

The Daily Tar Heel

Opinions of The Daily Tar Heel are expressed on its editorial page. All unsigned editorials are the opinions of the editor. Letters and columns represent only the opinions of the individual contributors.

Harry Bryan, Editor

Monday, November 15, 1971

Student voices silenced again

Are college students consumers in the academic community?

Or are they merely participants who have been given the "privilege" of attending this University, participants whose only role is to sit back and follow the regulations that they have had little voice in bringing about, participants who have no rights on campus despite the fact that it is they who are paying professors to teach them and that it is they who finance services run by others.

Evidently, the Faculty Council believes the latter, as it proved Friday when it refused to accept the recommendations presented to it by the Committee on Student Involvement in University Administrative Structures.

The faculty did accept the recommendation that a Campus Forum be set up to provide a means for students to present any grievances to the Chancellor, but that board, if given final approval by the Chancellor, will have no power in University decision-making.

The faculty passed the recommendation that students be given more power on administrative and departmental boards. But only after it deleted every mention of ways to insure that will actually get representation.

The council also sent back to committee a recommendation that the Office of Student Affairs be restructured and that a governing board—composed of 10 students, 10 faculty members and the dean and associate dean of student

affairs—be established to run the facilities financed by students.

Aside from the formation of the Campus Forum, which was probably the least important of all the committee's proposals, the council completely turned down the committee's idea of making the University a "joint venture" between students and administrators.

And, indeed, if the University is to function as smoothly as possible and become a totally worthwhile experience for students, it must be a "joint venture."

One example listed by the committee concerned the hiring and firing of professors.

Certainly, only the heads of an academic department can judge whether or not a given professor has the necessary educational background to teach a course; if students were capable of doing it, there would be no need for a university in the first place.

However, only the students themselves know whether a given professor is doing his job, whether he is a capable lecturer, whether he can maintain students' interest in his course, whether he is indeed relaying the knowledge he possesses to the students in his class.

The Faculty Council evidently doesn't believe this to be true. At least they're unwilling to insure that students will have such a voice.

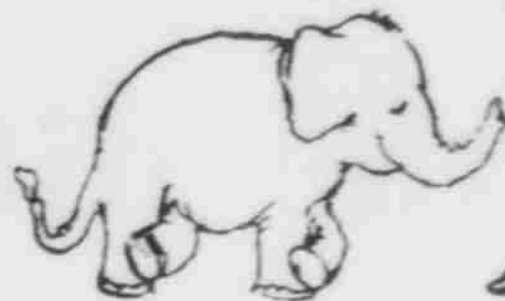
Another crucial area is the Office of Student Affairs and the departments and services under it.

It is the student body that funds (from student fees) the Student Health Service, the Student Union, the student judiciary system and the residence hall system. And because it is their money that runs these facilities, students should have at least 50 per cent representation on all boards that directly govern them.

However, the Faculty Council must believe that students should merely give their money to the University and have such facilities run entirely by administrators who don't live in residence halls, who don't use the Student Health Service, who rarely frequent the Student Union and who have little to do with student courts.

No one will probably ever know if the council's decision was made because of fear for their jobs (they would be forced to relate to students and serve them if the recommendations passed), because of pressure from South Building or just because they don't believe students should be consumers.

Whatever their reason, however, the decision was a great disservice to the academic community.



ELEPHANTS & Butterflies

by Lana Starnes and Dr. Takey Crist

There are many laws in North Carolina that are vague or totally unfamiliar to residents of the state. Many you'll find are pretty wild and antiquated, while others are reasonably sound.

Here are just a few of the criminal laws listed under Article 26, Offenses against Public Morality and Decency, Chapter 14, of the General Statutes of North Carolina as amended 1969.

14-177. Crime against nature. If any person shall commit the crime against nature, with mankind or beast, he shall be guilty of a felony, and shall be fined or imprisoned in the discretion of the court.

14-180. Seduction. If any man shall seduce an innocence and virtuous woman under promise of marriage, he shall be fined or imprisoned at the discretion of the court, and may be imprisoned in the State prison not exceeding the term of five years; Provided, the unsupported testimony of the woman shall not be sufficient to convict: Provided further

that marriage between the parties shall be a bar to further prosecution hereunder.

14-181. Miscegenation. All marriages between a white person and negro, or between a white person and a person of negro descent to the third generation inclusive, are forever prohibited, and shall be void. Any person violating this section shall be guilty of an infamous crime, and shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail or State's prison for not less than four months nor more than ten years, and may also be fined, in the discretion of the court.

14-184. Fornication and adultery. If any man and woman, not being married to each other, shall lewdly and lasciviously associate, bed and cohabit together, they shall be guilty of a misdemeanor: Provided, that the admissions or confessions of one shall not be received in evidence against the other. Any person violating any provision of this section shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars, imprisonment for not more than six months, or both.

14-185. Inducing female persons to enter hotels or boardinghouses for immoral purposes. Any person who shall knowingly persuade, induce or entice, any woman or girl to enter a hotel, public inn or boardinghouse for the purpose of prostitution or debauchery or for any other immoral purpose, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be punished in the discretion of the court.

14-186. Opposite sexes occupying same bedroom at hotel for immoral purposes; falsely registering as husband and wife. Any Man and woman found occupying the same bedroom in any hotel, public inn or boardinghouse for any immoral purpose, or any man and woman falsely registering as, or otherwise representing themselves to be, husband and wife in any hotel, public inn or boardinghouse, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars, imprisonment for not more than six months, or both.

14-192. Cutting or painting obscene word or pictures near public places. It

shall be unlawful for any person to write, cut or carve any indecent word, or to paint, cut or carve any obscene or lewd picture or representation, on any tree or other object near the public highways or other public places. Any person guilty of violating this section shall be fined not more than fifty dollars, or imprisoned not more than thirty days.

14-195. Using profane or indecent language on passenger trains. It shall be unlawful for any person to curse or use profane or indecent language on any passenger train. Any person so offending shall upon conviction be fined not more than fifty dollars or imprisoned not more than thirty days.

14-198. Lewd women within three miles of college and boarding schools. If any loose woman or woman of ill fame shall commit any act of lewdness with or in the presence of any student, who is under twenty-one years old, of any boarding house or college, within three miles of such school or college, she shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not exceeding fifty dollars or imprisoned not exceeding thirty days.

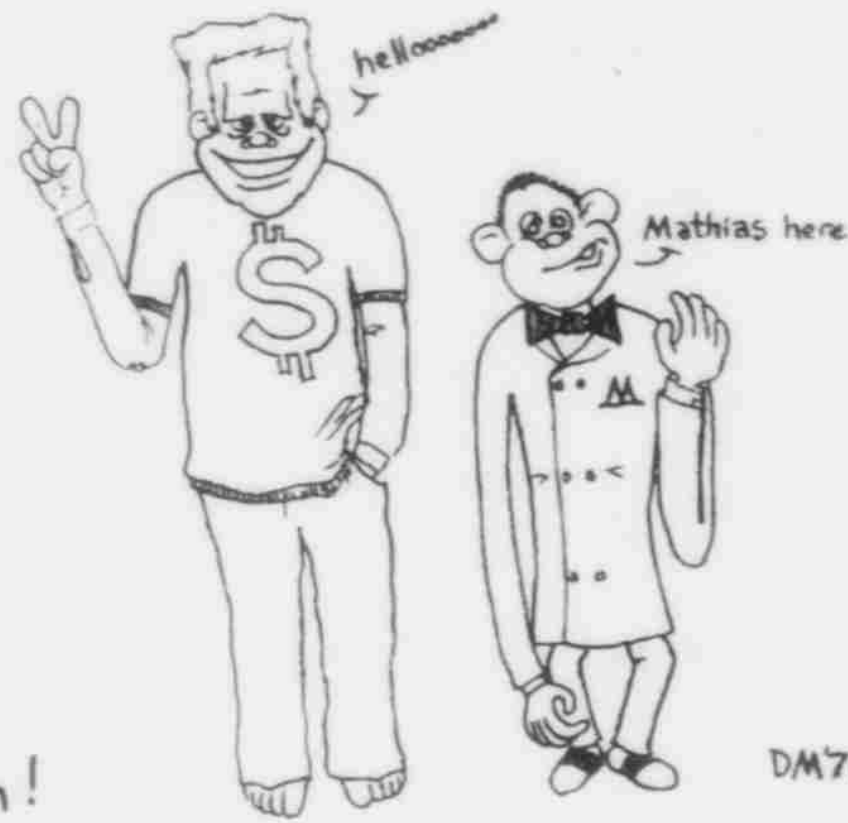
14-201. Permitting stone-horses and stone-mules to run at large. If any person shall let any stone-horse or stone-mule of two years old or upwards run at large, he shall be fined not exceeding fifty dollars or imprisoned not exceeding thirty days.

introducing the two Superfreaks--

SERVATION AND MATHIA \$

--and oh, what a lovely combination!

One is a former Airborne mess sergeant, and one has a B.S. from Pittsboro Tech. you'll be seein' them again...



DM71

Evans Witt

Students given little power

The Faculty Council tossed out a few minor sugar treats Friday to students who desire some voice in the control of their academic life and of their life on campus.

The faculty benevolently recommended establishment of a campus forum where students can air grievances. Of course, such a body would have no administrative or policy power to act on such grievances.

They also kindly endorsed the principle of student involvement in curriculum decisions and in faculty appointments and promotions—but slashed from the recommendations any guidelines to insure student opinions would be sought or heard.

Just as importantly, the Faculty Council sent back to committee a proposal which would have given students a significant voice in the administration of the dormitories, the student health service and the Student Union.

Crying "an administrative anomaly" and "too easy access to the Chancellor," the faculty refused to recommend that these three agencies be taken out from under the control of the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs.

It refused to support the establishment of a half-student, half-faculty board to set policies for the agencies and with direct access to the chancellor, without the necessity of working through the Student Affairs office red tape.

The faculty probably was right in saying the new board would have caused some problems—but not necessarily because it would be administratively unworkable.

The board would have caused problems for administrators because the students would have been able to control the organizations they fund and which are for their benefit.

The students would be able to direct these organizations for the greatest benefit of all students, rather than for the purposes of some University administrators.

But the original proposals on Student Affairs office of the Committee on Student Involvement in University Administrative Structures, headed by Dr. Gordon B. Cleveland, have been rejected. New ones must be drawn up.

Any new proposal for reorganizing the Student Affairs office must include significant student involvement in decision making. About the only way this can be done is through some type of board—perhaps a board to advise the head of the Student Affairs office.

But, if this board can only advise, a dean or vice chancellor of Student Affairs could very well ignore its recommendations. Or such an administrator could choose the board in such a way as to make it simply a rubber stamp for all his actions, no matter how detrimental to student interests.

Any such advisory board would have to have its student members chosen by the students themselves—not by the University administration or the faculty. The faculty should certainly choose its representatives, while the students should be accorded the same right.

The new chancellor for the Chapel Hill

campus, who will have to implement any changes, needs to make it clear when and if such a board is established that the board is to make policy for the Student Affairs office. It should also be made plain that the board should be a vehicle for remedying student grievances.

Another method of insuring student policy-making involvement in the agencies affecting their lives would be to make the Student Health Service, Student Union and the Office of Residence Life autonomous units directly under the Chancellor. Each agency would have a professional director guided by a board made up of students and faculty. In this manner students could shape the agencies to conform to student needs.

The structure doesn't really make a great deal of difference.

The students must have effective means of providing input into the decision making processes which effect their lives while at the University. Whether this means the students should sit on a controlling board of directors or should hire the directors who head the agencies which serve them, students must be significantly involved.

The Faculty Council took a few small hesitant steps toward involving students in academic decision making Friday.

They should continue in that vein and demand student involvement in all departments.

The Faculty also must recommend a reorganization of the Student Affairs office which will assure meaningful student participation in decisions without regard for personalities.

Letter

Donut lover gives advice

To the editor:

It was interesting to see in the Wednesday DTH a letter complaining about waiting for the Jethro Tull concert and an article about the new Dunkin' Donuts shop. Rock concerts since their inception have been notoriously late starting, and if one wanted to complain about having to wait, he should have gone after the concert to the "organized, service-oriented" Dunkin' Donuts shop.

Such a statement as "service-oriented" lends credence to the beliefs of those of us on the outside that the military is somewhat less than efficient.

As for the free advertisement given the new all night rip-off establishment. Equal time for the competition. Any self-respecting doughnut lover knows that Krispy Kreme, and the Dairy Bar (when they are fresh) make better doughnuts.

The bourgeois Chapel Hill liberals will continue to frequent this new establishment, because it caters to their (the liberals') peculiar hours. Even though the manager is an avowed Rightist—"I liked to fight." Perhaps we should boycott the place until he joins NC Vets for Peace?

Tad Smith
Kingswood Apts.

Letters

The Daily Tar Heel accepts letters to the editor, provided they are typed on a 60-space line and limited to a maximum of 300 words. All letters must be signed and the address and phone number of the writer must be included.

The paper reserves the right to edit all letters for libelous statements and good taste.

Address letters to Editor, The Daily Tar Heel, in care of the Student Union.

The Daily Tar Heel

78 Years of Editorial Freedom

Harry Bryan, Editor

Mike Parnell Managing Ed.

Doug Hall News Editor

Lou Bonds Associate Ed.

Lana Starnes Associate Ed.

Mark Whicker Sports Ed.

Ken Ripley Feature Editor

Jim Taylor Night Editor

Bob Wilson Business Mgr.

Paddi Hughes Adv. Mgr.

Gerry Cohen

Civil rights disturbances in Pitt County ignored

Only 100 miles from here, in rural Pitt County, a series of civil rights protests has seen over 750 arrests since the Aug. 6 shooting of a black laborer by a white highway patrolman.

The situation has been almost ignored in the state press, and perhaps the arrest of 25 UNC students, most of them white, on Friday evening, will bring the news home to the state that something must be done in Pitt.

To begin with, the Governor must immediately remove from office the police departments of Ayden and Farmville, the jail officials at Farmville, the sheriff's office of the county, and the highway patrol contingent at Ayden starting with Billy Day, who started the trouble three months ago.

On August 6, Patrolman Day says he arrested William Murphy for drunkenness. Murphy attacked Day in the patrol car, whereupon Day shot Murphy in the

stomach, handcuffing him. Murphy was dead on arrival at a nearby hospital.

According to all the other witnesses at the coroner's inquest, Murphy was not drunk, was arrested on a minor charge, and was handcuffed with his hands behind his back before he was put in the patrol car. Day did not offer a defense at the inquest, but was found not responsible.

No magistrate in the county would issue any warrants against Day, nor warrants against any of the white people who continued to harass, intimidate and insult blacks over the next two months.

The city of Ayden, where the murder occurred, slapped an ordinance down, forbidding parading without a permit, then refused to grant any permits to black. By Nov. 10, there had been 700 arrests.

Last Wednesday, organizers came to

Chapel Hill to publicize the disturbances, and 25 students agreed to go to Pitt.

Late Friday night, 44 persons, including the 25, left a black church in Ayden and began walking (on a dirt sidewalk) to the Ayden postoffice in order to mail a letter to Governor Scott demanding an investigation into the deteriorating situation.

Fifteen policemen then systematically arrested the 44, who had linked arms, black and white together, as they were peacefully marching.

None of the 44 were told anything by police, indeed they were never at any time told that they had been placed under arrest. According to one Chapel Hill student, the police were limited to a one word vocabulary, the word "disgusting" (referring to blacks and whites being together).

Taken before a magistrate, bail was set

a \$1000 (when the maximum punishment for conviction was only a \$50 fine), and the students were informed that no bail bondsmen would help them. "They are tired of people like you in this county," the magistrate said.

The Pitt County clerk then refused to certify property bonds raised by Greenville attorney Jerry Paul, legal counsel for the Pitt County coalition.

Since 44 protestors could not all be fit into the Ayden, 12 were shipped to Farmville. There, at the Farmville jail, they were taunted, kept awake, harassed, and finally maced, although none had put up any resistance. They were quietly lying locked in jail cells, and all were trying to sleep.

According to John McCarthy, a student who was arrested, all the cell windows were closed at 1:30 a.m. Saturday, and twice in the next hour, the

window was opened a crack and clouds of blinding, choking gas were administered to the prisoners. According to the black prisoners, this is a regular occurrence at the Farmville jail.

Early Saturday morning, the Farmville magistrate came to the jail offering a deal (none of the prisoners had been allowed to contact a lawyer)—pay \$44 to him, and cases would be closed and they would be immediately released. The prisoners, tempted severely, refused.

Later, six Chapel Hill professors raised \$17,000 in bail and most of the prisoners were released, with all out by late Saturday night.

The closing words of the Farmville magistrate to them were, "If any more of you Chapel Hill people want to come down here, we've got room for you—all the county jails are cooperating."

Trial date at Ayden District court is Dec. 9.

So what have we learned from all this? That Pitt County, North Carolina has not yet come into the 20th century; that civil rights of black people are continually being denied, as racist police officials savagely put down protesters that only ask that justice be done in a legal manner to Billy Day; that trials by juries of one's peers be guaranteed to all in North Carolina; and that criminal justice in Ayden be reformed.

Conditions such as those now prevalent in Pitt County can no longer be tolerated by the people of this state.

Eight law students put their careers on the line in Ayden on Friday night, the least we can do is give our support, by demanding change in Pitt County, by participating in the next demonstration in Pitt County, and by writing to Governor Scott, asking when will you fire Billy Day?