

# SMOKE SIGNALS

## Homecoming

### Chowan's 'Big Day' Success

By BECKIE WORKMAN  
Concert

Suppose one had never seen Brownsville Station perform, then picture an empty stage with a restless audience and a catch of breath as spotlights splash across the floor. Suddenly a young man in a wild costume runs out, plugs in a guitar, and Cub takes off. Almost spontaneously two other flying men join him and all three explode in a song. No it is not a bird, a plane, or even Superman, it is Brownsville Station. The excitement begins, the music grows louder and wilder, and soon with the three musician's energy the audience screams with ampathy.

Afterwards Cub and Mike joke with the audience, catching the good mood in their words, letting tension relax, but never melt. Then it begins to kindle again and the fire builds up and up. At the end of the performance the audience is left with satisfied ashes.

The three young men who make up this threesome are Cub Koda, guitarist; Mike Lutz, bass; and Henry "H-Bomb" Weck, drummer. They are in some respects unique and are commonly known as "Smokin In The Boys Room". They now have out a prospective hit entitled "Kings of The Party". Believe it or not this concert took place at Chowan College and emerged the Homecoming events.

#### Parade

The theme of Homecoming was Chowan Is... The parade, which took place in downtown Murfreesboro, was represented by Chowan College dorms, various college students of importance, local and near-by high schools, other colleges, a number of college clubs, and various other clubs of the surrounding communities. A radio narration was broadcasted on WDR of Murfreesboro by Chowan College Dean Vicki Tolston and Dean Earl Dilday, Associate Deans of Women and Men.

The winning floats were announced at the Homecoming

football game. First place went to Belk and East Halls with their theme Chowan is... "Proud of the past, looking for the future". Second place went to Parker Hall with their theme, Chowan is... "A stepping stone". In third place came Jenkins Hall with the idea of Chowan is... "A book of memories". Honorable mention was given to the International students with Chowan is... "the world".

Other themes included West Hall with Chowan is "For everyone"; the Day Students with Chowan is "A place for Day Students to achieve"; and Mixon Hall with Chowan is "A new horizon". The various clubs including the Campus Christian Fellowship, Science Club, A Alpha Pi Epsilon officers, and the personal development class participated in the parade. Two colleges, Campbell and UNC at Greensboro were also represented in the parade.

President of Chowan College, Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker, was presented in the parade. The Homecoming Court, SGA President-Drew Rivenbark, and Mayor Hill of Murfreesboro were also acknowledged.

#### Half-Time at Football game

During half-time, of the Chowan-Ferrum football game; there was a presentation of Chowan's Homecoming Court. Freshmen members were presented first. Miss Donna Newsome of Grafton, Virginia was escorted by Allan Finehirsh of Hollywood, Florida. Donna is a liberal arts major. Miss Paige Heishman of Falls Church, Virginia, is a pre-education major. Paige was escorted by Richard Gardner of Vienna, Virginia. Miss Betty Jo Taylor of Newsoms, Virginia, was escorted by Cliff Williams of Aurora, North Carolina. Betty Jo is a liberal arts major. Miss Christina S. Poll was escorted by Robert L. Walker of Virginia Beach, Virginia. Christina, better known to students as KIKI, is from Moen, Truk, on of the



Miss Wanda Davidson 1974 Homecoming Queen

Caroline Islands of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands. KIKI is a nursing student.

The sophomore attendants were introduced next. Miss Beth Freeman, liberal arts major from Fredericksburg, Virginia. She was escorted by Thomas Corey of Roxobel, North Carolina. Miss Theresa Selby, of Bath, North Carolina, was escorted by John E. Barnes of Knotts Island, North Carolina. Theresa is a secretarial administration major. Miss Wanda Davidson from Aulander, North Carolina, is a secretarial administration major. She was escorted by Kirk McClure of Hopewell, Virginia. Miss Karen Bennett, pre-education major from Rustburg, Virginia, was escorted by her father Henry Bennett.

#### Homecoming Dance

The band for Homecoming dance was Lighthouse Gang. The Homecoming Court were presented with a dance dedication. The band played familiar popular songs such as "Nothing for Nothing" and "I Shot the Sheriff".

### Frank Robinson Named Manager

By The Associated Press  
Frank Robinson, for two decades one of baseball's greatest players and competitors, October 3, 1974 was named the first black manager in the 105-year history of major league baseball.

## Proposed Title IX Changes Explained

By BECKIE WORKMAN

Title Nine is a proposed amendment now in process concerning changes in higher education. It is a complicated writing relating to discrimination against sex. Title Nine was open for reaction by the people of the United States until October 15. At that time President Ford took into consideration its contents and the public reaction to make his decision. If the bill is passed it will become law within thirty days. However institutions will have allotted time to make adjustments, and the law will become effective within a period

of time. The Health Education and Welfare proposed the Title Nine Amendment.

How will Title Nine affect Chowan College? As an overall outlook every situation will be "Equable but comparable" among the sexes. This is true in dealing with a curfew. Dean Dilday "feels that there will never be a curfew for men". As a solution, Dean Tolston stated, "For security reasons all dorms could be locked at say one o'clock. This would not be actually a curfew, instead for the benefit and security of the students."

Title Nine may involve items one does not have knowledge of; and which could change ones outlook on the situation. Under the amendment the institute is responsible for pregnancies of a coed whether she be married or single. This would mean a raise in student insurance cost, because the college insurance does not include pregnancies at the moment. This is your money! All sports are to be equal. A female may try out for football and can only be disqualified because of her lack of ability.

When asked "As a women's liberation supporter, what are your ideas on the Equal Rights Amendment?" Ms. Tolston answered saying, "I am basically behind this equality, equal pay and all its involvement. Certain areas are complex and there are certain freedoms which I feel do not actually need equality." (She does not feel she would be a member of the party.) She continues saying she is for "the freedom of the individual."

Dean Lewis' idea is that "the middle class American is fed up with paying taxes to support the small minority people who want things." When asked if he thought enrollment would drop, if changes weren't made he answered saying, "Enrollment is one concern, but academic excellence and the philosophy or personality of the college is more important. Every college has to maintain its own personality." It is only a human nature to make oneself seem best. If John does not continue his second semester at Chowan he will tell his friends back home that it was a crummy school, when in actuality John flunked out. He would rather put the blame on something else other than himself. Of course there are the cases then college was never meant for a certain student, or perhaps just Chowan. Dean Lewis justifies this with his example of a suit. "If one has a single breasted coat, he cannot make a double-breasted one from it. Instead he should go and purchase a new one."

President Bruce Whitaker is appointing a committee, whose members will consist of college trustees and advisors, alumni, staff, faculty, and students. This committee will study Title Nine and make provisions for Chowan College. A list of student's requests was distributed among Board of Trustees and advisor members. An executive committee was told to study these requests. This committee meets once a month.

In conclusion let one remember the main purpose of college is Education! There is more to government than change. Is the Homecoming Court ballot box being ran by Dean Lewis your SGA? Or the burnt holes in the carpet in Columns? Remember students must be represented to be heard. So names must be submitted to all college committees. Do not complain unless "YOU" are willing to do "your" part in making Chowan College "Your" college!



Belk and East Dorms' Winning Float



Brownsville Station

## Fire Strikes Local G-P Wood Plant

By MIKE PATTERSON

While working on the third edition of Smoke Signals several weeks ago, we were rudely awakened from our afternoon daydreaming session by excited cries of "we're famous, we're famous!" We ran (would you believe walked?) to the AP teletypewriter to see what all the excitement was about. The story that unfolded was unbelievable. Murfreesboro had made the days AP reports! Just imagine the name of Murfreesboro spread all

over the state, maybe even the country. There was even some speculation that this event would put Murfreesboro on the map, but we decided not to get carried away with our excitement.

The story, of course, was the fire at Georgia-Pacific. Many students, seeing the smoke hovering overhead, thought the town of Murfreesboro was on fire.

But when the smoke failed to clear after three minutes, they decided that something else must be on fire.

Yes, I think a move should be begun immediately to make October 4th a red letter day in the history of Murfreesboro. Maybe the Historical Society could even sponsor a "The Day Murfreesboro Made The AP Report" Day, complete with a community picnic and church service.

For those of you who may have missed the original report, we are reprinting it here for your viewing pleasure—all 71 words of it. Maybe you should frame it or send it home to mother.

## Murfreesboro In the News

By The Associated Press  
MURFREESBORO, N. C. — Fire broke out early today in the boiler room of the Georgia-Pacific Co. plant in Murfreesboro, but the plant manager said "we don't anticipate any great deal of damage."

W. D. Doughtie said the fire started in sawdust, chips and wood waste used in the boiler furnace. Fire trucks from Murfreesboro, Ahsokie and Woodland responded.

The plant employs 350-400 persons and makes baskets and wire-bound crates. It also operates a sawmill.

Doughtie said most of the damage was smoke from the smoldering fire.

## Policy Concerning Student Records Reviewed

By D. H. NICHOLAS

A problem of countinuing concern for many collegiate registrars in the establishment of a rational policy for their institutions which governs the availability of student records to investigative agencies, both governmental and private, for purposes of employment and otherwise. In fact the problem is one of increasing importance because of the proliferation of governmental and private agencies which are making ever-increasing demands for information about students and their individual records. Therefore, it becomes absolutely essential that institutions of higher education develop very definite and, hence, rather firm policies concerning the release of information about their present or former students.

With the preceding statements as a preface, the remainder of this article will be devoted to a summary of the policy of Chowan College which pertains to student records and their availability to various investigative agencies outside the College community.

The Registrar here at Chowan, as he generally is elsewhere, is responsible for the maintenance of all permanent records of students, present or former, of the College. He is also responsible for the release of any information from their records to agencies outside his office, including other departments of the College; the student; other educational institutions; local, state, and federal agencies; prospective employers; and commercial enterprises, such as credit bureaus.

Since student records in the Registrar's office are considered personal and confidential, most information therefrom is released to sources outside the College only upon written request or verbal consent from the student, his parents, his guardians, or, perhaps, his next of kin. However, the following information may be released to prospective employers, insurance companies, governmental agencies, credit investigators, either in writing or orally, without consent of the student;

- (1) His full name
- (2) His last recorded home and local address
- (3) His dates of attendance
- (4) Degree, if any, and date granted

(5) His curriculum

In addition to the preceding general policy concerning disclosure of information about the student's record, the College has a policy which allows other educational institutions, such as high schools formerly attended (for follow-up studies) or colleges or universities to which the Chowan student plans to transfer, to receive information about class standing, and completing of programs, and general information from follow-up grade reports, all without the student's specific consent.

Transcripts may be released only by the student upon his request to the Registrar, within the guidelines established by the Registrar and published in the Chowan College Catalog and

the Student Handbook. The Transcript with the seal of the College and the signature of the Registrar is never sent to the student but directly to the address of the agency or institution to which the student is making application. If the student wants a copy of his transcript for his own records or use, his will be without the College seal and the Registrar's signature.

Reacting to the proliferation of investigative agencies and their growing demands for information from confidential records in the Registrar's office, we at Chowan College feel that we must act in such a way as to protect the student and to insure his right to privacy at the same time that we insure our integrity as an educational institution

operation within the confines of a legal framework. Therefore, when processing confidential forms or other matter which requires information considered personal and confidential, we require a complete authorization from the party under investigation, whether, for example, that party or a member of his family is seeking employment with a highly sensitive governmental agency or whether that party or a member of his family is being investigated by a police agency. In other words, most information from the student's permanent record here at Chowan College is considered confidential, and the release of possibly derogatory information must originate with the student, present or former.

In instances where the student is involved in a court proceeding and information is requested by some party other than the student, the request will be honored only with the student's consent or a subpoena from the court.

To local, state, and federal agencies, such as local and state police officials and investigative officers from such federal agencies as the FBI, the CIA, or the military intelligence of the various branches of the Armed Forces, all academic and personal information, other than that identified earlier, may not be released except with authorization from the student concerned, and the release will be under the direct supervision of the Registrar. In general, all

investigation for employment purposes or other wise.

The policy of Chowan College concerning the availability of student records is one planned and executed to uphold the privacy of the student's records and to insure the integrity of the College. And we at Chowan have found that by clearly defining what can and cannot be released without specific authorization from the party under investigation, we have helped to create an atmosphere of trust which has resulted in a sense of mutual understanding and cooperation for all parties concerned. Indeed, we at Chowan have been able to maintain a trust which is respected as being in the best interests of all parties concerned.