

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year To All



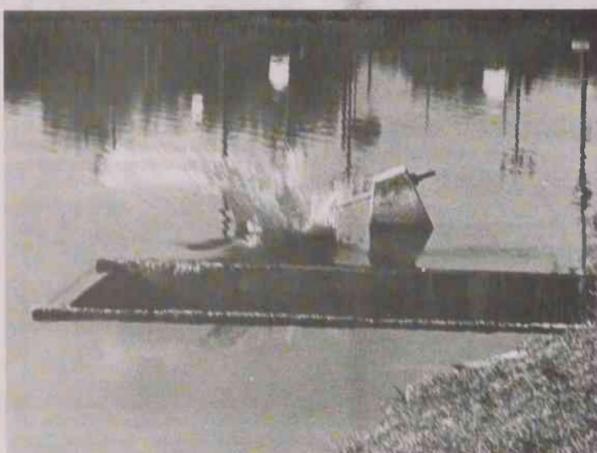
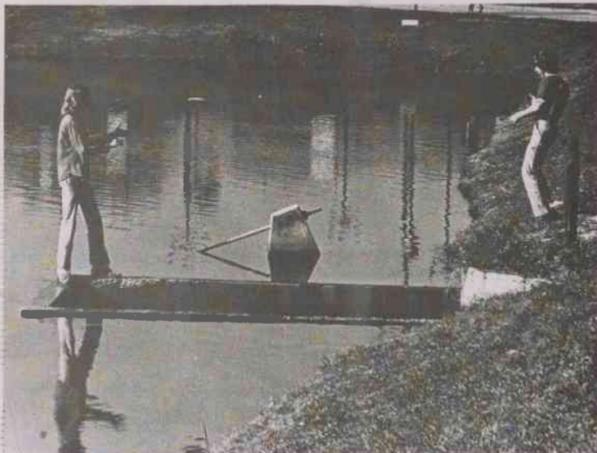
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SPLASH — This photo sequence isn't quite what it appears to be, but it's still an imaginative effort by the photographer. Although B.B. Bailey does take a fall into the lake as he apparently catches an errant toss of the frisbee by Billy Donnell, it is really three separate posed shots, not a stop-action sequence. Photos by Scott Yobaggy.

No Change In Library Hours Seen

By SUSAN PATE

Lack of funds prevents extending the hours of Whitaker Library, according to Mrs. Geraldine Harris, head librarian.

Mrs. Harris explained at a recent SGA meeting that a limited budget prevents the extra hours for which many students have shown a desire. At the present, there are three librarians and two library assistants. In order to keep the library running in an orderly manner, these five people often have to cover more than one job. Mrs. Harris said that if library hours were extended, another person would have to be hired and the present budget will not cover another person.

Mrs. Harris also pointed out that if the students would be quieter, the librarians could be of more help to everyone. She said that they could get more accomplished if they did not have to constantly stop to tell someone to be quiet. Mrs. Harris asked for help from the students on this matter. Most of the SGA members present agreed that peer pressure is the best help.

Also discussed at the meeting was the trial open dorm which was held on Thursday, November 16. Many students feel there should be both open dorm and open lounges.

Who's Who Taps 26 Students

Twenty-six Chowan sophomores have been selected for inclusion in *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges* for this year.

They are: Joy Marcia Braswell, Macclesfield; Anne Elizabeth Bueche, Virginia Beach, Va.; Cynthia Lee Drake, Newsoms, Va.; Pamela Mary Hall, Beverly, N.J.; Loraine Pam Helfand, Towson, Md.; Dana Michelle Hight, Chesapeake, Va.; Louise Elizabeth Jones, Dillwyn, Va.

Helen Elizabeth Lindsey, Richmond, Va.; Debra Lynn McCraw, Whiteville; Cheryl Robin Minton, Ahoskie; Bertha Limunga Mokake, Buea, Cameroon; Mary Jane Parrish, Edenton; Jean Elizabeth Sexton, Murfreesboro; Jennifer Lynn Watts, Fayetteville.

Joseph Guiton Austin, Beaufort; James Arthur Baker, Jr., Jacksonville; Thomas Scott Brumley, Huntersville; Tandy Oliver Dunn, Washington; Daniel Joseph Fuchs, Ramsey, N.J.; Wilson Wise Hitchings, Norfolk, Va.

Vincent Frank Lococo, Miami, Fla.; Melvin Thomas Matthews, Murfreesboro; Roberts Hunter Sears, Murfreesboro; Yusuf Sabit Shabazz, Fayetteville; Brian Stephen Swartz, Wilmington, Del., and Robert Edward Trout, Beaufort.

This award is based on scholarship, extracurricular activities, citizenship and promise for future development," explained Dr. B. Franklin Lowe, Jr., dean of the college. "We are proud of each student who received this honor," he added.

Optional Funding On Rise

(CPS) — Optional funding of student groups is becoming increasingly popular at many campuses, much to the chagrin of the groups relying on the student fee assessments for funding. This month, the University of Colorado began implementing its optional program, and CU's 38 campus organizations are pretty glum about the outcome.

A full two-thirds of the CU student body opted to withhold its share of student group funding, and student government member Joe Melendrez figures this means the end of the line of many groups. "Student groups used to get a lot done on this campus," said Melendrez. "Now they've gotten the axe."

The 38 groups will be vying for \$12,000 tendered by the students choosing to pay an extra \$1.60, or 1.7 percent of their total student fees. The allocation process is expected to be difficult, predicts Student Organization Committee member Vincent McGuire.

Studies and New Friends Fine; But Food Strange, Foreign Students Say

By ANGELA ELDER

At first glance, Chowan College's student body appears to be a mini-United Nations. The foreign countries of Iran, Micronesia, Japan, China, and Nigeria are represented at Chowan.

Interviews with several of these students provide the general opinion that Chowan is providing them with the education that they came to the United States to seek and they are happy here.

Cecilia Yau is a freshman majoring in Graphic Arts who is originally from Hong Kong. This is her first time in the United States and she is impressed with Chowan's campus and friendly students. She feels that she has been treated very well by her American peers.

Cecilia found it difficult to adjust to American food and claims, "Chinese food is much better!" When asked about adjusting to dorm life in Jenkins Hall, Cecilia explained, "Jenkins is ok but it needs to be modernized. There is a friendly atmosphere there and I like all the noise."

Cecilia came to the United States to continue her education at the prompting of her parents who wanted her to "have a look," at the United States. She feels that the universities in Hong Kong are either too big or too hard to get into. Cecilia anticipates attending Chowan for two years and then transferring to a University in the United States.

Ortoho Philip is a twenty-two-year old Nigerian majoring in Printing Technology. He feels Chowan is an interesting place and enjoys the cordial people he has met. His opinion of the food here is that it is "no good!" His Nigerian diet consisted of rice, yams, beans, and very little meat.

Ortoho does not particularly care for living in the dormitory. "I don't like my friends in my room all of the time. There is a lack of privacy," he explains.

When asked why he chose to come to the United States, Ortoho admitted that he was originally bound for France but something didn't go through. "The Agency of International Development sent me the United States instead," he confessed.

Ortoho will continue his education at Chowan for two years and then possibly travel to another foreign country.

Teko Gabriel and Aity Otto are two girls from the small country of Micronesia located near the Philippines. They are cousins and one can tell they are related at one look because of the striking resemblance that they have to one another. This is their first time in the United States and they like it very much.

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Cecilia Yau



Ortoho Philip



Teko Gabriel



Aity Otto

College Degree Downgraders Called Wrong by U.S. Official

NEW YORK, NY (CPS) — Herbert Bienstock, who directs the U.S. Division of Labor Statistics' Middle Atlantic Region staff, told a City University of New York conference here that doom-sayers who swear college degrees don't improve a student's chances of getting a job are simply wrong.

Bienstock released statistics that showed college graduates have an unemployment rate of 3.3 percent, compared with the 8.8 unemployment rate for all American workers in March, 1977.

Male college graduates had a jobless rate of 2.8 percent, or about a third of the rate of all males. Female graduates had a 4.2 percent rate, versus 9.2 percent for all females.

"The much-heralded cautions about college attendance," Bienstock warned, "should themselves be viewed with considerable caution. It seems clear that, while the college graduate has in recent years experienced some difficulties in the labor market, we can expect to see the pressures ease as we move into the 1980's."

Weird People on Campus

Mysterious Being Sighted in Park

This odd-looking fellow was observed crossing Squirrel Park a while back, causing passersby to pause and stare.

No one was quite sure whether he was searching for Miss Piggy, the glamorous star of the Muppet Show; or possibly was a visitor from an alien planet or was he merely a not-so-plain clothed member of some law enforcement agency who had wandered by mistake onto our peace- and good order-loving campus.

(It is known, however, that this creature gave a real start to the photographer taking yearbook photos when he showed up in Marks Hall auditorium and sought a portrait sitting.)

Or was he something entirely different? Interested? Then turn to page 4 to learn his true identity.

Photo by Ken Clark



Christmas Buffet
Thomas Cafeteria

Wednesday Evening, December 13, 1978

Relish Tray
Cottage Cheese Salad
Potato Salad
Cole Slaw

Roast Top Round of Beef
Sliced Ham Platter
Sliced Turkey Platter
Assorted Cheese Platter

Baked Potato with Sour Cream
Green Beans with Bacon Chips
White Kernel Corn

Christmas Cake
Fresh Fruit Display

Assorted Dinner Rolls
Assorted Beverages

Thomas Cafeteria will be closed after lunch Thursday, December 21 for the holiday and will re-open for dinner Sunday, January 14.

We Wish You a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
— From All of Us at Food Services