

Viewpoint

Mid-Term Evaluation

Homecoming! Fun Activities! Excitement! Exams! Well, two out of four is not bad. Yes, as students we were assured by our professors and instructors that we'd take a mid-term exam. The administrators and athletic team made us aware it was Homecoming. Our Student Government Association (SGA) assured us of what—not a thing. They postponed everything from homecoming activities to a homecoming show. Not only did they leave students bewildered but alumni as well. Their "logic": We are in the midst of mid-term exams. Maybe they need a mid-term evaluation.

First of all, the SGA President would rate a zero on delegating authority. That is, she doesn't

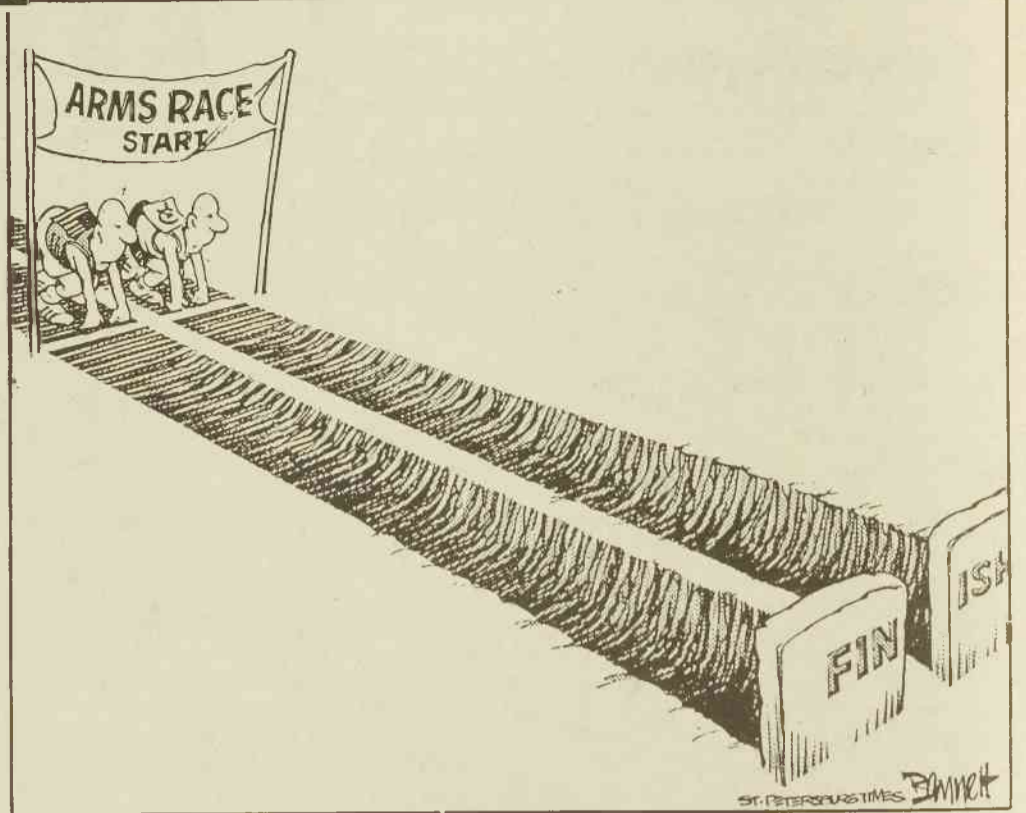
understand authority or may be she does but with the attitude of Catherine the Great, who did more for her status rather than for her people. In this case, President Driver does nothing for her electors, but she is putting together one helluva resume. In history, she would be considered an "enlightened despot." Secondly, the leadership of our SGA executive branch is inexperienced and the executive branch spends too much time officiating intramural scrambles for resources. In addition, the executive branch spends a lot of time quarelling among themselves rather than outlining and implementing activities for the student body; and outlining objectives for Student Government. Or

do they understand what Student Government is all about? Nevertheless, our administrators recognizes them as "The Voice" of the students.

In retrospect, to paraphrase the Rev. Jesse Jackson, our Student Government Association has had to endure the substitution of showmanship and acting for statesmanship and positive leadership.

In conclusion, SGA officials it's not too late to re-evaluate. Now, the challenge I offer you is: As Student Leaders, representatives of the student body you must adopt a plan of action—purpose and achievement.

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Editor-in-Chief



Black College Day

Monday September 30 was a special day for black people everywhere, it was Black College Day. The students of FSU were highly enthusiastic about supporting Black College Day. Black College Day is a day set aside to keep black students enrolled in Black schools so that other black students can have the opportunity to receive a quality public higher education. This thought in mind helped students crowd the five FSU buses with big eyes of excitement.

Awaiting departure, all conversed about what the day would consist of. Each with a different story to tell.

Finally, the buses started to a destination, Shaw University. Somehow as we passed the scenic surroundings behind FSU's student center all of the glamour and excitement the day had to offer ceased. Many sat quietly, others mumbled among themselves, while the majority slept. The day had officially begun.

Suddenly, someone screams, "Raleigh city limits." The crowd jumped with excitement. Brushes, lipsticks, and mirrors came out quickly while colognes engulfed the air.

The five buses that caged the excited Broncos reached Shaw University. Everyone crowded off the buses and went to Shaw's student center. T.V. Cameras

seemed to draw the crowd. But as they came they saw signs welcoming them to Black College Day 1985. The purpose has been sparked again. We were welcomed by Philander Benson, the SGA President at Shaw University. Then, the Gospel Choir of Shaw University stirred the spirits of freedom to greater heights as they sang. Finally, the time arrived...the march.

"We don't want no merger/All we want to do/is read write and study hard and stay in our Black school," was the theme of Black College Day. The march began at Shaw University and ended at the capitol. Eyes of excitement sturred upon us from three office buildings in Raleigh. Soem black people lined the streets to cheer the marchers on. Black College students were expressing themselves. Two prestigious speakers gave messages of encouragement: Dr. Abdul Alim Muhammed and U.S. Rep. Walter Fauntroy of Washington, D.C.

The state of North Carolina has a higher number of historically black colleges than any other state in the Union. The 11 Black Colleges are Barber-Scotia College, Bennett College, Elizabeth City State University, Livingtone College, Fayetteville State University North Carolina

Agriculture and Technical State University, North Carolina University, Saint Augustine's College, Johnson C. Smoth University, and Winston-Salem State University.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

You and your staff are to be congratulated for a fine job in producing the September 10, 1985 issue of *The Voice*. I enjoyed reading the entire issue and do appreciate what you are doing to "get the word out" to the FSU family and the community.

There is always a need for excellent journalistic communications, and you all are doing a very fine job in meeting that need.

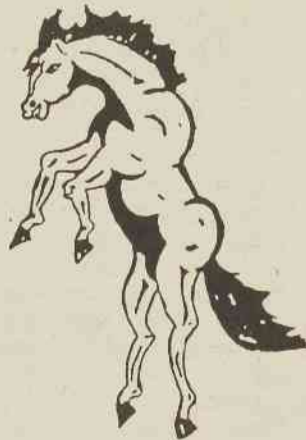
Keep up the good work. I am looking forward to the next issue. Jim Scurry, Career Planning and Placement Director.

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