

Letters to the editor . . .

My dearest Editor,
 Here's my latest contribution to the "gripe sheet" of the week. (Forgive me for griping, but nothing has ever been done that didn't first draw a complaint in order to rectify an unfavorable situation).

The business department of this "accredited" college stinks! It is stupid to overload the teachers we have with so many courses. To get a major in accounting one teacher alone is responsible for virtually all courses. This certainly does not contribute to a well-rounded education!

To further complicate matters, the teachers we have are incapable and senile beyond belief. Some classes are nothing but a joke — the only kicks we get are in seeing how many hilarious blunders our prospective inmates will make in one day. What it all boils down to is this — the Emphasis on Excellence campaign is only a technical success (?) — what we gained in PhD's and doctorates and professors was lost by failing to get adequate and well-qualified teachers with **teaching** experience. It is relatively easy (and rather cheap) to hire people that are fixing to retire in a few years and just want something to fill the empty spaces. It is a different matter to land top-notch educators, but I don't think "Excellence" should call for any cut corners.

I know I couldn't have helped but bloody a few people's noses. My apologies to the few good teachers which we do in fact have; but I know you will instantly realize you were not the object of this condemnation. You other guys . . . you know who you are!

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 by the 5th amendment

Lovely,
 After being in the educational process for 16 years I have come to some definite conclusions about it.

Firstly — 75 percent of the people in college don't belong there.

Secondly — 99 percent of the courses have no viability in the late 60's and early 70's.

Thirdly — The communities in which colleges are located tend to isolate young people in their formative years from the day-to-day problems of living in this world.

With these problems are the colleges doomed? My answer is yes, unless they make a concentrated effort to interest only true students in courses which deal with the modern world, in the modern world.

But, being essentially cynical, I don't see this change; so I guess I would make a good college professor.

—Michael Burch

Dear Linda,

Because of his position as Dean of Students, Mr. Lynch is not only responsible to the administration for the conduct of the student body, but he is also required by the students to explain and justify the actions of the administration. As far as student-administration relationships are concerned, he is truly the man in the middle.

In a recent case of a disciplinary nature, Dean Lynch presented to some students the facts, telling these students what **could** happen if and when their case was brought to student court. These students were understandably upset, as their collegiate careers hung in the balance. These students misunderstood Mr. Lynch and had the student body upset, thinking the Dean had threatened these students. I have discussed this matter with Mr. Lynch personally and am firmly convinced that the students who became so upset and protested so vigorously were wrong and owe Mr. Lynch an apology.

—Jim Hayes

Sports Round-Up

Track

After a not-so-good tour of the South, the golf team is preparing for a 15-match schedule. A loss to Michigan State in Florida proved only a major help to the golfers in their upcoming season. Skip Lyles seems to have taken the No. 1 position for the present time, but he is being closely pressed by several other team members.

After a tri-match with Western Carolina, Asheville-Biltmore and Landers College on Wednesday, Apr. 9, the golfers will meet Tusculum, King and Montreat-Anderson on the 10th. On the 14th, 15th, and 17th, the linkers will play Landers, Erskine and Montreat-Anderson in away matches. All home matches will be played on the Spruce Pine Course.

Tennis

The tennis team, coached by Dave Jones, will play at Western Carolina on the 8th and then return home on the 10th to host a strong Tusculum team. Asheville-Biltmore (away) and Milligan (home) will follow next on the netters' schedule on the 15th and 17th.

David Teague, a Lees-McRae transfer, has taken sole possession of the No. 1 position and promises to be a standout this season.

Baseball

Coach Don Henderson feels that his baseball squad is "young but quite talented and should have a tremendous season."

Games at Western Carolina and Milligan on the 8th and 10th of this month will be followed by a doubleheader at home against Tusculum this coming Friday. The following week (15th and 16th) the team will travel to Wofford and Erskine. The week will finish with a doubleheader on Saturday the 19th with Tusculum on the home field.

Milligan College will venture into the Lions Den today for a meet with our thinclads. Two more home meets on Monday and Saturday of next week will match the Lions with Western Carolina (one of the strongest teams in the state) and Carson-Newman.

Top performers in each event to date are: shot put — John Sweatlock; discus and javelin — Hal Bennet; high jump — Roger McGowan and Charlie Orr; broad and triple jumps — Butch Palmer and Morris White.

White and Palmer will aid Gary Lawing and McGowan in the sprints while Russell Barrett will handle the mile and two-mile. John Garrison is our only hurdler and will be counted on heavily to account for important points. Leonard Leedy is our biggest hopeful in the pole vault and he is closing in on the present school record.

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