

Re: J. Albert Brown

Hickok was trying to help students

Dear Editor:

In reference to the letter from J. Albert Brown in the March 4, 1971 edition of the CAROLINA JOURNAL, I would like to add a few comments.

Besides being defamatory, Mr. Brown's information was grossly inaccurate. According to him, "Mr. Hickok believes that he should have the power to appoint some of our student senators." Mr. Hickok did not say that. He said the president of the S.G.A. should be allowed to do so; not necessarily himself. Considering the fact that Alan Hickok leaves office in less than a month, he would not be the person to appoint senators.

It seems evident that Alan Hickok was merely trying to help the students by seeking additional student representation. This letter

is neither to support nor to damn the policy of senatorial appointments by the SGA president, but rather to call to attention a grave injustice at Mr. Hickok's expense, which I feel needs to be rectified in some manner.

Sincerely,
Phil Nesbitt

LETTERS

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Editorial comments:

It's your money

It's that time of year again for the students of UNCC to elect new editors, business managers, student legislators, and SGA officials.

This past Monday, March 8, University Senate elections were held. A brief analysis shows that only 815 students voted out of a total of approximately 4000. According to records, this should call for a celebration, because this is the highest number of students in UNCC's history to have voted in a one day election.

Perhaps this is so, but the dorm students deserve the majority of credit. Without the dorm vote, the number of students voting for University Senate candidates may have hit an all time low. Out of 815 votes, 526 were dorm votes. In terms of UNCC history, the figure 526 is unbelievable considering that there are only a little over 800 students inhabiting the dorms.

On the other hand, just as much can be said about the commuter figure of 289 - it's also unbelievable when taken out of a possible 3100.

During a time when, across the state and nation there is so much controversy about student fees, how can any student here at UNCC allow just anybody to be elected to a paying position such as editor, business manager, or SGA president.

Of course, University Senators are not, by any means, paid for their services, but up-coming elections will determine who obtains the paying positions. How can any student on this campus be apathetic about nearly \$4,000 in salary and grants?

If you are apathetic about UNCC elections and don't care enough to choose the most qualified person for the job, then maybe this will console you, it's all money out of your pocket.

Don't worry, no emergency

In this age of modern technology, it seems a shame that the fastest growing university in North Carolina can only receive 15 phone calls at once.

Of course, not even the campus operator can guess how many lines going out of the university there are. But look, of the fifteen only 5 are solely for incoming calls, the other ten accommodate both incoming and outgoing calls.

Let's look at the campus situation. Work is held up in the offices, as frustrated secretaries wait for hours to get a line to call another extension, or an off campus number.

If you think they get frustrated, you should see the 400 coeds in Sanford Hall, who can't even get calls from their boy friends.

The underlying question is what happens in an emergency? You can't even get the campus operator from 7:30 p.m. to midnight, much less an ambulance.

Perhaps the administration is not aware of the careless, ineffective and dangerous way our telephone system is run. But then, too, with a campus this apathetic, we'll never have an emergency.

THE JOURNAL expresses appreciation to all students, faculty, and administrators who donated their blood to the Red Cross on Tuesday.

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A paper that is entirely the product of the student body becomes at once the official organ through which the thoughts, the activity, and in fact the very life of the campus, is registered. It is the mouthpiece through which the students themselves talk. College life without its journal is blank.

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EDITORIALS

OPINIONS

You've done a good job, but you're fired

by ed wayson

This is the third article on the "Respect of Student Fees Sub-Committee," and the further I go the more vague it becomes. To an individual who reads it, in order to find out why student activities fees were taken from the Student Legislature it becomes quite frustrating.

First, you find out that the registration fee is not actually used for registration, but is put into the total operating budget of the university. It goes to academic costs but is listed under general fees (which is for non-academic purposes). There you find out that every semester the student pays a laboratory fee, even if he doesn't take a lab course. The point is, that no matter which way you turn you are hit with generalities.

What the report boils down to is that the Student Legislature should be relieved of all controls of the student activities fees, except its own operating budget. First it points out that there is fear among students on the Publications Board of punitive action from the Student Legislature. Then the sub-committee notes there hasn't been any proof that the Legislature would restrict the Publications Board. Dr. Cone also says that she feels the student legislature has done a good job, and there is no reason why it shouldn't keep on delegating student activities fees. Then in the very next paragraph the sub-committee proposes that the student fees be divided into four areas: 1--Student Government Assoc. 12%, 2--Student Publication 38%, 3--Union Governing Board 40%, and 4--Contingency fund 10%.

The prize sentence of the whole report goes as follows: and I quote, "Although there is no evidence that the legislature has ever been guilty of punitive or

retributive action against any publication or organization in the disbursement of the student activities fees, THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS A CHANGE IN THE CURRENT PROCEDURE."

What in the "hell" does that mean? It's like saying well, you have done a good job and there never has been any complaints against you; but you're fired! Undoubtedly, this whole committee was a staged farce.

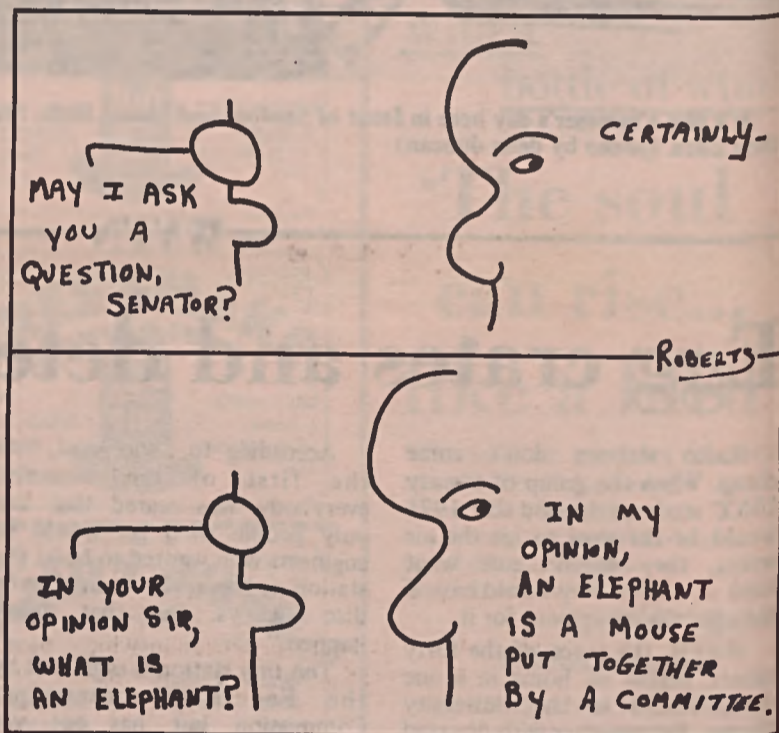
The administration had already decided to weaken the Student Legislature, and take control of student fees, before the

not even worth the paper it's printed on.

Many people have said to me that my articles have been too negative. Well the point of these articles was not to support the irresponsibility of the administration, but to show that we as students have been screwed!

I do have two constructive proposals for the next Student Legislature to do.

1--An immediate in depth study of all fees paid by the students each semester, both academic and non-academic fees.



committee was even set up. It's the old tactic of divide and conquer; they would de-centralize student fees, so none could be used for anti-american activities as they did in Chapel Hill or the University of Maryland. At those two campuses money was given to anti-war activities in the former and to the Black Student Union and Black Panther Party in the latter (all were campus chartered organizations.)

The real jewel was the 10% contingency fund set up under the direct control of Dr. Cone, who sets up a committee of six people to review requests for additional funds. Of these six people, two are faculty. I'm really curious as to what authority do faculty have the right to decide what students do with their activities fees? Also, this committee has no official connection to students and are in no way selected by students, but by Dr. Cone.

The administration does not realize that these kiddies who supposedly can't control their own finances are being killed in Indo-China, are working 30 hours a week and going to school, or are married and have children. As far as I am concerned the report is

2--To regain control of all student activities fees and disburse them on a yearly basis.

I have also two suggestions for the administration;

1--To give up the contingency fund and give it back to the Student Legislature and,

2--To relinquish all review power over student activities fees since it is none of their concern what the student does with his non-academic fees.

I hope these articles are of some help to you as students in understanding how our administration really cares about its children!

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