

Lord, Stay Beside Me

By SUSAN E. SPRUILL

Lord, stay beside me always,
And keep watch day by day.
Lord, stay beside me always,
So I may not go astray.
Lord, stay beside me,
So I may belong to thee.
Lord, stay beside me,
And may I always be —
Forever rendering unto thee.

The Foreshadow

These poems were found in an old sea chest in 1972. Yours,
Bokonon the Liar

The Foreshadow

Here at the straits of routinity,
I ponder of the variety of
the future with urgent proximity.
Waterfalls of serenity,
near a nearby reality, I
hope to find, ponder, or see
What is and be
To me.

The Trip

Sparks fly through the canopy of
edged leaves sending a ray of
the great cooperativeness of the
source of One.
Absorb to express the warmth and
glory of its magnificent thoughts,
Impure but true and complete in
the complexity of it All. The sun.

Cigarette Smokers Are Dangerous

By J. Q. PUBLIC

I have watched helplessly while members of my immediate family have died the slow, painful death of incurable cancer. Perhaps this will help you understand why I have an abiding hatred for tobacco smoke, which the Surgeon General says may (or does) cause cancer, (for nonsmokers as well as smokers, according to some reports). Add to that the fact that I am allergic to cigarette smoke and you may see why I have such a strong dislike for smoking.

It is for this reason that I find it appalling that otherwise respectable people will "light up" in a crowd without asking if anyone objects. People who would never spit in your drink think nothing of polluting the air that we all must breathe. This makes smokers both dangerous and inconsiderate.

To say that not allowing a person to smoke place unfair restrictions on his freedom is the same kind of argument that justified for generations. Where does one person's freedom end and another's begin? One person's freedom to smoke takes away everyone else's freedom to breathe unpolluted air.

To say that it is acceptable because "everybody does it" is the same logic some people use for cheating on exams, or cheating the government. It is no better in one case than in the other.

A mature person does as he pleases when what he pleases does not infringe on the rights of someone else. If you must smoke, how about a little consideration for others?

Women Awareness Month

By Gail Farco

We began our month of awareness on February 18 with dorm meetings for the women of Chowan. With the help of Dean Yount and Tom Taylor, who gave us our ideas, we discussed the women's "role" on Chowan campus. We discussed subjects

such as our equal rights in sports, attitude, involvement with Chowan, dating and other subjects that we felt needed to be opened up. Our purpose was not to try to dominate the men, which I am sure we never will, but to get the women on campus involved with all activities and shed a light on our rights as a human being.

On February 24 the women's awareness committee sponsored a presentation on self-defense. The program was very effective for the women, it showed many ways that women can protect themselves when attacked. The speaker also emphasized on how to avoid places where a woman is more likely to be attacked. The women who attended the meeting are now well informed on self-defense; so to those naive and bothersome attackers, watch out, for we women have learned to raise a knee or two in a struggle for defense.

The committee also held a discussion with Frank E. Stevenson who is a candidate for Lt. Governor of North Carolina in 1976. He is a well known defender for women's rights, which was the topic of his speech.

Students Demand Action

By JOHN WEIDMAN

The students of Chowan College would like to know what happened to a weight machine which was brought to the gym. It seems no one was there to meet the salesman of the machine. This man has not been contacted about the weight machine any further. Does the faculty think the students are going to forget about this? The students would like some action on bringing the machine back. This is something the student body will not forget.

BSU, CCF Students Go to Spring Convention

By Don Verdone
Friday April 2, 1976 the Chowan College B.S.U., C.C.F. left for Ridgecrest, N.C. in the N.C. mountains near Asheville for the State Baptist Student Union Spring Convention.

After leaving on what looked like it was going to be a bad weekend weather wise things began to look up. The sky began to clear and the weather began to get very warm.

This year's conference theme was not one single theme but rather three themes leading to one "On the Right Track?" Track one was "Building up Steam for B.S.U. Leaders" This track was led by Meredith Moore, Baptist Campus minister at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Va.

This track was designed to give newly elected B.S.U. officers on the local level an opportunity to look at the whole decision making process. Participants in this track found out how decisions are made, what their roles as a leader is in making these decisions, and how they might function as leaders.

Track two's theme was "Easing the Way for College Seniors." This track was led by three persons who survived the Senior year of college and are now out and doing good in the world. These persons are Richard McBride, Wake Forest; Joe David Fore, Western Carolina; and David Moore, Raleigh staff. These three graduates offered advice to the hopeful graduates.

Attention was given to the anxieties that run wild in those who expect to graduate and on ways this energy might be creatively and constructively channeled.

Track three was "Finding the Destination in Jesus." The group was led by Julian Cave and the participants explored the theme "Jesus Is... I Am... You Are."

On Friday evening the pastor of St. John's Baptist Church in Charlotte addressed the group on the topic of "What's Special about Jesus?" On Saturday morning he discussed two topics, "Toward Becoming a Christian" and "The Church: Inside Out." After each presentation the students were given an opportunity to discuss what had been said.

The highpoint of this track weekend was Saturday night when a drama group from St. John's Church presented a play called "Last Take: The Script: Your Cue," an original drama written by Lenora Cave, Julian Cave's wife. This play was written in the same style as "Our Town" by Thornton Wilder and was most enjoyable to see. After the production the cast was engaged in a discussion with the audience about the play and the various roles the actors portrayed.

The weekend came to a close with the morning worship service in which all the tracks participated. In a special offering each track gave something that they had learned during the weekend to the rest of the congregation. After communion all the tracks intermixed and everyone shared between themselves in their own special and individual way.

I know everyone who went this weekend greatly enjoyed the good food, fellowship, and things

learned through the meetings held this weekend and the only thing that I know made everybody unhappy was that we had to part and go back to our individual schools because "We have passed this way, we have touched each others lives, but we will never meet this group again."

Reynolds Mobilizes Crusade

Reynolds Aluminum Recycling Company encourages area residents to join its crusade to recycle all aluminum.

Reynolds pays 15 cents a pound for all-aluminum beverage cans and other clean household aluminum such as foil pie pans frozen food and dinner trays, dip and pudding and meat containers. Certain other types of clean aluminum items may be redeemed at a lower price.

Recyclers are reminded that all-aluminum cans are non-magnetic, have a rounded bottom edge and no side seam. Many cans have the words "recyclable aluminum" printed on the side.

Take your aluminum to the mobile recycling unit located at: Chowan College Rear Parking Lot Behind Carrie Savage Camp Hall Every other Tuesday April 27, May 11 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Literary Musings



By PROF. ROBERT G. MULDER.

To hold my reading attention and curiosity, a 450-page book must be an exceptionally good one. For or five issues ago, I reviewed in this column the most recent book by Lance Horner, a writer who certainly pleases my reading taste. Therefore, I should have known better last week than to read a page of an earlier book of his, *Heir to Falconhurst*. Two whole pages and I was hooked — had to plow through 450 pages before getting my satisfaction.

Lance Horner has a style which satisfies this reader. His style is sensuous without being vulgar, realistic without extravagance, and plausible without being contrived. There seems to be little wasted action in a Horner novel, and his problems are always important enough to demand reading for the solution or climax.

Heir to Falconhurst is one of eight novels (and my literary goal now is to collect the entire series) set on a plantation in the deep South during those bespeaking years following the Civil War. This one tells "the spellbinding story of the decline of the notorious slave-breeding plantation, and of its resurrection at the hands of a man called free but still enslaved to ancient tradition, a man called black despite the whiteness of his skin, and a man who falls desperately in love with the passionate Mustee wife of his sadistic overseer."

This is decidedly Drum Maxwell's story, from his comfortable aristocratic home in Boston where he has lived with a wealthy uncle until he becomes the null master of his own inherited Falconhurst Plantation. The span of time in the novel covers about two years, and the reader may well appreciate the development of a somewhat spoiled society lad in Boston's upper-crust. After many trials and tribulations (accurate and used for lack of a more descriptive term), Drum may well be called Master

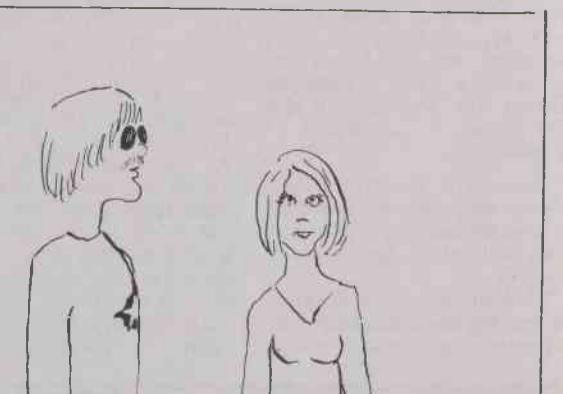
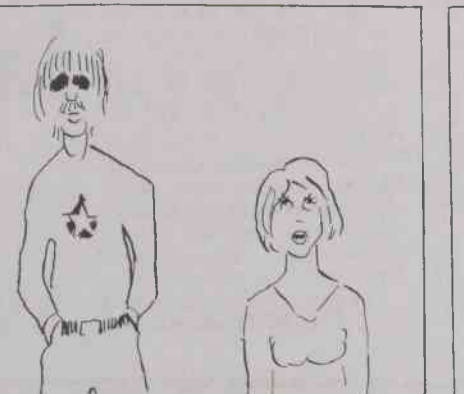
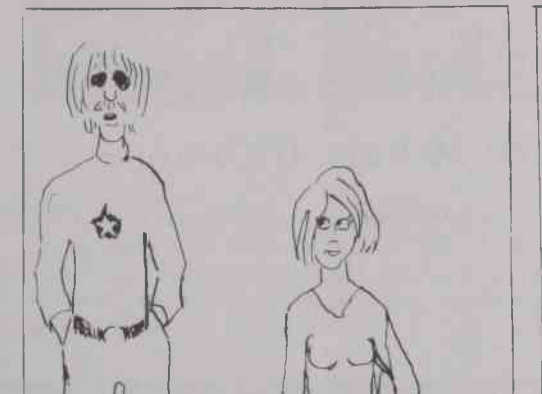
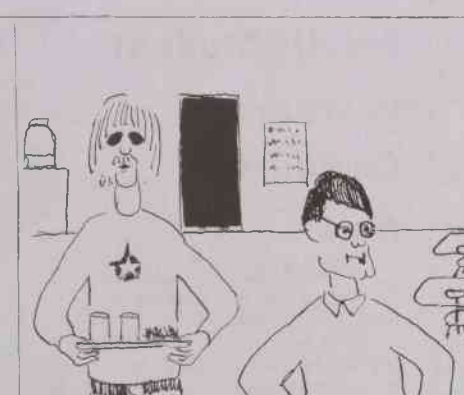
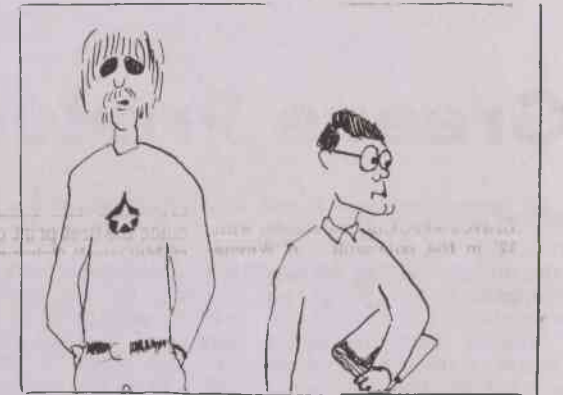
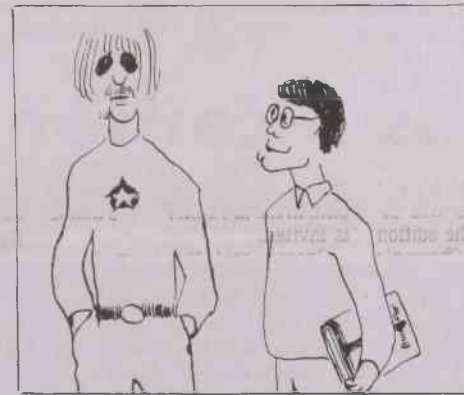
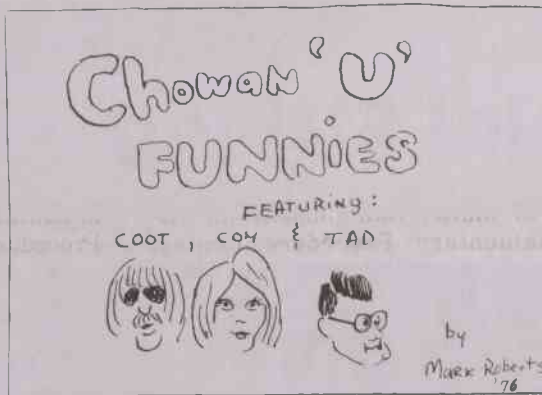
of his own household. He struggles bravely against the disgrace heaped upon him by parents he never knew; he arrives a wealthy landowner in a Southern town where he is neither wanted nor treated with respect; and he proves to the Southern "reds" that character and integrity are not dependent upon ancestry or skin color.

One of Drum Maxwell's greatest strengths is the recognition of his personal weakness. In order to restore the fallen plantation, he procures a knowledgeable man named Narcisse to oversee the crops and field workers. A local man, a talented carpenter given to much wine consumption, restores the "big house" to a condition even surpassing the original. Throughout the process, young Drum serves as peacemaker whenever misunderstandings arise, and this is an unmistakable contribution which crowns the efforts of his personal struggle.

The novel is not without its share of love-ins and love-outs. With desires and abilities to match his youthfulness, Drum easily though not safely wins the affection of his overseer's wife, the beautiful Mustee Claire, who has taken over the decoration and restoration of Falconhurst mansion.

In an episode which nearly costs Drum his life, the conniving plot (to steal Falconhurst) of Narcisse is exposed, and his ten field foremen and their corruptness are also discovered. Narcisse meets death by the blade of Drum's black brother, and the county sheriff and his handpicked followers lynch the Bad Ten when they confess to a long series of rapes, murders, and thefts.

The novel comes to a beautiful ending when wrongs are made right, servants are made happy and secure once again, and the marriage of Drum and Claire restore prestige and stability to Falconhurst.



Freshman Class Sponsor Spring Jam

Below are the minutes of the Freshman Class.

March 30, 1976

The Freshman class meeting opened at 6:45. The President, Randy Baldwin, had the spring jam approved by Jim Dale to let us co-sponsor it. April 24, parents will be coming down.

We discussed ideas to contribute to the Spring Jam.

- 1) Kidnapping Mr. Whitaker and getting money for ransom
- 2) Car bash
- 3) Horse rides

- 4) Balloon bust
- 5) Lick the Lolly Licker Queen - King of Lolly Lickers
- 6) Grease the Pig - grease a watermelon in the water and try to get it out.

Janey Euler is to check up on the horse.

Tom is to check up on the car and kidnapping.

Elections held for Sophomore class will be two weeks after SGA elections. Sophomore class constitutional convention after election. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30.

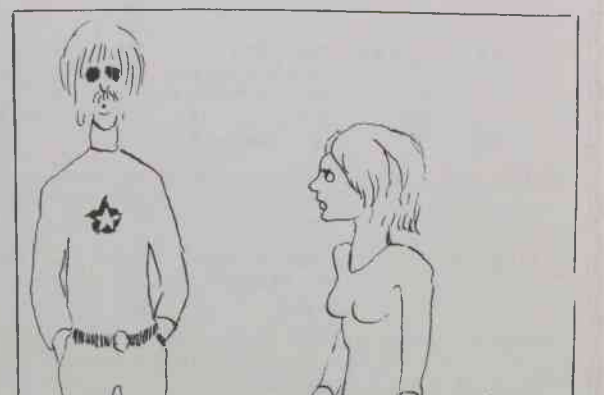
April 1, 1976

The pony ride is almost confirmed.

We will make signs for the dance that the Freshman Class has arranged. It will be on April 8 Thursday 8 - 1:00 in the cafeteria. Randy and Debbie will get committees together to serve drinks and sell tickets.

Janey will check up with Danny Deskins about the cafeteria arrangements.

There will be 10 posters in the dorms, cafeteria, Marks Hall, and the library.



I LIKE HIS NECK MUSCLES