

"THE SPOOK WHO SAT BY THE DOOR"

Sam Greenlee, famed and noted black novelist of "The Spook Who Sat By The Door", will lecture at Fayetteville State University February 26.

Greenlee, whose best-selling novel excited critics when it was made into a controversial movie, will appear at 7 p.m., Thursday evening in the J. W. Seabrook Auditorium on the campus of FSU.

A native of Chicago, Illinois, Greenlee received a

political science degree from the University of Wisconsin and did graduate work in International Relations at the University of Chicago.

He also served as a foreign service officer with the United States Information Agency and was given the Agency's Meritorious Service Award for his activities during the 1958 Baghdad Revolution.

He spent eight years in places like Iraq, East

Pakistan, Indonesia, and Greece, Greenlee resigned from the USIA in 1965 and began devoting full-time to creative writing.

During the next three years, he wrote three novels and a three-act play and published five short stories.

He has also written a volume of poetry entitled "Blues For An African Princess."

His novel, "The Spook Who Sat By The Door", was a major motion picture

produced by Greenlee and Ivan Dixon.

When the novel was first published in Great Britain in 1969, it received "Book of the Year Award" from both the London Times and the London Telegraph. When published in the United States, the L. A. Sentinel called it one of the most compelling books in the country today.

The book is both a satire on the civil rights problems in the U.S. and a serious attempt

to focus on the issue of Black militancy.

In the author's own words, "I consider 'The Spook Who Sat By The Door' a study of the revolutionary character in general, and farcical nature of racial integration in the U.S. in particular. In that it is the story of one ghetto Black man's reaction to the hypocrisy of the bourgeoisie, it is autobiographical; in that it is a tale of man's reaction to oppression, it is universal."

THE FSU COUNSELING CENTER

by Charles Jones

The university counseling center is one of many diversified programs offered at Fayetteville State University. The counseling center provides numerous services to the student, offering a professional counseling service consisting of group and individual counseling. Education and career counseling help the student to decide on the best choice for a major as well as explaining routes to be taken for any additional training, such as law schools or medical schools for further study.

The center also provides a testing service. It administers admission tests and is a testing center for the Scholastic Aptitude Test. The testing service offers a Placement Inventory Test designed to aid the academic advisor in identifying the right area that a freshman might pursue in order to obtain a degree. A third test provided by the testing service is the Interest Aptitude Test, which measures one's touch with reality. The College Level Examination Test is offered whereby a student may be given credit for subjects he has previously obtained knowledge in.

The university counseling center works in conjunction with the Veterans' administration. There is a counselor to help veterans decide on a second career choice. Other functions of the counselor for the veterans consist of seeing that their dependents are informed of the benefits entitled to them and making sure that the vets receive a check.

A Freshman Orientation Program is offered which lasts 15 weeks. The purpose of this program is to aid freshmen in adjusting to the university environment, and to make a smooth transition from the freshman year to their sophomore year. Freshman orientation is a mandatory program for all freshmen.

The center takes on a consultant role to the three university divisions and to various agencies in the city of Fayetteville. Examples of this are the Drug Abuse Center, City Health Center and Law Enforcement Agency.

Dr. Willis C. Ham serves as director of the counseling center. Any student or graduate wishing to obtain the services of the University Counseling Center is urged to come to the basement of the Smith Building.

NEW BOOK RENTAL SYSTEM AT FSU

A book rental plan has been implemented at FSU for the 1975-76 school term. Students paid their book rental fees for the first semester when registration fees were collected. The price for renting hardback books is \$2.00 per semester hour with laboratory manuals being purchased for their full price.

When questioned as to why the rental plan was adopted, Charles C. Cottom, Bookstore Manager at FSU replied that the adoption of such a system makes it easier on the students. "Inflation is pushing the price of everything up. With this type of 'recession-inflation' we face today we must do everything possible to help the student receive a good education without adding to his already increasing responsibilities. By renting books each student has the opportunity to have a book to study by, which he may or may not be able to afford were he to pay the full amount for it."

As to the problem many of our students faced of not being issued books, Cottom had this to say, "We really had not planned for such a large increase in students at FSU this semester. We ordered books according to the requisition by the instructors at the end of the 1974-75 school term. There was just no way of perceiving such an enormous increase in student enrollment."

Cottom went on to say that everything possible is being done in an effort to safeguard against the long lines which were made up of students waiting to get into the bookstore to rent books. "I am hoping for a larger staff in order that we might be able to wait on the students as quickly as possible. We will stay open longer and the bookstore will open to the students during the lunch hour. We also plan to work on Saturdays. No, we don't anticipate those long lines we had this semester during the second semester."



SUNDAY STUDY—On a quiet January winter afternoon this Fayetteville State University coed tries to get some plain ole studying done. The lovely lady is a freshman from Pollocksville named Anita Simmons. (FSU Photo by John B. Henderson)



PRESIDENTIAL WELCOME—Fayetteville State University SGA President Gilbert Owens officially greets freshmen as they arrive on campus recently. The students are (L-R) Artice Walker, Philadelphia, Pa., and Brenda Manley, New Bern, N.C. (FSU Photo by Henderson)