

"REFLECTIONS"

FROM NCCU:

BY MARY BOHANON

The contributors are members of the Creative Writing Class of North Carolina Central University, under the tutelage of Miss Mary Bohannon, whose talents she considers worth developing. The students range from the freshman level through the graduate level.

rooted before the clean blades will sprout forth cushioning the earth. The "applause" can be styming. The "cheers" may be hollow. Both gestures beneath the approval of God, Providence, and you.

Mary Bohannon

RECIPES

My designs have scalded infinity. I cannot find the recipe. Deterioration has slipped into my better judgment. Should I cease, or should I challenge another dimension?

—Fletcher James Allen

HEART SONG

My love sings new songs Greater in number than Granules of desert sands. Songs born from cradled Sleep, sent forth cooling rounds

To a wakening heart. I am teeming, spilling Through with crimson surging Soothing me like pain's ebb.

—Rose Cox

ENIGMA

Vellung countenance Like a smokescreen

I am tempted to lift This visual fallacy . . . Not yet. I am tempted to let Loose these impulses . . . No, not yet. Still veiled Like a smokescreen.

—Linda MGlouin

SEQUEL

Love, good morning! A single pillow. Sheets entwined. We didn't need them. We loved hard. It still lies Upon your lips. A growing thing. Moving. Wordless actions. Tender familiarities.

—Toby Jones

COMMERCIAL MAN

Life is a suit and a gun. A Maverick. Dreams of Eldorado. Running Fall Mall. Full of Pepsi. Nipping the Bud Hung on bars. Praying to St. Joseph. Communicating on Phillips milk. Strength in Serutan. Merrill Lynch is bullish. America.

—Morris W. Barrier



HELPING OTHERS — Bessie Mae Washington of Beaufort, S. C., who got a helping hand from the Neighborhood Youth Corps after dropping out of school, works as a teacher's aide in a class for mentally retarded children.

INTRODUCTION

For from the screaming crowds of applause he heard a whisper. The whisper, like a hushed warning was meant for his ears and for all other ears that are unaware of the fickleness of the cheerers. For a moment, the whisper seemed to say, "you are their hero". Why? "Simply because you are everyone's hero". Your project has succeeded, so all the world acclaims you. Cheering is often contagious — jeering is always contagious, or inaudible, regressing into mental questions:

"Was he ever that good?" "How were we so fooled?" "Was Lincoln right?"

Listen to the whisper. Let not the climbing of one mountain make us confident that we can climb them all. Remember the valleys you stroll in solitary confinement with your own aspirations. Remember the crabgrass of life that must be up-

Harry Edmonds NCCU's Head Baseball Coach

Harry Edmonds, former basketball coach at NCCU, has been named head baseball coach and assistant football coach. He replaces Paul Swann.

Edmonds has been well known to the Durham community for many years. He served as head coach of football, baseball, basketball and sports activities for 16 years at Merrick-Moore High School.

Edmonds attended Florida A&M University for three years and after military service during World War II enrolled at NCCU from whence he graduated. He played baseball for 2 years at Central as he still had eligibility time left. Upon graduation from Central, Edmonds played semi-pro baseball in Montclair, New Jersey.

Edmonds is married to the former Miss Rebecca Palmer and they are the parents of two children, Harry, Jr. and LuAnne.

EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of Della Durham Stewart of Durham County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of Della Durham Stewart to present them to the undersigned on or before October 14, 1973 or this Notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate please make immediate payment. This 9th day of April, 1973. Margaret S. Harris Executrix 2501 White Oak St. Durham, N. C. 27707 April 14, 21, 28; May 5

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Nola S. Cox of Durham County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of Nola S. Cox to present them to the undersigned on or before October 14, 1973, or this Notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate please make immediate payment.

This 6th day of April, 1973. George W. Cox, Executor 2110 Fayetteville Street Durham, North Carolina 27707 April 14, 21, 28; May 5

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Governor Reynolds, late of Durham County, this is to notify all persons having claims against the said estate to present them to the undersigned within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or same will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

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