

THE LANCE

Staff

Editors Skip Taylor
 Tim Tourtellotte
 Sports Editor Bill Wilmot
 Art Editor Lee Van Zandt
 Staff Kathy Lunsford
 Kim Phillips
 Stevie Daniels
 Terry Hagen
 Eric Lawson
 Photographers Tony Riding
 Terry Winborne
 Circulation Manager Kathy Lunsford
 Business Manager Colleen Ragan
 Advisor Mr. Fowler Dugger

The editorial staff's intent is to maintain professional standards within the guidelines set forth by the Code of Responsibility. Signed editorials reflect the opinion of the author, while unsigned editorials reflect the majority opinion of the staff. Opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the college. Letters to the Editor and articles are welcomed, though subject to space limitations. Box 757

Advertising rates \$1.00 per column inch
 Semester contracts \$.90 per column inch

The Way We See It

The Lance has learned that since September Rod Brown has been installing cable T.V. in certain dorms. The Saltire states explicitly that there is to be no tampering whatsoever with the T.V. cable. This is an open violation of the Saltire.

If you have noticed the advertisements on the staircases you are aware that Rod Brown with auspices of student personnel has been soliciting potential customers for his cable T.V. Besides the legal issue, the issue that arises now is a moral issue. In talking with Dean Decker, it was learned that Rod Brown together with a professional T.V. cable installation service would be soliciting from St. Andrews students. This was designed and made operative in collaboration with Rod Brown and Dean Decker. The Saltire states explicitly that no one shall solicit without the agreement of the Student Personnel Services and, too, it is expressly forbidden by the Saltire to tamper with the T.V. cable. Dean Decker has now contradicted the Saltire in deciding his own rules.

It is this paper's opinion that Rod Brown should be summarily prosecuted by the Judiciary Board for open and violation of the honor code.

It would be very advantageous to have T.V. cable in the dorms—but if one has to purchase this service from some one directly breaking the laws, then morally and ethically something is lost. Student Personnel Services has tried to create an atmosphere of trust with the students of S.A. but condoning a service that was in its offspring illegal is a callous violation of the trust students place in Student Personnel. Indeed, it was in student personnel's obligation to handle this matter when it arose—instead they compromised with Rod Brown upon finding out he was illegally installing cable T.V. in most of the dorms on campus. This goes beyond the legal issue that is evident to every one; it becomes a moral issue: the rapidity with which Student Personnel Services has prosecuted the offenders of the honor code is well known. Why then were they not as succinct in his blatant offenses.

If T.V. cable service was procured for all the dorms it would be well and good, but it is the Lance's opinion that if T.V. cable service has to be procured through services that were from the start clandestine then it is not worthwhile morally, ethically, or legally. The Lance states its case; affidavits can be produced to prove it. We leave it to the students and the Judiciary Board. Will you decide what is enjoyable or what is ethically right?

Why does Rod Brown have a monopoly? Acting under the same motivation, why then can not any student of St. Andrews tap into the T.V. cable? Rod Brown did it with apparent immunity. So why illegally pay a fee of ten dollars to have T.V. cable service installed in your room when you can have just as illegally have free cable services. The Lance is not suggesting that you violate the laws set forth by the honor code but however, it is suggesting that you weigh what is morally right and what is morally wrong. It is hoped that St. Andrews students are mature enough, intellectually and emotionally to make the right decision.

Letters

Dear Editor:

As concerned students of the St. Andrews community and also part-time residents of Scotland County we feel that we also have the right to voice our opinion concerning the 1 cent sales tax. Without any name-calling or broad generalities, we wish to present the facts as they are; facts which many people fail to see or purposely ignore. Then each citizen may decide for himself.

One argument used against the sales tax states that the county should use general revenue sharing funds to meet the school system's needs, instead of constructing a new county office building. If one considers the facts behind these three situations, one can easily see that general revenue sharing funds can not meet the school system's needs, nor will they effectively meet the increasing demands placed on the county government for public services to its

citizens.

First a word about general revenue sharing funds (g.r.s. funds). General revenue sharing funds are dependent on population, per capita income, adjusted taxes collected, and other state and federal funds received. They can not be used for matching funds or for school operational expenditures, but they can be used for capital outlay. A simple analysis of g.r.s. funds shows that, even though they are the most desirable federal funds available, they are not a highly dependable nor sufficient source of funds. The county is to receive \$1.6 million in g.r.s. funds over a 5-year period which began in 1972. This in no way covers the \$6,555,000 needed for Scotland County's 10-year plan to improve its educational program and provide the needed facilities. According to the Local Government Commission, the county should use the funds on non-recurring items, because the funds could be cut off at any time.

There is also no guarantee that the county will receive additional funds after the present 5-year period ends.

This is all to say that another, more dependable source of revenue is needed. For the county must not only provide for a quality educational system, but it must provide new and improved public services for the residents of Scotland County. These services include providing a new county-wide landfill for the ecological disposal of solid waste, a recently consolidated recreation program, a new building inspection program, and at the same time maintain and improve the existing services offered by the county. Presently, the space provided for the implementation and organization of the existing programs is very inadequate. The State requires that the county provide space for the Clerk of Court, the probation officers, and also adequate courtroom facilities. The county must also expand and improve the existing facilities which house the tax office, social services office, the county farm agent, the Agricultural Extension Agency, and the welfare office. The administrative unit of the School System is also operating from an old and inadequate building. To meet these critical facility needs the county has proposed a new office building from which all of the county departments can operate. With the expanded facilities from which all of the county departments can

operate. With the expanded facilities and with all departments operating from a central location, the county can better coordinate its efforts to provide the many public services demanded by the citizens of Scotland County, now and in the year to come.

The needs of the county are tremendous, yet the revenues to supply these needs are presently inadequate. Since general revenue sharing funds are not sufficient and no one wants increased property taxes, the only other alternative is a 1 cent sales tax. Contrary to increased property taxes, a sales tax would place some of the burden of taxes on the people in surrounding counties who shop in Scotland County and who use many of its public services. Since adjusted taxes collected is a factor in determining the amount of general revenue sharing funds received, and a sales tax would mean more taxes collected, then the sales tax would also mean higher g.r.s. funds—IF more funds are allocated to the county. Over the next 10 years, if the 1 cent sales tax was in effect, the county would expect to receive between \$5 and \$6 million in revenue. The County Board of Commissioners has resolved that 80% of these funds would go into the School System's 10-year needs. This, along with the \$1,800,000 the School System will receive if the state bond referendum passes on Nov. 6, would almost cover the needs of Scotland County's School System. Many argue that the sales tax unjustly hits the poor people, but they are also the ones who greatly benefit from the tax in the form of increased social services, the welfare program, and an educational system that will provide their children with the opportunity to better themselves and their community.

We ask that any student who wishes to become involved in the sales tax issue to consider all the facts before launching a blind campaign for or against the issue. A greater awareness of these facts will not only mean a more rational decision on this issue, but will also give each student the opportunity to practice the skills needed to make rational decisions on issues which he will face when he leaves the isolation of the college setting. Although we can not actually vote on Nov. 6 we can take a stand and voice our opinion, just as any other citizen of the Scotland County Community.

Richard a. Morgan
 David Harris

Black and White?

BY STEVIE DANIELS

It occurs to me that St. Andrews is moving in what may be a dangerous direction. I see the word dangerous to mean a move away from creativity and innovative structures. There are vague symptoms of this motion appearing in professor's mouths, in events, and in proposals. The purpose of this column will be to record examples and bring them to the attention of those who are perhaps unaware. St. Andrews has been a creative community, perhaps able to do that only because the American economy was stable. As the system begins to tighten up monetarily and fall apart morally this school which is closely linked with that system has to make certain moves to survive. Can St. Andrews continue without compromising or destroying its originality and innovation? Will we buy society's packaged education evidenced in the GREs? Has the era of the small liberal arts college come to a close or is there a possible reorganization which would allow it to continue to serve a function in American society? Below are comments from various professors and one observation: "You can change the word to chairperson but it won't change me."—EPC Meeting.

"I didn't order the movie because probably half of you would watch it and not read the book, as it is now, probably 2/3's of you will read it."

—English Class

Response to a course schedule conflict: "That's no problem, you have to have Senior Seminar so you just can't take the other course."

—Advisor

"We are in the process of rebuilding bridges with the church."

—EPC Meeting
 (Continued to Page 3)

LAURINBURG
HAIRSTYLISTS
 Men and Women SUPER
276-5883 CUTS.

Bob's

Jewel Shop,
 Inc.

Pierced Earrings
 Keepsake Diamondings
 Watch Repair

213 Main St.
 College Plaza

Honey
Cone

DRIVE IN

75 FEET FROM
 ST. ANDREWS COLLEGE

NEW DINING ROOM
 BUFFET LUNCH
 & ICE CREAM PLOP
 CURB SERVICE
 DINNERS SANDWICHES
 SHAKES

276-2467

THE RED LION

RIB-EYE STEAK

TOSSED SALAD

FRENCH FRIES

HOT ROLLS

ALL FOR \$2.00

Kentucky Fried Chicken.



"It's finger
 lickin' good."