

The ABC's of Student Fees:

Correct 'Em, Raise 'Em, Guarantee 'Em

by Billy Carmichael III

At the tender age of two and one-half years the block fee structure is now ready, and seemingly, willing and waiting for a good sound overhauling.

In the first two articles of this series, Publications presented the history of the fee structure and attempted to point out the mistakes made during the first two years of block fee operation. Now to complete the cycle, a program is presented which those in Publications feel to be a working and plausible solution to the overall problem and the road to a sound and productive fee structure.

There are three major cylinders in the reform machinery and for an effective and complete reformation, the machine must hit on all three cylinders. It's a three-step program for fees: Correct 'em, Raise 'em, then Guarantee 'em.

The first step—Correct 'em—means raise the level of the graduate fee from its present \$1.55 per year to the undergraduate rate of \$15 per annum. It has been pointed out that the difference in the fees grew from the fact that at the time the block fee was constructed some \$3.45 a year from each undergraduate fee went toward class activities.

This condition is no longer true, as the amount of monies to class activities has since been reduced from that 22 percent of the overall fee to the present-day figure of slightly more than 2 percent.

Some will argue that difference in the two fees sprang from the fact that graduate students were not able to have their Yack pictures made without additional payment under the new block fee structure. This is not true. It is true though, that graduate groups such as the Law School for example, are assessed additionally for their space in the Yackety Yack.

But if the Law School were to come in under the full \$5 per quarter or \$7.50 per semester classification, such an additional assessment would be immediately and permanently discontinued. That would most probably cause a comparative drop in the dues which law students now pay to the Law School Association for, among other things, representation in the Yack.

The Law School situation is typical and most of the other graduate schools correspond very closely. The proof that such a raise can be achieved successfully and satisfactorily to all parties is found in the Pharmacy School, which was brought in under the full \$5 fee over a year ago on an experimental basis along these very lines.

The second step along the way to the sound and productive fee is a raise in the fee. A raise in taxation is always met with immediate discord, but there is a definite need for this fee raise, one that can't well be shouted down.

For one of the great faults of the fee structure today is an attempt to stretch the Student Government dollar past its point of elasticity. This stretch has been the greatest factor in the maladjustments of the fee structure, for it has brought politics and the bad effects of politics into the student financial picture.

Unfortunately, Student Government cannot afford politics in its financial system any more than it could allow deficit spending, a pet practice of the national government where politicians thrive. Where the budget must balance and the money runs thin, the door must be shut in the politicians' path. The best way to accomplish this is to at least provide enough fees to run all necessary Student Government organizations comfortably and without telling strain.

One could write a novel on the reasons for the need of a fee raise, but a simple example can be found in Publications. This branch of Student Government has been forced to cope with a 200 per cent rise in operational costs since the beginning of the block fee, and yet been forced to take a cut in student fees during each year of operation. The Daily Tar Heel today operates a 50 per cent larger paper than it did in 1946 on some 2,000 less student dollars. The paper has reached a point where it can expand no farther without additional student government capital. With such an addition in income the DTH could expand itself and in the process open new channels of other income. It's the old story of spending money to make money.

Publications is not the only part of Student Government that could do a much better job with some additional funds. The Student Entertainment Series is a typical example of an organization which is just a few thousand dollars short of completely satisfactory. And likewise, if Student Government is to be represented in such national organizations as NSA, the representation should be a complete one, and not hampered by the lack of necessary funds.

Yet, possibly the best reason for a fee raise is found in connection with the third major step in fee reformation, that of Guaranteeing 'em. Guaranteeing 'em means providing a fee structure that delivers to the organizations the actual funds which they are appropriated. In the first two years of the block fee, Publications was shorted a total of some \$10,000 in appropriations made by the Student Legislature. That means \$10,000 of funds that the lawmakers figured would flow into the till that didn't. It was simply a case of the student government financiers being unable to compute the annual income from the block fee and being unable to recognize their calculations were wrong.

This year will be no exception, for the Student Government budget will not balance for the third year in a row. The mistake this year will come from estimating too many undergraduates paying \$15 a year and too few graduates paying only \$11.55. Strapped for funds by rising costs, Publications stand to suffer their first red year in the past four, simply because its total funds appropriated will not be delivered as promised.

This situation is a must on the list of immediate corrections. True money must be appropriated, money that will be promised and then delivered as promised and not in part. Each and every organization should be able to plan to spend each and every dollar it is appropriated, and not be forced to figure how much of the promise to expect and then have to compensate for the rest.

This situation can be combatted easily in two ways: 1. A more careful and concise calculation of the enrollment and predictable bad debts. The correction of the graduate fee would alleviate the worry of computing how many fees at \$15 and how many at \$11.55.

2. A raise in the block fee would eliminate the dangerous task of computing the estimated income of such a close, tight spread. Additional funds would enable the use of a greater (See FEE STRUCTURE SOLUTION, page 2)

Big Pep Rally Set Tomorrow At 7 O'Clock

University Club Sponsors First Basketball Rally

The initial basketball pep rally of the year and the first one held in recent years is slated for tomorrow night in Memorial Hall.

According to University Club spokesman Jerry Sternberg, this will be the first in what the club hopes will be a long line of pre-game cage rallies.

Festivities are slated to get under way at 7 o'clock tomorrow night with approximately 45 jam-packed minutes of cheering, singing and other entertainment following.

The call to Memorial Hall will be the ringing of the South Building bell. This ringing at 6:45 will open the activities for the evening.

Coach Tom Scott, Assistant Coach Pete Mullis, the players and cheerleaders will be on hand. Band President Jim Moore said he felt sure that some of his members would be on hand to play, but he would not make definite commitments.



CAROLINA CLOWN COY CARSON

Charity Cage Tilts Set Here Tonight

Footballers, Carolina Clowns Will Stage Mammoth Basketball Show In Woollen Gym

By Zane Robbins

Strong legs will run so weak legs may walk tonight when a batch of out-of-place footballers and a couple of fair country basketball teams mix it up for the sake of charity in a cage doubleheader beginning at 7:30 in Woollen Gym.

The curtain-raiser will feature Dick Bunting's backs against Huck Holdash's linemen in what probably will turn into more of a fiasco than a basketball game. The nightcap will pit the Carolina Clowns against the Link-Watson All Stars of Danville in what should prove to be a whale of a ball game. The tilt will mark the first 1950 appearance of the Clowns who have rolled up a 56 game win streak over the past three years. They have never dropped a game.

The Clowns have a habit of playing a classy brand of basketball and giving the customers something to chuckle over at the same time, but tonight's shindig with the gridders included in the show should really provide a belly-full of laughs for the folks who contribute to the March of Dimes on their way in.

Local gambling authority and football enthusiast "Meatball" Hoffer, contacted yesterday afternoon, said he was expecting the game between the Linemen and the Backs to end up in a tie which won't be played off "because neither the players nor the officials will be strong enough to go for an extra period in such a game. When you get ten guys like that on a space as small as a basketball court, ya better watch out," concluded "Meatball."

The Backs will have Skeet Hesper, George Verchick, Billy Hayes, Dick Weiss, Bud Carson, and Merl Norcross in addition to Player-Coach Bunting.

The Linemen, who will be slower but a good bit taller than the Backs, will have Bill Kuhn, Joe Dudeck, Ed Washington, Billy O'Brien, Chris Carpenter, Julian King, Jim Hendricks, R. L. McDonald, and Roscoe Hansen in the lineup along with Coach Holdash.

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CLOWN KENNY POWELL

Meet Today Chest Sets

Campus Chest drive co-ordinator Dick Murphy yesterday set this afternoon at 3 o'clock for a final meeting of the Campus Chest Board of Directors. The meeting will be held in the Y Cabinet Room, Campus Chest Headquarters.

At the same time, he asked that all church groups, dormitories, fraternities, sororities, the TMA and TGA and the Victory Village groups to have their lists of members who will act as solicitors for the drive Feb. 5-10 turned in at Campus Chest headquarters in the Y by this Friday afternoon.

The Board meeting this afternoon will be the final meet concerned with planning of the forthcoming drive, and Murphy urged all members to attend.

Murphy also reminded all campus heads that they are members ex officio of the Board and welcomed and encouraged to attend any of its meetings.

With only 10 more days remaining before the opening of the drive, Murphy said it is extremely important for members to cooperate and pointed out the drive's slogan: "This is your only drive; back it up!"

Andy Cornish Takes Over As Secretary

Andy Cornish, the last man on campus to claim the distinction of a UP-SP-CP triple endorsement for political office, took over as secretary-treasurer of the student body last night when no independent filed by deadline time to run against him.

Cornish received the University Party endorsement yesterday afternoon. Earlier this week the Student and Campus Parties had given him their backing, the latter just before it voted itself out of existence Monday night.

Cornish has been serving as acting secretary-treasurer since Nat Williams failed to return for classes this winter. He was appointed by President Bill Mackie.

Cornish has served the student body in the past as chairman of the Student Audit Board, the Legislature Finance Committee, the Interfraternity Council, and the House Privileges Board.

Phi Endorses Expense Fund For Mackie

The Phi Assembly endorsed the establishment of an "appropriate" expense fund for student body President Bill Mackie by a vote of 13 to 9 in Phi Hall Tuesday night.

Advocates of the measure passed the bill without discussion but were accused of "railroading" the bill through.

The Phi also went on record strongly condemning the Ku Klux Klan and by a vote of 19 to 7 turned down a resolution that called for United States intervention in Formosa.

A meeting of the Ways and Means Committee was called for 2 o'clock this afternoon by Acting Chairman Schell.

Solons Will Hear Requirements Bill At Session Tonight

Only Two Bills On Regular Agenda; Five New Legislators Will Be Sworn

By Roy Parker, Jr.

A scholastic requirements-for-holding-office bill will make its third try in the Student Legislature when the second session of the Eighth Assembly meets tonight in 'Di Hall. Scheduled to come out of Elections Committee, the bill is a slightly revamped version of a measure that died in the same committee at the end of the Seventh Assembly in November.

June Crocket Named Editor Of Handbook

Has Been Active On Publications Since High School

June Crocket, senior from Bluefield, Va., was elected editor of the Coed Handbook at the meeting of Coed Senate Tuesday night, it was announced yesterday.

Since high school June has been interested in publications. She was editor of the paper at Graham High School in Bluefield and on the staff of the annual at Virginia Intermont.

Last year she was advertising manager of Tarnation and on the Yack staff. At present she is on the business staff of The Daily Tar Heel, editor of Delta Doings, a paper published by the local chapter of Delta Delta Delta, and house president of Tri-Delt.

The handbook, published annually under the auspices of Coed Senate, contains the list of coed rules, brief accounts of sororities and other coed organizations, the calendar for the year and general information about Chapel Hill and the University.

The handbook is sent to each new coed before she enters the University, and in the fall all new coeds must take a test on the rules in it.

Only other business of the solons is a bill setting up a "Frank Porter Graham Collection" of student government documents, and swearing in of five new members, all replacements for duly-elected legislators who resigned.

The scholastic requirements bill is a joint product of two measures, one by President Bill Mackie's Executive Cabinet and the other by the Elections Committee of the Legislature.

The Elections Committee bill was the first to hit the Legislature floor in the fall. It was re-committed. Then the Cabinet measure came up, was sent to the Committee for consideration, but the Assembly ended before it could be reported.

All measures not passed by the end of an assembly die, and must be presented again in the next.

The University Party will increase its clearcut solon majority to 28 members when the five new legislators are sworn in. Bill Rhodes, appointed out of town district 1, fills an empty CP-UP seat, and with the disbandment of the Campus Party, becomes a UP solon.

Bill Hill (UP), appointed from town district 3, will take the oath, and Larry Early, Gilbert Marsh and William Ed Winn, named by the CP before its dissolution, will be sworn in without party label. They, and six other CP'ers, will probably make up their minds as to party affiliation tonight.

YDC Contest To Offer \$50 Dinner With Veep

A campus-wide membership drive contest was launched last night by the Young Democrats Club, and a \$50 dinner with the Vice-President of the United States and other Democratic Party chieftains was offered as a prize.

State YDC President Terry Sanford of Fayetteville informed local officers that he will appoint as a marshal at the coming Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner in Raleigh the Carolina student recruiting the largest number of new members in the campus club.

Spokesmen for the YDC said every member of the club is eligible for the contest. He especially called for freshmen and sophomore members to enlist new members.

"We estimate that there are 5,000 Democrats on campus," he said, "500 of whom are already members of the YDC. At the recent national convention in Chattanooga, the Carolina chapter was highly praised as one of the best units in the United States.

"In the present membership drive, there is an excellent opportunity for a freshman or a sophomore member to win the trip to Raleigh."

Members interested in entering the drive were asked to contact Acting President Graham Jones at 313 Grimes Dormitory or Jess Dedmond at 110 Ayeock.

The Jefferson-Jackson Day rally will be held Jan. 28. Vice-President Barkley will be the featured speaker and indications are that his bride, the former Mrs. Carleton S. Hadley, will be the featured guest.

A regional conference of Democratic leaders to take place in conjunction with the dinner will include at least four cabinet members, National Chairman Bill Boyle, Governors Scott, Jim Folsom of Alabama, Herman Tamm of Georgia, and Sid McMath of Arkansas.

UWF Meet Elects Officers For Year

The student chapter of the United World Federalists recently met and elected officers for the remainder of the year.

Officers elected were John Schnorrenberg, president; J. C. Cook, vice president, and John Lineweaver, secretary treasurer.

With informality the keynote, the dances are a good way to overcome the 7-1 ratio that prevails on the campus.

Tittle's Work To Be Shown

The University Library will present an exhibition of the dry points and etching of Walter Tittle in the main lobby from Jan. 16 through Feb. 10.

Tittle, whose works have been internationally exhibited, is known in Chapel Hill as the artist who painted the portrait of George Bernard Shaw which Dr. Archibald Henderson presented to the Library with his collection of Shaw materials. He also did the portrait of Henderson himself which recently hung in the Library.

Among the collection to be shown will be portraits of such illustrious moderns as G. K. Chesterton, Arnold Bennett, Jascha Heifetz and Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Also in the show are some of the artist's better known architectural prints including the Grand Central Station, Manhattan Minarets, the Church of the Heavenly Rest in New York, and the Cathedral of Chartres.

To Your Health

Beer-drinking Tar Heels will be given the chance to drink to the health of the nation's polio victims today, tomorrow, and Saturday.

Sol Monour, operator of the Cafe Seville, said yesterday his 15-cent beer—nine full ounces—will go for 10 cents from the hours of 3 to 7 o'clock during the weekend.

All proceeds will be turned over to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Atlantic Schweitzered top beer and free pretzels will be waiting for thirsty students, Sol said.