

ON THE STROLL

By JOHN ALLEN FOUCHEE

TRIBUTE

When we are old and stripped of all desire,
 Courting the sun and gazing at the sky
 When we have banked Ambition's scorching fire—
 And wait our time to join the throng gone by—
 I hope that as our glances meet and hold,
 There will be no regret to find in yours,
 As there is none today when I am bold
 And cognizant of all your gay allures.

That day my dear, I do not want your praise
 For wealth or want is but a prank of fate—
 But if your lips still care to frame a phrase,
 I want some simple one that I can mate:
 (What should it be?, one like this will do:
 It has been fun to be along with you.)

—DON JUAN

THE MAIL BAG—

A card in the morning from Homer Smith of the "Southernaires" telling about the nation wide reception their Sunday morning benefit broadcast received. The famous radio quartet was giving a benefit broadcast over a National hookup for Bre'er Smith's Alma Mammy, Wilberforce. A letter from Lois Parker in New York telling this pillar that our pal little Freddie Jenkins, erst-while cornetist with Duke Ellington's band is still seriously ailing in the Harlem hospital, with T.B. that has laid little Freddie low and we are

sincerely sorry. . . . A card from Tommy Wright, sent from Norfolk. . . . Such a nice letter and poem from Vicky Dezon in far-off Galveston. In verse to the readers next week. . . . Ditto Chick Coleman in Chatsworth, N. J. the educational advisor sends his love, his many Durham friends via this column. . . . A card of thanks from the father of the late Wanda Bowman, beautiful Wanda, who died in Chicago as the old year passed away. Thoughts of her as we last saw her; youthful vivacious, full of enthusiasm about her work at Crane College, linger in the memory. Requiast brown gir

Letters from Carlos Valle and Joseph B. LaFourche of New Orleans, inviting us back during the Mardi Gras, we'd love to journey during the Carnival season to the city "That Care Forgot" to: NEW ORLEANS. . . .

Where, Cargoes of the world crowd the spidery wharves. Scent of bananas, spice and sandalwood overlay the fish smell and harbor reek that stir the Creole blood-like liquor. Ships lie in the harbor, slim lovely things piled of white canvas drooping below the harbor mouth to swing of the long curve of the world and come thundering home again.

GOOD LUCK!

To "Chuck" Davis, who caught a rattler for Atlanta last week, the linotypist is to be connected with the Scott Newspaper Syndicate in that city. This pillar along with many others wishes Chuck the best of luck.

ODD S' ENDS

A dose of rat poison to that juvenile who "broke bad" with a razor and ice pick last week, seeking to wreak dire vengeance on that business man (a benedict) who had muscled in on him with his two-timning femme. . . . A dose of the same medicine to the cutter outer, who at his age should know better than try to rock the cradle even tho the baby in the cradle is a lovely little creature. . . . Moonlight and roses to Gilmer 'Tanky'

Thompson and is due in this now: . . . ditto the AMER their full p

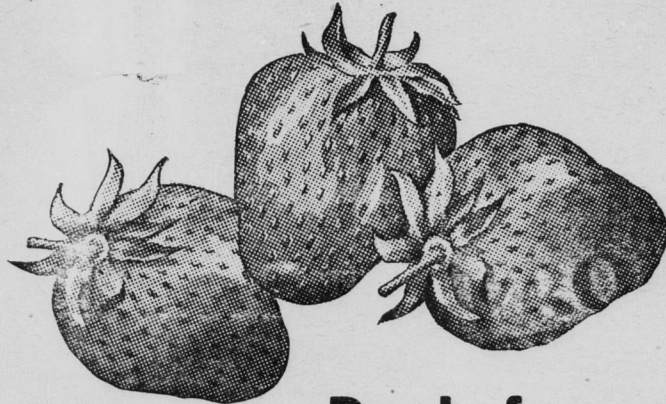
By Harrison, straine and d companying h the Fire side Guld dance the other night. . . . Earl Hines, another Tar Heelian currently giving Blase New Yorkers a thrill with his hot music. . . . the boys report that "the stuff is here, and its mellow. The old flame, Lois Parker still going strong in a Broadway Music Publishing house. . . . Muriel Zofflinger led head pony with the Grand Terrace outfit supple as a reed. . . . Stars. . . "And now my consolation is hidden in the Stardust of a song."

STARDUST. . .

George Dewey McClain, North Carolina boy who made good in the big city, getting plenty publicity in the big rags, The Shaw University grad has been on the main stem for about ten years, has

EPILOGUE

There will be winter when I am old,
 Here by the hearth I'll set my chair,
 Stroke my cat and forget the cold,
 Mix my toddy and sit and stare,
 At the drifts that drift in the garden fold,
 Little I'll mind then—little I'll care.



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