

# EDITORIAL COMMENTS



## About Those Cuts...

Students, have you missed more than one chapel? You're going to lose quality points if you have. Contrary to a rumor that has been going around campus, quality points are still deducted for absences from chapel regardless of your scholastic average.

This doesn't seem quite fair, does it? Chapel carries no credit, it is not transferable to other colleges; in fact it has little value except as a "sacrifice" to our religious patrons. Why then should our failure to attend cost us something that is of value to our college career? Is the God of Moses still so jealous that he must wreak a terrible vengeance on the unfaithful?

Other methods of punishment have been suggested to the Presidential Council for those who are negligent in their Wednesday religious obligation. They could be campused, or have class cuts subtracted, or be required to participate in a chapel service, or be put in stocks or pillories, or maybe they should just outright be burned at the stake. Let's not beat around the bush, at least. Let's get those heretics! Stone the blasphemers! But let's not take their QP's. Scholastics have nothing to do with chapel.

Why is there such a need to force chapel attendance, anyway? Aren't the students at this Christian college really Christians? Are they just playing along with the church for its money? Yawns are so prevalent in those services that it is obvious that our student body is something less than a band of religious zealots. Not many people here care to go to church on Wednesday. They would probably be more prone to attend something interesting. If we had programs in a somewhat more intellectual vein, something that would raise questions instead of giving dead admonitions, then perhaps attendance would be no problem. It isn't necessary to discard religion, but let's at least talk about it. In this age, discussion and reason will get more converts than persecution and threats.

As Lenny Bruce observed, "More and more people are drifting away from the church and going back to God." Is it possible that a religiously affiliated college does not seek to find God? Or has the search stopped in Dunham Auditorium.

## Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

We, the youth of today, have more and perhaps do more with what we have than the youth of any other age. The scientific wise men have come to offer at our feet the gifts of atomic power, mechanization, and time-saving appliances. With these we must mold our own world. Our goals will be high; they have to be so that the world will progress.

Aim low? No! We are forced to achieve with adults whispering in our ears: "Get to college, get grades, be a leader, be the best." The high school diploma of yesterday has become the college diploma of today. College entrance standards are being raised every year. More of today's youth are better educated at a younger age than ever before. Religious affiliations are at an all time percentage high, evidence that today's youth have found FAITH and realize where they are going.

We have one blight in our existence, the comfortable suburban idyll set up by the generation before us — the products of post-war prosperity, the nouveau rich. We've had enough of this split level mentality. We want to be individuals. We've grown up in a status-seeking existence. We have

Address: The Student Body

Dear Students,

On October 12, 1942, Columbus handed Isabella a whole new world over which to reign. On October 12, 1968, you gave me sovereign rights to a whole little world I love very much!

The difference between "us queens" is that I have the most thoughtful, generous, and generally wonderful "subjects" in any land. As you would say: "You are the most."

Thank you for one of the greatest surprises and one of the happiest experiences of my life.

(Mrs.) Peg McLarty  
Regina

been forced to grow up much too soon. We've got mascara on our lollipops.

We've had enough of the country club, the red M.G. and the colonial ranch. We want to make something of ourselves by using the talents that God gave us. We do not want to be hemmed in by the hypocrisy of the suburbs.

Who paints the picture of the low-aiming teenager? The press and T.V. display the mediocre family situation comedies with "Quentin Quarterback" perennially surrounded by beau-

They said if I miss another chapel, they'll take my cannon away...



## Wallace Paces Third Party Movement

Not since the Progressive Party of the 1924 Presidential election has America witnessed a third party as successful as the one being conducted by George Wallace today.

Beginning with the modest support of only a few states, at this writing he is on the ballots of nearly all fifty and polling 15 million (20%) of the national vote.

In what has become known as "The speech" he includes all of the themes of his campaign; de-centralization of government, criticism of the courts, an end to the subversive "Communists, anarchists and hippies," and most emphatically, law and order.

Wallace has capitalized on the growing fears of his "little people" over crime and corruption, and his momentum has yet to level off. In his

rhetoric he reflects and instills a bitter mood that reaches almost fanatical proportions. At each rally, the threat of violence between hecklers and supporters prevades the atmosphere; indeed, scuffles have become inevitable occurrences.

Regardless of the outcome of this election, Wallace will possess influence in Congress. That he already has exhibited this strength is evident in the recent declaration of the Republican House Leader, Rep. Gerald Ford, stating that other House Republicans will not lose their seniority if local demands make it necessary for them to support Wallace rather than Nixon.

Because of his financial as well as popular support, it has been forecast that the Wallace movement will not fade out in the years to come. To the contrary, it will continue to exert a force on politics that will have to be bargained with. The resulting effect this could have on the people is anything but optimistic.

But Wallace himself is only incidental to the real cause of apprehension; instead, it is remarkable that he is representing the views of millions of Americans.

## Helen Furr Fund Established

A new financial loan for prospective music majors was set up this past Saturday in honor of Mrs. Helen Furr, former secretary at Brevard College in the Music Department. The loan was organized and sponsored by approximately 20 1968 graduates of Brevard College who majored in music.

According to Mr. Nelson Adams, Head of the Music Department, the students raised the money themselves, and the whole idea was conceived and supported by the former BC students.

The students presented a check for \$100 to the department Saturday. The loan is to become an annual presentation.

tiful girls of the "Carlene Cheerleader" type, who are constantly on the telephone for hours on end. Believe it or not, we are not all characters out of *Where the Boys Are*. We are individuals, each with a talent, each with a goal.

The students of today feel a  
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## Are You Important

Students everywhere . . .

There are millions of them, with more coming all the time. As the student and world population explode, individuals seem to become less and less significant.

In a few weeks America will go to the polls. What difference can a student's support for a candidate make?

Let history speak for itself.

In 1945 Oliver Cromwell was named Lord Protector of Great Britain by the House of Commons. The vote was 91 to 90.

In 1800 Thomas Jefferson was elected President of the United States by the House of Representatives after he and Aaron Burr had received an identical number of votes in the electoral college. The majority he received in Congress was one vote.

In 1839 Marcus Morton, candidate for Governor of Massachusetts, needed 51,034 votes to defeat the rival candidate, Edward Everett. He received exactly that number.

In 1867 an effort was made in the United States Senate to impeach President Andrew Johnson. When the Senate vote was taken, the motion to convict received 35 favorable votes, and 19 against. The motion lost because it fell short of the required two-thirds majority by one vote.

In 1867 Rutherford B. Hayes was elected 19th President of the United States over Samuel J. Tilden after a balloting dispute. The electoral college vote was 185 to 184. The electoral commission which settled the dispute decided in favor of the Hayes electors by a vote of 8 to 7 on key issues.

In 1941 a bill to extend military conscription for the duration of the national emergency passed the United States House of Representatives by a vote of 203 to 202. Less than three months later Pearl Harbor was bombed.

One student's support and vote for one candidate can make the difference.

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