

Legislature Should Pass A Newspaper Profit Measure

Tonight a bill will be presented to the student legislature requesting that profits accrued by The Daily Tar Heel should be retained by the publication instead of handed over to the student treasury.

We hope that when a vote is taken on the bill a week from now, it will have gained enough support to assure its passage.

Currently, whenever The Daily Tar Heel needs a special appropriation it must go first to the Publications Board with a request, and thence to the legislature to seek the needed funds. It doesn't occur often for the simple reason that we seldom spend money which is not appropriated in our annual budgets.

However, it is a timely, red-tape-filled process to undertake every time the Tar Heel needs a special appropriation. And it is conceivable that a much-needed item, approved by the Publications Board, could be rejected by the legislature to the detriment of the Daily Tar Heel.

These facts, however, are far overshadowed by the incentive right of the paper to retain for its own purposes any profits which it accrues through the difficult and often thankless work of those who see to its publication.

Under the present arrangement, those who bring income into the Daily Tar Heel through the sale of advertisements and subscriptions become virtual employees of

the student treasury department whenever profits appear for the newspaper. For funds which they provide over and above the Daily Tar Heel's operational expenses are turned over to student coffers.

For instance, our expense appropriation this year was \$46,000-40, paid for by student fees, advertisement and subscriptions. If we were to take in \$60,000, which isn't likely, the \$14,000 realized over and above expenses would not be retained by the Daily Tar Heel.

Obviously, such an arrangement offers little incentive to those who would improve the newspaper off profits which it might accrue.

If the Daily Tar Heel could keep the profits it makes, we would not need to ask the legislature for a new truck—we would buy it with our own resources. Nor would we seek a special appropriation for photographic equipment, for we could buy it ourselves.

In the Publications Board student government has a watchdog over any expenditures of The Daily Tar Heel. That board would remain the watchdog over additional funds if we could retain profits realized through greater effort in advertisement and subscription sales.

Consequently, the legislature should look favorably upon the bill presented tonight with an eye to permitting the Daily Tar Heel to improve itself by funds which rightly belong to it.

J.Y.'S JAZZ

The Swinging Shepherd And Buddy Morrow

There's a song called "Swinging Shepherd Blues" which is pretty doggone good and, surprisingly enough, is getting quite a few plays on the radio and selling quite a few copies. Surprising because it has seemed that the American public is in the habit of disregarding good music and buying the junk. The fact that this song is selling so well should be extremely encouraging to all who like jazz and tasty music, because its one step away from jazz and definitely tasty.

The body of the song is a lilting flute solo, backed mainly by bass and drums, which reminds me a little of a Buddy Collette solo on the Chico Hamilton Quintets "The Morning After." The faceless mob of rock and roll loving Americans which is buying this record wouldn't like to know it, but this stuff is jazz. One more step in the right direction, and in June the hit parade is going to see Max Roach, and Dave Brubeck, and Shelly Manne, and the Duke or the Count, and suddenly the musical face of America will have changed.

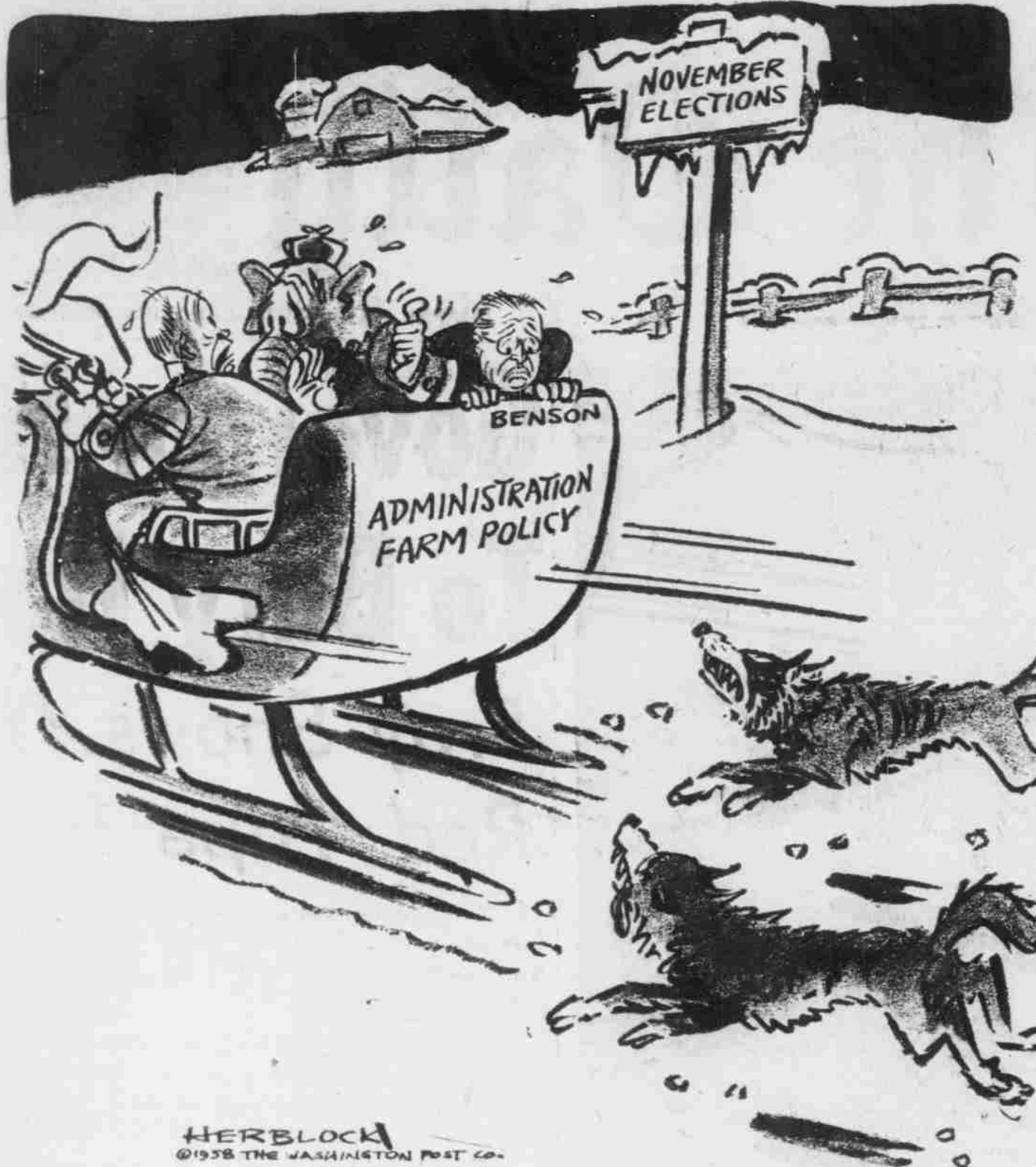
I hate to think that "Rock and Roll" might be dying; after all think of all the great contributions it's made to that entity which is American culture. Oh, there's Elvis Presley, and sideburns, and "Raunchy, and all those wonderful phrases, like "all shook up," or "one eyed cat peepin in a sea food store" or "see you later alligator." Yes indeed, as this great medium slowly fades into the sunset, and the great black chasm which is to be its coffin opens, and we stand sorrowing at the edge, let he who is the spokesman look heavenward, remorsefully brush a sorrowful tear from his misty eye, and declare for the heavens and the world to hear - "We come to bury rock and roll, NOT to praise it!"

Graham Memorial's Mardi Gras Committee has signed the Buddy Morrow orchestra to appear at the Mardi Gras dance and concert this weekend. This is one of the finest dance bands in the country, and a band that Carolina students would love. Morrow's recordings of "Night Train" and "Got You On My Mind" have sold very well, and his "One Mint Julep" is loved by almost every Southerner I know. Yet I have been told that there is a good deal of doubt as to the success of the occasion.

This is due to three factors, all of which are inexcusable. The first is poor scheduling of the dance - two weeks after Germans is an inopportune time. This is minor as compared to the two others - general student lack of enthusiasm for anything that the people in the Student Union try to do for them, and a snotty attitude on the part of the fraternities which says that there is but one dance and that is Germans and that all others are but golden images unworthy of attention.

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"Not Yet"



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VIEW FROM THE HILL

Social Regulations Should Go

This observer committed an egregious error yesterday, when in this column appeared the clause "However, some of them have the misfortune of pledging fraternities..."

What this should have been is that some persons on the campus have the misfortune of being hazed in pledging, which was argued in yesterday's column is contrary to the idea of social equality on the UNC campus.

The emergency committee on fraternities will no doubt hear talk, subsequent to the Lambda Chi Alpha affair, that social rules should be strengthened.

There is at least as good an argument that social regulations should be eliminated entirely.

That the university is trying to cultivate a standard of morality in this microcosm is understandable. That the university wants to protect itself from criticism from the outside is natural.

However, the university should not be responsible for the private lives of its students. In doing so it is invading into the privacy of the individual that should be zealously guarded. Further, it is taking an added responsibility over and above that of the civil courts, a responsibility with which the university should not be charged.

Although the university is currently looked at by the press of the state, as being responsible for the lives of the students within it, this concept is a false concept, as no group should be responsible for any other group whose membership has attained the age of responsibility to the civil laws.

Students who at the end of their high school career have to face the test of civil law, it is rather silly to see that the more intelligent people in the community must be subjected to juvenile laws. College students are not in a social incubator, although they may be in an intellectual one.

The university currently tries to curb violators of social laws, and hence, when violations occur, the university is blamed. As long as it assumes the responsibility it should be blamed. The point being argued here is that the university should not take the responsibility.

These rules do very little good, and invite violation. Moreover, they infringe on individual rights in simply telling a person when and where to drink or when and where to come in at night. There can be some argument against having drinking or other excesses on university property, but to forbid it at private

establishments, such as fraternities is in violation of the rights of private property.

Further, to make a coed come in at 1 a.m. on a weekend night or 11 p.m. on a weekday does nothing good. It is designed to protect the reputation of the Carolina coed, but the Carolina coed, has the ability to do what the university is trying to protect the coed from doing at any time of the day.

Girls at the age of twenty should not be treated as children. If they were not in the university, they would be subject to the laws of the land, not the rules of the smaller group.

At some point in an individual's life, he must accept the responsibility that society places on him. The university should not impede this process.

It has been oft said in this column that one should not legislate morality, because morality is an individual matter.

Social rules represent the university's view of minimum morality. They are not effective enough to prevent the violation, and they are too effective in that they take away the individual's freedom of choice within civil law. They should be eliminated.

ECONOMIC PROBLEMS, TOO

Fraternity Man Makes Case For Early Rush

By PRINGLE PIPKIN

I should like to discuss the case against delayed rush from the viewpoint of the fraternities, for I believe through their relationship to rushing they deserve some consideration.

The first question is just how delayed would rush be? The earliest time which would have any advantage over the present system would be right after the first semester.

Except for the beginning of the year this is the time when the academic load is the lightest, and so the rush and fraternity men could devote their efforts to rush without serious academic hardship.

Any other time during the year there would be hour quizzes which would conflict with the rush program, unless the University would be so considerate as to suspend quizzes for a week.

I assume that rush would be conducted on a basis similar to the way it is now run and would take about a week to complete.

It is possible, if informal rush is conducted throughout the year, that the rushing period could be shortened or even eliminated.

However informal rush would present more problems than it would solve in my opinion. In the first place the larger houses with more money at their disposal would have an unfair advantage over the smaller houses in conducting the rush program.

Secondly, rush is a tiring process and it would be difficult to keep the house interested in rush throughout the long rush period.

A long informal rush period would also be relatively unorganized and expensive. The fraternity would have to spend at least one half of the year working at rush.

Therefore, it seems to me that a rush period organized on the present lines with a "silence" period and conducted just after the first semester would be the fairest and most practical way to conduct a delayed rushing program.

Assuming that rush would be run under these conditions, I see another problem.

As the fraternity houses are now instituted they have some relatively fixed overheads with regards to the dining room and to the sleeping quarters of the house.

In order to operate on a reasonably stable financial condition the fraternity must have a relatively fixed number of members so the costs of the overhead can be met.

Included within this fixed overhead are all the expenses of owning a house—taxes, insurance, heat, repair, etc.—and cost of employing help to work in the kitchen.

As the membership of a fraternity becomes smaller the proportion of overhead that each member must pay becomes larger or else the fraternity simply loses money.

As the fraternity becomes more expensive because of the drop in membership, some members have to go inactive because of financial strain and so the expense is increased per capita.

In light of these facts let us examine delayed rush. A fraternity now has 50 members and in the spring 15 graduate. Under the present system of early rush this fraternity would get around 20 pledges in the fall and so have around 50 members during the rest of the year.

If delayed rush is instituted and this fraternity can not get any pledges until after the first semester, will not those 35 men have a difficult time supporting a fraternity normally supported by 50 men?

The matter boils down to the simple fact that regardless of how the fraternity plans its pledging there can never be a relatively fixed number of members in a fraternity throughout the year.

The cycle will be continuous—at the beginning of the year the fraternity would not have enough members, then after the first semester the facilities of the fraternity would be overcrowded.

(By facilities I mean the dining room; most fraternities do not expect to have room to sleep all of their members in the house.)

Only the cleverest house managers would be able to keep the cost of membership at the present level while at the same time keeping the house out of debt.

The question of delayed rushing is a multistaged problem; I personally believe the present system contains the least of the possible evil.

The Polls Committee: Keeping Up With Times

Well, there's nothing like keeping up with the times.

Take, for instance, the revealing report of the GMAB Polls Committee conducted to see "how students felt about controversial issues and problems."

Only thing wrong with the revealing study, conducted last fall, is that it was just released for publication Tuesday.

Really, boys. Of what significance are your campus-wide polls—expected to represent a cross-view of student opinion—if you release them three months after the "controversial issues and problems" on which they report?

Well, maybe our attitude is wrong. Let's take a campus-wide poll, determine how many are in favor of releasing poll results soon after their collection, and then present a report of this survey to students this summer.

Perhaps we could include in the same poll data telling how many students attended the Duke-Carolin football game, what percentage of the student body spent Thanksgiving at home, and who thinks Robert Kennedy should speak here in the fall, 1957.

These and many other pertinent studies would be of vital interest to the student body.

Enough for the future. Following is a little data about the past which was included in the polls committee report released here Tuesday.

1. Some 73.9 per cent of the

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student body wanted Adlai Stevenson to appear on campus for a public address. (That was in October, you remember, of 1957—last year.)

2. 'Peanuts,' the Daily Tar Heel comic strip, won the support of 86.9 per cent of the student body. (For those of you who can't remember, 'Peanuts' was added to the paper in early December, 1957.)

3. Back in 1957, when the poll was taken, 47.2 per cent of the student body were smokers, and more bought Kents than any other brand. (With the new Winston lighter give-away plan, no telling how the vote may have changed.)

4. The consensus back in 1957, by 62.8 per cent, favored a seventh sorority on campus. (The Kappa Kappa Gammas already are firmly established on the campus and have even held their first rush parties!)

The report Tuesday carried with it a request that persons with questions they would like to include in the polls should come by the GMAB office—and the Polls Committee will take care of it for you.

We would make this comment, however: be sure to date your question, 'cause somebody's likely to forget what you're talking about by the time the report is made.

SINCE SPUTNIK

No Hiding Place

When the Russians fired Sputnik I into space they also launched the world on a binge of wordniks.

In no timenik at all, we had a Muttnik or, as some declared, a Dognik. There was considerable speculation that a Mannik would soon be cricling the earth.

It was almost foreordained that the Navy's Vanguard, which exploded four feet off the ground, would be Dudnik.

Then came the Army with its Jupiter-C, sending the "Explorer" into an orbit around the world.

The crazenik continued. One Latin newspaper termed our satellite an "Uncle Sannik." Sarcastically, an East German paper dubbed it "Latenik." (Better latenik than nevernik?)

What we're getting at is that all these phraseniks eventually will make us sicknik.

But we don't intend to fall prey to this linguistic trap. As soon as the weather warms, we're going to get away from it all. Probably pack a nice lunch and drive out to the lake for a picnic. —Bristol Herald Courier

PEANUTS



L'IL ABNER



POGO



by Charles Schulz

by Al Capp

by Walt Kelly

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Are We Doubletalking?

To the editor:

It is indeed regrettable that the argument about Perez Jimenez fitness to rule Venezuelans has drifted toward unwarranted attacks upon my people. As a foreigner who is enjoying the hospitality of this country I cannot answer every and all the questions that have been raised by my opponents. The host's forgetfulness of his duties does not allow the guest to forget his. However, it is necessary to point out, that to all foreign students and specially to those who are citizens of underdeveloped countries, it must be deeply disappointing to notice that in the middle of the cold war between "Democracy" and "Totalitarianism," the only commitments in your paper raised by the over throwing of a dictator in the Western hemisphere are in favor of the dictatorial ruler and against our people's rights to fight for its freedom.

So far I had thought every American would heartily hail the restoration of freedom in any country. I will go back to my country with a different but maybe a more realistic idea about the nature of the struggle we are fighting today. I began to think that you may need as much help as we do to make the dream of a "free world" come true even in your own country. So let me suggest that you send the letters that have been written in favor of the dictator and against my people to the Central University of Venezuela so that the students in my country may read them and let you know what their reaction is. I am sure that the Venezuelan students will welcome your initiative and will be able to contribute to a better understanding between our countries.

Respectfully yours,
Martin Perez Jr.