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Judicial Commentary

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It seems appropriate to add to the judicial record published in another part of this issue of the *Guilfordian* some explanations, elaborations, and miscellaneous information. Most students spend their four years at Guilford without having to become involved in the judicial process, and usually it is not until a person charges another with violating college regulations that either gives that process much thought. Nonetheless, every student should understand that those regulations are carefully set forth in the College Codebook, and since that Codebook was approved by the Guilford community (including the Senate), the Campus Judicial Board and the SAC Trial Board have had to determine how the established code applies to assorted real cases.

It has been determined, for example, that in order for the honor code to have meaning, the members of this community are obliged to respond, and to respond truthfully, to the questions of the judicial boards. A student cannot choose to answer some questions, or offer some testimony, and refuse to answer other questions. If a student should refuse to say anything at all, the Board must weigh the testimony offered on one side of the question against whatever testimony may be offered on the other side, and make its decision accordingly.

In short, the academic honor code does not acknowledge the right of silence or immunity against self-incrimination in judicial investigation or hearings.

Students who have devised various systems of defrauding the food service will be interested in knowing that Epicure is not oblivious to them. Checkers will be looking closely at meal tickets for traces of erased marks and scotch tape. They realize that in the past students have managed to obtain extra meal tickets (stolen from the Epicure office and distributed

among friends) and they now check numbers on both sides of the ID card to be sure they match. Cafeteria "white cards" must be obtained from one of the managers, who can check the list of students on the board plan and who can record the transaction. Students caught procuring food from the cafeteria or grill room for which they have not paid will be charged with theft.

The hearing procedure for the Campus Judicial Board falls into two separate parts. In the first part, the Board examines the specific charge brought against the defendant and restricts its examination to the specific incident in question. If and when the defendant is found guilty of that charge, the Board entertains more general statements (character witnesses and/or other pertinent background information, such as previous convictions for the same offense) before determining the sentence.

Members of the community who wish to place charges should contact Rose Simon and/or Bob White, and those who are charged with violating campus regulations should contact Rose Simon as soon as possible after receiving a copy of the charges and notification of trial. Academic violations and cases in which the defendant firmly asserts his innocence must go to the Campus Judicial Board. A student charged with a social violation who also recognizes a significant wrongdoing on his own part may prefer to undergo an Administrative Hearing rather than a Judicial Board trial. Administrative Hearings involve the chairman of the SAC, the Director of Student Services (or the designates of either), the complainant, and the defen-

The world's food crisis continues. Some 460,000,000 people--one in eight--suffer from severe chronic malnutrition. Food prices soar. Meanwhile the typical American diet, with its preponderance of sugar and saturated fats, is implicated in half of all deaths in the United States.

Does that mean nothing to you? Well, think about it this way:

•Do you know why food prices keep going up, even when farm prices go down?

•Do you know who makes the food you eat, or what those "fine print" ingredients in it do?

•Do you know that sugars and fats--the prime suspects in the national epidemic of obesity, heart disease, and bowel cancer--constitute sixty percent of the American diet?

See Page 3 for more information on "Food Day".

It sounds serious. It is. Americans are eating themselves sick while much of the world starves. And more and more, we can't even find fresh wholesome foods at reasonable prices. Instead, we swallow a hodgepodge of foods, additives and ripoffs dished out by grocery chains and agribusiness. It's time for citizens to start winning back control of our food supply.



Letters to the editor

"Its name is Public Opinion. It is held in reverence. It settles everything. Some think it is the voice of God."

Mark Twain

More Words from A. Staunch Quaker

Dear Editor,

It gives me much satisfaction to point out Friends distinctive peace testimony. Today I related to our young friend how Quakers have opposed war, violence, con-

Old laws never die

(CPS) — Like old soldiers, old laws don't die, they just fade out of the public mind. But old laws regulating food sales still exist in yellowed sections of the law books of many states.

For instance, it's still against the law for a Nebraska tavern owner to sell beer unless there is a pot of soup brewing.

In Kansas, an old law forbids eating rattlesnake meat in public.

Carrying an ice cream cone in your pocket is strictly forbidden by a Lexington, KY ordinance, while in Winona Lake, IN just eating an ice cream cone at a counter on Sunday is illegal.

And in Gary, IN it's against the law to ride a street car or attend a theater within four hours after eating garlic.

Witnesses are not brought into this type of hearing, as it represents an attempt to reach an agreement between the principals in the case. If no agreement is reached, the case goes to the Judicial Board. If an agreement is reached, it is recorded and signed by all four parties. A violation of this agreement on the part of any party will cause the violator to be brought before the SAC Trial Board.

To arrange an Administrative Hearing, the charged person must contact Rose Simon.

scription, preparedness for war and, of course, war taxes. The young friend agreed but thought this sounded too negative, which is a minor point as I take such joy in taking an opposing position.

I went on to emphasize how friends have shown wonderful ability to counsel the rulers of nations and how we are respected and admired on this account.

The young friend was thoughtful for a long time. "I wonder", and it was evident that he was about to carry the idea too far, "why our reconciling activities are not applied to ourselves? Quakers have been divided for the last 150 years."

I started to interrupt to clarify the situation (why can't the younger generation be more respectful) but he continued, "The different groups of Quakers at the College hardly ever speak to each other. Did you know there was a military recruiter on campus? Don't you think our Distinctive peace testimony would be more effective if we could unite our witness?"

I was overjoyed at the glimmer of Truth contained in his last statement. However I felt constrained to add that our distinctiveness does not depend on unity.

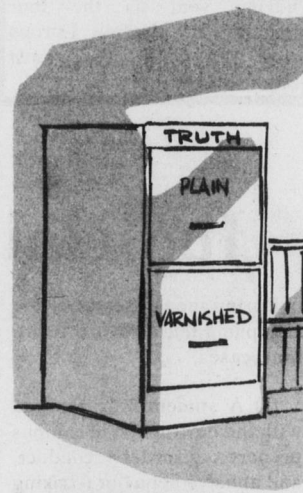
He looked right at me and asked "Why are you so hostile to certain groups of friends?", and actually named some of them.

"But you misunderstand me." I said being inwardly much exorcized. "I am always

anxious for reconciliation if they will only see the error of their ways and accept Truth. Until they do I must be very firm and staunch in defending Quakerism."

The young friend left making some disrespectful comments about my being belligerent and uncharitable. But we must remain peaceful.

Peacefully yours,
A. Staunch Quaker



on Leave

Ken Schwab, director of student services at Guilford College, has obtained a leave of absence this semester to complete his doctorate at Indiana University in Bloomington. He will resume his duties at Guilford in August.

