

Hectic days of political activity

Candidates for public office in this election year have brought their campaigns for votes to the attention of college officials and students, permeating Chowan's campus with a political atmosphere.

The two most recent vote-seeking campus visitors were members of the U. S. House of Representatives, Congressman Jim Gardner of North Carolina's Fourth District and Walter B. Jones of the state's First District.

Rep. Jones, a candidate to succeed himself, lectured in the Robert Marks Hall amphitheatre to students in the classes concerned with U. S. constitutional government. He engaged in a question-and-answer session with them and was also heard by visitors from surrounding communities.

Tours Chowan campus

Friends in surrounding communities brought Rep. Gardner to campus when the faculty was holding its regular monthly meeting at Marks Hall. The Congressman, Republican candidate for governor of North Carolina, met and talked with many administrators and professors. He also toured the campus and spoke with many of the college's students.

Gardner's opponent, Lieutenant Governor Bob Scott, had visited the campus earlier and had been accompanied by a contingent of "Scott Scouts." His campus tour included an informal reception in the faculty lounge of the McDowell Columns. Many buttons and much campaign literature was issued

by candidate Scott and friends, as he talked with people about his candidacy.

Jones' Republican opponent, Reece Gardner, moved about the campus so quietly during his visit that the soft-spoken candidate was hardly noticed by many who paused to speak with him. He was the only political visitor to the campus not accompanied by a contingent of backers passing out literature and other campaign materials.

A contrast in campaign styles was presented by Bob Morgan, candidate for N. C. attorney general, and Pat Taylor, candidate for the state's lieutenant governorship.

Taylor was a whirlwind of boyish tousle-haired, shirtsleeve bounce as

he went from office to office shaking hands and talking in his folksy manner. Morgan's natty attire presented a fashion picture and his booming voice issued a note of urgency in discussing campaign issues.

Mostly Democrats

All of Chowan's campaign visitors were Democrats but the Gardners.

Bumper stickers on cars, heralding the candidacies of office-seekers for the governorship and presidency, added to the campus political atmosphere.

Students who counted bumper stickers on cars visiting the campus reported that the mountain tourist attraction of "Tweetsie" was an easy winner in the bumper sticker poll.

Miss North Carolina favorite of the students

Singing unrehearsed duets and comedy dialogue with Paul Anka onstage at Chowan were among contributions to Homecoming by Anita Johnson of New Bern, endearing the current Miss North Carolina to multitudes of Chowanians.

She was called onstage by Anka after a Chowan student in the McDowell Columns auditorium informed the popular composer-singer-film star of Miss North Carolina's presence in the audience.

The stately burnette beauty exchanged quips with Anka, as an overflow audience roared laughing approval, and they launched difficult duets—singing as if they had been doing this professionally together for years.

Standing ovations greeted each song as they captivated an audience which included professional people who tra-

veled many miles to see this outstanding performance.

Many friends and admirers were won by Miss North Carolina as she participated in all activities of Homecoming weekend, braving driving rainstorms that cancelled the parade, and appeared at other activities throughout the weekend—including the football game and placing the Homecoming Queen's crown on popular sophomore cheerleader Susan Sturtevant—smiling and laughing in spite of discomfort and hardships caused by the unpleasant weather.

Her enthusiasm overcame what might have been a dismal weekend and she caused listeners to laugh at her explanations of how the weekend began with the transmission falling from her official car and the journey from New Bern to Murfreesboro was five grueling hours of continuing car troubles.



Young people from many states on campus

An impish grin on the face of Susan Cummings of Virginia Beach, Va., seems to worry John Rider of Douglas, Wyo., as she edges closer and he slides away—almost falling off his perch.



Regal face in crowded stadium

A very attractive face in the capacity crowd that packed Chowan's stadium and braved driving rainstorms to watch the college's homecoming gridiron classic is that of the reigning Miss North Carolina, Anita Johnson of New Bern. She made many friends during her weekend visit to the campus and community.