

Absurd Conflicts

If any further evidence be necessary that we need a central agency on this campus through which all schedule programs would have to be cleared, one need only look at tonight's jumbled program.

The International Relations Club is sponsoring a speech by Dr. Nejla Izzedin, one of the foremost woman scholars in Arabia, in Hill hall tonight.

At the same time, the Carolina Political Union is presenting a speech in the Graham Memorial Lounge by Elizabeth G. Flynn, chairman of the women's committee of the communist party.

Both of these speakers should prove very interesting. Undoubtedly, many students are desirous of hearing both speeches, but it will not be possible because the organizations have crossed wires and are both presenting their speakers at the same time.

If a central agency were appointed to handle arrangement of all dates for the numerous campus programs in advance, such absurd conflicts could be avoided. This newspaper has been campaigning for some time for the creation of such an organization, which would benefit everyone concerned, and prevent things like tonight's unfortunate occurrence.

The UVA is also holding open house tonight, which offers a third major attraction for interested students. People on this campus do not have one-track minds. They like good speeches, good music, good entertainment. A central clearing house would see to it that various extra-curricular programs would not all be presented at the same time. It would avoid useless confusion. It should be created now.

Nothing Radical

As expected, a few intolerant reactionaries who hate to see Carolina holding forth as "stronghold of liberalism" are spreading an alarmist cry over the appearance of Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, women's committee chairman of the Communist party, as CPU sponsored speaker on the campus tonight. A larger group has voiced fear and a little anxiety over "what will the legislature think?"

We urge you to discount the propaganda of both of these groups. We urge you to go to hear Miss Flynn this evening, take part in the discussion and question period afterward, and then draw your own conclusions.

We do not believe in Communism or any of the policies Communists stand for, or the methods in which they carry out their policies. But, we relish this opportunity to hear one of the highest officers in American communist circles and get a personal inside slant on the party. The question period after Miss Flynn's talk on the position of the Communist party in the United States today should be especially enlightening. This has always been one of the outstanding features of CPU programs.

In bringing Miss Flynn here to the union is doing nothing radical or out of the ordinary. They are merely continuing their longstanding policy of presenting speakers of all political viewpoints as laboratory material to aid students in understanding the national scene. Indeed, though the Carolina Political union is set up as a non-partisan political group, a check of its roll at present will clearly indicate they lean right of center in their political outlook as a whole.

The campus should receive Miss Flynn in the same constructive spirit as they received Norman Thomas and Klan wizard Hiram Evans several years ago.

To repeat: We don't like any of them, and we don't like communism, but we're going to hear Miss Flynn tonight with an open mind.

Let's give our government our best thinking, not just a piece of our mind.

Keep your temper—nobody wants it.

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"There's a small item on page 17 about a triple-axe murder. No veterans involved."

Uncommon Sense . . .

Campus Political Parties Should Realign Their Ranks

By Eddie Allen

A wise man once said that it is difference of opinion that makes horse races.

Were that intelligent (i.e., nongambling) gentleman to turn his attention to politics, he might apply his axiom to political races—except for the fact that in an unfortunate number of instances he would be wrong.

A sure-fire cure for inflamed supporters of any aspiring party is to ask him the simple question:

"Just how is your party basically and distinctively different in its goals and ideologies from the rival party?"

At that point, unless he by chance is the possessor of a Mark Sullivan digest for the past decade—along with the clandestine memoirs of our nation's party chairmen—he more than likely will founder into an abyss of futile fuming and generalities.

All too often ballot battles are waged over the mere question of the "Outs" wanting "In" and the "Ins" wanting to retain the official cushioned seats for their official cushioned posteriors. An example of such monumental mob psychology is evident in each of the past two national elections.

The fall of 1944 found the then-powerful Democrats appealing to the equestrian urge among its constituents, urging them not to change horses in the middle of the stream.

Last November the Republicans reverted to infantile three-cornered strategy, cooing and suggestively inquired of the American public: "Want a change?"

All of which is nothing to anyone who has observed the political cycle over the years. The Republicans get "in," stay long enough for the Democrats to convince the populace that a grand mess is being made of things, then the see-saw swings back and forth, ad infinitum.

But at least national party leaders can point to a few slabs of whole-grain wood in their platforms, even if they are the type which miraculously disappear with the inaugural oaths.

On the Carolina campus the only evidence of party differentiation (party: an obscure being akin to the groundhog which appears for a few weeks previous to fall and spring elections, then hibernates again) would seem to be the wearing of a bauble which distinguishes the fraternity from the nonfraternity men. "Greek" elections have been the order of the day on this campus for a great number of years, although with the new cosmopolitan aspect of the student body there at last seems some hope of a renaissance.

At the risk of taking a cue from most other editorializers infesting these pages, and being blindly critical, it would seem that among all the admitted shortcomings of the present student government, lack of a distinctive and carefully-considered platform by either party is in most urgent need of reform.

As it is there are few who will gainsay the fact that elections at Carolina are run on a "personality" basis alone. Such is necessarily the case to a certain degree. Yet would it not be practical to require the rival parties to submit a well thought-out platform—in ample time previous to election day—to allow students to know WHY they are voting for Norm Dorm or Joe

Strictly Detrimental . . .

Advantages of Tabloid DTH Would Be Numerous, Helpful

By Jud Kinberg

Criticism of the campus critics has rightfully centered on their peculiar ability to suggest nothing constructive. It is a simple and soul-inflating practice to take sideswipes without having to be concerned with a substitute for what the columnist would tear down. All columnists fall into the trap at some time and in this and future columns, I hope to extricate myself from it. Plan Number One: Much has been written about the Daily Tar Heel. Too much damning and too little praise for the job presently being done is the tone of the criticism. I believe that general student apathy towards the paper can best be dispelled by a radical change.

The best change in the "radical" category would include makeup, size and format. More and more universities have turned to tabloid form. A tabloid-size DTH would be a novel and arresting newspaper.

Instead of the four large pages, there would be eight of half the size. This tabloid format makes possible greater concentration of important stories, greater "play" for all stories. The DTH as it is now cannot give adequate prominence to the many stories it must print. For all practical purposes, the bottom half of the front-page is dead space. That this is true is shown by the high degree of listless feature stories which wind up down there.

An ad-full, L'il Abnered back page makes it impossible to give any adequate space to stories which are relegated to it by lack of front-page room.

No matter what the amount of stories, the third page is completely devoted to sports. Many days there is not enough good copy to justify use of the entire page for this one genre, but custom and usage bar the third page to any other style of reporting.

The answer to more complex campus newspaper needs, then, seems to be the tabloid. With eight pages,

there is much larger opportunity for highlighting newsworthy reporting. Every page can have its big headlines, its "big" stories. Ads can be spaced out so that they don't dominate any single page. The result will be a "punched-up" presentation of straight news stories. No longer will they be buried under small headlines and underneath many inches of type.

Reduction of the size of the editorial page will allow greater choice in the use of columns and columnists. There will no longer be the need for obvious "gap-fillers." Streamlined, rid of its deadening wood, the edit page will carry even greater weight, exert greater force than at present.

Addition of the four pages will bring more intensive organization of news material. One page can be devoted to organizational activities, making it possible for those interested to quickly find the pertinent articles. Specific item readers will no longer have to search through a welter of current news, features and UP releases.

Reduction in size will also mean that the sport page can prune its stories more closely. During seasons when there is a heavy volume of sports copy, this section can expand onto two pages. But there will no longer be the pressing necessity to plug up holes in a large-sized full page.

To go with the streamlined, more effective Daily Tar Heel, work should be started on a Sunday supplement. This would add a second tremendous stimulant to student reception of the DTH.

In proposing this major change, I realize that the problems confronting any tabloid pioneers are real, pressing and formidable. It will probably take until the summer or next fall before all the pre-changeover bugs could be eradicated. But it is a plan which presents so many tangible advantages that it demands serious consideration.

I've talked the idea over with editors of the DTH, who are doing a fine job on the present newspaper—but they alone can do little. It would require potent campus-wide support to implement the changes I've suggested. That is the reason that I've presented the plan to all of you. Why not let the Daily Tar Heel know what you think about a modern, tabloid newspaper to serve the expanding University of North Carolina?

It Happens Here . . .

- 4:00 p.m.—Norman Foerster speaks at Bull's Head bookshop tea.
- 4:15 p.m.—Student activities for federal world government, Grail Room of Graham Memorial.
- 7:30 p.m.—Alpha Delta Pi alumnae meet, ADPI House.
- 8:30 p.m.—Dr. Nejla Izzedin speaks on Middle East conflicts, Graham Memorial.
- 9:00 p.m.—Dialectic Senate meets, Di hall, third floor New West.

Carolina Merry-Go-Round

By Bob Jones and Bill Robertson

In Tuesday's issue of The Tar Heel there appeared an article by Earl Heffner advocating a "good old-fashioned two-party system for the South." The article begins with a brief historical review which gives no explanation of causes. It continues with a discussion of the present situation which I quote in part: Lately the situation has become more acute. Perhaps it is the maturation of the mind that makes this seem so. Whether this be true or no, evidence is mounting that the South, potentially the rich frontier of the nation, is yet suffering postwar effects of not World War II, but the Civil War.

The article ends on a note of hope for the future based on the possibilities of the development of a two-party system.

It is quite true that the present one-party system in the South does not satisfy the needs of the people. However, the explanation for this fact is not to be sought in the nature of the one-party system—but in the nature of the one party composing that system. The Southern Democrats of today are in large part serving the interests of The Southern Bourbons and Northern monopolists who are attempting to put a brake upon the economic development or, more precisely, the industrialization of the South.

Under the circumstances another party in the South is necessary—a party composed of all those groups suffering from political and economic domination. Principal among these groups are Southern small business, the workers, both agricultural and industrial, and the Negro people.

It is quite clear that the Republican Party—the party of Hoover, Morgan, et al., in no way expresses the interests of the people of the South. We shall therefore be forced to rely upon our own strength; but at the same time we should not hesitate to seek allies among those liberal political groups in the North who are organizing against our common enemy.

This article on a two-party system in the South has a realistic basis and it is possible that we shall hear more about the question in the future—not only in the columns of the Daily Tar Heel but in those of other liberal Southern newspapers.

We have already been informed by our colleague, Drew Pearson, that he has access to the innermost councils of the State Department. However, he has now made it clear that he also

Greek and for what they stand?

In addition, outside of exterior legislation, the parties should take it on themselves to ask rhetorically a reason for their existence, should realign their ragged ranks by work and attempt to serve the purpose for which they were intended.

has access to the friends of our new Secretary of State, General George Marshall. On Tuesday Pearson wrote the following:

Around Christmas time Marshall's friends made it clear that he was fed up with being a diplomat, did not relish becoming Secretary of State and wanted to retire to Virginia as soon as his job in China was finished.

Perhaps General Marshall's friends are sneering acquaintances of Mr. Pearson.—B.R.

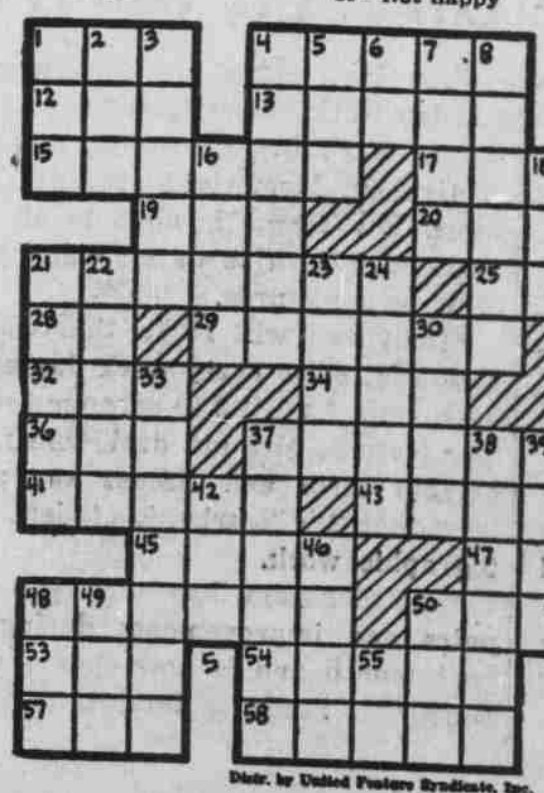
The United States is shipping popular logs to Holland because there is a shortage of wood there to make shoes.

Twenty-seven out of every 100 employees in the automobile industry are World War II veterans.

The life of carbon paper can be prolonged by heating slightly.

Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS
- 1—Male cat
 - 4—Sultor
 - 9—Matterhorn
 - 12—Slit
 - 13—Chaplain
 - 14—Great wave
 - 15—Shooting star
 - 17—Artist
 - 19—Black liquor
 - 20—Portico
 - 21—Supporter
 - 22—Mr. Gentry
 - 23—Conjunction
 - 24—Saw
 - 31—High note
 - 32—Mohammedan leader
 - 34—Building wing
 - 35—Peck
 - 36—Make lace with shuttle
 - 37—Choose
 - 40—Musical note
 - 41—Out on fishhook
 - 42—Attaching line
 - 43—Stung
 - 45—Tea grounds
 - 47—Aho
 - 48—Brest
 - 49—Lead astray
 - 53—Trouble
 - 54—Bravery
 - 56—Cure leather
 - 57—Wander
 - 58—Gives off
 - 59—Not happy



- ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE
- MINUTE COAL
EMIGRE S UNDO
SPILY SPAR OO
ASTI BLISTERS
ANNUALS LEE
GLEE PLUG DD
ESPY SALE
MA STEP GIRD
USO USELESS
SPRINTED TEAL
TI DEEP MERA
ERNE PANDAS
REDS INSULT

- DOWN
- 1—Hat
 - 2—Lyric poem
 - 3—Maxim
 - 4—Games
 - 5—Strife
 - 6—Public notice
 - 7—Infuriates
 - 8—Cheered
 - 9—Mortified
 - 10—Light horse
 - 11—Harry
 - 12—Perfect golf score
 - 13—Enjoyment
 - 14—Gap in mountains
 - 15—Ships
 - 16—Part of body
 - 17—Sword
 - 24—Brooks
 - 26—Make happy
 - 27—Mad
 - 30—Elementary (abbr.)
 - 33—Workshop
 - 37—Tangle
 - 38—Serves food
 - 39—Trampled
 - 42—Lemuel
 - 44—Tipters
 - 46—High bridge
 - 48—High bridge
 - 49—Conjunction
 - 50—Drunkard
 - 51—Crow's call
 - 52—Finch
 - 55—Chinese weight