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NONPLUS

by Harry Snook

Compulsory class attendance is ridiculous.

The University of North Carolina, supposedly one of the most progressive schools in the South, puts a higher value on attendance than on actual learning.

If a student cuts one too many classes in a particular course, he is dropped from the course and given a grade of F, even though he may have made excellent grades on every quiz. And a student who consistently turns in C-grade work, but meets every class, will pass the course and be given credit for it.

There is, of course, a reason for compulsory class attendance. It is that most undergraduate students would not attend classes regularly enough to pass their courses. This implies that the average student is incapable of disciplining himself. And it implies that the average student has so little regard for education itself that he cannot discipline himself to do the necessary amount of work.

All of this reasoning is actually beside the point.

Most students do not come to Carolina because they want to increase their educational background or because they want a greater understanding of our cultural heritage. Most of them don't even come to Carolina with the idea of picking up a little knowledge that will help them make a living later.

They come because their parents want them to, because it's the proper thing to do, because they would rather go to school than to work, and because they want to enjoy the social pleasures of young men and women away from home.

Without the desire for an education, they put up with being educated only because they must.

Those in favor of leaving class attendance up to the individual argue that a man who doesn't want to put out the work to get an education shouldn't be in school anyway. They reason that students who wouldn't attend classes of their own accord don't get much out of the classes they are forced to attend.

And this reasoning is beside the point, too.

There is little doubt that students with a choice would skip so many classes and flunk so many courses at first that many would have to leave school.

But, and this is to the point, it wouldn't take students long to realize that it was necessary to pass courses to stay at Carolina and that it was necessary to attend classes to pass courses.

Students should be given credit for some practicality. Anyone interested in being at Carolina, for any reason, will do whatever is necessary to stay here. If the requirement is to learn a certain amount, all who should stay will stay.

Those who came to learn would learn. And those who came just to enjoy collegiate pleasures would be forced to learn, rather than just attend, in order to stay.

And anyone who would not place a high enough value on either education or the pleasures afforded by Carolina to discipline himself to do what was necessary to stay here wouldn't get anything out of school under any circumstances. He would drop out of school under the present system.

As it is, students have no choice and thus no real opportunity to decide for themselves whether to go or not to go. They go by habit and force. The result is that many go all the way through school from force of habit.

Why try to cram education down the throats of those who don't want it enough to work for it?

On Campus

Dr. Olsen's public speaking class went into hysterics the other day during a five-minute speech by a new coed who was as puzzled as Olsen by all the laughter accompanying her remarks.

The subject of her talk: The assets of squirrels on the Carolina campus.

"Personally, I Got One Of Them Bipartisan Policies"



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Tar Heel At Large

by Robert Ruark '35

I have two headlines here. One says "Simmons Gets Leave to Pitch for Phils." One says "Marine, AWOL to Help Family, Faces Court."

The stories easily amplify. Pfc. Curt Simmons, recently a talented pitcher for the Philadelphia Phillies, and more recently a draftee, was awarded a 10-day pass. He has been in the Army a month. He did not pitch in the World Series, but was present at the festivities.

Maj. Gen. Daniel B. Strickler, commanding general of the 28th division, specially blessed the leave. "We realize the winning of the National League pennant by the Phillies is a great thing," the general was quoted. "It is gratifying to take this course of action to encourage the ball team during the World Series."

Pfc. Francis Deshane frankly went over the hill from Camp Pendleton, Calif. Deshane had a pregnant wife and four kids living in Syracuse, N. Y. He hitchhiked from California to see them, driven a touch reckless by his worry over the fact that a wife and four—soon to be five—kids were not apt to live splendidly on his \$125 monthly government allotment.

He checked with the family, told his story to a Syracuse newspaper, then gave himself up to military authorities. He was returned to California, where he faces a summary court-martial. Worst he can draw is a month in the brig, with or without pay.

His commanding officer was quoted as saying that if Pfc. Deshane could reconcile his behavior with that of Marines fighting in Korea, "he was even more thoughtless than his present misconduct indicates." He then ordered the court.

Broadly speaking, a man with four kids and a pregnant wife is no candidate for small-scale war—or any other war except one which dips so deep in the barrel that they take male torsos and old ladies. Anything he does is apt to be militarily irresponsible, since it is colored by a heavy sense of general responsibility that does not include the welfare of the service.

Pvt. Deshane wasn't worrying overmuch about the Marines in Korea when he shoved off. He

was fretting about Pauline Deshane, who was carrying a baby, and four other Deshanes who were living on \$125 a month. That used to be money. Today it isn't. He just took off, and who's to blame him?

Broadly speaking, Master Curt Simmons, the drafted pitcher, deserves no more consideration from his big boss, and the Department of the Army, which must specifically approve that kind of special leave, than any other doughboy in his outfit. Other people get drafted from occupations as important to them as the Phillies might have been to Mr. Simmons. Where the welfare of the state of Pennsylvania is concerned, or how the state benefits from Mr. Simmons' presence, is not clear.

You cannot build a fighting force out of people who are always going AWOL, and neither can you build one in which the top officers are so impressed by fragile prestige that they will okay a tinsel leave for a handcuff volunteer who has been striving in the service a whole month.

Offhand I would say that Gen. Strickler destroyed more morale among the militant newcomers by sending Simmons to watch the series than Pfc. Deshane destroyed by sloping off to visit a harrassed family. These little things finally become important as a war effort grows, and they tell me we are gardening one at the moment.

During the last thing, one of the big frailties of the brass was a preoccupation with the civilian background of a fresh candidate for deathly distinction, to where some Hollywood ham or strong-backed athlete got deference and privilege while some poor bum with not too rich a brain deposit got pilloried for following a natural inclination to his own disaster. The instances of Simmons' leave and Deshane's court-martial are of small importance, except to Simmons' fellow soldiers and all the Deshanes, including the one that isn't born yet. And if Gen. Strickler can reconcile his conduct with that of the troops fighting in Korea... but then you cannot hand a general a summary court-martial.

Presidential Memo

by John Sanders

Government in a democracy must engage in a constant internal process of re-evaluation and modernization. Otherwise it tends to become too far removed from the people and their needs, and to exchange stability for atrophy.

Last week student government turned its concentrated attention to a general re-study of the student judiciary. A committee of several students, experienced in the operation of one or more of the councils, and vitally interested in the just and effective operation of our judiciary system, began this work.

The general duties of this committee are to study the nature, purpose, and present operations of the nine courts operating within student government. Much attention will be given to the regularization and systemization of trial procedure and record-keeping in each of the councils.

The many suggested alternatives to the present set-up of the Men's Council will be considered. Some of these plans propose the attachment to that tribunal of an investigating agency, composed of non-members of the Council, which would relieve members of the duty of securing

witnesses, testimony, and evidence for presentation at the trial. This might very well answer the criticisms of some that the present arrangement, under which the Council acts as investigator, prosecutor, judge, and jury, opens the way to possible miscarriages of justice.

While the Men's Council is the most active element of the judiciary, there are in addition eight other agencies which exercise judiciary functions, all of which will be studied. They are the Student Council, Women's Council, Inter-dormitory Council, Interfraternity Council, Court, Law School Court, Med School Court, Women's House Councils, and Dance Committee.

The Honor System itself, the basis of our whole structure for the preservation of law and order on campus, will also come in for its share of study, as will the Campus Code.

Announced open hearings will be held in the course of this quarter, at which interested students may register criticisms and make recommendations for improvement. In this way, any person on campus will have an opportunity to contribute to the study, and ultimately to the more effective operation of his judiciary.

The Editor's Mailbox

Monogrammers Get Bad Shuffle

Editor:

Several year ago, when the present Monogram Club was organized by its first president, Bill Pritchard, it was the most powerful and influential organization on the UNC campus. But since that great beginning, several things have marred the progress of the varsity letter club.

When the Navy departed from Chapel Hill in 1945 or '46, it left behind a beautiful building which it gave to the University for the sole use of the Monogram Club. For two years, this great organization went forward by leaps and bounds until a certain University official or groups of officials decided that the University was not benefiting from the use of the building.

Controller W. D. Carmichael stepped in and put the clamps on the Monogram Club. Since that time, the interest in the club by its members has been almost nil. President Joe Augustine and his fellow varsity men are holed up in one corner in the spacious building. Two weeks ago, when the Monogram Club held its fall initiation, it was evident that there were too many people in that one room. In fact, many were sitting jammed together on the floor. Mr. Carmichael was present at this initiation and gave what could have been a very inspiring talk on "the Carolina Monogram." But something seemed to be lacking.

Many visitors come to Chapel Hill on weekends and feel that they should go to the Monogram Club to eat. A large majority of them feel it is for a good cause. Yet not one cent that is collected in the Circus Room or in the dining room is given to the Monogram Club.

Another incident came up last year for the first time. The annual Blue-White game in the spring was originated by the Monogram Club. A large portion of the club's financial assets come from this game. But before last spring's contest, Carl Snavely and several other officials felt that the game was too big for the Monogram Club, an organization which had successfully carried out the job for three years. After a hard tussle, the Monogram Club retained the right to keep on running the Blue-White game.

But after all this, it seems that the Monogram Club has gotten a bad shuffle in the past years. One thing is certain, the only way to get back to the top is fight all the way.

Art Greenbaum

Several Points Overlooked

Editor:

Mr. George Smith:

There are several points overlooked concerning my letter on the problem of a Negro entering UNC. The first two paragraphs in which I strongly state my views were omitted, also my letter was written a week before this matter was disapproved by the court.

Therefore, you were not in possession of all the facts concerning this. You presented a great deal of criticism, but no solution to the problem. May I suggest that we meet to discuss the matter if there are still differences of opinion.

By the way, we are on the same side of the fence.

E. Hardee

The Sounding Board

by Wink Locklair

Nancy Richmond, who gave a piano recital in Graham Memorial, Sunday evening before a sparse and transitory audience, is a good-looking girl. She came out to the piano wearing a beautiful white strapless evening gown which met with everyone's approval. She has a graceful, winning personality and is in every way easy on the eye. It is our sad duty to report, however, that her playing—on this occasion, at least—was not easy on the ear.

For her recital Miss Richmond selected Beethoven's so-called "Moonlight" Sonata, a group of Preludes by Chopin, and the very pleasant, lyrical Variationen uber ein ungarisches Volkslied, Op. 29 of Dohnanyi. (Unless our memory is at fault, she gave this same program on the campus at the end of the summer session in the University.) A news story in this paper says, "She came here from Averett College in Danville, Va., and has won several contests and talent shows. She is specializing here in piano."

If Miss Richmond is "specializing" in piano here she is not specializing in Beethoven at the moment. In the Sonata she missed many of the notes during the opening movement and the Allegretto section was played with little or no regard for pedal notes, tempo or interpretation. The last movement, marked Presto Agitato, didn't get played that way.

There was a nice burst of applause at the end of the program and Nancy returned for an encore. When we left, the audience was whooping it up for another one, which was as encouraging for Miss Richmond's efforts as it was amazing.

JOIN the Crusade for Freedom at the "Y" Court

Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS
- Dull finish
 - Country in Idaho
 - Made a mistake
 - Self
 - Correlative of neither
 - Any climbing woolly perennial
 - Brown in the sun
 - Human race
 - Genus of the olive tree
 - Division of a college year
 - Southern state; abbr.
 - Skill
 - Right-hand page
 - Fasten
 - Agricultural implement
 - Famous soprano
 - God of the underworld
 - Two halves
 - Mexican stirrup hood
 - Wood wind instrument
 - Metric land measure
 - The herb dill
 - Flood
 - Each without exception
 - Mouths
 - Female sandpiper
 - Stanza
 - Teleost fish
 - Olden times
 - Equine animals

GAD	ARRAS	LIP
EPI	SIEGE	ALL
MESS	PROPERLY	
	PATEE	ASK
CELLO	A ILS	BE
AYA	LADS	EARN
BECALM	LINNET	
ANEW	ITEM	AAR
LT	ACRE	PALMY
	SIR	SHINY
INITIATE	ASIA	
DUN	STERE	IRK
AND	PEDAL	SEE

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

- DOWN
- Illeguity
 - Operatic solo
 - Conduct
 - business
 - City in Holland
 - Representatives
 - Was victorious
 - Indigo plant
 - Bird of paradise
 - Surface
 - More venous
 - Nothing more than
 - Last name of Columbus's flagship
 - Expunge
 - Serpent
 - Meadow
 - Radio singers
 - Weight
 - Be indented
 - Abate
 - Skin
 - Went wildly
 - Jury list
 - American Indian
 - Caliber
 - Indian
 - Gauche
 - Hopes for hotting yards
 - Beasts
 - Feminine name

On New Bank

Students should follow closely the actions of the State Banking Authority today when it meets to consider a Durham banking house's proposal to open a branch office in Chapel Hill.

Certainly the proposal for another bank in Chapel Hill should be considered carefully. The Bank of Chapel Hill has for years been the brunt of attack, mostly from the student body, but also from private citizens as well. Surely there are many defects in its service, in its attitude and probably in its policy. No one can deny that it has often shown a lack of consideration for those other than its owners. But most banks are open to the same charge.

The main consideration as far as students are concerned in the matter is whether the serious defects in the services of the present bank are big enough to justify another banking house. Undoubtedly another bank would probably snatch up a large amount of student business if the Bank of Chapel Hill would not improve its service and attitude toward students. Unless the Bank of Chapel Hill does honestly look into the problem of its defects as far as students are concerned, then students should certainly look into and back the wish of the Durham banking house in its endeavor to open a branch office in Chapel Hill.

Another Childish Display

The childish action of the bunch of UNC students who let mob spirit get the best of their better judgments over the weekend is something that points to a dangerous attitude on the part of Tar Heel student football fans.

We're referring to the bunch of lower and upper quad residents who lined the street in front of their dorms Saturday night and attacked with missiles, fists and words automobiles containing Wake Forest students and supporters. Hopelessly outnumbered, most of the visitors came out on the bad end of the ugly display of mob thinking.

Admittedly, the goalpost-grabbing incident was one that made it hard on UNC students as far as their self-control is concerned. But the ancient tradition of goalpost collection is one that is still within the bounds of honest display of school spirit. The Deacon action was even more understandable in view of the fact that they had not won a game over the Tar Heels since 1947, and in view of the exciting way in which the game was won. The advent of the costly pipe goalpost has already discouraged goalpost-swiping, but in view of the circumstances, the Deacs had pretty good cause in their action.

But the angry, ugly actions of students in the street-lining affair, and the fistcuffs that attended the goalpost-taking, were regrettable in that they showed up again the immature and wrong attitude that is becoming evident on the part of too large a portion of the student body. The proper attitude should come under the heading of "accepting defeat gracefully."

It was clear to students before the football season got underway that the Tar Heel gridmen, although they would be as determined a squad as any championship team, would not be able to match the undefeated records of past teams, and that team and students alike would have to accept some defeats.

There is no shame in defeat when it is accepted gracefully. When the disappointment and anger over defeat turns into mob action such as was displayed last Saturday, however, it points to an immaturity and childishness that does not become the usual attitude of the UNC student fan. It is as childish as paintbrush-wielding, and it is much more dangerous.

Students should realize that by matching in defeat their wonderful victory spirit, they are adding ever more to the good name of Carolina spirit—a spirit that is unbeatable in victory, unquenchable in defeat.

Choo Did OK

Although many newspapermen, citizens and students will probably say "I told you so" and "he is money-mad like the rest" over Charlie Justice's decision to enter the ranks of the professional football players, seems to us Choo has taken a step that should be commended by clear-thinking folks.

Charlie admittedly fumbled around with the pro football decision for quite a while. There was tremendous pressure from many sides. Those who became disgusted over the so-called "wishy-washy" way in which Choo made his decision after months of indecision should put themselves in the great tailback's shoes. Pulling on him was a tremendous, unquenchable love of football, the demands of a job that would be a challenge to the greatest of young men, considerations of family and future security, the demands of sports writers and others who said he "owed" his services to the game, and a dozen other weighty considerations.

Out of all that mental strain and decision-making has come a move that should be acceptable to all those who had an opinion on the All-American's future course. Charlie will not only prove his ability to be a top star—already conceded after his brilliant All-Star performance—but will be able to add glory to his own name, the name of the State and the name of the University. Choo Choo's decision is one that reflects the personable All-American's real good sense, and the University and the State should be glad to bask in the light of this reflection.