



FHA Prevents Student Eviction

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The Federal Housing Administration has intervened to prevent the eviction of four Guilford students and one UNC-G student from their Austin Gardens apartment, leased to them by Mr. Z. W. Austin of Greensboro.

Austin attempted to have the students evicted because one of them, Gus Davis, is black. Austin also claimed that he had received complaints about noise coming from the apartment, and objected to five persons living in the two bedroom apartment at 833 West Bessemer Avenue.

Guilford students Gus Davis, Fred Schofield, Barry Davidson, and Jamie Davis, along with UNC-G student Paul Chantner were threatened with eviction.

In a compromise agreement between FHA Investigator Dan McDonald, Austin, and Austin's lawyer, Mr. Norman Smith, Barry Davidson moved out of the apartment into Milner Dorm.

When the five moved in around September 10th, Chantner notified Austin's secretary that a black would be living in the apartment. He was told that he would have to speak to Mr. Austin.

When Chantner spoke to Austin on the morning of the 16th, he was told that they would have to pay a deposit of \$187 in addition to the \$62.50 deposit already paid. Austin asked for the deposit by 5 p.m., or the students would be evicted. Austin demanded the extra deposit because they were college students, and because of the presence of a black. Austin rents to other college students.

Chantner left, and called his father, who then called Austin and had the deposit reduced to \$125. During the conversation Austin complained that the students had "slipped a nigger in on me," and stated that he

would not have rented to them if he had known they were students.

That afternoon Chantner and Jamie Davis returned to Austin's office. Discussing the situation concerning Gus Davis, the black, Austin said that "a thing like this could ruin me." Jamie Davis questioned Austin's policy as racist. Austin then asked Davis where his home was. When Davis told him that he was from Atlanta, Austin replied "Well,

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Senator Ervin To Speak

Senator Sam Ervin, esteemed in Congress for his strict adherence to the Constitution and his concern for the protection of citizens' rights, will lecture Thursday, October 21 at 8 p.m. in Dana.

Ervin has served for the past ten years as chairman of the subcommittee on constitutional rights, revision and codification of laws and separation of powers.

In this capacity, Ervin is currently conducting an investigation of the invasion of the privacy of citizens by the government and its agencies.

Ervin entered the Senate in 1954, shortly after the passage of the school desegregation act, and established himself firmly in opposition to it. Ervin has persistently opposed legislation for racial equality charging that such laws are unconstitutional and unnecessary. His position has been that such laws give rights which were never denied by law, and that in doing so they limit freedoms of others.

While this belief serves as the basis for his opposition to legislation for racial equality, it has in other issues of citizens' rights made Ervin a champion of
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Trustees Meet Today

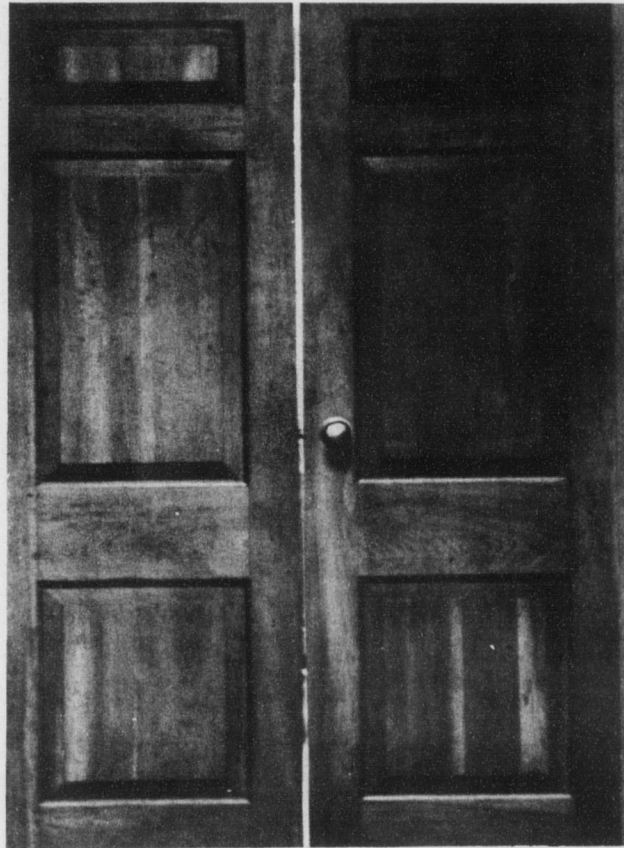


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The Trustees . . . behind closed doors.

Committee reports, the Annual Report from the President, and other reports will be the main area of business when the Guilford College Board of Trustees holds its Annual Meeting this afternoon. The meeting will be held in the Board room of New Garden Hall, at 2:00 p.m.

Several proposals concerning social conditions on campus may be on the agenda. If they are on the agenda, however, action on them is not guaranteed due to the large volume of material which must be covered by the Trustees during the meeting.

The President's annual report covers social, financial and academic aspects of the college during the past year. New programs and professors are reported to the Board, along with the current financial situation of the college.

Members of the Guilford College Community expressed their feelings on the role of the Trustees in governing the college in a survey taken last spring. The survey revealed that among persons directly and totally involved in the college slightly over 50% felt that the Trustees role involved supporting the desires of the students and faculty. The sample polled were nearly unanimous in agreeing that Trustees do not have responsibility for everything on campus, yet nearly 50% felt that the Trustees should have an in-depth knowledge of what is happening on campus day to day.

The Board meets in closed session. Two students represent the student body, without voting privileges, in the meetings. Doug Scott, as Student Body President, and Vicki Greene, as student representative from the Senate, will attend the meeting.

Chairman of the Board of Trustees is Mr. Edwin P. Brown, '26, of Mufreesboro, North Carolina. Brown recently moved on campus into one of the faculty houses.

Assault Case Heard

A freshman was found guilty of charges of assault in the Judicial Board proceedings of Oct. 11.

The student was found guilty of causing bodily injury to two other students and was placed on strict disciplinary probation for a period of two semesters.

Under the terms of probation, the student will not be permitted to continue to play football for the remainder of this season. The Board, by special compensation has permitted that state health laws forbid any animals or pets to be kept in dormitory rooms.

mitted the student to participate in spring football practice.

In another case, a sophomore resident of '68 was charged with a visitation violation. The board accepted a plea of guilty and issued a reprimand with a caution against further violation.

The Board warned the offender that second cases of visitation violation warrant more serious action.

In a third case, a student was accused of keeping a snake in a '68 dorm room. The student pled guilty and stated that he had gotten rid of the snake. The Board cautioned the student



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Heavy on the 30-weight.

Saga Responds to Survey

The Student Government Food Committee survey taken week before last, and a meeting Tuesday between Food Committee representatives and SAGA personnel have resulted in a step-by-step action plan proposed by cafeteria manager Ed Fisher and SAGA District Manager Mr. Chuck Boppell.

Food Committee Chairman Rich DeKoyer, Fisher, Boppell, Assistant Business Manager Jim Newlin, and several others went through the completed surveys to identify what were seen by the students as the greatest problem areas, and discussed possible solutions.

The major concerns expressed on the survey were: breakfast does not last long enough, and a wide enough variety of foods are not served. Comments on the food centered around complaints of undercooking and overstarching.

SAGA's response to the surveys was a three page action plan, meal by meal, detailing possible solutions to complaints. Highlights of the plan are at the end of this article.

Participants at the Tuesday meeting also discussed the general attitude of the students toward the cafeteria, and possible solutions to the attitude problem. Mention was made of a

reciprocal bad attitude between students and cafeteria workers. The traditional feelings about institutional food were seen as primarily responsible for the attitude toward the cafeteria.

The physical appearance of the cafeteria and the noise level were also seen as contributing to the cafeteria's image.

Responding to the complaint of lack of variety, Manager Ed Fisher explained the problems in trying to please 800 people. He felt that the variety problem is one caused by the wide range of tastes students have. He has found that he can usually aim each dish at only about 200
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