

EDITORIALS

To All Students . . .

The other night we witnessed eight young men about to face a situation which in their own minds was comparable to facing the firing squad. They were going before the Honor Council. They were to be tried for a major offense on our campus. They were guilty of coming on campus "under the influence of alcohol." This was discovered and reported by their Dorm Council. Though these young men were quite upset by this situation, they admitted their guilt and were willing to take whatever punishment the Honor Council might give them. The decision of the Honor Council was to place these boys on suite arrest for a period of two weeks and on Disciplinary Probation until Spring Holidays. We are not contesting this particular decision as we believe it to have been a fair one and one which would be made in any similar case. We are contesting, however, the fact that many similar cases go unpunished.

It is on record that a similar case came before the Mecklenburg Dorm Council. This particular offense involved the same situation; the offense was committed in Orange Dormitory, was reported by the Council of that Dorm to the Council of Mecklenburg, and the case was tried. Is this in accordance with the rule stating that any offense involving more than one Dorm should be referred directly to the Honor Council? The fact remains that the penalty given was the loss of two merits. Are these penalties consistent?

It is common knowledge around the campus that many other cases from Mecklenburg Dormitory go completely unpunished. Is this because the rule has not been interpreted clearly enough to this Dorm? No, we don't think this is the reason because in the early part of the year a member of the Administration attended a Dorm meeting and explained in no uncertain terms what this rule meant and how it was to be interpreted. Then why is there a constant violation of this rule? Could it be because the residents of this Dorm are aware that their offenses will be overlooked by their friends and by even their Dormitory Council? This sort of Student Government makes a mockery of those people who are honestly trying to uphold and enforce the regulations.

It could be that the rule needs to be stated a bit more definitely. We understand the Honor Council is presently revising the Honor Code. And incidently they will welcome student opinion on what the Code should contain and how it could best be stated. Perhaps this is a thought for them. Until then, our constructive suggestion is that the members of the Honor Council and Mecklenburg Dormitory Council have a long talk together and try to understand the position of each governing body.

Perhaps the newly organized co-ordinating committee will be of some help in getting the penalties regulated. We sincerely hope this will be true.

E.W.

A Word To Freshmen!

Tomorrow you as a class will have your first solitary voice in the Student Government of our campus. You will elect your class president. Although he will only serve our class until the Spring Elections, these will be important months and he will be an important person. He will be the pace-setter, the standard-maker and the precedent-setter.

Consider well all the candidates. Consider his previous experience in Student Government, his ability to work hard and stick to the job, and his ability to get along with people. Getting along with people is important because your class is so large. Yes, consider well all the candidates, choose the one whom you feel is best suited for the job, and then vote.

E.W.



The Students Speak

Why the complaint of the choir robes and stoles? There is evidently a problem of money involved, and after all, first things first. We need that library a lot more than beautiful, clean choir robes.

Keeping with an accepted vogue, may I make a constructive suggestion? Since some people have such an affinity for soiled choir stoles and the letters "F" "M", choir members could chip in and pay to have them cleaned, and some ambitious soul could take scissors in hand and cut away the blue threads.

While we're cutting, let us remember that we can never brush completely away from the past. There is too much to be learned from it. And while

Freshmen Feelings

By REBECCA CARTER

Within the next week our local pharmacies will see a sudden rise in business as anxious freshmen stock up on aspirin, No-Doze pills, and blood building tonics. Merchants will sell dozens of pencils, tons of paper, gallons of ink, and even good luck charms, because hair-pulling, nail-biting, exam time is invading St. Andrews.

The campus facilities will be deserted. Most students will begin the tremendous task of reviewing studies within the self-imposed boundaries of a dormitory room. Each student secretly prays that during this time his dull brain will be transformed into the "gray mass" of a genius!

Emotions are varied in the Freshman Class concerning exams. Panic, dread, and excitement are a few of the adjectives expressing opinions. C and C exams will be tougher, generally speaking, than most of the courses due to the coverage of more material. However, this does not mean the other exams will be "crip."

The anticipation of a short rest after exams will encourage any tired brains that are still able to roam around after the tedious hours of labor are completed. These tests will end our first semester of college and begin the second.

Teachers send one word of advice to any interested freshmen—"Be Prepared!"

we try to push and push PJC and Flora Macdonald back and forget about them, let us realize that we are pushing away the actual foundation of St. Andrews Presbyterian College.

Margaret Ann Martin

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My Life On Campus

My life at school is very confusing.

It seems to stay in a mad delusion.

I always seem to stay in a hurry,

And spend most of my time in a worry.

The tension and pressure is something furious, Almost as bad as a class under Pierce.

My studies for some reason are never done; Because one comes to college only for fun.

I seem to think that no one is concerned, When it really should not make a dern.

On Friday nights I am known as a Dodger As I spend all my time down at Roger.

With exams about here I have my fear That I am about to end my college career.

In conclusion I would like to say That it may seem I have a pretty rough day,

But I myself am able to survive.

And realize how great it is to be alive.

Benny Ormand

'Flu' Shots

"Flu" shots are available at the Health Center between 1 and 2 p.m. Monday through Saturday and between 4 and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Two injections, at \$1.50 apiece, are required for best protection.

Forms were sent to the parents of most students, asking that they indicate whether or not they wished their child to take these shots. Any student whose parents did not receive a blank and wishes to take the injections may do so.

S G A Activities

Honor Council Rules

On January 10 the Honor Council met to hear the case of eight male students involved in an incident prior to Christmas. The incident occurred the last day before the Christmas vacation, and involved a violation of the drinking rule. The offense was referred to the Honor Council by their Dormitory Council. The charge was returning to the campus under the influence of alcohol and the students were given two weeks suite arrest and placed on disciplinary probation until spring vacation.

In other Honor Council action on January 12, a male student was found in violation of dormitory regulations. This infraction involved the student running up to the second floor of one of the women's dorms to say goodnight. This previous infraction, though without precedent, was dealt with by giving the student one weeks suite arrest.

This case was referred to the Honor Council in line with the stipulation that any offense involving two dormitories is taken directly to the Honor Council for action.

There has been a revision of advisors to the Honor Council. Due to Dr. Gwynn's having to take over some of Dr. Moore's duties as president of the college, Dr. Harvin has replaced him as advisor. Effective January 10, Dr. Harvin will serve with Miss Mims in this capacity.

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Freshmen Elections

Voting day for the freshmen arrived January 10 to elect their senators and class president. After a quiet but effective campaign Robert Murphy was elected to one senator seat, while there is necessarily a run-off to fill the other between Joyce Clanton and Kim Holland.

Due to a discrepancy in petitioning John Redhead was forced to withdraw from the race for president. The other candidate also withdrew, so the petitioning was opened again until January 15. The run-off for the remaining senate seats and the election of the president is to be January 17. The candidates petitioning for president are Preston Stone, John Redhead, Steve Pitt, and Paul Grubb.

Zodiacs To Come

Mecklenburg and Wilmington dormitories have combined their efforts to bring to St. Andrews a celebration. This is to take place February 1, registration night. The entertainment is to be the Zodiacs of Charlotte. The charge for admission is \$3.00 or \$2.50 student and it should be well worth it to hear this popular group.

Pay Your Bills

Mr. Silas Vaughn, Business Manager of the college, has announced that all bills must be paid before students will be permitted to take their final exams. If there are any questions, students are urged to check with the business office.

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