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'Boob' Code Hit As Inanity

I used to think that the inane social rules governing this student body were imposed upon it by the administration; recently, however, I've come to see that we have inflicted the Honor and Campus Codes on ourselves by allowing poor boobs like Mike Almond to speak for us. Student legislature was about to pull a fast one on us by revising the Campus Code, he says, but he doesn't tell us what they were about to do. Could it be that it was something sensible, like limiting the Campus Code to the campus proper and asking that only academic offenses be tried by the student courts?

The thrust of Almond's argument seems to be that if the Honor and Campus Codes were drastically curtailed, this would, somehow, destroy our sense of "community." Almond's idea of a "community" seems to be a ghetto: a group of people all suffering the same hardships or enduring the same persecution—the oppressors in this case being our friends Rosencode and Campustern.

The simple fact of the matter is that the 10-15,000 people connected with this campus don't form a single community of any kind at all. There is no intellectual community here: even the grad students and professors seldom talk to anyone outside their own disciplines.

There are, of course, numerous small social communities; the Greeks, parts of some of the dorms, your friends and mine, etc., but this type of group exists everywhere and has no special relationship to the University. There may be such a thing as school spirit, but it doesn't amount to much if the pep rallies are any indication; and I suspect, for example, that most of the 3,000 grad students have little, if any, sentimental attachment to U.N.C.

There is a compelling reason why the Honor Code should not be restricted to dealing with academic offenses and why the Campus Code should not be done away with altogether. The theft of things like exams and school books might reasonably be regarded as offenses against the academic community; shoplifting and check forging are definitely not academic offenses and should be handled by civil courts.

All of the offenses covered by the Campus Code are civil offenses and should be handled by the civil courts; by trying them in student courts all that is accomplished is that the defendant is forced to give up the protections he would have under civil law, such as the right to a lawyer.

Sooner or later students must face the fact that they are going to have to reject the largely imaginary security offered them by Alma Mater if they are to succeed in getting her to stop acting in loco parentis.

If the Michael Almond's on campus have their way, the upcoming referendum will not offer the students any meaningful alternatives to our present Tweedledumb and Tweedledumber codes. Those interested in seeing real reforms must speak out now.

Double Jeopardy

SL Bungled Opportunity

Student Legislature failed the student body Thursday night in refusing to allow the students to vote on a proposal to eliminate the double jeopardy clause from student judicial regulations.

The proposal was introduced in legislature for inclusion in the referendum in order to allow "students... to decide for themselves whether or not they can be tried and punished by both civil and student judicial systems for the same act," according to legislator John Kelly.

But, for some reason, the legislators overwhelmingly defeated the amendment so that the students will not be able to vote on this issue, one of the more important ones that students need to be allowed to express their opinion on.

To make things worse, the Student Constitution is stacked against allowing students now to express their opinion on this matter or even to change the Student Constitution to get rid of double jeopardy.

The Student Constitution specifies that an amendment can be made in the constitution if over half the voters approve in an election that is called by Student Legislature. However, if 1500 students sign a petition requesting a campus-wide vote be held on an amendment, in the subsequent election it would take two-thirds vote to get the constitutional change made.

Thus, last night it was possible for 14 legislators to decide that students could not vote on the amendment while it takes 1500 students to get a special election

held, even in that case it would still take a two-thirds majority to get the amendment passed.

Apparently it is not only built into the minds of the legislators that the students should not be allowed to vote on the issue, but also built into the constitution.

As for the legislators' explanation for not allowing a vote on double jeopardy, it is purely fallacious. They say they want to be sure that students have ample time to consider the issue.

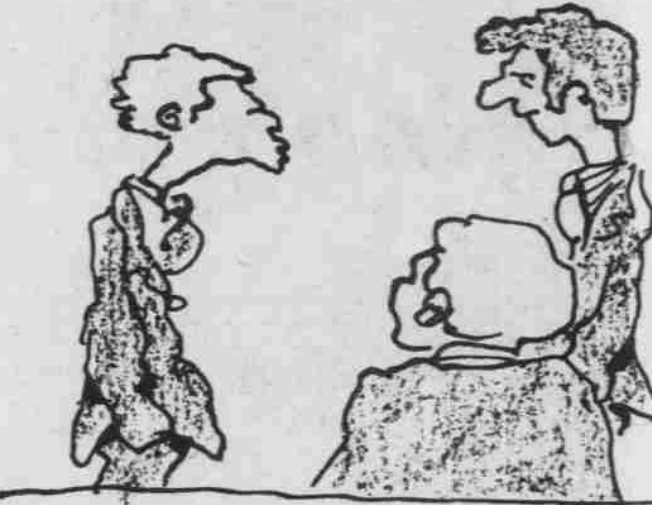
The ten days that are left before the vote is to take place on the campus code is time enough. The question of double jeopardy has been considered over and over again in recent years here and at other schools. Ten days would be quite enough time for students to become informed on the matter.

As a matter of fact, anything over 10 days would have a negative effect on the student; the more information he was fed after 10 days the less attention he would pay to it and the more he would be turned off.

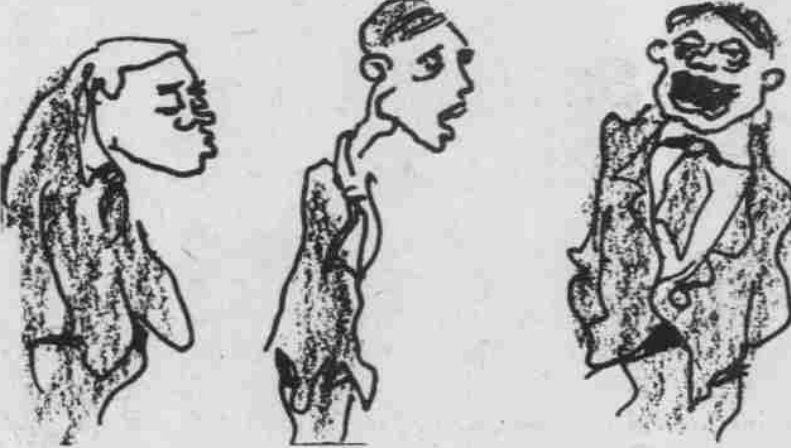
It would be ridiculous to expect the students to pay as much attention to all the various arguments on double jeopardy as legislators seemed to want them to do, when most of the legislators were half-asleep during Thursday night's protracted discussion of the matter.

No, legislators, your actions were inexcusable. You were presented with the opportunity to do the campus a major service by allowing the students to vote on double jeopardy, and you bungled it!

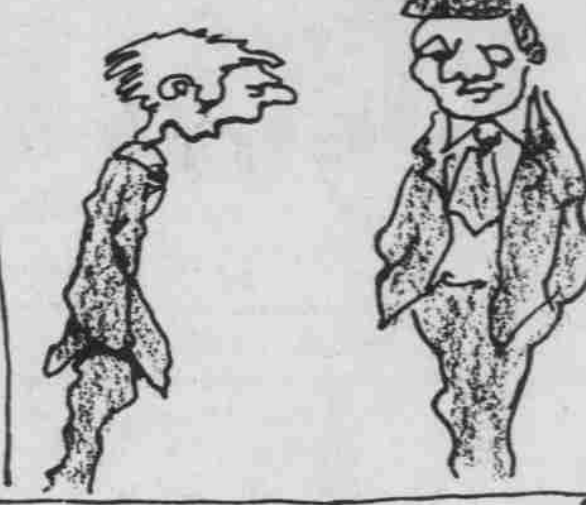
We are the typical student legis. slunkies & rubes.



Now that we've decided that, let's talk about important stuff.



Tonight we decide whether to let students vote on double jeopardy.



Yeah, like bills for building runways for peacocks.

We decide not to let them.



Anyone wanting to be DTH cartoonist next year come see me at DTH office week-days between 4 & 5 P.M.

STRAIGHT DAILY TAR HEEL

Letters To The Editor

B-Ball Fans Miss Broadvision

To the Editor:

Does it seem as ridiculous to you as it does to us that the home basketball schedule features only one game on the University's Broadvision system? With the demand for tickets even greater this year than in years past, why does the athletic department suddenly decree that the state's high school games should have preference over Carolina basketball? Obviously, the present out of conference schedule does not have as great an appeal for tickets than does the ACC teams. The ticket lines for the first game, however, were longer than at any time last year.

It was bad enough that all of the prime seats for the games were given to alumni, many of whom do not attend anyway, but to give high school basketball greater emphasis than to a team which holds the record that Carolina does is truly unbelievable. Obviously, more, many more, people will be able to see the games through Broadvision than through the closed circuit system. We hope that Broadvision will be reestablished before the ticket lines double in size.

- John Tallman
Buck Barbee
Edmund Cole
Nancy Levy
Tommy Ruffy
Bill Wilson
Mike Jordan
Charlie Sikes
Mike Cornwell
Thomas Hill
Geoffrey Boardman
Thomas Clay
Art Tucker
Sam Jones
Herbert Thomas
Jim Faircloth
Bill Sayer
Mike Erb

Day Complimented On Busing Work

To the Editor:

A few weeks ago, Student Body President Ken Day held a "gripe-in" for the residents of the married student housing areas, Odom and Victory Villages. At this time, two specific problems were brought to his attention: (1) A request was made that the campus bus services be routed through the Villages.

In many cases, the married students are located farther away from the main campus than the dorms on South Campus, and, in other cases, the families of married students could derive a definite benefit from the bus services. (2) A need exists to control parking in the student housing areas. The combination of several factors (village parking areas being used as public parking during athletic events, residents with second cars and motorcycles taking up slots from other residents, etc.) has many times forced residents to park on the streets or

otherwise to park their cars under marginal safety and curtesy conditions.

At the "gripe-in", Mr. Day, displayed a sincere interest in the problems of those who he is supposed to represent. I would like to thank Mr. Day for his part in the recent action taken to reroute the campus bus system periodically through Odom and Victory Villages. We feel Mr. Day went beyond the established traditions in both determining problem areas and in resolving them. We have greater confidence now in the functioning of the Student Government as a result of Mr. Day's sincerity.

Sincerely,
Ken Barger
407-C Mason Farm Rd.
Chapel Hill.

Grad Hits Demonstration

To The Editor:

Having read recently about the arrest of four UNC students for distributing anti-war literature at Ft. Bragg, N.C., I felt that a few comments might be in order. First of all, lest some think that I am a war-mongering, conservative "Fink", let me say that I have been a liberal of the "Kennedy-Humphrey" mold all of my adult life, and have supported those views, as those who knew me at Carolina until my graduation in 1966 would affirm.

I have no complaints against legitimate student protest in opposition to the war. But, the actions these students took were wrong in the concept of student protest. If I may, let me explain why.

It was fine for these students to be opposed to the war as long as it was confined to their personal views and actions. But to try to spread these views on a military installation was wrong for the simple reason that there must be two sides to a person that is in the service of his country.

First is his personal side in which he may express the wildest of beliefs, as long as he does not use his official capacity to press those views on those to which he is superior. Second is his official view which must be the same as that of his government.

Perhaps many of you who have not been in the service find this idea to be authoritarian, an infringement on the personal freedom of the individual. The sad but necessary fact is that there are certain institutions which can not be completely democratic and can not be primarily concerned always with the welfare of the individual. One of these institutions is the military.

Can you imagine an infantry platoon leader on a combat mission ordering Private Jones to be the point man (The forward security element that warns the platoon in advance that they are going to be attacked). Private Jones, who had a heavy date and too much Jack Daniels in Saigon the night before, says, "Aw, sir, I don't feel like it, and I am a free citizen

so I don't have to". The platoon leader says, "OK, we just won't put a point man out." As a result 35 men are killed by an ambush.

Many students feel that there is no need for a military in the first place, or perhaps, they believe that the military likes war or encourages it, perhaps, to gain new honors. Those of you who think that there is no need for a military—think of the Rape of Czechoslovakia. For those who think that the military likes war think of the person who bears the brunt of war—the professional soldier—who more than any-one yearns for peace.

Sincerely,
Lt. Donald P. Martin
Ft. Campbell, Ky.
Class of 1966

Shedd Displeased With Quoted Remark

To The Editor:

Concerning your article Friday on next Wednesday's YM-YWCA sponsored dialogue between Dr. Lew Lipsitz and a representative from Dow Chemical: I was interested in what you said I said, because although I could have said what you said I said, I wouldn't have and didn't.

With continuing respect for your journalistic competence, I remain
Sincerely
Joe Shedd, Vice-President
YMCA

Evaluation Book Needs More Punch

To the Editor:

At the beginning of this fall term, the phrase "Do your own thing," hit this campus. Joyce Davis picked it up at the NSA Congress in Kansas and added a little something to it—"Do your own thing and get paid too." The course evaluation is her and Warren Schonfield's thing, and they each received \$50.00 for doing it.

One could say that a great deal of work went into the booklet—though one may find it difficult to believe in light of the information enclosed in the booklet. However I accept the fact that she devoted a good deal of time in the editing and that Mr. Schonfield devoted a good deal of his time in doing the computer work. But there are a great many people on this campus who do just as much, if not more, work as she but whom do not receive any pay. And once more, Mr. Schonfield received credit in an Information Science course for the work he did on the booklet.

As for the booklet itself, I disagree with Wayne Hurder's editorial statement that we need more faculty participation in the evaluation. What we need is more

student participation; we need an evaluation that tells the student exactly how a course is and a good deal about the instructor that can not be said if the faculty has any direct participation. We need an evaluation written for the student—not the faculty; we need the straight stuff on every course in this University. So what if the students use it as a guide to all the crap courses; at least then, everyone will know why everyone else is taking the course. And then maybe some of the "bad" instructors will begin to think about their teaching technique when they find no one taking their course or find that students take their course because it is a slide.

Sincerely,
John E. Kelly
108 Cameron

Tinsel Topic Tees Off Writer

To The Editor:

Christ was no idiot. If he was forced to listen to "Silent Night" and "It'll Be a Blue Christmas Without You" on a 24 hour rerun basis for a whole month everywhere he went, I'm sure he'd kick off to space saying sorry Chamber-of-Commerce-Hack America, for what is more painful than Christianity's Sacred Bangle sung to a duet with the Cash Register? Even here in Chapel Hill the Bull's Head and the Intimate, who normally swing to kitschy 1947 anyway, are not above the managerial mentality that says "Christmassy makes them buy."

I am no Scrooge, and I realize there are many who turn comfy with the idea that each song brings a love-gift, but what about the rest of us who are repelled by all that, who realize the world is a pastiche of self-God and buy-love, who feel we can't get far enough away from Christmas to feel Christian enough to forgive The Majority its excesses? The world won't end with Christ stepping down a light-shattering aluminum Christmas tree, but with an unbreakable plastic stereo blaring out to all the concrete rubble the story of three wise men who knew just when to step off the plastic sidewalk of the Christian Era in order to be saved from All That. Thank God for the yearly advent of December 26.

Sincerely,
Richard Williams

Mark-Up Wrong—But

The Daily Tar Heel for the first time in its 76 years (well, maybe not the first time) has misled its readers somewhat.

It seems that in Fridays' newspaper we published a story saying that the Book Exchange marks-up certain items an average of 95 per cent over the wholesale price. In the same story we quoted a professor in the Business Administration School as saying the average for a retail store is 40 per cent, and therein lies the tale.

Bob Morgan Fresh Air In Stale State

Four years ago we formed a rather low opinion of the then state senator Bob Morgan when he spoke on campus in favor of the speaker ban law.

Thursday night that opinion of the new Attorney General was changed. What we saw was a very invigorating breath of fresh air in a state whose political air is as stale as that in a deep dungeon.

Not only did he say he agreed with Chancellor Sitterson's statement on the need for less stringent drug laws, but also explained that his narcotics division will not be spoiling to burn individual users but will concentrate on big pushers.

It is extremely encouraging at a time when there seems to be increasing emotional reaction among American moderates and conservatives to protest movements, to find one politician who prefers to stick to reason and not take advantage of the emotional tides in America.

Both figures were right; only they were presented in the wrong context. The 95 per cent was worked out using one method of computation; the 40 per cent by using another method.

Using the DTH's method for the two figures, it comes out 95 per cent for the Book-Ex and 66 per cent average for other stores. Using the BA professor's method, it comes out 48 per cent for the Book Ex and 40 per cent for other stores.

However, there is still a discrepancy in the figures that needs to be explained. It could be because the DTH's sample was very limited and because we couldn't consider shipping costs and such.

Regardless of that, however, the point we have been making for the last two days is still valid—the Book Exchange has no right, as a public institution that is supposedly for the benefit of the students, to keep its wholesale costs a secret. It should allow the Student Stores Committee to see them so it can determine whether the student stores are making an unjust profit.

Shetley has argued that he can't divulge the costs because of secret arguments with wholesalers. We find this is a poor argument. He needn't fear that other merchants will find out his wholesale prices if he turns them over to the Student Stores Committee (for a study of the markup). His continuing reluctance to turn these figures over to the committee can only be construed as evidence that his prices are grossly jacked up.

Shetley needs to come to the realization that he is the director of student stores, not private stores, and that this situation calls for a totally different attitude than the one he now has. The attitude required of him demands that he quit being so secretive and come clean with the students.