

Sheffield- 'Last Hurrah'

Dewey Sheffield is the last of the old time politicians.

In the memory of the editor, no student has come onto this campus and burst into the upper echelon with such rapidity as has Sheffield. He arrived here in September. In October he decided to run for a seat in the Student Legislature. He was defeated for the nomination by a rousing 475 margin. Did this stop Sheffield? No!

He promptly decided to seek a seat on the Honor Council. Did he receive the endorsement of the Bi-Partisan Selections Board? NO! Did this stop Sheffield? NO!

He won, finishing a strong second in a field of nine, the only candidate running for this high office who was not endorsed. He was sandwiched in between George Grayson and Howard Holderness for the three seats open. Amazing? YES! But so is Sheffield.

The following week he defeated three candidates for the vice chairmanship of the Student Party. In this job, Sheffield has done more than any person before him in recent years.

Then came the spring elections. Again Sheffield was on the scene. We remember well the night of the Big Five Political Rally in Gerard Hall, when Sheffield went storming to the microphone, looked Angus Duff in the eye, and emphatically stated: "I have been in politics a long time." This is the understatement of any year.

Sheffield was on the losing side this spring. But, this was not his fault. He did not go to bed for the last three nights of the campaign, so he continued his efforts around the clock to save some victories for his party. Had it not been for his women's services, the University Party margin of victory would have been far larger than it was.

And now, a little over seven months after his stormy arrival on the UNC campus, Sheffield has ascended to the chairmanship of his party.

We like to think of Sheffield as a professional — or better yet as something out of "The Last Hurrah."

Legislature Roundup

By DAVE JONES

"The first session of the 27th assembly of the Student Legislature of the University of North Carolina will come to order." So spoke Student Body Vice President Ralph Cummings Thursday night.

Within a few minutes the Chaplain had given the invocation, the minutes had been dispensed with, and Erwin Fuller, the Chairman of the Student Council, was swearing in the new officers.

First he called Bob Bingham, then Sue Wood, then David Grigg. As soon as Grigg was pronounced to be the vice president, Ralph Cummings rose from the vice president's chair, shook hands with his successor, and walked to the back of the room to join Don Furtado, who had a few brief minutes as president left.

Charlie Gray was called and sworn in.

As soon as he was pronounced president by Fuller, Gray walked up to the rostrum and read his State of the Campus message.

David Grigg had a brief word to say to the new legislature about the coming year. Then he swore in the newly-elected and re-elected members of the legislature.

Most significant and most exciting was the election of legislative officers. This is called organization. In the U. S. Congress it is done strictly on party lines and by seniority. Here these two rules are so blurred as to be almost indistinguishable. (Who among you can name the senior SP in the legislature?)

Ghosts of the recent past were on everyone's mind as they made their nominations in caucus and on the floor of the legislature for speaker pro tempore.

This position has been held in recent years by such people as Charlie Pittman (now president of Phi Delta Theta), Al Goldsmith (champion of many campus battles), Gary R. Geer (the author of the first tome on deterred rush), John Brooks, and Norman Barrett Smith.

Jim Scott of Dorm Men's II was elected as the new speaker pro tempore. Jim meets the requirements of the office. He is genuinely respected by the members of the legislature. He knows how to conduct himself at all times, in and out of the speaker's chair.

Committee chairmanships are valuable offices. They offer the holders a perch from which to make utterances that are news. They are excellent training ground for future, higher offices. The chairmanship of the Ways and Means committee was most recently held by Norman B. Smith. The chairman of the new, year long, 27th assembly is Bob Nobles, one of the four representatives who represent the boys in Avery Dorm.

Lovely Ann Lucas was the most recent chairman of the Rules committee. She was succeeded by Ed Cox. Ed is one of the Student Party's freshmen legislators. This offers him a chance to make a name for himself, even if he doesn't have the physical attributes of his predecessor.

Gordon Street was re-elected chairman of the Finance Committee. Street himself was absent. He is in the infirmary, but nevertheless he defeated Swag Grimsley of the Student Party 23-11.

Maxine Greenfield, an old friend of the elections board, was unanimously chosen as clerk of the new legislature. (I'll bet she wishes she had never paid the five dollars when she starts cutting stencils on the 14 bills introduced by the body Thursday night.)

The Floor Leaders are Jack Lawing for the UP and Jim Crownover for the SP.

Of the 14 bills introduced last night, three were ordered passed by special orders. One of these, BF-27-14, was written while the others were being read. It was a bill to let the Daily Tar Heel transfer \$9.99 from its profits to its photography budget.

Why \$9.99? The rules of the legislature require a week's consideration of any bill to have to do with more than ten dollars. The DTH is in desperate need of funds for photos and a week's run without them would not have made the readers or the Editor of the DTH very happy.

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Golden Speaks

Fifty years ago my Orthodox mother said that Judaism in America was doomed; the kosher butchers were too careless, the American rabbis were beginning to shave, and the men and boys were no longer saying their prayers three times a day.

My mother would be greatly surprised today. Fifty years later we not only have chocolate matzos, but we also have Elizabeth Taylor. And not only Elizabeth Taylor. Marilyn Monroe too. Now all we need is Jayne Mansfield and we'll have it made. I am organizing a special UJA Jayne Mansfield Scholarship Fund.

Right Man

Down at Cape Canaveral, where the missiles are launched, live a whole group of scientists, psychologists and doctors who spend all their time trying to find the right man whom they will launch toward the moon when the time comes. They have filed thousands of index cards describing top physical volunteers. Machines constantly process these findings. The list of available candidates is now down to fifty, and eventually this concerted hunt will narrow down to one man, physically sound, psychologically right and smart. Truly, he will be a mens sana in corpore sano. But there is something absurd about the purpose of this team. Having found the perfect man, it seems the last place they should send him is to the moon. Rather they ought to keep him there, to help propagate the race. They ought to shoot off the least qualified man, because we need the best man like we never needed him before.

Harry Golden

Hemingway

Ernest Hemingway, replying to a question concerning the best intellectual training for the would-be writer, said: "Let's say that he should go out and hang himself because he finds that writing well is impossibly difficult. Then he should be cut down without mercy and forced by his own self to write as well as he can for the rest of his life. At least he will have the story of the hanging to commence with."

The Paris Review

Driving Letter

Editor:

It is only a matter of time before the first traffic fatality will occur in Victory Village. When it does, it is a good bet that the victim will be a child under five years of age, and the driver of the car involved will have been guilty of exceeding the established speed limits in Victory Village.

The responsible parties are the residents of Victory Village (the main transgressors) and lax attitude of the man against Victory Village who ignore these transgressions, and the Chapel Hill Police Dept. who permit these offenses to go unpunished.

The solution is simple: Post the speed regulations at both entrances to the Village with a stern warning that they will be enforced. Enforce the regulations—with a few tickets to emphasize the fact that this is no idle threat. Notification by the management of the Village that residents who disregard the traffic regulations will be ineligible to maintain Village residency. This will save some youngster's life.

Name withheld by request.

New President Speaks

Gray's Inaugural Address

(This is the first of three parts of Charlie Gray's inaugural speech to the Student Legislature last Thursday night.—Ed.)

April 16, 1959, we stop and look at student government at UNC. After a short analysis, one cannot help but be very proud of the student accomplishments on this campus. Through the years, student government has grown from a small handful of students still hesitant from faculty control to the large, autonomous, and respected organization that exist today.

Mature, responsible, and representative action by past student leaders has brought about this present status. The students now tax themselves, provide their own entertainment, solve student problems, initiate new ideas and needs, and most of all stimulate their classmates to search for truth, knowledge, and understanding which may be utilized in creating a better university, a better state, and a better world.

These high ideals and beliefs of Carolina student government must be continued, moreover, broadened and strengthened to assure the students the right of expression, initiative, and self-government in the years to come. I dedicate myself and my administration to the attainment of these goals.

There are many areas of student government and student life that need immediate attention. It is impossible to mention all these areas or foresee the problems that will arise in the future.

A satisfactory solution to the needs facing the students today is impossible to predict. Student government can only mention these problem areas and devote all its efforts to correcting the situations.

The one area that must be strengthened first is the line of communication between student government and the student body.

One of the largest and most important segments of our campus is in definite need of help from stu-



dent government. This segment is the fraternal organizations. Because of a certain amount of laxness on the part of fraternities and because of the beliefs of an increasing number of people, the future of Greek organizations at Carolina could be dim, unless something is done.

This is where student government can be of great assistance. I plan to work with the IFC to present a program that will help fraternities prove to everyone that they are not harmful to any student, but are a definite asset to college life.

Such a program would consist of more stress on scholastics, more faculty teas and discussions, steps to improve relations between fraternity and non-fraternity men, a broader program of informal rush during second semester and other steps that prove necessary. If fraternities are to keep their present rush system and ultimately their high status, they must take immediate action.

There is much room for improvement in the dormitory life of our campus. Because of the age of many of our dormitories and because of inadequacies of our student union, there now exist a definite shortage of social facilities for the dormitory men. An adequate social rounded education. Until we can life is one of essentials of a well-acquire permanent accommodations, student government must seek to alleviate the social need as best possible.

I plan to strengthen the IDC's social program, continue the coed visiting agreements, and investigate the possibility of converting some of our present dorm basements, which are now used for storage, into temporary social rooms. If this latter point is to become a reality, it will require hard work and co-operation among student government, the IDC, and the university administration.

(To Be Continued)

Library Lights

Last week we called for more lights on the outside of the library so as to ease the possibility of a student falling on the steps and sustaining an injury. And now we offer our plan to provide this needed illumination.

Install floodlights from above the steps. There may be attached to either trees or to an outlet from the second floor of the building. Put them at such an angle as to supply the light one must have to safely navigate the hard concrete steps, and yet make sure that they will not be at all blinding.

How about it library officials? The fall you prevent, may well be your own.

S. G. And The Administration

Last Thursday night a reception was held at the Chancellor's for members of the administration and students recently elected to major offices. Although the conversation was not terribly deep, the old lines were broken and new ties were formed.

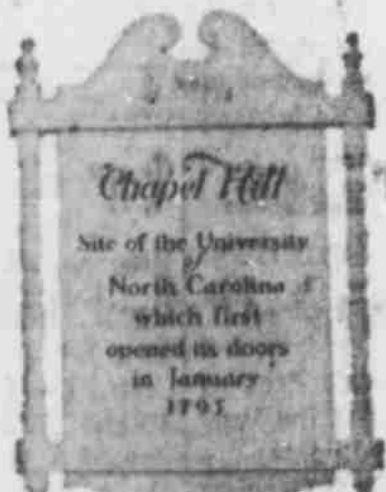
The paper encourages this type of social gathering and hopes that the students who were fortunate enough to attend will continue the contacts which have been made. Student government needs the administration. And the administration needs student government.

The administration has clearly shown that it recognizes this. It is hoped that student government will too.

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PEANUTS

POGO

We may only add that we wish Mr. Morrow could be divided into a dozen Murrows, all of equal stature. And our congratulations to Saturday Review for a fine public service of its own.

Big Boom

Last week the editor and two of his associates were privileged to see a USAF film, "The Air Force and the H-Bomb," on loan from the local AFROTC detachment to the campus 'Y'. This film will be shown tonight at Carroll Hall, and we urge you to see it.

The paradox of our time is that the finest young Americans — upright, decent, law-abiding — are the men who hold in their hands the awful power to blow up the world. The ancient dream of a heaven on earth is now recognized to be impossible; however, HELL on earth is all too possible and all too probable. This paradox is illuminated in this superb film. See you at Carroll Hall.