

LETTERS FROM STUDENTS (cont'd)

You may ask then why isn't this done? My answer would be that it is because many people do not even know about the Student Affairs Committee. But the big reason is that most of us feel we are on our own here at school and we try to go about things in our own way. It is more dramatic to write petitions, to organize boycotts and marches and to cause a general fervor among the students. This is a good way to get attention and public support, but let us look at the words attention and public support. We want attention or recognition from the administration. Well, we don't get it. We don't get it because they feel that there is the Student Affairs Committee set up for these problems and if we the students want recognition, all we have to do is to bring our problems to the committee. As for public support.... Hitler had public support; he was erratic and most of all a little off in his thinking, but he had public support. Thousands were generated by the fervor of his personality and words. How many people know what Hitler intended? They were just followers. I was guilty of being a follower or joiner myself. The trouble with followers and joiners is that too often they are just swept along with the tide. How many try to find out the facts and analyze them and then form their own opinions? I'm afraid only a few people on this campus really make an attempt to know both sides of the story before they become followers or joiners.

What I am trying to get at is that if you really care about where your food money goes, whether the colonnades are fixed, or any other sundry issue, go about it in the right way through the right channels--in this case through the Student Affairs Committee.

--Stanley Switzer

INTERVIEW WITH SG PRESIDENT by Jack DeVito

When Mr. Buie was asked about the defeated bills before the Senate concerning the late payment of SG fees, he said that there should be a bill governing late payment of fees while a more satisfactory bill is being drawn up. He feels that one of the two bills defeated at the last meeting should have passed in order to have some restriction on late payments of SG fees.

At the present time, Mr. Buie is planning to write to the Honor Council chairman at the University of Virginia, Randolph Macon, and the University of North Carolina. He wants to invite these people to our campus to discuss their honor systems with our students. He thinks this will help the student body in deciding what type of honor system they want at Elon. Mr. Buie stated that money will have to be appropriated by the Senate in order to make this plan feasible, and he wants to form a committee on the matter.

In the coming weeks, Mr. Buie will attempt to establish a new procedure with the Honor Council. He wants each member of the Council to act alternately as an investigator and as prosecutor. In this way all members will have equal responsibilities and it will lessen the burden for its members. This would allow the remaining five members to act as impartial judges. This plan does not need a constitutional amendment. Mr. Buie plans to put this idea on a trial basis.

When asked certain questions concerning the student body, Mr. Buie answered on the basis of known facts. I asked him about the recent remarks by students concerning the meal situation. He said that he feels that if the Slater Food Service makes anymore mistakes, it will be replaced. He said the cafeteria had a "C" rating during summer school and that just recently the Snack Bar in the Student Union went from an "A" to a "B" rating.

I asked about criticism concerning the wearing of sports coats and ties to the Sunday night meal. Mr. Buie replied that Dr. Daniely will give his reply concerning this at the next Student Affairs meeting.

Mr. Buie also said that Dr. Daniely commented to him about the new Pan-Hellenic Council Constitution. Dr. Daniely said that if he thought the students were right he would back them, but if he thought them wrong in their grievances, he would not help them. Dr. Daniely also stated that, if the new constitution is passed by the Faculty Committee, it would more than likely be accepted by him.

Mr. Buie told me that a committee is being formed to discuss the lowering of the academic standing for the "Who's Who" selection. The committee will be composed of three students and three faculty members. Mr. Buie has already appointed Nicholas Ciotal and Thomas Russ. He said the third student member will be a girl.

I was informed that Robert Gwaltney was appointed to the SA Committee. Mr. Buie has high praise for the Dance, Entertainment and Publicity Committees.

Finally, Mr. Buie said he would like more constructive work from the students and less destructive criticism.

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