

editorial

By Marcia Walker

A student petition bearing 52 signatures was considered by the Traffic and Parking Committee on Friday, February 6, 1970. This petition covered various subjects, such as, the failure to complete the roadway, sidewalks, and street lights leading to the dorm parking lot. Other subjects mentioned were the hideous landscaping that surrounds the dorms and the aggravating parking situation that students and visitors are forced to tolerate.

The main concern of this is the parking facilities here at UNCC. The student petition requested permission for dorm students to park their cars in spaces assigned to commuter students. Authorization was given some weeks ago for "D" cars to use other parking lots after 5 p.m. But as you must have observed, there is a shortage of parking spaces for visitors, faculty, staff, and commuter students. The Traffic and Parking Committee cannot therefore recommend unrestricted intra-campus parking for "D" cars during the day.

Therefore the Committee has RECOMMENDED SOME CHANGES THAT, by coincidence, HAVE ALREADY BEEN PURCHASED! It gives such a secure and warm feeling to know that the Traffic and Parking Committee is so eager (to fulfill their recommendation) that they "jumped the gun" and purchased PARKING METERS without taking time to consider possible student opposition.

A total of 94 parking meters have been purchased and will be situated as follows: 36 will be placed in the main parking lot, 5 in the Smith building area, 24 in the Union parking lot, and 29 will be placed in the dorm horse-shoe lot.

"Meters in the main, Smith, and Union parking lots will be set for a minimum of one hour and a maximum of three hours and at a charge of 10c per hour. These meters will be policed from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. except on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays," as stated by the Traffic & Parking Committee.

"Meters in the dorm horse-shoe lot will be set for a minimum of thirty minutes and a maximum of one hour and at a charge of 10c per thirty minutes. These meters will be policed 24 hours per day and 7 days per week except that the Security Force may exercise DISCRETION during late hours and on special occasions."

So, now that the ground rules have been set, controversy creeps in. First, let's have a look at the pros concerning the parking meters. Putting up 36 meters in the main parking lot and 5 in the Smith building parking lot has its advantages because there are many students that are taking only one course a semester. For these students, it's more economical to pay a dime and attend their hour class than pay the \$10 parking fee each semester.

Also, since the Committee decided against allotting "D" cars the right to park their cars in spaces assigned to commuter students due to the shortage of parking spaces, these parking meters will allow the dorm students with "D" stickers to pay a dime and park legally in one of the three parking lots restricted from the dorm students.

Secondly, to even the score, let's have a look at the cons concerning the parking meters. Before going any further, (this may be a little off the subject, but) there is one question that has bothered many students: Why isn't there a reasonable size parking lot for the visitors of the dorm students? The person who planned the miniature horse-shoe parking lot in front of the dorms to accommodate visitors for a possible one thousand students must have done so in a very humorous mood because it is entirely too small.

To get back on the tracks, according to the rules stated above, if two parents come to visit a dorm student, they can park in the horse-shoe or at the Union. Well, if they happen to have several dimes on hand and have no qualms about hiking a half a mile to the dorm, they can park in the Union parking lot. On the other hand, if their supply of dimes is double and they are lucky enough to find an empty parking space in the horse-shoe, they can conveniently park in front of the dorms.

This example brings about a few other questions. For what reasons are the parking meters going to be installed except as a donation to the funds of the Traffic and Parking Committee? Why will dime parking meters be installed? What has happened to the penny and nickle meters? Greedy little rascals, aren't they? Also, why will a dime buy an hour at the Union and only thirty minutes at the dorms? At least someone on the Committee felt pity for the inconvenience of having to park in the Union lot and cutting the meter price in

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Times They Are

By Mike McCulley

A' Changing

To Whom It May Concern.... Accolades to that drunken Hostileman who demolished the Union Cafeteria door for proving to all the world how "tough" he is. His reminder will daily inspire me to love my fellow man....

Notes From All Over.... Can't wait to see some of the new recruiting posters for our All-Volunteer Army. Suggestions: "Uncle Sam Pays For You;" or, "Fight For Pay, Save The Day," et absurdum. Automatic problems: Will the day come when the call for troops goes out and they're on STRIKE? Or maybe the day when the 82nd Airborne is "out sick" with the Friday "flu"?... With the cost overruns on the C-5A and other military projects, can you imagine what your new 1980 EAGLE might cost IF the Government starts making all the cars? Shudder, shudder!!....

Reports from Moscow are carrying the news that the Russian production of "Hair" will undergo some slight changes. A TASS press release states, "The play concerns a young Bolshevik who has some problems with his local laundry, during a barber revolt, and is influenced by decadent capitalist ideas of sex-is-good and sings his way out of it." Predictably, another sell-out performance will be rendered by the Young Lenin-Maxist Drama Group for Socialist Dominance....

Literary Coup.... Pornography buffs found themselves "taken" when they dirty-mindedly bought "The Peter Principle" expecting....well, you know.

Casualty Report, Roads-and-Grounds Division.... Latest available figures show 4 seniors, 3 juniors, and 7 freshmen stepped off the concrete walkway heading for the dorms and immediately sank out-of-sight, never to be seen again. Names are being withheld by the Records Office pending notification of next-of-kin.

Indiangivers?.... A letter was received by the Student Legislature from Dave Blevins thanking them for their support and 100 clams for the Defense Fund. However, "due to things that go bump in the night," the money will not be donated. It was the thought that counted, right? Into from the Fat Radical gratefully acknowledged....

Employment Highlights.... Prospective sugar harvesters enroute to Cuba to make coins should be forewarned that most of the sugar mills are 19th century types, i.e., very, very manual labor required. Free transportation unintentionally is provided by Miami flights of Eastern, Delta, TWA, etc....

Taxation Woes.... Those forthcoming parking meters in the U-circle of the dorms and other parking areas on campus are too, too much, man. Is parking THAT critical? Some easing up on parking by visitors in decal-limited areas would sure be better. Funds collected by the meters is no doubt to be used to hire another security guard to...you guessed it...enforce parking restrictions....

Note To Faculty.... "Aardvark - n., a burrowing mammal, having a stocky, hairy body, large ears, a long, tubular snout, and powerful digging claws." No further comment.

Now, with his timely prognostications, here's Dan.... 2070, Hollywood.... Mickey Mouse Productions today announced the release of its premiere attraction for the year, "Sex for Fun and Profit". Rated "Z" by the Motion Picture Association because of its theme, the movie breaks all final barriers in censorship. A spokesman for the MM Production Company stated, "It's the heart-warming story of a young family in California who struggle against society's problems of pollution, crime, etc., but who have numbers of orgies along the way as they fail to succeed. The film is being released in Europe under the title "If You Can't Win, Quit and Live It Up Anyway"....

2070, New York.... An overdue bill today was sent to the Soviet Union by the United Nations for the \$5,234,678,679,000,000 owed in dues since 1945. Contents of the letter were not disclosed but a clerk who typed the letter said, "We told them in a firm tone to pay up or we'll get tough about it."....

2070, South Vietnam.... Members of the U. S. Army's 25th Division today ran head-on into conflict with their commander near Da Nang. Colonel John Harold, the commander of the unit in the Volunteer Army, stated, "There was this hill, see, and I told the guys to take it. Now, one guy asked me how much money I'd pay him to take the hill and I told him this was a job for volunteers. Immediately, I asked for volunteers and, darn it, everybody laughed at me." The level of fighting around Da Nang was reportedly very light today....

Thought To Sleep On.... Al Capone died insane of syphilis. G-men couldn't get him, but I think G-strings did. There's a moral there somewhere for you, but you might have to look to find it....

N.B. on Friday, Feb. 27, at 11:30 a.m. in the Student Union, Rooms 230-231, a film will be shown about the Palestinian Commando's training and their objectives sponsored by Union.

free flick

The Union This Week

February 25, 1970 - Concert; Lawrence Wilson; Parquet Room; 11:30 a.m.

February 27, 1970 - Green Garter Coffee House; John Cronin and The Emporium; Parquet Room; 8:00 p.m.; Admission: \$1.00.

February 28, 1970 - Green Garter Coffee House; John Cronin and The Emporium; Parquet Room; 8:00 p.m.; Admission: \$1.00.

March 2, 1970 - Film; "The Bedford Incident;" Parquet Room; 1:00 p.m.; Admission: 25¢.

By Marcia Walker

Lawrence Wilson, an accomplished pianist, will be performing here at UNCC on February 25, 1970, at 11:30 a.m.

LAWRENCE WILSON holds the bachelor of arts degree in music from Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota, the master of music degree from Indiana University, and is presently working toward the doctorate at Indiana

University. He has studied with Donald Betts, Josef Battista, and Jorge Bolet. He joined the Queens College faculty in 1968, having previously been a member of the faculty at Hastings College in Hastings, Nebraska.

Mr. Wilson was the first place winner in the Schubert Club of St. Paul Piano Competition in 1963. In 1964 he performed Beethoven's "Emperor" Piano Concerto, Op. 73, with members of the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra. He has given recitals in St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Collegeville, Minnesota; Bloomington, Indiana; Washington, Pennsylvania; and Hastings, Nebraska; and since coming to North Carolina, has played in Charlotte at the Mint Museum and at neighboring colleges including Johnson C. Smith University, Pfeiffer College, and Piedmont College, Demorest, Georgia.

Mr. Wilson's repertoire will include "Sonata" in B flat, K.333 by Mozart, "Reflets dans l'eau" by Debussy, and "Sonata" in f minor, Op. 5 by Brahms.