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No Tenacity

Once again the point system set up by the Executive Board to regulate and distribute campus offices has failed. However, this is nothing unusual—it happens almost every year.

Last year, after the point system was challenged by several people holding over 30 points, who, by the way were allowed to retain their offices, the Executive Board passed an iron-clad point system that was really suppose to work. It stipulated in no uncertain terms that NO person, for any reason, would be allowed to hold offices whose point total amounted to more than 30 points.

It took only two months and a single point to cause the iron to melt and for the point system to become a relic of the past.

Perhaps this year's Executive Board will be able to pass a point system ruling that will really have some teeth in it—one that cannot be chipped so easily.—HH

Trammel Thankfulness

The interesting platitudes in the American press during Thanksgiving seem to hold some vague undertone. Be thankful N. Khrushchev has ordered Russians rockets withdrawn from Cuba. The crisis of a fortnight have passed, the world is once more on the threshold of peace instead of peril. (The frosting on this cake looks too good to eat.)

Nikita displayed his "shoe pounding" self nationwide just over a year ago and this coupled with the violations of the Russians in Berlin of the joint occupation regulations plus their continuous refusal to financially support world peace via the United Nations should be enough to convince any alert American that the dove has not nestled permanently in the Caribbean or anywhere else.

These little articles (and they persist) about Russians rockets going underground and in caves seems quite practical. The complaints on laxity in America's economic blockade of "The Emerald Isle" are not unfounded. Russia has invested millions of rubles in their Cuban effort and it is all to vital for them to relinquish upon the demands of a young New Englander. Their first foothold in the American hemisphere was the fulfillment of a long desired dream. They will not retreat completely—it is simply "un-Russian".

Granted they were surprised (as was America) by the sudden burst of anger on Uncle Sam's part, and the swift Russian move to comply was only a salvation effort to preserve communist penetration in the Americas.

It would be interesting to know how many tarpaulings were lifted to display a complete Russian rocket. America was really fortunate to have a complete inventory sheet listing all these offensive armaments in question, thanks to the Soviet ambassador. (And it was the gospel, you know!) How many Russian rocket carrying ships were actually boarded by the U. S. Navy blockade officials? There is still NO INSPECTION team in Cuba, Castro does not desire this. But ce la vie, at least we got rid of outdated Russian bombers. Meanwhile, why do people risk death by machine gun to swim a frozen canal and climb a wall to freedom? Why do Russian-Chinese-manned-Migs fight Russian-Indian-manned-Migs? Why does Bertrand Russell rush to reply to a world peace telegram from Peking? (This senile wretch is starting to get arthritis from sitting on London pavements). Why is Pakistan considering a mutual pact with Red China? Why are there Church officials rotting alive in Siberia? Why are Americans so content to practice Neville Chamberlain's "peace in our time" tactics? Where is the memory of the thwarted Budapest revolt? Why cannot Russian citizens freely travel throughout the world and vice versa? Life on a collective farm must be horribly wonderful not to leave it, even for a vacation.—JLM

Academic Freedom

Recently, Bob Bishop, National Student Association Coordinator, submitted to the Executive Board a proposal for a series of Academic Freedom conferences. The purpose of the conferences would be to examine freedom of thought, inquiry, and expression at Atlantic Christian College. In order to implement the conferences, study groups would be organized, consisting of Executive Board members, faculty, and administrative staff which would consider each other's role in different areas of academic freedom.

The role of academic freedom at any college or university is indeed an integral part of the atmosphere of an institution of higher learning. The degree of academic freedom determines in large part the type of professors that a college will attract. It also influences the type of students that a college will graduate, since students who have been subjected only to prescribed ideas and dogmas cannot be expected to be hardly more than a facsimile of what they have been taught.

The way in which professors present lectures has a great deal of bearing on the degree of academic freedom. Is the instructor allowed to present ideas that conflict with the official attitudes of the college? To what degree is the professor given the opportunity to discuss political, social, and religious views without having economic pressures applied?

On the other hand, these seminars would delve into the questions of student rights, such as, to what degree is in loco parentis (parental control) practiced at ACC? What are limits of students rights and where do they impinge on the rights of the faculty and administration? And, to what extent do Campus publications and organizations have freedom of thought and expression? These and other questions might prove enlightening for all persons affiliated with the college.

We suspect that when the members of conferences begin investigating academic freedoms at Atlantic Christian they will find in general, highly favorably conditions. They might even find that ACC has a little freedom and a few more rights than other schools of its size. At any rate, it will prove highly interesting to see the conclusions reached by seminars.—HH

Letters To The Editor

Congratulations to the band for reminding us that Atlantic Christian College does have an alma mater. They presented an excellent concert, the most inspiring part of which, to me, was our alma mater.

I also extend my congratulations to WACR for its concern in this matter. Being a day student who seldom hears the WACR station, I noticed, only recently, that our radio station begins its broadcasting day with "Hail, A. C. College."

Ever since I have been a student here, I have expressed my concern about the small part this hymn seems to play in our college life. Perhaps I have not approached the right people and they will read this article. Perhaps, too, others will express their feelings and help the alma mater to find its deserved place here at A.C.C.

It is indeed a shame that we should have to read the words on the rare occasions that we do have to sing it. At graduation last year, the sight of some of the senior class reading the words to their own alma mater was truly disgraceful. I recall even more the weak volume when it was sung by the hundreds present. I believe this was caused by their lack of acquaintance with it during the year.

I hope that this will not be another school year during which the A.C.C. alma mater will be neglected as it has been in the past.

Thank you,

Janice Lamm

They say that North Carolina is different from the others. They say that North Carolina is moderate. They say a lot of things, but evidently I have not been in enough places to see the results of such talk. What they say may be true, but I am concerned with Atlantic Christian and it's not true here. Or maybe we're not the only ones. I read where they had some more trouble in Greensboro. . .! But I forgot, we're different here.

It's not that I mind living with a lie so much. I guess I've lived with about as many as the next fellow. And I have certainly been labeled "hypocrite" more than once. But sometimes a fellow is disgusted with a human mess and wants to say something. But speaking is sometimes like running into a brick wall. I mean, it's all been said and nobody listens. Like money and prestige thunder so loudly that humanity can't be heard in the clamor. Or ignorance, the great non-listener screams with rage and goes complacently on its way. Oh, well! Maybe I'll be a trustee some day.
—Jerry Ridling

Church Services To Be Held At AC

The First Presbyterian Church of Wilson will hold Sunday school services in the Bohunk beginning Dec. 2 at 9:30 a.m. The service will be conducted by Mr. Talmadge Narron, and Mr. Wiley Lane, Attorneys at Law in Wilson.

The services will be held to promote the religious aspects in the college life of Atlantic Christian College students.

Following the services transportation will be provided to and from any churches in Wilson for church service.

Coffee and donuts will be served to those attending the service.

In the past two decades, universities of the nation have increased the amount of research conducted in their laboratories 30 times — from \$40 million worth in 1941 to \$1.2 billion today.

Retired Teacher's Letter

(Editor's Note. Mrs. Doris Holsworth served as professor of English and dramatics at Atlantic Christian from 1947 to 1962. During this period she directed numerous Stage and Script plays. Upon retirement in June 1962, Mrs. Holsworth joined the faculty of Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, India.)

Dear Friends in Atlantic Christian College:

It has been a wonderful experience to stay in a college on the other side of the world long enough to become part of the life. If I stayed longer, I should not want to leave, but events on both sides of the world make it seem wiser to start for home, so I shall leave here on November 7, travel for a week in India, and leave for Pakistan, Egypt, Jordan and so on with the expectation of being back in the USA early in December and in Wilson by Christmas.

This is a college having 450 students, all girls, with high standards and a truly Christian atmosphere, although many of the girls and some of the faculty are Muslims or Hindus. We could learn a great deal about graciousness and beauty in worship and study, or relearn observances which we have forgotten or neglected. There is a chapel service every morning, not required but well attended and a church service in the college chapel a beautiful building, every Sunday. After dinner every evening the faculty who live in the "Kothi" have a short vesper service in the faculty parlor. The campus is spacious with many trees and flowers. Arcades join the buildings and even on the second floor there are verandas and balconies, (on which the monkeys sometimes cavort.) the girls come from all over India; therefore they have many different dialects or separate languages, and English is the language of general use in classes so they all speak fluently though not always clearly. They study Hindi, as that is the national language.

There is a fine group of teachers; I am growing very much attached to some of them. Many have studied in the USA or plan to do so. There are only a few Americans on the staff, but there are five American girls who have come over here for their Junior year abroad. I wish that we could have one or two girls from here at Atlantic Christian for a year. Faculty members have a sabbatical every fourth year with pay.

Shopping in the "ganz" is amusing and sometimes baffling, as each little shop carries only one or two

specialties. We are fortunate that English is so widely spoken and understood in India, but even at that I sometimes have difficulty in understanding what my ayah tries to tell me, or in telling the rickshaw man where I want to go, or finding the price of an article. The transportation is as unlike ours as it could be. There are a few buses and cars but we ride chiefly in bicycle-drawn rickshaws and it often seems as if we would be crushed by great herds of black water-buffaloes who march down the center of busy streets. White cows (painted with red designs during the recent festival) wander leisurely in and out of traffic and sometimes lie down in the middle of the street. Little goats trot along, but most intriguing are herds of small ponies with feather decorations on their heads, driven by a man who rides one of them. Also we ride in the tongas, carts carrying four persons, drawn by a pony with bells jingling as he trots merrily along. All seem to miss each other and survive happily.

There are many buildings in Lucknow which show evidences of past splendor: tombs, temples and palaces, but now quite run down. The British residency ruins, and ruins of the fort stand in memory of the Mutiny of 1857 (First War of Independence), with grounds kept up beautifully as a memorial and a shaft raised in honor of those who fell.

The palace is now a drug research institute. Everyone is greatly worried about the Chinese invasion and eager to help the country. Calls are issued daily for contributions for defense and collections taken at public meeting. The teachers and girls have responded to a call for warm sweaters for the men fighting in the mountains and for the wounded. As there was need for haste and not a great deal of wool available we have collaborated on sweaters, and I have knitted one sleeve, and given for defense. India does not want war, and is horrified that the Chinese have been so false, but they will not allow their country to be taken from them. We have all been shocked by the Cuban situation and have listened eagerly for the Voice of America broadcasts every day at 6:30 a.m. We are glad that at present the crisis has passed, but we still feel uneasy, as I'm sure you do.

Very sincerely,

Doris C. Holsworth

News And Views

By JERRY RIDLING

Unfortunately, the past holidays not only found me taking a vacation from school, but also from newspapers, magazines, and almost any other form of academic matter you can name. Consequently, much of my column for this week will be confined to local matters (very local in fact).

In the Chinese - Indian war, the Chinese called truce is still in effect. What will have happened by the time this article goes to print is impossible to predict.

Meanwhile, things appear to be calm in both Cuba and Germany. The U. S. still has quite a military force located in Florida and some are beginning to wonder if the Cuban situation is as calm as its surface appearance would lead us to believe.

In Vietnam, a small - scale war continues unnoticed except for a few lines in the newspaper each day. Last month's issue of *National Geographic* does present quite a good article on the fighting in this area if anyone is interested. Yes, there are a lot of pictures too!

Meanwhile, we have a few problems here. I don't wish to turn my column into a gripe column, but someone has asked me to inform those students who drive to school that if they would park properly, i.e., not leave ten feet between cars so

they can get out later, at least ten or fifteen more cars could be parked each day in the area around the school. Another student has complained that once he gets into the parking lot, he can't get out again because of other cars blocking him in.

As I seldom drive to school, I can make no suggestions except that some other worthy organization could investigate and see what can be done about it. They could give a full report to the Administration, which could in turn notify the proper authorities of the city of Wilson.

They could survey and see what other colleges in other cities have done about parking problems, and, as quick as you could say, "The cafeteria problem is solved!", things will be running smoothly again. Meanwhile, you might follow my example and leave your car at home!

One of the funniest books of the year, a political satire entitled *Who's In Charge Here?*, is now available on the Wilson newsstands. The book presents pictures of various international figures with extremely funny captions to them, or with the persons saying humorous things. I can guarantee that you will get your dollar's worth of laughs out of this one.