

# The Daily Tar Heel

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ON  
The WASHINGTON  
MERRY-GO-ROUND

WASHINGTON.—The natural gas industry's smoothest salesman will learn today whether he has made his biggest sale.

He is amiable, persuasive Sen. Bob Kerr, Oklahoma Democrat, who has been trying to sell the Senate on exempting natural gas producers from federal regulation. For three weeks he has been shuffling from Senator to Senator, haranguing, cajoling, pumping them full of sales talk. This afternoon they will give their answer in a roll-call vote.

Already a millionaire oilman, Kerr has a financial stake in his own salesmanship. During most of his one year in the Senate, Kerr's voting record has been for the public interest. But in the Gas Bill, his gain would be the public's loss, for the consumers must eventually pay any resulting increase in the cost of gas. Certainly the reason the natural gas companies want to escape federal regulation isn't to reduce prices.

Whether the outcome, the Senator from Oklahoma has set a record in Senatorial salesmanship. He nursed his bill every step of the way, fighting for it comma by comma in the Senate and even turning his honey charm on President Truman to get a White House endorsement.

On the Senate floor, Kerr set up a wall of billboard-size charts and graphs, portraying the natural gas industry from every statistical view. With this as a backdrop, he ambled up and down the Senate chamber, haggling with opponents face to face, gesturing under their noses, pleading in whispers with the nearest Senator when someone else had the floor.

At times, Kerr's informal manner and easy drawl gave the Senate the atmosphere of an Oklahoma town meeting. But of late, his persistency has got under Senatorial skins. Kerr has made the mistake of over-selling. Twice in one day Senate Majority Leader Scott Lucas politely called him down for wandering away from his seat and sitting almost under the nose of the Senator who was speaking.

When Kerr kept this up the next day, Missouri's Senator Forrest Donnell broke in impatiently: "Mr. President, I make the point of order which was made twice on yesterday against the Senator from Oklahoma. Under the rules of the Senate, Senators are supposed to be at their seats when they speak."

As the debate wore on, Kerr challenged everyone who took the floor against him. He kept interrupting Missouri's Sen. James Kem, for example, until the irritated Kem retorted:

"I shall answer any questions the Senator puts to me in my own way, in my own words, in my own time and at such length as I see fit."

"If the Senator cares to indulge in personal remarks, that's all right," shrugged Kerr. "If the Senator wants to indulge in personalities, let the bars go down," snapped Kem. They glowered at each other for a moment, then fell back to the polite, formal language of Senate.

At another point, Kerr suggested that Sen. Paul Douglas's arguments "would cause the Junior Senator from Illinois to become a joint author of the



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## The Sounding Board On The DTH Elections

By "Wink" Locklair

One of the candidates seeks the editorship of this newspaper in the April election would, if he were elected, do away with the Hearst editorial cartoon which appears on this page every morning.

Although this is hardly a strong enough plank to put any man into office, the idea is a good one to voice at this time because it brings up an issue which some students would like to discuss more thoroughly. This is the possibility, the practicability and the workability, of digging up a cartoonist of our own, someone who could analyze our local politics, expatiate our traditions and scholarly foibles with humor and understanding, investigate our campus with perception and give us a picture of the University and its people that can be easily recognized and appreciated.

The subjects for such a bill.

"God deliver us from that!" cried Douglas.

"I am sure that he will—to our mutual gratification," bristled the Senator from Oklahoma.

"I should like to be with the Lord, and I should like to be with the Junior Senator from Oklahoma," smiled Douglas. "But not on this particular question."

Between spurts of fire, the debate was dull and technical. Kerr was assisted principally by Sen. Lyndon Johnson of Texas who also flitted from Senator to Senator, turning on the charm when arguments failed.

It will be interesting to see how much the charm of two freshman Senators will cost the nation's natural gas consumers.

NOTE—Since this column has been critical of Senator Kerr, it is only fair to report his criticism of me. Here it is: "And then there is good, old Drew Pearson—good, old Drew." said Kerr in the middle of his main speech. "No wonder American Broadcasting Company puts Airweek on the air for 45 minutes after he gets through. Boy, oh boy, do they need it."

The Reserves Officers Association knows how to keep sweet with the Administration. It dedicated its new song to Harry Truman, with special credit to Harry Vaughn . . . Florida is a long way from Washington State. But George Fuller, the West Coast lumber lobbyist, intervened in Florida politics recently—against Sen. Claude Pepper. This ties in with heavy GOP interest in backing Rep. George Smathers against Pepper in the Florida primary.

The college senior one the prow for a job next June would do well to consider (See EDIT, page 4)

cartoonist are numberless: sketches of the Student Legislature in action or lethargy, the Men's Honor Council, the Co-ed Senate, the Carolina Political Union meetings, and the Di and Phi Assemblies.

There need not always be an editorial message with every cartoon, either. Campus scenes and activities drawn in the style of Don Freeman or Hirschfeld would be excellent: a Playmaker rehearsal in the Koch Outdoor Theater, a field trip in botany, the Planetarium visitors, coffee time on the South Building steps, the rush hour in Lenoir Hall—all of these ideas and hundreds more—present themselves to the artist who can visualize them on his or her sketch pad.

National and international issues are handled exceedingly well by HerBlock, Fitzpatrick, Low and others, and students who are interested in national and international issues see the work of these artists every day or so in the State press.

What is sorely needed at Carolina is someone who with pin and ink can create and stimulate interest in the things taking place in and about Chapel Hill. It is sad but true that the DTH is also lacking in talented and colorful writing. This, of course, is not by any means the entire fault of the paper or those in charge of it. The paper requires much time and attention, and it is unfortunate that so few students feel that they have time to contribute to its support. The material and ideas are here. What is needed is more writers to express them simply, intelligently and, if possible entertainingly.

Where will a cartoonist be found? Person Hall, perhaps. But there are many people in political science, English, education, physics and other departments who enjoy sketching and commenting on local happenings.

And how will the DTH get a cartoonist? The same way and re-writers: by volunteer. It gets editorial writers, feature writers, sports writers, it at all. There is, of course, the problem of financing these local cartoons, which would entail more expense.

The candidates for editor—there were three at the last count—all have good ideas for changes in the general makeup of the paper and in the things they want to see put in or taken out. Removal of the Hearst cartoon may be a wise move if it is replaced with something more suitable. But regardless of who is elected and regardless of what he may have promised before April 4, he will have to rely on volunteer help to put out his newspaper every morning.

A good cartoonist would be welcomed, not to mention writers for all departments of the paper as well as those who would like to work in the advertising or circulation departments.

Electing the best qualified man for editor of the paper is an important job, and it would seem reasonable to believe that the best qualified man would be the one with the most experience and the man who has a working knowledge of the University and the people who make up the University. However, once he is elected and the buoyancy of the victory celebration passes away, meeting deadlines will confront him and, no doubt, many of those lofty promises will be by the boards.

So, the Daily Tar Heel will remain as it is or it may be better or worse depending on the students who offer to help it as well as the editor they chose to set its policies and standards.

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  12. once again
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  15. tropical American plant
  16. theatrical
  18. exalt
  20. compound containing phosphorus
  21. slightest
  22. exclamation of triumph
  25. rage
  26. plague
  30. compound in fir-wood
  32. more compact
  33. island in Mediterranean
  34. muscular twitching
  35. equivalence
  36. cherish devoutly
  39. scantly
  42. evergreen tree
  45. placed in difficulty
  47. narrow strip
  48. layer of iris
  49. fishlike vertebrate
  50. intermittent fever
  51. inflict, as blow
  52. rusted
  53. for fear that
- VERTICAL**
1. European shark
  2. noxious
  3. sever
  4. stale
  5. increase
  6. salt or boric acid
  7. yawning
  8. sprinkle
  9. small monkey
  10. one
  11. fresh-water fish
  17. pertaining to a resin for varnish
  19. hill
  22. Swedish coin
  23. bow
  24. of that girl
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  28. ocean
  29. miscudge
  31. endcap
  32. evergreen
  33. menace
  37. California lancet-fish
  38. of one's birth
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  40. small bay
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- Average time of solution: 27 minutes.  
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## Who Said Elections Are Dull

Did someone say the elections were dull this year? That's just what a Daily Tar Heel editorial and a number of columnists were saying last week—but for the last few days, the campus politicians are making the staff "eat its words." Office-seekers have been running up and out of Graham Memorial all week, comparing the inches of publicity that they have received in the "Tar Heel," complaining that the DTH is prejudiced for one party or another, or registering "blasts" about some action of their opponents. One candidate says another swiped his platform, another is accusing his opponents of spreading rumors, still another objects to being listed along side of the other independent candidates. It's all chaotic.

The revival of interest in elections has stimulated a literary outburst from DTH columnists and several other students who have never written in the paper before. Anyway, in order to accommodate all these columnists, letter-writers, etc., the rest of today's editorial space will be devoted to them. And there are plenty of columns on the waiting list.

**Letters To The Editor**  
(First, a few of the letters which have been pouring into the DTH office lately.)

**Editors:**  
Yesterday the DTH carried a column, written by a member of the University Party, that lumped all independent candidates for office in the April 4 elections.

The columnist implied that all independent candidates are equally incapable of holding campus office and indicated that all were incompetent of student trust.

In as much as, Graham Jones, independent candidate for the editorship of the Daily Tar Heel, has held responsible positions in several campus organizations, including the presidency of the Young Democratic Club, floor leader and publicity chairman of the Student Party, and Speaker of the Phi Assembly—not to mention his membership in such organizations as the Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society, the Student Legislature, and the University Veterans Association—we, the undersigned students, strongly feel that the attempt to smear Jones by lumping him with the two other candidates, was ridiculous, biased, and un-called for.

As a note of interest, Graham Jones turned in 125 names to get his name on the ballot, whereas his opponents had a combined vote of 35 party members to get theirs on the ballot.

By his own analogy we suggest that the columnist go out for water boy.

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| Bill Cecilie      |             |

**Editor:**

For several years we have been students at the University, and at long last we are glad to see a man of independent thinking, outspoken attitude, and an all out friendliness decide to enter the political race. The students are tired of sitting back and watching some of the do-nothing politicians vacillate among themselves over petty questions.

If political aplomb is a requisite for a presidential candidate, then Selby is the man for whom to cast your vote. Let's elect a true representative of all the students. VOTE FOR SELBY.

Toby Selby, in vying with the party-endorsed candidates has undertaken the task of solving some of the perplexities of student government in a manner which will be beneficial to the average student. He is interested in the student who is ordinarily misrepresented.

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| Leonard S. Woodall | W. J. Waddell |
| Moon Ennis         |               |

## The Other Side

—Dick Murphey, SP Chairman

During the past few months, there appeared in the Daily Tar Heel a number of articles dealing with student politics, written by various columnists such as John Stump, Zane Robbins, Jay Mills, and Gifford Hay. While most of these gentlemen are regular columnists for the Daily Tar Heel, they also happen to be members of the University Party steering committee; consequently, the point of view which they have usually presented has been that of the University Party. In order to present a more balanced view of the campus political scene, Dick Jenrette has consented to give me an opportunity to present the issues as the Student Party sees them.

One of the fundamental questions which I think every student should consider before he casts his ballot, concerns the nature of the two parties which are

soliciting his vote. The University Party is organized upon the basis of representation of social organizations. A twenty five man steering committee, each representing a fraternity or sorority, conducts the business, including all nominations.

The University Party has nominated for over twenty years on the basis of collective bargaining among social organizations. Recently, in order to make the UP a representative political party, rather than a social pressure group, the party announced that they were going to give seven steering committee seats over to dorm representation; however, sincere they may have been in this announcement, they failed completely to carry it out.

The Student Party does not believe that any political party has a legitimate right to solicit the votes of the campus as a whole under the guise of repre-

sentation, when it represents only a minority of the student body. It further believes that membership or non-membership in a social organization is a totally irrelevant consideration when nominating a person for a position of responsibility in student government. There should be no distinction in a political democracy between fraternity and non-fraternity men and women; and when that distinction is drawn, as in the case of the UP, it can only result in harm, not only to student government, but particularly to fraternities. Out of fifty-four candidates in the spring elections, the student party nominated thirty one fraternity and sorority men and women. The University Party, on the other hand, nominated only two non-fraternity candidates. This is concrete proof of the difference in philosophy between the two parties.

## Hell Week Why And Wherefore

By Bill Mackie

Once upon a time there was a custom on the Carolina campus which called on all Sophomores to beat and treat roughly all Freshmen during the majority of their freshman year. This practice was one which might be truthfully described as being deeply ingrained. It had been with University as long as the university had been with the state. People, especially Sophomore people, enjoyed the practice a great deal. Upon its continuation rested the spirit and the success of university life.

Fortunately, this practice, which was generally known as hazing, came to an untimely demise when one student, who was the object of the fun, was killed in action. The incident in which the student died was not an extraordinary one. It just didn't go off in the usual and prescribed manner. This resulted in a statute, passed by the North Carolina General Assembly, which forbade hazing in so many words and commanded that any and all students found to be guilty of hazing should be suspended from school, this punishment to be in addition to any sentence handed down by a court of law.

Since the enactment of the statute, no Freshman has been mistreated in any way simply because he was a freshman. There have been therefore, no cases in the courts involving the University of North Carolina in such a light.

There is and has been on the Carolina campus another practice, somewhat similar in character to that which was outlawed many years ago. This practice is generally known as Hell Week, and it exists in most of the local chapters of fraternities. In Hell Week, those persons who are active in the fraternity beat and treat roughly those persons who are pledges in the fraternity for a period of time ranging from two or three days up to one week. This practice is quite deeply ingrained in the life of the average fraternity chapter. It consists of all sorts of "games," concoctions, trips into the wilderness, and the like. There is also a certain amount of work required around the house, for the benefit of the house and all who use it.

The object of Hell Week is primarily to unite the pledge class, give it a sense of oneness, and, by somewhat devious means, make it to be a part of the fraternity.

Greek Week has come to the campus this year. It is designed to replace Hell Week with some constructive work, a little regimented study and sleep, and some good competitive games. Instead of using Greek Week to replace the unnecessary and dangerous activities of Hell Week, most fraternities have simply combined the two. Some extended it altogether to a week and a half while very few of those having Hell Week in their recent history had planned to cut out any of the bad things which make Hell week dangerous.

Continued accidents and incidents have brought us to the point at which we must do something to get the Hell taken out of Hell Week. The job should be done in each fraternity, preferably of its own free will and accord. But it is due time for the lead of the IFC to be followed, and for responsible student leaders to take a definite stand against Hell Week, both in the fraternities and on the campus.

It is a sign of good progress that several of the fraternities have altered their plans concerning all pre-initiation exercises even since the beginning of Greek Week. The trend toward the end of all forms of personal indignities seems to be clear. The one point which no student can afford to forget is that students can have the power to govern themselves only so long as they show the willingness and ability to do the job.

Another fatality should not be necessary at this university to bring about the end of Hell Week. It is our duty to look ahead and to lead forward. Let us do our duty . . .

**FIRE PATTERN REPORTED**  
CHICAGO—(AP)—More fires start between 4 and 5 p. m. than at any other hour. The fewest break out between 4 and 5 a. m. Those are the high and low spots in the daily alarm pattern as noted by Chief Fire Marshal Mullaney in a study of fires in Chicago.