

I leave you with this food for mental munching: Can Greta Ganochoe, a queen from a baby burg called Fooshtville, N.C., be happy in the limelight and grandeur working behind the counter of the Doughnut Dinette?

LETTERS FROM STUDENTS

Dear Editor:

First of all I would like to commend the efforts of the members of the Publicity Committee and others who have been responsible for THE CAMPUS CRIER. I think this is a fine means of communication for the students, and we have needed a paper in which it is possible to express our views. Thanks to all those who are spending so much time and effort on this publication.

Now I would like to consider a question which I feel is quite pertinent to many of the decisions that are being made now and that will be made in the future by the administration and by the Student Senate. What are my responsibilities as an adult?

You may wonder what possible connection this would have with the rules made to govern us here at Elon, but actually this should be the basis of the rules which are made. The four years a young person spends in college are of no value whatsoever if he is not prepared to meet the demands of everyday life with a mature attitude.

In college the students should be allowed the freedom to grow as individual citizens as well as scholars. Of course there must be rules made by the administration to govern certain general phases of campus life just as there are laws made by our government to govern society. The laws which are made though, should have a purpose. The purpose should be explainable. Life cannot be outlined with only a handbook for a guide. Adults are expected to make decisions, and how except through practice can students formulate a personal hierarchy of values? It should not be expected that students, who supposedly possess "intellectual curiosity", will stand by unaware of existing conditions and accept without question regulations which hinder their freedom to think and to make decisions.

What type of attitude should one have toward the laws we make? Are they binding restrictions that should be ignored, avoided or criticized? Which is the most important--respecting our rules, or not getting caught for breaking them? Am I my brother's keeper? If so, do I have to lock his cage?

The Senate sub-committees are now considering two bills that will greatly influence decisions that should be personally made by the student. The first is a bill initiating a point system for extra-curricular activities. The stated reason for this measure is to control the number of non-scholastic activities of a student. It would thereby limit an individual so he would be unable to "take too much upon himself." If it is important to a student to be very active in extra-curricular activities and he neglects his school work, there are other limitations. To run for a SG office, one must have a "C" average, and if academic probation doesn't serve as a warning, we may not have to worry about these individuals for long. In planning time to include duties other than scholastic achievements the individual learns to budget his time and therefore matures as he learns his limitations and capabilities. If this bill passes, would we not be depriving ourselves of many services that might be rendered to us by the above-average student? Would we not be restricting personal achievement?

The second bill concerns the payment of late SG fees. The bill states that all individuals failing to pay SG fees by a certain time will be punished by the Honor Council. Does it not seem possible that by deeming such petty laxities as Honor Council offenses, we may thereby condemn this court to ridicule?

The failure to pay SG fees is an irritation to SG officials because it makes the planning of a budget more difficult. Also, usually during exam time when these officials should be studying, they have to be on duty to collect late fees. There must be a way to collect fees before the end of the semester, but to me trial by the Honor Council seems unnecessary. A bill presented several weeks would have levied a dollar fine for late fees. I feel this action would have been sufficient, but it was not passed.

After college there will be no point system or Honor Council to discipline a person. It will be up to the individual. If we as students allow restrictions to be placed upon ourselves by other students simply by neglecting to express our ideas, who can we complain to--the administration?

A Student Senator