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Three's a crowd

There's room at the Inn. There isn't in the dorms.

While 175 UNC freshmen have been temporarily tripled and quadrupled in campus housing, the University-owned Carolina Inn remains 50 percent vacant.

It's nothing new. In a style perfected over the last few years, the University has overbooked. The result is that hundreds of students are again herded into rooms barely suited for two people.

Housing officials don't deserve the blame. It's a problem they inherit each year from University officials over-zealous in their attempts to fill UNC's ivory towers. If the finger is to be pointed, it should be directed at the admission officials' calculations. That's where the problems lie. These officials annually must estimate the number of students to attend UNC the next year based on the number of freshmen who enrolled in the current year.

For the past four years, they've missed — big. Since 1979, when 350 students were temporarily tripled, large numbers of students have been forced into temporary housing.

This fall was no exception. Admission officials estimated that 62 percent of the accepted freshmen actually would attend UNC. Wrong. About 65 percent, or 3,291 showed up eager for Orientation.

Admission officials must not have figured on Dean Smith taking the Tar Heels to the national championship last spring. Or *The New York Times Guide to Colleges* ranking UNC highly among the nation's universities.

Certainly there is no easy solution to the housing shortage. But housing officials have erred in saying that at least 100 tripled students should be expected each year.

The new dorm will help, but its completion is three years away. For now, University officials must continue to scrutinize the numbers each year. In order to eliminate tripled rooms, the admissions office must admit fewer students. Students being forced into tripled rooms or onto the floors of dorm lounges is not acceptable.

To the Class of '86

Dear freshmen,

We're glad you had such a great time at Convocation a week ago Monday in Carmichael. Old timers who have been here a few years said you were the loudest freshmen class in history during the "pep rally" section of the evening. It's good to know that you bring such enthusiasm into your first year at UNC.

Unfortunately though, you didn't know when to stop cheering and talking and when to begin listening to a few people who had some very important words to say. Donald Jicha, associate dean of the General College, told you some relevant information on the operation of the General College that could help you along the way, especially concerning the advising process. Few of you thought his words were important enough to listen. The next time you are trying to put together a schedule, you may wish you had.

Your conduct was even worse when a fellow student, Student Attorney General Bill Kimball, spoke about one of the University's greatest assets, its honor system. It's bad enough not to have enough respect to listen to a featured speaker; it's even worse to show so little respect for the academic code on which the University is run.

Kimball may have spoken the most important words of the evening. As attorney general, he is responsible for enforcing *The Instrument of Student Judicial Governance*, the rules that govern the honor system. On today's editorial page, Kimball explains the honor system, how it functions and the expectations required of all students. Since most of you missed his talk at Convocation, you would be wise to read his column.

The Orientation Committee would be smart to schedule its convocation speakers before counselors lead cheers of one dorm against another. A large part of life at Carolina does involve cheering and having fun as you did at Convocation. But equally as important as mixers and basketball games is UNC's honor system. One violation — intentional or not — can take from you all the wonderful activities associated with life at Carolina, and ignorance is no excuse. It is a strong tradition of honor, a tradition that you should know.

Sincerely yours,
Your friends at the DTH

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Reagan's support waning

By KEN MINGIS

Election '84, presidential division, has already begun, and if you don't believe it, keep an eye on the political posturing now going on in Washington among the Republicans.

With Ronald Reagan's presidency less than two years old, Republicans right and left are lining up for the campaign, waiting with bated breath to see what the president decides to do. Will he run again or won't he? Only Nancy seems to know for sure.

On the surface, all is right with the Republican Party — the professional politicians are toeing the line and standing firmly behind the president. "Sure," they say, "Reagan will win re-nomination, if he wants it."

That's the clue that all is not well for the president. In fact, a lot of people are betting that Reagan, who'll blow out 73 birthday candles on his cake just before New Hampshire primary time, may call it quits and ride off in the saddle back to California. At least, that's what they hope.

The mutiny on this Republican Bounty isn't full-fledged yet, but Jack Kemp, George Bush, Jesse Helms and even Gerald Ford have all been talking about the 1984 election recently. In fact, about the only person who has been ruled out from seeking the Republican nomination is Richard Nixon.

The most recent example of the president's troubles occurred two weeks ago with the open political break between Reagan and New York Congressman Jack Kemp over the recent tax hike pass-

ed by Congress.

Kemp, who ran a semi-campaign for the presidency in 1980, demonstrated again his arch-conservative leanings and came out against any tax increases. In effect, he out-Reaganned Reagan, at the same time winning the hearts of the true-blue Republican right. Surprisingly, it is from the conservatives in the party that the president is having the most trouble with.

Kemp, 47 and a former football player, absolutely denies that he is running for president. Still, the congressman is one of the most sought-after political speakers, as much in demand as either Reagan or Vice President George Bush.

Along the way, Kemp also has managed to pick up support from such right-wing notables as Republican moneyman Richard Viguerie and preacher Jerry Falwell. Both men were big Reagan supporters in 1980.

Viguerie, especially, has been careful to avoid the perception of being opposed to the president. But he is nudging Reagan out, with utmost tact. A recent comment by Viguerie shows just how much he supports a Reagan re-election bid.

"At age 73 or so, I just think he's (Reagan) going to say hey, who needs this," Viguerie said. "I really don't see him wanting to have another five, five and one-half years of this madness..." If Viguerie had been as effusive with his support two years ago, Reagan would probably be doing TV commercials now. He would not likely be president.

Viguerie's comments are indicative of the feelings of many of the president's long-time supporters. On several issues,

from foreign affairs to social concerns, Reagan the president seems to have moved to the political left, far away from Reagan the candidate. And his one-time followers are looking for a new leader.

The recent tax increase, urged by the president, is only one example of how much the political world has shifted in two years. Reagan the candidate said he wanted no tax hikes, a position that went out the window last week. Reagan the candidate also promised to balance the federal budget. That was before he proposed a budget including a \$104 billion deficit.

In addition, conservatives were licking their chops after the Reagan victory as visions of anti-abortion amendments and school prayer danced in their heads. Last week, however, those two social issues were effectively tabled, at least temporarily, in the Republican controlled Senate.

Thus, the result is the emergence of Kemp as a "candidate." He is certainly better than George Bush, the conservatives say. Kemp is Right.

Poor George Bush, elected Vice President on the Reagan ticket, he was warned immediately after taking office that his actions would be closely scrutinized by the Republican right. If he didn't shape up, well... he could always be removed from the ticket in 1984.

But that was in January 1981. A year and a half later, it is clear that Bush is the last person Terry Dolan, head of the National Conservative Political Action Committee (NCPAC), and his cohorts want heading the 1984 Republican ticket if Reagan should drop out of the presidential sweepstakes.



Ronald Reagan

Nor are they likely to lead another campaign by former president Gerald Ford. Yes, even Jerry Ford, who is two years younger than Reagan, let it slip last week that he would consider running if the party turned to him.

It won't. What is more likely, should Reagan drop out, is that the new right faction of the Republican Party, led by such notables as North Carolina Sen. Jesse Helms and Nevada Sen. Paul Laxalt, would strengthen its hold on the party and ensure the nomination of someone even more conservative than President Reagan.

A Kemp-Helms ticket? It's not as far-fetched as it once was. And 1984 is not that far away.

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In the beginning, God ...

By RANDY WALKER

Many of you probably think God made the universe in six days, then rested on the seventh.

You must realize this is not a literal account.

In fact, God turned in the universe some three days overdue. It happened like this:

Day 1, Sunday. God gets the assignment from the Cosmic Instructor. The universe must have heavens, earth, light, dark, plants yielding seed, fruit trees bearing fruit according to their kind, swarms of living creatures in the water and in the air, cattle, creeping things, beasts of the earth according to their kind, and a being created in his own image to be named later.

You or I would expect at least a semester. But God had to turn in the project at 9 o'clock Monday morning, Day 9.

Day 2, Monday. God has great intentions. He wants to finish it by Saturday so he can watch the game on Sunday.

He does the laundry and balances the checkbook, but never gets around to the big one.

Days 3 through 6. Each night God thinks, "Tomorrow I'll get up early and start working." Each day he sleeps late, reads the paper, eats breakfast all morning. "What the heck," he figures, "I've still got plenty of time."

Day 7, Saturday. Panic. Work all day, work all night.

Day 8, Sunday, 9 p.m. God is



physically exhausted, but confident, cranking it out. He has finished heavens, dry land and light. He even thinks he'll catch a few z's before morning.

Then he realizes he hasn't got enough carbon.

Without carbon you can't make plants yielding seed, beasts of the earth, creeping things, etc. And where you gonna get carbon on Sunday night? Desperately, God calls up his friends,

but they all need it for their own projects.

"That's it," God says. "I'll have to ask for an extension."

"You should have started earlier," the Cosmic Instructor says.

"I know, but I had stuff to do all week. Besides, I couldn't get any carbon."

"That's your problem," snaps the Instructor.

Eventually the Instructor breaks

down. "Okay, have it in by Wednesday morning. And it'll cost you a letter grade."

Day 9, Monday. Burned out from the all-nighter, God does various little meaningless tasks and wastes a lot of time. No work on the universe, although he does get some carbon.

Day 10, Tuesday. Everything is finished. God checks the requirements.

"Let's see — firmament, creatures, various orbs — Oh no! What's this about 'darkness to be called night'?"

"I SHOULD HAVE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS!"

To fix it would involve resetting the metabolisms of all the living creatures. "Hell with it." Apathetic, depressed, God does not even get up until the noon the next day.

Day 12, Thursday. God brings the project to the Instructor's office.

"You know you can't expect an A on this, what with it being late."

"Sorry about that."

Next week the grades come back.

"God: Excellent design, fine craftsmanship. I believe your orb to rule the day will last almost forever, and I like your creatures of the air and creatures of the water. Too bad it's late; C plus."

"One small problem. The creature you call man, although capable of difficult and creative work, may be prone to something called 'procrastination'."

"But I can't mark you down for that. After all, you made him in your own image."

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Honor Code a useful tool

By BILL KIMBALL

The discovery and dissemination of knowledge through research, teaching, and learning is the fundamental activity of this academic community. Intellectual honesty is integral to that enterprise. Academic dishonesty in any form is unacceptable, because any breach in academic integrity, however small, strikes destructively at the University's life and work.

— from *The Instrument of Student Judicial Governance* (I.A.G.)

Education is the "life and work" of a university. When the university's position

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as educator is compromised or threatened, its heart and lifeblood are at stake. Therefore, a mechanism is necessary to protect and maintain the university's educational role. More than a century ago, an honor system, embodying the principles of student self-governance, was initiated at UNC to preserve the academic integrity of this institution.

This system has matured through the years and, today, has blossomed into a strong tradition of honor. The University presupposes a firm commitment, by each student, to the ideals expressed in our *Code of Student Conduct* through the Honor and Campus Codes. Essentially, the Honor Code prohibits lying, cheating, and stealing in academically related matters, while the Campus Code prohibits any student from acting in a manner which would impair the educational opportunities of others in the University community. These codes protect both the institution and the vast majority of students, who wish to live and work in a community made secure by an atmosphere of shared trust and mutual responsibility.

Students at UNC have several specific responsibilities under *The Instrument of Student Judicial Governance*. They constitute the mutual expectations required of each student by the University and its student body. They are:

- (1) To conduct all academic work within the letter and spirit of the Honor Code which prohibits the giving or receiving of unauthorized aid in all academic processes.
- (2) To consult with faculty and other sources to clarify the meaning of plagiarism; to learn the recognized techniques of proper attribution of sources used in the preparation of written work; and to identify allowable resource materials or aids to be used during examination or in completion of any graded work.
- (3) To sign a pledge on all graded academic work certifying that no unauthorized assistance has been received or given in the completion of the work.
- (4) To comply with faculty regulations designed to reduce the possibility of cheating — such as removing un-

authorized materials or aids from the room and protecting one's own examination paper from view to others.

- (5) To maintain the confidentiality of examinations by divulging no information concerning an examination, directly or indirectly, to another student yet to write that same examination.
- (6) To report any instance in which reasonable grounds exist to believe that a student has given or received unauthorized aid in graded work. Such report should be made to the Office of the Student Attorney General or the Office of Student Affairs.
- (7) To cooperate with the Office of the Student Attorney General and the defense counsel in the investigation and trial of any incident of alleged violation, including the giving of testimony when called upon.

Our honor system is unique, in that it is entirely run by students. The judicial branch of Student Government is divided into two distinct halves, the attorney general's staff and the Undergraduate Court. The attorney general's staff is headed by the attorney general, who hears and investigates all complaints in order to

determine if a violation of the Code of Student Conduct may have occurred. If he believes there is sufficient evidence, then he issues a charge and the case is turned over to his staff. The staff then helps to prepare the case, working with the defendant, and then presents it to the Undergraduate Court. The Undergraduate Court is responsible for hearing the case, then determining a verdict and, if necessary, a sanction.

The normal sanction for academic cheating at UNC is suspension from the University; this sanction is meant to ensure observation of the Honor Code, for only in this atmosphere can the academic integrity of the University, its "life and work," be assured.

The fate of the honor system and the freedom that it allows rests firmly in the hands of the students at UNC. It should be seen as a privilege, one to be nurtured and cherished. Like most privileges, neglect or abuse may cause it to wither and be taken away. That would be sad because the honor system helps to fortify the very foundation of education upon which this University rests and depends.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the editor:
I sincerely hope David Poole's "How not to drink at UNC" (*DTH*, Aug. 23) article was meant to be a humorous view of the non-drinkers dilemma. I can't imagine a mature college student advising anyone to take a different personality than his natural inclinations dictate for him.

Surely a non-drinker would wish to meet others of his attitude, yet the facade conceals him from those people. If someone would reject your friendship on the basis of something as trivial as drinking, who the hell wants him

anyway?
Tell me you are kidding, David.
Steve Hindes
freshman

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