

Editorial Comments...

Common Sense Is Not So Common

"Going home, going home, I'm just going home. It's not far, just close by, down a mountain road." The students leave the place they'll refer to fondly in later years as "My Alma Mater" in droves, come a week-end. They go home to a nice home-cooked meal (and who can blame them), a decent night's rest (a lost art on campus), and get as far from books as possible. The few that stay are busy making plans to go next week-end. This is ghost town on Saturday and Sunday and if we don't watch out, we'll be listed in the AAA tourist guide book as one of the more unique sights in the Smokies—a college without students.

West Hall was heard talking to Taylor and they said that the only reason they remained was because the climate is good for their health. Most of the faculty are here preparing interesting and educational welcomes for their returning prodigies. It gets so bad that if anyone speaks above a whisper, the echo is deafening.

We will admit that going home is the only way to get your clothes cleaned and pressed without doing it yourself, and it is nice to impress the folks at home, who thought you'd never get out of grade school, with your elevated situation in life. But clean clothes don't impress the faculty to such an extent as to give you passing grades.

Week-ends were made for relaxation—hikes, dances, picnics and movies—anything to rest our minds from ancient civilization and Spanish conjugation. Holidays are the time to pack up and go home.

**Give us the words to attack wrong
The knowledge to deal with truth
And the wisdom to know the difference.**

The statement that the south now finds itself in much the same condition as other undeveloped areas of the world automatically brands the Communist edition **Fighter For Peace** as not only subversive, but also as a work of one with little knowledge of the present day south.

Throughout this edition there are statements of ideas which come with little thought toward the real problems facing the world today. No man can disagree with someone advocating a cease-fire in Korea, but just how much thought has its editor given as to the essential differences that have made months of debate fruitless? Compromise after compromise has seemed to serve no other purpose than to deepen the deadlock.

The audacity of the Communist party comes into full view in the pages of the **Fighter For Peace**. An attempt such as this, aimed at coloring the minds of college students in North Carolina, is an example of how this party works toward its aim of the internal destruction of the United States government.

No student in the nation looks forward to an army draft; of course world peace is the aim of every clear thinking American, and there are few southerners who do not feel the weight of the negro problem. There are also, however, few southerners who cannot think of far superior methods of solving it than those advocated by the Communist party, U. S. A.

Freedom of the press is one of the inalienable rights of every person or group in the United States. An example of this same freedom is the right to select the material which we read. The **Fighter For Peace** was published in free America, with every right afforded any other publication of this country. It is up to the mentally alert citizens of today, however, to distinguish between this subversive literature and that literature written to inform rather than misinform.

**When Wisdom is in Brief
It Can Be Absorbed Without Grief**

A stout heart breaks bad luck.—Cervantes.
An artist is anyone who glorifies his occupation.

—Carman

Some people conduct their lives on the cafeteria plan—self service only.

Tennis, Anyone?



Seek Wisdom Not Merely Knowledge

Various people of importance have said that in this world the most important and worthwhile things in life come hard, are seldom given, and when found, seem not so illuminating as when they were apparently out of reach to the average man.

It would appear to all intelligent people that this is true. However, at a second glance a different light may be shed upon this matter. The idea we are attempting to express is not what would be true if this matter were looked into, and surely if you do look, there will be certain hidden truths, but rather that all too often we as humans and with our human weaknesses, accept ideas that are given to us, because on the surface they appear to be true and perhaps because they are given by someone who is usually right.

The accepting of facts by persons, even of supposedly high intelligence, is one of the chief drawbacks of the educational system of the United States, and even the world today. It is in the person who is continually questioning and trying to ascertain what is truth and what has merely been given as the truth, you will find a person who will eventually gain a degree of knowledge that the average person will never quite reach.



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