

## On Supervising Elections

Elections are over, and now the students can study the electoral process dispassionately, seek out its weaknesses, and strive for improvements between now and next April. The need for improve ments is obvious, a need brought on by the complicated (but none theless more satisfactory) precinct system.

When the Student legislature passed the precinct bill several months ago, it dumped upon the Student council the problem of administration. Officiating at the polls, decision on putting a ballot box in the medical dormitory, and the question of absentee voting were all left to be acted upon and carried out by the Student council of 10 members
The Student council called in members of class honor councils and other students to aid them in supervising the precinct voting stations. This is of course necessary, but the volunteer pollholders should be strongly reminded of the importance of care in exercising their duties. (One person reported he was handed two class ballots in one of the polling places. At another precinct at least two persons went up to vote, only to discover that someone else had used their names and obtained ballots).

Final decision on the medical dormitory matter was to require the residents to come in to the YMCA. Establishment of voting boxes in Dorm L would have complicated the problem of supervision, but it seems that the Student council would have been justified in making the necessary provisions. The near-M.D.'s keep busy in the classrooms, laboratories and dormitory rooms, and many did not bother to come in to vote. Under these circumstance it is better to carry democracy to them than to permit them to $d$ without.
Not until the run-off election did the question of absentee voting become serious. Then it almost caused a revolution. The first count on the candidates for Junior class president, Pinky Elliot and Bill McKinnon, showed Elliot leading by four votes. The four-vote lead, we understand, was provided by four absentee votes from the Infirmary, which instead of being marked on official ballots were simply written out "Straight UP Ticket" and were signed. There were other reports of the candidates and their supporters (not members of the Student council) securing absentee votes from members of the baseball team. If these incidents are true, it is apparent that some change must be made in absentee voting provisions. The only sensible arrangement, it seems, would be to hav members of athletic teams apply for absentee ballots and to have the athlete mark the ballot in the presence of the council member and return it. As for Infirmary absentees, regular printed ballot should be carried to the inmates on the day of election by a membe of the Student council, marked in full, and immediately returned Fortunately for the Student council, the Elliot-McKinnon race wa decided without considering the four "straight ticket" votes. But in future years an important election might hinge on such votes.
The Daily Tar Heel probably has not pointed out all the bad features of the voting system. Most certainly it has not mentioned the innumerable advantages. The precinct system, which made it possible for 2,451 students to vote in the first election, is far better than the old, cumbersome one-precinct arrangement.

The purpose of this discussion is to offer constructive criticism. Essentially the precinct system is an excellent innovation in th process of student-government. It only needs to be ironed out and made more workable. The time for improvement is now, when the faults are freshest in the minds of those who must undertake the task of supervision.

David Clark was born too late. He should have been living back the turn of the 19th century when the University of North Carolina had two infidels, a French ex-monk, a strolling actor and an anarchist on its faculty!-Winston-Salem Journal.

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## This Being About Pe

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tai do doubt as to who not to persecute. Premise. Some people prefer to be-
long to minorities (even though the won't admit itt). Some people are born
with big necks. They heve and with big necks. They have an inspira-
tion, and there they are, necks out. And for arery with their
neck there's someone to swing at it. Result. You
get the boosters and the booters. get the boosters and the booters. Now for the Dies committee. It has its boosters and its booters. An egg
was thrown because of a disapproval of Peeping Toms (while admitting they must have fun). Civil liberties
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thrashes the thrashes the bushes for birds, the It's been suggested formed to investigate the Diesians, This suggestion has wholesome imlications. As long as small groups are being examined you may as well
examine the Committee. The catch is examine the Committee. The catch
you can't get anybody interested
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this sort of thing. Everybody is to
busy outside yelling for more Amer canism.
While the Dies Committee makes nervous wrecks out of everyone in a
community, what happens? The people do nothing about it. Instead the
listen while Kate Smith gets God to
bless America.
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## With The Churches

Sunday worship services at the
Chapel Hill churches this week will be as follows: following the commun
ion, at the Episcopal church, Rt. Rev of North Carolinh, will, officiaste
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at confirmation and the 11 oclock services. At 7 p.m. D. D. S. T. Emory
will will speak at Student Forum. Pray
ers and organ recital will be held at At th Ord P. Albaugh whill talk on "The Mission of Change" at the morning
service. K. W. Taylor, president of he student body of the Duke uni-
versity school of religion, will lead discussion on "Jesus' Religion and Our Christianity" and the Fred Sm
BYPU will convene at 7 o'clock. At the Methodist church, Rev. arvin Culbreth will speak on "Pub-
c Enemy No. 1" at 11 o'clock. Stu ent forum will meet at 7 o'clock. At the Presbyterian church, Dr.
Donald H. Stewart will talk on "The mperative of Discipline" at the morn-
ing services. Vespers will be held from At the United church, Dr. W. J. McKee will discuss "The Church and
Rural Needs" at 11 o'clock. The con-
regation will participate in the uniregation will participate in the uni-
versity service at 8 o'clock in Hill versity servic
music hall.
At Gerrard hall, Father Morrissey Graham Memorial, a Friends' meet1 g will be ${ }^{2}$ oclock.

## BIRTHDAYS

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get free tickets to the movies by
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Atkins, Russell Dean Atkins, Russell Dean
Bean, Charles Columbus Bean, Charles Columbus
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Mitchell, Mitchell, Lewis Felton
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Pusserr, Jack Welborn, Pheffield, Walter Lincoln, Sheiton, Frank Wesley Woodward, Robinson Eisenberg, Eesterday Eisenber Hamilton, Fredrick Bruce Lewis, Mary Newton Moskow, Morris Ostrowsky, Marvin
Person, Richard Beston Starnes, Charles Jackson Stein, Sylvan Paul


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THE APRIL CAROLINA MAGAZINE
by richard goldsuith
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after all. The professorial consens of opinion is that,the coed, or woma student, the term preferred by I
Odum, makes for a healthier and mo
natural campus life. In other natural
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Caldwell even takes off the morta
board to say that he likes board to say that he
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Coah Harner and Virginia Gus offer their solution for some of
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situation. This exposition of the ide
and ideals of the YWCA is of a real interest, and ought to prove
some more commendable effo Undoubtedly the best piece of
tion in the Magazine is a short sto
by James Clark. "But Tomorro
Wann' There" shows acquaintanc
with life, and also valuable interpr
taion. In a sense, Elizabeth Bow
takes over where Mr. Clark leaves
nd in her review of "Women
and in her review of "Women
Southern Industry" there are a f trenchant statements concerning some put some meaning into the
of Mr. Clark's mill workers. In the writing of his liquorous yarn
John Roeder, fortunately for the reviewer, provided his own succinc
comment. "But obviously you need the
assistance of one to introduce you to the facts of life a little more tho
oughly." This is out of the mouth one of Mr. Rooder's characters
"Empty Glasses" who are wise b
Aond his years. off, there are a number of good touches
We would like to call attention
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In "Mr. Crumple's Sunday After
noon," a poem by Richard Nicks dealing a with the banalities
dichate middle class existence there is an in we seem to have heard before about
the harrassed little businessman who wants to get away from it all
Raymond Staple's "Lost Apr
plays the best prose style in th
magazine. We are a little unstea magazine. We are a little unstead
about Mr. Staple's symbolism, but w feel that he has taken upon himsel
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well done and we hope that our inter
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does not scare anybody away. does not scare anybody away.
Unfortunately placed towards the
end of the Magazine, Stanley Dia end of the Magazine, Stanley Dia
mond's poem "Concept Cosmological
deserves better treatment. It has what we would call a nice thought, and the
rhythm is good. You'll like it.
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we had to find out what the boxed 30
sin on the very last page meant, and
are glad to pass our information o you. It is newspaperman's ling
saying "end of story," and is
Green's very ingenious way of
ing out. Good luck, Mr. Green.

## Collegiates Favor

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graphically, it is found that New
England, East Central, South, and Far
West place Roosevelt on top. Middle
Atlantic and West Central states se-
lect Dewey. Students who say they
have no party choice name Dewey
first, F. D. R. second.
A significant fact revealed by this
poll is the small support that John
N. Garner has among students, while
he is one of the leaders among rank
and file voters, other surveys show.
Paul V. McNutt, who led in a Survey
last May, is now ninth, below eren
locialist Norman Thomas.

