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Death Be Not Proud

If you were to take a pair of elippers and cut a le-f from a tree. in short time a new leaf would replace it; the only way to kill the tree is to take a spade and an axe and chep at the roots muil the source of life itself is destroyed. The ancillaries would no longer be present to about the life giving water and miners's, and the rice would die.

If you are ill of the measles you do not pick at one spot, hoping to eradicate all: you go to a doctor who gives you a medicine and recommends a treatment that, slowly but surely, will cure you of the disease by infiltrating the entire

And if you live in an area where explicid lever is rampant, you do not seclude yourself in your house and hope that the bug will pass by your door; you receive an inoculation against the lever and continue to live our your daily routine.

In American society, it would seem most logical that if one man or one group of men appeared as - germ their fellow citizens would take it upon themselves to cure the disease within that causes the outward manifestations.

But people do not think this way. They prefer to believe that tearing off a leaf will kill the tree. that covering one spot will cure the measles, that hiding from the fresh air will prevent typhoid. They do not know that by doing these things they have not struck at the heart of the matter, that they have allowed the infection to continue

its pollution. They believe that if a man has raped a woman, robbed a bank, or killed a fellow the most practicab'e solution is to erase him as they do the spot of measles, knowing that he will not rape, steal or murder

What they do not admit to themselves is that they have not solved a thing; because one man will no longer commit crimes dees not mean that crimes no longer will be

Capital punishment is a form of civilized murder, cloaked in the garb of respectability. Human beings, sheltered from violence in this age of sterilization, must free their hidden impulses for hurt; they derive vicarious delight from the image of a man writhing in the death chair.

Instead of recognizing environmental causes as the root of crimittal acts, we tell ourselves that those who commit crimes do so because of an evilness rooted deep within from birth. We cling to the superstitions of medieval days, hopng to skirt the realities of the twenrieth century.

Man no longer is a backward beast: he has conquered almost every barrier remaining. Yet he has not conquered ignorance, and that is the greatest barrier of all.

Carvl Chessman is dead. But men will still rape, steal, and murder. The wheel has vet to come full cir-

Words From The Death House

Editor's note

The following statement by Caryl Chessman originally was made in 1955, when his execution seemed imminent. It was prepared during a series of interviews at San Quentin prison. where the convict-author was finully executed today. Last January, Chesiman and Managing Editor George Flowers of the Long Beach Independent revised the statement slightly, to conform with the existing situation. The Independent published the copyrighted story Monday.

Long Beach, Calif. P - These words are not intended to be published unless the State of Califor-nia has finally taken its vengeance

That, you see, is just what capital punishment is.

Now that the state has had its vengeance. I should like to ask the world to consider what has been

I know that there are many who say that the presence of Carvl Chessman upon this earth is a menace to society. But society has had many other opportunities to keep Caryl Chessman from its midst. In fact, for nearly 12 years, it was able to keep this poor human. Caryl Chessman, from intruding upon anyone's property or privacy.

Capital punishment, it is said, is applicable to those who cannot be rehabilitated. Yet the Caryl Chessman who came to death row so long ago, and the Caryl Chessman who was poisoned by gas fumes. were quite different persons.

I feel that I had a useful life ahead of me, had the state been interested in justice, instead of ven-

geance. Perhaps my books were not masterpieces of literature, but they were readable and printable, and possibly offered some contribution to human thought. There might have been more and better books.

You have asked me if I am sorry. and I tell you I am. I am sorry for a childhood that was wasted. It seems irony that most of my childhood was spent in institutions that were designed to correct my ways and mend my manners. They failed to do that, and I am sorry, I failed to respond to that treatment. Yet it seems to me that someone could have penetrated to me. someone could have reached me when I was only a perplexed and befud-

That is the time to stop crime, to rehabilitate. Boys can be reached and changed, and that is a job society must accomplish.

Now I am gone. Whatever use I might have been to society is canceled by an act of vengeance.

Capital punishment is not a penalty. Many times, in these last few years. I have realized it might be a blessing to end this tormented struggle and this inhuman harass-

I have seen the poor, the friendless, the mentally ill, led to the chamber of execution. I have felt that society has, each time, shirked its responsibility. These were the mistakes of civilization. Instead of correcting mistakes, society crases them. Out of sight, out of mind.

You ask me if I have a confession to make. I have not. In my lifetime I was guilty of many crimes, but not these for which my life was taken. You ask me about a future life. I believe there is none. Caryl Chessman has gone to oblivion, so that society can forget one sorry

litetime.

Bob Stokes

Bop In A Beret

The swingingest oil offerings since Whistler's Mother hit the canvas are currently under glass at the Ackland Art Museum in Chapel Hill for all you 'way out' whatnots.

On the scene for a 32-day gig. seven British bohemians have s.rewn-this cool cottage with the weiraest abstract art since someone venillated a tin can with a shitgun and won third prize at a nacomal art show.

Sandra Blow, a cray kilten from London, sounded her horn with some siick canvas threads, drenched in orange and brown oils, which resembled a map of a potate market. Meanwhile, the rest of her ecstatic ensenthies were the least to say the most, except for one chaotic cardocard which simulated a body with no arms - prebably a wailing warning to those no here

The next selections on this agile agenda were those of Robyn Denny, a Scot with an eager easel, who learned the art of expression from Sam Francis, another mean man with a brush Denny's 'way out' wanderings appear to be the makings of a caustic cat with a tough toothbrush. Using the patriclic colors of red, white and blue, Denny's etchings sometimes caught the fervor of a political rally, while a splash of orange painted a hectic Halloween hep.

Don Hamilton Frazer, a former British fly boy from London, adds some limpid landscapes to this list of lindering lines. Although only having three pieces up for glances. he captured real life at its living best: a pad, hot coals, and a brew.

One of the most prolific of this profuse group, is Peter Lanyon, an outsville Cornishman, who has an endsville style. Lanyon, who began raising cane with a frame in '38. has put some food in a mood, without being lewd. He took it from the top with Columbus' craft in green, and sunk to the bottom with an expression of "spring Rain." The latthrough to the canvas

cherished list is Louis Le Brocquy. Tar Heel handled the case. who calls Dublin his domicile. Le Broequy has a flair for the air since most of his art is bare. He throws curveball colors together with a screwball twist, so much in fact, that they're like a disfigured fist. Probably, his most expressed is also the most surpressed. His portrait of "Women" is like, "man,"

them the way he paints them, his ment was to be reviewed by the legislature.

1945. This mass of crass paints faction it would give me.' like he is harrassed. His first piece ly named, since it appears the artist bit the dust while in the process. His "Yellow Painting" is hitsville bound except for the fact that he forgot his original oil. Instead, he turned 'red' and came up with a

banaer of the Soviet Union. "Dry Spring" his next contribuwould make a more fluid combo on some amount of trouble, so was the other. a Good Humor single. His last se- Have I interpreted that statement unfairly? How of this losing lot.

nes I wasn't going to listen to any more such statements, but when I started to leave his room he said, "You'd better sit back down here and talk to me or you may be talking about it to the Stufendant." Bob Baynes says that this statement is incorrect, but that he cannot remember what he did say. He does say what he thinks he was trying to and it comes off considerably milder than version. But it still mentions the Student Council. The difference of the versions is unimportant when you consider that at this point we were talking about my involvement with the Student Coun-

I would like to say that I accept the decision of the Student Legislature as to whether Baynes shall continue in office. But I do resent the smothering of communication which has taken place.

cil and my possible guilt. Again, Mr. Yardley, how

would you have interproted a statement such as

I went to the legislature meeting Thursday night prepared to present my side of the argument and prepared to answer any questions that might have been asked. It was an open meeting, and Bob Baynes was absent by his own choice. Yet I was denied the right to address the legislature. My illegible, hand-written remarks had their sense destroyed when they were read to the body by Rep. Turner who had understandable difficulty with my handwriting. Two female Legislators thought the whole thing was so unimportant that

Also Mr. Yardley, you seem to think that there is some personal reason for these charges. But I say to you that I did not raise this issue because I had any personal bitterness. To me the issue was deep and fundamental. I have never, in my description of the case, used such phrases as "bitter. resentful, petty follery and vituperation" and the "antagonisms of personal animosity" which you

With the exception of this letter and the submitted Wednesday, which was not printed, I have given Bob Baynes copies of every statement I have made and have kept him informed about what I was doing. He and I have discussed this matter often and in a dignified manner. Is this the behavior of people who are personally bitter towards

The question of whether Bob Baynes shall be Attorney General has been settled. But the issue itself is not settled. This issue cannot be a dead issue until the fundamentals of good government out of which the conflict grew are dead virtues,

Angus MacLean Duff

Intellectualism

demics in our "Carolina way of life." However. we here at the University of North Carolina have not exerted the proper stress on the importance of

good academic work. We should strive diligently to increase and promote an academic atmosphere at U.N.C., and attempt to develop the intellect of the students through a program which caters to the individual rather than the whole.

According to the Chancellor, the number one problem of the University at present is getting and keeping good faculty members. The only way to accomplish this is to offer very substantial salaries to prospective instructors, and once we obtain their services, continue to pay them well. The core of this University, or any other, is the faculty. But if we cannot measure up to the increasing demands of competition, this problem will never be solved

We should develop an endowment fund which would supplement the publishing fees of those professors who are either submitting or have manuscripts to submit for publication, but are unable to obtain sufficient financial backing.

The students, alumni, administration, and faculty should combine efforts in the coming year. and push the University Budget for Capital Construction. It is our responsibility to acquaint the state legislators with the need for more and better classrooms and buildings at Carolina, and particularly our need for additional ilbrary resources (the student union-undergraduate library conbination would be an excellent start).

The Dean of Awards, or perhaps Student Government, could create a Chancellor's Award (similar to the Freshman Merit Certificate), which would be given to those graduating seniors who have obtained an overall B or better average during their four years of undergraduate schooling. This would stimulate academic interest a great deal. particularly within those who would never make Phi Beta Kappa. But by having some other goal to aim for, these persons would not be content with being 'just another C student.'

The present class cut system should be increased from the minimum of three (now still employed by some departments) to the maximum amount of twelve in every department. You will often find it true that one will accomplish an end much faster and more efficiently when left to his own devices. This would also create better student-faculty relations, and would serve to loosen the tension bindings which now are so prevalent between the students and faculty.

Whether or not the initiation of the quarter system of class attendance, instead of our present semester system, would alleviate some of our problems is only a matter of speculation for anyone. However, the graduate schools have been functioning quite effectively for some time within the realm of the quarter system, and perhaps we in the undergraduate schools should follow their example.

There should be more student representation on Faculty Committees. Being in an ex-officio status (non-voting, and therefore having no legislative power), this would allow students to do research on and evaluation of projects which are undertaken by their respective faculty committees. The students would also be in a position to offer constructive criticism and give beneficial suggestions for the improvement and betterment of the faculty system in general.

An overall improvement and stablization of the Freshman-Sophomore (General College) Counseling System should ensue in order for the student to gain a more personal relationship with his academic advisor. The advisor should play an increasingly important role in the Carolina system of education. and a student should feel free to see his advisor several times during the course of a semester. Each advisor should send letters to his student counselees encouraging a visit after the first quizes are given There should also be a mid-semester counseling period before pre-registration begins.

The limitations of undergraduate counselors include: (1) There are too many counselees per counselor to give adequate attention to each one. (2) The selection processes of counselors are inadequate (not enough publicity is given to them, nor is the screening as exacting as it could be). (3) There is a lack of training via manuals, clinics, and speakers. (4) There is a lack of control by way of reports, conferences, etc. throughout the year. (5) The presence of the responsibility for discipling which tends to undermine the development of personal integrity causes prospective counselors to withdraw from consideration. And, (6) a general lack of training in particular academic fields in which students request help is evident

Possible ways to alleviate these problems could include: (1) Select more undergraduate counselors by encouraging applications from superior students. (2) Push good and adequate counseling through the Orientation program. And (3) provide more con trol throughout the year via required reports and

Improvements on the many shortcomings of the Residence Advisor System could be: (1) more advertising of the system, with the purpose of getting more applications, (2) better screening processes of applicants, (3) more orientation and continued instruction, and, (4) more reporting about and control of students. Also, (5) the residence advisors should act as "Orientation Counselors" for new freshmen moving into their dorms. (6) The advisory load may be reduced for these residence advisors in order to give them more time for in-

The use of the volunteer reading course now being offered should be encouraged. A free student tutor srvice could be created, whereby students proficient in a certain subject would volunteer to spend a certain amount of time with other students who are experiencing difficulties in that same subject area. We should create more and better advanced or incentive courses, which would be open to superior students. South Building could easily publish material informing students of the academic assistance which is, even at present, available here Many students are ignorant of the fact that at least a little help is offered now.

The Academic Affairs Committee has sent let ters to faculty members urging them to spend as much time as possible counseling their students. making themselves available at convenient hours. holding review sessions, etc. We can also use the course evaluation results of the Committee to determine weaknesses in teaching, texts, testing, and responsibility. These problems can be corrected but first the specific difficulties must be discovered.



"You Just Don't Seem To Fit In Here"

The Debate Goes On . . .

There are several matters in connection with ter appeared as though its title got my charges against Bob Baynes which should be cleared up, particularly those precipitated in your The next charred chap on this editorial attack upon me and the general way the

The Tar Heel made this case seem to be a "tempest in a tea-kettle" which was not the case at all. This effect was accomplished on Wednesday morning by omitting some of the most pertinent facts as well as all except one of the actual quotations which I attribute to Baynes. On Thursday morning it was accomplished by omitting four letters in support of my position while printing only material favorable to Baynes such as Grigg's statenet human. His colors lack luster, ment and your editorial. Four letters submitted like his "Nude in Movement" needs Wednesday in support of my position were not a duster. His last bit of talent printed in Thursday. Although I understand that the called "Presence" has, like, man, letter part of the editorial page is made up thirtysix hours in advance, your editorial should not William Scott of Greenock, Scot- have been run without the letters. At any rate, it land, is an all right guy, but, with was quite a coincidence that all of the news was women, has no eye, If he thinks of slanted in favor of Baynes on the day his appoint-

wife has less than once chance in At this writing, two of those letters have still ten. His use of black and white not been printed, and one of them was a statement paints a moving impression of the by a witness corroborating one of the statements lunch counter caper, but is jazz on I attribute to Baynes. In this letter dorm manager "Still Life" should have remained Pollock verifies that when asked later on the night of the 22nd of March if he still intended to use The last of this groove group is the power of the Attorney General's staff against Bryan Wynter, a London native, me. Baynes replied, "To get anything on you would who split to Zennor. England in be too much trouble for the small amount of satis-

Mr. Yardley, you have said that I was unfair called "ambush" was appropriate, in my charges against Mr. Baynes. At one point in our conversation Mr. Baynes stated cooly, calmly and without anger that he intended to use the Attorney General's staff to investigate the entire election in my dorm and that "as long as we're cleaning up, we might as well sweep on corner clean as the other." This statement was not made during an angry debate. It was after this point that anger took place. Mr. Baynes does not deny this statement except to say that he used the word tion to this 'right' evolution, would "like" in place of "intended." I interpreted this probably do better in an Apache statement to mean that I was one corner and Mr. revolution. The orange and yellow Baynes' roommate and fraternity brother was the were so smoothly mingled that they other, and that if one of us was going to be in

lection, called "Waste Plct," is would you interpret it Mr. Yardley?

thoug tfully placed with the rest After the above discussed statement was made. I became angry - but not before. I then told Bay-









