Summer Meeting, we suggest that you do so immediately.

Your attention is invited to articles in the current issue which are of particular interest to our NCAIA Committee on the Preservation of Historic Buildings. Our Chapter joins with national, state and local organizations in the recognition of historic buildings worthy of protection, and in the promotion of public interest and the raising of funds for the purchase and restoration of these structures.

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North Carolina State College's new home for its School of Design represents a remarkable achievement in architectural design and planning in its adaption of an obsolete library building to contemporary design and use.

Funds would not have been available to the School of Design for many years for a totally new building, which would undoubtedly cost in excess of one million dollars. The School of Design, therefore, generally agreed with the college administration to take over the old Hill Library after its abandonment by the college library. A new library has recently been constructed on the college campus.

The old Hill Library, designed in the twenties by Hobart Upjohn of New York, had become obsolete as a library and it was difficult to see any adequate method of remodelling. By good preliminary planning, it is estimated that the School of Design will be able to use the space in the old library about twelve per cent more efficiently than as used by the library. The adaption of the abandoned library building, classical in design, monumental in plan and space, and deeply imbedded in the affections of thousands of former students, into a useful home for the School of Design presented many and varied problems. The successful solution to these problems through the retention of the old building and a sympathetic concession to its original architecture in the construction of a new addition, modern in construction and expression, turned what many considered an almost impossible task into a new School of Design building which is equal to those in other comparable schools.

The budget, too, represented another handicapping factor. When $75,000 was arbitrarily cut from the estimated cost without any corresponding reduction in space requirements, it made the task seem even more impossible.

The difficulty of finding a solution to these problems made the task more interesting, declared F. Carter Williams, AIA, of Raleigh, who was chosen as architect for the new home for the School of Design. Another difficulty always faced by the architect was the fact that he had as his client a group of very able and interested architects, each with a background of training and experience sufficient to produce creditable and adequate solutions. An agreement to collaborate with the staff of the School of Design was made and a contractual relationship worked out between Mr. Williams and George Matsumoto, AIA, associate professor of architecture in the School of Design. This relationship between the architect's office and the school faculty has been efficient, successful and fruitful in bringing a good plan and a fine architectural solution to the project.

Utmost attention was given to achieving economy through simplified design, repetition of structural elements, and the elimination of special custom built features. Harmony with the existing building was paramount in the decision to separate the new portion by an open connection that would not serve to distract from the symmetry and style of the old library. In addition, the same materials, brick and white Georgian marble were used in a repetitive rhythm across the facades to make pleasant neighbors of the buildings. Long wearing floor surfaces, exposed natural materials where best appear-

F. CARTER WILLIAMS, AIA

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ance and wear would result, open clear spanned areas for each of the three floors of the new building to provide the flexibility which results in future economy, and the complete utilization of the existing building with only minor structural changes were a carefully considered part of the final solution.

The initial allotment of space for the various activities is indicated on the plans. In addition to the flexibility of interior partitions, especially in the new part, the new building

with the building.

Duncan R. Stuart, associate professor of design, will execute a mural on one of the open porches, and Roy Gussow, associate professor of design, will execute a sculpture in the garden.

The School of Design was organized at North Carolina State College in 1948 when the Department of Architecture was moved from the School of Engineering and the Department of Landscape Architecture was moved from the School of Archi-

is planned for the addition of a future floor which will improve appearance in relation to the existing building and provide space for expansion and a new Department of Products Design.

A brief description of materials follows: Floors, terrazzo, marble and concrete (exterior), vinyl tile and wood in existing building. Surco on concrete of existing ground floor. Walls, exposed brick, block, plaster in existing part, (alternate consider-

ating have been made. It is hoped that funds will permit at least a beginning of this effort to show the great importance and necessity of including all arts in a proper and adequate building—especially one that is to serve as a workshop for training future architects.

John Lippard of Charlotte, a 1950 graduate of the School of Design in Landscape Architecture, is the landscape architect and will do the grounds and garden in connection
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James A. Stenhouse, AIA, architect of Charlotte and a member of the firm of J. N. Pease & Company, has become the most prominent figure in the State in matters pertaining to the preservation of historic sites.

Recently he was appointed by Governor Umstead to the newly created "Historic Sites Commission" and elected Chairman of that body. Also recently he was elected President of the "North Carolina Archaeological Society." In addition to these offices, Mr. Stenhouse is "Preservation Officer of North Carolina" for the American Institute of Architects in the National Program and he is State Chairman of the A.I.A. Committee for the Preservation of Historic Buildings." He is also a member of the "National Trust for Historic Preservation" which was created by Congress. Other organizations with which he is affiliated are "The North Carolina Society for the Preservation of Antiquities," "The Society of Architectural Historians" and "The North Carolina Literary and Historical Society."

In recognition of his work in the field of historic preservation, Mr. Stenhouse was recently named "The Tar Heel of the Week" by the Raleigh News and Observer and his activities were featured in a half page biographical sketch.

In 1951 he was recipient of the Cannon Award for his historical research in Mecklenburg County and vicinity. His finds were recorded in a book entitled "Journeys into History" and shown on a map which locates all the historic sites. He has followed this book with another entitled "Exploring Old Mecklenburg."

Mr. Stenhouse makes no pretense at being a historian, author, or archaeologist. These are avocations only, developed with his concern about the way all traces of our early history were being obliterated. Practically all of his spare time now goes to recording the location of some lost site or recording a bit of history that has come down by word of mouth. Time also must be given to fulfilling speaking engagements which come on an average of once a week. He finds that the desire to hear more about the work being done in preservation is prevalent throughout the U. S. Thinking people who can appreciate their heritage and are becoming concerned over the fact that our historic buildings are disappearing. This type of thinking together with the increased interest in architecture and other fine arts is an encouraging indication that the U. S. is becoming a more cultured nation.

The American Institute of Architects, in an act befitting this worthy organization, adopted a resolution at the 1951 Convention to create the "Committee for the Preservation of Historic Buildings." This resolution stated: "WHEREAS, recent jeopardy to and disfigurement of certain historic American buildings of merit has recently occurred, arising from widespread and general ignorance of their cultural, architectural and historic value; and WHEREAS, such jeopardy, disfigurement and also destruction continues to threaten our architectural heritage; and WHEREAS, the architectural profession is peculiarly fitted and is duty bound to meet this menacing situation, therefore BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of the American Institute of Architects initiate a nation-wide education campaign through its Chapters, in order to protect our historic buildings, in advance of possible destruction and preserve them for posterity.

The government of North Carolina also became alarmed at the wanton destruction and desecration of our historic buildings and recently the General Assembly enacted a bill to create "The Historic Sites Commission." This Act states in part: "The duties of said Commission shall be to determine criteria
for the approval of historic and archaeological sites, buildings, and other properties for State aid and fully to investigate and to consider from a historical standpoint all real property, with or without buildings thereon, which may be considered to be such historic or archaeological site as would justify the acquisition and ownership thereof by the State of North Carolina."

The members of this Commission, in addition to Mr. Stenhouse, are:

Dr. Paul Reed, President of Western Carolina College; Dr. Hugh T. Lefler, Head of the Department of History at the University of North Carolina; Elizabeth Stevenson Ives of Southern Pines, President of the Moore County Historical Society; William T. Polk, Editor of the Greensboro Daily News; and Dr. Christopher Crittenton, Director of the Department of Archives of History.

These commissioners are now in the process of evaluating the historic sites in the State.

Before this commission was created, Mr. Stenhouse had, as Preservation Officer, made an inventory of over six hundred places. More are added as they are found. From this list the most worthy must be selected.

The criteria of the commission does not state that the subject must have architectural design merit although this is considered as one of the rating points. There are very few old buildings in the state which can qualify as good architectural design.

The archaeologists play a prominent part in the restoration work. They are generally first on the site, doing all the exploratory digging and research on such sites as Fort Raleigh, Tryon’s Palace, Brunswick Town, Town Creek Indian Village and Pettigrew Plantation. All sites of aboriginal inhabitation come within the scope of the commission as do battlefields, forts, log cabins and all other historic places.

In private business, Mr. Stenhouse is Chief Architect of J. N. Pease & Company. Mr. Pease and Mr. Stenhouse started this firm in 1939, Mr. Stenhouse was Vice-President of the Charlotte Council of Architects during the past year.

ARCHITECTS & BUILDERS

HEADS ELKS ASSOCIATION
Raymond Fuson, New Bern architect, has been elected President of the North Carolina State Elks association for the coming year. Mr. Fuson was elected at the Asheville convention of the group in May. Thirty-six lodges in North Carolina make up the state association.

ADDRESS INSTITUTE
Edward Loewenstein, AIA, of Greensboro was one of the principal speakers at the summer session of the Realtors Institute of the North Carolina Association of Real Estate Boards at Chapel Hill June 17. Mr. Loewenstein particularly discussed cooperative activities between real estate men and architects in the development of housing and commercial construction projects.

SALES REPRESENTATIVE
Edward G. Kornegay has been appointed sales representative for the McKinney Manufacturing Company of Pittsburgh, Pa. From headquarters at 2814 Virginia Avenue in Charlotte, Mr. Kornegay will cover the wholesale and retail hardware field, architects, builders and industries for the McKinney hardware line. His territory includes North Carolina, South Carolina, Eastern Tennessee, and all of Georgia except Atlanta.

HOME AGENTS SPEAKER
North Carolina home demonstration agents from all parts of the state will hear Edward Loewenstein, AIA, of Greensboro during the annual institute for home demonstration agents at the Woman’s College of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro June 27. Mr. Loewenstein will speak on the general subject of low cost housing, design, newer thinking and ideas in architecture. The course is sponsored by the college’s Department of Home Economics.

RAISED TO FELLOW
Among 21 architects raised to the rank of fellow by AIA are Adolph Budina of Richmond, Va., for public service; Sanford Williams Goin of Gainesville, Fla., for public service and service to AIA; Louis F. Smither of Roanoke, Va., for public service and service to AIA; Samuel Homsey of Wilmington, Del., for design; and Marion Sims Wyeth of Palm Beach, Fla., for design.

HONOR WINNERS
Special honors have gone to Sculptor Julian Hoke Harris of Atlanta, Ga., who has been announced as the winner of AIA’s fine arts medal for 1954; to Sculptor Lee Lawrie of Easton, Md., winner of the President’s Medal of the Architectural League of New York; and to Joseph N. Smith, III, of Miami, Fla., as winner of the Birch Burdette Long Memorial Prize for the best architectural rendering.

HIGGINS INJURED
John C. Higgins, Jr., AIA, of Higgins and Ferebee of Charlotte, suffered a fractured foot and sprained ankle recently in a fall, while taking measurements in the attic of an old church building. Mr. Higgins has returned to his office, but will be in a cast for several weeks.

NAMED TO BOARD
W. E. Freeman, of Greenville, S. C., has been named to the South Carolina State Board of Architectural Examiners by Governor James F. Byrnes. Mr. Freeman will serve until May 12, 1959. He succeeds Heyword S. Singley of Columbia, who resigned recently.

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OFFICIAL PROGRAM

THURSDAY, JUNE 24

12:00 Noon  Registration Begins
2:00 P.M. Committee Meetings
8:00 P.M. Committee Meetings
9:00 P.M. Executive Committee Meeting

FRIDAY, JUNE 25

10:00 A.M. Reports of Committees

PROGRAM:
  Archie R. Davis, AIA, Chairman

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2:30 P.M. Reports of Committees

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  Joseph B. King, AIA, Co-Chmn.
SATURDAY, JUNE 26

10:00 A.M. Reports of Committees

PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS:
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Reports of Officers
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ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY, JUNE 24

5:00 P.M. Cocktails North Carolina Concrete Masonry Assn., Host

6:30 P.M. Dinner North Carolina Chapter, AIA, Host

FRIDAY, JUNE 25

10:00 A.M. Ladies Bridge and Canasta

1:00 P.M. Luncheon F. Graham Williams Co., Host

3:30 P.M. Boat Trip

SATURDAY, JUNE 26

1:00 P.M. Buffet Luncheon Lloyd A. Fry Roofing Co., Host—Children Invited


3:30 P.M. Cocktails Mabie-Bell Company, Host Morehead City and adjoining waters. Leave from Gulf Dock. Children invited.

5:30 P.M. Cocktails Captain Bill's Waterfront Restaurant, Timber Structures, Inc., Host.

6:00 P.M. Sea Food Dinner
European Character Marks Old Salem Restoration

European in character was the description given to the village of Salem, now a part of Winston-Salem, by an Englishman when he chanced upon it on a visit through the South early in 1800.

The character of the village of good brick, frame and half-timbered structures surrounding a public square in a planned town; a village with paved streets, two schools, one for girls and one for boys, a large church with a clock in it, a Brothers' House and a Sisters' House, where young people could learn to become useful citizens, either as artisans or homemakers, amazed the traveler—this village was located in a wilderness section of North Carolina more than 200 miles from the Atlantic coast.

The community reflected a dignified simplicity with great warmth of character and a love of good materials and workmanship; a harmonious blending of foreign ideas by master craftsmen, with nothing of the elegant and elaborate decoration so popular in that day.

The village was built almost entirely from the natural resources and raw materials of the area, and each building was erected to conform to certain spacing and alignment along the streets. Similarly the out-buildings likewise were placed in patterns dictated by fire protective measures, and other regulations in the control of the place. A strict building code had been instituted in 1788.

The little village was founded in 1766 by Moravians who had come from Pennsylvania to establish a mission center. A deeply religious people, they believed in great simplicity in living. They were of strong self-discipline—were educators, good musicians and fine craftsmen. They lived a highly organized life.

These settlers or their ancestors stemmed in origin from England, the Palatinate, Denmark, Switzerland, Moravia, Saxony, Alsace, Wurtemberg and the Black Forest. With them came their customs in building, substituting innovations where scarcity of materials required.

The name Salem, the Hebrew word meaning Peace, was given to the town-to-be. In founding the community, besides establishing a church center, the Moravian Brethren also were developing a trades center.

Today, much of this early Salem remains as a cornerstone in the American foundation. Out of 60 houses which stood at an early date, 40 remain and are in use. Ten of the 12 public buildings are still standing. Two of the buildings both built prior to 1800, are still under their original shingle tile roofs.

Some of the remaining unusual architectural features to be seen in the old village are: The rich, ruddy orange-brown, Beaver-tail-shaped shingle tile roofs made from the soil of the town; double-tiered dormer windows; the uniformly rather steep pitch of the gabled roofs with the slight change of pitch at the gutter; the lime plaster strip which separates the chimney from the chimney cap; segmental and semi-circular arched hoods supported on handsomely shaped brackets; unusually large brick, also made from the soil of the town, customarily laid up in Flemish bond pattern; rather flat elliptical arches using rowlock brick over windows and doors, also same drawn effect on
masonry walls which have been plastered and lined to simulate coursed stone; octagonal and round wrought iron railings with their graceful termination and extreme simplicity; interesting hardware used throughout Salem, such as several types of door latches, including the elbow latch, intended to be used by the elbow for opening; the tiered-top fireplaces and 8 inches high raised hearths.

The old village as it stands today has been called one of the most interesting and best preserved old sections in the country. It is of this interesting old area in the middle of industrial Winston-Salem, that the townspeople of the twin city three years ago, began plans for a restoration program. To carry out the project, Old Salem, Inc., a non-profit organization, came into being, dedicated to preserving this early fragment of America's life. The program will be a long-range one.

It is hoped by the restorers to return the village as nearly to its original appearance as possible. Because of the careful building methods and wise choice of materials of the early settlers, there is more to preserve and less to reconstruct than almost any other restoration of its type in the nation. As the program is now planned, restoration costs will run around three million dollars. The program is being sponsored by public subscription. The architectural firm of Perry, Shaw and Hepburn, Kehoe and Dean, of Boston, has been engaged for the project.

The restorers of the old town are fortunate in having an amazing amount of records from which to draw upon for authenticity. The Moravians were exceptional in their record-keeping—there were four official sets of records kept during those early days, besides any number of private diaries. All of these are housed in the Moravian Archives in the old Vorsterer's House.

To bring back the old community with the shops of its craftsmen, it is planned to restore as many of the old business houses as feasible to their original purpose. Most of the dwelling houses are to be preserved and restored as such, with a number of buildings to be used as exhibition buildings. The dwellings, except for the exhibition buildings, will have restored exteriors and remodeled interiors, and will be rented to suitable tenants.

Major restoration began last summer. Work is now going on on five of the buildings.

Although Old Salem is now deep in its restoration program, visitors are welcome. The visitor is invited to Restoration Headquarters in the heart of the old village facing Salem Square, where appointments for seeing the village and buildings now open are arranged. A scale model of Old Salem as it looked in the early days is on exhibit here, also displays of antiquities belonging to the early village.

Salem Tavern, built 1784, where George Washington came in 1791, while on his Southern Tour, is open to the public, as is the John Henry Boner room and entrance hall of the newly restored Lick-Boner block house. The north building of the Wachovia Museum is also available to see. The old Boys' School, 1794, which houses part of the museum collection, is scheduled for re-opening early in the summer. The Wachovia Museum houses one of the largest collections of local antiquities in the country.

A tour through the streets of the old village and to "God's Acre", the Moravian graveyard, prove rewarding to the visitor.

In Old Salem, one will find a quaint old settlement, representative of the more average type of life of the American pioneer.

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The proposed new building for the DuPont Plaza Architects' Building Products Bureau in Miami is scheduled to start in October. The view above is from the Biscayne Bay side.

architectural exhibit center is planned

$10,000,000 Bureau of Building Products Will Be Constructed in Miami

Construction of Du Pont Plaza Architectural and Construction Industries Center, located in downtown Miami, Florida, is planned to begin in October 1954 and is slated for completion and formal opening in December 1955.

This important news for the building materials manufacturing industries in the United States has been announced by Clifton T. Wetzel, President of Du Pont Plaza, Inc. and Managing Director of the Architect's Samples Bureau, 5040 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, where executive offices of the huge project are now located.

Planned by the architects, John Edwin Peterson and Frank H. Shufflin of Miami, the project will be the largest permanent exhibition of building materials in the world. The displays of the Architect's Bureau of Building Products will occupy 75,000 square feet of floor areas on three terraced levels forming the "Theme Core" of Du Pont Plaza Center. The permanent display areas are designed for an annual attendance flow of up to 3,000,000 visitors comprising home-owners, builders, contractors, architects, engineers, distributors, dealers and exporters from all over the United States and Latin America.

According to Mr. Wetzel, the time interval for erecting and completing Du Pont Plaza Center has been carefully planned to permit partici-
Nominations For AIA Officers

Official nominees for officers and regional directors of the American Institute of Architects have been announced from the Washington headquarters of the national architectural professional organization. The elections will be held Friday, June 18, at the Institute's annual convention in Boston.

The official slate is as follows:

President—Clair W. Ditchey, FAIA, Detroit, Mich., and John W. Root, FAIA, Chicago, Ill.

First Vice-President — Earl T. Heitschmidt, FAIA, Los Angeles, Cal.

Second Vice-President — Howard Eichenbaum, AIA, Little Rock, Ark.

Secretary — George Bain Cummings, FAIA, Binghamton, N. Y.

Treasurer—Leon Chatelain, Jr., FAIA, Washington, D. C., and Edward L. Wilson, AIA, Fort Worth, Texas.

To replace the four regional directors whose terms expire:

Central States Region—Frank N. McNett, AIA, Grand Island, Neb.

South Atlantic Region—Herbert C. Millkey, AIA, Atlanta, Ga.

Texas Region—Albert S. Golemon, AIA, Houston, Texas.

Sierra-Nevada Region — Donald Beach Kirby, AIA, San Francisco, Cal.

Incumbents nominated as candidates for re-election include: Clair W. Ditchey, for president; Howard on a permanent basis. The project will be constructed by the Miami firm of J. Y. Gooch Co., Inc., of which C. C. Blake is president.

The policy and operation of the Architect's Samples Bureau Exhibits will be conducted with the assistance of a technical and professional advisory committee selected from the allied architectural, engineering decorating and construction industries fields. This committee, headed by Edwin T. Reeder, A.I.A., Chairman, is comprised of the following members: Russell T. Pancoast, F.A.I.A.; Igor Polevitsky, A.I.A.; Robert Fitch Smith, A.I.A.; Robert Law Weed, A.I.A.; George Parkas, A.I.D. and J.D.I.; Meyer Deutschman, A.S.C.E.; and Elliott J. Spratt, president of the Producer's Council.

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Newly-elected officers of the Charlotte Council of Architects are pictured above. Seated left to right are Vice-President S. Scott Ferebee, AIA, of Higgins & Ferebee, and President Tebee P. Hawkins, AIA, of Marsh & Hawkins. Standing is Secretary Treasurer Charles H. Wheatley, AIA, of Sloan & Wheatley.

Carolinas' Architects Attend Exhibition

Ten architects from the Carolinas were among a large group from throughout the nation attending a model classroom at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, Michigan, as guests of the Kimble Glass Company.

Attending from North Carolina were John C. Knight, AIA, of Dietrick & Knight & Associates of Raleigh, Robert Arey, AIA, of Stinson & Arey of Winston-Salem, Charles H. Wheatley, AIA, of Sloan & Wheatley of Charlotte, Jack Barber of Lindsay M. Gudger, AIA, Asheville, C. H. Reed of Biberstein, Bowles & Meacham of Charlotte, and Albert B. Cameron of A. G. Odell, Jr., & Associates of Charlotte.

South Carolina architects in attendance included C. T. Cummings, AIA, of Halsey & Cummings of Charleston, W. A. Carlisle, AIA, of Lyles, Bissett, Carlisle & Wolfe, of Columbia, William J. Keenan, AIA, of G. Thomas Harmon, AIA, of Columbia, and Herndon M. Fair, AIA, of Lafayette, Fair & Lafayette of Columbia.

Guilford Council Architects Formed

The Guilford County Council of Architects was formally organized June 4 at a meeting in Greensboro, with Charles C. Hartmann, Jr., AIA, of Greensboro, being elected first president of the new group.

Eccles D. Everhart, AIA, of High Point, was chosen vice-president, with John Wicker, AIA, of Greensboro, being named secretary-treasurer.

A. C. Woodroof, Sr., of Greensboro, was elected to serve as director for one year. The officers and director will compose the executive committee and membership committee of the council.

All registered architects in Guilford county have been invited to join the new council of architects, with the first meeting being attended by Charles C. Hartmann, Jr., AIA, Herbert C. Hartmann, Jr., AIA, R. MacLawhorn, Jr., AIA, A. C. Woodroof, Sr., J. Burton Wilder, AIA, Thomas P. Heritage, Carl F. Andrews, Adrian P. Stout, John Wicker, AIA, Edward Loewenstein, AIA, of Greensboro, and William Freeman and Eccles D. Everhart, AIA, both of High Point.

Plans for regular meetings on the second and fourth Fridays at Bliss’ Restaurant in Greensboro were approved. A number of matters of interest were discussed, with Edward Loewenstein, president of the North Carolina Architectural Foundation, briefly outlining the activities of that group.

AIA CONVENTIONEERS:

The North Carolina Concrete Masonry Association cordially invites you to a "Social Hour" Atlantic Beach Hotel June 24, 1954 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.
Raleigh Architects Are Active Group

By Jesse M. Page, Jr., A.I.A.

In the summer of 1946, a group of Raleigh architects met and decided that it would be good for the community, the profession, and the individual architect for the local architects to get together frequently and exchange views.

As a result of this meeting an organization was formed. A constitution was prepared and by-laws adopted. The name of the organization was proclaimed to be “The Raleigh Council of Architects.” Meetings were established to be held at noon on the first and third Thursdays of each month. The constitution set for the purpose of the group: “To serve the community as a professional advisory group, promote public recognition of the profession, advance standards of professional practice, and to encourage fellowship among the members.” Architects, landscape architects, draftsmen, and other allied professional people were admitted as either members or associate members.

During the past eight years the Council has fulfilled the expectations of most of its founders. Its course has not always been smooth, but the fact that it has surmounted difficulties inherent in a highly individualistic profession is proof of the soundness of the original idea.

From the very beginning the Council has been able to express the views of its members to the community. For example, certain elements in the community wanted to do away with one of the two remaining Park Squares (It might be parenthetically added here that they are still trying; one way or another). The Council joined forces with other organizations and led a successful drive to improve the park instead of eliminating this area of green breathing space in our business district. Many similar examples could be cited of the organization projecting itself into civic affairs. Particularly successful have been in the efforts to let the community know the views of our profession on matters of city beautification.

These and other similar activities have demonstrated to the people of our city that the architects are aware of their civic responsibility. The result has been the recognition of The Raleigh Council of Architects as the voice of the local architects.

On the fellowship side, the Council has sponsored banquets and social affairs which have been highly successful, and often included the recognition of promising architectural students in the School of Design at North Carolina State College.

The success of the Council has been brought about by the splendid cooperation of its members under the leadership of its past presidents. Past presidents have been: William Henley Deitrick, AIA, Albert L. Haskins, AIA, Thomas W. Cooper, AIA, Owen F. Smith, AIA, F. Carter Williams, AIA, Richard L. Rice, AIA, and John C. Knight, AIA. Present officers are Jesse M. Page, Jr., AIA, President, Marvin Johnson, AIA, Vice-President and Jesse B. Owens, Jr., AIA, Secretary-Treasurer.

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NEWLY-ELECTED OFFICERS of the Charlotte Chapter of the Producers' Council, Inc., are pictured above. Seated, left to right, are: O. A. Seborg, manager of The Crane Company and vice-president of the chapter; Thomas S. Shull, president of Shull Building Products Corporation and president of the chapter and Burt L. Cassady, Jr., manager of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company and chairman of the Producers' Council—AIA committee. Mr. Cassady is the immediate past president of the chapter. Standing, left to right, James E. Keenan, Jr., of Reynolds Metals Company, chairman of the publicity committee; James F. Traylor, of the Natco Corporation, chairman of the reception committee; and C. Buckley Holton, Jr., of Libby Owens Ford Glass Company, chairman of the membership committee. Secretary-Treasurer James E. Kirkman of the National Gypsum Company was not present when the photograph above was taken.

Shull President
Producers' Council

Thomas S. Shull, president of Shull Building Products Corporation, has been named president of the Charlotte Chapter of the Producers' Council, Inc., for 1954-55. Mr. Shull succeeds R. J. Cassady, Jr., of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company.

Other officers elected include: O. A. Seborg of the Crane Company, vice-president and program chairman, succeeding Mr. Shull; James E. Kirkman of the National Gypsum Company, re-elected secretary-treasurer; James E. Keenan, Jr., of Reynolds Metals Company, publicity chairman, replacing William B. Stewart, Jr., of R. G. Coffman Company; C. Buckley Holton, Jr., of Libby Owens Ford Glass Company, Membership chairman, succeeding O. A. Seborg; and James F. Traylor of the Natco Corporation, reception chairman.

The May meeting was held at Radio Center in Charlotte in the form of a table top products display, with more than 200 architects and other guests present. A special program of entertainment was presented.
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Christmas Gifts Committee Named

The appointment of a Christmas Gifts Committee for the North Carolina Architectural Foundation, Inc., of North Carolina State College at Raleigh, with Jesse M. Page, AIA, of Raleigh as chairman, was announced recently by Edward Loewenstein, AIA, of Greensboro, president of the Foundation.

Serving with Chairman Page will be J. N. Pease, Jr., AIA, and Charles H. Wheatley, AIA, both of Charlotte.

Plans for the advancement of Foundation activities were developed at a meeting of the Foundation’s board of directors in Greensboro May 18, which was held at the new home of President Loewenstein.

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large delegation attends aia district conference

A large delegation from the North Carolina Chapter of the American Institute of Architects attended the annual regional conference of the South Atlantic District, AIA, at Savannah Beach, Ga., in May.

Included in the delegation from North Carolina were: President A. G. Odell, Jr., AIA, of Charlotte; J. Burton Wilder, AIA, of Greensboro; Secretary Ross Shumaker, AIA, of Raleigh; Walter W. Hook, FAIA, of Charlotte; Dean Henry L. Kamphoefner, AIA, of the School of Design, North Carolina State College, Raleigh; W. R. James, Jr., AIA, of Winston-Salem; William H. Dietrick, AIA, of Raleigh; Luther S. Lashmit, AIA, of Winston-Salem; and Leon McMinn, AIA, of Greensboro.

The theme of the conference was "Architecture On A Limited Budget". The South Georgia Chapter, AIA, sponsored the conference, which included architects from North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

Speakers included National AIA President Clair Ditchy, National AIA Vice-President Howard Eichenbaum, National AIA Executive Director Edmund R. Purves, Richard M. Bennett, and AIA Regional Director G. Thomas Harmon, III.

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BUILDING MATERIAL MANUFACTURERS are counting on remodeling and repairs to take up any slack in new residential construction. Stiffening competition is evidenced by an upsurge in building materials advertising . . . New housing starts in April, 1954, were the highest in the past three and one-half years. The Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that the bustling construction industry started 109,100 privately owned homes and apartment buildings, plus 900 public housing units. This represented a rise of 14 per cent over the 97,000 units started in March. This brought to 341,400 the number of privately owned housing units started for the first four months of 1954 . . . Manufacturers are fearful of a possible price-cutting wave in the AIR CONDITIONING FIELD. With at least 30 new manufacturers in the field this year, competition is mounting steadily and distributor stocks are at record levels . . . The University of Virginia at Charlottesville has announced plans to open a separate SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE in September . . . Lehigh Portland Cement Company will expand its $15,000,000 plant at Bunnell, Fla., to increase its cement output an estimated 80 per cent .

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