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## The Way Out

As the result of the expansion of naval, military, and air corps opportunities, there has set in among the male youth of the nation a perfectly normal tendency to see in these opportunities a "way out" of present difficulties and from a none too roseate future.

Now many of these youth join these service branches as a gateway for the future. That is, many see in the training, particularly the mechanical and aviation, a promising basis for a life work after the present situation has passed. Others, even, are entering the services for keeps, intending to make of their particular branch a career. In view of what is likely to be the world of the next fifty years, either of these motives, especially the first, seems to be justified.

Yet there is a large bloc of youth entering the services as pure escape from a bad present and a none too rosy future, and not as directed, purposive action with at least a hopeful view of the future.

It would not be fair to say that this bloc has no thoughts for the future. The fact is that many do have a nebulous, blind hope that after a year in the army a miracle will have transformed them and conditions to such an extent that everything will be easy. And for the present, the army is a good escape.

It is apparent that this bloc is sharply set off from that group that is entering the services purposively and with a definite eye on the future.

There is much that is understandable in this blind, escapist attitude, but there is nothing constructive and healthy there.

The great number of students who flunked out last quarter brings this tendency sharply to the campus.

The army-since there has to be a year's service anyway -looks like an easy way out. Perhaps for some, as a matter of discipline, it is the best thing; but as an escape, as a blind healer of scholastic and other wounds and as a panacea

for the future, it is not the best

A year in the army might be physically healthful, and socially democratizing and leveling - both very desirable byproducts of conscription. But as a panacea for personal difficulties outside, it is at best a relief, a method of getting time to get your breath and think.

So, if temporary military life has your eye, remember that it is a stop-gap, and that, if the purpose of conscription is achieved, there will be another life that must be met—a life with much the same problems and people and hopes that exist now .- G. S.

## Thought for Food

The DAILY TAR HEEL'S poll of a cross-section of students reveals that the majority of them do not like the present item pricing system of the University Dining Hall cafeteria; that, on the other hand, a club meal, with set price, does satisfy them.

Only 19 per cent of the students questioned gave approval to the new system. The remainder like other plans. Many of the remaining 81 per cent express their preference by eating elsewhere. In fact, we have been told that one downtown establishment has experienced almost a 50 per cent increase in business since Christmas. We give you one guess as to where this patronage came from.

The students showed in the poll they do not like the slow lines caused by the item pricing system. They differed on which club meal they would prefer. About 23 per cent approves the old 25 cent Swain Hall special, which included meat, two vegetables, bread, drink and dessert or salad. (This special would now be priced at 27 cents due to increased food costs.) Twentyfive per cent would choose a 25 cent meal which would offer improved meats but no salad or dessert. Thirty per cent want the 30 cent special of last quarter restored. It included a meat, two vegetables,

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### Lend An By Louis Harris

We Wanna Know

Between maintaining his Bete average and racing in New Orleans Sugar Bowl classics, besides running



the show as Chief Executive on our campus, Dave Morrison has been a busy man these days. He has been working hard, and has been doing a good job of it, on the

Early in the summer, Dave got together with about 12 of his fellow summer school visionaries and drew up a history-shaking plan for a complete reorganization of the student body. At least that was what it was supposed to be.

The first Student Legislature meetings of the year marked the passage of the bill that Dave had

bread, drink, salad and des-

Despite the fact that a larger percentage favored the 30 cent meal, this one would not be wise. It was this price which drove customers away and caused a fall quarter loss.

We advocate the old 25 cent meal, which offered choice of salad or dessert. The 30 per cent who said they prefer to pay 30 cents and have both items could do so by paying a nickel more. The light eaters and those who have not a budget that permits a 30 cent meal could stick by the cheap

In this way the dining hall would have satisfied customers — and in large numbers too. This is the only way that past deficits will be wiped out.

in store for you.

sponsored. It was called by some the greatest single step the student body had taken in the last six years. Its provisions were that a general executive committee of forty students to serve as the nucleus for the sounding-board set-up. Each of these students would have ten subordinates who would in turn have groups of ten under them. If you will follow closely and bear with us on the figures, you will discover that this comes amazingly close to the 4000 mark which was our enrollment at the beginning of the school year.

No such action was taken. Such epic-making acts as the abolishment of the Buccaneer, the installation of Tar an' Feathers, investigation of all student fees, and many others were passed, and yet - still no organization to sound out the sentiments and reactions of the students.

Even just yesterday, for instance, the DAILY TAR HEEL had to take a skeleton Gallup poll to get an inkling of student reactions to the cafeteria price changes. Since when, students, does an outfit like the daily paper that has only limited covering facilities, have to sound out a representative student opinion, when such a bill as the organization plan of Dave Morrison's is standing lost behind one of the ancient painting relics in the Phi Assembly hall?

The whole plan has been passed by the Legislature, and it is up to Dave to see that it is carried out. He is the executive running the show. He claimed yesterday that the student body was not yet susceptible to or in accordance with the idea, and that he had been waiting for reaction to settle down. That is not a completely adequate explanation - for after all, didn't the Student Legislature, the one that has done so well this year, pass the bill away back in the fall?

The record stands that Dave has slipped up here. We hope he will do something quickly. If the original members of the planning com-

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JACK LIPMAN

# **Letters To The Editor**

The Other Side

To the Editor,

Dear Sir:

When one has had a father and 19 To remark. four uncles who volunteered for ser-20 Measure of vice in the World War, he considers the statement in the editorial of last Sunday's TAR HEEL as an 25 Schemed. 28 Punitive: insult both unfair and untrue. One 30 Amphitheater would hardly think that the TAR HEEL had the right to say that our 36 To percolate. fathers "made a great mistake" 37 Wading bird and that they were "fools." 39 Pertaining to

We are told in this editorial that wars are fought for cold-blooded practical reasons and not for ideals. There is only one word wrong with this statement, but it makes a great difference. Wars are not fought; but they are started for those reasons. If it is cold-blooded and practical for England to fight this war to maintain her autonomy and democracy, then why does the writer of this editorial later state that he desires England to win?

The editorial states that there is a group of "elders" and "pro-war politicians" who say that we "must torture and murder-and be tortured or murdered in a war that is not our own." These "elders" consist of men like William Allen White, the writer says. He accuses William Allen White of inventing "catchwords" and "slogans." William Allen White has not invented a single catchword and furthermore he has had to resign as chairman of the committee he founded because its thousands of members thought that he was not being strong enough in his convictions of

what should be our aid to England

It seems that "our education system has begun to warp in order to meet the demands of the war-fright ened." To "prove" this the editoria cites the introduction of the C. A. A., the Naval R. O. T. C. and contpulsory physical education How these have warped our system! The first two are voluntary and extremely hard to get into and the last exists at many colleges already! It would appear that the writer of that editorial has the war heebiejeebies which he accuses the "elders" of having. He is so "war-fright.

enough to present facts. Also, we are being subjected to "the most dangerous war propaganda ever conceived." Have we no ability to think for ourselves! Have we not as much right to read the newspapers, listen to the radio and engage in discussions as our "elders" who are so wicked and cruel? Please credit us with a little brain-power.

ened" that he can't think straight

These elders; I can see them now all sitting around a big table, feet propped up on it, cigars in mouths. deciding that American youth, "not having been allowed to read the papers, listen to the radio, and think for itself, is in a condition for a good useless war. Besides we need some more money, things aren't going so well down at the office. There are a couple of good wars around that are not our own, shall it be Asia or Europe?"

Yours for more truth and fairness, Fred Lewis

mittee are too busy to undertake the task of appointments, why then not appoint a new committee? Possibly a committee from the Legislature can be set up. At any rate, we want action!

We must admit in conclusion that the President of the Student Body has had more work to do this year than ever before. When you stop to realize that the

President has to supervise Student council meetings, attend a thousand and one special committee meetings, and still see that his administrative duties are carried out, you can readily realize that his task is a tremendous one. And on top of that, added to our belated conviction that a student should not participate extensively in extracurricular events unless he is making the honor roll, you can see where Dave Morrison has been a busy young fellow.

One solution might be the separation of the Student council activities from those of the administration of student affairs. A separate executive branch of student government might be established. Florida has such a set-up, and it has worked Whatever the solution, however,

we want to see action on the passed reorganization bill quickly. That's the problem before the house right now, and lack of efficiency or too much work is no excuse for failure to act. Plans are being made for a Cornell

university-Carleton college ornithological expedition to Mexico this year.





# DORM DANCE

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spent on beer parties and various other forms of entertainment could be used to much better advantage if invested in a dorm dance. Action was taken immediately and tonight's affair in the Tin Can sets some sort of a precedent for concerted cooperative dormitory

Freddie Johnson, who will play for tonight's dance, furnished music last night for the Governor's inaugural ball in Raleigh. He recently jumped to national recognition when he began regular broadcasts over a coast-tocoast radio hook-up.

The latest highlight in history of dormitory socials was the H dormitory house party in December, during which all the residents of that dormitory moved out for a couple of nights to make room for imported dates.

## McMASTER

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evidently confused nomination procedures." Additional nominations for Junior representative, the office in question, are made from the floor; additional nominees for spring elections are made by petition. The secret nominating committee is necessary, they explained "to keep clear of that ever-present evil, politics."

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