

Letters To The Editor:

Dear Editor:

We would like to express our appreciation for the wonderful and reassuring protection afforded the St. Mary's girls, especially from the vicious onslaught of roving bands of off-key troubadours. We do appreciate this efficiency, but one question remains—where is our protection from perverted men roaming through the campus? Does no one become upset over their frequent visitations because they are believed mere figments of our imaginations? But do ghosts leave footprints in the snow? Are the scratching on screens and faces at the windows mere hallucinations? If so, a frighteningly large number of students are afflicted, and need the assurance of more protection.

We realize we have the comforting protection of our screens and blinds even though we cannot rely on our doors, because locking them is a fire hazard, but we still feel that surely other preventive measures are being taken. And so, just to put our minds at ease, and to let us rest more peacefully at night, without being awakened by piercing screams, we would like to be informed of these protective measures—simply for our peace of mind.

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Dear Editor:

At the first of this month, several unprecedented events took place in Chapel Hill at U.N.C., this area's leader in liberalism and the fight for human rights. In the first place, the President of the student body, Mike Lawler, issued a statement calling on all university students to boycott segregated business establishments. Shortly afterward, the Honor Council acquitted a Negro student who was charged with ungentlemanly conduct because of his part in a sit-in demonstration. The legislature has taken a similar stand on the issue.

We realize that this attitude is not that of all or of even a large majority of Carolina students, and we also realize that many people are indignant that breaking of the law is condoned and considered morally right as a part of the human rights campaign. However, this writer feels that years from now we of this generation will look back and congratulate these bold emancipators much as we congratulate Lincoln now. Since it is often hard to correlate basic beliefs and action, and since most of us do not care (or dare) to participate in sit-ins, Mike Lawler's call for a boycott offers a way for any student to stand up for his beliefs without breaking the law.

We at St. Mary's have been too apathetic about the events occurring around us, probably in the belief that if we ignore the situation we will not become involved in it. Statements on this campus have been made to the effect that it is not the business of a school to adopt a policy on civil rights. How can we accept this, knowing that the educational systems have been the revolving point for the entire movement for equal rights? If it is not the business of a school, whose business is it?

Let us not turn our backs to an era in history unfolding before our eyes. We cannot expect everyone to agree with liberals such as Mike Lawler, but at the very least, let us be aware of what they have to say. Our very minimum duty is to form some sort of opinion and be active, informed observers!

Alexa Draxler

Dear Editor:

Today in the South the trend toward Liberalism—that of the informed, progressive Southerner—is very much in vogue. "C'est tres chic" to laugh at our backward neighbors and ancestors. It simply is not cool to be a Southerner these days.

I am not against progress; I am not against an informed South. No. We all need desperately at a time like this—a time of misunderstanding, hatred, and violence—to know what is happening in our society, to really get down and examine our very deepest thoughts. We in the South have put aside unpleasantness for too long. But what I do detest is the complete acceptance of all criticism seemingly without the effort to evaluate it at all. Do we all have such a low opinion of ourselves, or such a lack of concern for what is going on not to even bother to really explore the situation for ourselves?

Admittedly the bigoted, ignorant Southerner who sees nothing but good in the South and will not, can not receive criticism, makes most of us ashamed, as he should. But, the Northern liberal does not have the whole answer; he does not comprehend the situation entirely. Between the Old Guarder who will listen to no reason and the nouveau liberal who accepts Northern liberalism as the last word in reason, we in the South do not stand a chance against unwise Congressional legislation.

There is much to be said for the Southern point of view. I say, let's get into the fight; let's be open-minded, but knowing-not on the defensive about everything, but able really to defend what needs defending. Only then, cooperating with the liberal politician but not yielding unquestioningly to his every demand, can we bring about a workable solution to our problem.

Alice DuPre

A Close Look At North Carolina's Gubernatorial Candidates

By Lanier Scott

As the date of the North Carolina democratic primary draws closer, the race for the gubernatorial nomination is being stepped up by the leading contenders, Dan K. Moore, L. Richardson Preyer, and I. Beverly Lake.

Mr. Moore, who is now a native of Canton, was born in Asheville in 1906. After attending the University of North Carolina, he was admitted to the bar in 1928 and was a practicing attorney until 1946 when he was elected Solicitor of the 20th Judicial District. From 1948 to 1958 he served as a Superior Court judge, and he is now legal counsel and assistant secretary of Champion Papers, Incorporated.

Through the years, Moore has served as precinct chairman, member of the State Democratic Executive Committee and as a delegate to state and national conventions. A father and grandfather, he has also contributed to community functions and is an active member of the Methodist church.

According to the **Asheville Times**, Dan Moore is a moderate in the general sense. He advocates a food tax, a state program for industrial development, renewed improvement of the highway system, and expansion of the educational system. On the touchy civil rights issue, he feels that North Carolina can solve its own problems without federal intervention, and that equality must be earned, but not by violence.

Judge L. Richardson Preyer was born in Greensboro in 1919. Soon after receiving his law degree from Harvard in 1949, he began practicing law in Greensboro until being appointed to the N. C. Superior Court in 1956. Five years later he gained the appointment of federal judge of the Middle District Court, a position which he has just recently resigned to become a candidate for governor.

Judge Preyer has served his state in various ways. He is president of the N. C. Citizens for Better Schools, a member of the N. C. Foundation for Mental Health, chairman of the N. C. International Trade Fair mission to Europe, and a member of the board of visitors for Davidson College. The father of five children, he is also an active member of the Greensboro First Presbyterian Church and a participant in many community activities.

In spite of the fact that Preyer has not yet issued a specific platform, he has declared that he follows the doctrines of the Kennedy administration. Although he is considered more moderate than the New Frontier, he is nevertheless a dynamic devotee of social progress. He is particularly concerned with the economic problems of the farmer, an adequate school system, and the attraction of out-of-state industries to North

Carolina. It has been rationally predicted that Preyer will be supported by the state Democratic organization which has dominated the government for the past three years. This means that he will have numerous and powerful supporters, and the money necessary for a big campaign.

The third major Democratic candidate, Dr. I. Beverly Lake, was born in Wake Forest in 1906. After graduation from Wake Forest College, he attended Harvard and Columbia law schools. He was a professor of law at Wake Forest for eighteen years, but since 1955 has been practicing privately in Raleigh. He is a member of the Baptist church here and has been a Sunday School teacher for forty years.

As a life long Democrat, Dr. Lake has served as assistant attorney general of N. C. and as legal advisor to the state Departments of Revenue and Motor Vehicles. On the federal level, he served in the district rationing executive, Office of Price Administration during World War II, and on the general council of the National Production Authority during the Korean War.

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