

Call For Responsible Student Action

The recent efforts directed toward improving the cafeteria situation are to be applauded. There is a definite need for improvement in the cafeteria, and responsible student action is the best vehicle for change.

Unless we, as students, make known our complaints, they will be changed only by chance or whim. In determining campus policies, Dr. Bentley and the administration have insufficient knowledge of student feeling on issues unless responsible student opinion is voiced.

This is not to say that every student should beat a path to Dr. Bentley's door, informing him of his or her opinion on this, that, or the other.

An effective student government can work with the students and the administration to administer student gripes, complaints, or suggestions. Where student government fails, the students must resort to the petition—often a highly ineffective device of a hopeless minority or a voiceless majority.

Student government should keep abreast of student feeling through polls, open forums, and other devices. It is through activities such as these—activities that attempt to improve student welfare—that student government becomes a vital campus organization rather than a social organization for the advancement of a few individuals.

Regardless of its origin, responsible student action is required in a growing, progressive institution.

—jls

Psychedelic '67

ACP Feature Service

From the vantage point of February a backward glance to 1967 reveals that it was a year of happenings—a year of the absurd, the ludicrous, the ridiculous.

The "happenings" of 1967, notes the University of Kansas Daily Kansan, make one wonder how we got started up the down staircase and where it's taking us.

Take, for example, the Kansan suggests, these phenomena of the year:

LBJ rejected an excellent portrait of himself as the "ugliest thing" he ever saw. Then he became a grandfather to a youngster whose "Republican" father called him an "elephant" and he married off his daughter to a Vietnam-bound Marine captain instead of the undrafted George Hamilton.

The birth and death of hippiedom was heralded, and for a while Haight-Ashbury meant love. Inaugurated, it seemed, by Lady Bird's beautification program, flower power appeared to be a permanent thing. Bubble-gum companies were offering flower-printed paper dresses by mail order.

Paper was in, along with plastic and aluminum wrap. You could order a floor-length paper wedding dress for \$1.50 or a tin-foil mini-dress for slightly more.

That development came in a year when a 17-year-old British girl weighing 90 pounds and measuring 31-22-32 made \$120 an hour modeling for the same fashion magazines which advertise bosom-building aids.

It became as difficult to separate the men from the girls as it was the actors from the politicians. As men's hair got longer and girls' figures became more Twiggy-ish, no end to the problem was in sight.

A matronly Shirley Temple, wearing the longest skirt of the year, danced her way back into the public eye for a few brief shining moments, while Ev Dirksen entertained thoughts that he could sing while being LBJ's best buddy. Posters of Ronnie Reagan in a cowboy suit are selling well, but does that mean the honorable governor can ride on into the White House?

Bobby Kennedy became a father for the tenth time and Ethel still played touch football before breakfast.

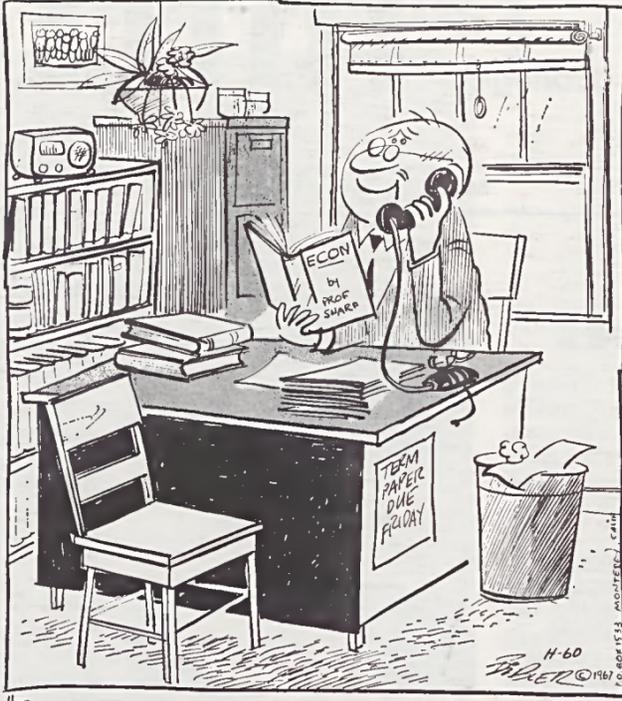
Norman Mailer wrote another book and for lack of a better title it is "Why Are We In Vietnam?"

The hippies added a new dimension to American slang. The "straight" world was encouraged to "tune in, turn on, and drop out," "go where it's at," "do your own thing," and "find your bag."

Psychedelic posters heralded the psychedelic era and brought along some of the most establishment-shocking crazes yet. It was a year for the "don't touch me" skin as bodies were painted in psychedelic swirls of color.

But it seemed girls couldn't decide whether they wanted to look like little girls—with ringlets, Mary Jane shoes, and white stockings—or super-zombies with silver-painted, rhinestone-lined eyes and the smasher-flasher fashions of psychedelia.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"THE USED TEXTBOOK BUSINESS IS KILLING MY ROYALTIES," J.B.—HOW ABOUT ME REWRITING THE INTRODUCTION, AND JUGGLING THE CHAPTERS SO WE CAN BRING OUT A NEW EDITION?"

Letters to the editor...

To the editor:

The draft commands compliance to its rules without telling everyone concerned what all those rules are. It is entitled to compliance but not through ignorance of those affected. We discovered how little is known about the draft law and how difficult it is to find any information and decided something had to be done. We have spent months researching the law and have found a lot of facts that are not generally known outside the Selective Service Headquarters.

1. Many persons are not even required to register for the draft.
2. If you are not required to register and volunteer, you will be registered without being told you do not have to register.
3. Few persons have seen the draft law.
4. The government does not give out copies of the law to the public.
5. A "glassblower" is a "critical occupation" subject to deferment; there are dozens of other "critical occupations."
6. There are two "services" which fulfill your military obligation besides the Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Marines and the Air Force.
7. If you are scheduled for induction there are many postponements available.
8. It is possible to appeal classifications to the President.
9. There are 22 other classifications available besides "1-A".

10. The American Council On Education says: "Enrollment in the first two years of graduate and professional schools next fall will be limited to women, veterans, men physically disqualified and those over the age of 25."

11. Beginning in July, 1968, almost 75% of all men inducted by Selective Service will be college graduates.

Don't be drafted unnecessarily! Get expert information on the facts about the draft law. We provide a free service for students who send a brief resume of facts pertinent to their classification, this clipping from your newspaper, and a self-addressed, stamped envelope:

The Committee for Informed Young Americans
Friendship Station
Box 5568
Washington, D. C. 20007

To the editor:

Our present monitorial system at Mars Hill College is ineffectual in eliminating dishonesty; it is inadequate as a method for achieving academia; and it is not delineated in either the Faculty Handbook or the Student Handbook.

In the first place, the system in which the professor monitors a quiz or the house mother monitors dormitory life does not prevent cheating and other acts of dishonesty. Perhaps a poll of the entire

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Around Campus

Student Government leaders searched by police. That's what the headline could read, but fortunately it was all a mistake.

Jay Flippen, Ruff Wheless, and Linda Lane were traveling to Charlotte last week, minding their own business when the State Highway Patrol stopped them near Kings Mountain.

After a barrage of questions, the patrolmen proceeded to search the car for \$22,000. It seems that an alert had gone out for a woman and two men in a late model car—who were wanted in conjunction with a bank robbery at Grover.

For North Carolinians interested in government a golden opportunity beckons. Applications are being taken for the position of Summer Intern in state government.

To be eligible, a student must have completed three years of college by June, 1968 and must be a resident of North Carolina currently enrolled in college or university.

There are only 25 appointments for this position, which pays \$90 a week.

In addition to a regular 40-hour work week each intern will become involved in a concentrated seminar series with officials such as Gov. Dan Moore and others. Satisfactory completion of the summer's work gives three hours of Political science credit at N. C. State.

The deadline for applications is Feb. 15. Any interested students should see Dr. Underwood, Mr. Hoffman, Miss Bingham, or the editor.

Approximately 325 high school singers and their choral directors are on campus for the music department's 20th annual choral clinic. Guest instructor is Dr. George Corwin of Ball State University.

The Student Government Association has announced the dates for campus elections.

The SGA officers will be elected on Feb. 23. Petitions were turned in yesterday and campaign speeches are scheduled for Feb. 20.

Candidates for class offices will begin circulating petitions Feb. 26 and must have them in the Dean Lynch by March 2. The election date has been set as March 15.

Dorm office hopefuls circulate petitions March 18 through March 22. The election is slated for April 4.

Installation of all elected officials is to be on April 16.

Congratulations to Dr. John Hough, Jr., head of the Department of Education, who has just been selected for inclusion in the 1968 edition of a publication entitled, "Outstanding Young Men of America." Dr. Bentley was included in the 1967 edition of the publication, which is limited to men between 21 and 35.

A bulletin containing detailed information on the 1968 summer session, including a listing of courses and the time at which they will be taught, arrived from the printer this week. Interested persons may obtain a copy from the office of the academic dean.

"The girls had their chance, now boys, it's your turn. Boys, get your date for the Freshman Class Dance featuring the Madrian Caste," so stated the freshman officers about tonight's dance to be held 7:30 to 11:30 at the Community Center.

Overtime! is Coming

How many times this week have you said, "I sure would like to have something to do around here," knowing as you said it that nothing would happen. Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia to the rescue!

The music fraternity is sponsoring Overtime! after the A-B game Tuesday, Feb. 20.

Overtime! is an extravaganza of talent, variety, and unusual audience participation. It features the largest collection of performers ever assembled for an evening of entertainment at Mars Hill. Music to fit every conceivable pop taste will be presented. Phi Mu Alpha claims Overtime! will be the wildest sing-in on record.

Overtime! has the sanction and cooperation of the administration. Girls may wear slacks to the game. Everyone will have one o'clock permission. Asheville-Biltmore students are invited and Dr. Bentley will put in an appearance.

Overtime! is the first step in Phi Mu Alpha's recently initiated drive to bring "something to do" to the Mars Hill campus. All students are invited to attend.



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