

# The Daily Tar Heel

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## Saturday's Basketball Game: A Chance To Exhibit Discipline

Saturday afternoon the 1961 Atlantic Coast Conference basketball season reaches its culmination with the playing of the Duke-North Carolina game here in Chapel Hill. It is probable that the outcome of the contest will determine the regular season champion of the conference; it certainly will determine the winner of the three-game encounter between these two arch-rivals.

There is much more at stake in this game, however, than the winning of a title or a series. The conduct of the participants and, particularly, the spectators will have great bearing upon the athletic and academic relations between the two universities, upon the future of North Carolina basketball and upon the reputation of the University of North Carolina. Its ramifications could extend to affect the reputations of a number of individuals as well.

The comments of the North Carolina press and many citizens of the state have placed a considerable responsibility upon the students of this University: a responsibility to conduct themselves in a manner which will bring credit upon the University and themselves while watching Saturday's basketball game.

This responsibility should not be construed to mean: "Duke didn't behave very well so if we are good boys and girls we will show them up." Whether or not the crowd at

Duke was orderly and contained is immaterial. It is our responsibility to show that we ourselves, apart from comparison with any other student body, are capable of behaving in a relatively mature manner.

If Coach McGuire is forced, as he has often been in the past, to urge the spectators to put a damper on their enthusiasm for the sake of good sportsmanship, the student body will not have reflected credit upon itself. We should not have to rely on the basketball coach for inspiration in matters of conduct. His job is on the court; we should not expect or ask him to feel responsible in other areas.

The student body of this University should not have to be asked to behave itself at an athletic contest or a lecture. We are old enough and sensible enough to refrain from the childish mannerisms that have become, accurately or not, associated with college students. We do not have to be urged to grow up; at least technically, we are grown up.

If we do not conduct ourselves with the kind of enthusiasm that is tempered by reason, our reputation will be greatly harmed. The people of North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia will be watching this game, looking for a repetition of the last game's fiasco. We have the chance to meet the challenge placed before us. And there is no reason why we should not meet it.

## Neglected But Valuable Groups

The coming of spring elections brings student government into a kind of focus that it rarely, if ever, achieves during the year. We suddenly realize the extent to which student government dominates all extracurricular activities, sometimes to the detriment of other valuable opportunities.

There are a great many organizations on this campus which suffer from a lack of membership and an insufficient ability to make the campus aware of the vital work being done in their activities. Among these are such groups as the various student religious clubs, the foreign student associations, organizations of academic intent and professional fraternities.

One of the greatest faults of student government in the past has been its hesitance to bring these groups into the overall framework of student life; yet the work they

are doing and the vitality with which they do it could be of tremendous value to all students.

Among the religious groups is found some of the most enlightening thought on the campus; the Cosmopolitan Club sponsors a friendly association with students from other lands that is of great benefit to its members; the YMCA committees on religious, international and social affairs are stimulating and provocative; the professional fraternities urge a kind of excellence in their members that is a credit to the professions themselves.

The good records of these organizations, however, do not seem to be sufficient to bring them before the student consciousness in the manner that they merit. They are largely ignored, and primarily because many students do not seem to be aware of the benefits that can be gained from them.

To be sure, the prestige of being a member of one of these organizations is not as great as that of being a prime force in student government or the honor system, but the personal gains to be found in the give and take these organizations demand may be of much greater value.

Among the jobs that will face the next president of the student body will be encouraging these groups to make a greater contribution to the campus as a whole, and encouraging the campus to take a closer, more concerned look at the work that they are doing.

All of us have much to gain from the kind of free play and discussion that these small organizations sponsor. We should learn to profit not only from glory but also from intellectual, social endeavor. All of us surely would benefit.

## "Let's Move It, Buster"



### Students, Chapel Hillians Speak Out

## Picketing Controversy Brings Letters From Both Sides

#### DOES APATHY SHOW STUPIDITY?

To The Editor:

I have just finished reading the slanted journalism of one Mr. Bill Hobbs regarding the integration issue in Thursday's issue of your paper. I say your paper because the stands that are taken in The Daily Tar Heel appear to represent only a very small percentage of the student body of this university. This small percentage is in evidence by the fact that so many of the students have neither said nor done anything in regards to the picketing of the two local theatres.

This "apathetic stupor" that Mr. Hobbs refers to is merely a sign that the majority of the students cares nothing at all about the integration of private business establishments. Mr. Hobbs insinuates that a person must want to integrate the races before he can be capable of making decisions of a mature nature. Apparently, segregation and stupidity go hand-in-hand if we are to believe the "Gospel according to Hobbs." If we believe that integration is wrong we are to be pitied for our "supine stupidity."

The appeal of your paper to the white citizens of this community to boycott the two local theatres has fallen on a great majority of deaf ears. You should not be amazed at this because in spite of the theory that we southerners are "backward," "illiterate," "narrow-minded," and "bigoted" we still like to see a good movie and the presence of a few clowns with signs won't make a bit of difference. The fact that people continue to enjoy themselves in segregated establishments is not a sign that they believe in "nothing" as Mr. Hobbs would have us think. It is instead a sign that they believe in the segregation policy of the people who run these establishments.

So if we who still hang on to the belief that integration is wrong are to be "pitied for our supine stupidity" I guess you enlightened geniuses will have to put up with us a while longer.

Leigh Skinner

Mr. Skinner: It is not the function of an editorial page to present "representative" viewpoints. Mr. Hobbs' column represents his opinion and is, of course, "slanted"—just as your letter is "slanted." A newspaper attempts to be objective and non-partisan only on the news pages, while editorial page comment is open to every viewpoint, "slanted" or not. Your criticism of Mr. Hobbs on this basis is simply not valid.

The Editor

#### COWARDICE AND ANONYMITY

To The Editor:

Will you please hire a psychologist to explain to your public just why a letter writer asks you to withhold his name?

I note that segregationists are apparently afraid to stand up and be counted, but you should reassure them that we integrationists do not have in our ranks anyone who burns crosses or wears sheets and masks.

Mr. (or Miss?) Name Withheld, you say in Saturday's Tar Heel "Let the people of Chapel Hill run Chapel Hill." Many of us townspeople are taking an active part in trying to break down barriers between Negroes and whites. But, we are glad to know that 340 fine, upstanding faculty members of the University are lending their influence to this important cause. We are sure there are many more students who will lend theirs. Maybe even the "Name Withheld" tribe will come out in the open too.

Mary B. Gilson

#### SUPPORT FOR SEGREGATION

To The Editor:

Recently, editorials and advertisements have appeared in your paper suggesting, or perhaps demanding, that the managements of the Carolina and Varsity theatres open their doors to everyone. Perhaps you do not realize that the owner of any piece of property has the authority to allow whom he wishes onto his property, tell them when to leave, charge any amount of admission he wishes, and deny to anyone the right of admittance. This means that the owner of any business could require you to stand on your head with a banana in your right ear before he would serve you, and the law would support him.

Anyone who builds or buys a business is investing his money; it is his money that he is risking, and no one, not even The Daily Tar Heel, has the right to tell him how to conduct his business.

How many times have you told a person to stop minding your business and go mind his own? Did you not feel that you were right in doing this? But suppose this person proceeded to walk around with a sign stating that you were unfair because you wouldn't let him mind YOUR business, wouldn't you think this person was a bit odd?

To rant and scream about people being deprived of their freedom may seem noble, but anyone who has the time to camp out in front of a place of business and try to tell the manager how to run it has a damn sight more freedom than I or any other student at this university attempting to get an education.

Herman R. Parker, Jr.

#### "INCONSISTENCY, BIGOTRY, ANONYMITY"

To The Editor:

This is a reply to the anonymous segregationist whose letter appeared in Saturday's Tar Heel.

Does he seriously believe that the New Orleans housewives are being criticized for their courageous support of a cause? Criticism is going to be directed at anyone who feels the interests of his community are best served by banding together to screech hysterical insults at bewildered children.

There is probably more than one reason for the nearly unanimous absence of white children from the afflicted New Orleans schools. How many of their parents are less motivated by segregated purity than they are by fear of physical harm to their children at the hands of the civic-minded and courageous "ladies"?

There is no comparison between the Chapel Hill picketers and the New Orleans demonstrators. The local picketers apparently don't need a mob to support their courage or a child at whom to direct their bugeyed civic virtue.

As a reason for segregation's righteousness, Mr. X raises the traditional bogey of interracial marriage. Integration of schools will evidently touch off a nationwide orgy of mixed weddings and a palque of yellow children. "Well, my friends," he informs us, "it has happened and will happen again."

Which statement entirely contradicts his whole point. There have been and will be people who marry people of other races. But if this is their intention, do they really wait for the Supreme Court to order integration so they will have an excuse?

Of course not! They will marry whether there is integration, segregation or caste.

As for the comments concerning student participation in the "open movies" campaign, the Anonymous One's reasoning becomes entirely unglued.

Chapel Hill is as much UNC's community as it is that of native Chapel Hillians. While students probably won't be here more than four years, we will be here for that long. Therefore, why shouldn't we participate in civic affairs which certainly will affect us?

Is it not true that students attend the uptown theaters? Is it not true that there are Negro students who would like to attend them too?

Mr. X condones civic participation in certain situations but condemns it in others, it seems.

Inconsistency, bigotry, anonymity . . .

John Medlin

## Chapel Hill After Dark

With Davis B. Young

Several weeks ago, Sports Editor Jack Horner of the Durham Morning Herald expressed concern over the possible crucifixion of Duke basketball Art Heyman.

At this writing we are also concerned with a crucifixion, the crucifixion of Frank McGuire, head basketball coach at the University of North Carolina.

And leading the "get Frank" movement—you guessed it—Jack Horner and his sportswriting pals like Whitey Kelly and Smith Barrier to name but a few.

Somehow these gentlemen seem to forget that they have made their living throughout the years because of the Frank McGuire's, Everett Case's, Bill Murray's, Paul Amen's, Bud Milliken's, Dale Ranson's, Jim Hickey's and the many other fine coaches in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

These coaches are responsible for the outstanding teams in the ACC which have made for big-time sports reporting.

And of these coaches, which one has been more successful than Frank McGuire? Which one, other than Frank McGuire, has brought the glory of a national championship to this conference?

These are the successful records of a successful coach who year in and year out fields a team high up in the national ratings. Seldom have McGuire-coached teams lost more than five or six games in a tough twenty-five

game schedule against the best opposition in the country. McGuire-coached teams have played and beaten the best in the country in the past few years—clubs like Cincinnati, Kansas, Kansas State, Notre Dame and Villanova. Sometimes they have lost as in the case of West Virginia last year, and Kentucky the past two years. But always they have met the best, beaten some without bragging, lost to others without alibi.

And always, sportswriters, they have been good copy. They've made for good reading. And you've made your living off of Frank McGuire and his ball players.

And what about the Frank McGuire who worries about other things than rolling up a big score? What about the Frank McGuire who has more than once grabbed a microphone in Woolen Gym to quiet a disorderly crowd so that the other team might have a fair chance at the foul line? You forgot that, didn't you? Well nobody at Duke grabbed a microphone until they held a press conference.

And what about the Frank McGuire who respects the high academic standards of this University? Did Frank McGuire ever gripe with a decision declaring Doug Moe ineligible last fall, or Ken McComb this year? And in the case of Moe who had been declared eligible by the ACC and NCAA, but ineligible by the University, maybe there was room for a gripe. But not one peep, sportswriters, not one peep from Frank McGuire.

And what about Frank McGuire's boys? What do you know about them, sportswriters. As Milton Gross so correctly pointed out in the New York Post, every member of the 1957 championship team is in a position of vocational responsibility. Ask the Carolina student body how it feels towards Frank McGuire's boys. They like them. Why? Not because they're basketball players, but because they're nice guys who mingle with the student body like any other students. And part of this is Frank McGuire's doing, a coach who's interested in his boys off the court too. And you forgot that too, didn't you?

You forgot all of this when you picked up your pen and fired your distortions across the sports pages of this state.

Contrary to what Smith Barrier has insinuated, Frank McGuire has brought great credit on the University, both as a successful coach, and as a gentleman. At a school which values the characteristics of a Carolina gentleman, Frank McGuire has epitomized this image.

But keep it up sportswriters. You're winning, you're going to drive Frank McGuire right back to New York, cause no man is obligated to subject himself to character assassination. When he's gone, and we'll be the last to blame him, you can scour the area for a new toy to break. And break it you will, for nobody can equal your power with the printed words.

Be vitriolic, gime 'em hell, Tar Heel sportswriters. Go right on writing about McGuire's gon squad and you'll get him, I promise.

Frank McGuire is without honor in the country to which he brought honor. Silence is a virtue, but fighting back is a greater virtue.

#### FACULTY JOINED IN SUPPORT OF PICKETS

To The Editor:

We the undersigned, National Defense Fellows in history and economics, do hereby approve and endorse the faculty's petition for racial integration. We believe that racial inequality and second-class citizenship are clearly incompatible with our national interests and the ideals of our society.

Segregation has prevented the U.S. from taking full advantage of the talents of all her citizens and has lowered her status in the eyes of the rest of the world. We therefore believe at this time, when all Americans must make a concerted effort in order to preserve our national existence, that every artificial barrier to continued progress should be abolished.

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