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## MUST WE FEAR THE ADMINISTRATION

### Students help in disaster



Panoramic view of recent tornadoes' destructive force which left many Fayettevillians homeless. F.S.U. students, under the direction of Counselor William McNair, devoted a day to assisting the needy in every way possible. Above, ten students view the rubble.

#### Large Numbers Pressured Away

### ARE BLACKS BECOMING EXTINCT AT FSU

There seems to be an FSU administrative conspiracy to eliminate Black employees. Take a look at some instances and make your own evaluation.

Three black Ph. D's have been replaced. Dr. Hunter in science, was replaced by Dr. Murthy. Dr. Uzzell's spot in sociology is occupied by Miss Blossom. Dr. Bishop was replaced by Dr. Liu and Dr. Lorenza Battle was driven away.

FSU has no foreign students. Why, the influx of foreign teachers? FSU has white students, so why not employ competent white instructors? Why is it happening this way? Does Dr. Lyons wish to create legions of invisible Blacks?

The community has asked more FSU faculty participation in its problems. Take a peek at what happened to some who did. Former Dean of Women, Ann Shepard, was on the Fayetteville Board of Education. Where is she now. Former Dean of the College, Dr. Uzzell is treasurer of Black Unity. Where is he now? Dr. Bishop is chairman of the 16th precinct, on the State Executive

Committee for the House of Representatives, and treasurer for the North Carolina movement for more participation for Black people. Where is he now?

FSU personnel don't seem to realize that Dr. Bishop's firing means

anyone can get fired without a reason or hearing. Bishop was accused by the Board of Trustees of inciting students to riot. How about the true story for a change. An SGA official told Dr. Bishop that he had heard there was some difficulty between the faculty and administration. Dr. Bishop told him, "We do not want students to become involved between faculty and administration."

To which the official replied, "We still have our complaints against Lyons". Lyons took the case to the dormitories at which he called Bishop's name several times and said that only "a small group of teachers was against me."

The SGA official then told Bishop, "Since Lyons gave us his point of view, we want the other point of view. Since you are the president of the Faculty assembly, will you give us its point of view?"

Dr. Bishop answered, "I could only appear as president of the Faculty Assembly, not as an individual faculty member. Bishop said the students knew about the Faculty Assembly's grievance list because it appeared in the VOICE. The list was sent to the Trustees, not to Lyons. Lyons had been told of them all along and did nothing."

Bishop explained the purpose of the Faculty Assembly and the grievances that appeared in the VOICE. In reply to Lyons'

accusation that Bishop suggested to the students to boycott classes and to demonstrate the former chairman of the History and Political Science Department said he appeared before the students because they asked him what could they do.

Bishop told them, "No faculty member could advise them of what to do; if he did, he could be charged with inciting to riot." If you recall, Dean Uzzell never explained his reason for resigning, just as I wouldn't because it might incite a riot." He said that he could prove by these same students that he never suggested a boycott, that he "would never have consented to appear before the students if Lyons had not taken his case to the students first. Bishop added, "My only purpose was to provide an objective point of view as elected President of the Faculty Assembly."

The SGA official said of Lyons' dormitory excursions, "Students objected to Lyons from the first day, so there was no emergency for Bishop's dismissal. There was no threat of a boycott at any time. It would appear from this that Lyons, himself, caused the boycott, the "sick-in". It would also appear that dissatisfaction among the faculty, alumni, and the community stems from Lyons; in other words, like the old Appian Way led to Rome—All roads at FSU lead to Lyons.

An unpleasant atmosphere of fear and distrust has settled on the FSU campus since the close of the recent demonstrations. Suspicion is rapidly becoming a way of life for the university community. The time has come to air those feelings and to deal with them.

It would be foolish to assume that we have no cause for concern. It is true that these feelings are of a contagious nature, but they do not simply crystalize out of nothing and implant themselves in people's minds.

We returned to classes with the administration's assurance that it would request that faculty members not take actions of reprisal against students who were absent from their classrooms. That assurance is little comfort. The administration was the target of our protest, and it has offered no such assurance. Added to this is the

administration's directive to the faculty that each student's absences for each course must be submitted, and that no incompletes may be submitted in lieu of mid-term grades. Why did the administration emphasize its desire for this information?

There have been speculations from several a-

reas that some sort of individual reprisal tactics could be expected. Lyon's letter to our parents concerning the protest portrayed a real tone of hostility towards those of us who dared to publically question his motives and actions. Are we to suppose that all is forgiven and forgotten and that we are reunited into one big happy university family again? His past record does not suggest that his memory is that short.

What forms of individual intimidation and reprisal might be practical, once public interest in our problems at FSU begins to die away? Will they fall on random students or on our leaders? Have they perhaps already begun?

THE VOICE is the voice of the FSU student body. When the body is threatened, it must defend itself. An injury to one FSU student is an injury to us all. Any action that has the appearance of an

effort to unreasonably restrain the activities of any student, or any action that could be interpreted as reprisal or punishment for past campus protest activities, should be immediately reported to THE VOICE's office. Unity is our strongest defense

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