

The Peace Vigil—Commitment Expressed

By STAN SWOFFORD

Why do UNC students, faculty members and local residents participate week after week in the Vietnam Peace Vigil? Are they accomplishing anything? Do they really think they can affect U. S. foreign policy? Are they merely protesting, or can they offer solutions to the problems in Vietnam?

These are some of the questions asked 15 of the participants of the weekly vigil.

Each person interviewed expressed a deep and personal commitment against the war, but their views varied considerably on the effectiveness of the vigil and solutions to the war.

"Everyone participating in this vigil has his own reasons," said Richard Cramer, UNC student, "but underlying all other reasons is a conviction that this war is illegal and immoral."

"Participating in this vigil is

my own personal way of protesting this war," said Mrs. Dan Young, Chapel Hill housewife.

"I feel that it's a personal commitment that I have made and that I must maintain," said Lucy Wynn, a graduate student.

Comments concerning the vigil's effectiveness ranged from the assertion by Mark Rousseau, sociology instructor, that "Certainly the government is aware of our vigil and we will continue until our foreign policy changes," to the statement by Robert Gwyn, professor in the RTVMP department, "No, I don't think we have much of an effect. The government is planning a military victory anyway."

Most of the participants advocated a negotiated and systematic withdrawal of our forces but at least one, Adolphe Furth, bearded and bespectacled professor of chemistry at St. Augustine College in Raleigh, who called for immediate re-

moval. Squinting at the sun and pulling on his beard he said, "After all, it's a civil war and none of our concern."

All of the interviewed participants agreed that the U. S. was the aggressor in the Vietnam war — but not an intentional aggressor. Don Egvall, UNC student, expressed the sentiments of the group. "The U.S. is in Vietnam because our government is operating under the mistaken belief that it can police the world. This just isn't possible. Communism might very well be the best type of government for South Vietnam."

But at least one person on Franklin Street disagreed with the Vietnam vigil keepers. James V. Lacock, proprietor of the College Shu-fixery, has a sign in his window which reads: "We are Against Communism Wherever it may Appear." "That peace group is all

wrong," Lacock mumbled through the shoe tacks between his teeth. "I'm a World War II veteran and I know the best way

to win that thing is to get in there and fight with all we've got. We'd better stop messing around."

Writer Sets Vietnam Talk

What is the real story on the front lines in Vietnam. . . How effective is the leadership there. . . Why are the "Red Guards" on the wild campaign that is bringing death to millions. . . ?

Noted veteran correspondent George B. Dewey will discuss these and other pertinent ques-

tions about the war when he speaks here at 7 p.m. Wednesday (July 19) in the Carolina Inn ballroom.

Dewey has recently returned from a five-month assignment with *Das Ostpreussenblatt*, Hamburg, Germany, *World Wide Press* and other news media in Vietnam, covering the War which he calls "an enigma."

"Extraordinary things are going on behind the scenes of visible events in Vietnam," he observes. Dewey, whose by-line from the Congo was for years an important part of *World Wide Press's* African coverage, believes there has never been anything quite like the present Southeast Asian situation. "The war in Vietnam," he says, "is known to the men of the press as the 'newsman's nightmare'."

He calls it a strange, baffling, frontless war that defies all powers of comprehension.

Through his 22 frontline missions, Dewey has been able to watch the fast-shifting scenes of the tangled military and political fronts. His evaluation of the leadership in Vietnam is based upon repeated personal interviews.

"Our men serving in Vietnam are the cream of our country," he says. "During a six and a half hour night fighting flight aboard 'Puff the Magic Dragon,' I found five out of seven crew members (three of them gunners) University graduates." From personal observation he will report on some fantastic sacrifices and accomplishments by the U.S. Armed Forces.

Drawing from his close associates, pressmen and international investigators in Red China, Dewey is confident that he knows the real reason why 16 million young people, known as "Red Guards," are on the wild campaign that is bringing death to virtually millions of others. He will discuss what and who is behind it and why this unbridled rampage is going on.

Also during his three days here, Dewey will meet with several political science classes. There will be a luncheon Thursday (July 20) in his honor sponsored by the YM-YWCA.

His address, to the Chapel Hill Rotary Club, is open to the public.

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UNC Group Sets Aid To Strikers

By MIKE MCGEE

A group of students and faculty at UNC this week have been organizing a drive to raise funds to support a strike by textile workers in Whiteville, North Carolina.

The employees of National Spinning Company have been on strike since May 4 in protest against unfair labor practices by the Whiteville plant.

The Whiteville local of the

Post-Exam Party Set

Phi Mu Alpha will sponsor a post-exam party Saturday, July 15, in the Rendezvous Room at Graham Memorial. The party which will feature the Soul Survivors Combo and the 706 Boys will be from 8:00 until 12:00 midnight and will be open to all U.N.C. students and their dates. The party is being arranged by Ronald White, Phi Mu Alpha warden.

Until Next Session

The Tar Heel will not be published next Tuesday, because of the examination period and registration for next session.

The next issue will be published Friday, July 21.

Textile Workers Union of America has charged the company with discrimination in wage levels between their plant and other National Spinning plants; interference in union activities, including coercion of those who joined and worked for the union; and refusing to bargain good faith with union representatives.

National Spinning Company came to North Carolina from New York State seven years ago. It is of a type of industry known as the "runaway": relocate in the South to benefit from considerably lower wages and no backtalk from labor.

Just last week, the National Labor Relations Board ruled that charges made by the union against the company are legitimate and has scheduled a hearing for August to determine the guilt or innocence of the company.

An ad hoc committee of students and faculty members will work to raise money to go into the strike fund, as money seems to be the greatest need of the strikers at this time.

A mass meeting will be held this Friday afternoon at 4:00 at Wesley Foundation. Some of the strikers and union organizers will be present to discuss the strike and how students and people in the community might help.

Also to be discussed will be a country and western music concert planned for next week. Several of the strikers are excellent musicians and singers and the concert should provide quality entertainment of a kind rarely heard in concert at UNC.



As the speakers on Vietnam come and go, the weekly peace vigil continues, every Wednesday noon. It is an accepted part of the Chapel Hill scenery.

Student Government Views Are Exchanged

By JOE SANDERS

Students from 15 other campuses exchanged views with members of U. N. C.'s student government in Tuesday night's "Bull Session" held at Graham Memorial.

A total of 25 students registered at Graham Memorial between 6:30 and 7:15 and then met in groups outside the building. Student Body vice president Jed Dietz said that the students, some of them student leaders at their own institutions, showed more of an interest in learning about Carolina than in talking about their own colleges.

Dietz said that the students, most of whom are enrolled in summer classes here, showed particular interest in the experimental college, membership in the National Student Association (N. S. A.), and the Tar

Heel.

He has promised to visit East Carolina to discuss the N. S. A. with student leaders there this fall.

Dietz said that one student from Goddard College in Plainfield, Vt., illustrated the possibilities of the experimental college system.

"They have no grades, there," he said. "They have no classrooms, but meet in dorm lounges. Instead of final exams, the student prepares course evaluations that demonstrate his knowledge. In spite of this apparent laxness, however, the college has an excellent record for placing its students in graduate schools."

Dietz said that no notes were taken of the session, but that the participants gained valuable information.

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