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## Defense Necessary

Allow ME to make it abundantly clear that my purpose in writing this letter is in every way to chastise the recent action of the Senate, or better yet, in my own words, to attack a method of procedure endured by the Senate.

Last Monday evening, it was in the call of new business to vote on Cabinet appointments for the 1967-68 student handbook committee. In the case of one appointee, Junior Class President Tom Bower, the discussion which followed, while not meant to be on a personal basis, proved to be a discussion which could easily become detrimental to the future political status of Mr. Bower.

He was attacked from the political point of view regarding his present position as Junior Class President. The fact that Mr. Bower last year served on the Handbook Committee and was highly praised by the Office of Student Affairs for his job was not even taken into consideration. The fact also that Peggy Gamble, the chairman of next year's Handbook Committee, recommended Mr. Bower for this position was not discussed.

I, myself can defend Mr. Bower's position as class president. Having served in that capacity last year, I found it extremely difficult in keeping any degree of class unity on a campus which has a government developed around a dormitory system. When class meetings were called, a handful of students would show up, and only a few of those had anything (whether significant or not) to say. It is hard to condemn a man for not doing his job when his followers (and I use the word loosely) will not cooperate and do their job in return.

The evidence in Mr. Bower's favor for continuing his position on The Handbook Committee is so strong that it seems absurd that the Senate would defeat his recommendation. The nine abstentions in his case prove the indefiniteness of his case. I was indeed proud to hear that President Anderson had reappointed Mr. Bower for this position.

I am sure that I reflect Mr. Bower's sentiments when I condemn the Senate for the procedure of a closed discussion session when discussing a person's case. If Mr. Bower had been allowed to be present for the discussion and the defense of his case, he could have cleared up a few muddy slings toward his political reputation. Or even if he had been aware well in advance of the circumstances, that such a discussion would take place at that Senate session, he could have discussed his case with his dormitory senators in fuller detail.

Another such case last Monday can verify my position. Mecklenburg elected Senator John Anderson, who last November was notified that his position as senator was nullified by his non-residence in that dorm, appeared in his regular Senate position, hopefully to reestablish his senatorship because of his reestablishment as a Mecklenburg dweller. Bob Devlin, who had been appointed by President Anderson to fill Apperson's vacancy, was also present for the Senate vote on his approval or disapproval. Both "questioned" senators were asked to leave, without the opportunity to state their feelings in the matter.

It is extremely important that we as active members of our campus community, and especially the senators, realize that our campus cannot have too many active politically responsible citizens. To hamper their initiative is a very selfish and foolish notion. Without the support of these leaders, where will our future leadership come from?

To attack a worker like Tom Bower could have kept him from producing any future supporting action in our school's government, but fortunately this is not the case with Mr. Bower. It could however, be the case with others who are brought before the Senate in such a manner. It would indeed be too bad if we were to lose the few hard-working students who do have an interest in our school and its community.

Its about time the Senate stopped their present policy, barring the people whom they attack. If the senators cannot tell the person involved their feelings, they themselves must not be entirely sure of what they are implying.

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## Letter to the Editor: Bring Back Tom!

Mr. Butterworth:

Allow me to make it abundantly clear that my purpose in writing this letter is in no way to chastise the recent action of the Senate. Rather, I should like to assert that my previous work with Mr. Bower has been enjoyable and, I hope, successful. Whether or not Tom has done an effective job as class president this year is irrelevant when considering his work on the Handbook Committee. The difference in the two types of work is significant. One is a leadership job; the other, a followership job. As last year's chairman of this committee, I found Tom to be dependable and reliable. He is an excellent follower. Tom, as well as the committee, can well be proud of his performance.

Furthermore, the experience that Tom would bring to the committee would be invaluable.

And so what have I said? I have stated that Tom did an excellent job last year. A reconsideration would be highly desirable.

Sincerely,  
ROGER PIKE

## Give Us Your Opinion!

It would be appreciated if the students who read this column were to simply tear it out, fill it out, and return it in the campus mail to box 757. The results of this poll will affect to a minor degree the absence or presence of certain articles or certain action taken by THE LANCE in this semester's editions. 1) It has been recommended to the Senate that the girl's late hours bill, recently returned to the Senate from the Office of Dr. Moore, be placed aside until next September. THE LANCE would like to survey the student's reaction to the delay of the Friday night extension bill. Are you in favor of . . . or against delayed action on this bill? . . . 2) Would you like to see the continuation of last semester's bridge column in THE LANCE? . . . 3) Would you like to see a continuation of the political column Art in the Western World? . . . 4) Would you be in favor of a campus contest column, such as a cashwords crosswords column with money prizes? . . .

Any ideas substantial to a change in content will be welcomed. Letters to the editor are not only welcomed, but desired. Any phase of school government policy, or newspaper policy should be in the form of a letter to the editor. Now is the time for students to voice their opinion in their paper.

## SUSGA Regional Meeting In Charlotte February 3, 4

The Southern Universities Student Government Association (SUSGA) exists to promote better student government, to provide for greater co-operation and exchange of ideas among member colleges and universities, and to better resolve their common problems.

To carry forward this ideal, the SUSGA member schools in

South Carolina, North Carolina, and Virginia will meet in Charlotte on February 3-4 for the first South Carolina - North Carolina - Virginia Regional Conference.

SUSGA vice-chairman Bruce Robertson of St. Andrews and vice-chairman Angela Brown of Winthrop College are co-sponsors of the conference.

The meeting will be a gathering of student leaders from these three states. Guest speakers will include State Congressman Jim Beatty, and H. L. Martin, executive secretary of SUSGA.

A banquet is planned for Friday, and entertainment will come from the SUSGA-sponsored block-booking conference being held in Columbia, South Carolina, the same weekend.

Fourteen years ago an idea was conceived to educate college leaders. Over that span of time, this conception has grown and expanded into an association of ten states and one hundred seven colleges and universities very similar to St. Andrews.

SUSGA continues to exist as "a non-political student organization for the exchange of ideas and the promotion of better student government."

St. Andrews student government president Bob Anderson, vice-president Joe Overton, and Student Christian Council President Scottie Warren are heading committees at the Charlotte conference.

Margaret Offerdinger is attending for the Cabinet, Roger Pike for the Inter-Dormitory Council, and Bobby Brewbaker for the Judiciary Board. Mike Ferrell will represent the Senate, and Debbie Harper, the college's publications.



## Baltimore Arts Trio To Give Concert

The music of Telemann, Beethoven, and Brahms, will be heard in the liberal arts auditorium Tuesday, February 7, as the Baltimore Art Trio begins its chamber music concert at 8 p.m.

The trio is composed of Phillip Clarke (St. Andrews instructor of music), Karen Clarke, and Carolyn Hopkins. Since its creation in 1964, the Baltimore Arts Trio has performed frequently in the Baltimore, Maryland, area.

They have appeared on television, at the Walter's Art Gallery, Johns Hopkins University, the Peabody Conservatory, and at Smith College in Northampton, Massachusetts.

Phillip Clarke joined the St. Andrews faculty in 1966. He was a scholarship student of Walter Hautzig at the Peabody Conservatory of Music in Baltimore,

Maryland, and received his bachelor's and master's degrees from this institute.

Karen Clarke, also a graduate of the Peabody Conservatory, was Concertmistress of the conservatory symphony and opera orchestras and first violinist in the Peabody String Quartet during her studies there.

She is a student of Robert Gerle and has appeared as soloist with the Camerata Orchestra of the Walter's Art Gallery in Baltimore, and the Delta Festival Orchestra, Saginaw, Michigan.

Carolyn Hopkins is currently a student at Peabody where she studies with Paul Olefsky. She has appeared as soloist with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, the Maryland Youth Symphony, and very recently with the Mozart Chamber Orchestra.

## G. Smith Discusses 'Brave New World'

Duke professor Grover Smith will discuss Aldous Huxley's BRAVE NEW WORLD as the freshmen English Happening program continues this semester.

The program will begin at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 8, in the Liberal Art Auditorium.

At the request of Sir Julian Huxley, Professor Smith has spent the past year in England, editing the Aldous Huxley papers for publication.

Professor Smith is the author of A STUDY OF SOURCES: T. S. ELLIOT.