

**"We Musn't Interfere With Customary Procedures  
—Doctor, Coronor, Inquest—"**

**Negro Responsibility**

**To Help His Cause**

The Smithfield Herald

The remarkable publisher of the Cheraw (S.C.) Chronicle, A. M. Secrest, delivered a remarkable speech the other day to South Carolina Negro school teachers assembled in Cheraw. It was a speech of a man of good will who has proved himself, on many occasions, to be in sympathy with the aspirations of Negroes for equal opportunity. It was a speech of a Southerner who is aware of the white man's responsibility to give the Negro his due, but it also was a speech of a man who understands the responsibility of the Negro in his struggle for civil rights.

What the Cheraw publisher said to Negro school teachers in South Carolina deserves an ear in North Carolina—and wherever people of good will of both races seek to work out peaceful solutions to race problems.

Mr. Secrest did not condemn the Negroes for making their protests. He did not accuse them of disturbing "good race relations." Indeed, he said that race relations "are far healthier today, in the midst of marches, sit-ins, demonstrations and mass arrests, than they were when the voices of protest and conscience were still."

But he talked to the Negro school teachers about responsibility that is a two-way street.

"The white South," he said, "thanks to the militancy of the new Negro, to nudges and reminders from the Supreme Court and the White House, and, above all, thanks to the white man's own innate sense of decency and justice, is beginning to assume its responsibilities by granting equal opportunity to all. It is now your responsibility to see to it that your students are prepared to grasp these new opportunities and are ready to meet the duties and obligations of first class citizenship as well as to enjoy its privileges."

This friend of the Negro spoke plainly—and wisely—to the Negro when he declared: "Civil rights battles may be fought in the street, at lunch counters, and theatre box offices, in the courts and polling places, but the war will be won—or lost—in the classroom."

As Mr. Secrest observed, demagogues like Barnett or Wallace are not the most dangerous enemies of Negro aspirations.

"Your most dangerous enemy," he said to the Negro school teachers, "is within . . . If you are tolerant of second-class performance within your own ranks, if you allow yourselves and your students to fall below certain standards of excellence, you will not overcome."

"Absenteeism, ignorance, sloth, immorality, school dropouts, delinquency; these are the real enemies of any people. Many white people, consciences rubbed raw by constant reminders of past and present guilt, are psychologically ready to find some scape goat for their sins of omission and commission.

"Every time there is a cutting scrape or shooting, robbery, mugging or rape; every time there's a canned heat party or some evidence of anti-social activity committed by a Negro, there are whites ready to justify their prejudices by saying, 'Well, that's a nigger for you.'

"Like the Jew in Hyman Kaplin, you've got to be 'twice as good to go half as far.' This is, however, nothing new in the American story. Every national group has had to wrestle with much the same problem."

So spoke a white Southerner who had earned his right to say these things by his own demonstration of responsibility in facing the race problems. The wisest of the Negro leaders are saying the same things to their people.

Let it be said that the Negroes are not the only Americans guilty of educational or moral failures. Many a white man fails also. And if we dare not withhold civil rights from the white race because some of its members are irresponsible, we have no justification for denying opportunity to the Negro race because many Negroes are irresponsible.

But, as we have observed in our land, public acceptance of a minority group is not based on such logic. And a minority group, indeed, must be "twice as good to go half as far." As more Negroes understand this hard reality, the task of their leaders will be easier, and the burden of the whole nation in this hour of crisis will become lighter.



Letters To The Editors

**An Overwhelming Vote**

**Honors List**

**Editors, The Tar Heel.**  
Today the Student Committee to Help Eliminate Insidious Subversive Speakers publishes its first honors list. Hats off to these patriotic loyal public servants:  
Senate President Clarence Stone.  
Secretary of State Thad Eure.  
Assistant A.G. Ralph Moody.  
Representatives L. J. Phipps and Ike O'Hanlon.  
State Senators Irvin Belk and Adam Whitely.

These men run the risk of political suicide and general unpopularity by being among the first and most forceful to speak out in favor of this measure against the creeping Communist menace. For their efforts, they have suffered the most vicious attacks on their service and their personal qualities.  
Also mentioned must be distinguished news analyst Jesse Helms, long admired for his courageous stands in defense of Free Enterprise and his penetrating discussions of sometimes suppressed news items. He has devoted much of his unfortunately brief air time to educating citizens with regard to House Bill 1395 (?), the law labelled by propagandists as the "Gag Law."

Congratulations, gentlemen, on being the first to be selected—by overwhelming vote—for the Student Committee List.  
**Student Committee To Help Eliminate Insidious Subversive Speakers**

**Equal?**

**Editors, The Tar Heel.**  
Re: "John Carswell Meets The Press" (Editorial in DTH, Sunday, December 8).  
I quote: "It might interest Mr. Carswell to know that the policy of this paper in covering news is to be sure that all parties to any controversy have an equal opportunity to be represented in our coverage of that controversy."  
Mr. Carswell, like any rational person who reads the DTH, knows what DTH "equal opportunity" actually is. Any comments that Mr. Carswell would have cared to make concerning the civil rights demonstration would probably have been twisted in such a manner that he himself would have difficulty recognizing them. The "famous neuroses of the owner of the Colonial Drugstore" were certainly not demonstrated when the

DTH reporter was told to leave. If any neuroses were demonstrated by this act, they were the "infamous neuroses" of the DTH staff.  
If the DTH would actually present "equal opportunity" news coverage, maybe students and Chapel Hillians would call it the Daily Tar Heel again, instead of the current "Damn Tar Heel."  
Dwight Thomas, Jr.  
210 Everett Hall

**Luxury**

**Editors, The Tar Heel.**  
As a new faculty member down from the Northeast and as yet unfamiliar with Carolina's long tradition of gracious living, I can find few tears to shed for the plight of the student with no place to park his car.  
Let us admit that, except for the student who lives over a mile from campus or for the physically disabled student, the use of a car for daily commuting is a luxury. This is all the more true down here where the weather is less of a hindrance to getting about. It is downright presumptuous to expect this or any university to divert its funds to providing storage space for such

luxuries. The solution to both the traffic and the parking problems is a simple one, to reduce the number of students who operate cars in Chapel Hill. The criteria for determining who may or may not have a car are a matter for the appropriate dean.  
The problem of how to get across campus quickly remains nonetheless. Due to heavy auto traffic here, some of us, including some of us faculty members with the right to park in staff parking lots, have realized the difficulty and expense of commuting by car and prefer to ride bicycles. The bicycle, by the way, has been found to be the solution to the transportation problem on many campuses: Princeton, Yale, Harvard, Amherst, Michigan, Vassar, Wellesley, Smith, Swarthmore, and Oberlin, to name just a few.

Now I know that bicycles are not at present very fashionable on this campus, and I am learning that being fashionable is very important on this campus. But bicycles are practical, sufficiently fast, and best of all, economical.  
Mark E. Watkins  
Dept. of Mathematics

**Foreign News**

**By PHIL NEWSOM  
United Press International**  
**Christmas Spirit:**  
An East German agreement to permit West Berliners to visit friends and relatives on the East side of the Berlin wall during Christmas is seen as the result of economic pressures. Trade between East and West Germany now amounts to about \$220 million annually each way, a drop in the bucket to West Germany but vital for the East.  
It is based entirely on barter, which the West Germans cut off at will whenever East German deliveries fall behind schedule. Recently, the West Germans indicated they might be prepared to grant the East German Communist regime long-term credits in exchange for an improvement in the lot of the East German people. Officially, the East Germans scoffed at the idea. However, the Red decision to let West Berliners visit East Berlin at Christmas may be the first down payment.  
**Common Market:**  
A showdown rapidly is ap-

proaching between France and West Germany on Common market farm price policies. In the German view this could mean the downfall of the Common Market and, at least temporarily, the dream of a united Europe. The French are insistent that German farm subsidies be cut to the same level as that paid to French farmers, and that French agricultural products receive preference within the Common Market, composed of France, West Germany, Italy, Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg. The Germans are resisting on both counts. Chancellor Ludwig Erhard's Christian Democrats drew their strongest support from German farmers.  
**Johnson vs. De Gaulle:**  
De Gaulle can be expected to take his time about setting a date to meet with President Lyndon Johnson. Insiders say the crusty French leader wants to see first whether Johnson is likely to be as tough on such matters as nuclear sharing as the late President Kennedy was.

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**Halfway Measures Won't Quite Work**

First Of Two Parts

There is no doubt in anyone's mind that the parking situation has gotten out of hand in Chapel Hill, but there seems to be doubt in everyone's mind as to what the solution might be. The town of Chapel Hill has moved to alleviate the problem somewhat, but it seems to us that the burden for solving the current mess falls mainly on the shoulders of the University.

What has the University done about its burden? Well, so far it has gotten around to the conclusion that a problem exists and that it probably ought to do something about it fairly soon. That is some help, but if the University were to act immediately in this area, it would only be about five years too late.

There are now more than 5,000 registered student automobiles on or around this campus, and only 2,900 parking spaces provided for student use. That leaves about 2,100 automobiles to roam the campus, many taking up the crowded parking facilities provided for the staff, which by itself throws another 2,600 cars into the morning parking derby.

So where do we go from here? Well, one of the plans currently being discussed by the University proposes we

go up. Up in the form of triple-decking the Bell Tower parking lot. This seems very imaginative at first glance, but with a little scrutiny proves to be just a more bizarre measure in the stop gap approach that is being used. The two decks would provide some 800 more parking spaces for students and would cost about \$2,150,000. It would be necessary to charge each student with an automobile an annual fee of \$50 to help finance this project. And after blowing all that money there would still be over 1,300 student cars with no place to go. It is obvious that we could not long afford this type of expensive measure which makes us run hard to catch up to being only two or three years behind.

The other idea which is getting serious consideration is further limiting the number of students who may have cars in Chapel Hill. This measure, painful as it seems, might become absolutely necessary sometime in the future regardless of how adequate a solution to the present problem is found. Sophomores would be the first to lose the privilege, with academic criteria for juniors and seniors probably following.

But there does seem to be at least one way out which is not quite so painful, and this will be discussed in the second part of this editorial tomorrow.

**The Campus Chest Needs You!**

Betty Ward, the Chairman of the Campus Chest Drive this year, is looking for several hundred strong, hard working volunteers to help with this year's drive, and tomorrow afternoon is the last chance to get interviewed for the many positions that still need to be filled.

In raising the funds, the Chest will again sponsor the Campus Carnival and the annual auction at which they auction off all manner of valuable items. And while these events are fun for the whole campus, a great deal of work must go into both of them. But that's only the beginning of the work that must be done if the drive is to be a

success and the volunteers just haven't come flocking down from the hills yet.

The Campus Chest is the only official charity drive on campus, and gives most of us some chance to salve a guilty conscience about all the good deeds we somehow neglected to do since the last drive. And plus that, the money collected benefits causes that usually need to be benefited.

So far those people who feel the need to get out and do something they are sure will be constructive, this is a good time. And for those men who aren't moved by charitable instincts, there are always a raft of good looking women working on this drive, and they might need your help.

**Let's Call Them What They Are**

By SYDNEY J. HARRIS  
Syndicated Columnist

It's an interesting peculiarity of our social order that while the term "Communist" is flung around frequently and often carelessly, its opposite number, "Fascist" is hardly used at all.

In Europe, this is not the case. People have no hesitancy in speaking of the right-wing radicals as "Fascists," for this is what they are. To speak of them as "extreme conservatives" is a foolish contradiction in terms.

And it seems quite plain to me that there are many more Fascists and Fascist sympathizers in the United States than there are Communists and their sympathizers — unless, of course, you care to adopt the Fascist line and suggest that everyone who favors staying in the UN and retaining Social Security is a Red fellow-traveler.

We seem to be so exercised about Communist influence in this country, which is negligible, both in numbers and in appeal to the American temper. Yet, year by year, one sees a Fascist spirit rising among the people, although it is called by many other and softer names, and has even achieved a certain dubious respectability in some circles.

There is no reason why there shouldn't be a Fascist movement in this country; nearly every nation has one.

But it should be called by its right name, and it should be willing to accept the consequences of its position, as the Fascist parties do elsewhere.

It has no business masquerading as "Americanism" or "conservatism" or "patriotism," when its whole philosophy of man is based on a hate-filled exclusiveness that would shock and affront the conservative American patriots who founded this country.

What is distressing about this movement is the tacit or open support given to it by men who genuinely think of themselves as "conservatives," and who do not understand the implications of right-wing radicalism any more than the German industrialists understood what would happen to them when Hitler swept into power with their support.

Just as Communism always begins with an appeal to "humanity" and "equality" and ends with inhuman despotism, so does Fascism always begin with an appeal to "nationalism" and "individualism," and ends with a military collectivism far worse than the disease it purports to cure.

These twin evils are the mirror-image of one another. It would be the supreme irony if, in rejecting the blandishments of Communism, we fell hysterically into the arms of Fascism disguised (as always) as Defender of the Faith.

**POGO**



By Walt Kelly

**Letters**

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