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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Fourteen members of the North Carolina Chapter and many of their wives attended the 1957 Regional Conference of the South Atlantic District American Institute of Architects held at the Atlanta Biltmore Hotel in Atlanta April 4th thru 6th. This was certainly one of the finest conventions I have ever attended. The Georgia Chapter, host for the convention, can be proud of the way they planned and conducted this event. The hospitality could never be exceeded. The program and speakers were outstanding with many interesting and educational items to interest everybody, a fact substantiated by excellent attendance at all meetings. The honor awards exhibit was very large with fine submissions from all points of the District. The materials exhibited were extensive, very well presented and of considerable educational value to the delegates.

One of the high points of the convention for North Carolina delegates was the announcement by President Leon Chatelain Jr. of the election to Fellowship in the Institute of three of our members. On May 16th at the Centennial Convention of the American Institute of Architects the following North Carolina Architects will become members of the Institute’s College of Fellows—Arthur Gould Odell, Jr. of Charlotte, N. C. for “Notable contributions in Design” — Anthony Lord of Asheville, N. C. for “Notable contribution in Service to the Institute”—and to Henry L. Kamphoefner of Raleigh, N. C. for “Notable contribution in Education.” Every person in the State can be proud of these distinguished architects and the honor to be conferred on them by the Institute.

Another event that North Carolina can take pride in was the presentation of one of Six Citations in the Honor Awards program to F. Carter Williams, Architect and George Matsumoto, consulting architect both of Raleigh, N. C. for their Brooks Building, North Carolina State School of Design. Many congratulations to these men on this well deserved recognition.

This was a great conference, and all who did not attend missed something that would have been of value to them. Let me urge every member of the Chapter to attend the Centennial Convention of the Institute to be held in Washington, starting May 14th and start making plans now for our Chapter meeting to be held at Morehead City late in June.

W. R. James, Jr. President, NCAIA

CHAPTER WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Eight North Carolina architects have recently been elected into membership of the AIA and assigned to the North Carolina Chapter. They are Allen Jerome Bolick of Hickory, Charles Walker Davis, Jr. of Raleigh, Earle Sumner Draper, Jr. of Matthews, Robert Hayes Ferguson, Jr. of Kinston, Richard Pleam Leaman of Charlotte, Elizabeth Bobbitt Lee of Lumberton, David McNab Mackintosh of Charlotte, and Thomas Edmund Whitmire of Asheville. They will be inducted into membership during the Chapter’s Summer Meeting at Atlantic Beach June 22. Also, AIA has notified NCAIA that Lyman Ray Troxell, Jr., formerly of the Potomac Valley of Maryland Chapter, is no longer in Winston-Salem and is assigned to this chapter.

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MONDAY, MAY 13
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8:30 pm Convention Opening Address—Edward A. Weeks, Jr.
Ladies Reception

TUESDAY, MAY 14
9:30 am Address
"The New World of Technology" Dr. Detler W. Bronk
11:00 am Address—"The New World of Ideas"—Paul G. Hoffman
12:30 pm Luncheon—Address by The President of the Institute
Introduction of Distinguished Guests
2:30 pm Panel Discussion—"Environment and the Individual"
9:00 pm President's Reception—The Opening of "A Century of American Architecture" at The National Gallery of Art

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15
9:30 am Address—"The Arts in Modern Society"—Bennett Cerf
10:30 am Panel Discussion—"Govern and the Arts"
12:00 Noon Luncheons as arranged
Alumni, Fraternity and State Groups
2:30 pm Business Session
3:30 pm Host Chapter Entertainment
Boat Ride to Mount Vernon

THURSDAY, MAY 16
9:30 am Business Session—Nominations and Elections
12:00 Noon Convocation of College of Fellows
Luncheon
Investiture of New Fellows
2:00 pm Panel Discussion—"The Future of the City"
Musically illustrated lecture
"Music and Architecture"
8:30 pm Annual Banquet
Address—"The Architecture of a Democracy" Henry R. Luce

FRIDAY, MAY 17
9:30 am Panel Discussion—"The New World of Economics"
12:30 pm Awards Luncheon
2:30 pm Address—"A New Century of Architecture" Pietro Belluschi

SATURDAY, MAY 18
9:30 am Orientation Meeting with The Board
Chapter Presidents, Committee Chairmen, Staff
Williamsburg Tour (2 days)
Host Chapter Tour
The new $500,000 Hobbtol Senior High School on Highway 421 about 12 miles north of Clinton in Sampson County is nearly ready for occupancy.

It is designed to house 600 students and contains 60,000 sq. ft. of floor area. The plan contains 18 classrooms, industrial arts and agricultural facilities, lunch room, administration and the main feature of the plan is the centrally located gymnasium and auditorium. The auditorium seats 750 and the gymnasium will seat 1,500 for an athletic event.

All large assembly areas are mechanically ventilated. The school will have a complete sound and paging system.

The low roof areas contain the class rooms and administrative areas, grouped around outdoor terraces and courts. Class rooms will be partially lighted from the top with skylights.

The library, and science areas are located adjacent to the inner court for controlled outdoor study groups and science projects.

Red brick and stone with Mosaic panel of ceramic tile will be the predominant material used on the exterior of the building.
This 45,000 square foot air conditioned building, costing over one-quarter million dollars and currently under construction, has face brick exterior, reinforced concrete for the first floor, steel beams and columns on the roof and a poured gypsum deck. The problems for the architects were obtaining a light interior for easy work and reading, solved by high intensity artificial lighting, and easy access to rail and highway loading areas, which answer is shown on the plan.
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This proposed camp, to be named The Mary Atkinson Girl Scout Camp, is to be built for the Scout Councils at Wilson, Johnston and Wake Counties. The initial group will have 32 campers cabins plus administrative units on the 200 acre site. All units are of native stone, wood frame and concrete floor slab construction, with shingles on campers cabins and a built-up roof on the dining hall. The architect commented "The original planning was to provide shelter with supposedly unobtrusive buildings set in the woody area like tents. The buildings were scaled down to dimensions in keeping with small girls so as to not overwhelm them."
A student in the School of Design at North Carolina State College has won the world’s top academic award in the field of architecture.

He is Robert Paschal Burns, Jr., of Roxboro, on the right in the photo above, fifth year student in State College’s School of Design, who will receive the $5,000 Paris Prize in Architecture.

Another North Carolina State student, Edwin Freeland Harris, Jr., of Elkin, on the left, was the runner-up for the award and was designated the alternate for the honor.

Announcement of the selection of the two State College students for the honors was made March 18 by Dean Henry L. Kamphoefer of the college’s School of Design, who received formal notice of the development from the National Institute for Architectural Education in New York City.

It marks the second time that a State College student has won the award. In 1953, Edward Shirley of Greenville, S. C., now an Atlanta, Ga., architect, was the winner.

Under the terms of the award, Burns, the 1957 winner, will spend 12 months traveling in Europe and six months traveling in the Western Hemisphere. He will leave on his voyage before July 15. While in Paris, he will study one architectural problem at the Ecole des Beaux Arts.

Burns won the award for completing a design problem calculated to demonstrate his ability in group planning, individual building design, and interior space arrangement. To do this, he designed an international airport and terminal.

A 1951 graduate of Roxboro High School, Burns will receive his bachelor of architecture degree from North Carolina State College on May 26. He is a member of Phi Kappa Phi, national scholastic honor society, and is co-editor of the Student Publications in the School of Design. He is married to the former Margaret Tucker of Cleveland, Ohio, a 1956 graduate of Meredith College, who will accompany her husband on his travels.

Harris, the runner-up for the Paris Prize in Architecture, is also a fifth year student in the State College School of Design. He is a 1952 graduate of Elkin High School and is a member of Phi Kappa Phi and of Phi Eta Sigma, national freshman scholastic society.

Dean Kamphoefer said it was rare for both the winner and runner-up to be students enrolled in the same college.

The $5,000 which Burns will receive as the recipient of the 44th Paris Prize in Architecture brings to a total of $80,000 the amount of State, national, and international awards won by students and faculty members in the State College School of Design since the school was established on July 1, 1948. Both departments in the School of Design are accredited on a national basis and have established international reputations as leaders in their fields.
5 ARE BRICK & TILE DESIGN WINNERS

Recipients of the 1957 design prizes offered by the North Carolina Brick and Tile Service, Inc., of Greensboro were announced today by Dean Henry L. Kamphoefner, head of North Carolina State College’s School of Design.

Winners and their awards were: Joe Hoskins of Fayetteville, right above, first, $75; Donald Chandler of Durham, center, second, $50; Warren Vaughan of Richmond, Va., next to left, third, $25; John Bankett of Salisbury, next to right, fourth, $12.50; and David Hall of New York City, on the left, fifth, $12.50.

Third year design students in the classes of Professors J. E. Adams and Stephan Buzas entered the competition which was centered on the problem of designing a non-denominational Chapel for North Carolina State College.

Dean Kamphoefner said one of the main purposes of the contest was to stimulate design in a material indigenous of the region. As North Carolina produces about 10 per cent of all the brick made in the nation, the use of this material helps design students develop a feeling for materials available in the area he added.

North Carolina Chapter of the American Institute of Architects President William R. James, Jr. of Winston-Salem joined Joseph N. Boaz, AIA of Raleigh and faculty members Stephan Buzas, J. E. Adams, and Cecil Elliott, AIA, in judging the competition.
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The American Institute of Architects Board of Directors at their recent meeting in Washington took action that will make possible the activation of the proposed AIA Building Products Registration Service later this year. Funds were appropriated to extend the preliminary study and, if there is sufficient producer interest, to underwrite the activated service during 1957.

The proposed service will provide every AIA member with a concise “Manual” of tabulated technical data on currently available building products, grouped by product type. The architect will thus have readily available a comparison of product properties and design criteria to aid him in making his initial product selection for a specific design need.

The service will provide the producer with a standardized method of recording technical product data, designed by the AIA for architects’ use and a direct means of making this data available to every AIA member. The producers registration fees for this service will be moderate.

The procedure to be followed in setting up the service:

1. Establish “design criteria” for each product type with industry cooperation.
2. Provide the manufacturer with Report Forms on each product type to be completed by him.
3. List the data thus obtained in tabular form.
4. Publish and distribute without charge to AIA membership, product sheets, punched for binding or ready for loose filing in AIA Catalogue File.

The service aims to:

1. Register all available products currently manufactured and tested by recognized industry standards.
2. Register all new products as they become available.
3. Conduct the BPR Service as a non-profit, self-sustaining operation for the benefit of the producer and the profession.

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1. Compete with Product Literature or with Sweet’s, since it will not describe installations or show them photographically or graphically.
2. Will not publish specifications.
3. Will not test products.
4. Will not grade products.
5. Will not issue a “Certificate” or “Stamp of Approval.”
6. Will not attempt to register products which do not lend themselves to a tabular description of their properties and technical data.
NCAIA AT N. C. EDUCATION MEET

More than 4,000 delegates attended the North Carolina Education Association meeting in Wilmington March 21-23. The School Buildings Committee, under the Chairmanship of Leslie N. Boney, Jr. of Wilmington, prepared an exhibit of recent school works in connection with the meeting. The Committee and Chapter have received a letter of thanks from J. P. Milam of the N. C. Department of Public Instruction's Division of School Planning. Elected as officers for the coming year at the 73rd Annual Convention of the organization were Vernon Culpepper of Chapel Hill, President of the Future Teachers Division, Mrs. Hazel Curtright of Asheville, President of the Classroom Teachers, and Alma Browning of Lake Junaluska, as President of the Supervisors and Directors of Instruction.

N.C.A.I.A. AT HURRICANE CONFERENCE

New NCAIA member D. M. MacIntosh of Charlotte was appointed by President James to represent the Chapter at a conference on Federal Flood and Hurricane Control in Raleigh March 15th. The meeting was convened by Governor Hodges with the Attorney General, Insurance Commissioner, key Legislators and planning commission personnel and Federal Flood Indemnity Administration Commissioner Frank J. Meistrell and others present. The meeting discussed provisions in the Federal Flood Indemnity Act which is now in the formative stage. It is contemplated that the act will insure owners against high water and wave wash. A transcript of the Conference is being forwarded the Chapter and a further report by Mr. MacIntosh will be given at a later date.

CENTENNIAL IN RECORD

In connection with AIA's Centennial Celebration, in both the Senate and House of Representatives a tribute was recorded in the "Congressional Record." In the House it was by the Honorable John E. Fogarty of Rhode Island, in the Senate by the Honorable Ralph E. Flanders of Vermont.

HIGH POINT ARCHITECTS ORGANIZE GUILD

Last month architects in High Point organized an informal group and selected a surprisingly new name "The Architects Guild of High Point." Officers are William A. Sloan, President; William F. Freeman, Jr., Vice-President; Robert G. Parks, Secretary-Treasurer, and Robert W. Commer, Director. A four point purpose was adopted as follows: (1) To advance the profession of architecture in High Point; (2) To study local problems allied with the profession; (3) To recommend certain policies or projects which will afford the public and members of this organization more opportunities for cultural outlets; and (4) To promote better and closer understanding and fellowship among the members of the profession. The group holds weekly luncheons on Wednesdays. It has already participated in its first project, a home planning course offered by the High Point Arts and Craft Workshop, which was well accepted by builders and laymen.
Architects And Builders In The News

The F. Graham Williams Company will hold its 34th Annual Golf Tournament for architects of the Southeast on Friday, June 21st at the East Lake Country Club in Atlanta. — John R. Valentine, AIA, of Morehead City, has announced that his office is now located at 105 1/2 North Tenth Street. — NCAIA Immediate Past President Carter Williams is still being called on to speak often. On February 25th he addressed the Raleigh Rotary Club, on March 25th he addressed the Cary Exchange Club and on March 27th he represented the Chapter at a Legislative committee hearing. — The Post Office Department announced that 943,-839 of the American Institute of Architects Commemorative stamps were purchased on the first day with a value of $28,315.17. — Albert Haskins and Richard Rice, AIA’s of Raleigh, announce the moving of their offices to 301 Hillsboro Street, Rooms 312-314. — And NCAIA President W. R. James, Jr. and Luther Lashmit, AIA’s of Winston-Salem, call attention to their new office building address: 865 West Four and One Half Street. — On March 12 in Charlotte during the Carolinas Lumber & Building Suppliers Association meeting they held a barbecue for friends in the related industries which was attended by 375 architects, engineers and contractors — The first R. S. Reynolds Memorial Award, a $25,000 yearly international prize for architects using aluminum, is the firm of Cesar Ortiz-Echague, Manual Barbero Rebollo and Rafael de la Java, of Madrid, Spain. The structure which won them the award is the new Visitors and Factory Lounge Center of the S.E.A.T. automobile plant in Barcelona. — German architect Werner Von Gundell, of 25 Bahnhofstr in Wiesbaden, has inquired of employment in this state. He is 27, has completed 5 years of University training and 1 year of office work, and is to immigrate later this year.

AIA HONORS NCAIA BOOKLET

The American Institute of Architects has notified the N. C. Chapter that its Centennial booklet, “Towards 2057 A.D.,” prepared by Archivist Miss Louise Hall of Durham, has been selected as “Document for the Month of April.” Two-hundred copies of the booklet summarized in the February issue of “Southern Architect,” were requested for distribution and various committees. To the commendation extended Miss Hall by Charles E. Knudsen, Jr., AIA Assistant Director of Chapter Activities and Beryl Price, Chapter Affairs Committee Chairman, the editor adds his for a fine publication.

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