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Zollicoffer Speaks on Problems



Charles Zollicoffer confers with student.

Up until this point the Student Government has been experiencing organizational problems. We have attempted to provide the kind of campus leadership that would make relevant changes that we called for and supported in our campaign.

We have written the Student Government a capable leadership but at this time lack the student support needed to make this year — a year of change. Many times we readily criticize others without objectively criticizing ourselves. The Student Government is open to your criticisms and has begun to move to correct our mistakes.

Many of the problems and programs we are working on have not received the Administration's approval. For example, the Food Committee has worked toward changing the conditions in the dining hall. They have spent long hours doing research and investigating the food service. The recommendations of the Food Committee have been accepted by the Student Government but the Administration seems to feel that the students are primarily the cause for the poor food service. The cafeteria is equipped to service approximately 500 persons yet its services cover 900. Request for new facilities and equipment have seemingly fallen upon deaf ears. The Administration has stated that it would be May 1974 before they could begin to make any changes in the food services. Can we wait that long?

Another example; we had worked with the WAAA radio station and had been granted air time twice a day for a Winston-Salem State University news program. All arrangements had been finalized, but Chancellor Williams rejected the program because he felt we had not gone through the proper channels obtaining the program.

There are other instances where social activities have been cancelled because the administration felt that students were not quite capable of managing themselves.

The Student Government Association has made mistakes in the past but this is somewhat expected of anyone assuming new jobs. At one point the majority of work was concentrated among a few of us. It was quite impossible to deal with all the aspects of Student Government. We are not, as stated, above criticism. We have grown and developed from our mistakes and are now a unified working cadre. We are asking for your ideas, concern and support. On Wednesday, November 14, the Grievance Committee met in the Student Union asking for your problems, grievances, comments, criticisms and suggestions. We will begin to work to meet these needs and correct whatever is necessary. We ask you to join us with this task.

We are seeking the cooperation of campus organizations in implementing the programs which we have organized, particularly now, in the area of our Free Clothing Rally to help poor Black families survive the winter.

America proves, certainly, if any nation ever has, that man cannot live by bread alone; on the other hand, men can scarcely begin to react to this principle until they and still more, their children — have enough to eat. Hunger has no principles, it simply makes men, at worst, wretched, and at best dangerous. Also, it must be remembered, it cannot be overstated that those centuries of oppression are also the history of a system of thought, so that both the man who considers himself master and the man who is treated like a mule suffer from a particular species of schizophrenia, in which each longs to be the

other. "What connects a slave to his master is more tragic than that which separates them."

As stated in previous years, the reorganization of higher education would in essence phase out Black Universities. We are finding a dramatic increase in the number of white faculty members, and there are few black contractors hired for university projects. Our staff has been told that this is not a Black University. We maintain that it is, and its purpose should be to meet the black community's educational needs. Students as a whole must realize their changing relationship to society. In order for us to Save and Change Black Universities we must organize and act as a unified group.

It is true that political freedom is a matter of power and has nothing to do with morality; if one had hoped to find a way around this principle, the performance of power at bay, which is the situation of the Western nations, and the very definitions of the American crisis, has sliced this hope to pieces. Moreover, as habits of thought reinforce and sustain the habits of power, it is not even remotely possible for the excluded to become included, for this inclusion means, the end of the status quo. The university system in America has seemingly joined rank with the military-industrial complex.

Remember Student Government is at your service. We have developed a number of programs and services which we will inform you of during the coming weeks. Let the SGA know your grievances, comments, suggestions, and criticisms.

Charles Zollicoffer,
President of the SGA

BOOK EXHIBIT HELD IN LIBRARY

The O'Kelly Library was the setting for a book exhibit during November. The exhibit contained 470 new library books listed at the elementary level by curriculum area. Within the two grade ranges of Preschool to Grade 3 and Grades 4-6, the books were listed alphabetically by authors under various heads that related them to the teaching program.

The exhibit also contained professional books. There were 47 titles listed under thirteen main classifications. A special subject index was included which broke the books down into a broad range of sub-classifications.

The large Conference Room was the area of the library in which the display was set up. The exhibit was sponsored by the Children's Literature and Young People's Literature classes in cooperation with The O'Kelly Library.

The books were furnished through the services of Books On Exhibit, North Bedford Road, Mount Kisco, New York.

— Karen McCoy

EFFICIENCY COMMISSION REPORTS

On October 2, 1973, the governors' Efficiency Study Commission met in Raleigh and presented its report on the condition of North Carolina's state government to Governor James E. Houser. Winston-Salem State University was among the state institutions investigated.

The 218 page document summarizes 676 recommendations for organizational, administrative and operational improvements in 102 departments, divisions, offices, commissions, and other state agencies.

The commission's findings indicate the following about WSSU: "The university is accomplishing its basic mission in teacher training, nursing education, and the liberal arts. Its accounting systems are manual but effective with the exception of National Direct Student Loans and traffic violation collection operations. The computer center operates a card-orientated computer which provides most of the university's student academic related requirements. The security force's training and communication systems proved inadequate. Also, the university's 1968 master plan does not complement the intention of the administration to develop a walking campus."

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