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EDITOR'S EFFORT

"Neither a borrower nor a lender be;
For loan oft loses both itself and friend,
And borrowing dulls the edge of husbandry.
This above all: to thine own self be true,
And it must follow, as the night the day,
Thou canst not then be false to any man."

from Hamlet Act I, Scene 3

These are not merely our words, but are the words of a world-known genius. If they haven't said anything yet, read them another time—it won't hurt. We had them printed here so you wouldn't have to go to the library as we did. We want you to read them and to think about them.

Evidently, this mode of thinking has gone out of style on our campus. The possessions of an individual are now considered equipment for company use. It is virtually impossible to know at any one time where one's belongings may be found when everybody who takes a fancy to use them walks in the room, picks them up, and walks out without asking any questions. This seems to us to show a great deal of disrespect for others and for the rights of others. Instead of respecting others' rights and property because we respect them as individuals, the idea existing here seems to be: If you're my friend, you'll let me use your things. And really use them! This is the same attitude that keeps high school students buying paper and pencils constantly. But, as should be expected, college students are capable of so much more—the pencils are sometimes five dollar pencils, and the paper sometimes comes at ten dollars a pack.

Very few among us are wealthy. At the same time very few of us are incapable of living within our means and within our provisions—particularly clothes, food, money, and beauty aids. We, as students, have at least the responsibility to stay out of other people's unoccupied rooms if we want to stay clear of suspicion. In this way we can help narrow the field down to a few suspects from which the actual thieves may be determined and shipped. We have no room here for people who will steal.

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A suggestion for the tea hole has been passed on to us. Some students would like to have a machine for milk and orange juice as well as a machine for cigarettes, cokes, pepsi's crackers, etc. We think it would be a great addition. It would certainly be a vast improvement over the means of selling milk and orange juice that was tried before and abandoned. Especially at this time of year, when it's so hard to fight off colds, this addition to the tea hole would be valuable to the students from the standpoint of health.

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We are glad to know that as a result of our publication of a few of the small daily irritations to the students that some of these situations have been altered. The student body always appreciates the cooperation of the administration and the staff in alleviating unpleasant conditions. But, we don't clearly understand the cause for friction. Specifically, the need for bath tub stoppers for each tub has existed for two years previous to this one. We felt it was time to call it to the attention of the person, or persons, responsible for the purchase of bath tub stoppers. Student omissions are constantly being pointed out, so why can't we have a reciprocal trade agreement?

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We've heard that a Bible major could be quoted: "There are two Boards of Christian Education now—the Board of Christian Education in Richmond and the Bored of Christian Education at Flora Macdonald."

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For the benefit of those disturbed about our publication of material concerning the CPC, we feel that it is one of the issues of the day. As editor of the paper I shall not take sides, but would be glad to tell anyone personally what my views of the matter are. As you see in this edition, we are giving space to at least two sides of the issue.

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To restate a policy—any student, who is stirred up about something or has a suggestion, or an idea, to share with the student body, may write a letter to the editor concerning your beliefs. These letters will be published with signatures in the Skirl.

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The Army Brat:

DRENA EDWARDS

I saw several envelopes of annual pics being returned just the other day. Pity some people don't return within a week means seven days... Have you considered the impact that the loss of individuality has had on our country? At one time we thrived on it. Where has it gone?... From what I hear the Choral Club had a rather difficult time making a decision. If they behave like such a bunch of bickering old women now, think what's in store for them twenty years hence... I had talked myself into not bothering with Christmas Cards this year when some tom-fool sent me one and my conscience began to hurt...

Working on a production is so much fun. Everyone pitches in to paint flats, make costumes, round up props while the cast rehearses, rehearses, and rehearses, and

rehearses some more. In the meantime, Mrs. Johnson begins to think she is a widow... I don't feel this leave the dining hall by table or cosy little crews of eight is accomplishing too much. Some simply have to rush or others have to wait. Student Council's answer to this — if you have slow eaters, hurry them up — didn't seem particularly informative to me. What do you think?...

New song introduced on the Ed Sullivan show "Nothing Could Be Finer than to Recognize Red China in the Morning"... I made so much fun of my roommate's art class endeavors that she has threatened to give one of them to me. That's about all everyone's Christmas spirit can stand. Hope Sandy Claws is good to you.

Students' Suggestion

To The Editor:

A judiciary board on our campus would be an improvement to our "community living." The Student Council is often so very busy with the activities of the Student's Association, and when they have the added strain of trying several cases a week, it is virtually impossible to be a student. In our estimation, if handled correctly, a judiciary board would not lessen the position or authority of the Council members. The sole responsibility of such a board would be to take care of cases — hearing them, passing the sentences, and making recommendations on any case taken to the Co-operative Committee. Last year the Student Association voted to drop our membership from the regional and National Student Association organizations and to join the World University Service organization. Since that time the students have heard nothing. We feel that if our Student Council were not so busy with all their responsibilities on the home front our affiliation with other colleges and organizations could be developed.

We would not lack for competent people to serve on a judiciary board. There are plenty of girls here who have a sound respect for rules. They have also the kind understanding and a sense of fair play that is required for effective handling of cases.

Another reason for a judiciary board is that soon our student body will be moved to the Consolidated College. There the student body will be much larger and also co-ed. Of necessity there will be a Student Council, a judiciary board, and some sort of men and women's inter-dormitory councils. Since Flora Macdonald is the only four year school merging, can we afford to wait until that time to lay the foundation for such groups? The amount of preparation, planning, and testing done ahead of time by all the students will determine the efficiency of those first few years. For the benefit of all concerned we would like to see steps taken in this direction.

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Student Opinion