

REFLECTIONS

FROM NCCU
By Mary Bohanon

MARY BOHANON

Hello

These are poems written by new students - their first semester's efforts are exhilarating to yours truly and I hope they make the same impact on our readers. The oral response of the Durham community has been encouraging. I wish to introduce you to the new students:

Vanzell Woodard - a native of Wilson, North Carolina, majoring in history.

Mark Kenas - an exchange student from the University of Wisconsin, his home, majoring in biology.

Ronald Harrison - a native of Durham, majoring in political science.

Avon Waters - a native of Goldsboro, North Carolina, majoring in English.

Katie J. Lawson - a native of Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina, majoring in English.

I am almost sure that by the end of this semester the above students and those enrolled last year will be in the position to publish an anthology representative of North Carolina Central University students.

Mary Bohanon

LIKE YOU

Just like you,
I was given life through a bond of love,
My sweat burns my eyes,
My baby's body needs nourishment.
I cry when my heart overflows with anguish,
I laugh at the joys of life
I am,
Just like you.

By Ronald Harrison

America

The basic Psyche is the gaining of social power
The basic Psyche is the gaining of political power
The basic Psyche is the gaining of economic power
The basic Psyche is the gaining of intellectual power
The basic Psyche is the gaining of power, power.

Vanzell Woodard

MY TREASURE

I have something more precious than
jewelry and gold,
Something that warms me when the days are cold.
I have something sweeter than honey is to the bee,
Something that guides and keeps me.
I have something far greater than titles and such,
Something I value very much.
I have something worth dying for,
Something I won't ever find a bore.
I have something that man cannot control.
That something is the pressure of a living God
rooted in the profundity of my soul.

Katie J. Lawson

Sharon

I wanted to talk with you,
You wanted to sit in church,
-being holy - listening to
the hollow words of the minister.

I wanted to laugh, cry and love,
Experience life with you.
You wanted to watch TV,
watch the Meaningless Nothings
laugh, cry and love.

I wanted to know and understand you
- you who were unique to me.
You wanted to be:
a cheerleader,
a sorority girl,
an honor student...
and finally an actress,
perhaps someday to be famous.

We parted.
I have not seen you since.

Yet time and again I think of you,
And what might have been...
I ask myself,
"Who is the performance for,
And why?"

Mark Kenas

TO DIE

I have walked in silence,
loved in splendor,
spoke in candor,
cried in pain,
struck in anger,
worked in vain,
lived with hope.....
to die in peace.

Avon D. Waters

Brighten Brunch or Supper with Cheesy Corn Muffins



Would you like to turn a run-of-the-mill supper into something special? Then whip up a batch of Cheesy Corn Muffins for your family tonight. It's almost as easy as said, because you start with a package of corn muffin mix. Add to it some zesty chopped onion and grated sharp cheddar, sprinkle the tops with some sesame seed, and you will have golden corn muffins as good as - you guessed it - GOLD!

A Strike For All Seasons

By Reed Larson
Executive Vice President
National Right to Work Committee

During the 1972-73 school year, teachers posted the second highest number of strikes in history: 145, all illegal.

By September 7 of the 1973-74 school year, teacher union militants were off and striking again. Thirty-five strikes had occurred in Michigan alone - where a new compulsory union law has just been passed for public employees. Eleven strikes have occurred in Pennsylvania and at least three in Ohio. Even Tennessee and Texas have had teacher strikes. Class openings have been delayed in three districts in Rhode Island - whose legislators also knuckled under to union barons and authorized compulsory unionization of public employees - and one district in Connecticut.

It promises to be a long fall, winter and spring for millions of students deprived of education which can never be made up.

What happened to the moral concepts and mentality of America's teachers making them willing to defy the laws of the land, risk job loss and jail by engaging in illegal strikes?

The answer is simple: They are being used!

They are serving as pawns of power-mad "leaders" of the National Education Association and the American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO.

Teacher strikes are only part of the problem. They are part of a master plan being put into effect by union officials who seek to control government at all levels by controlling public employees. Sadly, the master plan seems to be working.

In autumn, it is teacher strikes with which we must contend; in winter, public transportation and police strikes. In spring, firefighters and employees of publicly owned utilities; and, in summer, garbage collectors. The Helen Wises, Jerry Wurfs, David Seldons, and Al Shankers (bosses of the country's most disruptive public employee unions) of the world have strikes for all seasons. They could not care less for the laws they break.

Pressures being generated against the public are aimed squarely at the U.S. Congress. Labor barons are interested in getting Congress to pass the reprehensible Clay Bill (H.R. 8677), which was written, incidentally, by union lawyers. If passed, the Clay Bill would force every non-federal government worker in America to pay tribute to the public sector union bosses for the privilege of working for their own governments.

Even more evil will be the absolute power that these same union bosses will gain over constitutionally elected and appointed officials at the state and local levels. By legalizing compulsory unionism at state and local levels of government, the Clay Bill will place more than 10 million public employees and countless governmental jurisdictions under the thumbs of labor bosses in Washington, D.C.

As usual, taxpayers and school children will suffer the most when the master plan is effected. But who worries about them when there are billions of dollars to be made and vast power to be had? We all should.

Happy Haunting!

Halloween used to be something of a free-for-all, with small children roaming around the neighborhood till all hours. These days, parents often prefer to place the emphasis on safety. The trick to providing a good time and security for the kids is a Halloween party at home.

Make it a do-it-yourself party by involving the children from start to finish. They can make their own spook costumes and decorate the party room too. Parents should supervise unobtrusively, but only when needed.

Ask each child to bring an old bedsheet. Supply felt-tipped pens in different colors, washable paints, scissors and ribbons.

The first step is the fitting, and here adult help is required. Place the sheet so that it covers the child completely, with his head in the center. Cut off the bottom, making the costume no longer than ankle length. Use a piece of colored chalk to indicate the position of the child's eyes, nose and mouth. Outline the position of the armholes. Remove the sheet, cut holes at the chalk marks, and it's ready to decorate.

A large area will be needed for painting and coloring. Clear floor space in the family room or wherever there's no carpeting. Cover the floor with newspapers. Help children spread out the sheets. They can paint on scary faces, hair, or even decorate the entire costume!

For decorations, get lots of small pumpkins. Have the children paint faces on these too - much safer than carving with knives.

Then it's time to dress for dinner. To secure each costume, tie a ribbon lightly around the neck and perhaps around the waist as



well. Check that the mouth hole is large enough to permit comfortable eating; the little ghosts will have worked up big appetites.

The simplest dinner is always the most popular. Serve platters of hot dogs, rolls, baked beans and salad along with a delicious and nutritious beverage - Carnation Instant Hot Cocoa Mix. The milk's already in it. Just empty a packet in each cup, add hot water and stir. For dessert, serve candied apples.

Finish the evening with a spooky costume parade complete with prizes. They'll all agree: happy haunting starts at home.

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VETS QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q-Six months ago, Veterans Administration compensation for malaria contracted during military service in Vietnam was discontinued. Since I now have recurring attacks, how can I go about getting it reinstated?

A-A physician's evidence of your disability must be provided VA so the agency can determine whether to resume compensation payments.

Q-I was a medical corpsman before discharge from military service. How can I find a job with the federal government or a private hospital which can utilize my experience; experience?

A-Ask the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare office in your federal district for the address of the MEDHIC (Military Experience Directed to Health Careers) office in your state. This office can counsel you on job prospects, as well as training and education opportunities in your field.

Q-Since some national cemeteries have been closed because of lack of space, will the Veterans Administration pay an additional allowance for veterans buried in private cemeteries?

A-Yes. A recent law (PL 93-43) permits VA to provide a \$150 plot allowance in addition to the maximum \$250 burial benefit, when a veteran is buried outside a national cemetery.

Q-Can I use tutorial assistance provided by the Veterans Administration after my GI Bill entitlement expires? (Continued on page 7A)

Q-Can I pay more than market value for a home I'd like to buy with a GI loan from

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