

The Guilfordian

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Crucify Doug Reu?

The conviction of Doug Reu for the possession of marijuana by the Student Affairs Board and the emotional mob cries of some Guilford students for his crucifixion rank high in the annals of Guilford judicial disgraces.

Particularly regrettable was the decision of the college to remove the problem from the control of the college community and summon the police; a decision which resulted in freshman Reu facing the serious legal charge of marijuana possession.

But even more inexcusable was the failure of the college to provide defendant Reu with the kind of legal and moral counsel he so desperately needed in the early hours after his arrest.

Evidently the college's policy of rescuing student drunkards and coddling athletic scholars who burglarize college buildings in the pursuit of examination papers does not apply to a student who keeps marijuana in his dresser drawer.

Perhaps Guilford is merely conforming to the popular policy of strictly enforcing rules governing unpopular offenses while at the same time ignoring violators of more socially acceptable infractions.

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The crucifixion mob which assembled to protest the failure of the Student Affairs Board to permanently bar Doug Reu from the so-called educational community of Guilford College turned into an emotional outpouring of prejudice and divisive resentment.

Some members of the mob well known for acts of rowdiness, destruction, and similar obnoxious behavior were quick to clamor for Reu's permanent deportment.

If the behavior of the protestors is any measure of Guilford student responsibility, undoubtedly the Board of Trustees is housing considerable wisdom in denying students the right to govern themselves.

Blatant Irresponsibility!

The failure of the North Carolina Congressional delegation to support the removal of cigarette commercials from the nation's air waves is one of the most blatant examples of southern legislator irresponsibility.

In light of the well established relationship between cigarette consumption and lung cancer any congressional delegation's support of the advertising policies of the tobacco industry would certainly seem unwarranted.

But for the Tar Heel delegation, always croaking about the evils of race rioting which annually claims approximately 100

lives, to condone the policies of an industry which prematurely kills over 50,000 Americans each year is atrocious.

Evidently the southern preference for the avoidance of facts and rational reasoning, so well known in matters of racial justice, is threatening the nation's health.

Once again we strongly urge our lawmakers to reconsider their position on the banning of cigarette commercials from our air waves. The health of 200 million people must not be endangered by the convenient prejudices of expedient legislators.

Quaker Pulse

Guilford's Not A Dump!

Dear Editor,
Spring—when oaks shake tassels in the breeze, and cardinals bleed on dogwood trees,
When mate-minded squirrels heroically clash, and the campus blossoms with violets—and trash.

This little gem expresses the impression I have gotten walking around the campus this spring. The litter situation as the weather warms up has become atrocious. Let's face it, people—the place is a streamlined dump! Students drop all sorts of papers and wrappers, and then the mower comes along and chops it all into little pieces that are big enough to be an eyesore but not big enough for the maintenance man to stab with his little spear.

It's really a pity to spoil such beautiful grounds the way we have. And it's not just the slob fringe that defiles the campus with rubbish. As I was trying to get down to the grass out beside Hobbs the other day I came upon a whole pile of letters, bulletins and memos belonging to one of our most important student union officers.

If I had my way littering the campus would be an Honor Code offense. Unfortunately, most people don't hold such extreme views on the subject. So if rules are impossible, please, everybody, out of the goodness of your heart and your innate sense of pride (I know it's in there somewhere), save it for the trash cans—it's really not that heavy.

Mary Lou Hinton

Wilson Kicks Habit

Dear Editor:

About a year and a half ago I got stoned for the first time. Several weeks ago I got stoned for what I think is to be the last time. During that period I've asked myself many questions about smoking pot. Now, as a result of the events of the past week, my queries have intensified, and I would like to share some of my questioning. With the current laws

concerning marijuana, am ignoring my responsibilities to friends in this campus community and to my family by chancing arrest and imprisonment?

The number of high school and junior high school smokers is increasing at an alarming rate. Can I help meet this problem by saying one thing and doing another?

All of us try to find reason and meaning in our lives. In struggling to affirm our humanness and seek our place in the community of man, can not getting high heighten this struggle? While we are doing our own thing when high, isn't significant human interaction impeded rather than enhanced?

We continually try to meet our responsibilities, and our every action is an expression of our being. How does getting stoned fit into the picture?

In concern,
Bob Wilson

Students Honored

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elected college union president, recognized Sally Peterson for her work with the union this year. Sally then presented the outstanding committee chairman award to Val France and the outstanding committee member award to Ruth Reid.

Hod David, classical guitarist, and member of the popular David, Della Rosa, and Brooks trio provided entertainment.

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