Mrs. Undine Barnhill Very Popular Teacher

One of our more colorful characters on campus today is English professor, Mrs. Undine Barnhill, and she is quite a character. She tries to be a Christian teacher-she knows that to be the most successful and rewarding way.

Mrs. Undine Weeks Barnhill was born at Dawson Cross Roads in the first quarter of the twentieth century. She was reared on a farm with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Weeks, three brothers, and two sisters, she being the oldest child. Her mother was a school teacher and her father a farmer. Mrs. Barnhill has loved the farm ever since she can remember and presently lives in the same area in which she was born and reared. During her high school days and after graduating from Scotland Neck High School in 1934 worked part time in a Scotland Neck clothing store in addition to working down on the farm. After graduation from high school she took one year of business courses at Scotland Neck High which later helped in working her way through college.

In the fall of 1935 Mrs. Barnhill began classes at Meredith College, a girls school in Raleigh, where she majored in English and history. She says that she took those subjects because two of her best high school teachers inspired her to take them. She graduated from Merdith in 1939 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and history. Mrs. Barnhill was married in 1939 to Mr. Lemuel Wesley Barnhill. They had two children, a daughter, now Mrs. Geneva Ashley of Whiteville, N.C., and a son, Larry Barnhill, who is employed in Raleigh. Mr. Wesley Barnhill was then proprietor of "Capt'n Wesley's Store," where Mrs. Barnhill and her husband worked for the next thirteen

Following Mr. Barnhill's death, Mrs. Barnhill then went to East Carolina University, renewed her teaching certificate, and continued attending classes there year round until she earned her Masters degree in English and history, and graduated in 1951. She says that she has received much education through her travels during and after college. She has been to the Middle East Egypt, Palestine), South

nerica, Mexico, Canada, pe, and throughout the 1 States. Just this past imer she spent six weeks at he University of London in England for courses in English. Mrs. Barnhill has attended classes at Harvard University, Lafyette College in Pennsylvania, the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, the North Carolina University of Raleigh. and she has engaged in additional study at East Carolina Univer-

Starting in 1950, after renewing her certificate, she taught at Scotland Neck High School for fifteen years. After that, she came to Chowan and has been teaching here since. Mrs. Barnhill teaches five classes of English including English 101, 102, 201, 202, and at times American Literature, 203 and 204. She serves on the Graduation Committee and the Hospitality Committee here at the college. Concerning the work she does, Mrs. Barnhill has this to say, "I don't sponsor anything except goodwill. I like every minute of teaching at Chowan. I hope that I am doing a service to the students that I teach." She says that she has always wanted to teach, she believes, because her mother was a teacher.

She loves to paint, sew, read, and work in her garden. She says, "I like to be with and deal with young people since I was once a youngun myself. I love everything."

Mrs. Barnhill's community work is mainly centered around her church, where she teaches a Sunday school class. She is interested in the BSU and occasionally attends the prayer breakfast and prayer meeting.

A motto above her desk reads, "Smile. If you see someone today without a smile—Try giving him one of yours." This motto fits well with her opinion of Chowan. "I like Chowan College very much. I feel a part of it and it hurts my feelings when people say ugly remarks about it." She believes that Chowan is a great service to people in this part of the state and

elsewhere. Mrs. Barnhill says, "I would like to see a change in student attitude in that they would feel more a part of the college instead of being discriminated against." She believes that the students should take pride in their own



college. Without the students it would not be here. Mrs. Barnhill says, in all truth and honesty, "I think Chowan students are the finest I have ever been associated with. All that I know, I like. I think students should be more interested in the Christian way of life and more of the students should ge involved in the Christian work on this campus." Mrs. Barnhill told one of the

Saintliness is rarely associated with

politics-all too rarely. I intend,

nevertheless, to make a kind of con-

nection in this column. It will certainly

prove nothing, but it may interest the

politically inclined, hagiologists and

Although my library is not fully

stocked with reference works on

hagiology, I do have the four-volume

complete edition of Butler's "Lives of

the Saints" (edited by Thurston and

Attwater) and the fourth edition of "The

Book of Saints." The latter is a

biographical dictionary compiled by the

Benedictine monks of St. Augustine's

So for several evenings when the

Yippies were yapping, I just turned off

the boob tube and pulled down from my

shelves the works cited above to find out

how many of the beautified and the

sanctified as officially recognized by the

Catholic Church were named Richard or

George or Hubert. The Church, of

course, does not "make saints." Saints

make themselves and only after a long

and complicated process does the

Well, for the Statisticians who may

want to program my figures for a

computer, the results came out like

"Book of Saints": Richard (17 beautified, four sanctified); Goerge

(three beautified, 10 santified). The

score may have changed since these

references were published, because

beautification is only a step on the way

If I had enough space, I could easily

get carried away and write pages about

the holy men who bore these names; but

I shall have to limit myself to brief

discussions to only one of each Christian

name. Let the computers make of it

Blessed Richard Rolle of Hampole

was a 14th century mystic who tried

viliantly to tread the way of truth and

illumination. The professional

theologians have long argued as to

whether the stages of his ascent

correspond to the classical pattern of

"dulcor," "canor" and "fervor." This

controversy does not keep me sleepless

He had a rough time of it. Of his early

difficulties he says: "Rotten rags

hardly covered me, and in my naked-

ness I was annoyed with the bites of

flies which no comfortable covering

prevented from walking over me, and

my skin became rough with ingrained

dirt; and yet in warm weather I was

tormented by the heat, among men who

were enjoying all the shade that they

desired; and my teeth chattered with

the cold while they were indulging in

rich adornments and rejoicing in

superfluities—although nevertheless

they loved not the Giver of these

Church acknowledge them.

to sanctification.

what they will.

o'nights.

run-of-the-mine statisticians.

Abbey, Ramsgate (England).

has had since coming to Chowan. She says that once, she was holding class in the Marks Hall auditorium and one student came in late from the weekend. "He marched down the aisle with the most beautiful bouquet of tulips I had ever seen, using it as a sort of peace offering. He said that a lady let him pick them out of her

many unusual experiences she

Literary Musings

By PROF. ROBERT G. MULDER

A Look at the Business World

By JOHN CUNNIFF

AP Business Analyst NEW YORK (AP) — American workers now have at least \$137 billion in private pension assets. Of at least 30 million workers covered, 4.7 million are receiving annual benefits that exceed \$7.4 billion a year.

These figures all are minimums, because they were compiled in 1970. Growth since then has been swift in many respects, and assets by 1980 are projected to exceed \$250 billion. In 1940 they totaled \$2.4 billion

Women's Leader Asks Accuracy

NEW YORK (AP) - Gloria Steinem, the feminist and editor, says women do not expect sympathy or empathy in news coverage, but she says, "We want accuracy."

Speaking to the 87th annual meeting of the American Newspaper Publishers Association on Wednesday, Ms. Steinem criticized stories that described women by dress or physical attributes but did not treat men the same way.

count of her testifying before a institutions know one another committee on congressional equal rights described her as "blonde, miniskirted Gloria Steinem, but did not report on the head of the committee as 'brunet, vested Birch Bayh,'"

not only for workers covered but for the entire economy of the nation. Even in a trilliondollar economy, a sum in the

billions carries great power. Banks depend upon it, the ree); dl;l rz8eds it, corporations rely on it as a source of capital financing. Thousands of bankers, lawyerso trustees and other professionals, and many times that number of ancillary workers, earn their living from

And there is still another great consequence, perhaps more potential than real. That is the possibility of fraud, conspiracy or other misuse of funds by those who manage them.

In a comprehensive pension study just released, Bankers Trust describes how "the man on Main Street probably imag-ines a perpetual series of conspiraces for the control of cor-

The ingredients of the "plot" are that billions of dollars of stock are held by pension funds, which are managed by banks. Other institutions, like investment trusts and insurers, hold billions more.

Now add to this recipe the A Washington newspaper ac- fact that "the directors of these and work within the narrow radius of the lower end of Manhattan" and you have the makings of problems.

Despite these majohz\$v rnjw rl3considerations it is the personal stake in pensions that concerns most workers and their families. And yet many workers know very little of their rights and expectation

It is for reasons such as these

Meat Boycott

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Two national consumer groups are calling for a new meat boycott beginning this week.

One group wants the boycott to continue until prices come down. The other plans a weeklong protest of high prices similar to the boycott earlier this month.

June Foray Donavan of Los Angeles, organizer of Fight Inflation Together-FIT-said she was optimistic that a boycott to last "until something gives" would be successful even though the demand for meat has returned to normal since

mittees are studying many proposals to set standards for fiduciary responsibilities, vesting, disclosure of information and funding.

While the complexity of the subject matter and the many varieties of pension plans is slowing action, prospects are bright that Congress will be able to reach agreement on provisions this year and probably pass a bill in 1974.

So far the focus of three main proposals is on vesting.

Prince Charles Promoted By Royal Navy

LONDON (AP) -Charles, the heir to the British throne, will be promoted to acting lieutenant in the Royal Navy on May 1, the Ministry of Defense announced today.

With the promotion from sublieutenant, the 24-year-old prince's navy pay will go up from \$5,250 to \$6,625. But Charles, who reportedly gets half a million dollars a year as Prince of Wales and Duke of Cornwall, has been giving his navy pay to navy charities

The defense ministry said the promotion was routine since he will complete 18 months on duty on May 1. He is serving as assistant navigation officer on the survey ship Fox in the West

Premier Meir To Run Again

TEL AVIV (AP) - Israeli Premier Golda Meir has decided to run again in October, the newspaper Haaretz reported today. Mrs. Meir's office had no immediate comment. For the past two years the 74-

year-old premier has been saying she would like to retire. But other leaders of the ruling Labor party fear no generally acceptable successor can be found.

Haaretz published a public opinion poll in which 74.1 per cent of those questioned said they wanted Mrs. Meir to remain on the job.

-A bill submitted by Sens. Jacob K. Javits, R-N.Y., and Harrison A. Williams, D-N.J., proposes that after eight years of service a pension be 30 per cent vested.

That means a worker would have a nonforfeitable right to 30 per cent of benefits accrued under terms of the plan, even if he ceased to be an employe. The benefits would be paid on retirement.

Each year thereafter vesting would increase by 10 per cent until, after 15 years, the emwould be 100 per cent vested.

-Rep. John Dent, D-Pa., proposes that after 10 years of service an employe be 100 per cent vested.

-The Nixon administration proposes the rule of 50. When age and service add up to 50, a person becomes 50 per cent vested, that is, entitled to onehalf the pension rights accrued under the particular plan, to be paid on retirement.

Vesting would increase 10 per cent a year after the rule of 50 applied, so that rights to a full pension would be reached in another five years.

How do you determine if you are vested?

A new federal regulation expected to become effective July 31 would require employers to make available to workers the pertinent facts regarding their plan in laymen's terms.

Seeks Divorce RENO, Nev. (AP) - William Harrah, owner of Reno and Lake Tahoe casinos, has filed

for divorce from his fourth wife, former model Roxene Carlson. Harrah asked Washoe District Court Wednesday for a divorce on grounds of in-compatibility. He said the

Casino Owner

couple had no community prop-Miss Carlson, 32, and Harrah. 61, were married last Oct. 15 at Harrah's home at Tahoe. It was his fourth marriage and

Gets Parole

her second

WASHINGTON (AP) - Robert T. Carson, a former aide to Sen. Hiram L. Fong, R-Hawaii, has been granted parole by the U.S. Board of Parole.

Carson had been sentenced to 18 months in prison on conspiracy and perjury charges. He was convicted of being the prime mover in a conspiracy to bribe then-Deputy Atty. Gen. Richard G. Kleindienst and was sentenced on Nov. 14, 1972.

The board denied parole to Collie Leroy Wilkins and Eugene Thomas, Klu Klux Klan members from Alabama who were convicted on civil rights charges in the gunshot slaying civil rights worker Mrs. Viola Liuzzo in March 1965.



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tried to seduce him; for when one fasts and mortifies the body, it is hard to distinguished fantasy from reality. The same reservation may be made judging the actuality of a clutch of demons who left the deathbed of Damme Dalton only to cluster in his own cell. the first boycott. The only possible choice for "George"

is St. George, Protector of the Kingdom of England (A.D. 303?) In the later medieval period he was best known as the "Legenda Aurea" of Jacques de Voraigne. From this "Golden Legend" we learn that he was a Christian knight and that he was born in Cappodocia.

And he may or may not have been

using a figure of speech in describing

the Devil in the guise of a woman who

He had a way with dragons. One of these nasty creatures had long terrified the country around Sylene. For a while two sheep per day kept him at a distance; then the supply of sheep ran thin and human sacrifice had to be offered. It came the turn of the king's daughter to fill his maw, and he went out-believe it or not-dressed as a bride for the assignation. George objected, ran the dragon through with his lance, took the girl's girdle and put it around the monster's neck. Then she was able to lead the now meek beast into

Then Geoge put it up to the kind. If he and his subjects would become Christian believers and consent to baptism, he would slay the dragon. It was done. The dragon was killed, his remains were carried away in four oxcarts and 15,000 men were baptized (not counting women and children).

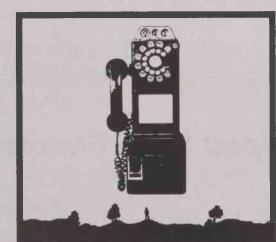
It is sad to relate that George later was tortured and martyred under Diocletian and Maximian. He was beaten with clubs, burned with red-hot irons, poisoned, fixed between two spiked wheels and thrown into a caldron of molten lead. None of these arrangements worked, but decapitation did. His martydrom is observed in the Church calendar on April 23.

St. Hubert's Day falls on November 3, just short of usual election days. Hubert was a hunter. That figures, I suppose. The extra-ordinary manner of his conversion is related as follows: "Hubert was very fond of hunting and one Good Friday went out after a stag when everybody else was going to church. In a clearing of the wood the beast turned, displayed a crucifix between its horns. Hubert stopped in astonishment, and a voice came from the stag saying, "'Unless you turn to the Lord, Hubert, you shall fall into Hell."

He fell on his knees and then took the stag's advice to seek out the bishop of Maestricht for guidance. The advice was good, for he was later ordained priest and in 705 became bishop of Liege. He is to this day especially venerated in Belgium.

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