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LETTERS

A Lesson On Parties

To the Editor

Andrews The St. Republican Commitee ad said one thing with which I agree, "Get Involved. There's Too Much at Stake Not To." Beyond that I want to take exception to the endorsement of Mr. Flaherty because of an experience St. Andrews had with him last year that puts his real priorities in focus.

Holshouser Governor declared November 14, 1975 Rehabilitation Apas preciation Day in North Carolina with the statewide celebration to occur at St. Andrews surrounding the dedication of the Jack Burris Rehabilitation Center. Mr. Flaherty, as Secretary of Human Resources, which includes the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, was asked to serve as Co-Chairman of this event, because it was the one day in North Carolina that focused attention on the needs of the handicapped citizens of our state. Both common courtesy and good politics dictated the invitation to him to serve as

Co-Chairman and have a prominent place on the platform. These were his people, this was his program; he could hardly be excluded. But he managed to exclude himself!

Secretary Flaherty agreed to serve on the date set. The time was even changed later to accommodate a conflict in scheduling for him and the Governor. Then without an official word of regret, or a delegate to represent him, Rehabilitation Appreciation Day proceeded without Mr. Flaherty because he had to man a hospitality room at the **Republican State Convention** his quest for the in Republican nomination for governor.

It should be noted further that Lt. Gov. Hunt and Speaker James C. Green, also Co-Chairmen for that event were both present and had prominent parts on the program. Just one more little lesson in the difference between Republicans and Democrats. Sincerely

J. Bruce Frye

Canoe Trail Wins Award

Scotland county's new canoe trail through the Lumber river played a significant role in North Carolina's recent designation as a Gold Medal Finalist in the nationwide 1976 National Gold

Medal Awards program, sponsored annually by the Sports Foundation, Inc.

Photographs of the canoe trail were included in the presentation prepared by the

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Carter Or Ford?

To The Editor:

What happened to the day time security of the campus? Already three batteries have been stolen from cars in the last two weeks.

Why was the day time security of the campus curtailed?

Richard Tracy Detective

To The Editor:

Today, October 26, our car battery was stolen. This is the third battery to be stolen in a week from the St. Andrews parking lots. Although we can only be sure that the battery was stolen between 10 p.m. last night and this morning, one of the other two batteries belonged to one of the maids, who only had her car here from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Where was our daytime security? There wasn't any. St. Andrews no longer has a daytime security officer on campus.

If the college cannot provide adequate security for the staff and students of this college, then they are not living up to their responsibilities.

How much more theft and vandalism will have to go on before something is done?

Gary Shapiro Cheri Shapiro

To The Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following people that helped make the "Wheel-a-thon" a great success. My friend Laura Drumheller (who is in the hospital with bronchial trouble) helped coordinate the whole affair, Knight Chamberlain for driving the service van and picking up the Urie, checkers, Nancy Beverly Mercer, Gertrude Beal, Linda Montgomery and all others who helped out on the road. Mr. Jack Reville for patrolling the route for the entire period. The Scotland County Sheriff's department furnished a patrol car and deputy to make things run well. Of course thanks to all the checkers who gave their time, and to all entrants of the "Wheel-a-thon" who made it worth while. Last, but not least thanks to all the people that donated money for this cause. John R. Copelad **President-SA/NPF**

Since 1964 THE LANCE has run the case for the candidates for the Presidency. Nanci Boggs, chairman of the Center Cam. paign and Lin Thompson, chairman of the St. Andrews Republican Committee, now make their last big pitch for votes before Tuesday's election.

Performance, Not Promises

Take a look at the record. President Ford's administration has reduced the inflation rate from 12.2 percent to 4.9 percent in two years.

Three and a half million more people have jobs now than then.

Housing starts for the last quarter were the highest in 31 months.

Real per capita disposable income has increased five percent. The Gross, National Product has increased 10 percent.

Net farm income has never been higher.

He supports the ERA, and he's done more than just talk about what needs to be done for women in America. He's appointed more women to high government posts than any other President. He's had Treasury Secretary Simon submit to the Congress a list of tax provisions of a sexist nature with the request that they be modified or excised.

He has sought to see the enactment of a comprehensive energy policy bill, one to encourage the use of coal and the development of solar energy, and to deregulate natural gas and oil in order to let the market create incentives for new fuel source search and to bring about voluntary conservation of energy. Congress the same Congress which has been unable to come up with anything of its own in spite of acres of rhetoric on the matter -threw it out on the grounds it was too extravagant. When younwant to look for someone to blame the lack of an energy policy on, don't take it to Jerry Ford.

He has taken significant action to increase Americans' right to privacy. He has initiated steps to government reduce overregulation, to create a national health system that will work, and to increase the employment opportunities of all by attracting business back to the cities where jobs are needed most. This much and more Gerald Ford has done in his two years. He deserves a full four.

The Case For **The Farmer**

No one would deny the honesty of Ford the President (unless you ponder too long the question of Nixon's pardon) or Ford the candidate He is a man who has been straight-forward in the issues but only in a defensive way, This country needs innovation not the inexpugnable position implied in a veto average of two bills a month. The effect on this country's problems of successive vetoes (continuously blamed on a Democratic Congress rather than on leadership that merely responds and does not initiate) is precisely no effect at all. The alternative is Jimmy Carter - a man born and bred in a Democratic heritage that produce FDR, JFK, and Stevenson yet Adlai mistrusted for his stereotypical Southerness and vagueness on the issues.

The paradox in the issues of this campaign is how do you initiate new attacks on unemployment, the problems in the cities, energy, education, health, etc. without violating a pledge to trim spending and crub inflation? A tricky business, indeed, but the answer does not lie in support of the status quo.

Both Ford and Carter promise the 4-year goals of an inflation rate of 4% or lower and an unemployment rate of about 4 1/2%. Both men also promise a balanced budget, Ford by 1978 and Carter by 1980. Along the way, however, Carter is willing to risk a temporarily higher inflation rate in order to create more jobs. He now supports a more conservative version of the Humphrey-Hawkins bill (aimed at lowering the unemployment rate to 3% by creating jobs in both the public and private sectors of the economy). He government will meet wastefulness with zero-base budgeting (all non-income support programs will be required to justify continued existence and level of fur ding), long-term planning budgets, and optimal agency reauction. While Ford supports only slight revision of the tax system, Carter is calling for an anti-piecemeal approach: "I favor a simplified tar system which treats all it come the same, taxes all in come only once, and makes our system of taxation more progressive." Their approach to taxes is fundamentally diferent. For instance, Ford favors an increase in the individual Social Security tax; Carter urges instead a raise in the wage base on which such taxes are levied. The problem of energy has gotten no better, but yet i seems to have receded into the background under the Ford Administration. We car not support our traditional waste of fuel and in answer Carter calls ofr a nationwilt program of energy con-

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Pehaps the best reason to vote for Ford, though, is Jimmy Carter.

The man is a mass of contradictions.

He claims to be independent of Washington, yet key advisors are old Kennedy and Johnson men: the folks who brought you the Vietnam and the Great Society.

He attacked Jerry Brown in the Maryland primary for being a tool of bosses, yet he regularly courts the favor of Mayor Daley and George Meany.

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