

The CC's Plague B.C.

What is wrong with Bennett students? There are seemingly two kinds of students on this campus—the very few interested students who are willing and who always WORK, and the many (approximately 625) who are complacent and who always COMPLAIN! It's bad, but it's true that 99 & 44/100% of B.C. students are classified as c o m p l a c e n t a n d complaining—the CC Students we call them!!

An example of those CC students on this campus are those who believe only the worst about everybody and everything that does not figure directly into their immediate pleasure and social circle. Too many students say things like "The student senate has 'misused' funds," or "she (a leader) is not doing her job." But if you CC students were really concerned enough to get out of your beds some mornings and go to student senate meetings, you would know that not a single cent of your money is unaccounted for. You would understand that it is not the student leaders who implement rules and pass regulations alone, you would know that there have been many ideas and proposals made that haven't even gotten

past the student leaders because there have been students themselves who 'buck' against everything somebody else starts. You would also find that the leaders have gotten kicked in their "behinds" so many, many, times while trying to get improvements for you, (while you sit back and reap the benefits).

But, do you know what the really upsetting thing about this is? To think that these same CC students will in 1,2,3, and 4 years, be out in the world as world citizens! Can you imagine a world run by people who don't even get concerned enough to find out what's going on around them and who sit around all day and believe the worst of what they hear?

YOU, the CC Students of Bennett must stop and examine yourselves and your past actions. You should ask yourself, "Am I really active on campus, am I involved in campus activities or do I just sit back and complain." We believe that there is a job on this campus for everyone—jobs that do not necessarily require any special skills but that do require your time and desire to WORK. To you Bennett girls we say, Get Involved, Help you School, Do you part!!!

Election Ignites Campus Spirit

For the first time in quite a while, Bennett's annual student elections really looked like an election was taking place. The one unique mechanical "innovation" this year was the appearance of voting machines. The machines were of immeasurable value to the young "almost old enough" and the "just-old-enough" to vote age group that populates the college campus. That was the "new-look" mechanically speaking.

The "new-look", speaking in terms of persons, was really the greatest innovation yet. There was more spirit, drive, excitement, and anxiety behind this election than in any two or more past elections "heaped-together!" There was much more active campaigning than ever before. There was even a greater barrage of posters with "catchy" campaign slogans, cartoons, and plain old campaign promises. There was an

assortment of fiery campaign speeches, attractive "sales pitches" and just some straight candid facts pointed out.

This, as the members of the Banner staff see it, is only the beginning. True, it was a great step for the traditional Bennett elections, but it was merely a beginning step. A campus election should be tackled with the same "umph" with which the presidential election is handled. If students are really serious about their school, the campus leadership is just as important to them as state and national leadership is to the average citizen. Perhaps its even more so since this "government" is on a lower scale that provides for much more direct contact and because the governed body is in even closer contact and more of the same accord.

Yes, this is progress. But with each step in progress, if extreme precaution isn't taken, there are certain to be obstacles.

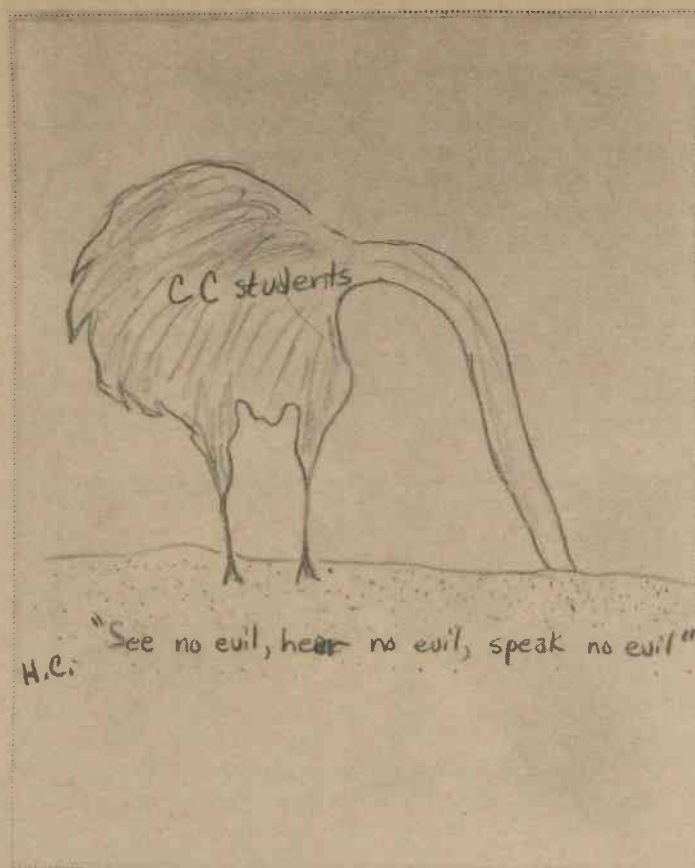
From The Banner Staff

A few students have confronted members of the staff and have expressed their feelings about the Bennett Banner. Most impressions have been favorable. Among criticisms however, has been the JOY column, and so we've decided to discontinue that column.

In addition, we have developed a new editorial

policy. Letters to the editor no longer have to be signed. Only a Banner Staff member(s) will know who wrote any particular letter, and this will be kept in confidence.

We hope that this is an improvement over past policies and, we hope to hear from you soon in the form of a Letter to the Editor.



THE ROVING REPORTER

What are some functions you wish the newly elected student officers execute next school term?

Unite, to organize the student body. Our school needs togetherness, without togetherness we cannot work as a whole.

Clem Vaughn

Action speaks louder than words and I would like to see action enforced.

Dorothy Barnes

They should provide more campus activities for the students.

C.H.

I would like to see them work more for the students.

Debbie Stewart

I want the student officers to get rid of curfew, and have more activities on campus during the week, not only on weekends.

Sydney Jones

The student union should have more activities other than come to sit. Elected officers to get a committee to let students know about activities planned on campus.

Sadie Joyner

I would like to see the snack bar open later and especially on Saturday.

Sandra Chapman

First, I'd like to see the student officers united, and less interference from the administration. Also have more substantial backing for activities along with more cultural activities on campus.

Shelia Allen

We'd like to see better food in the cafeteria, more activities and turn off lights during the day. We need to have more informal meetings with student officers so that we can know what is going on.

C. McClain
M. Wornack

More activities should be planned on campus.

Stefanie Fogg

I want them to work on a policy to take exams before Christmas holidays because it is a hassel to study for exams after the holidays.

Elicia Hooker

I want them to change the policy of chapel attendance, which adds on hours for graduation.

Linda I want the officers to represent the student body. With the officers we have now everything we do has to be black orientated. They should let the students know what's going on and not wait until the last minute.

Marvelyn Fuller

We need a new curfew with some limitations and more campus activities.

Angenita Whaley

At least try to get some improvements on campus even if entails carrying on activities to accomplish this.

Susanne Tropex

Unsigned

Dear Editor,

I hope now that we as black people realize the impact that bombings of Ralph Featherstone and William Payne have on black Americans. Once again it is clear that white people do not intend to sit back quietly and watch while black people rise above the mire that they (whites) have created for us. The inhuman treatments against the AAA tenants here in Greensboro, the violence directed against the A&T and Dudley students in May, in Alabama, the arsenic poisonings of cattle belonging to black Muslims, the attacks on black children in Lamar, S.C., the degrading treatment of Bobby Seale, and the killings of Panthers in various parts of the country all point to the extent to which whites will go to control the black man. Where do we go from here?

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