

Views Expressed On Moratorium

On Wednesday October 15, a 90 minute forum was held in the auditorium in accordance with the nationwide Vietnam War Moratorium. Several hundred students were present at Circuit Rider Rueben Kesner of Whiteville opened the forum with prayer. Mr. Kesner commented that "Controversy on social and moral issues is a healthy sign of democracy in action". He farther stated that "The only place free of controversy is the cemetery."

After the opening prayer Dr. William T. Cottingham, President of the college made a few remarks and expressed his appreciation for the orderly manner which the forum was requested, and expressed appreciation to every one attending.

The forum was presided over by O. C. Stevens Jr., president of the Student Government Association. He gave the rules of the floor and introduced each speaker. The roster of student speakers included Dixon Skipper, John Cuca, Rudy Perkins, and Hap Hazard, Chuch Hyble, student counselor, made several remarks to the students and expressed deep gratitude



The audience, composed of students, faculty members and interested persons in the community stood to applaud one of the several speakers who voiced his opinions at the recent Vietnam moratorium.

and respect for their concern. He emphasized the importance of being concerned.

Each speaker was given ten minutes to express his feelings and then after each speaker the

floor was opened for questions and remarks from the audience. This period lasted for five minutes. After all the speakers had finished, the floor was opened for general discussion by

all attending.

There were points given by the students both for and against the war. Speakers on both sides debated the issue with emotion and conviction.

SGA Reports

By O. C. Stevens



On October 15, 1969 something unprecedented in Southeastern history occurred; the students got involved in something at Southeastern. It seemed so nice to see an auditorium filled with fellow students. The moratorium in my opinion was a smashing success. I would like to take this chance to thank all the speakers involved. Their presentations were very good.

The SGA has begun another year of work. Our first two meetings were of an organizational nature. At the first meeting there were a few students but that number had diminished to only one or two students. It is my hope that more of the students will take an active part in the various activities of the SGA.

The Student Senate opened for business just a week ago, but still there is the confusion that was present in the opening meeting. How long does it take? As of this date no significant bill has passed the Senate. If it has it has not been presented to the SGA. How come? These last statements may be harsh, but Senate it is you that has to pass on the future of the Student Body of Southeastern Community College.

Once again the question of the legality of drinking at college (SGA) sponsored events. The STUDENT HANDBOOK states: the use of intoxicating beverages is prohibited in any building or buildings and all other public campus areas.

But what does that mean? Does it mean activities outside the campus also? If this means YES how can the administration justify that? If one of the objectives of college is to prepare a student for life as an adult, then how can the non-use acts be justified since drinking is an accepted factor of adult life.

Most of the students of SCC are of legal age and they deserve the right to know if they are breaking the rules if they drink and why.

A letter to the editor could be a way for the students to be informed. I hope to see an answer shortly.

Once again I would like to ask the students of SCC to come to the SGA meetings. If you have a question about some activities of the SGA please let me know. I'll be happy to go over any question you may have. The next SGA meeting will be announced in the College Bulletin.

WHOSE CHEERLEADERS ARE THEY ANYWAY?

Biff Simmons

It has been brought to the attention of this writer that the students of our school have been sitting down on the job. Maybe we can blame O.C. Stevens and the Student Government Association, and with just cause since we elected them to be our leaders. Maybe we can blame the faculty since they are the ones we are the most disturbed with. Again with just cause since they should know they have been depriving the students of our rights. In truth we can blame no one but ourselves for allowing a faculty member to take over and run the show.

According to all accounts the SCC cheerleaders have been under the absolute control of one person. They are chosen by one person and controlled by her to the point of being told when to cheer, where to cheer and how to cheer. I wonder if she tells them what to cheer? The hell of it is we have been allowing this to happen.

We should give our cheerleaders a great big thank you, both past and present, for putting up with this. I would like to emphasize that I am in no way attacking our acting cheerleaders. We should get behind O.C. and the Student Government Association and see that the cheerleaders are given back to the students where they belong.



Chorus officers for the 1969-70 year are (from left to right) Rick Lusk, president; Janice Richardson, secretary; Dean Gore, vice-president; Marguerite Formyduval, treasurer.

Experiment Underway

The EAS program does not require certain standards of progress; thus implying, that a student can progress at his own speed. At present, SCC has 23 enrolled in the EAS program. These students spend 4 hours daily, 5 days per week in class. These 23 students work individually, or in small groups. Their texts include, newspapers, magazines, books and the regular freshman English book.

The instructors do not use the usual methods of threat to inspire their students, and always teach on the positive side.

Miss Parker stated, the objective of the course is "to find a student's interest and then broaden it."

The Experiment in Advancement Studies, under the leadership of Miss Maude Parker and Mr. Milton Spann, is possibly the first of a series of experiments to be offered at SCC. A student who completes the program will have passed English 94, 95, 96, which is reading, English 97, 98, 99 includes English Fundamentals, plus regular freshman English. An EAS student also takes Psychology 101.

Integration Acceptable

C. W. Duggins, the superintendent of Whiteville City Schools, listed the use of Negro facilities, outstanding people in the field of integration, and the attitude of both the Blacks and Whites in Whiteville as the reasons for a smooth opening of the schools under a totally integrated plan. Even with the facilities overcrowded and a 34 percent Black student body, there have been no major incidences.

Duggins cited the fact that the clubs and organizations within the schools are organized with an even number of Blacks and Whites. Another reason, the Whiteville School System has not experienced as much trouble as other units in the county system is the fact that the student body is not as rural. According to Duggins, "the more rural the people, the more conservative the people."

The Ram's Horn was unable to contact the superintendent of county schools for a comment. According to general information given to the Ram's Horn, there have been various incidents occurring in the county schools.

For the most part, the county has been free of any major racial trouble during this school year.

Question-Answer Column

"The Ram's Horn" will begin a question and answer column in the November issue of the paper.

Anyone wishing to submit questions should turn them into Mr. Steven Beck's office, Room 217 or at the Ram's Horn office which is located in the lobby of the auditorium.