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Tragic Truth

It is truly tragic that students at Louisburg College are pitted against each other or against the faculty in some matters which seem almost trivial. It is also a disgrace that there is evidence of cheating, stealing, and lying on this campus. Students no longer feel the need for honesty and common decency. What has bred this despicable situation? It may be submitted that the administration is highly at fault for their failure to impress the basic rules of self-respect upon the students. They have failed to give the students a code of honor whereby one may set a worthy bill of standards. There is no trust between the students and the faculty. Instructors are compelled to remain in their classrooms in order to curb cheating while a test is being given. Yet, this sin against education goes on regularly—even while the instructor is "on guard." Students seek every method possible to "crib" from another, and they feel no guilt about the matter. To them it is a thing of honor to be able to make "creditable" work without studying.

Recently a Christmas tree was stolen from Main Street of Louisburg. The accusation was placed on some still unknown student at the college, and the accusation was not unjust. This misdeed was nothing more than what was expected of the students at the college. There is no honor here!

Why should such instances as these be possible here? In other institutions of higher learning where an honor system is in effect, the students are trusted implicitly, and seldom do they violate that trust. It has been proven that when a student is placed on his honor, and when he is told what a pledge of his honor means, he will respond in a positive manner. A student who is given the feeling that he is trusted will usually strive to be trustworthy.

When a pupil is graduated from high school, he takes a giant step toward adulthood. A college should present him with the opportunity of maturing into that adulthood. This can and has been done by placing him on his honor the day he enters the institution. A student who is placed on his honor and keeps that honor in college will be an honorable man. Will Louisburg College give the students that privilege?

First-Rate Liars

The mistaken forces that are dedicated to ending freedom have always placed great stress on efforts to influence young people to their way of thinking, and in the last few years it has become evident that the communist movement is putting forth a special effort in this area. In their drive to broaden opportunities to exploit college-age youngsters, the communists not long ago announced the formation of a lecture bureau on public affairs. The communists deliberately set out to give the young people a cause about which to become enthusiastic. They know the value of exploiting subjects that appeal to youth in such a way to give the impression of being always on the side of progress for mankind, prosperity for everybody, and most of all, peace in the world. That is how they turn an idealistic young person into a willing puppet manipulated by communist masters.

If we are to win the ideological war against communism, we must inform ourselves about what communism is, what its objectives are, and how it plans to achieve those objectives. Our government should have the responsibility to inform people of the dangers of communism. Our government must present to the world a firm and vigorous foreign policy which would demand respect and which would be worthy of the nation which fate has chosen to lead humanity's fight for freedom. Too often in the past our leaders have been indecisive or wavering in our dealings with the communists.

Communists are still free to speak and to try to persuade young people and older ones too to accept their way of thinking. They are exercising this right for freedom of speech by sending their leaders onto the campuses of our colleges all over America. Such as in Mississippi. The only answer to a bad idea is a good one. We must always be well informed on the Communist Manifesto. As a student of Louisburg College, you should be proud of the stand against communism with which our faculty has taken. Support the stand which they have taken to eliminate communism from our campus, and be proud that we are a college which can express our ideas. The communists may be second-rate economists, or third-rate farmers, but they are first-rate liars.

Sportsmanship

This year, as in the past, the day-students are dominating the intramural scene. Each year they manage to field teams that are far superior to anything the lesser forces are able to muster. This is due, in part, to the unusually large number of day-students who are here on athletic scholarships, but the most outstanding fact about them is their pride that they are the best. It is unfortunate, however, that some members of this squad have their doubts about this and are said to resort to questionable tactics during the contest. Does it not seem that a team with such remarkable abilities would find it completely unnecessary to resort to rough-house tactics in order to win a ball game?

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

by Dick Bibler



"YES I'M GOING TO PASS YOU BECAUSE I'M TIRED OF HAVING TO MAKE UP NEW TESTS FOR THIS COURSE EVERY YEAR!"

Open Faculty Forum

To the Editor:

It is possible that in a few years Louisburg College may be in serious trouble or may even be forced to close its doors. The plan to create a series of state-supported "community" colleges in North Carolina has not yet been officially accepted, but the tremendous popularity of state junior colleges in California, Texas, and several other states makes it almost inevitable that they will come here sooner or later. In fact, we already have three — at Wilmington, Charlotte, and Elizabeth City.

When they do come, Louisburg could be priced out of business. A college with state support can always charge far less tuition than a private college. Most parents would prefer to save several hundred dollars a year and send their children to a state school.

Meeting this competition will be the task of our administration and trustees. The method to be used will also be up to them. But we—as students, alumni, and faculty—must

be ready to co-operate with them by supporting the measures which they adopt.

One possibility would be for Louisburg to become a four-year college. However, this plan might require more money and equipment than are likely to be available. Another possibility would be a gradual raising of admission and academic standards over a period of years. When the new colleges arrive, Louisburg would be in a position to attract superior students and to offer them a superior preparation and opportunity for transfer. A third possibility, which would not interfere with either of the first two, would be to offer one or more special programs which would not be obtainable at other colleges. One plan might be an honors program with extra work in one field. This program could be backed by a scholarship program to attract outstanding students.

In any case, this challenge will probably come — and be met.

A Faculty Member

Student Views

The following segments are student opinions on various situations at Louisburg College — some humorous, some not so humorous:

Upon returning to LJC some of the students in Trinity Dorm were wondering whether or not heat was included in their tuition. Or was it optional? Will the same situation prevail when they return from the semester break? . . .

At the end of a weekend, the TV room in Trinity looks like a garbage-dump — and smells worse. Is there some special reason for the lack of adequate ventilation and the proper trash receptacles? Somewhat less negligence on the part of the students could be desired. . . .

Why is it that there is always a mass evacuation of male personnel from Wright Dorm at 6:30 every Wednesday night — whether there are meetings or not? Principles?!?! It seems that a system of signs in the cafeteria, post office, and on the doors of Wright Dorm saying, "No meetings tonight — be in at 7:00." could be arranged on Wednesday nights with no meetings scheduled. . . .

The little parlor of Wright Dorm could stand another trash can, a few more ash-trays, and more responsible smokers. . . .

Some people believe that Sun-

day has been set aside as a day of rest. Persons working on Sundays, if this is their belief, should be rotated so that they can be given a Sunday off every other week or so. . . .

The popularity of folk music on LJC campus is increasing with leaps and bounds. Leading the way are artists such as: Peter, Paul and Mary; The Kingston Trio; The Brothers Four; and Ray Charles.

What are the possibilities of putting up a gag signpost on front? The signpost could point in the direction of certain cities and give the mileage. Some cities to be used could include: Moscow, Havana, Paris, Munich, Mexico City, Hong Kong, Zanzibar, Palestine, Reyk-jarík, Raleigh. This sign could be used in pamphlets and other college circulars. If the sign is given the O.K., it could become a humorous symbol of the college. . . .

It is a known fact that Mr. Crowder is an excellent chef. We feel that there is a need for a greater variety in his menu truly to test his abilities. After the first few weeks of school, students are able to predict the menu to the day. BUT then there was the time we were served chicken-a-la-king. . . .

To the men of Second Trinity—GOTCHA!!!!



CAROLE WARE

The Young Democrats' Club of Louisburg College met for a Christmas party on December 11, 1962, at the home of Mr. W. Carrington Gretter, Jr. The informal meeting was conducted by the Club President, Frank Outten. Hot chocolate and cake was served to all. The setting for the evening was an open-face log fire with a background of Christmas music. All in attendance departed with the Christmas Spirit in their bones and the visions of vacation in their heads.

The last meeting of the Y.D.C. for this semester was held Tuesday, January 8, 1963, at seven o'clock in the evening in the Main Auditorium Parlor. The program was the first of a series of exchange programs the club hopes to conduct with the other Y.D.C. groups in this area. The first meeting came from the Young Democrats' Club of Atlantic Christian College. The guests were entertained for dinner at a nearby restaurant by the officers of the Louisburg Club. Tom Pierson, President Y.D.C. A.C.C., presented an interesting paper he had written on the John Birch Society. He also gave some highlights of the inside workings of the A.C.C. Y.D.C. Our scope of knowledge was widened by the paper presentation, and the Louisburg Y.D.C. members were filled with "get-up-and go" at the conclusion of Tom's "How To Organize a Club — How It Was Done by Atlantic Christian College."

Because of the mid-term exams, there will not be another Y.D.C. meeting this semester. The officers and Mr. Gretter join in to wish the Y.D.C. members and all students the best of luck on their exams. Looking forward to seeing you all back next semester!

Y. R. C. Speaks

By HENRY CLEMENT

It is now safe to say that the South is leaning more toward a two-party system. From the grass roots of politics, voters are giving more and more confidence to the Republican candidate. The old "dyed in the wool" Democrat is being pushed aside to make room for a new breed of voter. This new voter is more willing to give the other side a chance to do what they have been talking about for years. Not that the big Democratic majority has gone by any means, and it is not likely to end for many years. But there is definitely a break for a two party system. The first big break came with the election of Senator John Tower of Texas. He was the first Republican Senator in Texas since Reconstruction days and was put in by a wide majority. In Georgia, L. J. O'Callahan and James Dorsey, both top businessmen and political leaders, are high in the ranks of carrying out justice. In Tennessee, a new Congressman, William E. Brock, was elected. In Richmond, Virginia, the Republican congressional candidate lost to his opponent by only 300 votes. He won a substantial portion of the Negro vote, which usually sticks so close to their Democratic friends. There are, in all, eleven Republican congressmen newly elected from the Solid South. These men didn't make any issue out of the race issue, as did their opposition. This is only an example of what is happening in the South. There isn't much doubt (Continued on page 4)