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STUDENTS SHOULD GET UP IN THE AIR

America's future is in the air, and Carolina should reaffirm her position as one of the nation's leading universities by taking the lead in providing students with the opportunity to learn aviation. There is no reason why it shouldn't if the recently proposed CAA flight program materializes, and it will provide enough students are interested.

The currently planned course of instruction would give the University's would-be birdmen enough flight training to make them eligible for a private pilot's license, and at the same time, would provide planes under a rental system to qualified pilots enrolled at the University for building up flying time.

After one day's polling at the "Y" some 126 students had indicated their interest in the program. However, this is far below expectations, and if the University is to advance the money necessary for the purchase of new planes and equipment, then enough students to justify the effort must signify their desire to enroll in the program by registering with Mrs. Harrer at the information booth in the lobby of South building or with one of the girls at the booth in the "Y." Ground School Courses are also being considered for students desiring them, and a system whereby academic credit will be given for these courses is being worked out.

Now that the war is over and things are rapidly returning to normal, and national interest in "flying for sport" is running higher than ever, it's time for Carolina to move out front and set the pace for others to follow. With a \$750,000 airport sitting on the front steps of the University that lead is partially established. All that is required now is the enthusiastic support of the student body.

LAY THAT PAINTBRUSH DOWN

Some time ago a letter was sent to Duke University in which we agreed to urge all Carolina students to stay off the Duke campus with paint, if they would agree to do the same.

Thursday morning we awoke to find several U.N.C. campus landmarks well decorated with Duke paint. Many of us were very angry and eager for revenge. However, it is only fair to make it clear that before some of our students visited the Duke campus and played havoc with the same familiar material!

With these things in mind, we should all agree that we are just about even now, and that there is still time to start the much needed move to stop the wanton destruction of property on both campuses. From now until the game, we will all be doing a great favor for all concerned, if we will adopt a hands-off policy and stick to it. A communication to this effect is being sent to Duke, so it seems that with mutual cooperation, our respective campuses will remain unblemished by childish, yet destructive pranks.

ELECTION MUSINGS

The outcome of the elections is not entirely satisfactory to any of the three factions; this shows that the campus voted for the men rather than for the party. We are happy to say that this election was unusually clean, and was a mark to the credit of student government.

The University Party came through with a partial victory, and the United Carolina Party (in terms of predictions at the time of its formation) didn't seem to have an excess of student support. Walker, backed by a small group not organized as a party, made a good showing. The run-off next week between Vance and Walker will demand much attention; it will be an interesting study in human nature to see how the factions line up.

In the election next week, the student body must choose between two men who have both proved themselves to have strong support. Vance has had much more experience in student government and has been more intimately connected with student affairs at Carolina. Walker, in spite of his lack of experience in office holding at Carolina, has ability. Next week the student body will weigh Vance's extensive political career against Walker's possibilities.

What we want to see now is some hard work from the students we elected. For too long students have worked harder during the campaign than after being elected. This election showed some indication of the desire of students to place men in office who will work and who have a good past record upon which to stand.

Carolina Brand Of Politics Seen At Election Party

While the entire Carolina student body anxiously awaited the returns from this all-important campus-wide elections, a nucleus of students gathered in the Graham Memorial Lounge as guests of the Tar Heel, to hear first-hand reports of the voting. Gradually, many campus luminaries and dignitaries gathered around the lounge to partake of the food and drink, and hear the returns.

As the first Y.M.C.A. ballots were counted, politicians started preparing acceptance speeches. The med school ballots were next to come in, showing a definite trend toward Charlie Vance's plurality. Immediately UCP and Inde-

pendent leaders began huddling paper figuring mathematical probabilities.

As the crowd began to swell, we noticed Dr. Woodhouse of the political science department, calmly observing the results. Dean Mackie came in to join in the festivities, as Martha Rice gleefully anticipated record-breaking crowds in the lounge.

Just as Wallace, Hunt, Thompson, and Lackey had everything figured out, a new set of returns came in to set them all madly figuring again.

And so it went, first one final, then another came in, until all the

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Just Another Opinion

Says Student Government Here Is At Cross Roads

By Roy Thompson

This is an open letter which I hope that many will read since I am writing it to all students here at Carolina. I'm giving you one man's opinion on several things that need to be given your careful consideration during the next few months. I had hoped to call many of these things to your attention through this column. Now I am leaving Carolina for at least the remainder of this term, possibly longer. These things, I believe, are very important. Think them over.

Student government here is at a crossroads. Elsewhere here in Graham Memorial tonight as I write this the ballots that you cast today are being counted. The people that submitted their names for your consideration are waiting in the lounge for the latest returns. These men and women, good and bad, efficient and lazy, industrious and indolent are going into office to represent you or to let you down. Keep your eyes on them. Make them know that you are watching. Remember the promises that they made as candidates, and make them fulfill these promises as elected officials.

The ruling by South officials on coeds' eating privileges in fraternity houses is arbitrary. Action taken by your student legislature and coed senate has been ignored. This would have roused student leaders of what we like to call the "good old days" to prompt and vigorous action. Right now, let's face it, our leaders are inferior products of campus politicians like Roy Thompson. Your leaders aren't very responsible and mature people. They fight so weakly for your rights because they haven't got guts enough to accept their responsibilities. They would have accomplished a great deal more in this frat dining room controversy if they'd been pushing the House Privileges Board into action during the past few months instead of letting it coast along doing practically nothing. Men in the Interfraternity Council would have done much more as a group, if they had done anything to keep their individual fraternities on the ball during the past few months.

In other words, if you want student government, you've got to work at it.

Another major problem facing Carolina students is that of fra-

ternity houses, liquor and women. Throughout this state there are people, including most of your parents, who heartily disapprove of the "Country Club" in Chapel Hill. They talk about Carolina. Ministers sometimes preach about the "loose living" that they believe is a large part of life here on the Hill. Newspaper editors write editorials about it. Men in the North Carolina General Assembly, who vote appropriations for the support of the University, listen to these others and believe them all too often.

And all too often they're right. If you men want to have coeds around the house, get the HPB on the ball. I'm no old man preaching a sermon. I'm a guy who likes all the things that are wrong with fraternities here today, and I know that we've got to start thinking intelligently if we're going to keep the privileges that we now have.

Do a little thinking too about your student government and its leaders before the next election. Learn something about it so that you won't have that ring put through your nose again in March. Don't be suckers. Think a little.

For the benefit of those of you who will write letters to Bob pointing out mistakes that Roy Thompson has made, things that he has left undone, times that a ring has been put through his nose, times that he was a sucker, I'll say now that you're right. I've written this column about myself. I know the things that I've done wrong. I hope that I'm learning. Somebody's got to learn.

If this column hurts someone's feelings, I regret that I have considered it necessary to write it. I don't want to step on your toes. I don't want to tear things down. I see very little of the once great Carolina that is left standing to be torn down. I'd like to help build it up again to a liberal Carolina. I'd like to see men kicked out of here for cheating on examinations. That would be a sign that the Honor Council was working. I'd like to see fraternities fined for violating rules governing them.

Last of all, and most important, I'd like to see my favorite college president, Dr. Frank, get back in touch with the men and women of Carolina. Those men and women need him. I believe that he needs you now and then too.

Report from Dean of Men

An Appeal To Reason

By Dean E. L. Mackie

It was regrettable to see Thursday morning evidence of moronic action on our campus, such as smearing paint on Memorial Hall and the Bell Tower. It is regrettable when this sort of conduct originates in a neighboring institution, since it causes damage to our property and entails utterly unnecessary expenditures of meagre maintenance funds that are sorely needed for other purposes. It is even more regrettable when some of our own students forget that they are Carolina men and stoop so low as to perform similar moronic deeds upon a neighboring institution. We like to think that our students are above deeds of vandalism, and as a matter of fact we know that the great majority of them are.

Of course, there is a temptation to get even when a low sub-freshman on one campus starts this kind of foolishness, but real University men will not sully our Carolina tradition by stooping to the same level by retaliating and thus provoking further and more devastating damages. Let's be good sportsmen and do our very best to win athletic contests fairly, but let every real Carolina student exercise his or her utmost power to prevent any misguided immature students who may be here from bringing shame upon our University.

Attention, Student Body

Last year Duke students damaged Carolina to the extent of many hundreds of dollars. We must prevent this vandalism this year.

We earnestly request that every student try to learn the name, address, and description of any person engaged in vandalism and report these persons to THE TAR HEEL. We will send these names to the administration and student government of Duke with the suggestion that they be dealt with severely. If Duke fails to punish these vandals, we will resort to the police Durham law enforcement agencies.

It might be well to add that the destruction is not one-sided. We will report to Chancellor House, Dean Mackie, and the Student Council the names of all Carolina students who engage in vandalism, but in the case of Carolina students, we can promise that resort to the police will not be necessary.

Please help us protect our campus and punish those who lack sportsmanship and respect for law.

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VIEWS of the NEWS

By Sara Tillett

The atomic bomb and how it is to be controlled is, perhaps, the key to world security. And underlying all the discussion and planning done on the subject has been the question of what steps Russia is intending to take.

In a recent address to his nation, Foreign Commissar Molotov clearly stated Russia's attitude. It is impossible, he said, "for a technical secret of any great size to remain the exclusive possession of some one country or some narrow circle of countries. . . . We will have atomic energy and many other things, too."

Molotov's statement has brought forth resentment in high places. Winston Churchill retorted that if it were Russia who had the bomb, he did not think Britain or America would be allowed to get the secret. Perhaps not, but it is this possessive, eye-for-an-eye attitude which may split the world into

"spheres of suspicion."

Harold Stassen has proposed that the United States produce twenty-five more bombs and turn them over to the United Nations Security Council. "After that, production of atomic bombs would be outlawed. There have been other proposals, not so specific but equally strong. Most of the scientists involved in developing the bomb have recommended that it be placed under some form of international control. And a few weeks ago, a group of eminent Americans declared that to cope with the danger of atomic energy we will need a much stronger international organization than we now have."

Truman, Attlee, and King are meeting now in Washington to discuss control of atomic energy. It is to be hoped that they will not stop with timid suggestions and short-sighted policies.

Students Try For Better or For Verse

Thinking of the Folks Back Home

By E. S. Lyne

Shells whistle over
 And others hit close by
 A machine gun rattles far away
 As smoke-puffs dot the sky.

You glance at your buddy
 But he turns his head away,
 And then you think that back at home
 It's just another day.

Both felt pretty bad
 When they heard that you were shipping out
 And you remember Mom and Dad
 Memories are precious

But now you're on your own
 Well you've had your share of fun
 The good times there at home
 You're thinking of your girl-friend,
 "Situation well in hand."

It's a spinstered trunk still stands
 Inwardly you grin and think,
 A tree has lost its top nearby,
 Should be moving up 'fore long,
 It's about that time, you guess.
 You think of the Japs along the beach;
 God! But they were a mess.

Take a sip of water;
 Check your piece with care:
 Chamber loaded, clips are full,
 Bayonet is bare.

Shellhole, dugout, pillbox,
 Foxhole and slit trench;
 Give no quarter, ask no quarter,
 Fight on, inch by inch.

A close hit, your buddy looks
 Your turn to glance away;
 And still you're thinking back at home
 It's just another day.