

SSL

Unless somebody does something soon, the weather may have succeeded in doing what the Governor of this state has been unable to do — to make the youth of this state refrain from speaking.

The State Student Legislature has been postponed due to the snow of the past few days. Postponed indefinitely were the words used, but to some postponed indefinitely means cancelled, and that would be something that shouldn't happen.

There is plenty of time between now and the General Assembly meeting in February for the SSL to meet, and nothing should deter the chairman, a student at Duke University, from making sure it does meet.

The capitol may not be available, although since the schools have gone through with the task of getting their presidents' signatures there should be no obstacle in getting the capitol, but if it isn't another place must be found.

If the SSL does not meet, it has a good chance of never meeting again, and an even better chance of the public saying that students don't really want to speak out on issues.

Not only must the SSL meet, but it would be advisable if the chairman would send an invitation to Wake Forest. Apparently the only thing that is holding them back from coming is the fact that the Interim Committee has not issued an invitation. This ought to be done post haste.

The student bodies of many Universities and colleges in the state await with some concern the results of the activity that the Chairman must pursue at the present time. January may be a cold month, but there will be some warmth in consolation if SSL does meet.

University Party

Up until now, the editor has saved his scathing comments for the Student Party, considering that the University Party is almost hopeless, and that any chance for better student government must come either from the Student Party or from a third party not yet on the scene.

However, there must be a commentary made on the complete neglect of duty by the University Party delegation, with the exception of three, showed they were capable of in last Thursday's meeting.

At that time rather than voice their opinions on the Levy Bill, brought up for reconsideration, and with a chance of losing, the University Party delegation walked out of the room, thus making the legislature lack a quorum.

If the University Party cannot bring its membership in full strength to meetings, then it just will have to take its medicine. But the University Party does not seem to have the courage to do that.

The University Party will no doubt have its full membership there at the next legislature meeting, and most of them will be armed to avoid the issue of student responsibility toward higher education, and to vote "no" in a block. Yet, maybe the campus will get wise before too long, and cease electing people who will make a farce out of student government, and perhaps do something to clean up the University Party, and for that matter the Student Party, which needs a little airing also every now and then.

The campus with the most elaborate form of student government in the nation has a long way to go before it has a good, courageous, honest effective student government. Maybe, the student body will exert a little pressure.

Mock Trial

The annual Mock Trial has been held, and the verdict is in. Many, however, were disappointed in the verdict. They wanted to see a "mock hanging".

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The World News In Review

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Possibly the biggest news to those of us here was the snow and the bomb scares.

The heaviest snow in over 20 years in the Carolinas covered much of the two states. Traffic was paralyzed, schools were closed and many people were caught with their summer pants on.

On the local scene, we had 7 inches of the white stuff. The largest accumulation in the Carolinas was recorded at Southern Pines, where 15-17 inches fell.

The bomb scares at UNC stirred up no little confusion but no buildings were blown sky-high.

Bingham and Saunders halls were "supposed" to be blown up, classes were suspended temporarily, but no bombs were even found.

Prominent foreign news came out of Communist China, which is manifesting intense interest and activity in the affairs of Africa and the Middle East.

The Peking government seems to be vying with the Soviet government in efforts to influence economic and political development in Arab and Negro countries.

In Communist China itself, a delegation of the provisional and self-declared Algerian government has been received with great fanfare.

Sudan and Communist China have recognized each other and will most likely establish diplomatic relations. This will give Peking a diplomatic mission deep in the heart of Africa.

The Chinese Communist deputy minister of foreign trade returned at the end of November from a tour of North Africa. He visited both Morocco and Tunisia with a trade delegation and signed trade agreements. During his visit, Morocco and Communist China established diplomatic relations.

Communist China seems to be trying to establish a big beachhead in Africa and the Middle East.

U. S.-Russia Conflict

The United States Thursday night served notice on Russia and the world that it "will not be deterred by threats" from defending its rights in protecting West Berlin.

The same night, Khrushchev said that a western attempt to break through to Berlin by force would bring on a war and the use of Russia's most powerful weapons. But he said he did not think such a war is coming.

He told an independent newspaper in Munich that some hotheads among western military leaders had suggested the use of tanks and troops to open a way to Berlin if necessary.

Khrushchev had previously declared that the Soviet Union would stand by East Germany if the United States, Britain and France committed an "aggression" against East Germany. Therefore, his statements in the Munich newspaper's interview only elaborated his previous threats.

Friday, Secretary of State Dulles, after a conference with President Eisenhower, accused Soviet leaders of "contemptuous disregard" for their own pledged word. He appealed for allied unity to defeat hostile threats such as the Communists are making over Berlin.

The U. N. general assembly condemned the Soviet Union and Hungary for repressing the people of Hungary. The two Communist nations said they would ignore the action, just as they have done in the past.

The assembly adopted a resolution sponsored by the U. S. and 36 other nations that also denounced the executions last June of former premier Imre Nagy, Gen. Paul Mafefer "and other Hungarian patriots."

Soviet deputy foreign minister Zorin charged at a news conference that the United States brought up the issue only to intensify the cold war.

Hungary served notice it would not enter into consultations with him on U. N. resolutions stemming from the revolt. Moscow took the same attitude.

"I Think This Is Rather A Sad Sort Of Thing . . ."



Nationwide Accidents

A Navy tanker plane, attempting an emergency landing, smashed two houses Tuesday. Its four-man crew and two babies in one of the homes died in the wash of flames from the fuel-filled tanker.

Two others suffered burns and shock.

Wednesday nine persons died when a bomb blasted the headquarters of a religious cult's ranch in the Chatsworth Hills in California. Two of the dead were children. Krishna Venta, leader of the Fountain of the World cult, was one of those killed.

Two members of the cult were responsible for the bombing. Both men died in the explosion.

New Speed Record Set

Wednesday a Pan American 707 jet transport flew from New York to Paris in the record time of 6 hours, 16 minutes. The flight chopped 37 minutes off the previous record set by the Boeing jet two weeks ago. The plane carried a

crew of 12 and 101 passengers.

Tail winds, with gusts up to 160 m. p. h. pushed the giant plane on its way. Once it touched a ground speed of 712 m. p. h. Its average speed for the 3,550-mile trip was about 600 m. p. h., including the climb at takeoff and slow down for landing.

The Wall Street Journal published a two sentence editorial to assure Virginia that, indeed, there is a Santa Claus.

"The United States government is estimated to have given away more than 60 billion dollars in foreign aid since World War II.

"Now then, Virginia, what was your question?"

Virginia was the child who wrote a letter to the old New York Sun many years ago asking if there is a Santa Claus. In an editorial now historically famous the Sun assured here there is.

Finnish Communists

The Finnish Communist party is

putting on a show of reasonableness in the current political crisis, but President Kekkonen sounds as though he fears the Russian sickle will cut off the little country's independence.

Kekkonen has called on the middle of the road Agrarian party to replace the resigned rightist government.

Communist party leaders have said they will be satisfied, for the time being, just to get the Rightists out, although they do not renounce their intentions of ultimate control.

Kekkonen has hinted to the West not to try to intervene.

The U. S. has carefully avoided any provocation in Finland at any time.

The moon probe Pioneer III reached a height of about 65,000 miles before falling back to earth. It never got up quite enough speed to escape Earth's gravitational field.

The rocket was not termed a failure, however. Space officials of

Stagnation

Rita Hinden

(The following is a continuation and conclusion of an article taken from the most recent issue of the Nation.)

Goldfine Indictment

Bernard Goldfine was indicted Tuesday on a charge of contempt of Congress.

Goldfine is scheduled to be arraigned in Federal Court in Washington next Friday morning.

The 18-count indictment was based on Goldfine's refusal to answer 22 questions put to him last July in a sensational House investigation. This inquiry turned up, among other things, evidence that he paid over \$3,000 in hotel bills and did other favors for Sherman Adams, who was then serving President Eisenhower as his No. 1 aide.

The House voted 308-8 on Aug. 13 to ask for Justice Department prosecution.

Under the indictment now voted by the grand jury, Goldfine could be fined \$1,000 and sent to prison for an amount as a year if convicted.

He is also under Federal court orders at Boston to turn over books and records of five of his corporations for Federal tax investigation. Another controversial figure in political labor circles, James F. Hoffa, was threatened Thursday by a Federal court. He was told that he may be removed from his office of president of the Teamsters Union unless he and other bosses of the giant union quit blocking and obstructing recommended reforms.

F. Dickinson Letts, 83-year-old U. S. District judge, directed Hoffa and other Teamsters chiefs to obey orders of court-named monitors to accomplish a general house-cleaning of the 1 1/2-million member union.

Judge Letts threatened contempt punishment if Hoffa and other Teamsters officials thwart the monitors.

French Walk-Out

Earlier in the week France walked out on a U. N. debate on French-ruled Algeria. Diplomats said eight African countries were working on a resolution to have the General Assembly recognize "the right of the Algerian people to independence."

Five French delegates left the room when the General Assembly's political committee took up the question of what to do about the four-year-old Algerian rebellion.

France had announced the boycott in advance. She contends that Algeria is her domestic matter and notes that the UN is forbidden by its charter from intervening in domestic matters.

Turning to the journalistic field, millions of readers in and around New York City went newspaperless as major metropolitan dailies were shut down in a deliverymen's strike.

Newsstands have been bare of papers for several days now. Ordinarily 5 1/2 million papers are sold daily in the nation's largest city.

The strike was the first in New York City in five years.

New York City is the third largest newspaper publishing city in the world. Tokyo leads with a daily circulation of 17 million copies and London is next with 12 million.

Airlines Strikes

Pilots of American Airlines were expected to strike against the airline, which is the nation's largest in passenger miles flown annually.

At present, Eastern Airlines is the only major airline shut down by a strike which began Nov. 24. Both the International Machineists Union and flight engineers are striking against Eastern, but the Union has said that it has reached agreement in principle with the company on some issues.

In Rome, the council of the Rome Medical Association expelled Prof. Riccardo Galeazzi-Lisi, personal physician to Pope Pius XII, for selling newspaper articles on the Pope's last illness. The verdict means the 67-year old doctor may no longer practice in Italy.

Letter On Student Responsibility

To The Student Body:

THE STUDENT HAS A RESPONSIBILITY NOT ONLY TO HIMSELF, BUT TO HIS FELLOW STUDENTS, AND THE EDUCATIONAL COMMUNITY AS WELL. I maintain unwavering confidence in the student's ability to fulfill that responsibility. This is a belief in potential, though; action must prove what I say is true.

Throughout the past ten years, the United States National Student Association has been steadfastly directed towards stimulation the student to an awareness of his own potential. There exists now a project approaching a logical step in the progression towards the fulfillment of that goal—a project of which UNC should partake to the utmost degree.

USNSA action to improve current educational practices comes as a result of a series of events that has underscored the need for active concern. The White House Conference on Education of January 1956 where USNSA represented and voiced student opinion on proposed educational reforms provided the stimulus for initial exploration into problems confronting American education. In 1957, delegates of the Tenth National Student Congress, recognizing the need for positive action, mandated the national staff to review the present educational system with a view to seeking out mediums for effective student action.

Last year the National Executive Committee of USNSA declared that USNSA activity for the 1958-1959 school year would center on the project theme—the students responsibility—a declaration that we might well think of repeating concerning the goals of student activity on UNC's campus both for the

forthcoming semester and for the year 1959-1960. I earnestly urge this be given careful thought by the student body.

This project could be an experiment. We at UNC stand on the borders of a frontier. The potential that exists here in organizing and utilizing latest student resource to increase the student's responsibility for his own education and further for the quality of education on his campus is one that has gone relatively unexplored.

This project could be an attempt to intensify the educational impact of the college experience, to develop in the "average" student, because he is the center of education, a feeling of personal involvement in the processes of education.

Toward this end, student resources must be mobilized to help meet the need for improvement and expansion in higher education. We, in the eyes of USNSA, are one of fifteen pilot campuses selected, where student governments in cooperation with faculty and administration can undertake programs aimed at:

- increasing the number of college teachers.
-increasing the effectiveness of instruction and improving student attitudes.
-increasing the effectiveness of counseling services.

Let's take part in this project! Not trying to "make like" Karl, but I can honestly say—Arise students! all you've got to lose is the "chains" regarding your education. After all, you're paying for what you get here—let's make what we get here better!

Frank Elkins

Moonglow

Joe John

A lingering sensation: rain, but where is it? A consistent tantalization, yet no sight. Bitter frost: a horrid, hypocritical world. Then, slowly at first, and with successively renewed vigor, it comes. From above, the earth appears metamorphosed; soon, muck and mire. From below, millions of pennylacks — dancing, twirling, dropping, blinding, sloshing.

An invasion. Yet the intruders are reluctant. Still, they come, screeching and screaming. Silly creatures, death comes to us all soon.

The savage world smashes the virgin white crystals; children, cheerful and gay, grind the tiny vestals as they faintly flutter downward, ever downward. A sudden pain, and all is done. The lace-like frame is destroyed; an individual dies; the mass reigns.

And still it comes. A whitest sheet of wondrous magnitude cloaks all. Sin is hidden by the white. The dying, dainty petals veil a living world.

The world remembers — Hannibal, Napoleon, Hitler, Washington. Where are the snows of yesterday? Who stands now in the backwash of Nature's artistry?

But there is no concern. The peaceful startles, enveloping death and smothering fear, spread their pseudo-tranquility. Snowballs, snow-clothes, snow-white, snow. Barren trees gleefully lift up jagged arms; soon will they pay the burdened price of greed. Creeping autos cringe from the ominous specter of wreck; some will not escape. Even the oft-scamping squirrels have sought retreat; nature's bedclothes do not suit them. Buildings are disguised; their faults have taken on a tender hue. people smile.

Winter has officially come. Loud sing . . .