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**Of Foolish Things**

The JOURNAL welcomes letters to the editor. It's like this. The editor doesn't get much mail. Other people like the student body President and the editor of the Yearbook do.

The JOURNAL editor is developing an acute inferiority complex because of this situation, he's going out of his head. He needs letters to doctor his deflated ego. Besides, letters take up space. So come on and write a letter to the editor.

All letters should be typed on only one side of the paper. It doesn't matter which side, however. They should be double-spaced, too. (We mean the letters should be double-spaced; not the lines.)

Please sign your letters. If you don't, we can't use them. We will, however, withhold a name if we judge the reasons for doing so sufficient.

So whether you want to gripe or brag, support mental illness and write a letter to the editor.

Sometimes people do foolish things.

We of the JOURNAL staff did a rather foolish thing recently. We decided that we would need at least \$3,100 to operate as a weekly newspaper and then we asked the Student Legislature for exactly that amount.

We didn't pad our request. That could have proved to be quite a foolish thing to do.

But it didn't; and we know why.

It didn't because Larry Garner and his Finance Committee exhibited very good judgement in allotting money to the various organizations asking for some. We were able to convince the committee that what we were asking was a bare minimum of what we needed.

Maybe we convinced them because we told the truth. \$3,100 was actually needed because the total cost of producing the JOURNAL on a weekly basis for 30 weeks is about \$5,700. This means that, to break even, \$2,600 worth of advertisements must be sold. That is a tall order for a four-page, tabloid size newspaper, but we feel we can do it.

But, anyway, we convinced them. The Finance Committee recommended that the newspaper budget not be sliced.

Then the Student Legislature honored the committee's recommendation and passed our budget without a cut. We thank the Legislature members for preventing us from looking foolish.

We realize that the budget of some other organizations had to be cut in order to give the newspaper what it asked for. The Union and the Yearbook are outstanding examples.

But we feel that they were not hurt as badly by the cuts they received as the newspaper would have been if its budget had been the one on the chopping block.

Again, we thank Larry Garner and the members of the Finance Committee for being wise enough to see where the greatest needs are. We thank the Legislature members for abiding by the recommendations. All these people kept us from looking foolish.

The JOURNAL staff has now dedicated itself to producing the type of newspaper that won't make all these people feel foolish for giving us \$3,100. We're going to give them their money's worth.

**A Selfish Welcome**

How many times have you Freshmen heard this phrase lately "Welcome Freshmen!" Too many, probably. You're probably tired of hearing it.

But the newspaper would like to welcome you again. And for a selfish reason.

The simple fact is that the newspaper is again operating with only a skeleton of a staff. Thus the newspaper welcomes Freshmen because it hopes some of them will swell its membership.

There are many needs here. The two most pressing needs are for a news editor and a sports editor. Right now the paper has neither.

Other needs include a headline writer and a layout man as well as about 15 more staff reporters.

The newspaper offers a real opportunity for fast advancement. Anyone who has been a staff member for two semesters can run for the editorship, regardless of class standing. Getting a few by-lines in the paper is a good way to become widely known around campus, too.

It really doesn't matter whether you've had any high school experience with a paper; just join up and see what you can do.

Check out the newspaper. It needs people probably more than any other campus organization. The work is fairly rewarding, too.

If you're interested in newspaper work, come by the office in room B-6 of the Union or leave your name and phone number at the Union desk.

**Watch Out Chapel Hill!**

By PAUL BOSWELL

Contrary to popular belief (at least in Chapel Hill), the University of North Carolina is not located entirely at Chapel Hill. Even UNC-C and N.C. State are often left out in conversation about the consolidated quartet of campuses, but UNC-C is nearly always left out at Chapel Hill. As Dan Talbert commented in an earlier Journal issue, At Chapel Hill a Charlotte student is described as something short of a walking fungus." In a way they are right—we are green, but we are right—the fast.

Of course, we could remind dear Carolina that we were established in 1949, 17 short years ago, and have been on a university campus only one year.

Charlotte College Center, a veteran educational center, was destined to be discontinued in 1949 after it had served its purpose. The North Carolina General Assembly of that year saw the need to continue the Center's operation, and passed a bill to provide support under the public school system. Since then, it has been an arduous but swift journey to university status. This type of phenomenal expansion can only bring admiration from the peers in our society.

You and I have the honor of being on the ground floor of a tradition which will someday be unequalled among Universities. Our branch has as much potential as any school ever had and room to grow with that potential.

Our city's planning committees have seen this potential, and have circumspectively prepared zoning plans in the campus vicinity to allow for this expansion. It is good to feel the encouragement of a willing community in the background. Few colleges can boast of such a rapid development; however, few colleges have been fortunate enough to have such capable leadership.

In Dr. Bonnie Cone can be found a driving force which has moved us all the way from Charlotte College on Elizabeth Avenue to The University of North Carolina on highway forty-nine. Now Dr. Colvard has stepped in as Chancellor to help lead our new University in its further development. Already, we are growing as fast as buildings can be provided. Four year degrees and graduate courses are being added as rapidly as facilities and funds make it possible.

With our impressive faculty (almost 50% own Doctor's Degrees) providing excellent instruction, our standards can only go up.

Freshmen will find that joining campus organizations, most of which eagerly invite new members, will make it easy to become a part of the University.

As Mr. Talbert said in his article, "We are all students who came here wanting to go somewhere else, and stayed because we liked it." It is hoped that each entering student will find much that he likes here at Charlotte.

Students here at school have more than once been accused of lacking a school spirit. What they mean is, we lack the spirit of a school which has a big time sports program like the ACC schools. These people will have to learn the virtue of patience. We should make national headlines for fielding an ACC team of any type in two years, with no facilities yet! Seriously,

athletics will come in time as will dormitories. These two factors will greatly aid our quest for school spirit.

Meanwhile we can rely on our spirit of dedication which must be present in a college day school like our own. Here at UNC-C, many of the very best and dedicated college students are found. Most students carry a heavy class schedule and a part time job, in addition to their school and community activities. Obviously, these students want a college education badly enough to work hard for it. I would venture to say that our student body contains a greater percentage of education-bent scholars than the average dormitory institution.

The outstanding leadership, modern equipment, challenging courses, and varied activities offered here are all guarantees of a prosperous future. Our city and our college was not picked at random to bear the University name and prestige. It was earned by a long line of hardworking leaders and interested parties too numerous to mention here. We have reached the base of a plateau which is now sturdy enough to begin supporting a University curriculum in earnest.

Hard as students should work here and participate in activities to assure the firmness of the foundation for ours, the fourth campus of the University of North Carolina. Watch our Chapel Hill!

**Transfer Students Face Problems**

By LIBBY HOLSHOUSER

Every year at this back-to-school time, numerous speakers extend a welcome to the Freshman class. It is fitting that they should. However, I should like to extend a special welcome to that select group of students, commonly referred to as transfer students.

Your situation is vastly different from that of our beginning first year students. Doubtless you have already been through an orientation period at another institution. You are already aware of the pitfalls of too little study and too much play. By now, you are probably very sure as to your major field of study.

You know much about higher education, and yet, your first days at UNC-C are lonely ones. You are not quite sure just what the demands of this-year new university—are. You probably know very few people, if any. You want to talk, get to know someone, but you silently wish to converse with someone of your own academic standing and you really are not sure just how to meet them.

You need to think of the friends you have "back at the other school." If you transferred from a school which has dormitories, you begin to miss life in

a dorm. It is, therefore, to you students who are transfers that I say welcome. It is you to whom I address the following remarks. Give us a fair chance. If you like to participate in extra curricular activities there is plenty of room for you here. We need your experience. We need your new ideas.

If you want to meet students your own age, smile at the girl or fellow who sits beside or behind you in your first class. Chances are you have much in common. Many a lasting friendship at UNC-C began this way.

Take a half hour out to come to the Union after classes, and chat with other students over a cup of coffee.

It is true that serious study is important, but this is more easily accomplished when you have a feeling of belonging once again. We at UNC-C feel you already belong. We want to know you—to help you if we can. We think there is much you can do for us. We believe our goals for success as a University are high and we need new blood, with new ideas and insights.

Whatever your reasons for transferring, we are glad you chose UNC-C. Welcome, transfer students, to your new school.



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