

Editorially Speaking

Just The Beginning

Carolina's victory over Cherry Point Marines Saturday not only marks the initial win of the football team, but it heralds a renewal of the ole Carolina spirit. In truth the accomplishment Saturday of the team and the student body signifies that there is more to come. In fact it is just the beginning.

Possibly a football victory was the necessary element to unify a more or less indifferent student body which is composed of civilians, coeds and Navy trainees. There has been an indication in the past that the various groups on campus were distorted and against each other. Saturday there was no sign of this. Carolina's victory brought about the best in the student body which includes every student taking a course at this great University.

Even though in the fascinating tilt Saturday there was off times sign of defeat, the lungs of the Carolina students and their hearts were filled with something that couldn't be defeated. The chant of victory was in the air. The team had it at first and from the bench to the highest point on the South side of Kenan Stadium there echoed the colorful and welcomed sound of the real down to earth Tar Heels, the gentlemen and ladies who stand up and cheer whether for defeat or for victory. The football squad is also a mixture of men from the various groups, but there was no distortion, they worked as a team. In the stands the V-12 men, the coeds and civilians worked as a team also. Yes, it truly marks just the beginning of things to come in the way of a return to Carolina spirit.

What if Carolina had lost Saturday? Would that have made any difference? In a way it might have lessened the vigor of the fans on the South side of Kenan, but the "spirit bug" had bitten Friday night when Carolina fans marched around the campus in a cold drizzle, organizing that which was once so much a part of Carolina. The disease spread like wildfire from one end of the campus to the other. Then for the climax, the Carolina victory on the gridiron the following day so thoroughly whipped the Carolina campus into a single unit that it is the general belief that the ties made will be most difficult to sever.—F.F.

Looking Ahead

When the present term ends which is not too far away, there will be a short break in activity, both academic and social around the campus. After vacation is over the entire campus will forget about short terms and settle down to the business of going to school together, with V-12 men, civilians and coeds attending classes together.

Attending classes together is an important factor in the coordination of the campus into a single unit whether different groups on campus wear skirts, middie blouses or droopy drapes, but it is only one of many ways in which the campus can be converted into a better place in which to live.

Elections are forthcoming not long after the return of the student body from vacation. The elections this year will mark the fate of probably the most crucial year in Carolina history as far as student government and student extra-curricular activities are concerned. The job of electing the most capable people will of course be a tremendous one. Stress on this item cannot be expressed too much. The differences that exist in the dress of the groups on campus makes no difference, we are all people and we are all students, attending the University in an effort to gain for ourselves the advantages of higher education. This, we all have in common and there is no reason why everyone of us can not enjoy the pleasantness of seeing Carolina function as it once did, every student a small but important gear in a great machine.

The fact that most of the old Carolina men have departed from the campus leaves us with a big problem. There is not a strong enough concentration of old Carolina men to help push the ideals and ethics of Carolinaism into the large turnover, but the spirit of Carolina down through the 150 years is vividly stationed here. It is within easy grasp, not so easy as in yesteryear, but it is here. The job of every freshman, whether coed, V-12 or civilian is to familiarize himself with these ideals.

One of the foremost organs of Carolina spirit is the student government by which is effected a broad and liberal participation by the students in everything that makes Carolina the outstanding school that it is. Take this away from Carolina and it is like a ship without a sea.

Just the fact that an active student government does exist on this campus is not enough to think about when election time arrives. It must be remembered that along with a student government on paper, student leaders must be selected who will keep the principles of Carolina intact. The standards of a Carolina gentleman are in fact still the same. They can stay that way with close cooperation from every student on the campus.

When you return to your respective homes or if you stay in Chapel Hill, think about the forthcoming year here at Carolina. In you is vested the power to make or break.—F.F.

APOLOGIES

Sometimes there is questioning of "Freedom of the Press." Oft times this questioning is justified in that writers secure for themselves a totally wrong slant on things. When the work of such writers appears in print, the real damage is done, but there is no use in crying over spilt milk.

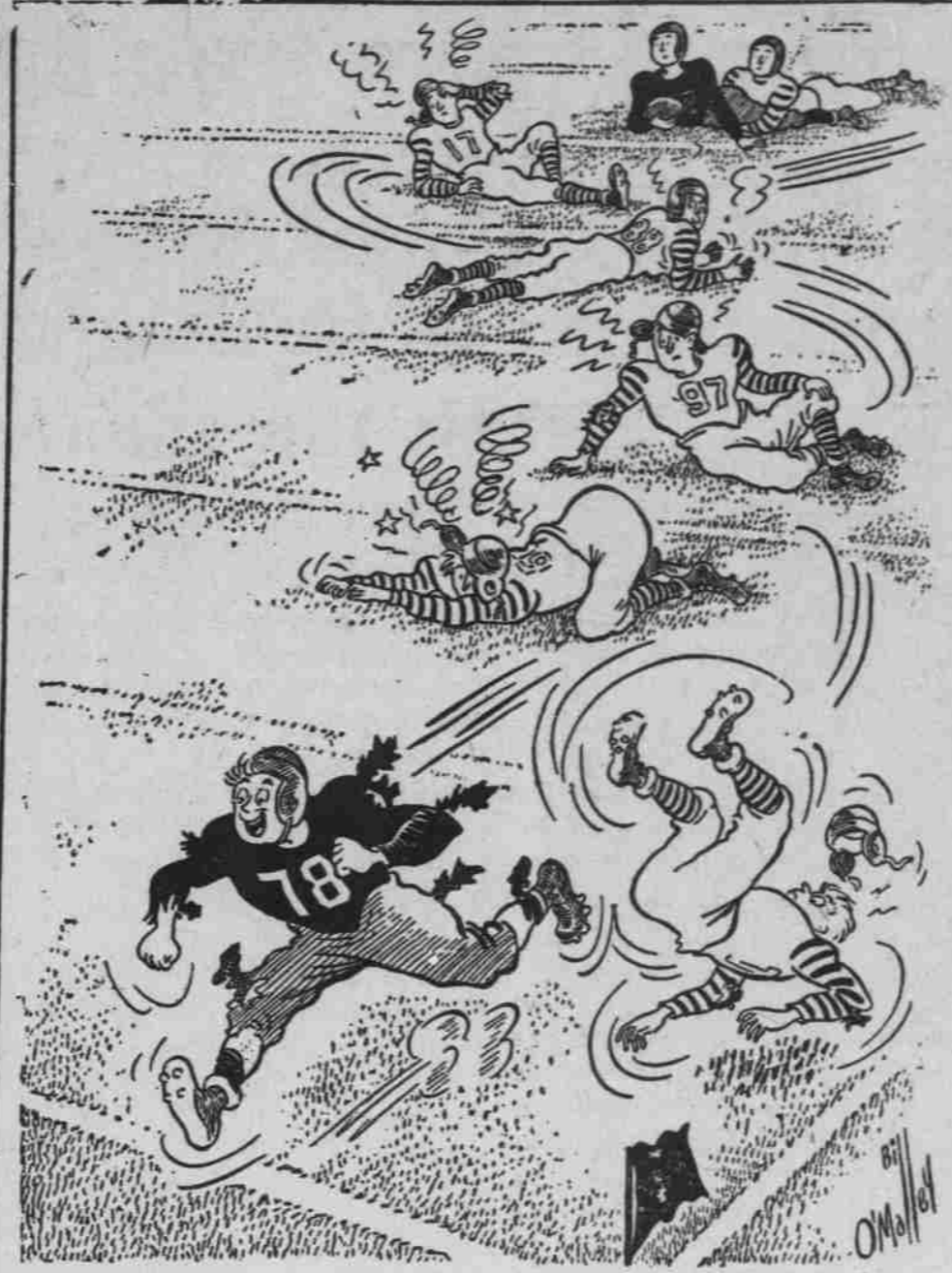
The cartoon as it appeared in last issue is explained in a letter on this page, the other items on editorial page last issue have no explanation other than apology from the present staff. Perhaps the persons who wrote the editorials were sincere in the beliefs which were presented, but on the other hand there is every reason to believe that what the editorial page generally implied might lead to an erroneous interpretation.

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0600

By Eddie Black AS, USNR

Tar Heel Letterbox

To the Students: The purpose of this letter is to make clear to the student body my position in regard to the cartoon published in the Saturday issue of the TAR HEEL.

I drew the cartoon several months ago for another issue of the TAR HEEL, and with an ENTIRELY DIFFERENT PURPOSE IN MIND. The cartoon was republished without my knowledge or consent. It does not represent my sentiments in any way. My relations, and, as far as I know the relations of all the V-12 unit with the civilians has been most satisfactory.

You can realize my amazement when I picked up the TAR HEEL and turned to the editorial page. I have been at the University of North Carolina as a civilian student and a V-12 trainee since the fall of 1942. In all that time I have never sided with anyone in campus politics or never tried to divide the student body.

Please accept my apologies, because if I had known that the said cartoon had been republished under such a caption as "baiting" I would have never allowed it printed.

Allen R. Kaufman, TAR HEEL Cartoonist (USNR) P.S.: The cartoon appeared in the January 8th issue of this year—without caption, and to all knowledge there was no disapproval of it at that time.

Letter Below

The letter below arrived at the Printshop just as The Tar Heel was going to press. It is published here as a letter to the PU Board.

Tar Heel Editor Tenders Resignation

Friday, October 13th, 1944

Members of the Publications Union Board:

Please accept this letter as confirmation of the oral resignations previously tendered to your board. Said resignation was offered at the first PU Board meeting after I had been appointed editor, and subsequently reaffirmed at another meeting in August, the exact date of which I do not recall.

It can be accepted as a fact that both my sister and I wished to terminate our connection with the Tar Heel simultaneously. It was my impression that you were always aware that my resignation was never withdrawn, and you can accept this note as confirmation of that fact... which I did not present to you in person, earlier today.

Muriel E. Richter

Columns and Comment

All signed articles, editorials, columns and letters are opinions of the writers and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the TAR HEEL.



WITHOUT RIME

By Gloria Caplan

Oh, decorum's the thing...

A lady must be a lady at all times, and a' that and a' that, but conceptions of a "lady" are relative to the time, place, situation and appraiser of the female in question and shift with the times or should, at least.

In the melee of restrictions the students have inflicted upon themselves—particularly the women—somewhere along the line honor and decorum have become entwined about each other, and it strikes me that while the honor system is up for surveillance, the campus code too, could do with a little overhauling and its tentacles, perhaps, separated from the mainspring of the honor code.

We point to punitive measures under the campus code scarcely distinguished from the severity of the honor code. We point to inconsistencies in the campus code interpretation for women occasioned by a royal battle between tendencies toward extreme liberalism on the one hand and vestigial remains of Puritanism on the other.

For instance: Her Ladyship violates the rules of decorum when she takes a gentle swig of spirits in the peace of her own boudoir; she may, however, go far beyond the limits of sobriety at the Porthole, say,—just

so she doesn't offend society's insistence on a "well-modulated voice."

Now if a bottle of scotch under the bed is enough to send a lady packing (and it happens here, you know) what of the bumper of beer at Marley's or the pint of Sehenley's at Sparrow's Lake? It ain't ladylike, but it ain't punishable...

White space is limited, and we give but this one example of confusion, not as a plea for further restrictions (heaven forbid!), but as a plea that the Powers That Be clean house and separate the good from the bad, put first things first, so that the good will carry weight instead of being bogged down by a network of superfluity.

We believe that the well-being and progress of any society are dependent on the prevalence of HONOR with a capital H; we believe that HONOR and decorum must remain apart from each other, that Decorum's place is in the home upbringing and that punishment for violations of it has no place in a progressive community. We believe that the honor system can only attain the pinnacle it deserves when it can stand head and shoulders above the innumerable Emily Post regulations which now obscure it.

But what will the neighbors think?

Reading The Exchanges

With Jerry Davidoff

The problem of the integration of returning war veterans is being discussed on campuses and in campus publications all over the country. Between the Daily Texan and the Dakota Student campus opinion is being expressed and action taken. At the University of Kansas, U. S. Congressman E. P. Scrivner expressed the governments stand on the problem. The government wants "the veterans to be built up as individuals so that they will become useful citizens," he said. The legislator added that educational institutions are to be free of influence from the veteran's administration in their training of government-supported returning war veterans. He explained that the problem of returning veterans was one mainly of readjustment and that education was merely one phrase. In an effort to return to civilian life on campus, XGI clubs are being formed in many colleges.

The Yale News announces that Yale's Hillel Foundation is now conducting a campaign to purchase the

publications of Yale University Press for presentation to the library of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, the outstanding library of the far east.

At Temple University, Philadelphia, a Bureau of Ideas to serve as a clearing house for constructive suggestions looking to the improvement of the work of the University has been founded. The Bureau will be opened to suggestions from faculty, students and alumni. It is hoped that such internal suggestions for improvement will enhance the University.

The Biblical Reporter, organ of the Baptist Church, contained the statement in a recent issue of several important North Carolina Baptists to the effect that Meredith and Wake Forest Colleges should be combined into one Baptist University along the lines of the Greater University of North Carolina. The suggestion is expected to be placed upon the agenda of the coming Baptist convention.

Don't Read This

By Bill Crisp

Since Carolina is now looking forward to an early return to the status quo, the Committee on Postwar Maladjustment has requested me to publicize several of its constructive plans. This committee is made up by the heads of leading campus organizations (the Let's Bring More Dogs to Chapel Hill club, the Society for the Promotion of Propaganda to Fool People Into Believing That It Never Rains in Chapel Hill, and the Council for Better Human Relations between the Graham Memorial and the Southeast Corner of Arboretum Avenue).

First, the committee plans to start a beneficent fund, the purpose of which will be to provide a subsistence income for all the wartime proprietors of food establishments in Chapel Hill. This fund is deemed only justifiable in view of the fact that local dining emporiums went broke during the war in order to present decent food prices to University students.

Second, the state legislature will be requested to pass a law making it compulsory for all students who register here to bring to Chapel Hill at least one dog. The committee feels that the recent decline (the latest poll showed only 723) of the canine population is liable to provoke an invasion of cats. And, considering the multitude of cats which are already here, the committee feels that the dogs deserve a break.

Third, according to the committee, when a fellow mentions that he is dating a coed down at the Bell Tower, no one will know where the rendezvous actually is. The Bell Tower is to be disassembled, its brick being used to pave the traditional mud of campus footpaths.

And fourth, but by no means least, toll gates will be set up at each entrance to the arboretum. At these gates will be posted several representatives of various insurance companies. Upon entering the arboretum, either Joe College or his coed friend have a chance to buy either life insurance or accident insurance. The committee feels that both male and female should have some means of protection when entering such dark sections of the campus. Who knows—robbers may be lurking somewhere in the shadows.

Tar Heel Policy

It will be the policy of the TAR HEEL to print all signed letters which are sincere.

Letters addressed to the TAR HEEL are appreciated and will be published upon the discretion of the staff. If readers have criticisms which they desire to bring forth about the TAR HEEL, they are at perfect liberty to do so. Accuracy is the aim of the TAR HEEL and the staff members, as are all students, are open to friendly criticism.