

Constitutional Autonomy for

Student Legislature Only Key To Preserving Student Government

Since DAILY TAR HEEL edit copy must meet an earlier deadline than news stories, we were at the time of writing unable to learn what action the student legislature took on the proposal to empower itself to change its constitution.

Whether they favored or disfavored the plan, however, it is one of the most workable of the suggestions that has come from the current discussions on freezing student government. If it was unfavorably received, legislators should study its provisions carefully and reconsider it. If it was received favorably, the legislators are to be commended on having the foresight to recognize a measure which will give them enough flexibility to operate efficiently during the next few years.

If the proposal comes up for student approval, they should consider its most important aspects —

- The student legislature may amend its own constitution except that:
- They may not so amend it that the student body will be deprived of the right of initiative and referendum thus:

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- Giving the student body the power to check any legislation passed by the legislature, and:
- The whole proposal is only for the duration of the war.

Such a measure is desirable specifically because the legislature will be one of the few united and well-informed bodies next year and because of this should be given more power.

On the other hand, the student body will be spread out over the village, with the exception of coeds, and it would be extremely difficult to get them together to vote on amendments or to explain the reasons for proposed amendments.

Students are changing living quarters so often that it is difficult to apportion proper representation to the legislature. This is especially difficult under the present terms of the constitution which state that the student body must approve such changes in representation.

The new proposal will then mean that a general rule will not be required if it becomes necessary to change representation.

Listen, Students

Who Is Frank Wills Hancock?

Eeny-meeny-meiny-mo

By Jimmy Wallace

This time it's not a question of "who dunnit," but "who is it."

In order to maintain a full quota of trustees on the University board, the last General Assembly selected 25 new members who were to take office this month. It seems however that one member who was selected was named Frank Wills Hancock. A perfectly good name for anyone to have. Confusion arose however, as the Raleigh News and Observer stated yesterday when it was found that there were THREE Frank Wills Hancocks. The result? Who was to be appointed?

"Frank Wills Hancock, Sr., is the father of Frank Wills Hancock, Jr., who represented Granville county in the house during the 1943 session. Frank Wills Hancock, Jr., has a son named Frank Wills Hancock, III. The whole situation was left up to the secretary of the Board of Trustees, A. B. Andrews. He didn't know what to do, and as the story goes, called Harry McMullan, State Attorney General.

"McMullan found that the name Frank Wills Hancock appeared on the report of the committee on trustees of the University when the report was made to the Assembly, that the same name appeared in the Assembly journal for the day on which the election of the new trustees was held, and that the same name appears in the act naming the trustees."

Andrews, if he certified the

name Frank Wills Hancock as one of the men named on the board, still would leave the issue open as to which of the Frank Wills Hancocks was really meant. It's then left up to the board of Trustees to decide which of the Hancocks was intended by the act.

"Officials," said the News and Observer, "who were on the scene at the time, declared that it was generally taken for granted that the Frank Wills Hancock, Jr., representative from Granville county was the person referred to in the act."

The situation however still remains complicated. If Andrews goes strictly by the name appearing on the list, he might certainly certify either of the three men and get the wrong one. If the board of Trustees decides on one of the men, it also might pick the wrong one. Evidently the final decision will be based on which of the three was "meant" when drafting the act.

This is one time the knot was tied well, but some loose ends were left dangling.

Remnants . . .

Belgian boys from 16 to 18 are to be placed in Hitler youth camps for a special 4-week training period. Object: "To mould Belgian youth into self-conscious fighters and upholders of the ideals of our resurrection."

University of Wisconsin now employs a war records clerk in its alumni records office.

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McKinnon Explains Bureau's, Council's Reasons for Mats

To the Editor:

An unneeded and unjustified attack was made upon the University News Bureau in an editorial printed in the Tar Heel yesterday. The editorial asserted that the Council and the News Bureau were publicizing the fact that we were having dances this weekend and called this "a very distasteful piece of diplomacy."

Off hand, I can't think of anything which is further from the truth than the words of this editorial. It is unfortunate that Tar Heel editorial writers do not investigate before they write copy.

As a matter of plain fact, the News Bureau is not responsible for these mats going to the newspapers. The News Bureau merely acts as a clearing agency in such matters. As in the case of all dance layouts, these mats are paid for entirely by the Interdormitory Council—there is no expense to the News Bureau. Had the News Bureau refused to send this job to the engravers, the Interdormitory Council dance committee would have had the mats made and would have sent them out.

The News Bureau does not presume to set itself up as a referee to decide whether and when dances shall be held. That is the responsibility of others and since those charged with that responsibility have not seen fit to bar these dances the News Bureau doesn't feel that it has a right to refuse to clear these pictures of the sponsors. Whether the News Bureau sent them out or not, the pictures would get in the papers if the committee saw fit to send them out, as it does in this case. It is merely a matter of which channel is used.

Personally, I don't think anybody is going to be offended when reading underneath the pictures that: "These attractive young ladies were sponsors for the Interdormitory dances held at the University of North Carolina this weekend."

Mr. R. W. Madry and the staff of the University News

has no interest whatsoever in the Interdormitory dances this coming weekend. His job is to put out news about the University and he does this in an unbiased way.

It is unfortunate that the dances were scheduled on April 23 and 24 but the fact that they were does not keep the News Bureau from cooperating with the Dance Committee in sending out mats.

The Interdormitory Council is not trying to hide in a corner and have a dance without telling anybody about it. The dances are scheduled for Easter weekend. We are not ashamed of this fact and are not trying to keep the state from knowing.

Sincerely yours,
Ben McKinnon.

An Editorial Burned Again

That Mr. Ben McKinnon in his letter to the editor should choose to ignore public opinion is surprising since he has done considerable newspaper work and should know the reach of the press.

In accusing the DTH of not investigating the facts of the situation, McKinnon has made himself guilty of his own accusations. We stated the facts that the News Bureau and the Interdormitory Council sent out the mats. McKinnon admits that in his letter.

What he, either refuses or doesn't want to see, is that there are several editors throughout the state who wait for any opportunity to take a crack at the University. They now have that chance, not only to criticize with justification an action of the students in scheduling the dances, but also the University since one of its agencies would certainly seem to think the dances something to be proud of.

Although the News Bureau may send out any publicity it is handed without taking sides, does Mr. McKinnon think that state editors, state readers know this?

Rather the many who choose to observe Good Friday will find it distasteful to learn that students at their state University are observing it with a dance, that an agency of the University evidently thinks the dance something worth knowing throughout the state.

We are also surprised that an admission should come from a representative of the Interdormitory Council that they would have sent out the mats despite the News Bureau. They have already burned their fingers once. Perhaps they're set on making the burn third degree.

By Mail Physicist Denies Name Of Elmer

To the Editor:

A number of my Meteorology students and friends have been inquiring of me as to the existence of jobs for the highly skilled in the field of physics. Perhaps they read a small item that appeared in Wednesday's "Weary Women" column or perhaps they received similar cards. — Well to keep the records straight, I do work in the Department of Physics and my second name is Lipton; however, I am neither a Ph.D. nor is my first name "Elmer." Although I wish that I could, I am not in a position to give out jobs at the present time, as I am only a mere Graduate Assistant in the Physics Department.

As to the visit by the Misses, Smith and Hill, whom Miss Hill neglected to say were accompanied by your own Jimmy Wallace, it was to say the least, "a complete surprise." I may also add that it was a very pleasant one as I was glad to know that such charming young ladies were that interested in the subject of physics.

Sincerely,
Robert L. Lipton

If This Be Reason By Dave Hanig

He was a tall and shy Pre-flight. He had a swift sense of wit with his own friends but before the battery of feminine eyes he was a foot-shifter and tongue-tied. His uniformed pal, on the other hand, was as smooth as floor wax. His mind jumped the hurdles and he could dance on your nose and never fuffle a hair. And he was smaller in size.

Yet feminine logic turned the tables in a strange way. Two girls over at Alderman needed dates on a particular weekend night. One of the girls, dark-haired lovely, knew the two Pre-flight cadets and it was her social duty to introduce her room-mate to the smaller man. From information gleaned from the shy one she learned of the polished ways of his buddy. Some instinct (call it woman's intuition) told her that he might not like his blind date. Thereupon she got together with the tall, shy boy to carry on a subversive campaign.

It was, therefore, a sudden surprise to the smooth young cadet to find that his blind was not the most perfect of females. She was a six-footer, slightly rounded at the knees and not exactly cameo-complexioned. There was even the doubt thrown in that she could even talk coherently.

The dark-haired lovely gave her share of misgivings.

"You don't mind if E— doesn't dance with you, do you?" she gently asked, "You see . . . she's so awkward. She'd rather sit and talk." And she smiled with a hint of sympathy.

The little cadet swallowed a good deal and had the usual wet blanket visions. Instinctively he began to plead with the lovely to release him. After all he had just taken a vaccination test and his arm was in bad shape. But it was too late. The time was short and the plans were too well laid. The tall, shy boy became no longer shy. He

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WANTED CAMP COUNSELLORS

The Durham Y.M.C.A. needs counsellors for camp this summer. If you are not subject to call for military service and have qualifications of a camp counsellor, write: CAMP DIRECTOR, Durham Y.M.C.A., Durham, N. C. State your qualifications and the salary you would expect.

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