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SG Worthless Without Support

President Robert M. Travis struck a true note when he called for unity and support on the part of the students in his address to the Legislature Thursday night. For if there is any point in Student Government it is that the student body should support that institution. Without that necessary interest, Student Government is worthless. Its value is negated when those whom it should serve do not care what is going on. And the efficiency of Student Government is greatly impaired by a lack of concern on the part of the Student Body.

It is, however, very true that Student Government can become remote and aloof from the campus. It can easily become a haven for bureaucrats who are themselves uninterested in public support or participation in the programs. These people who work in Student Government, primarily in appointive positions, can develop into a clique which is so inbred and so contemptuous of student opinion that their actions and consequently the

actions of Student Government are made with no regard for the public will or the public good. When this happens, then the hour has come for wholesale house-cleaning. Then things must be shaken up, people must be moved out in order for newer, fresher, more responsive officials to come in. This does not seem to be happening in the Student Government here at Carolina. Student Government of necessity has problems, any institution of its size and sort will, but it is also able to deal with these problems in a vigorous way. And this is because there are people involved in Student Government who are not only able but also vitally interested in the success and preservation of Student Government on this campus.

As the President noted, one of the most pressing problems is one of communication. With almost fifteen thousand students attending a university, just keeping in touch is always a problem. But there are ways to combat this situation and people have lately organized a

group to establish bull-sessions all over campus on Student Government: what it does and why and what the student can do to get involved. The Vice-president initiated last fall an ambitious speaking schedule before freshmen orientation groups in order to stimulate interest and participation on the part of new students. Mr. Dietz was apparently successful for this year saw a very large number of freshmen to apply for committee memberships, legislative aid positions, and other Student Government posts. As a matter of fact, there was a very large and gratifying turnout by students interested in serving on a committee.

One of the prime functions of Student Government is the investigation of student problems which the administration or faculty is either not interested in or unable to perform. This year Student Government is doing work in such highly important areas as leadership training, student mental health (the student stress committee), discounting, the VIGAH pro-

gram, The International Student Center, and others. These programs will have a great effect on many areas of the student Body and should not be ignored. With more active student interest and participation, these programs can be quite successful. Without it, the committees might as well disband.

The old cliché that "it's easy to criticize" may be trite and some of its meaning may have been lost in excessive usage, but the kernel of truth contained therein is still quite valid and especially pertinent at this time. For right now the chorus of critics is growing larger and more frenzied. One wonders why such critics are unwilling to contribute their abundance or knowledge and wisdom to the solution of the problems they so gleefully point out. Not too long ago one group sallied forth with a scathing attack upon Student Government for not doing anything in the area of judicial reform. They were seemingly oblivious to the fact that the WRC has been working for almost a year on a liberalization of women's rules, with notable and continuing success, that the Presidential ad hoc Commission on Judicial Reform was studying various proposals on the limitation of the Campus Code and judicial procedure, and that the Student Legislative Judicial Committee was considering bills concerning administrative and election reform. This information was not being hidden from public view and anyone interested could have easily found out exactly what was being done and by whom. But, as President Travis pointed out "all too often (critics) make the headlines, and hard work goes unrewarded, either publicly or privately." It is also true that critics, many but not all, race to the newspaper with a statement before going anywhere else, even to search out the truth. And, of course, the newspaper is all too glad, it appears, to report what seems to be dissension within the ranks of Student Government.

This is not to say that all criticism is irresponsible. Much of it is most valuable. But at this time when the criticism of Student Government is reaching a crescendo, it is good to pause and examine the object of the criticism which in this instance is not deserving of such derision. For Student Government for all its faults is thoroughly engaged in a noble and rewarding adventure.

Because Talk Is Cheap, It Can Be Real Bargain

Talk, as cheap as it may be, can be pretty valuable sometimes.

It all depends on what's being said — and by whom.

For instance, it is about time someone began getting students here talking about their student government — just as Charlie Mercer and David Rigby began doing this week.

And it is also about time that there be a forum on this campus for debate of all sorts of contemporary issues — such as the Debate Team will begin to provide Tuesday with the institution of a weekly Speak Out session in Y court.

Both of these programs are very good things to be coming to Carolina.

The first will provide students here with a more complete and personal view of Student Government — instead of forcing them to think of it as being esoteric and removed from their lives. Through these discussions, students can voice their opinions within hearing of Student Govern-

ment, which in turn will have a better idea of what its constituents think and want.

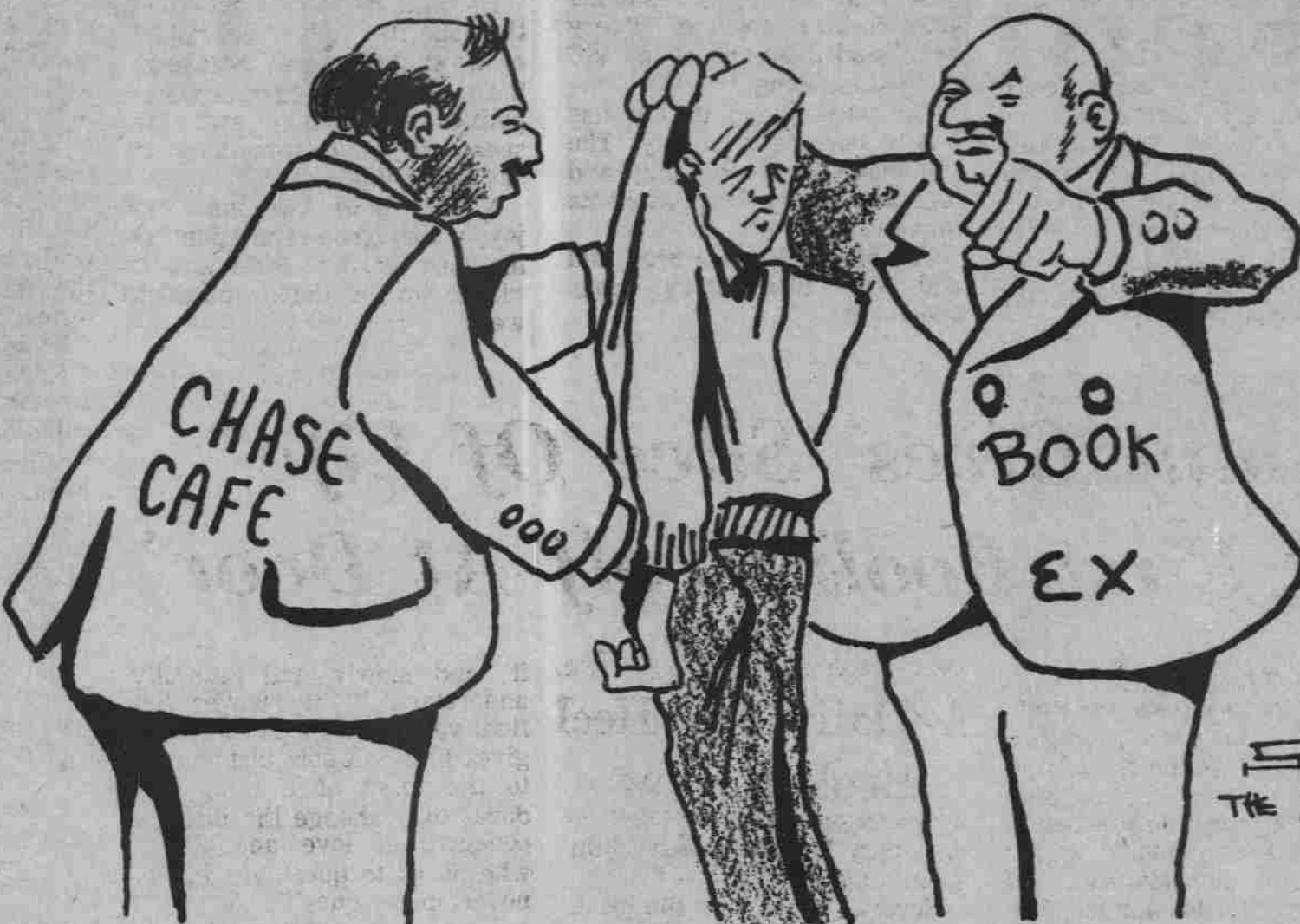
The Speak Out series will provide Chapel Hill with a minor version of London's Hyde Park, in which just about anyone can get up on a soapbox and say just about anything.

The Speak Outs will be a forum for the discussion of controversial issues, such as this week's topic "Gen. Hershey and the Draft" and next week's, "The Black Man in America."

By doing this, Speak Out will provide everything that is needed for some very healthy dialogue to begin on this campus. It will make possible University students' intelligent discussion of important issues with a wider range of persons than you find in the normal fraternity house or residence hall bull session.

So, you see, there's nothing wrong with talk's being cheap: in fact, that just makes both the SG information series and the Speak Out more of a bargain.

"The University Book Ex is definitely our biggest competitor for the students' time & money..." — George Prillaman, Univ. Food Service Director



Letters To The Editor

A Reply To Holmes On Honor Court

To The Editor:

Mr. Holmes you're beautiful! Of course the Honor Court has no jurisdiction over Carolina students visiting other colleges while school is in session. The University may lose a hard won reputation it now enjoys. In fact, the "Carolina Gentleman" could become a thing of the past. We could even dismiss the Honor Court and negate all the hard work done to get the judiciary system in student hands. But to quote you, Mr. Holmes — "too bad".

opposition. Who, for instance, is George Stephens? According to the Tar Heel, Stephens listed his address as 1607 Main Street, Carrboro. According to the Chapel Hill police department, the highest number on Main Street is 1128. I'm certainly willing to identify myself. I'm a friend of Jed Dietz's. Who's friend are you, Mr. Stephens?

John Sarraat
Carolina Avenue

In short, we feel that the cartoon was most unjust. Also, we are curious to know when a male cartoonist has had contact with the maids in a women's dormitory.

Sincerely,
Louise Glogau,
Conny Fuller
Nancy Ford
Lacey Caldwell
Marsha Parker

Y Not Part Of Book Ex 'Conspiracy'

To The Editor:

Although I am fully aware of the nature of Mr. Hollis's letter and that he did not wish to implicate the YM-YWCA in the Book Exchange conspiracy, I would like to point out that the YM-YWCA is in no way connected with the snack bar or Book Exchange. The funds

for our program come from contributions by students, faculty, alumni, and friends of the Y. The only fund raising activity that we operate is the International Handicraft Bazaar, which is organized and run by students.

Secondly, everything that goes on in Y-court is not necessarily sponsored by or associated with the Y.

Another important point is that the Y is not suffering from a lack of student support. We have over 600 members and over 600 people (not all members) directly involved in our program, whether as tutors or volunteers in various other areas. Our financial crisis is the result of the removal of the Y membership card from the matriculation form. The problem is to readjust to new methods of raising student contributions, not to get aid from the campus monopoly.

Jim Garrison
Pres., YMCA

In Defense Of Women's Maids

To The Editor:

We are writing to protest the cartoon that appeared in last Tuesday's DTH, concerning the maids in women's dormitories. Those of us living on second floor, Spencer, have two wonderful women as maids. They always offer bits of cheerful conversation — quite a remarkable thing, considering the task they face. Nor do we find much fault with their work. Frequently these ladies go beyond the requirements of their job to take a phone message or recover a lost article from the trash.

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Letters

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The Many Shades Of Student Power

From The Michigan State News

"Student power," like so many of the rallying cries that have become so recently popular in our nation, means a great many different things to a great many different people.

The National Student Association (NSA) Student Power Conference at the University of Minnesota two weeks ago openly revealed the radical liberal split of those interested in student power. Through their ravings, the radicals proved how undesirable their stand is, and the liberals showed a pertinence which cannot be ignored.

Calling for complete student control of the university, the radical stand is unjustifiable and unrealistic. Faculty and administration are an important part of the academic community, and their present position cannot, and should not, be undermined to the extent radicals demand.

The liberal stand is much more within the realm of possibility, and is amenable to the rights of all members of the university community. Ed Schwartz, NSA president and a self-described radical who appeared liberal at the conference, stated the most reasonable definition of student power in his keynote address. Students should have control of those

areas which are uniquely student, such as visitation, dress rules and other non-academic policies, but Schwartz explained, the faculty and students should share the control of curriculum and other academic questions.

National columnist Max Lerner, a non-student, non-faculty and non-administrator, has proposed another formula which could ease tensions. He advocates a 7:5:3 ratio of administrators to faculty to students on all decision-making bodies of the university which directly affect students.

Lerner would exempt students from questions of budget, faculty appointments and other issues in which they are not directly affected. These exceptions are certainly necessary considering the transitory nature of the student body; the majority of students remain only four years on a single campus. Lerner's proposal suffers, however, because it maintains faculty and administration powers over the strictly student domain.

Lerner's conception of student power is too limited, the radicals' conception is unfeasible and undesirable, but Schwartz's ideas are the logical extension of student, faculty and administration rights, and they are workable. It is this ideal for which we should strive.

UNC-C Unicorns: How Corny!

From The Charlotte Observer

The athletic teams of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte are still called Forty Niners. For want of a better name.

Visions of the gold rush, California and San Francisco's pro football team flit before one's eyes upon reading "Forty Niners". There is scarcely a thought for the fact that the name refers to the state highway the university is located on.

We thought for a moment the other day that we had the problem solved. Why not Unicorns? The UNC-C Unicorns. Not bad.

The unicorn, of course, is a fabulous animal with one horn, a right imposing beast. The image would grace the pennants, sweaters and let-

terheads nicely. The figure is fierce enough for athletic teams.

But, alas, there is the inevitable tendency for fans to shorten team names. We have the Tar Heels at Chapel Hill and the Blue Devils at Duke. But it's "Go, Heels!" and "Go, Devils!"

Our ardor for the name was dampened when we contemplated, for this urban university, the almost certain exhortation, "Go, Corns!"

We still might have advanced the suggestion had we not tried it out on a friend not given to brash experimentation.

"Look, friend," he said, "first time the opposition hollers 'Here come the Unics,' there's going to be the durndest fight this section has ever seen."

Go, Forty Niners.

DTH Awards Of The Week

KANGAROO COURT JUDGE OF THE WEEK—Tom Shetley, manager of the UNC Book Exchange, who fired an entire four-man shift from the Ehringhaus Canteen because he suspected theivery there.

PRICE HIKER OF THE WEEK — Once again, to... you guessed it, Tom Shetley, manager of the UNC Book Exchange, who jacked cigaret vending machine prices up from 25 to 30 cents a pack during the Thanksgiving break.

HAPPY DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN AWARD — To Saturday, the opening of Carolina's basketball season.

TECHNICALITY OF THE WEEK— To the Women's Residence Council's rule — about to be changed before the semester ends — that says all women must abide by dormitory closing hours, and as yet makes mention of what to do about

senior coeds moving into apartments next spring this spring.

HERB...E-GO-AGAIN AWARD — THE WEEK — To Stop the Draft Week II, a replay of the week of nationwide protest against the war and the draft in mid-October.

STATESMAN OF THE WEEK— Sen. Eugene McCarthy, D. Minn., who will oppose President Johnson in at least four Democratic presidential primaries, even though to do this may be political suicide for him.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK—"This is not a Republican rally." — James E. Holshouser Jr., chairman of the state GOP, as he spoke to the Republican-sponsored "Opportunities Unlimited" seminar — while standing beneath a poster picturing an elephant carrying GOP colors and raring back to go.

What your letter really says, Mr. Holmes, is that students should be allowed to act ungentlemanly, in other words, raise hell, while off campus without being held responsible. You take the liberty to call the Honor Court members "hypocrites" and you imply that the Attorney General's staff consists of "conniving waifs". Those two statements are erroneous generalizations and the two organizations deserve an apology. Your letter was indeed bitter, as a matter of fact it was a real lemon.

David Wynne

Vicious Statements, Or, Who's Your Friend?

To The Editor:

Well, well, well. Some clever campus politician has decided that the time has finally come to raise his libelous head and start taking pot shots at the current Presidential front-runner, Jed Dietz. I see the Tar Heel reserves the right to edit letters for libelous statements. Apparently they decided not to exercise that right in regard to Mr. Stephen's letter, printed in the November 30 edition.

It's probably all for the best, however. There's really no better way to get students interested in campus elections than to grab their attention with a few vicious statements. It would be more fun, though, if we could identify the