

'The Vision' Offers Timely Message

By RICHARD LEE

Never before has the market of religious books seen such a proliferation of works. In the last decade, more books have been written concerning every facet of the religious experience than in any period in history.

I have seen and read a great many of these books but there has never in modern times been a book like David Wilkerson's *The Vision*. It is described by the publishers as a "terrifying prophecy of doomday that is starting to happen now." This is not another theory or interpretation of Biblical prophecy, but Wilkerson actually claims it is an account of a supernatural vision given to him by God for the purpose of waking up a "lazy, slumbering world." True or not, the book is distinctly unique as it speaks with authority and in no uncertain terms about coming tragedies which are supposed to befall the human race.

In the introduction, Wilkerson explains the situation in which the vision was received and the struggle he had to decide whether or not to make it public. He was afraid of risking his successful career by being branded a fanatic and prophet of doom. However, the vision kept coming back to him, night after night, as he prayed. He tested the vision by the Word of God and scripture correlated its message, so he has put it forth to the people with the prior belief that it will probably be rejected as the ramblings of a fanatic.

The first chapter deals with the future condition the world economic situation will create. Even though signs of disaster are with us now, he predicts a few years of prosperity and growth at the end of which will be a worldwide recession of such magnitude that no one will be untouched. (This vision must be dated from the summer of 1973, meaning one year has already elapsed.) Some of the most trusted and popular corporations are destined to bankruptcy. Great difficulty is come for major credit card companies as so many will be unable to pay off their debts. Even many large religious denominations will be severely affected. The world community is going to blame the United States, says Wilkerson, and many,

especially France, will become terribly anti-American.

The second chapter deals with severe weather changes in store for the world. Nature is supposed to go wild, unleashing the wrath of God in several stages with brief periods of relief. Floods, hurricanes, and tornadoes of record-breaking proportions are scheduled to ravage the earth. Hailstorms of unbelievable size are coming. Along with this deluge of nature is coming a deluge of filth, profanity, and pornography that will vex the soul of the servant of God. Toplessness on the networks and triple-x rated movies on cable will expose young persons to the vilest kind of sexual perversion.

In the near future, the number-one problem among teenagers will be hatred of parents. Wilkerson says that his vision foretells of a time when kids will be allowed to engage in any kind of immoral activity just so they will coexist with their parents and not leave home. He says loudly that payday is coming for divorce. Any army of little children who have been scarred by their parents' divorce now have a score to settle and will rebel in horrible ways.

The vision goes into many other areas which space does not allow us to recount. Some of this deals with the situation of the church and the formation of a world-wide super-church which is to be involved in the persecution of all those which refuse to come under its leadership. There is to be persecutions of true Christians coming from all sides. There are two chapters in the end of the book which are particularly important. One is titled "God's Message for the Unprepared"; the other is "God's Message for the Prepared." Again, these ring with notes of authority and clarity. This book is so unique and provocative that I feel that it must not be overlooked. Whether or not one believes his message, it is important to hear what has been said, for time will judge its validity.

Your Reflection

By RICKY SCRITZO

I discovered this purely by accident and luck so I shall not take credit in full. I might also add that it discovered me.

Many people will find this terribly hard to swallow but I'm afraid it's true.

One night while setting in front of an ordinary plate glass window, I looked up and my reflection was smiling at me; and I wasn't smiling.

We stared at each other for about half an hour. Then I stood up and so did my reflection. I sat back down and so did my reflection. He was still smiling the same way I do when I smile.

At first I was in a minor state of shock, but then I became amused. I held my hand up to my chin; my reflection didn't. His hands stayed folded in front of him. This went on for about another half hour; me moving and my reflection moving and me not.

I was soon to discover that reflections and shadows could not communicate audibly. My reflection raised his hand began using sign language, spelling out every letter of his message.

After what seemed hours I had received his full instructions. He said to turn the television on and tune the picture completely out but to leave the volume on. Looking into the blank screen, once again, there I was smiling at me. Instead of the regular show on television broadcasting the sound from the show, my reflection was speaking through the receiver.

We talked for hours that night and he told me thousands of things about what they do and how they effect our lives.

As I was driving home, everytime I'd go under a bright street light I'd catch a glimpse of myself jumping from the front seat to the back and approaching another light I'd see me slide back into the front.

When I got home I went in and just before going to bed I looked in the window, my reflection was already asleep. So I went to sleep.

College Freedom Dangers Cited

By JIM DALE

The freedom which is offered a college student may appear on the surface to be fine, but the undisciplined individual may allow this freedom to sink him in a sea of indifference and failure. When misused, this freedom may present dangers which only the most determined students may control. Many college students, for the first time in their lives, are on their own. This type of existence may be very dangerous, for if freedom is handled in an immature manner, it will bring a student severe difficulty.

I am a graduate of Princess Anne High School in Virginia Beach, and Chowan College is relatively half its size. Since I arrived at my chosen college, I have heard many students complain about Chowan. In fact, habitual complaining seems to be in style here. One major discrepancy that I have observed is referring to Chowan as a high school. The reference is perhaps true in the sense of its being inhabited by too many students with "high school attitudes." College, like many other institutions, is what one makes of it. Students with a negative attitude toward Chowan as a college merely show their inability to adjust to college responsibilities and their lack of maturity on the college level. Developing an unhealthy attitude toward one's chosen college, then, is a danger which may grow out of individual freedom.

There are some students here who have come into real contact with alcoholic beverages for the first time in their lives. This does not mean to imply that there are many students who have never taken a drink. Moreover, I suggest that there certainly are students who, for the first time being on their own, have the freedom to abuse alcohol any time they please. Could it be that abusive use of alcohol by immature students has shaped the attitude of the trustees and administration regarding its use on campus? If one looks at this realistically, on the other hand, alcoholic beverages have no business on a college campus, for the constant use of it will hurt a student academically, thus defeating the college's purpose.

The neglect or total misuse of study time is another dangerous concern that college students face growing out of the freedom given them. Ever since the first day at Chowan, we have been told that a certain amount of each day should be set aside for study and academic pursuits. As one may find anywhere, there are a few students who may get by without organized studying. These are in the minority, however, and far too many students make the freedom TO study and freedom FROM study. Instead, they will use this time they should be studying to go out and party. These students are usually the ones who take their cuts early, fail tests, neglect daily assignments, and hope to get by on pity from their professors.

In conclusion, I have shown three major dangers of the freedoms offered in college life. If college is not taken in its proper perspective in a mature manner, a student is only wasting time and money. Students who neglect the responsibilities of these freedoms are building a foundation that will surely crumble under the pressures of tomorrow's world. At the same time, students who approach their freedoms in college life with appreciation and maturity are laying stepping stones to a successful and happy future.

You'll Like It

By KATHY CAVE

How long has it been since you've listened to a heavy in depth look of intellectual conversation? Anyway I reasure you if your latent mind is anywhere between educational hang-ups, philosophical discoveries, or social life in general I suggest attending the Optional Assemblies. These are 30 minute movies presented in a group therapy manner on behavioral patterns within a persons life. They could very well settle or untangle some of the frustrating mental traps you have with communicating and presumably unsure attitudes of how you stand in life. Who am I? What am I doing? and Where am I going are the important topics of the discussion. Humorous oldies explaining such examples in scenic formation adds a laugh to it all. Soak up all this inspiration at Chowan so your future outlook will be filled with excitement.

Do Away With Cafeteria Queuing

May I call on the authorities responsible for the school cafeteria to abolish the idea of students lining up before collecting food. This arrangement is not only in opposition with the present age of the country but also in opposite with the different daily programs of the students. Here one is in the "jet age". But under the prevailing circumstance in some countries that are in "snail age" one might raise an eyebrow. The fact here-the students do not enjoy the scorching heat of the summer sun during lunch and the biting cold of the winter and fall during breakfast and supper, are other good reasons why. The single file system should be abrogated.

If the idea is to check the pest of the commuting students their (1) I.D. cards should be made to be different from those of the resident students. On the other hand where it is to check double-rationing, it would be advisable to introduce a "pay as you eat system". By this students on payment are issued with meal tickets equal to the number of days in the semester multiplied by three. To avoid hold ups on the milk, the juice, and cokes, sprites, etc. would be centralized preferably at one end of the main dining hall.

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Did you ever memorize Shakespeare perfectly; and then, when it came your turn in class, completely blow it?

Et Cetera . .

By BECKIE WORKMAN

Sports
Chowan vs. Hudson Valley, football, away at Troy, N. Y. on October 19.

Chowan vs. Wingate, away, cross country team, on October 17.

Chowan College vs. Lynchburg Baptist, football, at home on October 26.

Chowan vs. Ferrum, cross country team, home at 3:30 p.m. on October 28.

Chowan vs. Wesley, football, away at Dover, Delaware, on November 2nd.

Chowan cross country team in the regionals on Saturday, November 2, at Wingate.

Music
Chowan College Touring Choir will sing at the West Chowan Baptist Association, on October 22.

Chowan College Touring will sing at the Look-Us-Over Day on the campus on October 26.

Chowan College Stage Band, under the direction of Bob Brown are to present concerts at two high schools of the Eastern Shore on November 1. One concert is to be scheduled in a park or shopping center of Salisbury, Maryland on Saturday, November 2.

Miscellaneous
Mid-term break starting October 18 and ending as classes resume on Wednesday, October 23.

Chowan College Booth at the North Carolina State Fair, October 18-26.

Boy Scout Day on Saturday, October 26.

GA and Photography Day also on Saturday, October 26.

American Education Week is October 27 - November 2.

Campus Evangelism Week is October 27 - November 1.

Jewelry Trade

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A booming trade in jewelry made from common seashells has brought beachcombers armed with shovels, kitchen strainers and makeshift window screen strainers to seek minifourtoons on hitherto tranquil Hawaiian beaches. Their quarry is the Puka shell, the disc end of tiny cone-shaped seashells. The shells are made into necklaces, bracelets, earrings and hatbands, but are used most often for single-strand choker necklaces for both men and women that are the rage of the islands.

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Literary Musings



By PROF. ROBERT G. MULDER

I have really been places since my last column. About three days, off and on, were spent in upper state New York amidst the crisp freshness of the Catskill Mountains.

Most of my time was passed in an all-night truckers' diner called the "Stop-Off" run by an exceptionally large man (300 pounds plus) named Henry Soames. Business was bad and Henry had a lot of time to talk, an art which his bad heart had allowed him to cultivate.

Very few men I have met would equal Henry Soames. When his sixteen year old assistant in the Stop-Off became pregnant by one of the local boys (who conveniently skipped the country), Henry married her to give the child a legal name and to save the girl from disgrace.

As unevenly matched as they were, Callie Wells and Henry made themselves contented. They were both elated when Callie's young son was born and the affection they shared in the tedious experience developed into a profound love which was salvation to the both of them.

Besides bringing new life into their home, the coming of the child brought immense improvement to the diner. Henry was quick to remodel the place and to accept the added responsibilities of fatherhood. The whole experience changed his outlook on life to the amazement of his local customers.

One of these customers was one-armed George Loomis, a disabled veteran who lived alone in his antique-filled mansion. George's lonesome life often brought him to the diner to make his philosophical observations of the times. He understood Henry Soames, encouraged his marriage to Callie, and tried to be the Holy Confident of the story when he managed to remain sober enough.

Another interesting but mysterious person to visit the Stop-Off was the Goat

Washington

Roundup

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A spokesman for President Ford ruled out any tax increase requests for this year but would not do the same for 1975. Press Secretary Jerald F. terHorst said it would be unrealistic to expect congressional action on taxes in the remaining weeks of the 1974 session. Asked whether a tax increase to fight inflation would be part of the President's 1975 legislative program, terHorst said this is the "sort of issue a president always has before him" and that tax boosts sometimes are needed "just as a practical governmental matter."

Original Sonnets Composed

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

English 201 students in Professor Bob Mulder's classes may have some benefits other than grades to come forth this fall. Recently the classes have been studying William Shakespeare with special emphasis upon the sonnets. For classwork each student has selected one of the sonnets for a special study. The sonnet has been carefully analyzed, read to the class, and later memorized as a part of the required work. Professor Mulder decided to give extra credit to those who would write an original English sonnet fashioned in the Shakespearean manner. Response grew to the extent that he proposed a contest among his students with cash prizes being offered.

"This has been an interesting experiment," Mulder reports, "for many of the students had no idea that they could actually write a sonnet as Shakespeare did. They are really enjoying the project and some I've already seen are as good as the Immortal's."

Other professors in the department will help Mulder judge the sonnets on the basis of originality, form and thought. Professor Mulder became interested in Shakespeare's sonnets four years ago and in a two-month period wrote over a hundred such poems. Seventy-four of these love sonnets were published in book form under the title *The Tenor of My Song*.

Coming Together

By Thomas Tryon

It is not the coming together or the parting of two people that counts, or where or when, but those two people themselves, and in what manner they are joined. And if it is not with hate but with love, not with impatience but with understanding, and never with boredom but with interest, then nothing can be wrong with their being together, no matter how wrong it may seem to others. But those others, they do not count, they must not be permitted to count, for it is only between the two persons themselves that it must have meaning. It is not so difficult for people to arrange their lives sensibly, but to arrange their lives happily, that is a far, far different thing.

You see, life is hardly ever one thing or another, and things don't ever stay the same. Perhaps that's one of life's tragedies. But who knows, perhaps it's one of life's blessings as well. And blessings, as we know, always come mixed. But meanwhile - isn't it a beautiful world? Look at that sky, doesn't it make you feel good???

Want Ads

"There are various sets of keys and eye glasses at the Lost and Found Desk (the switchboard in McDowell Columns). If you have lost either of these items, please contact Lost & Found."

Need a ride to and from the Washington area during mid-term. Can leave on Thursday, October 18. Will help pay expenses. Contact Don Verdone at Mixon 124 or call 398-9395.

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in northern Va. Pam Jennings. Call 398-5170.

Lost! Gold I. D. bracelet with tassel, Suzanne on front and Gary on back. If found, Please! Return or contact Suzanne Herring at Belk 313.

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Thoughts

To look into the future Day by day Looking at the world in everway.

To reason the thought of everyday life And to watch societie's strife.

To observe the aspects of revolution To control air pollution Looking at children as they grow Conserving the energy flow.

If this is the future that I can see, Then there's no place for me.

Lloyd Lee

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