

Campus Queens Questionable!

A tradition may soon fade from campus life as more women students refuse to be a part of the queen contests which are sponsored for various campus activities. Five campuswide have queens to reign—Homecoming Queen, Holiday Tournament Queen, Sweetheart Queen, Spring Jubilee Queen and Miss ANCHOR. Either by petition or nominated from clubs, these women students are selected to vie for a queenly title which is just that—a title. Paraded before the student body in a chapel session, these women students are reminded to smile prettily and the viewers are reminded to vote for the loveliest. Several contestants have remarked that this is an interesting reminder of a cattle showing where the cattle are paraded and then judged on the outward appearance.

As the educated of our society it seems that our value system would be more highly developed than to include superficial contests which judge appearance and personality of our colleagues. There is no place in an academic community for the exploitation of any trait or characteristic of any person. Five times a year women students are selected to be exploited. It may not be a deliberate humiliation, yet in reality it is just that.

If the tradition of choosing queens can be deleted from campus activities, it will not be too soon. Greater challenges await us when we are able to remove the dead weight of the unmeaningful.



D.Y.T.

Another on the Same . . .

The upper left-hand corner of the front page of the PILOT has become a reserved spot for the fasturing of the queens. Each issue there is an elected queen to picture. This phenomenon reveals something about the value system of the college and of the student body.

Is there such a condition as too much of a good thing? Every occasion on campus seems to call for a campus queen election. Five queens are elected to reign throughout an academic year.

The queens are elected by the student body and are representatives of the students, but is a queen necessary for Homecoming, Christmas Holiday Tournament, Valentine's Day, Spring Jubilee and a Miss ANCHOR? Five campus queens per year take away from the honor of being a queen. Every month one chapel session becomes a beauty pageant.

The criticism here does not concern the existence of the queens but the logic behind electing five queens or more each year. An all-purpose "Miss Gardner-Webb" was part of the school's past tradition which maybe needs to be reconsidered. Either one queen to cover the year's activities or a Homecoming Queen and a Spring Jubilee Queen would suffice. The question is "Does Gardner-Webb need five yearly reigning queens?"



S.A.H.

SENATE ABSENTEES

Tuesday, February 6, 1973

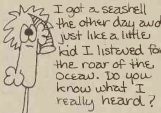
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SCA SEWS

STUDENT SENATE
A call-meeting of the Senate was held on Tuesday, February 6 to replace past senators, two of which had been impeached and three which resigned for other reasons.

There were twenty senators present which is not enough for a quorum and therefore, the meeting consisted of reports and announcements. The attendance of twenty-three is necessary before there is a quorum.

At the call-meeting the oath of office was administered to Steve Brown who represents the portable housing I-O.

The report to the Senate from the Executive Committee reported that there would be weekly meetings of the Senate for the next few months.

An SGA banquet will be held on April 19 in the Bulldog Room. The dinner will include all senate members and the executive officers. The SGA banquet is an annual event which was held during Christmas last year.

A leadership conference for the spring is being planned. This week-end conference will involve the old and new executive officers and other SGA senators. It will be held the weekend of April 13-15 at Salterpath, N.C.

STUDENT UNION BOARD

The executive chairman of the newly established Student Union Board is Bob Grant. He stated that the Student Union Board is "a branch of the Student Government coordinating all student campus activities."

The vice-chairman is Frank Page who is also chairman of the Recreation Committee. The recorder is Sylvia Johns who serves as chairman of the committee initiating Arts and Crafts.

The Popular Artist Committee is chaired by Julian Fowler. Chairman of the coffee house committee is Dick Stewars, and Kemp Savage is chairman of the Committee sponsoring the movies on campus.

Fam McCall is chairman of the Cultural Arts Committee which will sponsor the Distinguished Artist Series. The Chairman of the Publicity Committee is Bill Cooley.

The Student Union Board has met twice this semester and they are making plans concerning the Spring Jubilee concert and are considering initiating an arts and crafts program that would use the coffee house as work space.

The Student Union Board will send two representatives to the National Entertainer's Commission, February 18-21. The conference will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio and representing Gardner-Webb will be Julian Fowler and Kemp Savage.

Student Speaks On Cheating

Editor:

Do you cheat? Being a graduate of a college with the reputation of turning out cheaters is difficult to do. You're students of such a college. Of course, you could transfer—but will the other college university accept your records. The "future" employer would certainly have second thoughts about your credentials. This is something to think about, isn't it?

An IBM machine is too dumb to program itself. Will a test tube work its own formula or an educator enlighten the world through his ignorance? Does a good athlete throw a game? And how will you

fare in the competitive world of business? The minority should ask these questions of themselves.

If I still have your attention, let me ask you an important question. Have we ever considered having the "Honor System" at Gardner-Webb? It takes the majority to make a system work. Analyze your concern for the present and future self. Are we willing to stand up for our rights as students and adults? The "Honor System" must have the support of the students and the concerned faculty members. IT'S WORTH A TRY!

Thank you
Linda Skine



Peace — In Our Time?

There were no shouts of joy hallelujah exclamations with President Nixon's long-awaited peace announcement. The cease-fire and signing of the peace treaty brought cases where men thought to be

Man now faces questions such as: Was peace really gained? What is next in the history of the United States? These unanswered questions are traumatic and depressing, but the real tragedy may come as soldiers and prisoners of war return home.

Newspapers accounts report cases where men thought to be dead and buried now appear as lost prisoners. Soldiers have been missing or gone from home for seven

years or more. When these men return can they adjust to "normal" life? Can their families adjust?

Unemployment and the end of the draft will have an explosive effect on the American economy. The drug culture will be influenced as soldiers return home. Men who have been captured and prisoners of war will probably need psychiatric help. After being taught to kill, can men suddenly return to a society that outlaw killing? Can this man survive?

It was an unmerciful tragedy that 50,000 men died, but the worst tragedy may be with the return home.

S.A.H.



"Bonnie and Clyde" concludes the movie-showings for February. The film will be presented on February 22 in Hamrick Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.