

The Daily Tar Heel

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Thanks A Lot, Ralph

After more than two years of wearisome mess with the speaker ban law, things are finally looking up.

The supporters of the law are obviously scraping the bottom of a notably shallow barrel when they resort to the tactics used by Assistant State Attorney General Ralph Moody.

In a statement that fairly gasps with desperation, Moody suggested in a letter to Rep. David Britt, chairman of the Speaker Ban Study Commission, that the General Assembly could "control the situation" by playing with the University's purse strings if the law should be amended or repealed.

Moody said, "If this statute does turn out to be unconstitutional we still think the people of the state will find some method of controlling the situation and we still believe that the General Assembly has the right to control the allocation of funds that it makes to the institutions of higher learning by means of its Appropriation Acts."

His boss, Attorney General Wade Bruton, did himself no favors by agreeing heartily with Moody's viewpoint.

However, we feel this plainly worded threat to intimidate the University will turn to ashes in the mouth of Moody and ultimately create sympathy for the University's stand.

Higher education in general, and this school in particular, have been the butt of attacks for a good while now, and we have faith in the inherent nature of most people — and especially North Carolinians — to rally to the side of those being subjected to excess abuse.

This University is strong and great and is significantly responsible for whatever measure of greatness the state can claim. Most people recognize this, whether or not they say it out loud.

This group is concerned about the quality of education their children are receiving here, and in their own minds this is justifiable grounds for support of the ban law.

But it is a different matter to start talking about taking money away from the school. There can be no doubt that the cutting off of funds is outright strangulation of the university, with no self-deceit about "protecting our children from themselves," as ban supporters now argue.

Those who wish to control speakers on this or any other campus by waving the money bag will find little enough support, and by the extreme irrationality of their reasoning perhaps may raise some new doubts. These doubts will come in the minds of those who have gone along with the gag until now, but will stand for no more.

Now that the Speaker Ban Commission hearings have been held, we feel the tide of opinion about the law is turning favorably. Trying to stop a tide has always been a rather futile job. Stirrings such as Moody's will only hasten it.

The die-hard supporters of the ban have shown their true colors publicly now. Color them petty.

'The Date Ticket Situation'

Despite the grumbles going around campus about "the date ticket situation," students aren't getting the raw deal some of them think they are.

C. P. Erickson, director of athletics, shed some light on the subject yesterday by pointing out that the step of putting dating students in two sections in the north stands was requested by students themselves last spring.

He said student representatives to the Athletic Council asked for the number of date tickets allotted for each game to be doubled — from 1,000 to 2,000. It's doubtful that the student representatives asked for seats down about the 10-yard line on the visitors' side, but nevertheless they had to be put somewhere.

Erickson said he feels the "first obligation is to the students" when it comes to passing out the seats, so it was decided that those students who bring outsiders as dates will in effect "pay" for the privilege by not having the choicest seats. And no regular student will lose his place in the south stands to a visitor.

Erickson indicated that this arrangement is by no means absolutely final, and if students are dissatisfied with it, others can be tried.

Anyway, we see no cause for despair yet. The number of dates allowed in the stadium has been doubled, and predictions about this season indicate there is always the possibility that fellows will spend more time looking at their dates than at the playing field — so which yardline he sits on may not prove to be especially vital.

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U.S. Reported Using Zippos On Viet Cong

By DAVID ROTHMAN
DTH Staff Writer

WASHINGTON — Reports that GIs are using Zippo cigaret lighters to burn up Viet Cong Villages rocked the nation today.

President Johnson said at a special press conference the Zippos are necessary "in view of the Viet Cong's continued desire to escalate the war."

Earlier, he had held an emergency National Security Council meeting.

Johnson reaffirmed "our intense desire for a peaceful solution to the problem" and said that, for the moment, the lighters would not be used in the vicinity of Hanoi.

House Minority Leader Gerald Ford criticized Johnson's "lack of will to win. Rather than negotiating with the Reds, we should use Zippos to destroy the missile sites near Hanoi. I am fully convinced this is within our military capability."

Replying to Ford's statement, Johnson warned that the USSR might move to enlarge the war should the Zippo attacks kill any Russian technicians manning the sites.

Sen. Wayne Morse of Oregon, in a two-hour Senate speech, called the employment of Zippos "inhumane and contrary to the Geneva Convention."

Morse said he believes the Zippos could eventually mean Red China's entry into the conflict.

Near Saigon, two Viet Cong terrorists were caught attempting to blow up a Zippo lighter fluid tank. Had they succeeded, the United States war effort in Viet Nam would have been significantly set back, according to Defense Secretary McNamara.

U. N. Secretary U Thant said the Zippo attacks are hampering peace negotiations.

Radio Peking said the Zippos "strengthened the will of the oppressed people of South Viet Nam to resist imperialistic aggression."

The Chinese reminded their listeners the People's Republic had detonated its first Zippo in 1964, and would use it on San Francisco should the situation worsen.

Students for a Democratic Society announced that hereafter, only matches would be used to destroy draft cards. "We must not have anything to do with racial genocide," a spokesman for the organization commented.

In Tokyo, left-wing students sacked the American embassy. They claimed that a Zippo lighter had ignited the Hiroshima atomic bomb.

French President De Gaulle said his country had "learned the lesson of Dien Bien Phu. Zippos are definitely out of place in Southeast Asia."

Columnist Drew Pearson said he is investigating rumors of wartime profiteering by the Zippo Company.

Prime Minister Harold Wilson called for the banning of open-air Zippo testing. Worried about the expected proliferation of Zippos among the smaller powers, he said:

"First the United States had the Zippo; then the Russians; then us; now France and Red China. Suppose Sukarno develops the Zippo as he says he will. Then where will we be in Malaysia?"

Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, former U. S. Ambassador to Saigon, confidently predicted the Zippos will "lead to a decisive American victory in South Viet Nam. They've been run over by automobiles, used by prisoners in P.O.W. camps and found in the bellies of sharks — without serious damage. Clearly, the United States has a military advantage."

"Besides, Zippo lighters are guaranteed to last forever, and if anything happens, we can always get a new one free from the factory."

Ain't It Tough!

Son: "What is college bred?"
Father: "My boy, they make college bred from the flour of youth and the dough of old age."
(Wadsworth, Orlando Sentinel)

Aging Stewardesses Dance A New Bye-Bye A-Go-Go

By DICK WEST
ROLL CALL

One of the advantages the airlines have over the railroads is the fact that the average stewardess is prettier than the average pullman conductor.

Let us keep this in mind as we examine the testimony of Mrs. Colleen Boland before a House Labor Subcommittee.

Mrs. Boland, representing the AFL-CIO Transport Workers Union, appeared at a hearing to protest the policy of some airlines of imposing age limits on hostesses.

In some cases, she lamented, stewardesses are arbitrarily grounded at age 32. In others, the ceiling is 35.

Mrs. Boland said this had nothing to do with the ability of the stewardess to balance a tray of food, pour a dry martini, or aid and comfort a passenger who is getting green around the gills.

She said it was "pure and simple sex." She quoted one airline executive as saying, "If we put a dog on the plane, 20 businessmen are sore for a month."

Mrs. Boland, who at 37 retains a girlish figure and has no hint of grey in her reddish-brown hair, resented that remark. I don't blame her.

No lady likes to be told that she is over the hill at 32, or for that matter at 62. Members of the subcommittee were

"Whatta Ya Mean They Just Closed Out All The Freshman Courses?"



Discrimination Will Divide Students In Kenan Stadium

By BOB ORR

United we SAT . . . divided we SIT, or at least that's the way it's going to be, thanks to a new University policy on date tickets.

For those students who buy date tickets, the University has reserved a special section for them. The only hitch is that the section is on the north side of the stadium across from the student body.

Vernon Crook, athletic business manager, announced that the policy change came at the request of the student members of the University Athletic Council. The request stemmed from the problem of seating an increasing number of students and dates from other colleges in the 10,340 seats allotted to the Carolina student body.

Crook said that the only feasible solution at the present was to have those people bringing dates from other campuses to sit on the north side of the stadium between the goal-line and 20-yard line. He said that enough seats would be reserved for each game to accommodate those with date tickets.

As with all decisions, somebody isn't going to like it, in this case, probably those people who bought date tickets and sit on the North side of the stadium.

But look on the brighter side of things. And unfortunately one of the brighter aspects of the situation is going to be the sun. The north side just isn't very shady and those students sitting over there better bring their dark glasses.

One of the innovations for college football is the two platoon system. How effective a "two platoon cheering section" will be, remains to be seen. At least when one side gets tired of cheering the other can pick it up. And those on the north side will be able to see the card section in action for a change.

For those who don't like the new policy, the administration says it isn't permanent. It all depends on how the students like it. If they don't, they can always go back to "first come, first serve" on the south side. And you can't really gripe with the administration because for the first time there

will be three games that you can get date tickets at half price.

In The Mail . . .

Students Pay For 'Privilege' Of Not Parking

Editor The Daily Tar Heel:

New parking regulations have been now issued for University students. As the folder indicates, they are indeed strict. I have been issued a "T" zone sticker. This forbids me from parking anywhere on campus, yet I still must swell the coffers of the University with my five dollar fee.

One glaring inconsistency arises. The campus, as defined by the regulations, includes the portion of the married student's housing in which I live. This means I am not allowed to park my car at home. For this I must pay five dollars?

Even if the University overlooks this difficulty, there is still the ridiculous situation in which we in the Village are placed. We must pay for the 'privilege' of being forbidden to bring our cars to school, even under the most adverse of conditions. Yet the fine line of distinction drawn by the Board of Trustees allows a student on the West side of Mason Farm Road parking rights denied to one living on the East side.

Little can be done to relieve the congested parking conditions, but we shouldn't be forced to pay for stickers which deny us the right to park even in front of our own homes.

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Old Salt Gives Advice On Game

Ah yes tomorrow. It will be good to make the trek over to ol' Kenan and take a peek at this year's crop of pumpkin kickers.

Now remember you freshmen, on Saturday you dress up in your Sunday best. Everybody even the pumpkin kickers — wear nice clean clothes.

Why we been going down to sit on the slopes of the valley of the shadow of death for nigh on three years now and don't recollect ever seein' anyone that wasn't dressed fit to kill.

And watch out for the bulge in your hip pocket. That stuff makes a noticeable stain and it smells right much too.

Remember its the clean cut American kids in the Blue and White that you all are sposed to hollar for. Ya booo like a wrestling fan at those dirty coal miners in maize (what ever color that might be) and blue.

When the little fellow with the train whistle whistles for a kick off, and there may be a lot of them, all of you all stand up and hollar like mad, and cross your fingers. That's a tradition here at Carolina or soon will be.

Ya might keep an eye out for the man with ears like Dumbo's. He's the head whip cracker down there in the valley.

Don't forget that when those pretty little things in the skirts that's all the time come up, ask you to stand up, you stand up and fast too. Ya can see better that way.

When the games over, if it ever ends, whether us Tar Heels win or lose you walk out with your head held high and be a good sport.

Then go out and finish off the bulge.

Moody Rapped For Ban Stand

By HUGH STEVENS

Ralph Moody, North Carolina's Deputy Attorney General, thinks the Speaker Ban Law is just about the greatest thing since gas lights.

He thinks so highly of the law, in fact, that in 1963 he authored a log, rambling legal opinion supporting its constitutionality.

But now an upstart Duke University law professor, Dr. Van Alstyne, who just happens to be one of the nation's true experts regarding speaker regulation policies, has put the Speaker Ban's constitutionality on the ropes by means of a scholarly brief presented during the August public hearings of the Speaker Ban Study Commission. In typical fashion, Moody is fighting back by hitting below the belt.

Earlier this week, in a letter to commission chairman David Britt, Moody suggested that if the law should be held unconstitutional by the courts, the General Assembly might well respond through "power of the purse." He did not elaborate, but his message was clear: budget slashes injurious to the University should be used in reprisal if the Speaker Ban collapses because of internal weakness.

Moody hasn't even lost yet, but he has already put himself on record as the poorest loser this side of Tom Nugent. His statement was as vicious as it was juvenile.

By crying for revenge before a decision concerning the law has even been made, Moody has degraded whatever prior claims he may have had to a true legal mind. He not only lacks the objectivity to concede defeat if it materializes; he comes up short on integrity as well.

The Speaker Ban Law has many facets, and constitutionality is only one of them. Yet it is the only point to which Moody has been asked to address himself. His first opportunity was in 1963; the second was in rebuttal to Dr. Van Alstyne.

On both occasions, Moody chose to project a considerable percentage of his verbiage in the direction of political and other questions not directly concerned with the legality of the law.

The following statements, for example, are excerpted from Moody's 1963 "legal brief":

— "I find that certain academicians, editors, college presidents and the Communist Party of the United States are on the same side in this matter and are all in bed together in opposition to this act."

— "It is not unjust to say that the AAUP has usually been soft on Communists . . ."

— ". . . academic freedom has nothing to do with the situation at all."

Moody showed an even greater talent for wandering from his assigned duties in this week's letter to Chairman Britt. He touched only briefly on the technical aspects of Van Alstyne's elaborate brief, admitting that one case around which he built his initial argument had not been finally decided at that time. The remainder of the letter consisted of a flagrant espousal of the pro-Ban cause and insinuated rah-rah tactics on behalf of budgetary reprisals.

"We do not think," he wrote, "it would be unconstitutional for the General Assembly to use the power of the purse in such a situation if it desired to do so and it was the will of the people."

Moody is right about one thing. Such revenge would almost certainly be constitutional. He apparently cares little that it would be childish and downright unethical.

Throughout the entire Speaker Ban controversy, the University and other opponents of the law have attempted to work carefully through established channels to have this odious statute removed. The assumption has been that education and logical persuasion can win over even the most obstinate foes, provided they are honest, reasonable men.

By his remarks this week, Moody has stamped himself as an enemy of another kind. His enmity is not with Communist speakers and their like; it is with the University and its basic purposes. If the law which he favors collapses because it is vague, unenforceable, or a violation of constitutional rights, he will not accept it. Instead he will lash out at the children of North Carolina and their educational well-being.

Such a man is not a man of reason; he is a man of intense selfishness.

By insinuating that the General Assembly would follow his suggestions of budgetary retaliation, Moody has degraded himself, his office and the legislators of which he spoke.

It is an interesting commentary on the inherent worth of the Speaker Ban Law that it requires such vindictive little men for its preservation.

Ventriloquist Needed

The North Carolina Heart Association has issued an appeal for any ventriloquists on campus. Any ventriloquist interested in donating his services for educational spot announcements on television is requested to contact H. A. Sieber, public relations director for the N. C. Heart Association at 968-4453.