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Caroiina Student Government: **Outstanding Or Just Adequate?**

lina is influenced to a remarkable degree by student opinion. This circumstance - a relatively rare one in the collegiate world - has served, in most instances, to help make this university one of the most progressive in the South. At times it has resulted in policy that seems overly liberal, or that is interpreted as license rather than liberty. The power of student opinion, in short, has sometimes been ill applied.

have been rare and students have managed to exercise an influence that has been respected and afforded consideration by the faculty and administrative heads. Student government has flourished and grown, due in the main to a generally level-headed and responsible approach by its leaders. One of the unfortunate aspects of this type of government is that tion that involves eevry student, most of the governing is done by Carolina can never have truly outsome 50 to 100 interested students standing student government. It who do pretty much as they please can only have adequate student with very little control from their government. Carolina should never constituents-most of whom just be satisfied with mere adequacy.

Administrative policy at Caro- don't care enough to find out where the yare being led, or why.

This means that most of the 50 to 100 leaders are spending much of their time leading each otherbecause they're the only ones interested or informed enough to have opinions.

Many beneficial and original ideas never get out of the dormitory or fraternity room where they are born, simply because too many students lack the necessary interest to shape an idea into some-These occasions, fortunately, thing concrete, or even to get it into the open where it can be picked up by someone who will.

> Every living unit has a representative in student legislature who can be approached-although most students don't have any idea who their representative is or even

Baker **Tears** Up 'Logic'

The indictment of American conservatism in Bill Hobbs' article, in which he attempts to link the Birch Society with all conservatives, is rather tenuous in its construction and logic. His syllogism goes something like this: 1) Birch Society is conservative; 2) Birch Society is ridiculous; 3) Therefore, all conservatives are ridiculous. I believe its invalidity is obvious, known in formal logic as the fallacy of the illicit minor.

* * * 10 SIMPLY TAKING SIMILAR statements of Welch and Goldwater, unless the statements are lifted entirely from the context in which they were made, does not prove anything.

Responsible individuals and organizations whose views are distorted into extremist attitude always find their worst enemies ostensibly on their side.

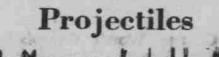
Thus liberals following the War had to fight to retain their integrity from communists.

So today, responsible conservatives, among whom I number myself, are faced with guarding constructive conservatism from people like Welch.

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"THE STATE MUST take upon itself the welfare of all its citizens, and encourage economic growth by guidance and intervention in the economic life of the state." Both liberals and communists





Ken Toppell Words **On Laos** Absent

Tuesday, April 18, 1961

With the announcement of the Russian man-in-space, the Western world is now bracing itself for an onslaught of "weightthrowing" from the Soviet Union. Although Major Yuri Gagarin's flight is a brilliant achievement and well respected in scientific circles, as it should be, it has come at a poor time politically.

President Kennedy issued a call for a truce in Laos weeks ago. Since that time, word from the Reds has been conspicuously absent.

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However, they have tripled their build-up of supplies for rebel forces. The Russians have hedged in their answer while continuing and increasing their aggressive actions.

* * * WITH THE ADDED prestige of being first into space and with additional holdings in Laos, the Communists can be expected to wield a mighty hand in maneuvering peace talks.

Therefore, it is now clear why they hesitated on answering. They are in control of much of Laos and will be expetced to bellow loud and long for its permanent occupation

We can not, however, yield to Russian demands in Laos. It is now, more important than ever before that we stand firm. To appease the Reds and subjugate the millions of Laotians would only be another step towards our own subjugation.

how to find out.

Without the kind of participa-

The State's Greatest Resource

A state's greatest resource is its sory attendance law is not being young people. And the loss of them effectively enforced. Proper counis its greatest loss. In an editorial seling, guidance and inadequate titled "North Carolina's Greatest courses to hold potential drop-outs Loss," The Greensboro Daily News must also be considered as factors has this comment:

Losse s which could represent loss. When the differences in earn-North Carolina's heaviest economic ing power of non-high school graddrain are reflected in figures showing failure or inability of the state to capitalize upon its richest resource of all-the boys and girls who enter its public school system and the departure of a disturbingly large segment of its college graduates for greener pastures.

Let's take a look first of all at what is happening in the public school system. Figures prepared by the State Department of Public Instruction reveal that first grade registration in 1948 totaled 113,141 in North Carolina. But in sharp contrast to this ttoal there were only 45,271 high school graduates in 1960. Among white enrollees 48.9 per cent graduated and among Negroes only 25.5 per cent. Based on 1960 figures most of the drop-outs occur during the ninth and tenth grades, or when students reach the age where compulsory attendance laws no longer apply. This is also the time when marriage and jobs begin to take their toll.

A sizable number of drop-outs can be traced to the elementary grades. Thus there is cumulative evidence that the state's compul- they carry implications which

which contribute to this human uates, high school graduates and college graduates are taken into account, the results upon North Carolina's per capita income, living standards and tax-paying ability are obvious.

This problem is not confined to North Carolina. A survey made by the U. S. Office of Education showed that of 1,000 students who enter the nation's ninth grades only 675 are graduated. The national graduate average, however, is much better than North Carolina's. A more intensified study in New York state found that one in every three students who start the ninth grade drops out before graduation and "some of these dropouts"-and here the shock and cost are greatest-"are among the brightest in their class." In the Empire State the major reason for bright girls' dropping out is to get married; bright boys drop out mostly "because they simply dislike school." Those reasons offer their own challenge to educators, school planners and supporters.

Figures on North Carolina's other great loss are general but

could ascribe to this statement with equal solemnity, but we do not atempt to make liberals synonymous with communists, for there is a great difference in the methods of achieving enunciated goals between liberals and communists.

Thus the police-state methods advocated by Birch Society leaders do not find credence among most American conservatives. I hope I have made clear the distinction between reactionary extremists and conservatives in general, and demonstrated the illogicality of Mr. Hobbs' reasoning.

EARL BAKER



When G. Mennen Williams-of polko-dot bow tie fame-was Governor of Michigan, he tossed out many a stirring political phrase in behalf of all sorts of liberal causes. OF STOFFILTER Now as Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, Williams has been touring Africa,

speaking a good many ambiguous phrases which have puzzled not only the Africans but also the French, Belgians and the British. * * *

FOR INSTANCE, Williams made a seemingly innocent remark, that he was in favor of "Africa for the Africans." But it so happens that this is also the slogan of the most rabid advocates of black supremacy in Africa, who favor driving all whites into the sea. Was Williams siding with this group against all the white people in Africa

Of course not, Williams explained. What he meant was that Africa should be for everyone who lived in Africa. But then at this point the black nationalists. who had been about to embrace him, snorted their anger.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPORTS:

February Brings Big Changes

ary a great deal of time and attention was given by Student Government leaders to the effecting of certain important changes in the honor system. The executive, legislative, and judicial branches of Student Government worked hand-in-hand to bring about these needed alterations.

A proposed constitutional amendment was passed unanimously by the Student Legislature on February 23, submitted to the student body on March 7, and approved by a vote of 1239-220.

* THE MAJOR CHANGES effected by the amendment are: (1) The judicial rights of the individual have been explicitly defined and are combined into one article, a copy of which must be made available to the individual on trial by the Attorney General's Office 72 hours prior to his or her hearing.

(2) The time for notifying each student of charges against him has been changed from 48 hours to 72 hours.

(3) Defense counsel will be chosen from within the enrollment of those students who fall under the jurisdiction of the Men's and Women's Councils. This will eliminate councils from such schools as law and medicine which have their own judicial set-up.,

(4) The time limit for appealing verdicts of the councils has been extended from 48 hours to 72 hours.

(5) "Each student appearing before a judicial body as a defendant shall have his case heard by the appropriate juddicial body, which shall determine guilt or innocence and which in the case of a verdict of guilty shall set an appropriate penalty."

THIS SECTION ABOLISHES

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During the month of Febru- students. In the past, a simple majority was required.

THE HONOR SYSTEM received further attention during the month of February by the passing of a \$1,000 appropriation by the Student Legislature for the filming of an honor system movie.

The movie is currently being filmed by the Radio, Television, and Motion Pictures Department and is expected to be available for use shortly before the end of the school year.

The script for the movie has been written by professional writers and is designed to give an interesting portrayal of the honor system at its most fundamental points.

The film will be shown to incoming students during Orientation Week and will be used in high schools throughout the state during the year.

Al Pollard, Chairman of the Honor System Commission, has served as liaison between Student vision, and Motion Pictures Department throughout the period of planning for and filming the movie.

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period of greatest effort for the Budget Committee, chaired by Student Body Treasurer Jim Smalley.

Meeting every afternoon for more than a week, the committee listened to the pleas of various campus organizations and



A great problem facing Peace left wing, as was his father. The Corps officials is the selection of candidates who will be resistant talks, but he is in a distinct to the malady that many Ameri- minority; the radical conservative

then proceeded to draw up the 1961-62 Student Government Budget for submission to the Student Legislature.

After further consideration and addition of several items, the Legislature passed the budget, estimated at \$146,000, at its last regular session in March.

A major innovation of the Grigg administration this year has been the establishment of the University Entertainment Committee. The committee grew out of President Grigg's concern about the lack of big-time entertainment provided for the nonfraternity element on campus.

Early in the year an unofficial committee was established under the chairmanship of Bill Sayers to work toward the alleviation of this problem.

This group has worked long and hard throughout the year, and it now appears that its efforts will not have been in vain, for it is expected that some bigname entertainer or entertainment group will come to the campus early in the fall to give Government and the Radio, Tele- a performance that will be open to the entire student body.

The Committee has recently been given official sanction by the Student Legislature under the name of University Entertainment Committee, and a set FEBRUARY MARKED the of bylaws for the Committee has

been approved. The Committee will thus henceforth be a regular, permanent Student Government organization, with a chairman appointed by the President of the Student Body.

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Carolina "progressive liberal"

COMMUNIST INSPIRED rebel activity is rising in South Viet Nam also. If we "give in" in Laos, we will be expected to do the same in its neighbor.

We can no longer compromise. Therefore, we can only either give up in Laos or stand firm all the way.

Bishop Had Courage To State His Beliefs

And how did you feel when the eggs rained down on the stage where Bishop Tomlinson was speaking? Did you laugh when a student hollered bull ...? Did your circle pin and Loudon Fog cavort wildly when "Poochie," the black dog was pushed on stage and catcalls rung out? I didn't. I was disgusted. For once I was ashamed to be called a student of the University of North Carolina.

HERE WAS A MAN who believes in what he says-no matter how opposed we may be to his beliefs. And he has the guts to get up in front of college students, of all people, and proclaim his faith in himself and his re-

All right, so he should have, and probably did, expect some sort of frivolity and humor, but when the crowd turned into an ugly, sickening sideshow of complete irreverence, hoots and cursing, what did you do?

I met Bishop Tomlinson before the "crowning" and I knew that he was a wonderful, sincere, kind-hearted man with a good sense of humor. But he did have one quality that is lacking, so lacking, in so many people, especially youth, today . . . the quality of sincere belief in himself.| Although his value judgements and conclusions are in direct opposition to mine. I can-

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