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Carver speaker Wood addresses revolution and faith

by Robin Dulling

On November 3rd and 4th, Dr. James E. Wood, Jr. was the special guest speaker for this year's Carver-Barnes Lectures which were held in the sanctuary of Wake Forest Baptist Church.

Dr. Wood, a statesman, former missionary, and college professor at Baylor University, spoke on the "Theological and Historical Prospective of Christian Faith and the Body Politic."

The basic themes prevalent throughout both lectures were the elements of revolution, power, and faith of and through the Gospel. Said Wood, "The Bible is a public manifesto of special revelation for history.

The Biblical faith affirms God's presence and involvement. The very heart of the Gospel is simply that the word became flesh; this is the power and the revolution brought about by faith and obedience." In speaking of Christ as a model for today's world, Dr. Wood stressed the revolutionary challenge brought about by Jesus in the most profound sense. "Christians are called upon to exercise this power in the world as instruments of God's divine purpose for his creation. Either the Gospel isn't worth much--or we haven't really taken it seriously."

The powers of the Gospel--repentance, rebirth, regeneration and conversion--have always meant change for individuals and

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Forum discusses housing, etc.

by Robin Dulling

The November edition of the President's Forum was held Friday the thirteenth in the cafeteria. Various and sundry issues and concerns were brought to the forefront.

The Seminary shall receive lights from the city for the area around Stealey Hall--which is presently a problem. Recommendations for speed bumps around the Seminary, however, have been turned down. This, according to the city, is seen as hazardous and unnecessary. Many problems concerning the Wakefield apartments have been, and are still being discussed. The area experiences many of the same urban difficulties of larger cities, including robbery. The parking situation around Mackie Hall is presently being examined. Research has shown that not all parking space is being used by the faculty and staff. Since the concern has been voiced, space may be available in the Spring.

Dr. Lolley announced, with pleasure, that the results of the accrediting team's visit were very positive. Some suggestions and recommendations were made to improve the Seminary and curriculum. No notations were received, and Southeastern has

been accredited for another ten years.

Many thanks were voiced via Dr. Lolley for the faculty, staff and student family to Alumni who are working hard to get other students to consider Southeastern in post-graduate endeavors.

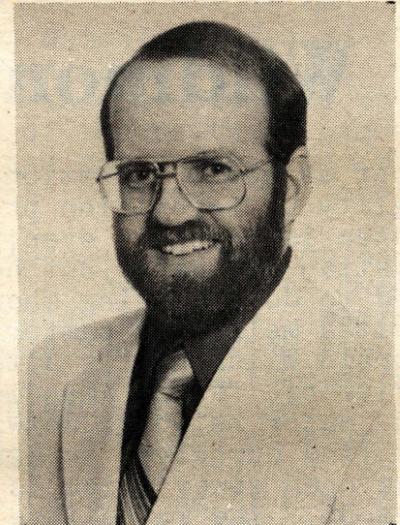
Dr. Lolley stated that it has come to his attention the necessity for a change in curriculum. The black students have requested that certain black theological studies be taught. Next fall semester, the resuming of these courses will begin.

Some confusion attaches itself to "snow days" and how students will know that classes have been cancelled. Dr. Lolley sought to clear up the ambiguity by stating "when schools of Wake county are closed due to snow, we will close as well. If they close during the school day, we will close as soon as it is feasible." Offices (library included) will frequently be open when it snows. If it becomes necessary to close offices due to slickness of roads, etc., then they will be closed also.

Lee Scripture reported that his wife's eye condition is som-

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December graduation set; first since '58



Dr. Richardson,
Graduation Chairman

From News Releases

Eighty-three students will receive degrees at graduation exercises to be held December 19. This will be the first mid-year conferring of degrees since the 1958-59 school year.

Chauncey R. Daley, Jr., Editor of the Western Recorder, the Kentucky Baptist news journal, will address the graduates. Daley, a former trustee at SEBTS, has a son who will be awarded the Master of Divinity degree at the ceremony.

According to Dr. Robert Richardson, Chairman of the Committee on Graduation, the event will begin with a breakfast at 7:30 AM for the graduates and their spouses. Commencement Exercises are set for 10:00 and at 11:30 Broyhill Hall will be the site of the President's reception. The seniors are also planning a dinner for December 18, but according to Nelson Amis, senior representative, plans are not yet final.

Nine students will be awarded the Master of Religious Education degree, 46 the Master of Divinity, one the Master of Divinity with languages and Religious Education, ten the Master of Divinity with languages, ten the Master of Divinity with Religious Education; four will receive the Master of Theology and three will be awarded the Doctor of Ministry.

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Wildmon's right

Few of us would question the observation that the quality of television programming in the United States is abysmal; even, in some cases, immoral by Christian standards. But how many of us have ever tried to do something about it?

A United Methodist pastor from Mississippi, the Rev. Donald Wildmon, is attempting to do so. The wolf-cries of "First Amendment violation" coming from the major networks notwithstanding, we nevertheless find ourselves in agreement with Rev. Wildmon. The open sewer which is television needs some cleaning up, and we believe that his methods, if not all of his targets, are appropriate.

That this is so rests on a fact often overlooked in the consideration of the First Amendment implications of the Coalition for Better Television's (CBTV) proposed boycott of sponsor-products. The fact is that television is different from all other segments of the press.

Unlike the print media (in which anyone with a printing press or access to one can start a paper), only those with a licence to operate their frequency as a public trust may do so. The publicly owned nature of the airwaves means that, to a great extent, the networks are responsible to the public.

The economic boycott has a long and honored history, two of the most recent examples being its use in the civil rights movement and by various women's rights groups supporting the Equal Rights Amendment. And certainly the concept of public pressure to influence TV programming is nothing new, either—campaigns successful and not have been waged to save such programs as Star Trek, Paper Chase, and more recently Hill Street Blues (the latter being waged mostly by the critical community—certainly a much smaller segment of the population than Wildmon has behind him).

We reiterate that we do not agree with all of CBTV's targets. They do, however, have an inalienable right to make the attempt to change the face of TV, and we applaud Rev. Wildmon for making the effort. Without giving up our individual right of discrimination in taste, we urge that the support of the Christian community be with him.

Letters to the Editor are welcome. All letters must be signed, typed or legibly handwritten, and be no more than 300 words long. Names will be withheld upon request. All correspondence should be addressed to David Fischler, 57 McDowell Ave., Wake Forest 27587, or left in the Enquiry office in Mackie Hall.

Letters to the Editor

Appreciation expressed

To the Editor: from the automobile accident. We thank the Lord for the prayers, visits, cards, and all the ways you ministered to us while we were recuperating. We thank the Lord for you as you were such a blessing to us at this time.
The Jim Creech Family

Spoon River thanks

To the Editor: Those of us who participated in the production of Spoon River Anthology would like to express our appreciation to the faculty and administration. We wish to thank them for their presence and for the encouragement they gave us. We would also like to thank our fellow students for the support and encouragement. Thank you all for giving us the opportunity to make such a presentation.
Cast and crew of Spoon River Anthology

Voting for speaker

To the Editor: Ballots are now being received in the foyer of the library for the May Commencement and Baccalaureate speakers. Please vote for your two favorite choices. Also make a suggestion for a senior class gift. The first round of balloting will close on Wednesday, November 25. This will be tabulated and a run-off ballot will be held if necessary in December.
Nelson Amis
Stan Prewett
Robert Hylton
Senior Class Reps.

Attitudes rapped

To the Editor: The other night I experienced a great deal of frustration with my fellow students' attitudes in the gym. What happened was that the basketball court was dominated by those people who were concerned more about winning than they were about teamwork and fair play.

What has happened is that there is a monopoly of the gym by the self-styled "stars." I wanted and needed to relax by playing basketball, but I came home frustrated by the big egos who spend every night in the gym, who are dominating the courts. The marginal players like myself who play for the fellowship and fun are left out of the use of the courts because we do not try to dominate the whole game.

This domination is a part of every sport played by the guys here at SEBTS, whether it's basketball, football, or softball. What I feel is the problem is the attitudes of a small minority of the players.

The must-win attitude and the all-consuming desire to be the "best" is a profound misdirection in the recreation here at SEBTS. Those people who ignore the recreational player's feelings seem to have no concern for what it means to be a Christian and an athlete.

I feel there needs to be a change in the recreation program, such as having separate leagues for the serious and recreational players, or strict enforcement of rules requiring everyone to play in every game.

It is this sort of frustration that keeps a lot of people out of the recreation program. It is about time that this problem of attitudes of the recreation participants be examined.

Tommy Puckett

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Cindy King

Don't look now, but exams are coming

Here's a riddle for you: What does guilt, soybeans, and Nerf basketball have in common? The answer: exams.

Don't you hate that nagging feeling you begin getting about a week before a scheduled exam? You begin feeling that you don't have spare time, just more time in which to study. If you accept an invitation to the movies, you blame the exam for hanging over your head and not letting you enjoy the movie as much as you would have otherwise.

The night before an exam is even worse. Sometimes there are so many things I would rather do than study! I once took my books to a basketball game I attended the night before an exam. I didn't open them a single time, but at least my conscience was eased since I at least took them.

Then, of course, normal interruptions which are usually a welcome part of the day begin bugging you. A phone call from a friend can't be enjoyed; nor can the usual study break to cook supper. But after a while you sort of become numb to the little twinges of guilt. "I'll be up all night, anyhow," you think. "What's another ten minutes?" At that point, anything becomes a study break.

Studying for an exam when I was in college seemed to make me

a little crazier than studying for exams does now. Roommate and I were constantly munching on onion-flavored, dry-roasted soybeans while studying. One time I nonchalantly hit her in the head with one. She returned the favor and a full-fledged war broke out. Soybeans were flying everywhere.

Our favorite diversion was a quick game of Nerf basketball. There weren't any rules (Have you ever tried dribbling a Nerf ball?) and fouling was rampant. We usually wound up in the middle of the floor laughing, but one time I did my laughing in the closet. Roommate had fouled me on a layup and I had crashed into the closet, taking the door with me.

Any exam here at Southeastern is a "biggie", but with this year's initiation of exam week two-hour exams may well double the anxiety. December 11 is the last day of classes, yet exams begin on December 12. The age-old problem posed by having classes the day before a final has not been alleviated; rather, it has been compounded. Until the last note is taken it's impossible to begin pulling together material in preparation for an exam. One night of intensive studying is not enough for a one-hour exam, much less a two-hour one. And

heaven help the ones who may have two exams that first day. We really need a "reading day" in between the last day of classes and the first day of exams, even if it would mean making Saturday an exam day. I believe that in the long run this would cause less heartache and anxiety and allow more time to study and get "psyched up" for a long week of intensive exams.

Dave Sparrow —

A Moment for Methodists

Understanding us

"A Moment for Methodists" was started because of the need of the Methodist students to feel a part of the Southeastern community and the desire on the part of the Seminary to meet that need.

Since it was my job to determine how best to meet this need, I decided to write "Seminary apologia," supporting the choice of U.M. students to come to Southeastern. At the Nov. 6 meeting of U.M. Students at Southeastern (UMSSE) I discovered that one very basic need of U.M. students is to be understood by their Baptist friends here! Therefore, in the following issues of The Enquiry, I plan to set forth a few of the primary doctrines of the United Methodist Church that are somewhat different from tho-

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Editor taken to task--Spirituality found in America

To the Editor:

The editorial in the Oct. 13 Enquiry on Rev. Falwell and Father Berrigan stated that a return to Christian principles on the part of our nation is impossible. One of the writer's premises is that this nation, through its repeated oppression of poor and powerless groups and individuals, has shown itself to be un-Christian.

This point I would not dispute; nor do I think that attempts such as Falwell's to impose a Christian morality on people whose hearts have not radically changed can ever accomplish any good.

A second premise I do wish to refute (regarding Father Berrigan's reference to our participation in the nuclear arms race as "spiritual derangement"): "There is no such derangement because there is no such spirituality in America." Spirituality

belongs to human nature as air belongs to the sky; one perhaps could say that the only air in our country can be found in the mountains of Colorado, but it would be understood to be an exaggeration, a figure of speech.

Human beings, however, are created in the image of God, and we have God's spirit breathed into us from our very conception, as symbolized in the second Genesis account of creation. Therefore, no elite group—not even "spirit-filled" Christians—can properly claim to be the only existing spiritual beings. A human spirit can be either clean and refreshing or polluted and foul; the polluted spirituality is the deranged kind of which Berrigan spoke.

I was deeply moved and disturbed by Father Berrigan's prophetic words in Duke Chapel. I strongly

disagree with the editorialist's assessment that most Americans applaud our part in nuclear armament—most acquiesce, to be sure, but with either gnawing or vague uneasiness.

The problem lies in our fear of protesting and denouncing a build-up which threatens the lives of so many people. Perhaps if more of us who claim we follow Jesus were to act courageously to denounce the system, as He did in the Temple when the injustice of the moneychangers angered Him to the point of turning over their tables, others would see our commitment to His way of life as more than just lip-service and be inspired to follow as well.

As to the question of politicizing the church's social mission, the biblical revelation demonstrates a God who intends us to oppose and work a-

gainst injustice wherever it may be found, on systemic levels or individual ones. The Exodus narrative shows God as concerned with freeing his people from an unjust government—God led Moses in direct negotiations with the highest government official.

Political and economic concerns are central to the prophetic messages of the Hebrew Scriptures. Jesus proclaimed His ministry's beginning with the promise of God to "set at liberty those who are oppressed" (Luke 4:18, RSV); He did not disallow political involvement.

Whether Berrigan wishes to "christianize" a society which does not uniformly follow Jesus as Lord is doubtful. He does call Christians to at least humanize our society and do our best to ensure that countless people are not brutally murdered.

Paula W. Meador

International Day stresses acceptance

by Ken Childers

The International Day of Emphasis Chapel service was held in the sanctuary of Wake Forest Baptist Church on Thursday, November 5. Stan Prewett introduced the speakers, Ms. Lily Sang and Ms. Rebecca Barnes, and conducted the opening and closing of the service. Approximately fifty students and faculty members attended.

The chapel was judged a success by those involved because of the inspiring messages of Ms. Sang and Ms. Barnes and the receptivity of the students and faculty members that attended.

The purpose of the chapel was to emphasize the biblical injunction to help people from other cultures to adjust to our culture when they are on our seminary campus, in our local churches, in our communities, or anywhere else we meet them. We should treat them as one of our own, not as foreigners.

Quoting Leviticus 19:34 and Deuteronomy 24:17-18, the speak-

ers emphasized that we need to give them time, friendship, love, understanding, total acceptance, and complete support in their struggle to adapt to our culture. This means accepting them as one of us. This will help lessen what Ms. Sang called "culture shock."

In an interview, Ms. Barnes said, "We need to all be included—let us not leave some of our brothers and sisters out but remember that God loves us all and to Him all His children are equal."

Ms. Sang noted, "I realized when I became a Christian that I would have to depend on God. When I came to seminary in this country, I realized that I needed God to help me grow during my seminary career." She further asked, "Don't look at foreigners as foreigners, but as other people like oneself and accept them as part of our Christian family. She said that she asked this in part because during her first year at SEBTS, she had found only partial acceptance from her fellow students. This superficial acceptance, both speakers agreed, was what the International Day Chapel was all about.

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se held by Southern Baptists in general.

I hope that it will not be thought by anyone that I am attempting to draw "battle lines" between our two denominations. It is my desire to promote understanding and to increase the amount of appreciation we all must have for one another as co-workers toward a common goal.

Next issue: why do United Methodists baptize infants?

METHODIST NEWS:

At the Nov. 6 meeting we learned that the Seminary is looking into the possibility of offering a course in "Methodist Preaching" for the fall semester, 1982. We will be sending a letter out in the next few weeks to all the U. M. students in order to give you a chance to tell us of your interest or lack of interest in taking the course. If there seems to be enough interest, Dr. Carlton will set the course up for Fall, '82.

Missions Conference set for next semester

Dennis Testerman

General Chairman, Missions and Ministry Conference

"Encountering a Complex World: Christians in Dialogue and Confrontation" is the theme of this year's Missions and Ministry Conference, to be held the weekend of February 19-21. The programs and seminars will revolve around encounters between Christians and different faiths and values in today's world. Featured will be a Hindu religious leader, Srimati Kamala, and Bishop Stephen Neill, in dialogue with each other. The relationship between the Christian life and issues of materialism, life style, hunger, and liberation will be explored, along with questions about how to approach other ministry and missions concerns in contemporary situations.

We invite the entire seminary community to mark this weekend on your calendars and to plan to attend the special programs and seminars. You will certainly find some topics of interest to you, both for your present and future ministries. Your help in publicizing the conference among college students in your churches and among your friends in campus ministry would be greatly appreciated. We will be asking some of you later to open your homes to college students attending the conference. Prepare now to join us in a fascinating weekend of dialogue and encounter! For more information, contact Dennis Testerman.

Fast for hunger declared

"Fast For World Harvest," a 24-hour vigil focusing on the problems of world hunger, will begin Wednesday, Nov. 18, at 5 p.m. The fast is sponsored by the UNC-CH Campus Y's hunger action committee and is part of a nationwide effort to raise money for the starving people of the world. As a symbolic gesture, participants are asked to donate the money they would have spent on food. For more information, call (919) 962-2333.

Middler class meeting held

by Mike Gibson

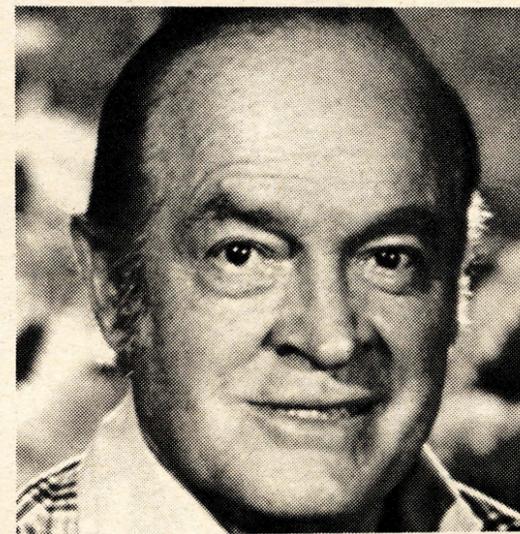
Middler Class Representative

The Middler Class had its first meeting of the year on November 6th in the Seminary Cafeteria.

Those in attendance voted to have a cover-dish banquet in the Cafeteria on January 28th. The guest speaker and musician will be announced at a later date. The title chosen for the banquet is "Midway Celebration." So plan to come and take part in the food and fellowship.

Also discussed were graduation and a class gift. There were several suggestions such as buying new bulletin boards for the campus and a yearly scholarship for the outstanding student in religious education. These are ideas for each class member to consider for next year.

**Bob Hope says:
"Red Cross can teach you first aid. And first aid can be a life saver."**



First 'Chaplains Day' held

by Ken Childers

On October 30, 1981 Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary had its first official Chaplains Day. The Navy was represented by Chaplain B.J. McKee from New River Air Station in Jacksonville, North Carolina and Chaplain Dan Davis represented the Army. Scheduling difficulties prevented the Air Force from sending a Chaplain to represent them.

However, student chaplains from all three branches of the service were present. Approximately twenty other students were in attendance during the ten o'clock hour when the Chaplains, McKee and Davis, each gave short talks concerning the military chaplaincy. During the day, many other students had individual conversations with the active duty chaplains and the student chaplains.

The emphasis of Chaplains Day was placed on and oriented toward home missions. In their talks both chaplains emphasized the missionary aspects of the military chaplaincy. In Southern Baptist terms, they are home missionaries. The Home Missions Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is responsible for ordaining and recommending Southern Baptist chaplains in the armed forces.

The day was termed a success by those present because the mission of the military chaplaincy was well presented and because there was a great deal of student interest. Both military chaplains and the student chaplains were pleased with the enthusiasm of the students. Both Chaplain Davis and Chaplain McKee expressed the desire to help students in any way possible to further their understanding of the unique role in ministry of the chaplain.

Accreditation renewal assured

From News Releases

The accreditation reaffirmation visiting team for both ATS and SACS were on campus October 25-28. The team was chaired by Dr. Campbell Wyckoff, Princeton Theological Seminary. During the exit interview the team affirmed with very positive reports the entire program at Southeastern. While the final report is not yet in hand it is evident that Southeastern will have ATS and SACS accreditation reconfirmed in the highest possible fashion and without notation for another ten years.

Library Lines

by Reference Services

NEED HELPS FOR NEW CHRISTIANS IN YOUR CHURCH? On display in the Church Curriculum Center are a number of items which offer information and training for new Christians: "Survival Kit, a Practical Guide to Spiritual Growth" (adult and youth editions); "New Church Member Training Kit for Leaders of Older Children"; "New Church Member Training Workbook" (older children, youth, and adult editions); and a graded series in the Church Training Program.

"Survival Kit" was mentioned in a Baptist Press release, 10/21/81, describing the Encourager Program instituted at North Phoenix Baptist Church, Phoenix, Arizona. New Christians, after making a public decision for Christ, are given a copy of the "Survival Kit" and assigned an encourager who has had a one-hour training program and can answer questions, provide support, and help the new Christian become involved in the total church program.

LIBRARY ASSISTANTS THIS YEAR ARE: Kay Abbott, Carol Bastin, Karen Beatty, Frances Browne, Janet Connell, Marcella Freeze, Gary Gerhardt, Pam Grumbles, Sharron Gunter, Terry Harrell, David Howell, Nancy Jackson, Susan Joy,

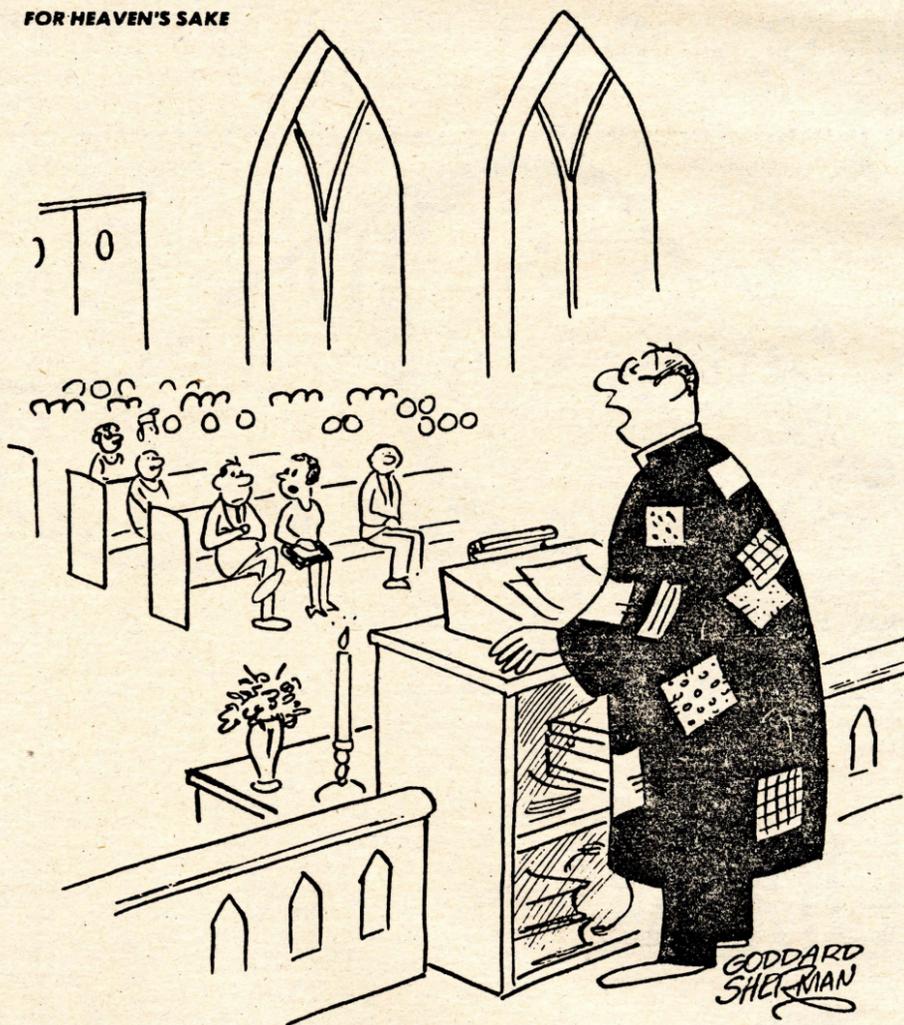
Bill Parker, John Reeves, Lily Sang, Steve Smith, Garland Toliver, Nancy Unterzuber, Sarah Wood, and Tom Santrock.

"I'M SORRY TO BOTHER YOU, BUT COULD YOU HELP ME?" This frequently-heard question is disturbing to the Library staff because our foremost purpose is to assist you. Other necessary work goes on apace; but at any time you feel the need to consult a staff member, PLEASE DO!

NEW PERIODICAL TITLES BEING RECEIVED: The NICM Journal for Jews and Christians in Higher Education, published quarterly by the National Institute for Campus Ministries; and Wall Street Journal (now forwarded to the Library from the Business Office on the day received).

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FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE



"HE HAD IT SPECIALLY MADE FOR PLEDGE SUNDAY."

—W. Goddard Sherman, Riviera United Methodist Church, St. Petersburg, Florida

Area Entertainment



"Children of a Lesser God," the first production of the Broadway on Tour series at UNC-CH, will be performed Friday Nov. 20, at 8:30 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 21, at 4 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. in Memorial Hall. The play by Mark Medoff won the 1980 Tony Award for Best Dramatic Play.

It is a story of James Leeds, an instructor at a school for the deaf, and his stubborn pupil Sarah Norman. The two love and learn together, but face a constant struggle to appreciate the world of the other. For ticket information, call (919) 962-1121.

The UNC-CH department of music will sponsor a free, public recital Sunday, Nov. 22, at 8:15 p.m. The program will include Beethoven's six Gellert lieder, Brahms' Four Serious Songs, Ravel's Histoires Naturelles and three songs by Leslie Bassett. Faculty members Frederic Moses, bass-baritone, and Marmaduke Miles, piano, will be featured in the concert.

The UNC-CH Collegium Musicum and Chamber Singers will present a concert of Baroque sacred music Friday, Nov. 20, at 8:15 p.m. in Person Recital Hall. The

free, public concert will be directed by Jon Finson, Mary Springfels and Elaine Scott Banks and will include works by J.S. Bach, Buxtehude, Scheidt and Schutz.

The UNC-Ch Wind Ensemble will present a free, public concert of music by Romantic and 20th Century composers Tuesday, Nov. 17, at 8:15 p.m. in Hill Hall auditorium. The program will include Aaron Copland's "Lincoln Portrait," and works by Felix Mendelssohn-Bartoldy, Vaughan Williams and Dmitri Shostakovich.

A three-course feast for Tchaikovsky fans will be served by the North Carolina Symphony on Saturday, November 21 at 8:00 p.m. in Raleigh's Memorial Auditorium when Principal Guest Conductor, Partick Flynn leads the orchestra in Polonaise from Eugene Onegin, Suite No. 3 in G Major and Symphony No. 5 in E Minor.

This triple-treat Tchaikovsky program is the second concert in the symphony's Family Series, a group of concerts characterized by musical selections which appeal to all ages and oral program notes given by the conductor. Parents are encouraged to bring children to these concerts.

Admission is by season subscription, or tickets may be purchased at the door.

Symphony performs marvelously

by Maryanne Fischler

Recently this reporter had the pleasure of attending a children's concert performed by the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra. It was positively delightful.

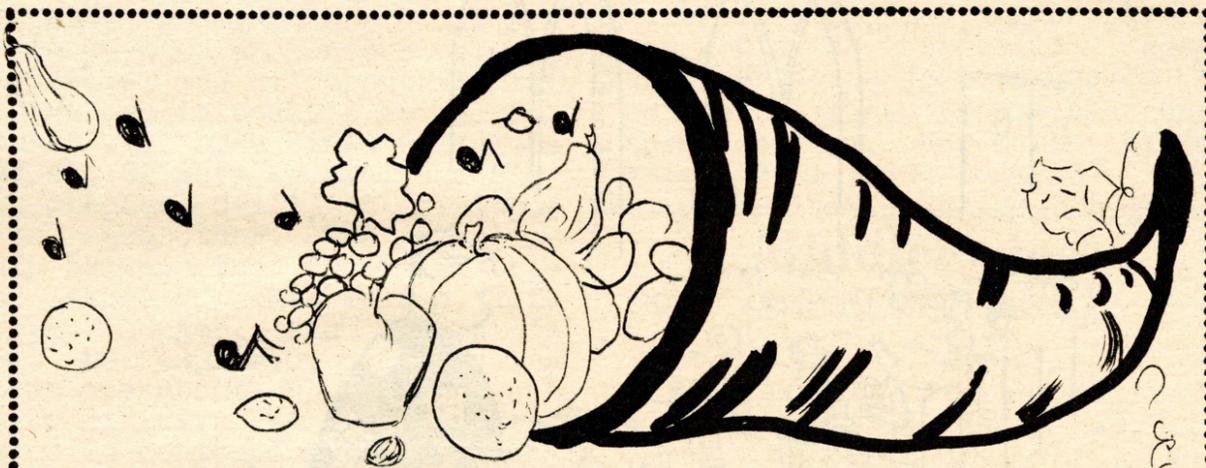
The program for the afternoon was a charming assortment of pieces ranging from Stravinsky to Beethoven to Gershwin. Each selection was introduced by and explained by conductor James Ogle. This combined with the diversity of the music to keep the audience of approximately 1700 elementary students totally enthralled.

The concert began with "The Wedding March" by Felix Mendelssohn. Choosing a familiar piece to introduce the young people to the symphonic style was an excellent notion which was continued through "The Star-Spangled Banner." The audience were invited to sing along with that song. Later in the program they were again encouraged to participate in "I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing."

One of the principal objectives of the concert was to provide a positive introduction to symphonic and classical music. Anyone who doubts the success of the orchestra's efforts should have seen the captivated attention the young people paid to the beautiful rendition from The Firebird by Stravinsky.

But the hands down favorite in the afternoon's program was the overture to Girl Crazy by George Gershwin. As the audience left the auditorium, one could hear scattered snatches of "I've Got Rhythm," "Embraceable You," and "Not for Me" being hummed.

All in all, the North Carolina Symphony added a new dimension to the notion that fine music, played by a good orchestra, is an ageless thing.



MIKE GIBSON PRESENTS...

A Thanksgiving Musical Service

at

The Wake Forest Community Center

November 22nd
2:00 and 4:00 P.M.
No Admission Fee.

A love offering for the needy will be taken.

Sounds of THANKSGIVING

Through the Looking Glass

First Reviews

by Maryanne Fischler

One of the most notable and controversial trends in recent television seasons has been the move toward serialized melodrama in prime time.

These "night-time soap operas" have many of the same features as their day-time predecessors. They have plots consisting of complex successions of highly improbable events. They are performed by actors who don't comprehend even the basics of diction and delivery and actresses chosen, no doubt, for endowments other than dramatic.

But by far the most noteworthy attribute of programs such as Dallas, Flamingo Road, and Knott's Landing is their total disregard of standards of morality or even common decency. They promote as perfectly acceptable a variety of behaviors which most Christians cannot accept. Adultery, drunkenness, and violence are prevalent. And rampant thro-

ughout such programs is the presence of incredible materialism and self-centeredness.

It is hard to find anything positive in night-time soaps. Certainly they have nothing to recommend them to any Christian viewer. In the controversy over television quality and decency, I would side with such groups as the Coalition for Better Television when they recommend such programs not be watched.

One program of a completely different genre which has also attracted quite a bit of controversy is the new situation comedy Love, Sidney starring Tony Randall.

Before it even appeared, TV commentators, including CBT and Moral Majority, had this show pegged as a sit-com which presents in a positive light the homosexual lifestyle. Whether they were flatly wrong or NBC chickened out is not known, but certainly Love, Sidney does nothing of the kind. Morally speaking, it checks out fine. Its dialogue is insipid, its plots are hackneyed, and its acting is mediocre; but its morality is fine.

In the episodes that I have seen there has been nothing of a sexual nature. While I can't recommend Love, Sidney from a critical point of view, I can't condemn it from a Christian point of view.

Restaurant Reviews:

The Corner

by Ronald Wilkins

We all have been left wondering what would become of the old Stevens Bookstore. Some wanted a restaurant there, others something else. When the new academic year opened, there was something on the corner across from Simmons Apartments. It was an ice cream parlor and coffee shop.

The first day I went into this new eating establishment it was about 90 degrees outdoors, so ice cream looked and felt good. The ice cream I chose was butterscotch nut, which was so good I got another scoop. The ice cream at The Corner is great, and it is even better on hot, sultry days after a big Systematic test you know you flunked.

The Corner seems to be the newest hangout for Seminary students since the snack bar has been moved to the Cafeteria. Its atmosphere is one of being at home. The wooden chairs, the tablecloths, and the decor of the building gives you the impression of a home away from home.

There are a lot of nice things I can say about this place because I was very impressed. This place is different. It's clean, and it has that "Home Sweet Home" atmosphere to it. The chicken, tuna, ham and egg salad are made right there in the place. So is the chilli, and the soup. They also have barbecue for those who like a little Southern Style. Homemade biscuits with sausage wind up this food tasters delights.

But the great attraction is the friendly staff and Mrs. Ruth Snapp (who I have nicknamed "Mamma") that keep you coming back again and again, all times of the day and night (till 11). So next time the studying blues get you down, get a chicken salad sandwich and have a tall glass of tea, and enjoy.

Organ recital to be held

There will be an organ recital Monday, November 23 in Binkley Chapel at 8pm. The organist will be Linwood E. Bratcher. The music played in the recital will be by Couperin, Mendelssohn, Johnson, Near, and Bach. There will be no admission charged and the public is invited.

RALEIGH CIVIC SYMPHONY

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1981
Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1981
Meredith College, Raleigh
Jones Auditorium

8:00 P.M.

Handel — Concerto in g for Organ
James Good, Soloist
Anita Hoffman, Leader

Debussy — Prelude to an Afternoon of a Faun

Tchaikowsky — Symphony No. 5 in e, Op. 64

Admission Free

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