

### A Watchbird Watches You--and Everybody

Is there a watchbird watching you? Well, there are several that keep a critical eye on the University student constitution in its first year of operation. It's all well and good to have these watchbirds to keep a discerning eye on the Constitution in action, but scrutinizing each and every word is a strain on the optical nerves and is a vigilance far too strict.

There are several types of watchbirds. Some display brilliant hues. They strut and preen their feathers and are members of the peacock family. Their chief function is showmanship. There are several members of the woodpecker family who see a worm in a hollow stump and tap out their message. There are the sapsuckers who pick on the more lively matter. And of course, there are the parrots who repeat each statement they hear in a shrill voice.

Originally the Constitution was written with the idea of "preserving the form of student government"—in the words of the preface of the document. Naturally, you can examine each word of the constitution and interpret it in any manner that you see fit. But this was not the purpose of the Constitution. It was written to give a composite picture of the student government of the University of North Carolina in ac-

tion. The fourteenth amendment of our federal constitution has been a mass of words that have been construed to mean almost every conceivable thing, when it was originally simple to protect the right of the Negroes of our country. We cannot let our constitution develop into a conglomeration of fourteenth amendments.

The constitution was written, not to provide a complicated document that would be an always available bone of contention between groups. Instead it was an attempt to get as accurate a statement of the functions of all organizations as possible. It was to be a model of student government to show its structure to new-comers and to a campus disrupted in war-time.

We refer specifically to the case that was brought before the Council last night contesting the judiciary powers of the Interfraternity council and its authority to try the violators of the House Privilege Board agreement with the coeds.

In this first year of the constitution in action we do not have the time to keep digging out single words and rack our brains for a different connotation. It will take all of our efforts to get the campus student government running as a well-lubricated machine.

### Ado About Something or Nothing

It will be up to the Legislature to determine if there is legitimate cause for Treasurer Sam Daniels to accuse John Clappitt, Bill Miller, and Herman Baker of using student funds to travel by unauthorized means or if it is merely "much ado about nothing." We hope that this disturbance will not cast a veil of doubt to overshadow the merits of the NSA, and its well-planned program.

This is the last thing that we would want to happen. The NSA, by its constitution and its aims, has proven that it can be an organization which would be a great asset to the University. The NSA has a wide following of colleges throughout the nation and we are quite confident that the group will be able to aid the University in its problems and our delegation will be able to provide useful suggestions toward building a better student government.

Next year when the student legislature is faced with the task of selecting the delegates for NSA convention, we urge it to devote much time in preparing specific instructions to the members of the delegation. Especially, should they make an effort to elaborate on what the student funds may be used for in order to eliminate misunderstandings. The legislature did a fine job this past spring of instructing the delegates in just what measures they should endorse at the convention. We hope that the ideas, and the material good that our delegation accomplished at the convention is enough to convince the legislature that the delegation was a sincere one and no malpractices were intended.

We are convinced that there was no

wrong intended by the three delegates and that the confusion was merely a misunderstanding between Daniels and the delegates.

### An Apology to the UVA

We have an apology to make to the University Veteran association for the article which appeared in yesterday's edition regarding their policy of allowing stags in the clubhouse during the weekend. President Hugh Wells assures that the UVA never has had such a rule on the books. We published the editorial, written by a staff member, in good faith. No malice or misrepresentation of facts was intended.

The article did a great injustice to the UVA and we sincerely want to correct this. The author of the article was refused permission evidently by a member of the dance committee who was not familiar with the rules of the organization. For some reason the reporter misunderstood the dance committeeman and jumped to the conclusion that it was a new ruling of the UVA. The reporter who wrote the article should have verified each of his facts. In printing the article we were assured that the facts contained therein were verified. The reporter in question is no longer a member of our staff.

Popular literary detectives have discovered that by reversing the phrase, "One good turn deserves another," they arrive at, "rehtona sevresed nrut doog eno."

### As I See It

## Scales Should Have Answered 'No Comment'

By Winston Broadfoot

Last July Ann Matthews, former member of the Communist party, testified before the House un-American Affairs Committee concerning the tobacco workers strike in Winston-Salem. She incidentally mentioned that Junius Scales, resident of Chapel Hill, was head of the student Communist group at Chapel Hill. Asked about this testimony, Scales, as reported in the July 24th Charlotte Observer, replied as follows:

It is an unexpected honor to be attacked by the same committee which has endeavored to smear many of the finest Americans of our time, including the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Henry A. Wallace, and Dr. Frank P. Graham.

I believe the slandering tactics of this committee should not be dignified by a reply from anyone who believes in the tradition of American liberty.

Of course, one can readily see that Scales deliberately missed the point. The Committee did not bother with him at all; he was simply asked by newsmen to comment on one woman's statement that she knew him to be a Communist.

Nothing more was heard from Scales on the subject of Communism until yesterday, at which time a mimeographed leaflet was issued on food price control, purported to be put out by the "Communist party of Chapel Hill, Junius Scales, Chairman." I called Junius yesterday to check the authenticity of the

leaflet and he stated that he did issue it.

Are we to believe that the testimony of Ann Matthews in July was untrue, but now in October Junius Scales is, in fact, head of a student group of Communists? Hardly—he held the job all along.

All of which raises the tremendously important question of honesty. Had Junius chosen to answer "no comment" to questions of his Communism, one might have objected to his reticence but no one could complain of being misled. But the statement he did make, introducing as it did the red herring of past activities and tactics of the House un-American Committee, obscured the issue raised by the freely-given testimony of Ann Matthews: Is Junius Scales the leader of the student Communists at Chapel Hill? Unless he would say that Communism itself is something nasty, I hardly see how Junius can claim to be "attacked," "smear-ed," or "slandered" by a truthful statement that he is a student Communist leader.

One hears often enough that Communists believe any means justifies a desirable end, and that they are not to be trusted in day to day affairs. Without knowing what tactical justification Junius may have for his present turn-about, I submit that he is part proof that as to Communism one may not safely rely on what Communists say.

While on Communist matters, I should like to comment on the recent visit of Vera Scales to Prague, an account of which is

serially appearing on this page.

Admitting the usual impropriety of one writer suggesting what another say, I do hope that Vera will see fit to comment on something more than friendly atmosphere and the fine food, both of which apparently existed in abundance at Prague. I have specific reference to an article appearing in Time (August 4, 1947, page 24-25) quoted in part as follows:

To Prague journeyed 30,000 young people of all nations for a "World Festival of Democratic Youth." They had come to "play and work and learn together." They put on

dramas, danced folk dances before bonfires. But they were a singularly youthful lot, for they had a serious task in Prague—the revival (in disguise) of the Young Communist International.

Some of Prague's 30,000 were sincere youngsters who had been trapped by Communism's pseudo-progressive propaganda. Others knew precisely what they were about.

The Prague program was prepared by Otto Katz (alias Andre Simone) a well-known MVD agent.

Well, what about it, Vera?

### Ives Tinayre

## Sensitive Artistic Approach

By John K. B. McDowell

Mr. Ives Tinayre, baritone, assisted by the University String Quartet, appeared in a recital this past Tuesday night which was notable for the exceptional artistry of the singer and for the freshness and quality of the works performed.

Mr. Tinayre does not possess a particularly distinguished voice, but his intelligence coupled with a sensitive and inherently artistic approach to the works he performs, makes the hearing of each song both an emotional and an intellectual experience.

The program opened with three songs of the XIII Century French School, the second of which, a pastoral, was delivered with tenderness and fine feeling. Mr. Tinayre's next song, a ballade by Guillaume de Machaut entitled "Rose, lys" was beautifully sung, and none of the varied mood of the song was lost by the singer. The final two songs in the first group were by Gilles Binchois, a fifteenth century composer, and by John Dowland, the eminent lutenist-composer of the late XVIIth and early XVIIth centuries.

The second part of Mr. Tinayre's program consisted of a Cantata da Requiem by Alessandro Scarlatti. The University String Quartet, assisted by Mr. Wilton Mason, helped Mr. Tinayre to make the performance of this work a mem-

orable experience. This cantata of Scarlatti is dramatic in quality, and harmonically foreshadows Beethoven. The last aria in this work bore an unmistakable resemblance to some of the music of "Fidelio."

After the intermission Mr. Tinayre resumed his program with the "Motetto par lo Sancto Spirito" by Giovanni-Paolo Colonna. This motet, in three parts, was concluded with an Alleluia, distinguished by its graceful baroque proportion and by its expression of radiant joy. The final portion of the program was devoted to the "Angus Dei" of Francesco Durante, and the aria "Ora pro nobis Deum" from the motet "Regina Coeli" of Mozart. The Durante "Angus Dei" is a deeply moving and profoundly spiritual work, and Mr. Tinayre's performance of it was both exquisite and humble.

The concert was brought to a close with the lovely aria composed by Mozart in his early youth.

Mr. Tinayre's distinguished performance needs no additional mention. The University String Quartet, however, deserves further comment for its fine accompaniment, and for the quality of the musicianship of its members, Willis Gates and Dorothy Alden, violinists, Emily Porter, cellist, and Edgar Alden, violist. Wilton Mason, pianist, gave fine support to the soloist and to the ensemble.

### Mudville Mutterings

## Village Wives to Sew

Good news this week for the little woman of the village who wants something to sew with besides her dish pan hands! The Chapel Hill chapter of the American Red Cross is going to donate a sewing machine to the village to be used by all the wives. The machine is now undergoing minor repairs but as soon as it is ready it will be at Mrs. J. P. Blaine's home, 125 Johnson street. A notice will be put up in the rental office as soon as it arrives. Okay, girls, here's your chance to make your own "new look."

A two-tone mutter was heard this week in connection with the "Portrait of a Backyard" editorial which appeared in last Friday's DTH. It is generally agreed that a nursery would be a wonderful addition to the Village and the spirit of the editorial in pointing out this need is much appreciated. There is, however, another feeling around there parts that things are really not quite so heartbreaking as depicted. The village is inhabited in the most part by a group of pretty adult young people and their children are behaving pretty much as children behave everywhere. The need for a nursery is as great as it is anywhere that there is a large group of young children with mothers who work. However, Victory Village is not a slum and the case described in the Backyard editorial must be a very isolated one.

Man's best friend came in for his share of the kicking around this week. At the Monday night council meeting, Chairman Tom Crittenden read a letter which he had received during the week complaining about dogs who bark in people's windows and generally misbehave. The letter suggested that the dogs be kept in the house at night so their beloved voices might at least be muffled. Tom, using great tact, appointed a committee to investigate the matter and recommended that the committee be composed of half dog owners and half non-dog owners to insure justice.

As the first step toward getting an organized playground the council chairman also appointed Mrs. Charlotte Haves to investigate the possibilities of getting a central and supervised playground for the kids.

Another suggestion was

### What's Up in Graham Memorial

- 4:00 Lewis dormitory reception, Horace Wms. lounge
- 5:00 World Federalists, Grail room
- 6:30 Recorded dinner music concert, main lounge
- 7:30 Ping pong tournament, main lounge
- 7:30 Law Wives Bridge club, Horace Wms. lounge
- 7:30 Stray Greeks, Parker No. 1
- 7:30 Phi Eta Sigma, Parker No. 2
- 7:30 Wilmington-Carolina club, Parker No. 3
- 7:45 Western N. C. club, Parker No. 3
- 8:00 Golden Fleece, Grail room
- 9:00 Science-Fiction club, Parker No. 3

### Crossword Puzzle

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

SEW DINES ASA  
ALAN ONIAN  
WANTON NARKIN  
DARED GAL  
FEEL ROD WELT  
ERROR GOD DOR  
L A NOW TAP SE  
OST NOW MILAN  
NEAR NIT LIRD  
WAB NITLER  
DAPPER MIDDLE  
ATE TULIP LEA  
PAR HEEDS YET

ACROSS  
1-Clean  
4-Malice  
9-Digit  
12-Late humorist  
13-Apple juice  
14-Conditions  
15-Surgical gauze  
17-Alongside  
19-Drinks lightly  
20-Autocrat  
21-Living  
23-Vari-colored horse  
26-Passion  
27-Regretful  
28-Engineering degree  
29-Female sheep

DOWN  
30-Parts of churches  
31-Sports follower  
32-Musical note  
33-Catfish  
34-Nuisance  
35-Shake  
37-Chairs  
38-Measure of distance  
39-Health resorts  
40-Kind of china  
42-Refinery  
43-A grain animal  
45-Badgerlike animal  
46-Night before  
48-Strain  
50-Hard metal  
51-Father

1-Queen of larvae  
2-Harem room  
3-Thoughtful  
4-Staff of a column  
5-Swine  
6-Small fish  
7-Tellurium (sym.)  
8-Wipers  
9-Jeweled headdress  
10-Away  
11-Superlative ending  
12-Low resort  
13-Child  
14-Ready  
15-Deer  
16-Wearer  
17-Ready  
18-Deer  
19-Armed band  
20-Smallest  
21-Sight  
22-Depressions  
23-Break up one  
24-Sunstruts  
25-Among  
26-Ring like bell  
27-Act  
28-Embarrassment  
29-Kind of duck  
30-Tuft  
31-To satisfy for service rendered  
32-Saint (abbr.)  
33-Girl's name  
34-Crimson  
35-Toward

### Write Away

## Alarm! Ring The Tocsin!

Editor:  
Sound the alarm! Ring the tocsin! The time has come for every one hundred per cent American to seek out and destroy the insidious influences which are corrupting our land. The situation is critical. Things have come to such a pass that even our Congress has fallen or may fall under the sway of an alien idea. I quote from an article written in the Daily Tar Heel by the eminent journalist, philosopher, and political scientist, Bill Buchan. "Laws will

have to be passed by Congress making membership in the Communist party unlawful and treasonable. . . it will not be surprising, however, if such a law failed to pass in Congress. With our renowned system of freedom those who oppose it could very probably hire enough "liberal" lobbyists to . . . persuade enough vote-conscious Congressmen that such a law is unnecessary and undemocratic, and out of the window it would go. Perhaps this sounds improbable, but it certainly isn't impossible. . ."

Friends and fellow countrymen, the issue is now joined. Herr—pardon me, I mean Mr. Buchan—has pointed out the true import of the situation. Even the Congress of this land is in danger of being subverted by this pernicious ideal of freedom, this ideal which is no longer supported by anyone except Communists and their tools. Let us review the development of this dangerous situation.

For some centuries, under the leadership of such radicals as Milton, Locke, Voltaire, Paine, Jefferson, Mill, and, I regret to add, the late Chief Justice Holmes (all but two, please note, were foreigners), an alien idea has been developed within the framework of the theory of democracy. This idea, the root of our difficulty, is the absurd theory that the minority has some rights which the majority is obligated to respect. This idea is, of course, contrary to common sense but it has been so ably propagated over the years that only a few people, with exceptionally keen insight into the matter, have dared to

### Carolina Carousel

## New Clerk Boosts Coffee Sales At Book-X

By R. Foo Giduz

Coffee sales are up an estimated 30 per cent in the Book-X over the last week, according to unofficial Y Court reports. Obvious reason is comely Mrs. Virginia Morris, GI wife, and new java-jerker of Ray Ritchie's Book Exchange staff. . . So they tell Carousel, she's got guys buying coffee who never-never touch the stuff. . . Go find out for yourself. Hey, little sugar, no cream for us.

And talking of java, jamoke, and a cup of joe, the new Colonial House downtown is dishing out fine chow. . . Though quite confusing sometimes: That's proprietor Whid Powell behind the counter, not law student and ex-BMOC Mike Carr. They're exact twins for our money! . . . P. S. to Saleeby-Moore twins shenanigans on page one: Huckster Saleeby currently has the last laugh. . . Moores each sported a brightly colored argyle sock box in the Y Court yesterday containing a gift from thoughtful Emily, or Emile. Contents: One pair of pink unmentionables each, size 20 (so they said); . . . So much for laughs. Hope they're getting their kicks!

From here, the current student governmental fuss over the alleged "manipulation" of funds by NSO delegates Baker, Miller and Clappitt is nothing more than phoney baloney. It was unquestionably and admittedly the Legislature's original intent that the trio travel to Madison via air. They went by train, for all practical purposes. However an unintentional omission in the expense authorization bill caused this misunderstanding. We see no reason to take the case to the Honor council. . . Come, come men, we're all fighting the same war. The whole works should be corrected tonight when Basil Sherrill introduces a measure to legalize (officially) the expenses for air travel.—

### OLD EAST ELECTION

LeRoy Milks was elected president of Old East dormitory in a runoff election held Tuesday night. Other officers elected are: Earl Helms, vice-president, and Bennie B. Ward, secretary-treasurer.

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