

# Student Inaction Speaks For Itself

Actions speak louder than any words. The actions (or inactions) of students during Homecoming speak for themselves:

Out of a student body of 1450, only 398 voted for the queen the first time and in the run-off, only 412 voted. The Senior Class of 344 students and the Sophomore Class of 296 students petitioned only one girl each for attendant. In the Junior Class, in which six girls ran, only 83 of 304 voted. And in the freshman class, where four girls ran, only 190 voted out of 459.

This editorial is not meant to put down those elected at all. It's just to point out the low response of the students to the election. That the polls were opened for one short day in each case cannot be used as a deterrent to many votes, since most students live off campus, have classes, and don't know about the election because they didn't read their Scoll.

An indication of the number that voted is that the students don't care to have a Queen. N. C. State University voted again having a queen or any festivities for year. Is it a game. Is that a trend that is reaching us? Is Gardner-Webb included? Before next year's Homecoming, it seems that the students should vote as to whether or not we have any festivities at all.

Is there any comment or feeling on this subject, or does anyone care?

## In My Opinion

**Editor:**

Concerning the concert of the 23rd of October ("The Fox Box"), in my own personal opinion if Gardner-Webb College cannot put on stage for our Homecoming a band of more caliber than that, I feel sorry in asking for a refund. Why can't we have someone with a name now instead of a name three years ago. I understand "The Spurwicks" are to perform here soon. With no harsh consequences I do not feel they should have been asked to play. They may have a block concert with other schools or please let the student body vote on the entertainment. Of course, I am speaking while I am (referring to finances).

I may sound way down on the entertainment we have had; however I feel some groups have been really good such as Phoenix—Honey-Cone Punch.

—William Cooley

**Editor:**

As Entertainment Committee Chairman, I would like to make known to the student body a few facts concerning the entertainment for this semester. When we arrived on campus this semester, we were told that the following groups had already booked: Punch—\$1500, Pilgrim 20—\$1,000, Frindad Steel Band—\$1,000, and the Spurwicks—\$1,300. Total of all contracts made up to this date not include gym, advertising, and lighting costs which are approximately \$670. Over half of the entertainment budget was spent before the entertainment committee had their first meeting.

The groups for the Homecoming concert were selected because of their recommendations by students, price, drawing power, and review from the *Entertainment Newsletter*. Both groups are getting excellent reviews from other colleges and universities.

Box Top Concerts were highly successful financially in that door receipts and advanced sales totaled more than \$1,300 which will enable us to get more entertainment

Mike Darby

## The Pilot

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Buddy Freeman displays his rabbits with Black English Spots on the right and New Zealand Whites on the left.

## Buddy's Bunnies

One of the more interesting exhibits at the recent Cleveland County Fair was the rabbit show Gardner-Webb's College Minister, Charles (Buddy) Freeman, took particularly high interest in this exhibit because twenty of the soft-furred creatures came from his own rabbits.

Rev. Freeman and his partner, Mr. Charles Bridges, have been raising rabbits since 1966. Success in their venture has been coming in the form of many awards and prizes that they have won at various fairs and shows. From the Cleveland County Fair alone, they received nine blue, first place, and five red, second place, ribbons.

Many people usually think of only two breeds of rabbits: either wild, brown rabbits or white ones. However, there are actually four of the thirty-four different breeds. Different breeds range in size from 1½ to 23 pounds at maturity.

Rabbits are raised for four principal reasons: either for research, for meat, as pets, or for competition. As a hobby, there is much interest in genetics which is studied through crossbreeding of various species. Mr. Freeman has connections with a Raleigh research firm which purchases 110 female rabbits per month. These research animals are 12-14 weeks old and weigh between seven and

nine pounds each. Larger ones may also deal in the sale of the pelts, feet, and blood (research).

Recently, Rev. Freeman rented a new barn for housing more animals. The building is 140 feet long and 40 feet wide, which is plenty of room for growth. This region of the country is regarded as a good one for raising rabbits. Although the climate is relatively cold, rabbits can tolerate very low temperatures and rather uncomfortable weather conditions. Feed is easily accessible to any rabbit owner.

Mr. Freeman is interested in seeing more people raise rabbit for health reasons," is Rev. Buddy's most serious feeling about his hobby. "Rabbit meat has less cholesterol content, less fat, but more protein, than chicken, veal or pork." Mr. Freeman himself eats rabbit rather frequently, especially during the summer months. Surprisingly, rabbits may be fried, barbecued, steamed, or prepared in the normal fashion.

Rev. Freeman would be happy, at any time, to show his rabbitry to students or other interested persons. One member of the College family who is interested in rabbits and who raises them as pets are Mr. Joe Allen, Mr. Melvin Lutz, and the President's Secretary, Nancy Griffin.

If this is the trend of individualism, has just begun. One can predict what the end products of this movement will be, but there is one sure thing—they will all be more specialized in their particular fields of endeavor than ever before.

If the trend is toward specialization, we will see a tremendous change in our economy. Our labor would consist of people who are specialized and these people in turn could demand higher wages.

Specialization and individualism may mean higher wages and better living conditions, but it does also bring love, peace, and understanding. To me these are the most important things in life. There is nothing wrong with specialization and individuals. In the plight of God, each person is someone special, but when one becomes too specialized and too much of an individual it is easy to overlook the other guy. How ever, he is a very special individual also.

Mike Darby

## REFERENDUM WEEK PLANNED

Jeff Crawford, President of the Student Government Association of Gardner-Webb College, today announced plans for a Referendum Week to be held on the Gardner-Webb College campus, November 15-20.

In announcing the proposed plans, Jeff explained that the purpose is to seek student opinions on current issues which involve us as a state and nation. Considering several subject areas, U. S. involvement in Southeast Asia, pollution, presidential candidate choices, 18-21 vote, Jeff said the poll will attempt to discover the views of majority and minority views of university and college students.

Jeff said similar than upper and college students across the country, the leadership of the Southern University Student Government Association to discover the prevailing student opinions on the current issues facing this nation. He also said that the results would be tallied by SUGSA, the co-sponsoring organization, and be sent directly to each Congressional delegation as indications of the opinions of their student constituents.

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## Pilot Features

### Spangler

Royce Patrick ("Pat") Spangler is one of thirty-six members of Gardner-Webb's Board of Trustees. The PILOT is featuring Mr. Spangler in this issue and plans to present other Trustees in future issues.

Mr. Spangler shows much interest in the students, and he emphasized the fact that he and other Trustees are always willing to make themselves available to students wishing to talk with them.

The Board of Trustees which quarterly is composed of several committees. If a student has a problem or would like to talk with someone he is invited to attend the Executive Committee meeting held once a month. Mr. Spangler is the present chairman of the Executive Committee and is also the chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Spangler, a native of Shelby, graduated from Anderson Aircraft School in 1943, and then he served in the U.S. Air Force as a service pilot. After he became a staff sergeant, Mr. Spangler married the former Elsie Young and they have five children. Lynn is a senior here at Gardner-Webb. Their son, Matt, a junior at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Jean is a freshman at Peace College, and the twins Penny and Pat, Jr. attend Shelby Junior High School.

Mr. Spangler's father, Ernest Spangler, died in 1944. The Spangler family has grown and they industries have influenced the economy of Cleveland.

Mr. Spangler's business knowledge began to influence Gardner-Webb when he headed a fund drive in 1965. Gardner-Webb had appealed to him mainly because of the way it was run. Royce Spangler, Sr., is also the chairman of the present fund drive. He feels that Dr. Poston has done an outstanding job in promoting the college, and representing it well during the campaign.

In 1966 Gardner-Webb dedicated the annual to Mr. Spangler, and on February 23, 1971, R. Patrick Spangler Hall was dedicated to him.

People feel that it is up to the students, faculty, and administration working for a common cause for Gardner-Webb to be great. "If we show love, concern, and caring and feeling for our fellow man, then we are on the way to being constructive and affirmative instead of being constructive and negative. Gardner-Webb can be great."

## For What It's Worth

Consider a senior college whose library is closed on Friday and Saturday nights. The Gardner-Webb catalog proclaims the library to be an educational factor in the education of young men and women of today. The Dow Library may contain over 50,000 books, bound magazines and audio-visual equipment. Yet, the library is where the students are shut out. No one is demanding the library to be completely staffed and open 24 hours a day—although this is ideal—but shouldn't students have access to the library on Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday before 4 P.M. It has been tried before, but even if a few a few students use the library at these times, the idea of closing the library is telling the students to stop studying and learning. Also, why shouldn't students have access to the library during the chapel hour? Doesn't a senior college owe its students a working library?

A new addition to the Dow Library is a large room containing two billiard tables, two table tennis tables and a bowling machine will soon adorn the CID. Plans also call for the building of a supervisor's booth. This booth, now under construction, will be chess sets, books and other equipment. Finalization of the plans for the remodeling of the Dow Library is still in progress. The equipment with card tables, and one corner will include two sofas, three chairs and a color T.V. Also in accordance with plans, the snack shop will be open if profitable on Saturday and all other CID hours. Concerning money, the flipper machines are currently bringing in 150.00-200.00 maintenance, and to pay student workers. The CID is finally becoming a student center. Maybe G.W. will become less of a "suitcase college" because of these efforts.

The only way to get anything done may be to do it yourself. If you like or dislike anything on campus—speak out. Authorized, developed, and qualified criticism or acknowledgement is the only route to progress. Remember, what you want is what you get.