In A Mountain Cove

(Ed. Note-This is another in the current series of articles o nSummer Service Projects written by students who attended work camps, or made study fours here and abroad last summer. Today's written by Tom Donnelly, is concerned with a work camp at Swannanca, North Carolina.)

by Tom Donnelly

In a mountain cove near Swannanoa, North Carolina, last summer, a few young men got together and put up a one room building, designed to be the administrative center of a conference site. There was nothing spectacular or glamorous about it; young people at work camps all over the world were doing similar things. We happened to be working with building materials-other young people worked with soil or manufactured goods, or human lives.

We lived in an abandoned mountain cabin-even the squatters had given it up. When it rained, the water came through the holes in the roof and left through the holes in the floor. For pets, a couple of stray dogs adopted us-Philosopher, he of the lean and hungry look, and Ermintrude, his girl friend. Oh yes, and a half interest in a Jersey cow who gave us a gallon of milk a day, and her calf, who was good for nothing except tearing up our badminton net. For transportation, we had a Jeep; for amusement, there were weekly concerts of modern music at Black Mountain College a few miles away.

We were not entirely alonethe youngsters in the community came up to watch us work and to play badminton and horseshoes with us. On a week end we would have a dozen people around the place. Of course, we weren't the only attractionthere was a deserted apple orchard up the hill, and we had a wonderful blackberry patch in our front yard.

Our daily routine was just what you would expect-breakfast, meditations, work, lunch, and work again til late afternoon. Our evenings were spent fort to help everyone." reading, writing, talking, or singing together.

selves in jobs whose only reward rest of the campus," Barton said.

are those of the spirit. That is the thing that really needs to be explained about the whole work camp movement. We tried to explain it to the young people who watched us putting up our building, and they couldn't understand why we should be working there. We finally gave up trying to explain.

The explanation I would give is something like this: All of us hold values, or at least give ourselves credit for doing so. We all enjoy saying we believe in Freedom, Democracy, the Intrinsic Rights of Man, the Sacredness of Personality, and so forth. But every once in a while we catch a glimpse of ourselves as we really are and see that all our noble values are only for show and not really built into our daily lives and working schedules. Somehow we have to discover working models to correspond to noble sentiments; we have to find a practical equivalent for every ideal, or else our ideals are unreal.

That is what work camps are trying to do-to teach people to pray with their muscles, and praise God with the sweat of their brow.

The work camp at Swannanoa is sponsored by the Fellowship of Southern Churchmen. Any man interested in spending his summer in such a profitable manner may contact Bob Barrus, Celo, N. C., or in Chapel Hill; George Worth, Presbyterian church, J. C. Herrin, Baptist church, or John Riebel, Y.M.C.A.

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men who wish to benefit no one but themselves by maintaining the fraternity block vote," Barton said that the "University Party, which pretends to protect fraternities, only hurts them with such action as this."

"This is a big campus," Barton commented, "and student government officers must realize it is their duty to serve the entire campus equally, expending their ef-

"The confessed purpose of this move is to place the fraternities But describing a work camp in a position of complete and selisn't the important thing-it still fish dominance in campus politics. doesn't explain what makes a No move could be more surely work camp run, why young calculated to create a genuine and people will give up lucrative justifiable hostility towards frasummer positions to bury them- ternity men on the part of the

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bring it around here, so we could cram it down their throats."

In most fraternities which have accepted the enforced voting chapter meetings will be held Wednesday afternoon. After this the members will go together to the polls. Or, in other cases, student identification cards will be checked to determine who failed to vote. Those who haven't voted will be penalized.

In a Daily Tar Heel check yesterday afternoon the following fraternities stated that they had approved the failure to vote penalties: Pi Kappa Alpha, Phi Delta Theta, Lambda Chi Alpha, Phi student government." Gamma Delta, Sigma Alpha Enfraternities and sororities contacted on the subject and fejected it. 'ment," he said.

Sigma Nu replied that their fraternity meetings were secret.

The proposal is allegedly scheduled to be presented to 20 fra-

ternities and four sororities. Barney Boardman, speaking for himself and "others" who initiated the plan, told The Daily Tar Heel that they are encouraging "fraternities and sororities to use any means they see fit, even putting in incentive plans, to get their members to the polls."

"We have in no way told peo ple how, or for whom, they should vote," he said. "What we are interested in is getting people to vote in order to build a stronge-

silon and Sigma Chi. Of the 23 terest in student government has ed (there are 31 on the campus) on this campus. "It is every stusome refused to comment on the dent's duty to vote and show an matter, others had been approach- interest in his student govern-

"Therefore we are trying to encourage fraternity and sorority members to become interested in student government and vote in the coming elections," Boardman asserted.

They refused, however, to release for publication a semi-resolution drawn up last week which urged that fraternities unite to place candidates favorable to fraternities in office.

It asserted that fraternities has been excessively and unjustly criticized recently, and claimed that only fraternity men could understand unique fraternity situations. Specifically mentioned was the recent so-called hazing He explained that they felt in- incident involving Phi Gamma Delta, after which President Henbeen very poor among students ry Bowers called for the transfer of hazing cases from the IFC court to the Men's Honor Council. (The Phi Gam's passed the voting enforcement for this election only.)



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