

Passing Shadow

Flexible Exam Schedule Would Help Student Body

By Paul Komisaruk

The University's most iron-bound and possibly annoying ruling continues to wreck havoc during every exam week. It is the ruling that sets the time for examinations with the proviso that once set, the examination time may not be changed.

The subject is brought up now, some six weeks before examinations, in the hope that these following proposals will be looked into and acted upon in time for the March examinations.

There is no reason to discuss at any great length the disadvantages and abuses of the present exam-time set-up. Some of these more obvious and flagrant abuses, we are already familiar with:

● That of preparing for an admittedly difficult exam and sometimes two exams in one night, the day immediately following the end of class meetings.

● That of having a total of one or two exams to take, and finding it is necessary to wait two or three days to complete them—days of idleness and waste.

This condition can be magnified many times. Every student at the Hill has experienced these difficulties. In March if anything they will become aggravated. For in March there will be a greater flux and movement, with students being called up by the Reserves, or draft boards.

The solution to this jumbled condition is an obviously simple one. So much so that we have often wondered why no proposals have been forth coming.

The problem would be solved this way: Have each faculty member place his examinations in his office at the start of the exam period. Let each student study for his exam at his own speed, leisure, and above all ability to study. When prepared for the test, (anytime during the exam period) let him go to his professor's office, take the exam, and return it in the allotted time.

Make only one proviso. Once the student enters the office, he must take the examination. No backing out and coming back tomorrow for the test. Or better yet, at the last class meeting, let each student signify when he or she desires to take the test, and then enforce that schedule rigidly. At least it would be drawn up due to the needs and qualifications of the individual student.

It should be noted here that these proposals are all perfectly in keeping with the spirit and letter of the honor system. More, such a development might serve as living proof that the Honor System as such continues to function. On that score, there may be no objections. If a certain percentage of the student body will violate the Honor Code, they are as apt to do it under the present set-up as under any system that might be devised.

These suggestions are for the greater mass of the student body.

We feel they should be considered carefully and answered completely.

Sure Thing

You can have your doubts about whether or not the money you gave to the WSSF ever did its work. Ships are sunk and the protocol between the Axis and us isn't all good. You can have your doubts about what per centage of money for the U. S. O. has to go to keep up its extensive office machinery.

But there can be no doubt about the March of Dimes. Part of the money stays here for children in Orange County afflicted with infantile paralysis. Part goes into the national foundation for the clinics and hospitals all over the country. It is put to work.

The money asked isn't much. It's no more than you'd spend in the morning for a couple of cokes, no more than you'd drop in your dresser drawer and forget.

Give when the student canvassers come around, more than a dime if you can, certainly not less—for a cause as critical and results as good.

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Keeping Tab

with Stud Gleicher

It looks like the rainy sneezin' is definitely here. But there's one thing I'll say for Carolina weather. There's always plenty of it.

Have you seen the ad on the back page of the DAILY TAR HEEL, which reads: "Wanted: Student to work 25 hours a week at filtration plant. Salary, plus free room." Are they kiddin'? Maybe he can use the room to store old razor blades.

Idle thought on "Life Begins at 8:30." ... All Woolley and a yawn wide.

Afterthought on lovers:

Boyer needs hair Ditto Astaire.

During a lull in AEF activities in London last week a colored boy, new to the British Isles was playing a bit of poker with a few British Tommies. Picking up his hand he found four aces. One of the Britons opened and said, "I'm in for a pound." The dark hero of our story answered, "I dunno how ya'll count ya money, but I'll raise you about one ton."

Maybe it should be spelled "Error" Flinn.

Alack, alas, A lack of gas.

I was walking through the arboretum one afternoon last week, and I overheard the following conversation: "Girls can be kissed against their will." Followed by a slap, and then a long silence. For days now I've been wondering about the answer to that question. Did she slap him and succumb? Did she slap him and run? Did he pass out when she slapped him? I can't go on like this. I've got to know how it turned out.

I'm not kidding. I've got to

Cadets Will Dance Saturday Because of Coed's Letter

Cadets will be permitted to attend the President's Ball Saturday night because the following letter was written to Commander Graff by a coed, aroused after a bull session:

"Dear Commander Graff: "If the reason for cadets not being admitted to the President's Ball Saturday night has been given to the students correctly, the campus as a whole would like to protest. We have been given to understand that cadets will be unable to attend the dance because the officers feel it is their turn to go dancing and Navy discipline forbids both students and officers attending the same social functions.

"If our assumptions are correct there are two particularly valid causes for real anger on the part of the people of Chapel Hill. First, this is a public dance being given to raise money for children stricken by infantile paralysis. Since the object is to raise as much money as possible it stands to reason that the sum total of officers' admission fees would not be even a quarter of the amount to be gained from cadet admissions.

"The other objection I would make is one hinging on a subject that is none of my affair, but which is nevertheless pertinent. In times like these when democracy and fair play are being tried on the battlefields of the world and unity and cooperation are being demanded of all peoples, it seems out of place for officers of the United States Navy to refuse to unite with cadets under their supervision in support of a charity effort for fear of vio-

Crossword Puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Clues include: 1-Arrived, 5-Highways, 10-Fruit skin, 14-Verbal, 15-Mistake, 16-Breathe notally, 17-Little devil, 18-Javelin, 19-In poorer health, 20-Trifle, 22-Spiteful woman, 23-Comparative ending, 24-Harmonized, 25-Burdens, 27-Predic down, 28-Bags (abbr.), 29-Ominous, 34-Hebrew ascetic, 36-Tenor, 37-Small, 39-Cravat, 40-Turfs, 41-Part in play, 42-Kind of poem, 45-Late American author, 46-Device for walking on snow, 48-Beater used to mix mortar, 50-Cent (abbr.), 51-Swift, 52-One who corrupts, 53-Call for silence, 56-Attack, 57-Pace along, 58-Small lakes, 61-Permit, 62-Single thing, 63-To sheltered side, 64-Leap, 65-The sweetsop, 66-Bamboo-like grass, 67-Rimsters, 68-Pause, 1-Hair-do, 2-Climactic conflict, 3-Shade tree, 4-Hebrew God, 5-Hold down, 6-Hill nymph, 7-Russian inland sea, 8-Beetle, 9-Senior (abbr.), 10-Complains, 11-Organ of hearing, 12-Otherwise, 13-Grinace, 18-Durable cloth, 19-Dry stream bed, 21-Pat of butter, 22-Walking stick, 25-Cloth used on table, 26-Bend, 27-Entrance, 29-Fish trap, 30-Glands of internal secretion, 31-Replice, 33-Anguish, 35-Remained upright, 36-Clave prise to, 42-Vessel, 43-Missions, 44-Pollute, 47-Mineral springs, 49-Shot used to air rifle (pl.), 52-Game bird, 53-Act, 54-Woman in Coast Guard, 55-Cap, 57-Correct, 58-Examination, 60-Born, 61-Muck, 64-Bishop (abbr.), 65-Land measure.

Campus Grapevine

By The Staff

If the views in yesterday's column were those of the IRC, that organization had better get a subscription to Life, Look, Peek and Peck. In direct contradiction to what the article said, even the British have admitted that the Akyab drive in Burma is as yet merely a local action. It would take 10 times the men engaged to even get within hailing distance of Lashio and the Burma Road. If and when Akyab falls, the Men of Wavell will still have a campaign of major import to fight if they want to open the Life Line to China.

As for the return of the Chinese military mission, we don't blame them if they never even get on an American boat again. They got the merry old run around when they came to Washington and unless we've missed a late flash, got little if any of the materials they need to fight the war in China.

Evidence of the Fervent desire of Chiang Kai Shek's government for a decent share in Lend-Lease have been the Chinese-inspired reports of a possible breakdown in the near future unless aid comes fast and furious.

It would seem that the solid Chinese are getting fed up with the deal they've been getting. They probably don't agree with the rest of the world that Japan is the second enemy. A viewpoint you can't blame them for, since they've been losing a lot of men and a pretty big portion of their land to this second-rate enemy.

Much more important to keep Fighting China fighting than to renunciate extra-territorial right would be an efficient airplane shuttle system to replace the Burma road.

Not too many transports would be needed for this work and at one time the full quota of cargo planes were promised to China. Then U. S. officials were so sorry and the planes got plumb diverted.

The best way to give China hope is to give China cooperation. Pour arms and ammunition into the country. There are millions of people waiting only for arms, people inspired by a fierce hatred of the invaders. The smart thing to do would be to give them an even break against a well-equipped enemy.

Definition of a Snuff Manufacturer: A fellow who goes around putting his business in other people's noses.

Fireside Concert Slated For Tonight

In an effort to counteract the effects of bad weather on the student body, Graham Memorial will hold a Fireside concert in the main lounge tonight from 9 to 12 p.m.

Roaring fires will be lighted in the fireplaces at both ends of the lounge. Music, broadcast from the Student Union office, will be both popular and semi-popular.

Requests for favorite pieces can be placed in the Student Union office before the program begins.

On The Hour ...

- 3:15—Phi membership committee meets, Graham Memorial. 3:30—DTH sports reporters meet, DTH office. 3:30—DTH news editors and assistants meet, DTH office. 9-12—Fireside Concert, Graham Memorial.

VALENTINE CARDS advertisement for Rust Craft Valentines. Features an illustration of three children and the text: 'Our Rust Craft VALENTINES ALWAYS HIT THE MARK! SUNDAY FEBRUARY 14TH LEDBETTER-PICKARD BUY NOW'