

Voting Does Count

VOTING: I thought about the ACT of voting a long time and I recalled statements people had made about the ACT; "my vote doesn't count," "politicians are all corrupt," "elections are fixed," "candidates are bought off," etc. Although this may be true, I have come to the conclusion that most of us are so caught up in ourselves and what is needed for ourselves that we cannot see much less acknowledge that there is indeed a political world out there separate from the comfortable little neat cocoons we weave around ourselves and nestle into, which then allow us to glide safely through life uninjured and unaffected.

If we are lucky that world will never penetrate our own individual cosmoses that we have established for ourselves. If we are lucky the laws and politicians that make up that world, which we do not believe matters if we participate in, will do nothing to cut through our well-woven exterior. A highway will not have to come through our front yard. The government will not discontinue grants and loans to our schools. Food prices will not soar to the point where we cannot pay them. Economic policies set by the government will not affect our getting a job or losing it. Our children will not have to go to inferior schools because the law says they cannot go to a better one. And when we get ready to do something we believe is basic to our well-being there will not be a law saying we cannot do it.

All of us work and pay taxes to that other world, the world which decides how those tax dollars should be spent. Yet we do not think it is necessary to participate in elections which select the people who will spend our tax dollars.

In the 1972 presidential election only 55% of the eligible voters voted, nearly half the populace did not participate. In the recent state primary run-off election only something like 15% of the eligible voters voted. Bringing it closer to home though; here on campus many students are not registered and more than likely will not vote in the November presidential election.

It is true if we do not vote we will not make a difference; it is true that if we vote in small numbers we will not make much difference; then too if we vote blindly and in a uniformed manner we still will not make much difference. We must organize and participate in elections from the announcement of candidates to the final selection of officials. It is not enough to proceed through life like a snowflake carried by the wind, aimlessly living each day not caring about the people who govern us and which way they direct us; because like the snowflake we have got to touch ground someday; however, it would be much better to land where we wanted to and, unlike the snowflake, control the wind that directs our lives and GOVERNMENT, and acknowledge the other world.



Sue would like
to donate her corner
of the Banner
to wish our
Aunt Emma Smith
(member of the board of trustees)
"A speedy recovery —
as quick as possible."

ROBYN'S NEST



New T. V. Shows Premier This Fall

by Robyn-Denise Berryhill

Ah autumn! A time when everything has a new beginning. Kids and college students return to campuses and classrooms all over the country, the time goes back one hour, the wind and sun mellow the leaves of summer from cool shades of green to crimson brown, and the start of football season will dominate our televisions on Sunday afternoons and Monday nights. But the preludes of autumn also mark the beginning of a new television season. In this issue, the BANNER takes a look at some of the new shows that are in the offing this fall:

SUNDAY

7 P.M. "COS" (ABC) Bill Cosby's third attempt and third network on television. This is the second attempt at a variety show for the "Cos".

10 P.M. "Quincy" (NBC) Another in the series of the rotating "NBC Mystery Movies." Another detective story. This one stars Jack Klugman (formerly "Oscar" on the "Odd Couple").

10 P.M. (CBS) "Delvecchio" Judd Hirsch stars as tough Italian cop.

MONDAY

8 P.M. "The Captain and Tennille" (ABC) ABC's Monday night answer to "Sonny and Cher." Tennille sings but can he do more than sit at the PIANO?

9:30 P.M. "All's Fair" (CBS) Story of conservative gent and his radical women's lib girlfriend. Stars Richard Crenna AND Bernadette Peters.

10 P.M. "Executive Suite" (CBS) Continuing saga of the problems within a big business corporation. Includes hateful wives of corporate execs, activist daughter of company president and rising young executive with commonlaw wife that has a questionable past. Cast of thousands.

TUESDAY

8 P.M. (NBC) "Baa Baa Black-sheep" Story of misfit G.I.'s during World War II.

9 P.M. "Rich Man, Poor Man, Part II" (ABC) Takes up where part I left off. Susan Blakley and Peter Strauss return as Julie and Rudy Jordache.

10 P.M. "Family" (ABC) Last year's four-week mini series returns this fall on a regular basis. Sensitive drama of an all Amer-

ican household with various conflicts.

WEDNESDAY

8:30 P.M. "Ball Four" (NBC) Baseball comedy. More action off the field than on.

9:30 P.M. "Alice" (CBS) Widowed waitress with child aspires to be singer. Based on the movie "Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore."

10 P.M. "Charley's Angel's" (ABC) Escapades of three female undercover agents and their shennanigans.

10 P.M. "Quest" (NBC) The Baudine brothers attempt to settle the frontier but first must battle ruthless cattle-rustlers, bandits and Indians.

THURSDAY

8 P.M. "Gemini Man" (NBC) Fellow uses power to turn invisible to combat crime.

9 P.M. "The Tony Randall Show" (ABC) Other half of the "Odd Couple" portrays a judge.

9:30 P.M. "The Nancy Walker Show" (ABC) Rhoda's mom in her own series.

FRIDAY

8 P.M. "Spencer's Pilots" (CBS) Dare-devil pilots turned crime-stoppers.

10 P.M. "Serpico" (NBC) Based on the successful movie of the same name. All about honest Greek policeman in a crooked department.

SATURDAY

8 P.M. "Holmes and YO YO" (ABC) Believe it or not this one not only has a cop but a computerized robot. The two team up.

8:30 P.M. "Mr. T and Tina" (ABC) Wild Japanese inventor settles in the mid-west. Seeks American governess for his two kids. Reverse of "Courtship of Eddie's Father" series.

Of course with these new additions there's the regular line up of shows. The choice is yours. Happy viewing!

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

As a result of the Howard Lee defeat, it is evident that more blacks need to register to vote. If more blacks had done so, Howard Lee would probably be the Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor.

Why black people lack interest in voting is a question asked over and over. Is it because they think their vote will not count? Whatever the reason is, it is our duty as intelligent students to stress the necessity of voting.

It was sad to see how many people in the project area of Greensboro are uninterested in voting. The Constitution states that every citizen in the United States 18 and over has the right to vote.

Not only should we tell others to vote, but we should vote, also. In the upcoming election let's remember to register and go to the polls and vote.

Deborah Tillman

Dear Editor,

As I write this letter I write with mixed emotions. Emotions concerning Bennett College. Its past and what's more important to me its future.

Being that this is my first year at Bennett I have observed and talked with students and have concluded that Bennett College has fallen asleep on the job.

I can remember the time when Bennett was alive and one of the best liberal arts colleges in the U. S. I ask you what has happened?!!!

To the administrators, I say wake up!! Stop sleeping in a bed of traditionalism. Develop new methods and concepts on how Bennett should be run in this day and age!

To the professors, and instructors, I say wake and practice the oath of your profession and its logo to "educate the whole women."

To the students, who are now a part of the Bennett heritage I say, let's get involved in the betterment of our college. We can

together move this college to greater heights. Let us together bring back that unity that is disappearing. Let us together put on the badge of idealism and once more make noise—a loud noise to let this nation know that Bennett College is alive and doing well!

Simply sign me,
"Kool-Aid"

Dear Editor,

There's a familiar saying that goes "One for all, and all for one." This saying is my reason for writing. I would truly like to thank all my Beautiful, Black Sisters who proved that standing together for a justifiable cause can be beneficial. What I have reference to is the petition for Bennett to recognize Labor Day as a school holiday.

Although some sisters might not have been in agreement with us on the petition, I'm sure their hearts were with us in anticipation that we would be successful. To those sisters I hold no grudges and I'm still proud that you're my Bennett Sister.

Again I say thanks to all Bennett Sisters for working together and showing others what true sisterhood really is. Let's continue to let the saying "One for all, and all for one" apply to the spirit of Bennett Sisters.

Yours truly,
Janelle Felder

Freshmen Learn Not to Be Nosy

by Cathy Young

Some freshmen had a cardboard slammed in their faces while peeking into a gay bar. The bar is located downtown and students, especially freshmen, enjoy waiting for a bus downtown.

Upper classmen gave the freshmen the well-learned advice that curiosity killed the cat.