

### All appears quiet but new dorm is taking shape south of campus

Under construction is the new nine-story men's dorm which is schedule for completion by the opening of the 1970-71 academic year next August. A news story on this facility will be found in this issue of Smoke Signals.



### Boycott was successful?

Last week's boycott of the Wednesday night supper went over with some success. It is estimated that 50 percent of the regular students who attend Wednesday night supper stayed away because of the boycott.

No information on the effect of the boycott was released by the cafeteria management.

The boycott was sponsored by a number of students. Plans of the boycott were not made public until late in the afternoon. Signs were posted asking students to not eat if they did not agree with the cafeteria food or rules.

The signs were removed by the campus security officer. Some students reported they didn't know about the boycott until after they had already got their trays. Others said they didn't have money to eat elsewhere or that they didn't agree with the boycott so they ate as they regularly do.

### Typing pool is available for students on campus

By ANNE HANDEL

Anyone who would like to earn some extra money through typing, or anyone who wants something typed, please see Mrs. Futrell, Dean Lewis' secretary.

A typing pool was started last year consisting of about 24 girls, and will be continued this year. The rate per page is 35 cents and the typists supply their own equipment.

Each typist will be told at least three days in advance of when a given article must be turned in. This applies to anything—term papers, themes, letters—you name it.

The only requirements are that the typist should be familiar with manuscript style (if in doubt, check with the English Department) and be fairly accurate.

This is good experience for girls in the business department, because it not only increases speed and accuracy, but also gives practice in deciphering the handwriting of the men on our campus.

### TABLE TENNIS CHAMP

The faculty-student table tennis matches are over. Winners are:

- First—Coach Garrison
- Second—Bill Hernandez
- Third—Dean Dilday
- Fourth—Bob Griffin

## Coffee House supported

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country and now serve hundreds of college and universities.

Chowan, of course, is on a circuit with other local schools: UNC Charlotte, Davidson, Pembroke, High Point College, N. C. State and Louisburg Junior College.

Members of the circuit pay an annual membership fee of \$200. They submit a form listing the price-range group they want, the type of group, and preferred all-around dates that they would like to have the group.

The booking agency then takes the information supplied on these forms and coordinates it with what is available in the line of entertainment. They make up a tentative schedule for the approval of the respective schools. If enough schools are willing to accept the groups and dates offered all is fine, and the performers are notified and make the tour.

The "Rings and Things," who just finished a very successful week at Chowan, were from Montreal, Canada. They were favorably impressed with Chowan and the students here were certainly impressed with them. According to Lee Dunn the first thing they said when they arrived was, "This certainly is a beautiful campus."

The students were impressed enough with the "Rings and Things" to have capacity crowds every night they were here. Anything but complimentary comments about their talent is even more impressive by their price: \$500 for the week.

No more groups are scheduled through the circuit for this semester but arrangements will be made for the spring semester.

Lee Dunn is very optimistic about the growth of the Coffee House at Chowan. He says the college needs something like this. Some schools even have a separate building that serves strictly as a Coffee House.

By TOM GARNER

Chowan's first 'Coffeehouse' became a reality recently with the week long appearance of 'Rings n Things'. A tip of the hat has to go to Dean Lewis and the S. G. A. for their hard work in making the coffeehouse a 'Happening'.

'Rings n Things' was beyond all expectations. 'The group' as they called themselves, had the air of the professional artist all around them. The sounds they created were new ones for the Chowan campus. They were a group of many vocal images. They explored a tremendous variety of material from the blues, love, pop-rock, and French-Canadian folk.

The group consisted of Sharon Ryan, vocals, Russ Kelley, guitar and vocals, Mike Thompson, bass and vocals, Tracy Wolters, drummer and Ken Royle the sound technician.

Sharon Ryan's voice, sometimes smooth sometimes rough but always exciting kept the audience spellbound as she went through such numbers as 'Get Together' and 'Bring It With You When You Come.'

Russ Thompson, who played the guitar, had a most pleasing voice. He is also the songwriter for the group. From the songs that Russ sang that were his own it looks as if he has a bright future ahead in the field of song-writing.

Bill Garrett, with his slow and easy approach to the solo's he sang was a most effective way and style in presenting them to the Chowan audience.

'Rings n Things' arrived on the Chowan campus late Sunday afternoon, the 19th. They were met by Dean Lewis and several of the students. They had just arrived from

Pembroke State University where they had performed for a week.

The group has been in North Carolina since the beginning of October, performing all over the state. They have performed at Davidson College, Louisburg and Pembroke before coming to Chowan.

Upon leaving Chowan, the group went to High Point College for a week. They will be in the state until sometime around the first of November. They will then travel to New York for a short period and then on back to Montreal, Canada, their home for a Christmas vacation.

The coffeehouse was definitely a success; there is no other way to describe it. 'Rings n Things' played to a full house each night. The audience was always attentive and appreciative of the fine performers on stage.

Sharon Ryan, speaking for the group, told me that she had really enjoyed being here for the week and that the Chowan students were a much better audience than those at Pembroke and Louisburg. She said, "The students here accepted us as entertainers, which we are, and not as a group of strange looking people which had been the case in the other two schools."

Before coming on tour the group performed at the Bitter End in New York City, Cafe Lena in Saratoga Springs, New Penelope, Yellow Door and Expo '67 in Montreal. They will travel to Japan in March to appear in Expo '70 which will open at Osaka.

Although the coffeehouse was a very big success, there is still a lot of hard work to be done. Before a new group of entertainers come to campus (if there is to be anymore) the Student Union should be properly decorated to fit the occasion.

A stage should be outfitted so that it could be easily fitted into the Union. There are so many things that need to be ironed out that I feel a committee should be formed, with their main object being 'Making the Student Union or some other appropriate place attractive to us, the students, and our guests.'

'Rings n Things' was the first. What's next?

### Flag football winners named

By HARRY LINDSTROM

The intramural flag football season has been completed with playoffs played Oct. 27 and 28. As a result of the season's play the winners are:

- First—Main
  - Second—Rebs
  - Third—Sixty Niners
  - Fourth—Chicken Whippers
- Dean Dilday said that with the exception of a few forfeits, it was a very successful season.
- Just a reminder, volleyball started Nov. 11. Support your team.

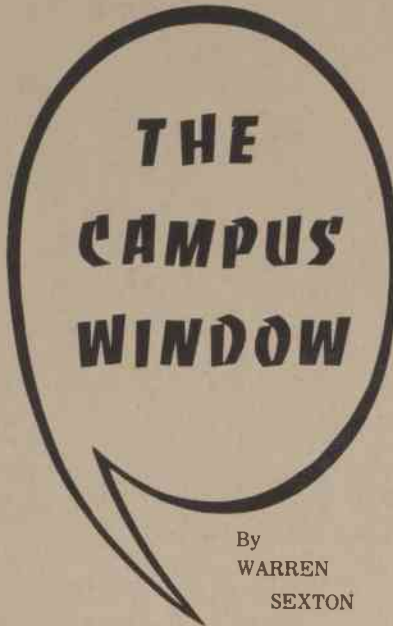
### Check assignments now for next semester

By JULIE HOSKINS

Certain regulations pertaining to room assignments for second semester must be followed. All students who will not be back next semester must register with Mr. Collins during the week of Dec. 1-5.

Students who wish to keep the same room have nothing to do for second semester. Students who wish to change rooms must get a room change form from a head resident and give it to Mr. Collins the week of Dec. 8-12.

All moving must be completed before Christmas vacation.



"Freedom of the Press is a powerful thing," as one student adequately pointed out recently in a letter to the editor of "Smoke Signals," yet in that same issue the newspaper's editor and staff announced that it was necessary to change the publication of the student newspaper from once a week to once every two weeks.

The justification was a legitimate one in that they believed it was "more important to see a good paper published every two weeks" than an inferior weekly paper.

The question that needs an answer is why a student body of over 1,300 students, with the printing facilities readily available, is unwilling to give its support to its own newspaper.

If "Freedom of the Press" is as powerful as indicated above why not use it to your advantage to express your opinions and put forth ideas to make Chowan College a better educational community?

Come on, students, give Smoke Signal's staff the support they deserve in their effort to make "your newspaper" a good one.

In recent issues of "Smoke Signals," both editorials and letters to the editor, students have presented their viewpoints concerning given problems or existing situations to which they request attention be given.

As I watch out the campus window, I would like to make a brief comment relating to some of the issues that have been brought to the attention of the faculty and administration.

The issue of adequate telephone service in the dormitories should be given serious consideration with the hope of a solution for better service.

Probably two phones were available providing free local or on-campus calls, freeing the other phones for long distance service.

I am aware that this idea will raise questions with many people, but this service is successfully provided at some educational institutions.

Oh! If you get the telephone problem solved in the dorms, please inform the faculty members on the second floor of Marks Hall who are assigned the "community extension 40."

The burden of answering this phone has fallen on a few individuals who are normally not the desired parties and who then have the problem of locating the more popular parties, which is becoming both disturbing and disrupting to those who are willing to answer this phone.

An editorial has been written calling attention to the rules determining what constitutes "proper attire" for our co-eds, and it should be given priority in the constant evaluation of rules and policies.

Fashions are determined by the society, so are we being realistic in prohibiting dress on our campus which is acceptable once a student leaves the confines of the college campus?

If one of the purposes of an education is to prepare a student to assume his role in our society, then we must accept the current fashions of that society.

Leaving the editorials and letters, I wish to comment on other views through the campus window. Homecoming, 1969, is history, but it is noteworthy to observe some of the preparations for this gala occasion with the hope that we learn something from these preparations.

First, the procedure used for nominations of the candidates for homecoming by the freshman class should be carefully scrutinized, and better planning should be shown than was prevalent in this year's meeting and nominations.

Second, in the election of the homecoming court, the SGA should not allow the ballot box, with an abundance of ballots available, to be left unattended even for a short period of time, as occurred this year.

This should certainly be taken in the future to eliminate the possibility of such an accusation on the Chowan campus.

Yet in the final analysis, the selection of the homecoming queen is invested in less than four percent of the student body, which is not the most democratic process anyway.

A part of a college education is having the opportunity to be involved in a variety of cultural programs on the college campus. Such an opportunity as available recently on the Chowan Campus when Mr. Jefferson Ishee, of the Daniel School of Music, presented a recital in McDowell Columns Auditorium.

Professor Ishee is to be congratulated for an excellent performance in the opinion of this amateur critic. Yet this performance had its distraction in the inexcusable noise from the resident students upstairs in McDowell Columns building.

I am aware that resident students must live and study in this building while it functions as an auditorium, and naturally this dual use does not provide the most suitable environment for either a residence hall or an auditorium, yet no artist, whether a member of our own faculty or a

## What's right with America?

By MRS. PEGGY DAVENPORT

At this time in history when we hear so many expressions as to what is wrong with America, I consider it a privilege to be able to discuss what is right with our country.

There is so much good to consider that it is difficult to categorize; however, three broad ideas are evident. They are the right with the past, the right with the present, and the right with the future.

We have a wonderful heritage in this great land. Our forefathers were idealists who founded this nation on the principle of unity. Benjamin Franklin said to John Hancock at the signing of "The Declaration of Independence," "We must all hang together, or assuredly we shall all hang separately." Every man present signed the document.

In this united nation the foreign policy has always been one of peace, never aggression; sacrifice, never greed.

Our President has said that America was weak 200 years ago but was the hope of the world; today she is strong and is still the hope of the free world.

Our religious heritage of freedom to worship was established on the principle of "one nation under God".

The progress of this present generation is unsurpassed by any nation. In the scientific scope, the endeavors of people who labor to discover cures for the diseases which plague our people are ceaseless.

We are first in the space program, having placed men on the moon.

In the field of religion we lead the world. Over one-half of the evangelical Christian missionaries in the world are from the United States. American spiritual leaders, such as Billy Graham and Norman Vincent Peale, are known and respected throughout the world.

Seeing what is right in the past and the present, there remains the future to be considered. Approximately one-half of the present population in the United States is under 25 years of age, and it is estimated that by 1970 the number in this group will be 100 million.

### Want to buy or sell; free ads in newspaper

Starting with the next issue of "Smoke Signals" there will be included a "want-ad" column. There will be no charge for this service. This will be a good way sell or swap books or other items. Want-ads should be taken to McSweeney Hall.

Advertisements will be Wanted to Buy, Miscellaneous.

Now is the time to buy or sell books before the semester break.

guest, should be subjected to such noise as Ishee was on the occasion of his recital.

It is time for action to be taken by responsible authorities to insure that future artists and audiences will not be subjected to disruptions of this kind.

This is one watcher's view through the "Campus Window" and I will keep watching.

The future is in the hands of these young people. Youth of today are not content with boredom. They are realists who suspect that the materialism of this generation is not enough. They seek answers to questions on Viet Nam, the bomb, and the pill; easy answers are not adequate.

They are not content with second hand religion, but seek a genuine experience with God in their own lives. Those with the so called "hippie" philosophy are in the minority; most are fine, wholesome youth.

With our patriotic past, prosperous present, and promising future, much is right with America. The ideals of the past are not dead. We have the freedom for which our forefathers fought.

The achievements of his present generation are evident, and with the vision of our realistic young people, the future is secure.

### New dorm will be ready for 1970-71

By ANNE HANDEL

The new boy's dorm will be ready for use by next August. It will have two sets of 16 suites per floor, nine floors, two elevators, wall to wall carpet and large closets.

The first floor will have two apartments for the head resident and the assistant resident, a post-office, TV lounge, a reading room, a laundry room and a recreation room.

The new dorm, still without a name, will have a castle effect with four bridges leading to the building, and an eight or nine acre lake. The only connecting point between the dorm and the campus, will be a dam. A parking lot will also be provided for its occupants.

This dorm will be similar to Belk in that a large majority of it will be glass, and the furniture will be built in.

Even with the new dorm going up, Chowan does not plan on increasing its enrollment of men. The purpose of the dorm is to eliminate the substandard houses on and off campus.

The total cost of the new dorm will not exceed \$1,200,000.

### Softball Champs

Intramural softball began Sept. 29 and ended Oct. 27, with second floor Belk winning. The participating teams were Belk's first, second and third floor and Jenkin's first and second floors. The teams were eliminated when they lost two games.

Belk second floor will receive a banner which they will keep until the preceding sport ends and there is a new winner.

The girls on second floor who participated in softball were: Ann Springs, Vicki Mann, Cindy Basnight, Gail Harris, Betsy Baker, Arnette Cahoon, Gene Brisston, Joan Conner, Jean Soule, June Slater, Pam Stillman, Ann Zepp, Susan Long, Patsy Dwen, Betty Hurdle, Karen Lynch, Deborah Dawson and Jennie Gay.

Intramural volleyball began Nov. 3. We hope all girls will come and support your floor.



### Sorry fellows she's not date-available

This young lady was certainly not aware that her momentary relaxation was being caught by a camera, and the photographer learned later that she is the daughter of Mrs. Rose Drake, a secretary in Chowan's Development Office. Sheree is a freshman at Murfreesboro High School. She had the honor of driving a tractor which pulled the float carrying the Homecoming Court in the parade.