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Dr. Carey H. Bostian, Chancellor  
North Carolina State College  
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Sir:

Recently while making contacts with Industry in the interest of North Carolina State College, several Firms have given me a rather difficult problem to answer for them. Namely, why do so many of our State College graduates seek greener pastures for employment outside of North Carolina.

All of these Firms are very vitally interested in the many programs at State College and are particularly pleased and proud of the many eminent teachers and scientists who are on your staff, but they are now beginning to ask themselves the question, why should I continue to support the teaching personnel at State College when I can never hire anyone of their graduates, more particularly those who finish in engineering.

I am sure it is mainly a matter of many dollars flashed before the eyes of the young boys who are graduating and during his period of residence at State College the teaching personnel have not been aware of the great industrial advancement that North Carolina is making. It is only natural that the students as well as the teaching personnel are kept constantly aware of such great companies as DuPont, G.E., Westinghouse, etc. by the many commercials that they constantly maintain before the public via newspapers, radio and television.

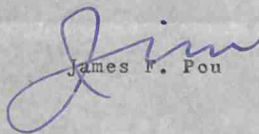
Frankly, I do not know the answer to the above problem, but I would at least like to offer a suggestion which I feel would be one worthy of consideration.

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Mr. C. S. Reed, Vice President of Duke Power Company, an especially brilliant analyst, has a speech which I feel the entire faculty and administration of State College should have the privilege of hearing. If after listening to Mr. Chuck Reed give the facts and the figures on why our economic level provides a better level of living in North Carolina, I frankly feel that everyone concerned would be more interested in advising these young men who are coming out of State College in the possibilities for growth and advancement in the finest State in the 48.

Cordially yours,

  
James F. Fou

JFP/pp

cc: Mr. L. L. Ray  
cc: Dean J. H. Lampe



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Dr. Carey H. Bostian, Chancellor  
North Carolina State College  
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Bostian:

I was extremely pleased to receive your letter addressed to friends and alumni of State College, in which you came out very strongly for support of the Wolfpack Club and the Alumni Fund. In my recollection, this is the first time that the head of State College has so forcibly made a stand and expressed his interest and desire in seeing all mutual friends of State College get behind all of their programs.

Naturally, all of the alumni of State College are tremendously pleased and proud of the high academic standards that have come about in teaching research and extension and we fully believe that much of this high acclaim was brought about because of the several Foundations supporting the school. Once an alumnus leaves the college, he does not have too much contact with academic matters, therefore, one of the avenues that can still generate and keep interest is through the athletic program.

The Mecklenburg Chapter of State College men is beginning to build up a renewed interest through the Alumni and friends of State College here under the able leadership of our Club President, Dave Harris, and your letter will greatly add to our ammunition.

Whenever business or pleasure brings you this way, we would welcome an opportunity to visit with you.

Very truly yours,

James F. Pou

JFP/al

cc: Mr. Harry Stewart, Wolfpack Club Director

cc: Mr. David Harris, Charlotte, N. C.

January 27, 1956

Dr. Clarence Poe  
The Progressive Farmer  
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Poe:

I have thought a great deal about the comments of Mr. T. E. Browne concerning the plight of small farmers throughout the eastern part of our state. It is widely recognized that we must develop industry in the eastern half of the state to provide employment for the thousands of individuals who are being forced off the farm. I cannot see any other solution to the problem.

I do not believe that artificial programs of relief to small farmers can be used satisfactorily. It is inevitable that increased efficiency and mechanization will gradually bring about a reduction in the number of farm workers, even if no further cuts in tobacco acreage are made.

There is a great deal of sentiment in the thinking of most people about this difficulty a young man has in getting started in farming. It is inescapable that the farming pattern will gradually change with the increasing size of farms and fewer workers being required. It appears inescapable that welfare and relief agencies will be required to assist individuals until they can either migrate to areas providing employment or have new industries located nearby.

Our new industrial experimental program is getting underway and it is our hope that it will help in the development of local industries. Governor Hodges gave this program a great boost this week by attending a meeting of a state-wide Advisory Committee.

Please do not think that I am lacking in sympathy for the small farmer and the tenant farmer because I have relatives who are involved. As you know, the problem is very complex and I cannot believe that artificial remedies based on sentiment and politics will be of any good in the long run.

Sincerely yours,

Carey H. Bostian  
Chancellor

# The Progressive Farmer



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Dear Friends:

I am going to take the liberty of sending to you an extremely thoughtful and somewhat alarming personal letter I received from our mutual friend Tom Browne this morning. I should be glad for each one of you to read it carefully and write me any thoughts that this presentation of conditions call forth from you. As Tom says in his note to me: "I don't know that I can do anything about them. I do think however the best minds of our country had better give them some serious thought."

Certainly along with all that we can do to help our more well to do or prosperous farmers there is an imperative call to us to do something more about the genuinely distressed persons in our rural areas.

To me, Tom Browne's letter has come like a searchlight thrown on a dark situation and I should be genuinely interested in having the comments of all of you.

I don't think that the remedy is to defeat the 20 per cent tobacco cut--although I had hoped very greatly that persons with less than three acres would be exempted. I also know that we cannot build industries in Eastern North Carolina in time to remedy this immediate situation.

I shall greatly appreciate hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence Poe:r

*Clarence Poe*  
Editor and Board Chairman

CC:

Mr. T. E. Browne

*Greatly enjoyed  
being with you  
last night.*



Extracts From a Letter from T. E. Browne, Dec. 26, 1955

I am very much concerned about the plight of the small subsistence farmer. The continued cut in acreage is forcing thousands of them off of the farm and you and I know that when we destroy the small farmers of our country you are striking at the very heart of our civilization.

A survey of the four Roanoke-Chowan counties sometime ago showed that one thousand small farmers and tenants would be forced off the farm in 1956 by the 12% cut in tobacco and other acreage cuts. Of course there will be more with a 20% cut. As an illustration, yesterday I was talking to the brother of my cook who has bought a small farm of 65 acres, with 25 acres cleared. He told me that his money crop had been cut till he could barely make enough to feed his family. In 1954 his tobacco allotment was cut to 1.4 acres. This year it was cut to one acre. That the cost of growing and harvesting his tobacco, including running his barn with oil burners, was \$220 and his tobacco sold for \$190. (Of course this was a bad year for tobacco in this neighborhood; the best tenant on this farm fell behind on his tobacco crop \$1600.) This man told me if he was cut 20% in 1956 he would have to quit tobacco.

There are thousands of small farmers just like this man. There are very few tenants in this whole area who paid out this year. They are desperate and if they are cut 20% on tobacco and also on their other crops what can they do? I am afraid if the recommendations of that 15-man committee are put before the farmers in a referendum they are going to vote out controls, and then we know we would be in a bad situation. The way I hear them talk around is that the small farmer knows he can't make a living with a 20% cut, with other crops cut every year and they might be able to get along somehow without controls. I am really worried over the situation....

And we don't have in Eastern N. C. industries to absorb this displaced labor, so it looks like the welfare agencies are going to have their hands full.

Another thing that needs to be considered by our leaders is the fact that every time a farm goes on the market either a big corporation or a doctor buys it. Such a thing as a young man, who wants to farm, buying a farm and paying for it is a thing of the past. A rather large farm in this neighborhood was sold last week and a big lumber company bought it. They will probably cut the timber off and plant the whole thing in young pines. Someone might say that just gets one more farm out of cultivation to cut down the surpluses. But what is going to happen to our rural areas if the farmers are forced off the land and corporations take over?

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE  
STATE EXPERIMENT STATIONS DIVISION  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

AUG 14 1956

Dr. C. H. Bostian, Chancellor  
North Carolina State College  
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Chancellor Bostian:

I wish to express in writing my deep appreciation to you, and through you to Dean D. W. Colvard, Dr. R. L. Lovvorn, Dr. E. W. Glazener, and all members of the staff of the Poultry Husbandry Department and the Student Union, for the well-planned program, the heart-warming hospitality, and many courtesies shown during the Poultry Science Association's 45th Annual Meeting. All who had part in organizing the meeting are to be greatly commended.

Also, I must praise Professor Roy Dearstyne for the outstanding accomplishments in the Poultry Department while he was head. I know that the excellent facilities for poultry research that now exist at the college must afford him great satisfaction.

Dr. Dearstyne's successor, Ed Glazener, is a dynamic, capable young man, who, I am sure, will give the department equally good leadership.

I am glad that I could be on the North Carolina College campus again, witness the growth of the school since my last visit in 1950, and renew old acquaintances. Thanks again for a pleasant four-day period last week.

Sincerely yours,



Ralph B. Nestler  
Poultry Husbandman

cc: Dean D. W. Colvard  
Dr. R. L. Lovvorn  
Dr. E. W. Glazener  
Professor R. S. Dearstyne

NORTH CAROLINA STATE COLLEGE  
SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE • RALEIGH, N. C.

DEPARTMENT OF POULTRY SCIENCE

August 13, 1956


Dr. C. H. Bostian, Chancellor  
North Carolina State College  
"A" Holladay Hall

Dear Dr. Bostian:

We wish to thank you for your help in making it possible for the Poultry Science Association to meet on our campus. We had representatives from forty-four states and several foreign countries. In general, we believe that the meeting was a success. This was the first visit to North Carolina for over one-half of the people that were here. We believe that our school will benefit by this group having met on our campus.

Again, we wish to thank you and Mrs. Bostian for your help.

Most sincerely,



E. W. Glazener, Head  
Department of Poultry Science

EWG/lbm



August 30, 1956

Dr. E. W. Glazener, Head  
Department of Poultry Science  
North Carolina State College  
120 Scott Hall

Dear Dr. Glazener:

From many individuals genuine and sincere compliments have come to me for the excellent way in which members of your staff were hosts for the Poultry Science Association. Please accept my congratulations and convey to members of your department the thanks of the administration for having made and conducted so well the arrangements for this meeting.

I have received letters from Dr. Card of Illinois and Mr. Nestler of the USDA. Numerous other individuals expressed orally to me their pleasure and satisfaction with the local arrangements after the banquet.

I believe we can feel that we not only did everything possible to make the meeting successful, but that we succeeded to a high degree.

Sincerely yours,

Carey H. Bostian  
Chancellor

CHB:H

# MEMORANDUM

From: OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

13 Holladay Hall

To: Chancellor C. H. Bostian

Mr. Erdahl and I have discussed the visit of Mr. Barnes and Mr. McCord to our College Union and the opinions they expressed with regard to food storage and purchasing.

We will work with Mr. Fleming, the College Purchasing Agent, and make every effort to arrive at the best solution to this problem.



James J. Stewart, Jr.

attachment

Date: May 26, 1956

N. C. State College  
Raleigh, N. C.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
DIVISION OF PURCHASE AND CONTRACT  
RALEIGH

LUTHER H. HODGES, GOVERNOR  
DAVID Q. HOLTON, DIRECTOR

May 23, 1956

Memorandum to Mr. David Q. Holton

Subject: Inspection of the Storeroom at the Student Union, North Carolina State College

On May 22nd, Mr. McCord and I visited the Student Union Building at North Carolina State College and inspected their storeroom and supplies. Their storeroom has only a small stock of supplies on hand. However, they have one item, Royal Scarlet Dried Prunes, packed in syrup, which has been in stock for over two years and for which they do not have any need. Therefore, we are transferring ten cases of this commodity to the State Hospital at Raleigh.

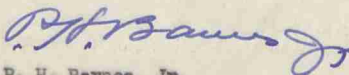
They are keeping a permanent inventory which appears to be correct and in good shape. However, their storeroom needs rearranging and the food should be placed on pallets at least 12 inches above the floor, instead of on the shelves as they are at the present time. This food, also, should be stamped as it is received with a stamp giving the month and year on each case.

We checked into their buying and discovered the fact that the majority of their groceries are being purchased by the personnel without consulting this Division in regards to the matter.

To cite one instance; they purchased approximately 3200 lbs. of Maxwell House Coffee at a price of \$.94 per lb., or a total of \$3,008.00. On our last bid, dated March 27, 1956, this Division made a contract with the Fleetwood Coffee Company for a Grade A Coffee, every bit as good as Maxwell House Coffee, at \$.67 per lb., for the Carolina Inn at Chapel Hill, which serves a more discriminating clientele than does the Student Union. This coffee, according to Carolina Inn, gives perfect satisfaction. If this coffee had been used at the College Union at a price of \$.67 per lb., the cost would have been only \$2144.00; a saving of \$864.00, on coffee alone or 40% on the cost of coffee.

This Division does not see any reason for this type of buying and we are asking the management of the Student Union to consult this Department in the future for the buying of groceries.

We understand that Mr. West, the present Food Director of the Student Union, is resigning at the end of this month and the Union will soon employ a new person for this job. As soon as this person is employed, we requested Mr. Heaton to notify Mr. McCord and me in order that we might pay him a visit and discuss this entire matter with him; in order that he will be properly informed on this subject.



P. H. Barnes, Jr.  
STATE PROPERTY ENGINEER

PHB:JY

CC: Chancellor C. H. Bostian ✓  
Mr. J. G. Vann  
Mr. G. O. T. Erdahl  
Mr. Richard S. Heaton  
Mr. E. F. McCord  
Mr. W. L. Fleming