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## Scared Of Prowler? Learn Some Karate

Are you a coed and scared that some night a prowler will crawl through the window in your dorm? Why not take a course in karate and judo, become a regular female James Bond, with lightning quick reflexes, able to jump out of bed and pounce on a prowler the minute he makes the slightest sound as he tries to enter your room.

Sound somewhat ridiculous? It does to us. However, that is one of the suggestions that Dean of Student Affairs C.O. Cathey gave to some coeds who brought him a petition asking that the University provide girls' dorms with nightwatchmen.

Dean Cathey gave the girls some other suggestions, some a little better than the above example, but none of them geared towards guaranteeing the coeds here the degree of security they should be receiving.

The \$40,000 the Administration has spent to improve security around the dorms helps some, but in most cases it doesn't help to prevent a break-in because the measures won't do any good unless there is someone around to spot an intruder.

The Administration is pointing to the problem of finances as one

reason why nightwatchmen can't be provided.

We don't think that is much of a reason for not hiring nightwatchmen. The University has shown that if it is concerned enough about an issue it can come up with the money. This is evident in the fact that they were able to get \$70,000 to hire nightwatchmen and otherwise improve dorm security; it is also evident in the quickness with which the University found the money to build the \$100,000-\$175,000 pipeline to Durham.

The big question, then, seems not to be money, but the concern of the Administration over the security of the coeds.

They apparently find it hard to become as concerned as the coeds, almost 99 per cent of whom signed the petition. That is an amazing show of unanimity of feelings on the part of the coeds.

The Vice-Chancellor for Financial Affairs, Joe Eagles, will discuss the petition with the coeds as soon as possible. We hope that the concern of the coeds over their security will be as apparent to him as it is to us and that he will find the money to provide the coeds the security they deserve from the Administration.

# Biafra: Nigerian Key To Success?

The land that 16 months ago proclaimed itself the Republic of Biafra is today filled with the stench of death blankets and the sight of dark skins turning pasty white in the humid heat. The aura of death hangs over Biafra symbolically as well as literally. The five million Ibo tribesmen—all that is really left of the ravaged republic—may hold out for several weeks more, but their dream of independence is dead.

## "The aura of death hangs over Biafra symbolically as well as literally."

The Biafran children—which number in the thousands—have almost all succumbed to malnutrition. Their future is lost forever for those few who do survive will do so only with warped bodies and addled brains.

It is this monumental suffering that has done most to focus the attention of other nations on the Nigerian fighting. What everyone has been slower to realize is that the Nigerian conflict is the biggest and bloodiest in the history of Black Africa—and also the continent's first truly modern war.

But the Nigerian war may extend far beyond the borders of Nigeria itself. Like the American Civil War, the Nigerian civil war may well be a turning point for an entire region of the world. When it broke out, it threatened to destroy Black Africa's most populous and promising nation—thus leaving the entire continent open to the prey of outside powers.

Parallels Continue

Nor do the parallels between the Nigerian war and the U.S. Civil War end

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there. The secession of Biafra, like the secession of the Confederacy, set brother against brother. Some Ibos—generally those with jobs outside their homeland—chose to remain loyal to Nigeria while their friends and relatives went off to fight with the rebels. And in a country where loyalty to one's tribe is still second only to loyalty to one's family, many of the smaller tribal groups have been rent asunder. Indeed, it was intense tribalism which brought on the war.

But the great tragedy was that there was justice on both sides. The Ibos had been persecuted, and there was little reason to believe that they would receive fair or humane treatment within a unified Nigeria. At the very start of the war, however, the Ibos made a grave miscalculation. They assumed that the rest of Nigeria could not get along without them—that the government, the

army, and the economy would crumble in the hands of the "northern rable." They were wrong. Other Nigerians, with greater or lesser competence, are now performing all the functions the Ibos used to perform.

But despite the ineptitude with which they presented it, the men who led Nigeria's federal government also had a case. And that case was essentially the same one that was presented for the Union side in the U.S. a century ago: secession would irreparably damage both surviving nations and destroy the African dream of emerging from neo-colonialism to true independence.

Both the U.S., with its neutrality, and the Soviet Union, with its arms sales to Nigeria, have effectively backed the federal cause. In essence, the great powers have become accomplices to mass starvation—not because they did not send food to the war's victims, but because

they allowed the Nigerian government to stockpile it outside the country.

But if the war has done terrible things to Nigeria, it also has done a lot for it. To begin with, it has forced the federal government to develop the most effective army in Black Africa—and, as a result, Nigeria is obviously going to emerge as the major military power in that part of the world. Far more important, the war has forged the non-Ibo majority of Nigerians into something very close to a unified nation.

The over-riding factor, of course, is whether the Ibos can be reintegrated into the life of the nation.

Perhaps both the American Civil War and the Nigerian civil war had to be fought. For their internal dissensions could only be settled in such fierce competition. Still, Nigeria—given its many resources and industrious people—could follow the lead of the US and build a new nation out of the one it has destroyed.



Scott Goodfellow

## Ad-Browsing 'Wild'

A pet subject of one professor in the Journalism School here is to influence newspapers to make better use of their classified advertising.

This can be interpreted in many ways. For example, you may have noticed that the DTH is running one now which says "Anyone interested in irresponsible enlightenment, send name..."

The little item brought to mind some of the racier newspapers in the country that run really far-out classifieds.

Fat Dialer

I remember, for example, walking up to a phone in New York's Greenwich Village one night and finding a tremendously fat girl using it, pumping in dimes as fast as she could. She had a copy of the East Village Other, and was answering requests for female companionship like it was going out of style.

Undoubtedly, however, one of the real deans of the business is the Los Angeles Free Press. An issue from early this year has these gems tucked neatly inside:

Astro Comment

One of the more amazing phenomena of our modern age is the number of people who follow horoscopes. The Free Press bleeds them, also. "Find your ASTROLOGICAL MATE. Join Astro-mate to find love by astromatching." So if Jupiter is in conjunction with Saturn (which ought to raise the tide in University Lake, err, Puddle), then whip out your astropen and send that astroletter right away.

Get this one: "BLACKLITE FOR CAR: Psychodelicize the interior of your

car and watch everyone flip when you make the scene with your groovy wheels." Imagine looking at the other person in your car and seeing only glistening white teeth.

"COMPATIBILITY CHARTS prepared by Louise Huebner, astrologer and witch." WITCH! Just what we need around here. What with the drought, the cold snap, no parking place, Spiro Agnew in Raleigh, a 1-2 football season—Ding, dong, the witch is alive!

"I LOVE CHUBBY WOMEN" Sorry, Mama Cass is in Europe and Kate Smith is retired.

But every now and then, there's a truly touching story dropped in among the weird ones. "MIGUEL: China Geese sit cold and stiff upon the teak wood table. A dusty blue falls to Patterns upon their glossy feathers. A periwinkle tucks her head in past silence. A tear escapes running to my cheek. I long for you... with love... write Nancy."

Yes, Journalism Dept. I agree. Not nearly enough good use is made from classified advertising.

## 'Doing It' Takes More Than Words

Give a damn! Says a lot, this new catch phrase of ours, doesn't it?

By Tom Snook

Give a damn. UNC has a good number of pressing issues facing it this year. We have a new drug policy to write, women's rules are in dire need of reform, a visitation policy is being drawn up which needs support, and, as always, academic reforms are of tremendous importance.

Yet how many students are interested enough to take part in attempts to change present policies? Very few it is sad to say. Even the majority of those affected by the unjust policies aren't doing much to change them.

Why? Perhaps it is due to apathy concerning the effectiveness of the many committees that exist here at Carolina. Committees which have tried and tried yet have accomplished so little.

If this is so, then why haven't the students taken stronger measures to force attention to the issues?

Most likely, they fear reprisals from the administration or the student judiciary or both. Anyway, UNC isn't Columbia University and the typical grit conservative isn't about to demonstrate or riot for anything.

So, the women still haven't been granted the right of looking after themselves, students aren't allowed visitation privileges, the drug policy stands a good chance of being unfair again, and the University is labeled, in effect, as inadequate of controlling change.

This doesn't have to happen though. Policy changes can be effected largely by student involvement. One means would be large participation this fall in the area of the new Action Government. This new venture will provide students the strongest position yet from which to demand change.

However, if it should prove ineffective, which is always possible, then other means beyond the area of discussion should be considered.

The issues facing Carolina are important and present policies are unfair and need to be changed. Reforms here this year depend largely on one factor—how far are the students willing to go to achieve what they want?

How much do you care? Give a damn!

## State, Duke Show UNC Who's Most Progressive

Carolina, the bastion of progressivism in the South, The Liberal school in the South, etc. doesn't appear to be that way, anymore, particularly in regard to visitation, the right of students to decide who can enter their rooms.

Not only is UNC not progressive in that area, but to make things worse, the colleges ahead of us are N.C. State and Duke.

UNC students, led by the Southern Student Organizing Committee, are pressing the Administration to give the students the right to run their own lives, to allow them to decide whether they can have visitation by coeds in the men's room. SSOC started circulating a petition in favor of letting students decide on visitation and so far, only five days after the petition started going around, better than 70 per cent of the students have signed it.

Thursday, in just a three hour period, over 1,000 persons signed it. One student was able to get all but two persons on two floors of Morrison to sign the petition.

Apparently a lot of students don't like being told how to run their lives, much less having to trail behind Duke and State on some crucial matter such as this.

The Chancellor has appointed a committee, half student, half faculty to study the problem. It seems clear to us what conclusion they should come to: that residents of male dorms be allowed to decide whether coeds can come into resident's rooms and at what hours.

We hope that after considering how many UNC students want such a policy and after considering that it has been tried and found good at State and Duke (without any repercussions across the state) they will quickly approve it for UNC.

## Weekend Rain Doesn't Alleviate Water Crisis

Chapel Hill's water supply continues to go down. While the rain of the past week and the fact that the pipeline to Durham is ahead of schedule may leave the impression that the water crisis isn't so bad, this isn't so.

Students and town residents need to continue squeezing as much mileage out of their water as possible in order to prevent any shutdown of the University.

If you want to prevent the possibility of school closing down and your having make up that time in the summer or over some vacation period, we recommend you take the following measures:

—Take a sponge bath or when

showering don't let the shower run continuously, only long enough to lather up and rinse off.

—When shaving or brushing teeth don't let water run for duration of teeth brushing or shaving.

—Launder only necessities and when you do laundry, make sure you have a full load.

—Don't water lawns or shrubbery.

—Don't wash cars

—Don't run your air-conditioner.

—Don't use garbage disposal; throw food in garbage can.

—Cook with as little water as possible. Canned foods use less water than frozen ones, so use them as much as possible.

—Use paper plates and utensils.

## Letters To The Editor

### Wallace Mentality Bemoaned

Editor:

The article "Code Found to Wallace Advertising" by Marshall Schwartz, which was printed on your editorial page, is an enlightening masterpiece. It clearly reveals the actual character and platform of George Wallace.

Many people, particularly those of low intelligence, are fooled by the false front put forth by the former Alabama governor. A typical example was the letter calling Mr. Fleishman a "flaming liberal" and cutting him down for revealing Wallace as a racist.

### Infirmiry Attention

Editor:

Why does a UNC Infirmiry doctor prefer the Carolina football game to helping a patient in distress?

On Saturday, September 21st my mother, while working at UNC Infirmiry felt intense pains in her chest. When she became aware of this, she told one of the nurses there. The nurse checked her blood pressure. Still feeling bad my mother told the doctor on call that she had the pains and that she felt very ill. He in turn told her to lie down and that he would come in to check her. (At the time he was listening to the football game,

We should hope and pray that there are not enough of these ignorant people around to elect Mr. Wallace and turn out country into one tremendous riot. I can imagine the despair that would overcome the Negroes in this country if they felt that their president was against them. I trust that they will not have to experience this because I believe that the majority of Americans can not be fooled so easily.

Sincerely,

James Harrison

Carboro

### Hit As Lackadaisical

Carolina and State.)

Lying down, she waited for the doctor for about 15 or 20 minutes. Then she suddenly realized that he evidently was not coming back. Feeling very badly, she got up to find the doctor still listening to the football game. She interrupted him and asked him if he was going to examine her or not.

He in turn asked such questions as "How do you feel now?" (Knowing that he hadn't done anything to make her feel at all comfortable.) The least that he could have done was to have called to

Sincerely,

Deloris Bynum