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IFC Governs Fraternities

By Allison Pell, Jr.

The Interfraternity Council, composed of two representatives and the president from each fraternity, is the governing body of all social fraternities, and it is their duty to assist the fraternities in their mutual endeavors, and to provide a strong central organization.

Working with the IFC and the fraternities is the office of the Dean of Men. This office has been helpful in giving advice and making suggestions whenever any problems were presented. It has been the policy of this office not to dictate to the fraternities but to encourage leadership on the part of the fraternities and the IFC.

The judicial body of the IFC is the IFC court, composed of seven representatives elected by the IFC. It is the responsibility of the court to enforce rules set up by the IFC to govern fraternities. The policies of the court are not to act as a police court, but to treat the students as mature individuals who realize their responsibility to abide by the honor system.

Each year the IFC edits a handbook on fraternities to instruct and orientate the freshman. Such information as rushing rules, various routines of fraternity life, making a wise choice, and the expenses of a fraternity man are contained in this handbook. It is also the IFC's job to make plans for and see that fraternity rushing is conducted in order.

Always a major concern of fraternities has been their scholastic standing. Aware of the importance of scholarship the IFC in an effort to boost the averages of fraternities sent out letters to all fraternities suggesting possible methods of improving their grades. Each quarter the Council also presents a trophy to the fraternity with the highest average.

This year a joint committee composed of three IFC and three IDC members and the president of each organization has been formed in an effort to discuss problems that are common to both organizations. It is hoped that this committee will be helpful in cementing relations between the two organizations and between fraternity and non fraternity men.

Through the efforts of the IFC the Andrew Bershak scholarship valued at \$2,000 is made available. The fund for the scholarship is comprised of donations of fraternity men, and was formulated in honor of Andrew Bershak, class of 1938. The scholarship is valued at \$500 and is presented each year for a period of four years, and is to be awarded to a North Carolina boy on the basis of high scholastic standing, character, and definite financial need.

For the past several weeks meetings have been held consisting of the fraternity presidents, Dean of Students, Bill Friday, and student welfare counselor Dr. Claiborne Jones. In these meetings general topics such as fraternity scholarship, Greek week, and other major issues have been discussed.

These meetings have been of an extremely educational nature to all concerned; and in an effort to continue this practice the IFC has written in its constitution that these meetings shall be continued at least once a quarter. The president of the IFC shall call the meetings, that shall consist of the IFC representatives, fraternity presidents, a representative of the Dean of Men's office, and any other parties deemed necessary by the IFC.

This year the IFC has endeavored to continue strengthening those activities that have proven their worth and to add to them new endeavors that will tend to advance the work of the fraternity in helping all the students to a more satisfying and fruitful life at Carolina.

The Uninvited Guest



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The Washington Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

WASHINGTON — Secretary Acheson's refusal to "turn his back" on Alger Hiss is now criticized not only by GOP Senators but by Dictator Franco's official radio.

The Madrid broadcast is significant. Because like Moscow, the "Voice of the Falange" radio station operates for and by the Spanish government. What it says represents the official view of the Dictator.

It may also be significant that the Spanish attack on Acheson and the State Department came shortly after Acheson had quit "turning his back on Franco" and had indicated that he was willing to extend him full recognition. Despite this, the Voice of the Falange blared forth on Feb. 13:

"Well-known Communists have been located in the U. S. State Department. This has been stated by a Republican Senator

(McCarthy of Wisconsin) who added that these men held quite important positions in this ministry. It is not merely a question of Hiss, who has been convicted of perjury and to whom Acheson has promised his continued friendship. We are not surprised by this announcement any more than we were surprised by the news that there was every type of undesirable among the advisers to the late President."

Acheson's defense of Hiss has a lot of interesting precedents in U. S. History. They include: Andrew Jackson's defense of Aaron Burr; Charles Evans Hughes' defense of Senator Newberry; Taft's early defense of Richard Ballinger—later silenced; and Harry Truman's defense of Boss Tom Pendergast.

The late Franklin Roosevelt undoubtedly would have used a different strategy from Acheson's. He operated on the theory that such high office as Secretary of State or President must be kept clear of embarrassing friendships, that a good field commander must remain behind the lines while his troops—and friends—were necessary casualties in battle.

But here are some famous personages and incidents in which they differed with FDR's strategy:

HARRY TRUMAN—Continued his loyalty to Kansas City's Boss Tom Pendergast, after the latter served a jail sentence, flew in a government plane to his funeral, and promptly ousted U. S. Attorney Maurice Milligan, who convicted Pendergast, immediately after Truman entered the White House.

Unquestionably Truman's loyalty to Pendergast has hurt him politically, but he has snapped his fingers at public opinion.

NOTE—It may have been the Pendergast incident that led Truman to support Acheson when he informally offered to resign over the Hiss incident three weeks ago. Though the State Department issued a carefully worded denial, here is exactly what happened. Acheson dropped in at the White House late in the afternoon shortly after the Hiss statement, and Truman wanted to tell him, half-jokingly, what a barrage of criticism he had been getting. Acheson remarked that he would be glad to get out if he was causing any embarrassment, to which the President told his Secretary of State to stand pat and not pay any attention to those "yapping SOB's."

WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT—On Sept. 13, 1909, President Taft wrote a letter to Secretary of the Interior Richard Ballinger, completely absolving him in the Alaskan land scandals. In 1911, however, Ballinger resigned following an investigation by Louis Brandeis which disclosed that the letter of 1909 actually was written by Ballinger's attorney, Oscar Lawler.

CHARLES EVANS HUGHES—Cool, calm, and cautious Secretary of State Hughes did pretty much what Acheson did when Michigan's Senator Truman H. Newberry was convicted of violating the Corrupt Practices Act. Newberry had been elected to

the Senate in a contest with the late Henry Ford in which Newberry spent a great deal of money and later was convicted. Hughes, then in private practice, defended him, and the case was appealed to the Supreme Court which set aside the conviction. By this time Hughes had become Secretary of State, but nevertheless wrote a letter stating: "The plain fact was that Senator Newberry was wrongly and most unjustly convicted and his conviction was set aside."

The Hughes letter brought just as loud protest from the Democrats as the Acheson defense of Hiss has from the Republicans. Loudest to protest was Cordell Hull, later Secretary of State himself, but then Chairman of the Democratic National Committee. Hull proclaimed:

"If Secretary Hughes does not know that the Newberry seat in the Senate was bought, he is the only intelligent person in America who does not know that fact."

ANDREW JACKSON—When Aaron Burr was being tried for treason in Richmond, Andrew Jackson was one of the few to support him under extremely unpopular circumstances. Albert J. Beveridge describes the Richmond incident as follows:

"A tall, lank, uncouth-looking personage with long locks of hair hanging over his face... mounted the steps of a corner grocery and harangued the glowering assemblage that gathered in front of him. His daring and unmistakable air of danger to anyone who disputed him, prevented violent interruption certain to have been visited upon one less bold. He praised Burr as a brave man and a patriot who would have led Americans against the hated Spanish."

"Thus Andrew Jackson of Tennessee braved and cowed the hostile mob that was demanding and impatiently awaiting the condemnation and execution of (Burr)."

NOTE—As a result of this defense, President Madison held up Jackson's military promotion during the War of 1812.

The incident led to the historic split between Taft and Teddy Roosevelt. Years later, Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes, incidentally a strong Teddy Roosevelt man, discovered records which led him to absolve the deceased Ballinger.

A Study In Jargon The Sporting Picture IV

By Billy Kellam, IV

Say, Mo did you see our cag-wit their traditional foes, Chesterfield U., the other night on the local hardwood?

Yes, I saw the Tar Heels chalk up a stunning win in a thrilling spine - tingling spectacle which pitted two top notch quints. I was one of the howling spectators who turned out to see that Conference headliner.

Was it a hard fought, wild and wooly contest?

Yeah boy, it was a bruising battle. The visitors opened fast and forged to a quick lead. The count wasn't knotted before the intermission because lanky Horatio Dizzy, Chesterfield's stellar set shot artist, was hot as a firecracker last night.

Did he rise to great heights? Definitely! This sharp shooting pivot ace spelled the difference between the clubs in the opening stanza of this rugged conference test. He put fire in his mates with his brilliant ball handling and steady put. Incidentally, the rangy wheelhorse cracked the game's scoring ice by arching in a one hand, driving set shot right after the opening tip off.

Really? Yeah, but Ladia Pinkham of the Phantoms also turned in a good game. He and Wheezy engaged in a personal scoring duel. Both spearheaded their team's attacks by rolling in 76 counters apiece.

Did Pinkham play a fine, all-round game?

Lord yes! He was a ball of fire, so to speak. This smooth working shot maker was a veritable spark plug. Even his language was shocking. He controlled the play under both boards as the Phantoms unfurled a dazzling attack and air tight defense which completely baffled the outclassed Tobacconists.

What did you say the final score was?

The Phantoms pocketed a 153-149 decision.

It was a tight contest. Did the game ever threaten to get out of hand?

Yes, almost. Late in the battle Pinkham was banished on fouls. Did the sidelines pass much comment when Pinkham was ruled out of the cage war?

Whew! The partisan crowd went wild when the Phantoms lost the services of Pinkham. They vigorously protested the whistle tooters' decision with a barrage of bleacher planks, pop bottles, and old shoes.

Did the Phantoms still prevail after order was restored? Ah, yes. Their army of talent helped them stave off a last minute rally and outlast the Tobacconists, who rose to great heights and fought back like true champs.

Was it a storybook finish? I'll say. Paced by the thread-burning hook shoots of Dizzy the Tobacconists got up off the floor and came roaring back with a desperate rally which narrowed the margin to 147-144. The Tobs almost overcame the deficit didn't they?

Almost. But the Phants blew hot and broke away to win. Mo Yablonski, the fighting Irishman who recently transferred from Notre Dame when a wealthy alumnus offered him the University presidency upon graduation and whose brilliant work stood out all night, pulled the game out of the fire for the Phants by flipping in a pair of two-points and dunking a brace of charity tosses. Thus the Phants were able to grind out another win.

Both aggregations of thin clads must have played bang up ball.

Oh, they did. It was a wide open game. The count was deadlocked time after time. Although both fired-up fives often enjoyed big leads, the issue was ever in doubt.

Was it an impressive victory? Definitely. The Phants were clicking in midseason form as they rolled to the stunning upset victory?

That's right, they toppled the Tobs from the ranks of the undefeated didn't they?

They sure did, and the stout-hearted lads climbed back into the thick of the race for the loop crown.

It's getting pretty thick around here so I'll leave. Adieu.

FILES AND \$12 GONE

MILFORD, N. H.—(P)—It cost Robert A. Pease \$12 to rid his property of flies temporarily. Pease had a smudge fire built to drive off the flies. A fire lookout saw the smoke and ordered apparatus to the scene. A municipal court judge ordered Pease to pay the cost of the fire department's call.

Douglas Fir is more widely used in the construction of plywood than any other wood.

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ANSWER TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE.

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 45. Tibetan gazelle
 49. case for small articles
 50. Irishman
 51. complete
 52. gien
 53. finds sum of

1. male cat
 2. fourth caliph (her.)
 3. hold back
 4. an egg case (Zool.)
 5. cushion
 6. god of war
 7. reach final effect
 8. city in France

9. fly aloft
 10. grafted (abbr.)
 11. noxious plant
 17. tankard
 19. corrode
 21. allowance for waste
 22. this place
 23. absent-minded (Fr. fem.)
 26. former government agency (abbr.)
 27. ran
 28. half a quart
 29. makes lace edging
 32. our country
 34. felt
 35. feminine name
 36. equivalence
 38. confine
 39. river in England
 40. globe
 41. spirit
 44. nothing
 46. old times (poet.)
 47. mountains (abbr.)

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Greek Week Proposals

In a meeting of fraternity presidents, Interfraternity Council representatives, and other interested persons last night, Allison Pell, president of the IFC led a discussion on the merits of the Greek Week idea for fraternity initiations. Pell stated yesterday that he hoped the group would be able to formulate a definite schedule of activities and set dates for Greek Week in order that the plan might receive approval in chapter meetings over campus tonight.

Right now there is no method of determining just what setup will be devised by the Greek Week committee to present to the fraternities tonight. But there is much to be said for the Greek Week idea, and every fraternity man should cooperate to the utmost if the plan is adopted.

Last week a DTH editorial suggested that Greek Week would be good publicity for the fraternities. Well, it would. However, under no circumstance should this publicity angle be construed as the basis for Greek Week.

The underlying purpose is to build a feeling of unity and good will between the pledge classes of all the fraternities. By participating in a number of activities jointly during their week of initiation, the pledges will come in contact with men from all the other fraternities.

Secondly, it is hoped that Greek Week will lead to an eventual termination of some of the ridiculous displays and silly customs which the pledges participate in on campus during initiation.

With these two goals in mind—building unity among ALL the pledge classes and eliminating some of the ridiculous activities of Hell Week—the leaders of the IFC are pushing forward with a modified program for Greek Week. They realize that no great changes will be wrought overnight, but the Greek Week idea represents a step in the right direction.

Actually the whole idea of an old-fashioned Hell Week that every one used to read about and shudder is going out of style at Carolina. Several fraternities on campus have no more than a formal initiation ceremony in the process of initiating new men. These houses seem to have just as much unity and spirit as do the fraternities which still adhere to some of Hell Week's more objectionable features.

As one IFC spokesman put it, throughout the long weeks of pledge training, fraternities strive to make their pledges conscious of the fact that they are gentlemen and that they have a reputation to live up to. Then in one short week, they apparently do their level best to tear down this concept of a fraternity. In short, many aspects of Hell Week are exactly counter to the goals of pledge-training.

Many fraternity men will say it's nobody's business but their own as to how they run their initiations. They have a point. It is the individual fraternity which in the final analysis can make Greek Week a success or a failure. The IFC could never police a fraternity initiation, and no one would want it to. If a fraternity is bent upon subjecting its pledges to varying degrees of humiliation before initiations, and is convinced that in the long run this policy is best for both fraternity and pledge, then Hell Week will continue as before—regardless of the wishes of other fraternities on campus.

But there is one thing which everyone should have in the back of his mind when he considers the Greek Week proposals. And this is the fact that the general public views fraternities collectively as one group of individuals. If one does wrong, then all are condemned, not just the erring fraternity.

If some student were killed or permanently injured during initiation, all the fraternities on this campus would suffer. No doubt there would be a move on the part of many to abolish fraternities, and at any rate all could expect to be tied down with University rules and regulations in the future.

To those familiar with the fraternity situation it seems silly to condemn all fraternities for the actions of one. Individual chapters vary greatly on this campus, just as they vary from one college to another, and go from down to up over a period of a few years.

But just the same they are viewed collectively by the public, and it is to the advantage of all to realize this.

The idea of Greek Week is very much akin to the IFC regulation of rushing. Certain controls are necessary in so vital a function. Accidents during initiations and the ensuing rumors have been the biggest single reason why many people look with disfavor on fraternities. Perhaps Greek Week will be a solution. It's worth a try anyway.

Hell Week Going Out Of Style

Are Viewer As Group On Campus

Gordon Scott