

# Better Schools Campaigner Has Just A One-Sided View

The Daily Tar Heel is sorry to see that Gov. Hodges has named Holt McPherson, a High Point newspaper editor, to the chairmanship of a North Carolina Citizens' Committee for Better Schools.

McPherson, Tar Heels will remember, headed a similar committee, also appointed by the governor, which advocated the eventual destruction of the state's school system.

It was McPherson who headed a committee favoring passage of the Pearsall Plan, which provides for private schools in case of racial, educational integration.

It appears unlikely that the Citizens' Committee for Better Schools could make much progress when it is guided by a man who guided the Pearsall Plan.

The Pearsall Plan, yet to reach its final test in court, is a treacherous danger to the 50 years of education system this state has



EDITOR McPHERSON  
... the wrong job

of this newspaper and very few editors of other papers, opposed the Pearsall Plan for obvious reasons.

But McPherson, himself a newspaperman, led a campaign to make the plan an act. He succeeded.

Now the governor of this state has named McPherson to another post because of his "deep interest in public education, and in the welfare of our children."

McPherson's interest in education is undeniable. But we and many other North Carolinians disagree totally with his ideas about welfare of children.

## For Campus Television: Congrats!

The Consolidated University's educational television station, WUNC-TV, has grown up a great deal in two years.

When it started, it threatened to flood the air with attempts to college-type Jackie Gleasonism. But after it suffered a severe budget cut and as a result looks from some important people in the state, it started being what it was in name: Educational television.

Congratulations and two big candles to the folks in Swan Hall who are turning out a digestible, colorful, educational product. For the future: More hours, more interest, more education.

built up. It gives politicians and rabble-rousers a chance to shut down our public schools in the face of "intolerable" situations, namely, attempts at Negro entrance.

Several prominent North Carolinians who don't want integration opposed the Pearsall Plan. They feared the plan because, they said, it would place the state's school system in jeopardy.

Those who believe no harm will come from racial integration in the schools, including the editors

## Blasts From Wrong Corner

A Durham sportswriter has fired from his corner a few rounds of ammunition at The Daily Tar Heel. To keep the record straight, we'll remind those who read these editorials about the newspaper's policy.

The sportswriter is named Jack Horner. From his corner of the Durham Morning Herald he has written several things about this newspaper which are highly imaginative. But one thing he mentioned deserves comment.

"It's general knowledge," writes Horner, "The Daily Tar Heel

## The Daily Tar Heel

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'Want To Know How It Ends?'



## SOMEBODY'S MISINFORMED:

### Some Erroneous Rumors Righted

Clarke Jones

A sports editor of a nearby newspaper Saturday devoted in full a column strongly denying rumors Football Coach Jim Tatum will leave Chapel Hill.

Jack Horner, sports editor of The Durham Morning Herald, wrote "regardless of what you read or hear to the contrary Sunny Jim won't move again any time soon."

Horner writes Tatum will not only stay at Carolina but will "stick around until his mission (to build a winning team here) has been accomplished before he'll give another thought to accepting another coaching position."

He says "To pick up and move now, he would be a quitter. Tatum is no quitter. He'll get the job done."

Horner's denial in itself is perfectly all right with us. He's got a right to his opinion. But the concern of this article lies in four paragraphs of his column in which he has printed some questionable statements about The Daily Tar Heel.

Speaking of some "anti-Tatum factions still on the campus," he says "It's general knowledge The Daily Tar Heel DOES NOT (sic)

speak for the student body in its editorial blasts at Tatum. "As a matter of fact, it's no secret reader interest in The Daily Tar Heel is at an all-time low among students because of its distasteful editorial policy."

"Sources close to the student publication say one of the paper's top editors has boasted that he'll make it so hot for Tatum that he (Tatum) will wish he had never seen Chapel Hill. "How stupid can youth be?"

We take issue with these statements. In the first place, The Daily Tar Heel's editorial policy certainly does not mirror student opinion. Nor should it. The space in the left two columns of the editorial page in each paper is for the editor's opinion, not the opinion of the student body.

Students wishing to express opinions have practically the rest of the paper in which to do so. Especially do they have the opportunity on editorial page columns other than those reserved for the editor.

About reader interest. We think he's wrong. Just from our own observations, reader interest seems to be generally toward the other end. One student here, for instance, wrote a series of

columns recently expressing his views on religion.

These columns touched off a controversy which lasted for several weeks. Many students wrote letters to the editor expressing their views on the subject, sometimes in complete disagreement with the original articles.

About the third paragraph. We'd merely like to know the source of the statement "one of the paper's top editors has boasted that he'll make it so hot for Tatum that he (Tatum) will wish he had never seen Chapel Hill."

No editor here has nor will make such a boast without having sound reason to.

But if Tatum deserves it, we'd like to see things made hot for Tatum. After all, what is the true function of a university? Is it to educate people or is it to provide big-time athletics, all-winning teams, etc.? We much prefer the former question.

How stupid can youth be? That's a good question. It might be answered before too long if Tatum stays here and his brand of athletics pulls down the academic standards as it did at Maryland.

YOU Said It:

## Newspaper's Coverage Criticized By Reader

Editor:

For some months now I have been an avid reader of The Daily Tar Heel. My morning cup of coffee at Lenoir has become a happy ritual, enhanced greatly by the news of University life at Chapel Hill.

Unfortunately my only other experience with college newspaper has been with the Harvard Crimson, a stuffy newspaper that limits itself to international and national news, discussion of college policy, art and literary criticism and the like. They don't even have a "Campus Scene" column and they refuse to reprint articles from other (Boston) newspapers.

### Can A Woman Be President?

Editor:

Would the students be so kind to answer these following questions for me?

Would you be in favor of a woman running for President or Vice President of the United States in 1960?

If you had to make a choice of two women for President and Vice President in 1960, what two women in the United States would you pick and why?

Do you think that we have any women brave and smart enough to be President or Vice President of the U.S.? Any at the University of North Carolina?

The governor of our state made a statement recently that it's the dream of every American boy to be President some day, where does that leave our American girls. Must they be deprived of that dream?

Please help me find the answers to these questions. I will appreciate it very much and can be reached at this address. Thank you!

Frank Pesek  
2041 Yonka St.  
Detroit 34, Mich.

You can, I suppose, understand why it is that I enjoy reading The Tar Heel. Although you never pretend to have any serious opinions or write any original copy, your newspaper accurately reflects the temper and interests of the student body. If your paper seems childish, it is because the students are usually pretty childish. If you concern yourselves with the social and athletic functions at UNC, it is because these are the overwhelming interests of the students for whom you write.

It is possible, of course, that there are some students at UNC whose interests and tastes are not represented in The Daily Tar Heel, but after all, a college newspaper is not an organ to communicate the views of a minority of the student body. In fact The Tar Heel undoubtedly gives a consistent and adequate coverage of the college affairs of interest to the vast majority of students and this is all a college newspaper can be expected to do.

Or is it? Is it not an equally important function of a newspaper (any newspaper) to bring to light and discuss issues relevant to its readers? If so, then the Tar Heel is surely not performing its function as a newspaper.

In its attempt to be informative, The Tar Heel has become more a bulletin board than a newspaper. In fact The Daily Tar Heel would more logically—and far more economically—serve its erstwhile purpose if it were placed each day (except Monday of course) on the bulletin board in Y court.

The Tar Heel, thus far, has never taken a consistent and effective stand on any issue. It has, it is true, mentioned that there are issues and even named the men who are dealing with them (usually Bob Young and Sonny Evans and their committees), but this is nothing but description, no analysis.

If you are stuck for issues, can I mention a few: the parking problem, many obvious violations of the academic and personal privileges that students in other colleges enjoy, the apparent difficulties with the "Honor System," high prices of all luxury goods in Chapel Hill, deferential treatment of athletes, the relative lack of cultural stimulation (Fats Domino and Montovani don't quite measure up), you could mention integration in the school system, the lack of study space, etc.

All colleges have problems and UNC is far from a paradise. The purpose of a college newspaper is to bring these issues to light, analyze them, and offer useful opinions about them.

In the future I will be hesitant about allowing my share of The Tar Heel's budget to be taken from the matriculation fee. It seems a waste of money. Although it would ruin my breakfast, I would be willing to race over to Y court every morning to read "Campus Scene." At present the most constructive thing The Daily Tar Heel could do is to disband.

Sheldon F. Gardner

## More Comment On Clothing

Perhaps you will see some worth in this writing as a reply to the coed who "Defends dressing habits." My dear Coed,

I certainly admire your defensive spunk. It's a trait some of your feminine friends would do well to cultivate.

You did make a few statements in your bit of journalism which, I admit, had a lot of the truth in them. I wonder if you noticed a paragraph under "Youth Deserves a Chance" which is pertinent to our situation?

"Tight levis, long hair and the other paraphernalia reformers concentrate on are only extensions of the independent personalities of the individual, and really don't make a kid a criminal."

Although I am a member of the brogan set, I do manage to get my hair cropped closely about every two weeks. However if you'll supply your name and phone number, I may be persuaded to listen to a personal lecture on the advantages of the shave-a-day habit. Surely I will not have to go to Duke for such information.

Jack Secrest

## An Accusation

Editor:  
Dear Cort,

I'm much in favor of movie reviews in The Daily Tar Heel, but in the future would you please plagiarize from another magazine. I subscribe to Time.

Thanks a bunch,  
A Fan  
Name withheld by request.

L'il Abner



By Al Capp

Pogo



By Walt Kelly

1. They must be signed and written legibly.

2. They must not be libelous.

3. They must not be lewd, obscene, or in bad taste.

They can be in the form of letters, columns, poetry or artwork. They do not have to agree with anyone—the editor or anyone else on the face of this earth.

This, we believe, Brother Horner should learn before he starts any more crusades. Most things—even more circulation in Chapel Hill for the Morning Herald—are worth a little investigation.