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Should We Vote At 18?

Around election time someone always makes a promise to lower the voting age to 18 — if elected. This year is no exception. Why do politicians suggest the change? Do they really favor the idea as a sound move or are they hoping for more support? (And if so, from whom?)

The question is whether 18-year-olds are mature enough to determine the future of our country. We think not.

At eighteen most young people have just graduated from high school and are entering the adult world of business, industry, or college for the first time. Often their only real experience is school life. They are inexperienced, eager, a little scared. They are often more objective than their elders, but they are also often more emotional. Eighteen is insecurity with a showy coat.

Do we want these young adults running our government, making laws? What do the majority of them know of current affairs, political maneuvers, economics?

Think back to the time when you were eighteen. Would you have been mature enough to vote? To run for and hold an office? Were you interested, seriously, in affairs of government? Did you want to accept such a great responsibility?

You say, "But what about the boys who are drafted or volunteer for service at eighteen? They are offering to give their lives for the man they can't even help choose." You may have a point there, but is it fair to say that those in the armed services can vote, but the others cannot? Once an exception is made, others inevitably follow.

In a democracy the majority is the rule. Therefore, we feel that the majority of eighteen-year-olds in America are not mature enough, or interested enough, or serious enough to vote. The common complaint that today's generation grows up too fast would be given legal sanction if the voting age were lowered.

Behind the Scenes

Various Religious Groups Stimulate Salem Students

By Brownie Rogers

Various religious groups have been at work on the Salem campus during the year. One of these is the Westminster Fellowship of the Presbyterian Church, U.S. During this year the group has been meeting at the First Presbyterian Church on Sunday nights. Their program has consisted of various speakers in the community. Their chief responsibility at the church has been to keep the nursery each Sunday.

The group has tried to send representatives to the church conferences around the state. Nancy Hughes, president, is planning to help improve the organization for next year. She and her officers, Carol Derflinger, Peggy Booker, Anne McKinnon, and Jane Le Conte are planning to contact the incoming freshmen during the summer so that they will be familiar with the organization before they arrive. They are also working on joint meetings with the Wake Forest group.

The Baptist Student Union is also active on campus. This group has suffered in participation because the Baptists are in a minority on campus. They have been meeting every fourth Thursday night. This will be changed next year to the second and fourth Thursday nights.

Gaye Brown, president, says that their group is closely associated with the other Baptist groups in the state. Their major project for this year has been to help raise money to send eight college students to Korea to work for the summer. No Salem student is attending

this summer, but it is hoped that in the future some students from here will be able to attend. Others assisting Gaye are Jane Crutchfield, Carrie Newman, Sue Overby, and Carol Southard.

By Cacky Hubbard

Salem is proud of its religious organizations on campus. Canterbury, the Episcopal fellowship, has been very active this year. Canterbury has one monthly meeting and throughout the month holds Communion, evening prayers, and Compline on campus. This spring several of the Canterbury members attended a weekend conference at Southern Pines. The present officers of Canterbury are Beth Prevost, President; Anna White, Vice President; and Gail Carter, Secretary-Treasurer. Dr. White is the group's advisor. Beth says that there are plans next year for a college chaplain for Wake Forest's and Salem's Canterbury organizations.

The Methodist fellowship on campus is the Wesley Foundation. The officers for the coming year are Sally Springer, President; Anne Kendrick, Vice President; Harriet Haywood, Secretary and Treasurer; and Hunter Gourdon, Publicity chairman. Wesley Foundation has a joint meeting with Wake Forest, Baptist Hospital, and Winston-Salem Teacher's College every Sunday night. The organization has two monthly meetings on campus, one of which is Communion. Sally says that there are no definite plans for next year but the first meeting in September will be a reception to welcome all incoming Freshman.

Shewmake Offers Explanation Of Karpow's Pop Art Theory

By E. F. Shewmake

All art lovers who were disturbed by the negative approach taken by Ad Reinhardt during the symposium can possibly find encouragement from some of the statements made by Allan Kaprow in a recent talk at Chapel Hill. Mr. Kaprow is known as the inventor of the Happening, but he claims only to have originated the label. He was the first to use the word in regard to one of his productions and the name caught on. Happening sprang up all over the world after the war, according to Mr. Kaprow, and the various instigators are just now beginning to communicate with each other.

Mr. Kaprow's statement that art comes from life, and that the subject matter of art is the contemporary scene is indicative of his anti-Reinhardt attitude. Kaprow goes a step further and says that

Michie Supports May Day, Court

Dear Editor,

I read your editorial about May Day with interest. In spite of the weather, I thought this year's pageant was one of the best I've seen since I've been at Salem. I'm sorry there is talk of discontinuing May Day. I hope this does not come to pass for many reasons, the main one being that the three future little Salemites that are at my house would be heartbroken!

Sincerely,
Hewson Michie



The Legislative Board meeting of May 12 opened with the approval of next year's Finance Board which will consist of Pat Redfern, Susan Young, and Beth Rose. Judy Campbell and Mary Dameron were approved as the delegate and alternate to the National Student Congress. Orientation for next year was then discussed and committees set up.

The five-day week was discussed, and it was decided that a clarification of this new system is in order. Anne Kendrick then led a discussion on the Honors Assembly which will be held in the same manner as last year. More emphasis will be placed on it, however.

A change in the point system for the Archway staff was approved: the editor now has ten points; the assistant editor has six; and members of the reading staff have two.

Library Exhibits Books In Honor Of Kennedy

Fifteen President Kennedy Memorial books are now on display in the library. These books, on topics of contemporary history, politics and international affairs, were given by the students in memory of the late President. Each one has on its cover "President Kennedy Memorial" embossed in gold, so that it can be easily recognized on the shelf.

The books were chosen by a student committee made up of Ann McNeill, Barbara Mallard, and Wendy McGlinn. Alice Reid served as chairman while Mr. Claus advised the group. Approximately eighty dollars were available for the purchases of the books. All students are urged to go and see the display which is on the second floor landing in the library.

there is no separation between art and life. In order to produce art that accomplishes this sort of all-encompassing expression, he developed the Happening which he defined as the placing of people in quasi-normal experiences.

A Happening is different from an event because it is based not upon free but upon trained (or controlled) associations. A bird flying through the garden, or a monk in Saigon burning himself up may be

very dramatic things, and people may be deeply moved by them, but they are events, not Happenings.

Events supply the "subjects" for Happenings. Another artist who stages Happenings, Claes Oldenburg, said in an Art Buchwald column that he didn't think there was a definition for the word. He was quoted, however, as saying that all the elements and all the senses plus imagination are involved.

Allen Kaprow's Happenings de
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Wendy McGlinn Voices Concern Over Schedule

Dear Editor,

Due to the controversy that has arisen, we feel that it is imperative that certain points concerning student attitudes toward the five-day week be clarified.

First, we feel that it is extremely unfortunate that students were not consulted at all on this matter. We believe that this change will certainly affect us as much as it will the faculty, and that consequently we should at least have the opportunity to express our views.

Second, student opinion is divided over the five-day week. There is not an overwhelming majority either for or against this plan, as many faculty members mistakenly believe.

Finally, we feel that there are

many aspects of the five-day week which remain unclear to students and which may be causing undue antagonism and concern. For instance, will most students be attending classes until 5:30 p.m. and will classes start at 8 a.m.? Will the new system prevent taking certain courses already registered for?

We realize, of course, that a definite schedule has not been set up yet. However, we also feel that it would be advantageous if the student body could be informed as soon as possible about exactly what the five-day week will entail.

Sincerely,
Wendy McGlinn for
Legislative Board of
Student Government

Lake Expresses New Idea Of Freedom For Everyone In Campaign For Governor

By Cara Lynne Johnson

Among the Democrats who are seeking election in the May Primary for Governor is I. Beverly Lake, one of the most experienced candidates.

With a strong political background, Lake has the qualifications which prove his ability to hold the office of Governor of North Carolina.

Lake was born in Wake Forest, North Carolina, in 1906. After graduating from Wake Forest College, he attended law school at Harvard and Columbia where he received his degrees. Lake was Professor of Law for 18 years at Wake Forest College thus showing his experience in education.

For four years Lake was Assistant Attorney General of North Carolina and legal adviser to the Revenue Department and Motor Vehicle Department. During the Korean War, he was a member of the staff of the General Counsel of the National Production Authority. His past reflects his dedication to government work and the intelligence he possesses for the positions he has held.

This is Lake's second running for the Democratic primary. In 1960 he was defeated by Terry Sanford who promised "a new day and a new deal for North Carolina." Lake's platform then was segregation. However it should not be confused with his present platform of conservatism. Voters tend to forget that this is a new election and in his present platform Lake has new ideas of freedom for North Carolinians of "ALL SECTIONS OF THE STATE, and ALL WALKS OF LIFE."

Lake's program of conservatism begins with elimination of wasteful spending in the state government. This includes giving the state an efficient business administration, less wasteful spending by the Highway Department, and compensation to public school teachers for their

services. Since the state budget now does not require all the state tax money, Lake also proposes to relieve tax burdens wherever possible.

Lake wishes to preserve the freedom of the individual — therefore he is opposed to the Civil Rights Bill currently being debated in Congress. He believes it is the freedom of a proprietor of a business, large or small, to select his customers and his employees as he sees fit. Lake feels the Civil Rights Bill violates this.

In addition, Lake seeks the establishment of a Senior Citizens Information Center in each of the 100 counties to give assistance to our older people in matters of health and employment and necessary financial aid.

Lake, a life long Democrat, is currently engaged in private practice of law in Raleigh.

His general platform is fair treatment for all, preservation of freedom, faith in North Carolina's future, and conservation and development of the friendly spirit of mutual helpfulness prevailing in North Carolina. Lake has said "The principles for which we fight are eternal." By enforcing the above basic principles, he hopes to move on to a better North Carolina for all her people.

Library Adds Ladies' Lounge

The Salem College Library now has a Women's Lounge. Due to requests made by students, the room adjacent to the ladies' restroom in the basement has been completely and comfortably furnished for students who wish to relax from studies without having to leave the library. Talking will be permitted and it is hoped that this room rather than elsewhere in the library will be used for eating snacks. Smoking is not yet permitted but may be in the near future.