House Students In Gym

With more than 5500 students registered for school this fall, we are still dubious as to just where all of these veterans seeking an education will be located.

Several commendable steps have already been taken to increase the space available to the many newcomers who will be on the campus shortly, but the dilemma still remains, and the question we continue to hear asked and which continues to go unanswered is, "where are they going to put them all?"

Every college and university throughout the country is faced with many varied and complex problems, but the primary, allinclusive one everywhere is that of housing.

A recent issue of the "Saturday Evening Post" told how the students at the University of Illinois combatted this problem. How they canvassed the surrounding towns for rooming houses, sought out army barracks, and installed double beds in an old gymnasium annex is a story of cooperation by all concerned in a concentrated and earnest effort to make it possible for all deserving students to attend the university.

Similar action and cooperation by students, administration, and townspeople here will help secure more rooming space for the many students who are coming to Carolina this fall. Many suggestions have been made, some good, some bad. Several of them have resulted in action being taken on them.

Today we wish to offer a new suggestion for what it is worth. We offer it with the sole aim of making it possible for more students attending the University this fall to have a place to live. It is not an ideal setup, but it is far from bad and would give some deserving, hard-working students a chance. And students who come to school in the present period of confusion do so because they are sincere in their desire for an education.

Our suggestion is not a radical departure from action taken by many other colleges throughout the country. By setting up double beds in the women's gymnasium, the University could easily accommodate 100 students.

The women's section of Woollen gym is easily adaptable to such a plan. The large room in this section measures 60x75 feet. It is empty, has been used as a basketball court. Fifty double beds could be arranged in the room in such fashion as to allow sufficient room around each bed.

Below the large room is a game room, about one-third the size of the larger room. It is very suitable for use as a study room. Desks could be placed in the game room without difficulty, and the room contains several cabinets wherein books could be shelved.

As a matter of fact, if the University could see its way clear to taking such action, a plan might be worked out whereby only freshmen would be housed in the gym, and books could be taken from the library and stored in the game room for use by the first-year students. There are several courses that must be taken by all freshmen and the books for these courses could be shelved downstairs below their living quarters in the smaller study room, eliminating many extra trips to the library and leaving the library space for someone else.

Sanitation facilities are clean and numerous. There would be no trouble on that score. A locker room and a dancing room are also available and conceivably could be put to some use.

Abolishing physical education for coeds would not be a necessary prerequisite to the above plan. The women's addition to the gym was built as late as 1942. Prior to that time, the coeds took their physical training in a section of the men's gym. Next year, with approximately 3000 veterans who will be exempt from physical education on hand, the coeds should be able to partake of their physical education in a section of the men's gym.

The plan could be carried out with a minimum of trouble and apparently furnishes a convenient method of housing 100 hardworking students. Small difficulties will naturally arise, but we believe that they could be ironed out to the satisfaction of all concerned.

If we who are fortunate enough to be here ahead of them can help them by crowding ourselves a little and inconveniencing ourselves on occasion, we should not hesitate to do so.

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What Do YOU Say?

By Sam Daniels

Today's Question Who do you think was the greatest American that ever lived? The Answers

Thomas Jefferson, whose broad interests and knowledge make him famous in many ways. His progressive and humanitarian ideals, his inventions and the various books he wrote (including the "Jefferson Bible") are examples of but some of the fields in which the Master Monticello was outstanding. - Mary Lamb, Baltimore, Md.

In my opinion Lincoln was the greatest American that ever lived. In spite of tremendous adverse criticism, he remained loyal to his moral convictions and Christian ideals. He was undaunted by obstacles and unafraid to take a stand for what he considered right.-Barbara McCashill, Lexington, Va.

I say Woodrow Wilson because of his farsightedness and the soundness of the convictions which he firmly upheld. Yes, I saw the movie, but I also read a history book. - Harriet Tucker, Ahoskie.

I think Robert E. Lee was the greatest American. In all his relationships with others as leader, statesman, and friend - he was a gentleman and accepted his duty conscientiously. The spirit exemplified pen in Georgia." There was much ecutive Committee of the Freshman who fought around the world for dein his life seems to me a symbol of agreement from all. More remarks Class. He lives in Grimes Dorm and what we call democracy. - Helen Davis, Davidson.

He was the first to teach us the Durham, North Carolina-not Geor- Your Slip Is Showing meaning of freedom. His contribu- gia, not Alabama nor Mississippi. tions to the beginnings of American This happened in North Carolina last INGREDIENTS OF ROMANCE democracy are things we can well remember. He lived to do good and died championing the cause of liberty.-A. Fonoroff, Washington, D. C.

Washington and Roosevelt. I give We beg those guilty of this crime Roosevelt a slight edge-Pat Ferris. Georgetown, S. C.

immediately comes to my mind. Dur-Keller, Newark, N. J.

proven who lynched the four negroes in Georgia, what do you think should be done about it?

Carolina Merry-Go-Round

By Jim Taylor and Dan McFarland

At the risk of losing the few readers this column has left we have time the town council has consistently reand again hit at the Entertainment Committee on this campus. We will fused to take its head out of the sand not stop until we see some plan of improvement-some program for the coming year. Each student during a regular quarter pays one dollar to spent for entertainment. Another dollar is paid for all the uses of Graham Memorial, which covers dances, parties, games, candlelight room and many other things. Above these ex-®

penses GM has given us a concert program far superior to that of the Enis a matter of interest to every stuas their program for next year!

of the bus. She did not even ask for is running. . . . that seat, but the bus driver told for her. She was too old to stand sity. This fall he will be Vice-Presimade his request again. Still no Steering Committee of the University were made. At the next stop the old is one of the University Party's big- ing are being forced to live in conwoman rang the bell and got off the gest assets among dormitory men. Tom Paine-American by choice, bus. She would walk. This was in

It has come to us that students have offered more than OPA prices in order to tempt landlords into renting It is a tossup between George them a room for this fall and winter. against their fellow students to think several times before they do it. Not F. D. Roosevelt is the person who only are they guilty of a crime against their fellow students, but they are ing his thirteen years of office he violating a Federal Law. . . . Since served America and mankind to a with the withdrawal of the occupation greater extent than any other person forces it is very likely that Axis war in the history of our nation .- Howard criminals sentenced to life imprisonment would be freed it is possible that Next week: If it is absolutely these criminals will be imprisoned in Federal prisons in America. The big game will be sentenced next month. More pay to keep our better teach

ers here and also the forcing of the KKK to come out into the open will tertainment Committee. In short, with be discussed in the Di Senate on the the same amount of money GM gives third floor of New West tonight. This us twenty times the return that the will be a program well worth the two Entertainment Committee does. This hours from nine to eleven. . . . To those of you who knew Ted Carroll dent on the campus. We demand here in the winter and spring terms ham Dairies has seen fit to close its that the Entertainment Committee -he is now at the coast finishing his give a complete report of their ex- first novel, Cursed Heritage. South simple arithmetic this means that evpenses during the last year, as well Carolina's gubernatorial race reminds us very much of the campaign for The bus was crowded. Not a negro president of the student body last long, and that laundry and other servwas in it. Then the bus stopped to spring at Carolina. The Palmetto ices are proportionately harder to obpick up an old negro woman. The state is having a gay old time with tain. law of North Carolina gave the old eleven candidates—and not a single woman the right for a seat at the back | Smith (either "thirsty" or "hungry")

lent heater; large tapestry love seat, this is just an emergency. In five also wicked davenport. Call Main 539 years the rush will be over; and then after 5 and ask for Miss Severence.-Clarksville (N. Y.) News-Weekly.

JUST TOO MUCH IN THE OPEN

At a large co-educational college, the dean of women severely cirticized that the new buildings will be modthe moral laxity of the students, announcing to the student body on Wed- adequate sanitary facilities. Which nesday that "The President and I have decided to stop necking on the campus."-Seebring (Ala.) News.

develop to the point of an open rupture between the various powers-and especially between the great powers upon whose common accord peace absolutely depends. A compromise is reached when the different parties to an agreement adjust their individual interests in order to produce a harmony of interests. This harmony is not brought about by riding roughshod over the interests of any single nation.

This is the problem as it is presented to us by conditions in the real world today. I do not disagree with the ideals of this writer insofar as they are clearly expressed. I most emphatically disagree with the method

implied which is vague and abstract. Finally, let me say that the alternative method which I have outlined, the method of compromise, has already carried us a considerable distance forward on the road to permanent world

Sincerely, BILL ROBERTSON

Keeping

One reason why hundreds of veterans in Chapel Hill are living three to a room, in converted shacks, and in sub-marginal quarters is the fact that and alter the zoning laws in conformity with changing conditions. This set of laws is exactly the way it stood five years ago, when Chapel Hill was a village of 4,000 people in contrast to the 10,000 who will be here in the

As a result, there are the same number of eating places, shoemakers, tailors, drugstores, grocery stores, and other community services as there was in 1941. As a matter of fact, there's one less eating place; since the Durdowntown Shake 'n Snack store. By erything is over twice as hard to get, the chow lines are over twice as

This reporter personally knows of two cases where private citizens have attempted to build apartment houses The spotlight today turns to John in order to relieve the terrific housing the whites on the very back seat Surratt of Winston-Salem who is a shortage. In both cases, the apartthat they would have to make room | Pre-Law student here at the Univer- ments were to be constructed in the area behind the firehouse, around while the bus was in motion. Not a dent of the Junior Class. He is a North Columbia street. And, both person moved. The driver waited. He | member of the Elections Committee, | times, the requests for building permits were denied because this is a move. The driver again made his re- Party, and he belongs to the Student "residential area," and apartments quest. All the people in the rear of Legislature. He is a former member are not permitted therein. Consethe bus got up and moved to the front. of the Di Senate, and in his first year quently, instead of the possibility of Someone said, "This would not hap- at Carolina was a member of the Ex- living in modern apartments; men cency and a civilized standard of livditions which can best be described as extremely undesirable.

It is difficult to understand the thinking and underlying reasoning of the town council unless it falls into the school of thought which says, "well, we'll be stuck with these buildings on our hands, and not enough tenants to fill them."

Just what kind of buildings will the town be "stuck" with? It's obvious ern, fireproof, brick dwellings with means that the town will be "stuck" with the old, decrepit, ramshackle firetraps which are hardly fit for human occupation, anyway.

So, I wonder if the refusal of the council to alter its zoning laws to encourage the buildings of new dwellings isn't a direct result of the pressure of property owners who own the present buildings, and who are out to protect their property from competition; at the expense of the veterans and other students who are forced to live in their buildings (at a decidedly liberal rate) because the vested interests in the town block new construc-

If, as one merchant leader has said, the merchants and property owners are always acting in the best interests of the students; why aren't the zoning laws altered so as to permit private construction of suitable dwellings for the students of the University of North Carolina, and the younger members of its faculty?

The photographic studio and sales office will be on the first floor while the production printing offices will be in the basement on the second floor .-The Champaign (Ill.) News-Gagette.

Letters To The Editor

Precipitous Gulley

At risk of sounding a petty peeve, or even worse, of fomenting a change in the sacrosanct paving materials hereabouts, I rise to beef about one of the greater of the local hazards; to wit: that precipitous gulley between the "Y" and South Bldg. that passes as a paved walk.

Here is a section of walk that receives more traffic per day than most of the other walks of the campus combined. And yet, here is a path that summons all the balance and light step-

ping ability of us all. If this section of walk is a carry-over from the wartime obstacle course, then let it be so acknowledged.

Apparently this piece of pseudopavement was layed down along with our ancestors, and since then has been spasmodically patched up in the more notorious sink holes. But the mixture of tar and small boulders used for the patchwork is of such varying quality and quantity that the path now has all the appearances and menaces of a small scale tank trap.

far to ask or expect a repavement, or rather an original paving, of our traditional, if gritty, walks. And naturally, it would be utterly inopportune participants are seeking peace in "reto ask at this late date why the Navy's lation to their own person . . . to their offer to install same was not accept- own country." The solution to this ed. Nay, I cry not for the whole, but for only one small part; not over twenty feet of putrid paving.

of the enervated labor that goes into the social conscience, or at least conthe ineffective scraping of the walks sciousness, of the participants. out of the gutters back onto the walks This editorial is a reflection of the again go into the construction of a desire of the overwhelming majority half-way engineered incline, using one of the people of the world for a just of the improved types of pavement, and durable peace. Insofar as it rethat would not constitute a menace to flects this desire it has already been life and limb.

As mute testimony for my case I United Nations Organization. Howoffer a badly swollen ankle, and a ever, the writer in stressing the infrayed disposition. I speak sir, believe me, of one who knows the terrors of this tortuous trail.

> Yrs. J. KRUSPY

Heel and let us have them bound for mises whenever these interests clash

A Few Remarks

Editor of the Tar Heel:

I should like to make a few remarks about an editorial published in the Daily Tar Heel on Saturday entitled "Think About This . . ."

The subject matter of this editorial concerns the present Peace Conference in Paris. In the very first paragraph it is stated that the participants are "seeking a peace they will not find in this conference. . . . " The rest of It would, of course, be going too the editorial is an elaboration of the writer's reasons why peace will not be found, the essence of which is contained in the statement that all of the state of affairs as provided by the writer is in an ideal world-view and the editorial closes with some very Rather, I would ask, why can't some | fine lines by John Donne appealing to

given material consolidation in the terest of the peoples of the whole world seems to forget that these interests are nothing more than the sum-total of the interests of each country taken singly. It is quite natural under present circumstances that Save your copies of the Daily Tar progress must be passed on comproin order that antagonisms shall not

