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## Apathy Or Responsibility?

Is anyone reading this? Are the students of Atlantic Christian College going to wake up this year or will we slide back into the comfortable old groove of not really concerning ourselves with anything outside our neatly packaged and beribboned little existences? What makes a person care? Is it something that has to be placed within the individual before birth or is it acquired through education or through observing the plight of mankind?

The ACC bulletin states that "it is the purpose of the college to develop character through Christian education, to combine with the development of the intellectual abilities a growing spiritual insight, to inspire to active service, and thus to have a part in contributing to the world efficient Christian citizens and leaders."

To what extent is the college succeeding in this purpose? Is your mind occupied in attempting to find answers to at least a few of the great problems besetting mankind today or are you more concerned about this dance or that bridge game? Dances and bridge can be a part of our lives without becoming the whole, you know.

In this time of upheaval and rapidly changing social, political, and economic beliefs the world sorely needs men and women upon whom it can rely to provide solutions—not become part of the problem. We as college students have incurred a debt by our presence on this campus. It is our responsibility—to our parents, our teachers, to the men who have made this school a reality—to give of our best in order that we may soon take our places in the world as men and women who will be concerned.—MUL

## Forest Fire

The present social revolution that is sweeping the United States is similar to a forest fire. After the fire has progressed to a certain point it is supplied with movement by the wind it manufactures. The recent racial incidents in our cities and towns have erupted through ignorance and have been spread by the violent emotional upheavals that are produced by the eruptions.

In the South particularly, racial violence has been caused by the extreme—which is in the minority—and not by the moderate middle-of-the-road block. However, the moderates, or shall we say, the unconcerned mass of southern whites, have not taken a firm stand on what they believe and through this they have allowed the extremes to be classified as part of the whole. The masses do not go out on limbs, they sit and wait for trouble to start and jump into the confusion and stir it even more. The extreme element in our population, however, does not sit around and wait but jumps into things at the first opening.

The recent bombing in Birmingham that killed 4 negroes and injured 23 others is an example of the extreme in society and it shows how a few emotionally unstable citizens can injure society as a whole. Incidents of this nature should be condemned to the utmost even if the unconcerned masses let it go by as just another item to go down in the history of mankind.—FSL

## To The Freshmen

Class of '67, our expectations of you are great. Informed sources have proclaimed you to be one of the finest classes to enter Atlantic Christian College, yet to the upperclassmen, faculty, and administration, you must prove this. Throughout the coming school year, not only the grades you make, but the manner in which you become a part of the student body, participate in school activities and concern yourselves with the problems of the college will tell us where you really stand—whether you will be in a class all your own or just among other classes.

Elections for the freshmen class officers are approaching. The people you nominate and the ones you elect are your responsibility. They will later reflect upon you.

You, the freshmen class, possess great ability; however, this ability is not worth anything if you don't use it! You can not put off your studying to a later date. Before you know it, Thanksgiving holidays will be here, and pink slips will go out—we know that you've heard of those nasty little slips that report your unsatisfactory progress to your parents.

The freshman class will be given many opportunities to prove their value to themselves and to the college during the next four years, but to show this, they must not flunk-out or drop-out. The number of students placed on academic probation during the spring semester will illustrate this point.

Freshmen, we hope that you came to Atlantic Christian to obtain an education, but remember an education contains more than "book learning." You must broaden your knowledge and gain more insight in every area of life. Get a good taste of the social life of college—however, you determine your social life, don't let it determine you. Next month, the Greeks will hold Rush. Sororities and Fraternities are fine in their place, but don't become so involved in outside activities that you have no time left for study and remember, you do have to have a "C" overall average to become a Greek.

Class of '67, you have made an excellent beginning during orientation, don't let us down. We are expecting much of you, maybe too much; however two semesters and time will tell.—ALS

## The Bohunk Is A Mess

Students, do you realize what a mess the Bohunk has become? Last year's Executive Board ruling seems to have been forgotten in the confusion of back to school. Visitors on campus usually always are taken to the Bohunk, and are you willing to be judged by this trash heap? Something must be done. Let's all, in the future, strive to put out our cigarettes in the provided ashtrays, place our discarded paper and other trash in the provided containers and be responsible for our own overturned drinks. The co-operation of all is needed to keep our student center clean.—ALS

# Reader's Forum

Dear Editor:

During the two years that I have been a student at Atlantic Christian College, the Bohunk has started each fall semester in a deplorable state and has risen only slightly in appearance as the academic year progressed. Last year hundreds of words were written and published in the Collegiate on the subject of "Filth in the Bohunk," and for the most part the words went to no avail. Returning students this fall are probably sick of hearing the same thing year after year about the Dirty Bohunk, but year after year the Bohunk remains in its same sad shape. The Atlantic Christian faculty must also be tiring of the same protests from the Collegiate, however, they are probably tiring more of the mess in which the Bohunk stays. Each morning the Bohunk starts out swept and generally clean, and by the time the faculty arrives to pick up their mail or a campus visitor happens to drop in, the Bohunk has sunk like a torpedoed battleship into a quagmire of cigarette butts, candy and ice cream wrappers, and soft drinks, which are usually spilled in abundance.

A new Student Union is in the far reaching plans of the college. I can think of no better way to postpone the acquisition of said Student Union than to continue keeping our present, ever so meager, one, in its deplorable state.

—STEVE LOVE

## Concert Campaign Sponsored At ACC

In past years, student activity cards have admitted full time students to many fine concerts as well as athletic events. This is still true of concerts on the campus, but those sponsored by the Wilson Community Concerts Association will no longer be open to anyone without a membership in the Association. In order to bring first rate entertainment to the students, the Concert and Assembly Committee has done two things. First, we have encouraged the Association to bring back Ferrante and Teicher, the two-piano team that made such a hit here two years ago, as one of the attractions for this season. Secondly, the Committee is underwriting part of the expense of Association memberships for students. The cost of these memberships is \$4 per student. The first 100 students who buy memberships from the student salesmen on campus, will have to pay only \$2 per membership. The second 100 students who buy will pay only \$3 per membership. Students who buy after the first 200 are sold must pay the regular \$4 membership fee.

This fee entitles members to attend concerts here in Wilson, and also in Goldsboro, Wilmington, New Bern, and other towns that have a Community Concerts Series. Memberships have been on sale since the opening of school, and will be on sale through Tuesday, September 24.

### CONCERT SCHEDULE 1963

Sept. 24 Paul Speaker, cellist, Music Building, 4:10 p.m.  
Nov. 7 Soulima Stravinsky, pianist, Howard Chapel 10:20 a.m., 8:15 p.m.  
Nov. 16 or 23 Burlington Boys' Choir, Howard Chapel, 8:15 p.m.  
Nov. 19 Student Recital, Music Dept., Howard Chapel, 8:15 p.m.  
Nov. 26 Wilson Choral Society, Concert, Howard Chapel, 8:15 p.m.  
Dec. 2 Brian Sullivan, Metropolitan Opera Tenor, Fike High School, 8:15 p.m.  
Dec. 15 Christmas Vespers Music Department, Howard Chapel, 4 p.m.

# President Arthur Wenger Addresses Student Body

(Ed. Note — Following is the complete text of a speech delivered by Dr. Arthur D. Wenger, president of the college, in the assembly of Friday, Sept. 13.)

"Today we are living in the middle of history in the making. Changes which many would have thought impossible a decade ago are taking place all around us. The most profound of these are not those which have taken place in the world of things; rather, they have to do with ideas.

"A decade ago we were being told that a world-wide revolution was in progress. Since that time one colonial relationship after another has toppled. New names and faces have marched in the vanguard of aroused masses intent on translating the idea of freedom into reality. Leopoldville, Johannesburg, Algiers; Albany, Oxford, Montgomery, Chicago, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Greensboro, Raleigh and Durham; and now, Williamston, Goldsboro, New Bern — and Wilson — these names show the massive dimensions of the revolution which has literally girdled our globe. But the sound of the marching which had been muted by half-around-the-world distances is now heard and seen, live and in color, in our own streets. And we here at Atlantic Christian College are in the middle of it all — this history in the making.

"Now the revolution has come to our own normally peace-loving Eastern North Carolina communities. Reliable reporters of events in our neighboring cities and in our own community point out that an increasing degree of violence has characterized race demonstrations in these cities. In some of these localities, biracial good-neighbor commissions are at a hopeless impasse because bridges of communication and understanding have been broken down. There are few more tragic spectacles than that of jeering, hooting mobs on opposite sides of the street hurling epithets and obscenities, bricks and bottles at each other, and in the process burning the few remaining bridges of understanding over which our society must pass if it is to find an enduring relationship wherein the God-given rights and functions which distinguish us from beasts are guaranteed to men of all races.

"Now that these events have come within walking, hearing and seeing distance, it is both necessary and appropriate that we remind ourselves that we are humans — unusually privileged humans — and that this privileged position which membership in this community of learning confers upon us places us under uncommonly strong obligation to build bridges of understanding,

not to destroy them.

"Our awareness of this problem is apparent in every grouping of persons who comprise Atlantic Christian College — its Board of Trustees, the administration and faculty, the students, and the church and non-church constituencies which sustain the College. Every one of these segments should be encouraged to consider the opportunity which history has conferred upon us in this crucial issue and to engage in those activities which are appropriate to each. I can assure you that in my contacts with each of these groups I see heartening evidence of a determination that this issue be resolved in a noble and Christian way, that each group must play its appropriate role in a noble way befitting a college community of learning.

"I believe you agree with me that these ends are not achieved by the sort of violence which has been in evidence in recent racial encounters. Saner minds on both sides of the issue know that violence only plunges us deeper into the morass of frustration and futility. It cannot lead to a resolution of the problem wherein men recognize each other as creatures of God and willingly confer upon each other the dignity, respect and freedom which differentiates between civilized and brutish men.

"I point out to you as a practical matter arising out of this issue the fact that curious by-standers at demonstrations can easily be sucked into eruptions of violence. In this connection let me also remind you of the College's legal obligation to assure your safety and protection to the utmost of its ability. The contractual, and therefore legal, relationship which comes into being between you and the College upon your being admitted imposes upon the College the responsibility to serve in loco parentis — in place of a parent—toward the student. Our legal obligation is clear; we intend to fulfill it. It is in this spirit and for this reason that I say to you, stay away from areas and situations where you could easily be hurt or even lose your life as an innocent by-stander. Do not walk or ride in troubled areas unless absolutely necessary and then only by exercising every precaution.

"None of us knows by what path our world (and we included) will move toward a just resolution of the issues which have brought change and turmoil on every hand. I am confident that the noble ideas which are inherent in our Judeo-Christian tradition, and in our history as a nation and for which countless men have laid their lives on the altar of their country's need, ultimately will find expression in those relationships which are built by men of good will. May we be numbered among them."

## News And Views

The usual quiet, business-like atmosphere which surrounds the Old House Office Building in Washington, D. C., was shattered last Thursday and Friday by the screaming and shouting of student demonstrators. These students were part of a group of 59 who had traveled to Cuba two months ago in direct defiance of a State Department order. The students had been back in this country for a week and were now in Washington appearing before the House Un-American Activities Committee.

As one of their leaders appeared before the Committee the students in the audience cheered and applauded at the various defiant comments he made. Finally the Committee Chairman Richard Willis (D-La.) ordered them removed from the hearing, and the Washington police deposited them on the sidewalk in front of the building.

Many people have probably wondered what harm there could be in visiting Cuba. But a close examination of the circumstances reveals

that there is good reason for the State Department's order which is only one segment of our total policy in dealing with the Cuban problem. Our policy consists primarily of isolating the island from any connections with the United States and encouraging other countries to sever connections also. Main reasons for this policy are: (1) to try and put as heavy a financial burden on the Soviet Union as possible, (2) to try to prevent the infiltration of communist-trained agents into Latin America. The success of this policy can only be maintained if such regulations which prohibit travel to Cuba are obeyed.

The sad part about the students' trip to Cuba was that they had no real objective in mind or even the pursuit of an ideal. They went merely for the sake of defiance. Defiance for the sake of defiance is their motto, and they have stated that they propose to pursue this course in the future.