

# Ed. Seminar Opts For A's; Urges Others To Do Same

by Education 390

We, the students of Education 390, want to share with Guilford our wonderful new idea. As a group, we have decided to give ourselves "A's". Although some might say this action negates the fine traditions of academia, we don't see it as such. Hopefully, those fine traditions were based on people learning- and we did do that.

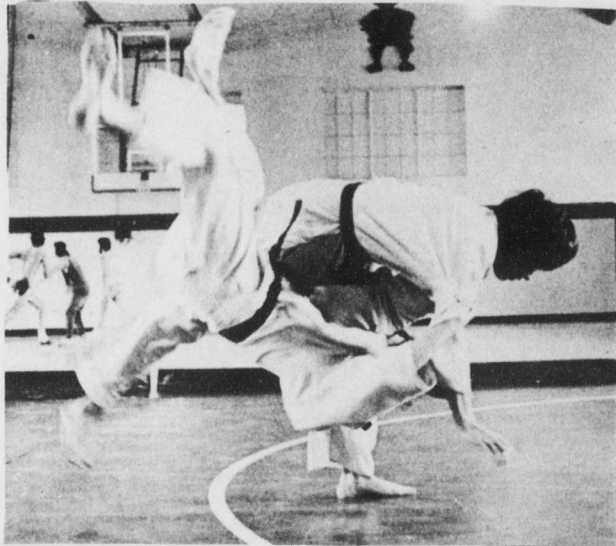
Our decision was reached in a session of self-criticism, where we were attempting to decide how to grade each other, and why we should make the attempt to begin with. We couldn't come up with any satisfactory answers to either problem (minus 10 points each), and finally arrived at the above solution for the following reasons:

1. Evaluating another person's "performance" is so subjective and complicated (especially when done as a group that must measure inter-personal, i.e. human, behavior and not just a test or paper), we finally realized that pinning a label on people's actions was fairly silly, if not inhuman. And we firmly deny the right of one person to attempt such a difficult task over the rest of the class.

2. After constantly engaging in sessions of self-criticism, grades didn't seem to serve any function. People

teachers and placed in those of a class community, they become meaningless.

3. We decided that if Bill, our co-learner (named officially Assistant Professor



**Philippe Chauvigne', who taught a course in judo this semester, demonstrated throws for yesterday's class with the help of his father.**

Burton), had the power to "grade" us, it would have divided our community; causing competition and aggressive individuality instead of collective harmony. We dimly recognized a power game called "Keep the Niggers (in this case students) Fighting Among Themselves and They Won't Overthrow This Racist (in this case academic) Regime", but we couldn't say if it was just coincidence or

students here, they just might not pass the course).

Since there was no purpose to our grades, we graded on need; everyone knows graduate schools are tough these

days. Actually, we wanted to grade ourselves equally, and as would also give us a chance to share what we learned about grades with everyone.

Why do we have grades? And how do professors arrive at them? If what we decided makes sense to you, let's talk to our professors. If they can't see the light, we'll start a movement- Learning Liberation. Abolish oppressive grades now!



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didn't need a "D" to tell them how they did in the course; rather group discussion helped us in a supportive and much more complete way to know our strengths and weaknesses. We had to conclude that once grades are removed from the hands of

not.  
4. Since we students pay money to be educated, we thought it more logical that we should "grade" professors: the consumer has a recognized right to insure high standards in the goods received. (It is possible that if some professors were evaluated by

## Rally For End to Death Sentence

A rally for the abolition of capital punishment will be held Saturday, April 20, at 12 noon, in front of the New Municipal Building. The rally is sponsored by the Civil Liberties Union, the Inter-church Ministry for Social Change, GAP, the NAACP, and other church and student groups. Come Saturday and demonstrate your opposition to murder by the state. North Carolina has 33 people now on Death Row - the largest number in the country- and 90% of them are black.

## CLASSIFIEDS

Ed Burrows - For four years you've given us fine teaching, personal commitment, and an example of a life well lived. Thanks - and love - from some seniors.

M: Rotsa Ruck -C.

Alex Stoesen- History 104 was one of the best! Many thanks. Me.

Salam Leku!

Jean: the future is only as limited as you feel it is.

To the honest person who returned A Man For All Seasons, with my check in it to John Stoneburner's mailbox - Thanks! Mary Hooper

To Tiny Noose and Miss Vicki: Tiptoe lightly and remember to tune your ukelele before you play it.

L.R.S. - take it from me, even rum won't make it snow! -C.I.

Gaye: I really enjoyed your fudging on the job. Thanks! C.I.

To Jimmy and Cynthia: Best wishes to you both and remember not to fall asleep at the wheel.

K: our slip is showing! -C.

To Guilford: Phhhbb! Some weary seniors.

Ajax- Requiescat in pace.

Dr. Feagins: It's good to see you again

To John Grice: We're all going down the tubes.

Pam: "Irregardless..."

To Carla: Hugh Hefner can always use another roommate... and one with a degree too!

To Lucy, Lyn, Kit, both Davids, Steve, Kathy, Carl, Dave O, Liz, and (for the most part) Wyn: Thanks - I think we did ok (slanted, but ok) even if I didn't get to make most of the decisions. -K.

To Bob Forman: Pluralists often die by their own plurality; keep the essence always in mind.

To Egor: Thanks a lot for everything. We're going to miss you. -Me & a Honky Woman

Chip - Couldn't you even find your own room?

Esther and Old Union: If you hadn't worked so hard you could have found time to go to your events and seen how dull they were! As always, pat yourself on the back.

David H: Got my Jack Daniels, etc., etc.

Hi to K.M. and E.S. from Alice, Boston, Sadie, Oscar, Shy Brown One, Whiner, Runt, and White Fluffy One.

Jennifer: Congratulations! and keep pluggin'! -C.I.

Harlan and Don: Will the real 227 please stand up? Lunch Checker.

Sorry, Ted. -David  
Sorry, Derick. -Kathy

Forman: How many of the suckers who voted for you know that you're graduating in December?

Martorelli - you're one of the weirdest regurgitated donuts I've ever seen! -Daddy

## Nixon: Suicide Case?

(CPS)--A small California group is trying to mount a national drive to convince Richard Nixon to kill himself for the welfare of the Republic.

Suicide of Nixon and is distributing bumper stickers which read: Richard Nixon become a Saint--Kill Yourself."

According to the Syracuse New Times the Berkeley organization calls itself the People's Coalition for the

"This is the only way for him to get out of the presidency with honor," a spokesperson said recently. "It sure will save the people a lot of grief. This is the only way left for Richard Nixon to achieve greatness."

The coalition wrote to the Gallup Poll organization and asked that they expand their presidential popularity polls to read: "Do you think Richard Nixon should leave office by: a) resignation, b) impeachment, c) suicide?"