

Religion in the News

By GEORGE W. CORNELL
AP Religion Writer
NEW YORK (AP) — Gasless Sundays aren't expected to hurt those spiritual refueling stations, the churches. In fact, some religious leaders say it could boost attendance by keeping people on the hometown scene.

"It might be a blessing in disguise," said the Rev. Dr. W. Sterling Carey, president of the National Council of Churches, noting that the ban on Sunday gasoline sales could replace weekend trips with church-going.

"People may find again their local church, get to know their neighbors and have time to search again for the values which once made this nation one of hope and trust," he added.

However, the Rev. Dean M. Kelley, an inter-church specialist on relations with government, suggested people may simply apply an old biblical tip of Moses and obtain their travel fuel a day early.

"Presumably like the ancient children of Israel, they'll stock up on manna the day before," he says, recalling how "manna" fell in the wilderness each day except the sabbath, for which it was gathered the previous day.

In any case, the Sunday closing of filling stations isn't regarded as a hindrance to getting to worship services, even though participants largely get there by car these days.

"It obviously won't inhibit going to church, and it may help because people won't be so likely to be driving out of town," said Frank White, director of the interdenominational corporation information center.

The nation's major churches for several years have been urging a simpler life style to moderate consumption of dwindling natural resources. Many local churches across the country also are taking steps to cut their own uses of energy.

Maryland's Episcopal bishop David Leighton, of Baltimore, asked congregations to keep thermostats down to a minimum and recommended holding meetings in smaller quarters requiring less heat. He also suggested inter-faith sharing of facilities.

A check of Houston, Tex., churches by Louis Moore, religion editor of the Houston Chronicle, showed that many churches have decided to lower thermostats to 68 degrees and keep unnecessary lights off.

The Rev. Robert Ball, of Houston's Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church, says it al-

ready had a policy of encouraging members to use car pools because of limited parking facilities.

The Rev. Dr. Charles Allen, of Houston's downtown First Methodist Church, said there is a possibility of scheduling Friday noon services for members who work downtown but live in the suburbs.

Many Catholic churches hold services on Saturday for people that can't make it on Sunday.

Msgr. John Lenihan, of Christ the King Roman Catholic Church in Jacksonville, Fla., said that parish may schedule all Masses on Saturday in case the energy pinch banned Sunday driving.

However, President Nixon, in his initial energy-conservation message, said there will be no ban on Sunday driving, such as has been imposed in some European countries.

Mailbag Bulletins . . .

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK (AP) — Things a columnist might never know if he didn't open his mail:

Wouldn't you be startled if your physician suggested trying to cure your child of measles by bleeding him? Yes, but until the middle of the 19th century bleeding was a standard remedy for this disease in several parts of the United States.

New speed limits may chafe some modern motorists, but in the days of the "horseless carriage" the speed limits sometimes were four miles an hour in the country and two in the city. Some communities even enacted the hated "Red Flag Act." It required that a man walk 60 yards in front of an automobile and wave a red flag "for the protection of people with horses."

The fuel crisis may not be as much of a problem to India as it is to many Western countries. Cows are a major power source there. Each year India burns 100 million tons of cow dung as fuel for cooking and heat.

If you're a man, here's why Santa Claus will probably leave a necktie under your yule tree; more than 50 per cent of all ties sold yearly are purchased during the Christmas season.

Quotable notables: "Man is a lazy animal. He works when he must—for bread to feed his body or for approbation to feed his ego." —Elmer Rice.

Geographical oddity: One out of every four Canadians lives south of Minneapolis. The extreme southern point of Canada dips below Boston.

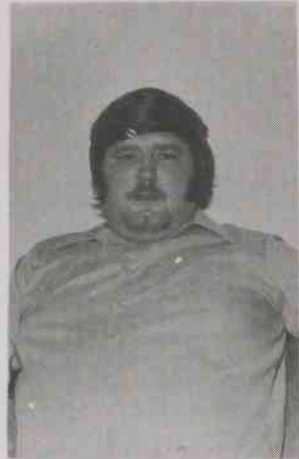
Kappa Members Provide Food For Families

By JAMES MOORE
As a recent service project, Phi Theta Kappa members saw to it that four needy families in the Murfreesboro area had good Thanksgiving dinners.

During the campaign, Kappa collected money and canned goods from students. Speaking in chapel on November 12, the organization's president, Jay Rowe, appealed to the student body to contribute to the effort. Three days later, Jesse Wulf, another Kappa member, spoke to the sophomore chapel.

After a week-long drive, the group collected eighty-five dollars and some canned food. As a result, three twenty-five dollar certificates to Murfree Foods in Murfreesboro were distributed to needy families. Also, a fourth family received a ten dollar certificate and the canned food.

Phi Theta Kappa members wish to express their appreciation to Chowan students who helped make the drive a success. Also, the president, Jaye Rowe says the group is planning another project for the Christmas season.



GEORGE RAY
Parker Hall
Head Resident
Is George Ray

By BOBBIE ROTHENBERG
George Thomas Ray, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Ray, Jr., is the Head Resident of Parker Hall. George is 21 years old and is from Haw River, N. C. His wife is Rose Johnson Ray, 18 and they have been married for five months.

George graduated from Eastern Alamance High School in Melbane, N. C. In high school he was All Conference Defensive Tackle, All State Defensive Tackle, All Conference in Wrestling, and was captain of both teams.

He attended Guilford College and played football for one year. George now attends Chowan College and is a Graphic Arts Major. He will graduate this year and plans to work and attend night school.

Last year George was an honor student. He was also the winner of the North Carolina Pressman's Association award for being the most outstanding Freshman in Graphic Arts.

Women's Council Organization Is Outlined

Many students have heard of the Women's Council, but not too many know exactly what is the purpose of this organization. One of the main functions of the Women's Council is to endeavor to insure a campus social environment in which reason and order prevail. As part of this effort, the Women's Council serves as a division of the Judicial System of the Student Government Association and is authorized to investigate, hear, and recommend penalties for students or student organizations involved in misconduct.

Members of the Women's Council for 1973-74 are Denise Pace and Beechy Ward from Jenkins; Phyllis Joyner and Pat Womble from Columns; Claudia Hall, Karen Humberstone, Debbie Eures, Ann Kilcoyne, and Ginger Titcomb from Belk; and Gayle Ivey, representing the day students. Dean Tolston serves as the sponsor and advisor.

Officers of Women's Council are Gayle Ivey — president, Pat Womble — Vice President, Karen Humberstone — Secretary, and Debbie Eures — Sergeant at Arms.

Although its basic function is helping to maintain student discipline within the college community, the Women's Council is also a service organization, conducting service projects throughout the year.

Plans Underway For Production

By JAMES MOORE
Tryouts for "I Never Saw Another Butterfly" will be held in Daniel Hall before Christmas holidays begin. Written by Celeste Raspanti, the play was inspired by the book of the same name, which is a collection of pictures and poems produced by children in Terezin during the period of 1942 to 1945.

Although more than 15,000 Jewish children passed through Terezin during World War II, only one hundred survived until the end of the conflict.

"I Never Saw Another Butterfly" tells the story of Raja, who lived in Terezin during the war and gave the children love and hope until she taught them. One critic has written "this play is her story. It is a history as much as any play can be history, showing the best and the worst of which the human heart is capable."

This will be the drama department's first production for the spring semester and is scheduled to appear in Daniel Hall auditorium on February 12 and 13. Further tryouts are to be held on Thursday, January 24, at 6:30 in 103 Daniel Hall. Although some parts have been filled, many more actors and actresses are needed. All interested students are urged to tryout during the auditions.

Literary Musings

By PROF. ROBERT G. MULDER

Some Thoughts At Random About Chapel

Chapel is about like the weather. Wasn't it Will Rogers who said: "Everybody's talking about the weather but nobody's doing anything about it."?

For nine years I have played the chapel organ, alternately with another professor for seven of those years. While I do not say this boastfully, I feel that I do know something about the area of Chowan life known as Chapel-assembly.

Not any of the complaints one hears are new. The same old dissatisfactions are aired year after year — Why do we have to attend? How can they (meaning the administration, I suppose) make us attend church (meaning chapel)? Don't they know they can't force religion down someone's throat.

These questions never change - at least they haven't in nine years. But we've "come a long way, Baby!" When I was a student here, it was an everyday requirement. I simply can't see now why anyone would object so vehemently to attending a short session once a week.

But even more than that, I can't see how students can be so disrespectful as to do some of the things they do when we have invited guest speakers on campus. From my secluded nest beside the organ, I am able to observe what goes on in most of the auditorium while our guests are speaking, and how they continue is often a mystery to me.

General chatter is sprinkled around the auditorium as plentifully as showers in April. Homework assignments are prepared seriously and letter reading seems to be a chapel must. The singing of the hymn is an ideal time, seemingly, to laugh and exchange the latest gossip, and to catch up on sleep is commonplace.

Many times I have been embarrassed for Dr. Taylor. As a part of his responsibility to the college, he invites guests to speak to our student body. Thus, he has to sit, many times uncomfortably, behind the speaker who is thrown before a captive audience where only God knows what the reaction may be at any given time.

I have a sure-cure for the problem, but I'm certain this solution would be ignored by the Powers. It seems that chapel is here to stay, in spite of the continued rudeness of some of our students and despite the humiliation

brought upon many of our outside speakers.

We must, if we can, seek to improve the attitude of our fellow-people who attend. Perhaps an identification of the problem presented and a recognition of what constitutes common courtesy and decency are two steps toward improvement of an already embarrassing situation.

DESK TOP PHILOSOPHERS
Just as I was about to begin an American literature lecture this summer, I was thrown into a state of nearshock. Pouring into the room just across the hall was a group of GA's attending a religious summer retreat on campus.

"Not that room," I said to my students. "The tops on some of those desks carry a fifteen minute sex education lesson, some complete with illustrations."

I had to fight myself to keep from rushing across the hall to rescue the Bible-carrying maidens. What a shame, I thought, for those girls to be subjected to such filth while they are learning about foreign missions.

You see, I had taught in that same room many times, and the desk top adornment was familiar to me. By the time my class was over, the young girls had learned their mission lesson and gone on to other things.

I stepped into the room in keen observation. To my utter shock I discovered twenty-eight clean desk tops, thanks to the earlier summer work of our good maids. A sign of relief was breathed; our Baptist girls had been spared another summer.

But as the school year progresses this fall, the once clean desk tops are fast becoming covered with one thing or another. There does seem to be some improvement in subject matter, however. I note that religion is taking the place of sex as a chief emphasis for our scribbling philosophers.

In one room on the second floor, someone has written: "The world is God's creation."

Below the statement printed in another penmanship are these words: "I'll be d---!" The world is nothing for anyone to be blamed for."

American Dollar Strengthens

By JOHN CUNIFF
AP Business Analyst
NEW YORK (AP) — Remember that weak old dollar

that the United States was forced to devalue officially because nobody abroad was willing to pay face value for it?

It's a different dollar now, and foreigners are eager to pay list price for it, despite all the economic problems facing the United States, despite the oil cutback, despite Watergate . . .

The fact is that the value of the dollar is now rising against most other well known currencies, and that could mean good news for American tourists abroad, for the U.S. stock

market, and for domestic borrowers.

A few examples will demonstrate. In the Oct. 22-26 period you would have had to pay \$2.44 for a British pound. On Nov. 20 you could have had it for a little more than \$2.39.

In the same October period you would have had to pay 37.5 cents for a Japanese yen, but about a month later you could have picked one up for less than 36 cents.

These aren't isolated instances. The dollar also has been growing stronger in relation to the German mark, French franc, Dutch guilder,

Italian lira, Belgian franc—even when matched against the Canadian dollar.

While some economists were shrewd enough to foresee the trend, a good many other confess to being surprised, mainly because the reasons are hidden at the bottom of a heap of bad economic news.

Perhaps the clearest explanation is to say that the economic problems of the United States, though challenging, aren't nearly so bad as those confronting the nations of Europe, and of Japan. Inflation abroad, for example, is very bad.

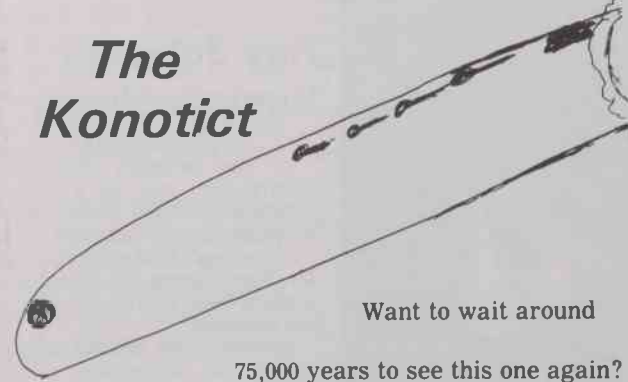
As analysts of the First National City Bank put it this week, "After a lull in August, inflation sparked through Europe in September like a flash fire in a hay field." And the absence of oil now adds fuel to the fire.

During September, inflation in Japan raged at 2.9 per cent, a rate which if continued would amount to an annual rate of nearly 35 per cent. In all Europe the rate was nearly 1 per cent, or close to 12 per cent a year.

Even with a continuation of the oil cutback, few analysts expect the United States rate to exceed 8 or 9 per cent. In the 12 months to September it averaged out to "only" 7.4 per cent. Moreover, the United States trade account has now shifted into surplus.

Acting on their judgment that the United States is a relatively better place for their money, many foreign individuals and institutions have been investing in U.S. stocks, weak as they are. In the third quarter, foreign purchases of U.S. securities topped \$700 million.

The effect of these purchases, should they continue, would be to put a platform under the market, and to some extent exert downward pressure on interest rates.



This is the course the comet Konotict will follow this December around the sun and the earth. While it is here in a parabolic course; it will light up quite a bit of the sky, even in the day time.

Comets have been called the end of time or the second coming of Christ which they are not, they are ice traveling at light speed through space. People have been frightened of a comet that the scientist's said the tail would go through the earth's atmosphere and cause illness so someone got the idea of taking comet pills. One comet did hit the earth causing part of the Siberian Forest to be flattened and caught on fire but, no life was lost.

Khotic will pass 75 billion miles from earth, a safe distance. In 1972 the closest we have been to a celestial body was 13 thousand miles, the astriod Toara!

Ronald E. Wood

George Heape Serves Security

By BOBBIE ROTHENBERG
George F. Heape the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Stenstrom is a Pre-Education Major at Chowan College. George is 19 years of age and resides in Charleston, South Carolina. Upon graduation he plans to attend the University of North Carolina. This is George's second year on the Security Force.

After he gets out of school George plans to go into Law Enforcement. He hopes to work either with the Sheriff's Department or the Highway Patrol in South Carolina. George believes that Mr. Atkinson is a fair man, and enjoys working for him.

Nicholson Book Included In National Listing

Included in the EDUCATION BOOK LIST for 1971-72, a 1973 publication sponsored and recently released by PI LAMBDA THETA, the National Honor and Professional Women in Education, is a book by Chowan College Registrar Darrell Hatfield Nicholson, A STEP AHEAD.

The text, concerned with higher education and the opportunities of inter-collegiate transferring, was included in the professionally significant EDUCATION BOOK LIST after meeting criteria established and supervised by a special staff of the George Washington University Library of Washington, D. C. The book by Nicholson also represents a publication of the Chowan College School of Graphic Arts. A STEP AHEAD has been abstracted in the U. S. Office of Education's RESEARCH IN EDUCATION and is available in hardcover and microfiche from the Educational Resources Information Center of the U. S. Office of Education.

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Variety Show Scheduled Tonight In Columns

By BECKIE WORKMAN
Tonight at 8:00 p.m. in Columns Auditorium, the Cystic Fibrosis Variety Show will be performed. Admission will be 50 cents and a free chapel cut will be given to those students attending. The money collected will go to the North Carolina Cystic Fibrosis Research Foundation. Cystic Fibrosis is the formation and accumulation of thick, viscous mucus, by the sweat — and mucus-producing glands of the lungs, pancreas and intestines, hindering breathing and digestion.

Mary Crossland, a sophomore at Chowan College, is in charge of the variety show. The idea for the cystic fibrosis variety show came as a choice of projects from Mary's Hygiene course, under the instruction of Dean Vickie Tolston. Masters of ceremonies will be Jeff Moser and Chris Kara-Eneff. Technical directors are James Luxford and Draco Lockney. Curtains will be under the direction of Don Marshall and Jeff Roberts.

Among the participants of the Variety are: Mr. Brown and his stage band; Donna Elks and Elaine Ables; Susan Arnold and Lorenzo Parker; and various other groups.

On Monday and Wednesday, December tenth and twelfth, Mary Crossland is scheduled to show a film on Cystic Fibrosis for chapel assembly.

Et Cetera . . .

By BECKIE WORKMAN

Art
An art exhibit of Doug Eubank's works will be on display through December 21 in the Art Department of Chowan College.

Sports
Chowan College vs. East Carolina University, wrestling at Murfreesboro on Dec. 12.
Chowan College vs. Elizabeth City State College, wrestling at Elizabeth City on Dec. 14.
Chowan College vs. N. C. State University, wrestling at Raleigh on Jan. 23.

Chowan College vs. Norfolk State College, wrestling at Murfreesboro on Jan. 28.
Chowan College vs. Fredrick Military, basketball at Murfreesboro on Dec. 13; time 7:30.
Chowan College participates in the Cavalier-Tarheel Tournament, basketball at Ferrum on Jan. 3, 4, and 5, time 7:00-9:00.

Chowan College vs. Southeastern, basketball at Murfreesboro on Jan. 16, time 7:30.
Chowan vs. Ferrum College, basketball at Ferrum on Jan. 19, time 7:30.

Chowan College vs. Southeastern, basketball away on Jan. 21, time 7:30.
Chowan College vs. Kittrell College, basketball at Murfreesboro on Jan. 23, time 7:30.
Chowan College vs. Sandhills, basketball away on Jan. 26, time 7:30.
Chowan College vs. Louisburg College, basketball at Murfreesboro on Jan. 29, time 7:30.
Chowan College vs. College of Albemarle, basketball away on Jan. 31, time 7:30.

Music
The Chowan College Choir made a Christmas telecast in Washington, N. C. at the NBC television station there, on December 4. The choir sang in the Christmas cantata "The Messiah" in Ahoskie First Baptist Church, Sunday December 9. The Choir will sing Christmas carols in Murfreesboro, Friday, December 14.
The Chowan College Band performed in concert on Wednesday night Dec. 5.

Miscellaneous
International Students of Chowan College were honored with a covered dish fellowship supper at the Murfreesboro Baptist Church, Wednesday.
Eagle Scouts. . . Any student at Chowan, who is an Eagle Scout, is asked to come by Dean Lewis's office and leave your name.
The newly constructed science building has been accepted.

Monday, December 10, a reception, at the home of Dean Lewis, was held for student leaders. The students included were: SGA Executive Officers, SGA Student Legislators, Head Residents, Residents Assistants, Dormitory Officers, Day Student Officers, and members of the Men's and Women's Councils. Important faculty members were to attend. The reception was an opportunity for these faculty members to meet with some of the students who make many contributions to the college community.

Data Processing Class Takes Trip

The students in Data Processing 271 had an exciting day October 31 as they had the day off for a trip to Weldon and Roanoke Rapids where they saw computers in operation. The first stop was Coastal Lumber Company in Weldon. Stan Ferguson, a former Chowanian, took the group on a tour of the data processing center. The operation of the twelve mills was explained. It was so educational to see the logs as they arrived, were debarked, cut, graded, and loaded for final delivery. The huge saws were unbelievable.

After a stop at Hardy's for lunch, the students were ready to

tour the J. P. Stevens Company. We were so excited when we talked with Marian Beeks, also a former Chowanian now at J. P. Stevens. We were taken on a tour of the data processing center. The computers and CRT units are on-line to the main office in Charlotte. The speed with which data processing took place was amazing. A student commented that it is difficult to comprehend how systems such as this could ever be designed. Next we were given a complete tour through the Rosemary Plant where we saw the drawing of the designs for linens and draperies, the Jacquard looms, the actual

weaving of the draperies and linen napkins, and the huge warehouse where these are stored for final shipment. What a world of color and beauty is to be found in the hundreds of designs.

Many of the students were fascinated by the silk screens and the beautiful designs of the towels. At the final stop, everyone was given Snoopy towels imprinted with "Chowan College." The imprint on the towels was, "Happiness is being part of the Gang!" Happiness to Mrs. Jones and the students was being part of the gang who had such an educational, exciting, and wonderful trip.

Happy Holidays