

# REVIEW: CAMPUS STATE WORLD

## Two Candidates Aren't Different

Too often in political campaigns, as the heat of the contest bears more and more pressure on the opposing camps and their supporters, focus is brought to bear on the graver aspects of the contest, the dissimilar attitudes of the candidates.

This focus, however, is often not representative of the true situation and conditions, as investigation into the backgrounds and experiences of the candidates almost invariably reveals.

Current presidential candidates Sonny Evans (Student Party) and Bill Baum (University Party) serve as excellent examples of the truth of this approach.

How many people know, for instance, that both were conspirators in an "infamous" attempt to initiate a third party coup d'etat at the Boys' State Convention here in 1953?

Ask either of them and smiles will come to their faces as they reflect upon those experiences. They'll tell you that their third party—regaled under the Confederate banners of the Confederate Party—came within 23 votes of usurping power from the existing Federalists and Nationalists, and that they only lost because these two parties banded together in a last-minute effort to beat them.

They'll smile in remembrance, chuckle from time to time and leave you with the feeling that this was one of the greatest experiences of their lives.

But the parallel is not merely one of association and contact between Evans and Baum. Their similarities stretch into their backgrounds prior to and after entering UNC. Their differences are reflected in the differences of their personalities and outlooks, their aspirations and their personal interests.

William O. Baum was born and raised in Elizabeth City. He attended Central High School there, where his activities spread from editorship of the school paper and presidency of his class for three years to the presidency of the student body.

He attended the Boys' State Convention here in 1953 and his participation ranged from speaker of the House of Representatives to candidacy for governor of the Confederate Party.

Elli N. Evans is a Durham product. An attendant of Durham High School, he too was active in school and political functions which brought him to the presidency of the student body and an award as the outstanding senior in his last year.

In 1953 he came to Chapel Hill for the Boys' State Convention. He was Boys' State oratorical champion and ran for Lt. Governor under the third party "confederation" platform.

Sonny Evans entered UNC with the freshman class of 1954. "Although I'm from Durham," he'll tell you, "I knew Chapel Hill had the better school. Besides, my father graduated from UNC in 1928."

In his freshman year, Evans was elected to the presidency of the freshman class. And, in the spring of '55, he was appointed to the Men's Honor Council as well as representative to the Student Council Court of Appeals.

As a sophomore in the spring of '56, Evans ran for the vice-presidency of the student body. He was subsequently elected and became the first sophomore ever to fill the position. In addition to his vice-presidential post, he has at various times since then been



BAUM & EVANS  
... neck & neck

a member of the Consolidated University student council and the student Chancellor Selection Committee.

In the spring of '56 he was initiated in the Order of the Grail, and expects this spring to be initiated into Phi Beta Kapa.

Bill Baum also entered the University in the spring of 1954. He came here under the self-help scholarship program and at present works in the Library Documents Dept.

"When I first came to Chapel Hill, I was scared," he will tell you. "I was scared to the point of shakes, but on my way from the bus station to the campus that first day, a cab-driver told me something I'll always remember. He said Chapel Hill is a good town and once you stay here and get to know it, you never want to leave. I know that now. And UNC is the greatest school in the South."

As a freshman, after he got over those initial "freshman jitters," Baum became a member of the Student Legislature, was appointed sergeant-at-arms of the University Party, served on the orientation committee and led the Rules Committee of legislature as its chairman.

In 1955, as a sophomore, Baum's participation in student politics was relegated to active interest only. He instead devoted his time to the N. C. Conference of the Methodist Youth Fellowship and served as president of that organization.

Since the fall of '56, he has served as a local minister of the University Methodist Church. He has coupled these activities with the campus scene as a member of the legislature and the Constitution Revision Committee.

Both Evans and Baum, through slightly different perspective, seem to have their sights set on a common goal—attendance at Harvard upon graduation from UNC. Baum, a history major at present, is hoping to enter the Methodist Ministerial School at either Harvard or Duke. And Evans, a recently converted English major, has his eyes set on the law school at Harvard.

### Walter Schrutek

The stage was set and campus political activity sprung to prominent life last week as the two student parties named their candidates and presented their platforms for forthcoming spring elections.

Named to lead the Student Party slate in a bid for the presidency of the student body was Sonny Evans, a rising senior from Durham. Opposing him on the University Party slate was Bill Baum, rising senior from Elizabeth City.

A battle for the editorship of The Daily Tar Heel was set in motion when three independent candidates announced their intentions to run. They were Neil Bass, Frank Crowther and Charlie Sloan.

The first week of activity produced the initial flurry of individual candidate stands and issues. Individual and party platforms were presented which will provide the material and roughage for the impending campus-wide campaign. The wheels of motion have been set and will continue running until the final returns are in late in the morning of April 3.

As spokesman for his party's aims and pursuits, candidate Baum presented a platform which featured the formation of a Student Senate composed of representatives elected from every dormitory, fraternity and sorority on campus to act as an advisory body to the president.

He also included in his platform provisions that with his leadership, the office of president would take action on:

1. Housing for married students.
  2. A needed lessening of restrictions on student union building.
  3. A needed lessening of restrictions on student automobiles.
- UP Chairman Mike Weinman expressed the support of his party in:
1. Building student government to a position of greater respect and dignity.
  2. A mature government in the best student interests.
  3. A capable approach to all existing campus problems.
- SP candidate Evans, in pre-platform statements, pledged his full support to and representation

## In The State: Voting Age, 'Year' School

In the state, a bill to reduce the voting age from 21 to 18 was released from the General Assembly committee last week, and is scheduled to go before the full Senate sometime this week.

The annual Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner was held last night by Tar Heel Democrats in Raleigh. Sen. Lyndon Johnson (D-Texas) and Democratic majority leader in the Senate, was the main speaker.

The State Board of Higher Education made a suggestion last week to put the 12 state-supported colleges on a 12-month instruction basis. D. Hiden Ramsey, chairman of the board, said a bill to this effect would be presented to the 1959 Legislature.

# The Stage Is Set, And Politics Start



POLITICIANS START THEIR YEARLY WORK  
... 17 days until elections

### ON THE CAMPUS:

## Commager Speaks; Y's Elect Officers

In between basketball games which almost stopped UNC hearts and political statements which marked the opening of another spring campaign, here's what the campus did last week:

The Interfraternity Council and the sophomore class announced the "Spring Swing," a concert-dance weekend scheduled for March 22-23, to feature the Don Sherry Trio and the Duke Ambassadors.

## World: Mideast Continues

These things happened in the world last week:

The Eisenhower administration prepared itself for an extensive investigation of the Middle East situation.

Arab demonstrators stormed UN Emergency Force headquarters in Gaza demanding the return of the Gaza Strip to Egypt.

Admiral Richard E. Byrd, USN, the first man to fly over both poles, died early last week.

The Portland labor probe continued with more important people being subpoenaed to appear before the congressional investigating committee.

President Eisenhower received a check-up at Walter Reed Hospital for a cough he has had for several days.



Israeli Students Paid UNC Campus A Visit

The University was host last week to four visiting Israeli students, organized by the Israeli Students' Organization and sponsored by the U. S. National Student Assn. They provided a song, dance and speaking program in Graham Memorial's main lounge.

The Men's Honor Council took stern action against four students, three charged with cheating and one with plagiarism.

In a Wednesday night speech in Cannon Hall, Columbia professor of history Dr. Henry Steele Commager, one of America's leading historians, stressed the leading role that must be played by this country in guiding the world toward "benevolent nationalism." Sponsored by the Graduate History Club, Graham Memorial, and Phi Alpha Theta history fraternity, Commager said that this country has for the past 10 or 15 years been a scene of "chauvanistic nation-

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In the midst of suddenly activated campus politics, the YWCA quietly elected its officers for the coming year. Belle Corey, a rising senior from Atlanta, Ga., was chosen as president, and Ann Morgan of Charleston, W. Va., as vice-president. Ann Holt, junior from Sanford, and Lucinda Holderness of Greensboro, also a junior, were elected treasurer and membership chairman, respectively.

The office of secretary is as yet undecided, and a runoff election between Molly Adams of Wilmington and Cynthia Seagraves of Jacksonville, Fla. will be held Wednesday evening. Also to be decided in the runoff will be the tie between Phyllis Kraft, River Forest, Ill., and Eve McClatchey, Atlanta, Ga., for the post of program chairman.

The Y masculine counterpart, the YMCA, also named its next year's staff. Stewart Colson was

unanimously elected president. Vice president is Joe Phillips; secretary, Kelly Wallace; treasurer, Rick Frank; Larkin Kirkman, membership chairman, and Randy Shelton, program chairman.

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of the "principles, purposes and records of the Student Party."

In his preliminary statements, he also advocated submission of a prospectus for a new student union building to be prepared for next summer. He promised close cooperation with the new University administration of President Friday and newly-elected Chancellor William Aycock.

Evans and SP Chairman Sonny Hallford promised elaboration on their platform when the party formally presents it Monday.

On The Daily Tar Heel editorship scene, a bi-partisan selection board was established for the purpose of screening all candidates for the position.

Standing on their individual platforms, which differed in degrees of emphasis, the three thus far acknowledged candidates were of one mind in one matter. All three advocated more complete and better coverage during their tenure as editor.

Bass, a junior from Nashville, underlined his policies for editorship on the basis of his experience, interest and capability. His platform emphasized:

1. A belief in and advocacy of professional athletics.
2. An opposition to closed Interfraternity Council meetings.
3. Opposition to "Afghanistanism," which he defined as over-emphasis of world news.

Crowther, a sophomore from Chevy Chase, Md, also running on an experience ticket (both with The Daily Tar Heel and the Na-

tional Broadcasting Co.) announced an eight-point program which highlighted:

1. deemphasis of national politics and news.
  2. Better public relations.
  3. Better features and internal organization of the paper.
  4. A student poll to decide on the paper's comic strips.
- Sloan, a sophomore from Arlington, Va., and an ex-managing editor of The Daily Tar Heel, offered in his experience platform:
1. Better coverage.
  2. Less dropping of the flag (the paper's nameplate).
  3. An intent to inform rather than incite through The Daily Tar Heel.

4. Belief in big-time athletics. Filling the rest of the SP candidate ticket were Don Furtado for vice president, Betty Huffman for secretary and Bob Carter for treasurer.

No. 1 positions in the UP scheme were filled by Benny Thomas, vice-presidential candidate and Jerry Jones, Candidate for treasurer of the student body.

Running for presidency of the senior class with UP endorsement was George Ragsdale. His opponent with SP support, Paul Carr, Vice president contenders will be Harry Baxton (UP) and Frank Black (SP).

Other senior office selections for the UP were Miss Bobbi Madison for secretary, Charles Ashford for treasurer and Miss Pat Dillon for social chairman.



Left to right, they are: Pianist Hanoeh Greenfeld, speaker Rafael Even, accordionist and singer Eliezer Plotnik, and dancer Hava Kohav. (Photos by Norman Kentor)

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On Monday evening at 8:30 in Hill Hall Robert Frost will make his yearly Chapel Hill appearance. Frost is aging, to be sure, but his talks are always fascinating. He is liable to talk on anything, and what he says is always right to the point.

At the same time on Channel 4, Dr. Baxter begins a series of discussions of "Henry V." This week he treats the play's purpose and its audience.

At 8 p.m. on Channel 2, Ed

### L'il Abner



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### By A. Capp



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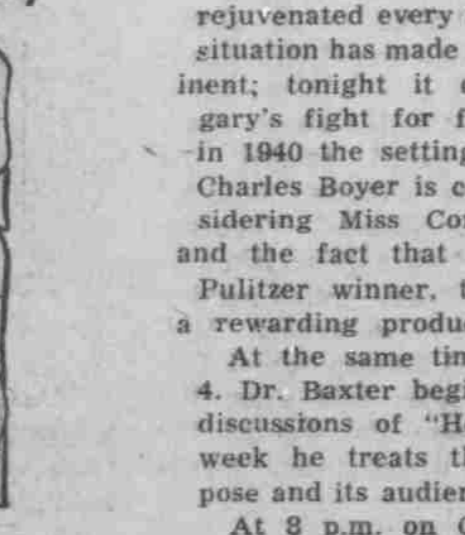
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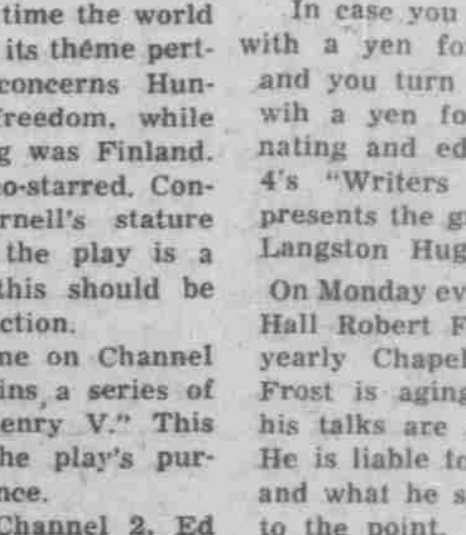
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