ANNOTATED LIST OF NORTH CAROLINA BOOKS PROPOSED

The Joint Committee on North Carolina Literature and Bibliography of the North Carolina English Teachers Association and the NCLA is considering proposals for an annotated bibliography of North Carolina books. The original suggestion was of a list which would be suitable for school reading, with entries arranged for easy selection of material of any interest or grade level through high school.

The list must be selective rather than comprehensive and several questions concerning the desirable scope have been raised. The Joint Committee is seeking the opinions of readers of North Carolina Libraries about some of these: (1) Should the list be limited to school reading materials, or is there need for such an annotated bibliography in the public libraries, or in the college and university libraries? (2) Should the list include all the works of North Carolina authors whether or not these deal with North Carolina, or should it be limited to those writings of North Carolinians about the state, or which have a North Carolina setting? (3) Should books about North Carolina by non-Tarheel authors be included? (4) What ought to be the criteria for selection in terms of availability (in print or out-of-print), date of publication, literary quality, etc?

Please send your comments and suggestions to Mr. Richard Walser, Department of English, North Carolina State College, Raleigh.