

The Daily Tar Heel

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SSL Gives Bathrooms

State Student Legislature is just what the name says. It is students from colleges across the state who meet once a year to legislate on first one thing and another. UNC always sends a large delegation.

The biggest problem the group had this year was finding a meeting place in Raleigh (the DTH gave SSL Odyssey of the Week Award Sunday).

The mock legislators finally settled in the board room of the Agriculture Department Friday, and began legislating. Later they met in the State Highway Building.

The Raleigh Times carried this account Friday afternoon:

"The first bill, concerning public rest rooms, was introduced by Elon College, and defeated by a vote of 43 to 40 with two abstentions. The main objections to the bill were the cost of proper supervision and the fact that service stations were a main problem and most stations were policed by the gasoline companies."

Monday's Raleigh Times carried this story:

"Employees in the State Highway Building were hopping mad this morning when they found the condition their building had been left by the State Student Legislature which met in the building's auditorium over the weekend.

"It looked like a fairground after all the people had left," cried one upset secretary.

"I've never seen anything like it in the four years I've been here," said one maintenance worker.

"The rest rooms were a wreck," said one secretary. "They were filled with empty drink bottles and paper towels were scattered all over the halls."

Contemplation of the coincidence of these events is left to the reader.

A Lack Of Communication

A note of clarification about Tuesday's botched-up election is in order.

Chi Psi fraternity was indeed responsible for manning the ballot boxes in Y-Court. The Elections Board knew it. Chi Psi did not.

A sign-up sheet for poll tenders was sent to the Chi Psi Lodge. Instructions on the sheet said tenders should man the poll in their district. Carolina Inn was not named, but it is the polling place in the Chi Psi district.

"Y-Court" was penned in at the top of the sheet, according to temporary Elections Board Chairman John Winborne, but Chi Psi officers say nobody told them they should send tenders to Y-Court—instead of Carolina Inn, which has been their responsibility in past elections.

The fraternity officers said students were sent to Carolina Inn but there were no ballot boxes there to tend. Winborne confirmed this.

So you tried, fellows.

The DTH's gripe about the execution of the election is not with any particular group, but with the attitude that an election can be run without organization.

Hopefully that organization can be achieved before the next vote, and such misunderstandings can be avoided.

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"But I Thought They Said March 'Til Friday!"



The Student Speaks

Walk To Friday's House Does Serve A Purpose

By RICHARD FRENCH

My first acquaintance with political tyranny dates back to the day when I was expelled from school at the age of 15 for refusing to read as part of a literature course, the Political Manifesto of the Peron Regime in my native country of Argentina. After some trouble with the secret police, my father thought it prudent to ship me off to England.

I came to this country seven years ago, and was honored with citizenship a little less than a year ago. Though the circumstances are quite different, what is happening to me today in North Carolina is not so different in principle from what happened to me 15 years ago.

Political authority has seen fit to interfere with my schooling, to dictate what ideas I shall or shall not examine. I cannot pretend to speak for C.F.I., but if the reception to my talk last Thursday by that body is any indication, I don't think I will be too far in the expression of my thoughts from theirs.

C.F.I. is not trying to issue manifestos, or to impose its views (or anyone else's) on this campus. On the contrary, we have prepared a statement of principle and a policy for campus speakers which we believe can receive the assent of every student, faculty member and administrator on this campus who believes free speech to be indispensable to the future of the Universities of North Carolina and to the future of free men.

We are trying to see to it that everyone possible shall know of our policy, so that each may individually decide upon it. This policy will be presented at the Assembly in Memorial Hall tonight at 7:30, so that those who care enough to come may express their assent or dissent by voice vote.

If we were merely dealing with the question of whether Aptheker should speak or not speak at this time on this campus, we would perhaps be less concerned, though I do not think so. But this is not the case.

The speaker policy proposed by the executive committee of the board of trustees is a form of prior restraint which will remain with us long after Aptheker is forgotten. We will, to the shame of this state and University, be saddled with censorship of ideas, and it does not seem to us to matter much where the censorship originates, and whether the censors be 11 men, 100 men, one man, or any number of men.

If how we feel about Aptheker blinds us to principle, we will have failed as democrats and free men. As to the walk to President Friday's residence, let it be clear what is intended. We will invite those who want to do so, and only those who wish to do so, to join as after the rally in what is intended to be the participatory expression in a symbolic act of petition, a token of our shared values and principles.

At the same time we would wish to convey our views and to urge their consideration and adoption by each of our trustees. Obviously the effort involved and in the time re-

maining, 100 separate walks is out of the question, as is also a walk to Raleigh.

We have no wish to take large numbers of students away from their studies, to disrupt traffic, and to cause unnecessary inconvenience to the police and to the citizens of this State.

If I may return to the first person singular, the walk to President Friday's residence is justified precisely because we cannot reach directly the parties to which we can submit our grievances. It is justified precisely by the fact that the President has always represented as well in the past, and if he is willing to transmit our views once more, I see no rationale for Barry Jacobs' objections.

However, I agree that the Governor would be the ideal party to whom to present a petition. If the graduate students would be willing for me to represent them, and if a faculty and undergraduate representative could also be found, let Jacobs join us, so that the four of us could walk to Raleigh as representatives of this university to present our petition, and time our arrival to be some time shortly before the meeting of the trustees.

Let me conclude, that I am personally disappointed that in spite of the consensus that I believe exists on this question, The Daily Tar Heel has not perhaps lent its wholehearted support to the efforts of C.F.I. I also regret that the faculty also has met, only to adjourn without a clear public statement of principle under which we could rally. I am also disappointed that more students have not come to the open meetings of C.F.I.

I hope I have not bored you, and I hope that I may have added some clarity to what C.F.I. represents and wishes to do. If I have failed in this, I have failed indeed, for I believe the efforts of C.F.I. deserve your consent and support. It is not too late for each to do his part. You should not, and I hope you will not, let the ball be carried for you in so vital a matter as this.

David Rothman

Calculate Your Alcohol

A traffic expert recently told New Jersey legislators that drivers can gulp down one martini an hour for ten straight hours and not violate the state's intoxication limit.

Robert Donigan, chief counsel of the Northwestern University Traffic Institute, also said you can drink forever without breaking the law.



It's all a matter of timing, Donigan sagaciously noted.

I recently visited a New Jersey cocktail party, and was amazed to learn that Donigan's findings are nothing new.

"Would you like another martini?" the hostess asked one of her guests.

"Just a minute," he said, pulling a pencil and pad out of his pocket. "According to the law, I can't drive home with more than .15 per cent alcohol in my blood."

"Go ahead," she said.

"A little longer, please. I hope my previous calculations weren't off by too much. My mind's a bit hazy, and I'd swear, if I didn't know any better, that I'm drunk. But I can't be: I'm sure I have everything figured out on that piece of paper."

"But," the hostess reminded him, "maybe you goofed the first time and managed to get yourself intoxicated."

"That's the trouble when you goof; you incorrectly think you're sober. You drink again, then make some more calculations. But you're so drunk by this time that the new calculations are also off."

"Then you feel you can safely drink once more. You have a few extra beers, figure out how much alcohol you have in your blood and decide you can continue drinking."

"You don't quit until you're too boozed up to move your pencil; at that point, you finally can't convince yourself you're sober."

"This is a common problem," the hostess declared. "Most of my friends solve it by never going to a party unless accompanied by somebody who does not drink."

"And he drives everybody home?"

"Not exactly. He is the one who operates the adding machine."

"What if the machine gives him the wrong figures—making him think his companions can have extra martinis when actually they can't?"

"Faulty equipment is a major cause of accidents. This is why the state legislature will soon pass a law requiring that adding machines be inspected once a year."

The hostess is quite correct. In fact, after I left her party I was put in the cooler for operating an adding machine without a license.

Letters To The Editor

UP Protest

Editor, The Daily Tar Heel:

I think that it is indeed unfortunate that some questionable campaign tactics have occurred before the time of conventions. In this matter I am referring to a circular distributed by the Student Party on Sunday which contained stereotyped comments which might have applied to the University Party five years ago. To refute the arguments would be both inane and hypocritical.

I speak for the University Party when I say that the campaign we conduct this year will be both fair and positive. With the situations of Student Government and the University as they now stand any other

actions would be detrimental. Hence, in accordance with the tacit agreements reached in the Fair Campaign Practices Commission we intend to pursue the offices in the spring with the good of Student Government in mind.

I am disturbed that Jim Little, of whom I have a great deal of respect, would affix his name to a sham circular, so I must conclude that he either did not know of it or was pressed by a majority of his Executive Committee into doing it.

I challenge the parties and the candidates this spring to campaign in a fair and positive manner for the good of Student Government and the University.

Neil Thomas
UP Chairman

The Collegiate World

Blood Drive Flops At Tulane

By CORKY ANVER
Tulane Huliabaloo

This week's drive to collect blood for Viet Nam has been cancelled because of a lack of responses by the student body. Out of 4000 applications sent out by the Pan-Hellenic Council, only 70 have been returned, and of those only 50 have been positive.

The Red Cross has announced that a minimum of 300 responses would have been necessary before the project would have been worth the expense and effort of setting up equipment on campus.

FACILITIES

The mobile Red Cross unit would have come from Mobile because the New Orleans chapter of Red Cross does not have adequate facilities to handle any large number of donations at one time.

APATHY INDICATED

Ken Sutherland, president of Pan-Hel, stated that the turnout was "indicative of Tulane's apathy," and that "countless other schools across the country have collected hundreds of pints of blood" on similar drives.

Sutherland explained that the project was sponsored jointly by Pan-Hel and the Red Cross, but that Pan-Hel's main job was to act as a liaison between the Red Cross and the student body.

He suggested that the reason more fraternity members did not respond in the drive was that it was not an official Pan-Hel undertaking, and that thus fraternity members were not really urged to participate.

Sutherland stated, "If nobody else is going to do it, why should anyone do it?" in summarizing the fraternity attitude.

PERHAPS

He thought that many of the fraternity members would have joined in if the 300-response-minimum hurdle had been overcome, and that if equipment had been set up perhaps as many as 1000 donations would have been made.

Cary Tye, chairman of the project, announced on Tuesday that it would be abandoned. He thanked all those students who bothered to return the forms, and particularly those who had offered to donate blood.

