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Students Should March As Reminder To Committee

The Southern Student Organizing Committee is considering holding a march to dramatize the extent and depth of student support for visitation agreements.

A march, which is needed, would come at a crucial point, for now, after the petition in favor of visitation has been turned over to the Administration, a student-faculty administration committee is studying the proposal for visitation.

As is the usual case with matters of crucial interest, the committee will be studying lots of things besides the students' desire to have the visitation. Such being the case, it would be good to give the members of the committee a reminder that students want the right to determine for themselves whether male students can have women in their dorm rooms.

The members of the committee should not be allowed to forget that over 4,000 students signed the petition, and that about 80 per cent of the persons contacted about the petition signed it.

What the committee will probably be concentrating on in its meetings is the repercussions that a visitation agreement might have on the parents or the citizens of the state.

We consider it foolish of the committee if they really think they shouldn't grant the students what they deserve unless a majority of the parents or of the people in the state think the students should have the right to decide who comes in their rooms.

Since when did the University have to consult the citizens and

parents before it acted on some proposal?

The administrators of the University have been given their positions in order to make such decisions as they are now being called on to make; they were not put in that place in order to pass the buck on to persons who are totally unfamiliar with the University as it is now and with the problems of managing it.

Did the University take a poll of the parents or citizens when it desegregated in the early '50's? Of course not. It went ahead and desegregated because it knew desegregation was the right thing to do. Had it taken a poll of the citizens, alumni, or parents UNC would probably still be an all-white University.

The same applies to the question of drinking in the dormitories, to the question of letting students demonstrate, or the question of letting students run their own disciplinary system.

The members of the committee should not obscure the issue of whether students should have the right to determine who will enter their rooms by demanding consideration of the parents and citizens. They should consider what the students feel about the matter, and whether they think students should have the right to run their own lives, and then they should make their recommendations to the administration.

To encourage the members of the committee to consider the issues and not concentrate on irrelevancies students should march, a good way of dramatizing that the students want visitation, and not in some distant millenium.

Shetley Logic As Bad As His Sandwiches

Two students get sick after eating sandwiches made at the University Food Service;

Normally complacent students in lower quad get so aggravated by what they consider poor quality sandwiches that they picket the Circus Room;

Students in lower quad circulate petitions protesting the poor labelling and poor quality of the sandwiches sold at Book Ex snack bars.

Sound like there's something wrong with the sandwiches sold at the snack bars? No, not on your life—at least that what Tom Shetley of the Book Ex thinks.

"Sales have not fallen off that much" says Shetley, drawing the conclusion that therefore most students don't find fault with the sandwiches.

His logic strikes as being as bad as his sandwiches. Of course sales haven't fallen off that much, Mr. Shetley. What do you expect when you have a monopoly on the sale of

sandwiches on campus?

If Shetley would agree to letting an outside sandwich company sell its sandwiches alongside his own he would quickly find out what most students think of the sandwiches made at the University Food Service.

But, of course, he wouldn't allow that, he said yesterday, because the Book Ex might start losing money.

With most of the students apparently not objecting to the sandwiches—according to Shetley—where did all these protesters come from?

Probably just a bunch of outside agitators; probably communists who don't think much of your capitalistic system, Mr. Shetley.

Well, we wish those communistic outside agitators that picketed the Circus Room and who are boycotting you, the best of luck, because your strange brand of capitalism, with its monopoly that ignores the students, has got to go.

U.S. Not After Peace

After about a week of constant news stories proclaiming that the U.S. and North Vietnamese were on the verge of agreement and that the bombing of the North would stop soon, U.S. officials are now saying there are slim prospects for a bombing halt.

Many times before, during the course of the war, the U.S. has ignored peace feelers from the North.

Now the U.S. has again ignored what might be a peace gesture from

the North Vietnamese. For the most powerful nation in the world, one which can afford to take the first step towards peace, is this the type of action that characterizes a peace-lover?

No, of course not. These actions only reaffirm our belief that the American establishment, the military, political, and industrial leaders in the U.S. don't want peace, that their lifeblood comes from the shedding of the blood of America's youth in war.

Letters To The Editor

Let Everyone Tote Firearms

Editor:
I offer the following solution to the gun-control problem which has plunged itself into so many American minds. The principle fear generating from the mass of the unarmed populace arises from their apprehension that the gun possessing minority has the power to do them in. Now, it is simply the case that this basic fear could be eliminated by arming the total populace with guns, thereby depriving the gun holding minority of their murderous advantage.

With the gun problem removed, those with violent intentions could so pursue their designs by resorting to either historically regressive or progressive weaponry in the name of over-kill. Therefore, it is my suggestion that the guardians of public mortality should direct their concerns to statutes that would outlaw the thumb-screw or the rack, on the one hand, and a personal thermounuclear bomb or a laser destruction device, on the other.

Sincerely
Pere Ubu
Doctor of Pataphysics

Invective Penned For English Grads

Editor:
The following is invective for your consideration:

A typical English grad am I,
A typical English dud,
My I.Q.'s thirty and plus one,
But I can fake it, bud!

I watch my words ascend to God,
I watch my students wince;
I talk to others like the calvier
That Stevens dumped on Quince.

I con, Ikon to all my peers,
I con them to my feet;
If they ignore my bold finesse,
I turn them into peat.

They burn and shrivel like hot beers
That've suddenly lost their head,
And God I know my place in life
Is to control with dread.

Oh, a typical English grad am I,
A typical English dud...ect. ad
infinimum.

Sincerely
Richard Williams
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Chapel Hill

Inventive Males Couldn't Do It

Editor:
Miss Huffman's letter of October 17 raised a few problems in logistics concerning male visitors in womens' dormitories. Miss Huffman lists four objections to establishing a program of dorm visitation which I shall try to summarize as follows: 1) One might meet guys on the hall in one's nightclothes; 2) some guys may become permanent residents of the dorm; 3) the issue of dorm visitation might become linked to a larger chain of events which could subvert the national security; 4) dorm visitation as an issue has become so enmeshed in a shallow form of avant-garde liberalism as to preclude rational analysis. These are problems of some magnitude, to be sure, but perhaps not insurmountable.

First, it might be possible to designate certain dorms where males would not be allowed to visit, and those coeds who do not wish to have their privacy infringed upon could live in these. Actually, though, if Miss Huffman has spent some time in Europe, then she is no doubt

aware of the fact that most hotels do not have private bath facilities, yet guests have not found this to be a great inconvenience. Most simply slip on a bath robe (or more modest attire, if they wish).

Second, even the most inventive males at U.N.C. wouldn't be able to pull this off. They just wouldn't.

Third, any reform issue may be attacked in a variety of ways. Up until now, everyone interested in pursuing the issue of dorm visitation at U.N.C. seems to have proceeded in a very rational manner. Even SSOC, which identifies

this matter it deserves comment.

Many who oppose the war, disgusted with Johnson and Humphrey, have deceived themselves into thinking that there is no basis for choosing between the Vice President and Mr. Nixon, especially on the issue of the war in Vietnam. Consequently this election is irrelevant to the future, and there now is a willingness on the part of many people who should know better to see Richard Nixon President.

In the past four years the peace movement in this country has nudged the administration in the direction of two

scramble over the place where not even a step or a ramp is provided?
Walk around that way and see it for yourselves.

Sincerely,
Catherine Johansson

Eldridge Seen As Machiavellian

Editor:
Now that Eldridge Cleaver has to return to prison for rape, maybe we can have a few murderers from Central Prison in Raleigh come speak to us on contemporary moral values. And remember: Evil is born with the man, not bred by adversity.

William Welch
Pittsboro Rd.
Chapel Hill

Who's Spoofig Whose Spoofig Now?

Editor:
I was delighted to read Mr. Schiller's spoofig on the death of liberalism. Although his tone suggested tongue-in-cheek style (I may be mistaken), every word of the article was absolutely true. People are damned sick of liberalism—and it's about time.

America should realize that liberalism died some time ago and that political necrophiles such as Hubert Humphrey, who have been feeding on the bloody corpse of that very liberalism, are out.

Anyone with a cursory knowledge of the tenets of conservatism can take heart that, once again, our country may be able to enjoy the beautiful logic of rational politics under a conservative government.

Times will be hard for a while, however, until the new administration can completely de-infest the branches of government from the remains of absurdity, otherwise known as liberalism.

It is fortunate that this country has realized the error of its ways in time to return to the business of sanity.

Sincerely,
Mark Keating
104 Grimes

Grubby Weekend Seen Dirty Trick

Editor:
Has anyone else noticed the placards announcing "Polack Weekend" at one of the residential colleges on a recent weekend? There was a requirement for men participating in the weekend that they could not shave for the duration of the weekend. All were instructed to wear their oldest "grubbiest" clothes. There was even promised a contest for the "grubbiest" beard and for the women a contest called simply, "I crave your Bod."

Even though the Republican Vice Presidential candidate uses such epithets as a matter of course, one would expect the carefully guarded liberal reputation of UNC to prevent the institution of, in effect, "Nigger Weekend."

Sincerely,
Diane Lauderman
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Life is a big UNC sandwich,
and every day is another bite.

My Neighbors



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