

Questionnaire results released by Registrar

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As was indicated in the March 26th issue of the Smoke Signals, this second in a series of reports will be centered around two inquiries of the aforementioned questionnaire sent to a random sample of 100 colleges and universities throughout the South. Those two inquiries were as follows:

- (2) What is your present policy concerning repeat hours? (In other words, do you count as hours attempted every time that a course is repeated or do you only count that course once?)
 - (3) What are the requirements for continued enrollment at your institution?
- As was cited earlier, 68 (or 68

per cent) of those contacted responded to the questionnaire, and of those 68 which responded, 25 (or 36.8 per cent) indicated that they would count hours attempted only once. In other words, these schools would only count the last hours and quality points earned when a course is repeated at their institutions. Also of the 68 respondents, 37 (or 54.4 per cent) indicated that they would count as hours attempted every time that a course is taken, if, indeed, the repetition of courses already passed was even allowed. Five schools (or 7.4 per cent of the respondents) made no comment about repeat hours per se. And one college indicated that there was "no problem of policy" concerning repeat hours. In gen-

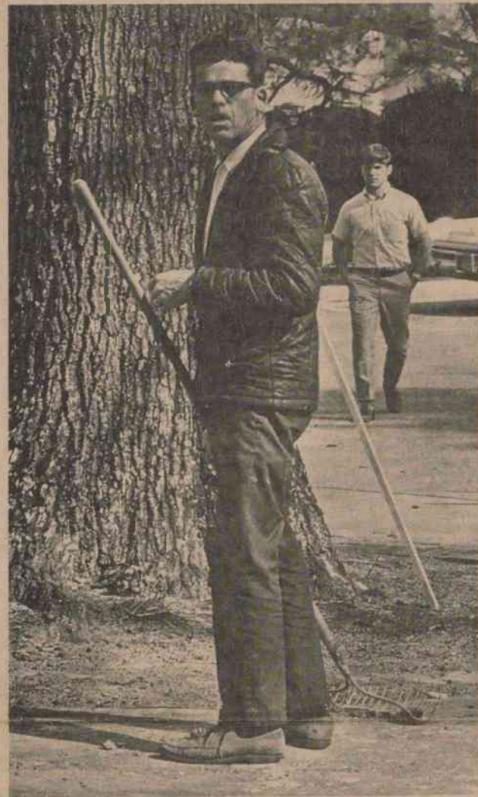
eral, therefore, over 54 per cent of those schools responding to questionnaire had policies which discouraged repeating courses in which there was already credit received. In other words, the majority of the respondents discouraged repeating courses just to better the grade or quality point earned in a certain course. And of the 54 per cent of the respondents which discouraged repeating courses, repetition was allowed only when the course has been failed initially.

One major conclusion concerning the above is that no Chowan student should repeat a course with the idea that he will probably not be penalized. As can be seen, a majority of the schools, which responded, definitely indicated that they would count repeat hours as hours attempted. Therefore, the student repeating a course could expect to amass negative quality points if both course attempted did not average out to an over-all "C" average. In other words, if a student repeated a three-hour course previously failed, he would have to earn an "A" in the second attempt with the course in order to average out to an over-all "C" average for both attempts, or should he not get the "A", he would have to get at least 6 hours of "B" elsewhere to average out the "F" course.

Of the 68 schools responding to the questionnaire, all answered the 3rd inquiry concerning their requirements for continued enrollment. And of the respondents to this latter inquiry, 100 per cent indicated that they would require "at least" a "C" average for all work attempted each semester in order to stay in good standing with their institutions, he would be expected to maintain an across the board "C" average for every semester in attendance. If he did not, he would be subject to suspension at the end of the first semester or he would be placed on probation for another semester, after which his record would be reviewed to ascertain whether or not he would be eligible for continued enrollment.

The following lists are self-explanatory. They identify the schools which will or will not accept repeat hours without penalty. Along with the latter group is identified the school which had no policy concerning repeat hours.

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Hey, what are you doing?

We're not using any names, but the man was caught in the act of working. Wonder why he said, "Don't you put my picture in the paper"?

New tax rate to be proposed

RALEIGH (AP) — Sen. Gordon P. Allen, D - Person, announced today he will introduce legislation soon to raise the excise tax rate on banks from 4.5 to 9 per cent.

"Our research indicates that the banks of North Carolina are paying a tax load that is the equivalent of about one half that paid by other business corporations," Allen said.

He said research done by the attorney general's office and the tax research division of the revenue department indicates that bankers are not paying their share of the tax load.

"I certainly hope that the banks of North Carolina will not oppose this legislation if our conclusions are correct," he said.

Allen noted that 15 senators and 32 representatives are on the boards of banks or savings and loans, and many other members of the General Assembly have strong ties with these institutions.

Allen himself is on the board of the Roxboro branch of the People's Bank and chairman of the board of the Home Savings and Loan of Roxboro.

He estimates that the tax would bring in an additional \$3.5 million during the biennium.

Gov. Bob Scott in his budget message to the legislature asked for a 1.5 per cent raise in the excise tax rate on banks—from 4.5 to 6 per cent. Bills to effect this increase are before both Finance Committees.

Allen said 55 per cent of the banking resources in the state are in national banks, which are exempt from state income, sales, corporation franchise and personal property taxes and from taxes on shares of bank stock.

President receives letter Instructions outlined

THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE
Washington, D. C. 20201

Dear Dr. Whitaker,

It is my responsibility as the official chief charged with enforcement of Federal laws pertaining to education, to bring to your attention the recently enacted Federal laws relating to violations by students of criminal statutes.

The provisions enacted are included under Section 504 of the Higher Education Amendments of 1968 (P. L. 90-575) and Section 411 of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Appropriations Act, 1969 (P. L. 90-557). For your information, I am enclosing copies of these provisions as an enclosure to this letter.

In view of the continued public debate over student unrest and the legitimate bounds of dissent, I ask that you bring to the attention of your students the applicable provisions of these laws and advise them of the procedures you intend to follow in complying with them.

It is important for all concerned to understand that Congress has spoken on this issue and that the law must be enforced. I hope at the same time that you will take the opportunity to review university policy and regulations with regard to student participation in campus affairs in order to guarantee that in maintaining order on the campus the right of legitimate and responsible dissent is fully protected.

I would suggest that these provisions be fully discussed by all parties at your institution—trustees, administrators, faculty members, students, and where possible, parents.

I hope that a thorough understanding of these provisions would enable you to better determine the ways and means by which your institution will deal with this legislation.

I am well aware that the implementation of the procedures established by Congress will require a reasonable amount of time, and that we are involved in areas fraught with tension and emotion.

Under this legislation, the burden of administration falls upon the institutions. We in DHEW will do our best to work with you in this difficult area.

Sincerely yours,
Robert H. Finch
Secretary

Editor's Note: For Sections 504 and 411, see page 2, where the entire statute is printed for your information.

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During coming week

Many campus events scheduled



They're just goofing off, but . . .

they could, maybe, be classed as "girl-watchers" basking in some warm sunshine just prior to hitting the road for spring vacation.

Live, work overseas

NSTA offers summer jobs to students on new program

NEW YORK (NSTA) — Students can live and work abroad this summer on the U.S. National Student Travel Association's Exchange Visitor Program. NSTA, the official student travel bureau in the U.S., is handling this exchange in cooperation with the official national student travel bureaus in Great Britain, Ireland, Australia and New Zealand.

The aim of the program is to encourage international understanding through the exchange of students for educational and cultural experience. One way to achieve this is by working, living and traveling in these foreign countries. NSTA can arrange a special visa enabling students to work in the four participating countries for a maximum of three months during the summer.

Ordinarily, it is impossible for a foreigner to obtain a work permit, and it is illegal to work without one. Because of the exchange nature of the program, the governments of these four countries have authorized students of the NSTA program to obtain work permits to defray their travel and living expenses.

Students will attend a two-day orientation on their arrival, where they will receive briefings by NSTA's counterparts

the British Universities North American Club, the Union of Students in Ireland, the National Union of Australian University Students and the New Zealand University Students Association. These meetings will stress detailed information on companies employing Americans, different jobs available and how to look for them so students can choose a job which best suits their capabilities.

Other valuable information will include tips on finding and sharing apartments and on living conditions of the country. Students have found that the salaries covered not only expenses for living abroad but also enough for traveling around the countryside.

A \$55 fee covers all orientation costs — lectures and briefings, accommodations, meals, activities and meetings with local students — plus entry permit. In Australia, New Zealand and Ireland, NSTA can prearrange jobs for a \$10 fee; these jobs are generally in resort, factory or sales work.

In order to qualify, students must be currently enrolled in a U.S. college or university.

Deadline for applications is April 21, 1969. For more information about NSTA's Exchange Visitor Program and low-cost transportation to these countries, write to NSTA, Dept. R, 70 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10011. Telephone: (212) 989-7070.

A word of thanks

Many thanks are extended to Mark Stevens for his actions concerning the fire which occurred on the bus with the touring choir. Last Wednesday evening while driving the bus, Mark noticed a large amount of smoke coming from under the bus, and with quick action he had the bus cleared and actually put his own life in danger by crawling under the bus and extinguishing the flames as they burned about the gas tank. Due to Mark's action a very bad accident was avoided as well as the injury of many people.

—Emmitt Tottdy

Newspaper plant expansion hits all-time high in '68

It is interesting to note that U. S. and Canadian daily newspapers spent over \$166 million for plant expansion and modernization in 1968. According to survey results released by the American Newspaper Publishers Association on March 26, this represents an "all-time" high.

The survey shows that 710 U. S. dailies invested \$161,186,428 for plant expansion and modernization last year. Canadian dailies spent \$5,720,957.

The previous high was in 1967,

when 715 dailies in the U. S. spent more than \$143.3 million.

The ANPA survey shows that the 710 replying represents 51 percent of total U. S. daily newspaper circulation.

Further indicating the trend in newspaper publishing, the survey shows that 644 newspapers, including dailies in the U. S., Canada, Puerto Rico, the West Indies and the Bahamas anticipate spending more than \$184 million for expansion and modernization in 1969.

Earlier this spring, a research committee of the ANPA issued a report based on another survey which said that by 1979 all but 200 U. S. newspapers will be producing their product by the offset method.

Commenting on the survey results released on March 26, Stanford Smith, ANPA general manager said, "These publisher investments offer tangible evidence of long-term confidence in the future of the daily newspaper in American life."

Tonight, April 16, at 8 p. m. there will be a joint harpsicord and guitar concert by Bunyan and Susan Webb of Raleigh, N. C., in the Daniel Hall for the Fine Arts at Chowan. Bunyan Webb is artist-in-residence at North Carolina State University.

The program, sponsored by the Chowan College Daniel School of Music, Murfreesboro Historical Association, Inc. and the Historic Murfreesboro Commission, is a highlight of the Second Annual Historic Murfreesboro Week which will conclude on Saturday. Admission is free.

Tomorrow night at 8 p. m. there is to be a piano concert by Daniel Ericourt, artist-in-residence at the University of North Carolina in Greensboro. Sponsored by Chowan College Daniel School of Music in Daniel Fine Arts Hall, admission is free.

Committee meetings of Historic Murfreesboro Commission and the Murfreesboro Commission will be held in the President's Room, Thomas Cafeteria, Friday morning, at 10:30.

On Friday at 2:30 p. m. there will be a joint meeting of Historic Murfreesboro Commission and the Murfreesboro Historical Association in the President's Room and Friday night at 7

p. m. also in the President's Room, will be the Historic Murfreesboro banquet.

Speakers for the banquet are Jerry Rogers, assistant keeper of the National Register of Historic Buildings and Districts in the United States, Washington, D. C.

The second speaker will be Ray Wilkerson, chairman of the board of Historic Halifax Restoration Association from Halifax, N. C.

On Saturday, the Murfreesboro Garden Club will sponsor a walking tour of Murfreesboro's historic district and also a tour of old and new homes. Block tickets are \$2.50. Tour headquarters are at Hertford Academy building.

Special exhibits available include an art exhibit from the North Carolina Museum of Art in Daniel Fine Arts Hall on Chowan's campus during the month of April. Admission is free.

There will be window displays by Murfreesboro merchants during the week.

Another exhibit is photographic views of Historic Murfreesboro by photographer Colbert P. Howell of Raleigh. The exhibit will be at Hertford Academy on Saturday.

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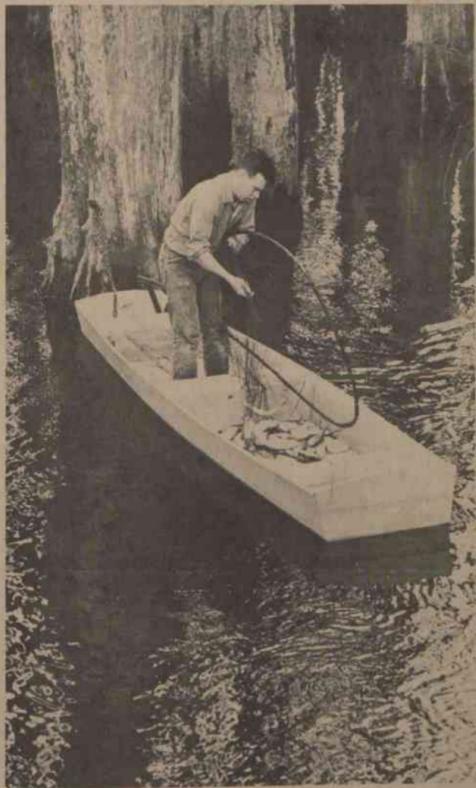
A copy deadline for Smoke Signals was set sometime back at 5 p. m. each Friday prior to publication the following Wednesday.

Invariably those submitting copy for the student publication wait until Friday afternoon to submit such copy. Please, common sense should advise that under such circumstances, it becomes impossible to complete Smoke Signals for Wednesday publication.

Copy MUST be submitted as it becomes available. If current practices continue, the deadline will either be moved back or SOME copy will not make Smoke Signals until the following week.

These regulations apply to everyone including students, newspaper staff, faculty, administration and staff.

Won't you help your Smoke Signals' staff do the best job possible by giving them your cooperation?



Now that's what I call fishing!

And it was pretty good snapping for a photographer, too. It happened just recently as the herring run was in full swing out Vauhns creek way.