

# Why don't I dismember papa?

Has anyone besides me noticed that there are almost no sex crimes committed against men? Outside of prison or the strain of a homosexual marriage there don't seem to be any. Men aren't strangled with their jock straps as women are with their stockings. You don't find women holding guns to men's heads and sodomizing them with broomsticks. You don't find men senseless in alleys, their testicles neatly clipped off with nail scissors. Children, both male and female, are molested, true. But it is women who are raped and mutilated. (An exception to this is, of course, the Manson case, but the presiding force there was Charlie.)

Does anyone beside your faithful columnist here wonder why? It's an important question to me, since I am a woman, and not a strong one at that. It would give me great comfort to be in a man's shoes when attacked, if ever, and to know that I could halfway put up a fight, or run fast enough to escape, or at least be sure I would not end up raped or perhaps a bit cut-up, breasts hacked off, etc. Have any of you read the details of what mutilations are visited on women's bodies? It's not fun to contemplate, especially as one's total crime seems to be being a woman.

The corollary of all this is, of course, that it is men who do the raping and mutilating (again, the Manson case is an exception). Men, of course, associate their sexuality with violence, as women do not. There are countless examples in literature and films where a boy becomes a man by killing (Faulkner's "The Bear" and the new John Wayne movie *The Cowboys* come immediately to mind). You never read of a woman becoming a woman by killing something; she becomes one generally, in literature and films, through a) an unhappy affair; or b) having a baby. Men are oriented toward sexual violence: what is the phallic symbol in popular art but a gun or a knife? And what is there to use it on but a woman? To rape and mutilate a man would be...well, odd, not masculine, homosexual, you understand. Women, however, may be cut up with impunity.

Men hate women. It sounds funny, but it's true. Germaine Greer makes the point beautifully in *The Female Eunuch*. Women are not liked unless they are made up, girdled, well-dressed, dumb, submissive, children-lovers, and etc. Men approve of these characteristics; what they don't approve of is women who may be uncomfortable in make-up and girdles, unsubmissive, intelligent, not at all fond of children, etc. "I wouldn't lay her; she's such a pig," is frequently said of unattractive girls, showing a male naivete (why should she want to lay him?) and the whole male orientation toward women: all one thinks of them in terms of is a lay, and later, a homemaker. God help a woman who doesn't fit a submissive stereotype.

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## Then Mercifully I Fainted



by lloyd rose and julia willis

It's very interesting how hostile so many men are towards Women's Lib. You'd think a man would welcome a girlfriend or wife or mistress with wit, intelligence, and individuality to match and sharpen his own. Why are men so insecure that at the first mention that women may be as smart or smarter, as capable or more capable, as equal, as human as they, do they go to pieces and write hysterical articles on what bitches women's libbers are? Why can't they take the competition? Are they that inferior? Are they afraid they're that inferior?

An aggressive woman is frequently called a 'balls cutter.' All I can say is that any man who can't guard his balls from a woman is in a helluva lot of trouble. But obviously many can't. So those who don't rape flock to see violence in movies (most of it done to women, you may have noticed) to subliminally kill the enemy. Women's Lib would like to end all of this, end any 'war of sexes' but the prospects are hardly good.

## the last word



Pitt Dickey, a candidate for Student Body President, won 25% of the vote at Chapel Hill with the following unusual platform.  
Our dull elections could use a Pitt Dickey...

—the editor

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I stand for the abolishment of student government and cars. When every student has a horse and the dome keeps out undesirable weather and people, we can all find true happiness.

The tuition hike has caused many problems for out-of-state students. To solve this problem I will simply expand the borders of North Carolina to include all of the United States except New Jersey. This will make all Carolina students eligible for in-state tuition. I will remove all funding from the Football Corporation and use half of it to set up an inter-collegiate roller derby team. The football franchise will be sold to Bob Jones University.

In order to help our worthy wrestling team, I will see that athletic scholarships are given to the Missouri Mauler and Skull Murphey. I will use the other half of the Football Corporation's money to buy Grandfather Mountain and have it shipped to Chapel Hill and reassembled behind Lenoir Hall. I will use the other half of the Football Corporation's money to buy a Revelle Life size model of Madison Square Garden.

I will erect a giant magnesium chrome reverse wheel for the grits to write on and paste their favorite automotive stickers on it. These stickers will be passed out free at the Information Desk in the Union by Richard Petty. Prominent campus vegetables will be appointed to a Special Vegetable Grievance Committee. To recognize the vital contributions that vegetables make to the cosmopolitan atmosphere of Carolina, the Union will sponsor a weekly essay contest on "What Vegetable Mean to Me." First place winner will receive a Vegamatic. I will push for a \$10 limit on campaign expenditures to put an emphasis on intelligence instead of the size of Daddy's Bank Account.

For the Mazola Parties, I'll negotiate a contract with the Rathskellar to supply the grease. For the sexually inhibited, I'll arrange for the Holiday Health Club to establish a franchise in the laundry room of Ehringhaus. For the gay population of Chapel Hill, beside Grandfather Mountain we will erect a life size replica of Blowing Rock.

In keeping with the tradition of true American patriotism, a la Nixon, I will extend a hand of friendship to that isolated fortress of academia, Duke University. After all, it's not their fault that they're in Durham. Once in office, I will go and visit their campus sometime next February as a representative for all mankind. I hope to normalize relations with them and sweep away centuries of distrust and rivalry that have poisoned the relationship between Carolina and Duke.

The Blue Sky Party can do this for every student, teacher, vegetable, dog and horse on campus.

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## Environment

**ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM** -- The Higher Education Act, passed by Congress in 1965, constituted an attempt to bring the resources of universities and colleges to bear on the problems of their communities. Under this act, institutions of higher education are eligible to receive funds for this purpose by matching by one-third the two-thirds amount of funding provided by the Federal Government. In North Carolina this act resulted in the formation of the Steering Committee of the Environmental Education Program for North Carolina. This committee meets several times a year to consider various proposals to further environmental education in North Carolina. Usually these come from members of the academic community. Each proposal is evaluated and funds are allocated on the basis of merit and the cost of its implementation.

The Environmental Forum, a newspaper column, originated with one such proposal brought before the committee by Dr. P.A. Vesilind of Duke University. He perceived a need for a regular source of scientifically accurate but non-technical information about environmental matters pertaining to the North Carolina area. A newspaper column seemed to afford the best opportunity to reach the largest and most diverse group of readers.

This column will seek to be an unbiased voice, presenting all sides of various ecological issues. While expressing intelligent concern Dr. Vesilind hopes to avoid the "crusader approach" to environmental quality.

As important as its reporting will be the column's function as a forum for its readers. This will be a place in which reader's opinions can be heard, questions answered and where debate will be welcomed.



### WHAT AND WHY THIS IS

Have you been confused about the phosphate controversy? For years you have been taught to think of phosphates in detergents as an ecological evil. And now the U.S. Surgeon General tells you that phosphate builders are perhaps the least of the many possible evils in detergents. Why are phosphates so dangerous to our lakes and what is it about the substitutes that makes them potentially dangerous to humans?

Did you get the impression that when, a few weeks ago, an oil drum near the Eno River emptied hundreds of gallons of road oil into the river, that the whole story of this accident never emerged? The spill was blamed on vandals, but some basic questions remained unanswered such as why the valve on the drum was not locked, and who placed the drum in such a location that any spillage would immediately flow into the river? Are there more drums like this, scattered all over North Carolina; tragedies waiting to happen?

Did you ever wonder how we could have ignored the mercury pollution problem for so many years? It was simply a fortunate accident that high mercury concentrations were discovered in game fish. Even now we don't have a good handle on mercury. For example, water treatment plant operators don't check for it since it's not even included in the drinking water standards. We now have some good ideas that cadmium and vanadium for example, are also potential health dangers. Where do these come from and what effects might they have on humans as well as aquatic life?

Toxicity of heavy metals, oil pollution, and the phosphate controversy are three typical topics which will soon be discussed in this space.

This column has several objectives. First, it is designed to inform; to translate the environmental news to understandable language and to separate fact from fancy. A second objective is, as the name implies, to provide a medium of communication for the public as well as the scientific community. Your comments, suggestions and criticisms are invited. We will try to be fair to all, and to provide adequate space for answering criticisms.

A third, and perhaps the most important objective is the overall fight to save a liveable environment for our children and grandchildren. This battle cannot be fought with emotionalism and hyperbole. It must be won with fact and solid reasoning. The Durham Morning Herald, in a recent editorial, agreed that "If (environmental problems) were placed in better perspective, there is good reason to believe that the pollution clean-up cause would benefit substantially through greater public understanding and cooperation."

It is the intent of the Environmental Forum to foster this understanding. Questions, opinions and criticisms are greatly welcomed.

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Long Live Zeus!  
Long Live the Victory of  
Zeus's Proletarian  
Revolutionary  
Line!

Well, Gort...did you find my early morning message inspirational? I've been studying the rhetoric of Chairman Mao!

Would you consider studying the rhetoric of Captain Kangaroo?!

