

Editorial

Emergency Situation Poses Many Problems

The Executive Board of the ACC Cooperative Association found its operations in a mess this week.

Overdue bills and absences by members were items that were thrown around with abandon.

The members were concerned. They saw an immediate emergency and were ready to take action to try to remedy the shortcomings. Many suggestions were made by board members and have been made by students that are not members of the board.

We have heard suggestions that ranged from hanging the treasurer in effigy to abolishing the Executive Board.

Seen As Amazing

The amazing thing that has happened, as far as we are concerned, is that many of us suddenly have found that we have an emergency.

Actually, as we see it, we have had a drastic situation for a long time. It's about time we began to see it and to do something about it.

It starts every year about nominations time. It is well on the way by the time elections are held.

Start Of Emergency

The emergency starts like this. Members of the Executive Board sit down and peruse a list of eligible candidates. While they are doing so, majority and minority groups on campus are searching their ranks for "popular" candidates who can win for the majority groups, or who can overthrow the "machine" for the minority groups. Very little attempt is made to determine these candidates' abilities. Who cares? We just want someone who can win. We'll worry about getting the job done when the time comes.

And then our favorites are elected. The minority groups are disgusted. They didn't win again just as they haven't for years.

They go around for a couple of weeks rationalizing the outcome. We all go home for the summer. We swim and forget our troubles — and our responsibilities. We almost fail to remember them when we return in the fall.

Job To Big

We do return, however, and after we get back we organize our Executive Board. We get off to a start. The treasurer is confused from the start. He is a single student empowered to administer a \$13,000 budget. Would you not be confused? After all, he didn't know too much about all this stuff when he was elected. He wasn't nominated because he was a good man to be treasurer.

Before we get too bogged down in our condemnation of one officer, however, we should look at the others. It is a fact that only two members of the Executive Board have attended all of the 11 meetings held this semester. One student and one faculty member have missed as many as six. Two other faculty members have missed more. One of them has a class and cannot attend. Another has other obligations and cannot attend. We are content to let these two remain on the board when we should relieve them of their obligations to serve. This, at least, would allow them not to be tabulated with those who missed for other reasons.

Have our responsibilities escaped our comprehension from the very start? Didn't our trouble start with nominations and the political sideshow that goes on each year as we line up favorite sons?

Long Range Cures Needed

Today we are confused. We look around for immediate solutions. We should seek long-range cures.

We hope that we can see our problem. It belongs to all of us, not just the members of the Executive Board. We are the reason they are there. Many of them deserve to be there.

It would be wonderful if, this spring, we could look back at today's problems and realize how they were created.

We would then search for candidates who are deserving, qualified, and who have a strong desire to do a creditable job. We would search for candidates who would be dedicated to the task at hand.

Stage And Script Gives Chapel Christmas Play

The Stage and Script Club with the help of the play production class presented a play entitled "Peace I Give Unto You" for the chapel program on Tuesday, December 15 and Thursday, December 17. Those taking part were Miss Jo Ann Boone, T. Riley, Tom Welch, Charles Miller, and Don Wrenn. The play was directed by T. Riley under the advisement of Mrs. Doris C. Holsworth, director of dramatics at ACC.

At a recent meeting it was decided that the Stage and Script Club would accept an invitation from North Carolina State College to present a play at the College Union on February 20.

The name of the play will be announced later, but tryouts will be held on the first Tuesday night after Christmas vacation, January 5. Tryouts for the spring play, "Dear Brutus," will also be held January 5.

EXEC BOARD

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It was brought to Bryan's attention that some of the complaints concerned bills that were one or two months old. He said he was not informed of such outstanding bills.

Committee Appointed

Following the discussion a special committee was appointed to assist Bryan in helping to get the outstanding bills paid prior to the Christmas holidays. Serving on the committee are Miss Sarah Bain Ward, Dean of Women, William Ramsay of the faculty, Robert Bishop, president of the Freshman Class, and Everette Bryant, vice - president of the Cooperative Association.

The board members also requested that a treasurer's report be given at the next meeting.

A study of the minute book of the board indicated that many members have been absent from

meetings during the current semester.

The board instructed Miss Emily Waters, secretary, to contact the members informing them that they have an obligation to attend Executive Board meetings.

Survey Presented

In additional discussion at the meeting, Bishop presented the results of a survey of the Freshman Class concerning the adoption of an honor system on the campus. The results of the survey were favorable to the adoption of an honor system.

In the discussion of the matter, board members indicated that they felt the survey had not given the students surveyed sufficient opportunity to voice their disapproval of an honor system.

New Questionnaire

It was decided to request that Lewis Aiken, member of the faculty in the Department of Education and Psychology, prepare survey form to be used in obtaining an objective opinion from the en-

At The Library

Skip Ole Hardy Girls, Gray's Mistletoe's Up

By WALTER GRAY
College Librarian

We were sitting around moaning softly when suddenly it hit us. Well, perhaps that wasn't exactly the way it happened. More precisely, we had been moaning for some time when a student of the smallish variety asked us to help him find a novel. We'd gotten through the first three letters without too much trouble when suddenly it jumped out at us.

The chain reaction of thought is an electrifying thing and the spark in this case was an author whose name began with D. We leaped through our mental calendar — Monday, December 14th, one week to go. We are tremendous senti-

mentalists and because we are so constituted it took this particular event to rouse us from our lethargy.

We'd been hearing the hub-bub and hulla-baloo downtown — we'd seen the TV glitter — we'd smelled the air from off the lot at Rountree and Nash but all of these had rolled off our emotional backs like so much water from a duck. The Saturday punch had been a little disgusting and perhaps we had tried rather too hard to escape the ready-made joy.

But now, as we've said, we too were off. A quick jaunt to the Delta Sig lot on Nash — hammer and nails and a pair of shears — a visit to a friend's backyard —

a quick trip to the five and ten for candles.

Get out the books! Watch you don't hum in the reading room! Call Addie with the dust pan. Oh, and ouch, and the quiet shattering "punk" of a brilliant star plummeting from on high. Call Addie! Plug in the cord. Heck, here come some customers.

For romantics like us, it all started with Dickens. Fie on us. Get with the Beatniks! This ain't no world for sentimental trash. Back to the typewriter, the bills, the orders, the circulation, the overdues. Watch that humming!

Caramba, it's only Tuesday! Well, MERRY CHRISTMAS anyway!!

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Travel Opportunities Available To Students

Low - cost educational travel programs are available to Atlantic Christian College students, Everett Bryant, vice - president of the ACC Cooperative Association, announced today.

These travel programs include tours to many of the countries in Europe and in South America. They also include special tours to festivals of music and art, and to the Olympic Games. In addition to these, this year a tour designed especially for teachers is being initiated.

These tours are being made available through the United States National Student Association's travel department, Educational Travel, Inc.

ETI is unique in the travel field in that, due to its close coopera-

tion with the student unions of other countries, it is able to offer American students many opportunities for contact with their foreign counterparts. Since it is a non - profit organization, ETI's programs are economical, as well as educational.

Each year ETI sends an increasing number of students abroad. This year, for the first time, the organization expects the number of tour participants to reach over the thousand mark.

The USNSA is composed of students of over 400 colleges and universities throughout the country, with a total membership of over 800,000.

For further information about the tours contact Everett Bryant, Box 103.

Seniors To Plan Social Event

The Senior Class, at its meeting held December 10 in the Lecture room of the Science Building, decided to plan a social event to be held next semester.

John Strickland, president of the class, appointed a committee to plan this event. Serving on this committee are Everett Bryant, Bill Henderson, and Miss Ruby Bazemore.

In further business at the meeting, Mrs. Linda Horne was elected as the Senior Class candidate for Pine Knot Queen.

Strickland also announced to the class that the Junior Class was preparing for a large turnout of the Senior Class members at the Junior - Senior affair. He said that all seniors should make a special effort to attend this affair that is given in their honor.

Library Receives Microfilm Reader

The installation of a microfilm reader in the Hardy Library at Atlantic Christian College was announced this week by Dr. Arthur D. Wenger, ACC President.

Dr. Wenger said the microfilm reader has been installed through the efforts of Dr. C. C. Ware, Curator of the Carolina Disciplina Library which is housed in the Hardy Library along with the regular college holdings.

The reader has been installed for functional aid in research, it was announced. It is a Recordak MPE, using both 35 m.m. and 16 m.m. films.

tire student body and faculty concerning an honor system.

In other action, the board decided not to send delegates to the Collegiate Council to the United Nations. This action was taken after the matter had been brought up at the meeting.

Bryant presided at the meeting in the absence of Bobby Dunn, association president. Dunn was absent because he was playing in the ACC-Catawba College basketball game.

New Officers Named By Accounting Club

The accounting Club held its first meeting of the year on Thursday evening, December 10, and elected a new slate of officers. Serving for the current year are Donald E. Benton, president; Harvey H. Kornegay, vice-president; J. R. Crumpler, secretary-treasurer; Don Ray Shirley, chaplain; and, Loomis H. Toler, reporter. G. Harry Swain, chairman of the Business Department, was elected to serve as sponsor and advisor of the club.

It was brought out at the meeting that the primary purpose of the Accounting Club is to allow members to gain professional knowledge of, and create interest in, the profession of accountancy. Toward this end, various businessmen will be asked to speak at future meetings on subjects of special interest to accountants.

In addition, members that were present pledged themselves to help in a laboratory situation, any student in one of the lower level

accounting courses with advice or assistance on any problem or question connected with accounting. It is felt that such assistance will help create an active interest in the accounting profession.

A membership drive is currently under way and all qualified persons are urged to become a part of this club. There are three qualifications for membership: (1) an interest in the accounting profession, (2) sophomore standing with at least nine hours of accounting credit, and (3) either an accounting major or a business major with emphasis on accounting. Anyone interested in membership should see one of the present members of the club. Present members are Donald E. Benton, Harvey H. Kornegay, J. R. Crumpler, Don Ray Shirley, Loomis H. Toler, William Richard Pearson, Julius G. Woody, Jr., James Earl Tyndall, Walter C. Johnson, James R. Pittman, James H. Taylor, and Leroy F. Howell.

Christ Mass

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following poem has been submitted to The Collegiate. It is not the practice of The Collegiate to publish works of this nature. However, since it is the holiday season, The Collegiate is publishing this particular poem.)

By ELBERT ROBBINS

Low-born king, tiny babe,
Rests on stiff dry hay;
The cow's bowl his throne,
The sheep his charge.
Poor men kneel with rich
And melt to one.

Dark night save one star
To light the dark room.
Men of wit bring bright
Scents to kill the stall's smell.
Scant clothes wrap a new flesh
Barred from world's harm.

Sit on shined pews as
Organ pipes ring songs of praise.
Starless night shines with lighted
candles.

Church altars bloom with kings
of gold
And angels stand in silent worship.
Furred wives bring silvered coins
and

Red cloth men ring brass bells,
No king on straw — no babe.
Collected coins buy red tops
And firetrucks for hungry kids.
Brilliant bulbs on tinselled wire
Cross a peopled stream.
Bright faces —
A child's talk with the Saint;
Aching heart of sad adult
Without the Saint's promise.

Calendar

Saturday, December 19
Christmas vacation begins at end of classes.
Monday, January 4
Classes resume at 8 a. m.