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## Beat The Hell Out Of Dook

Duke University deserves to be defeated today. It deserves to be defeated more than any other team that UNC has played this year. For that reason we encourage you when you go to the game today to yell loud—very loud—in order to psych up the football team.

By any standard Dook must be considered worthy of subjection by UNC.

For instance:

If you're a good Southern boy that likes his fried chicken and grits (with lots of butter), then you must remember that they are 50 per cent yankees (yes, yankees we said. Many of them are the sons and daughters of Northern capitalists that have exploited Southern farmers and laborers.)

If you're a liberal or radical, you should devote your efforts to having them defeated because they are a bunch of half-vast liberals and radicals.

For instance, not only does Duke University invest a lot of money in Dow Chemical Co., but it is reported that their next chairman of the Board of Trustees is an officer in a large textile firm that is noted for its shoddy treatment of labor unions and which invests heavily in South America.

Secondly, along this line, Dook students try to make a big deal about their being liberal. Ha. Not only did they give up the struggle in support of the Duke employees union too early last year, but at the National Student Association meeting over the semester they tried to tell delegates that what they did was on an equal basis with

Anyone that has been over to

Dook to see their boring repetition Columbia students did, only non-violent. Ha-Ha.

While they run their mouths about trying to improve the world, most of the students, sons and daughters of well-to-do persons, continue to tolerate their parents' investments in corporations that exploit the poor, the blacks, and the underdeveloped world. They talk radical and liberal because it is a cool thing for a student to do.

For that reason we urge that Dook be defeated, that Leo Hart be smothered under the likes of Mike Smith and his buddies.

Cut the stupid and immature cynical criticism of Bill Dooley and the team that emanates from the stands every game and cheer—Really.

Dooley & Co. have run onto hard times this year. Their best men kept getting hurt, from Battle Wall to Gayle Bomar to Don McCauley. These injuries are no more Dooley's fault or anyone else's fault than it is your fault that the sun rises every morning at the time it does.

Dooley has done as good a job as he could. The team has done as good a job as they could. We hope the people in the stands will do as good a job as they can.

Today get drunk if you want. But don't make those cynical, unintelligent, snide remarks that Carolina fans often make. Cheer, for a change; do your damndest to see that Dook gets beat.

## Blacks Visit Carolina; More Recruiting Needed

Black high school students from across the state will be visiting the UNC campus this weekend to learn something about the college experience and about what UNC has to offer them.

The 57 students coming are among the best black students in the country, according to a testing service.

The Daily Tar Heel is glad to have these students visiting the campus and glad to see that an effort is being made to get these students to attend their state university, rather than having them go outside the state for their education, where they would probably remain, no longer providing the states with the leadership that it needs.

The inviting of these students reflects highly both on the Administration for making provisions for their staying on the campus and on Student Government which is sponsoring the Carolina Talent Search that has brought these students here.

The steps that have been taken to bring these students here are crucial in bringing about an equalization of educational opportunity that was lacking previously, despite the fact that applicants to the University are supposedly put on an equal basis.

This is because black students have been wary of applying to UNC because the Admissions Office has, in a half-way understandable way, discriminated against them in

recruiting. In addition, they have not had the opportunities to find out about the University that are traditionally open to the white students. Most white students found out about the University and are encouraged to attend it because they know alumni of the school or because their high school counselors are alumni of UNC.

This is not the case with black students. Because of discrimination in the past there are few alumni of the University that they get to meet; likewise, most of them, who attend all black schools that have black counselors, don't have counselors that are graduates of UNC who can encourage them to come to school.

Thus equality of educational opportunity is somewhat of a farce. We say farce because still nothing has been done by the University to make available to all black students the information about educational opportunities at UNC that are available to most white students.

It is good that the University is providing facilities to the best black students. That, however, is not enough. The University should begin providing to black students the same services it provides to white. In theory the practices of the University are not discriminatory. In reality they are and what counts is reality. For that reason the University should take steps to make available to all black students in the state the same information it makes available to white ones.

## Watson Morris

# Vietnam Benefits Don't Add Well

I must say that I agree with the principal point made by Stephen McLean in his letter of November 13. He states, "Mr. Vlasits employed his right to dissent, and he openly and freely opposed his induction into the armed service. This right, however, did not carry with it the justification to disregard federal law." In spite of my general agreement with this statement, I believe that a substantial case can be made for Mr. Vlasits' action of opposing the war by refusing induction.

Moreover, this can be done without posing the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong as illy-white defenders of freedom protecting their country from the American imperialist warmongers, which is the manner in which some opponents

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of the war have attempted to do it.

### Participation Wrong

The participation of the United States in the war is wrong (and Vlasits is right in opposing it by refusing induction) for the following reason: The benefits which we and the Vietnamese are supposed to be deriving from this war are outweighed by the harm which is being done.

Let's postpone for a moment an analysis of the benefits accruing to us and to the South Vietnamese while we consider the direct and indirect costs of the war. Casualties are running something like 25 to 30,000 dead and five or six times that many wounded. Current spending on the war is about \$30 billion a year, while the total cost has been at least \$55 billion (the true cost is probably much higher because of the materials which were already stockpiled when the war began, and so do not enter into current accounting).

Furthermore, much of this expenditure is being paid for by inflation, because the President did not request, and Congress did not grant until long after the need had become apparent, necessary taxes to finance the 500,000 men and their supplies which we have sent abroad. The increase in the money supply that resulted has caused prices to climb in all parts of the country and has

significantly aggravated our long-term gold outflow.

The price rise has had three unfavorable consequences. First, it has shifted the burden of paying for the war onto those who are at least able to bear it: the poor, the widowed, the orphaned, the disabled—in short people living on low or fixed incomes.

Second, this has caused pressure to be put on Congress to raise Social Security payments and other welfare expenditures. New taxes will definitely be necessary to finance these increases. But whether taxes are raised or not, it is still people living on low or fixed incomes who will suffer and pay (indirectly) a disproportionate share of the war cost.

Third, the price rise (together with uncertainty as to its duration) is tending to cause a loss of confidence in the value of the dollar, thus undermining the individual's incentive to provide for future contingencies. (Why save a dollar today when it will only be worth 40 cents ten years from now?) It is fitting to note in this context that the income tax surcharge which finally was enacted into law wasn't nearly enough to control the inflation, which continues relentlessly.

### Bad Social Effects

In addition to the cost in lives, dollars and rising prices, there have been disruptive social effects due to the fact that we are trying to fight a war which at least 30 percent of the populace has consistently opposed. Hundreds of draft-age men have gone to jail rather than fight in a war which they believe to be immoral (or stupid), and thousands have gone to Canada.

The war has undermined morale generally in the armed forces (which we do need) and has delayed elimination of the draft (which we don't need). It has exerted an almost hypnotic effect upon the body politic, which has become so obsessed that it has been unable to deal decisively with pressing social and economic problems, particularly those of the cities. So much for the costs (to us, at any rate). One could go on and on, but there would be little point in it.

In view of such costs as I have mentioned, one might think that the benefits which we and the Vietnamese have received would be at least proportionate, if not superior to such costs. I don't believe they are. It is alleged, for instance, that by opposing the attempt by the Viet Cong and/or the North Vietnamese to take over the southern part of Vietnam, we are discouraging future guerrilla uprisings (or "wars of liberation") by communists or

others.

This is simply absurd. What we have done is to make it perfectly clear that there is little that the United States can do to stop an indigenous national 'liberation' movement, especially if it has widespread popular support.

We certainly cannot afford any more operations the size of the current one in Vietnam. Can't you just picture some typical leftist (or other) leaders sitting around their campfire out in the bush saying, "Well, we had better give up our idea of a guerrilla movement because if it looks like we're gonna be successful, the Americans are SURE to send in support just like they did in Vietnam: ANOTHER 500,000 men, spend ANOTHER \$55 billion, lose ANOTHER 25,000 dead,

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suffer ANOTHER 150,000 wounded, etc., etc. And we had better warn our comrades elsewhere in Asia and South America that the Americans are SURE to do this, not just once, but as often as it is necessary—five, six or a dozen times." What rot!

### No Takeover

It is also alleged that American intervention in Vietnam has "prevented a communist takeover." For the time being, this is true; unfortunately, though, there is every reason to believe that the corrupt government which we are supporting wouldn't last two weeks if American troops were pulled out. It has little popular support; the Thieu-Ky regime, in fact, received support of less than 20 percent of the adult population of South Vietnam in the Presidential election. Corruption has been present for years and still exists; censorship of the press has been more or less prevalent, and the 'peace' candidate in the last Presidential election has been jailed for advocating a coalition government with the Viet Cong. Ky, the Vice-President, once told western newsmen of his admiration for Adolf Hitler. The regime waited until this year to draft 18-year olds, while American 18-year olds have been drafted for years.



Scott Goodfellow

## Sex Change—Visitation Solution?

"In our peripatetic life," said Gov. Scranton in an aside during his visit last week, "the only exercise you get is running between airplanes." Well, I don't know that most of us have the same problems as Scranton, but I would venture to say that Chapel Hill manages to make a lot of the country's problems seem remote indeed.

Take, for example, our parking problem. With a surplus of 2000 cars over spaces, we somehow manage daily to muddle through. Dozens of cars, for sure, cruise the cluttered lots, piloted by cursing students. But our problem is nothing compared with elsewhere.

For example, in Los Angeles Tuesday, the morning fog over the Riverside Freeway provided backdrop for an unintentional parking lot for 82 cars and trucks. One car after another smacked into the one in front. "It was panic," said patrolman Jim Trout. Trout said he

started setting out flares in the morning rush, but cars were colliding so fast he couldn't keep up with them.

Perhaps if several dozen of our cruising drivers gathered just outside of the full Ramshead lot, they could back off and make a run at it. Surely the lot could accommodate a few more that way.

Another of our problems is the roaming packs of campus dogs. A wet nose here, a friendly tussle there, they seem to always grow in numbers. And more than one passerby has been momentarily entranced by the gruesome technique of an Irish setter stalking a busy squirrel.

But meanwhile in Florida, you can sit on a park bench and watch a playful squabble between two catfish. On the newsy side, the Florida game commission has just announced that the incredible land-roving catfish will not (repeat, not) attack dogs and people. This, as residents

began putting up fences to keep the mobile fish from entering the yard to play with the kids. So perhaps roaming dogs aren't so bad after all.

Another problem which Chapel Hill tranquility tends to blow out of proportion is that of visitation. A solution to it was found in Charleston, S.C., recently, where writer Gordon Langley Hall changed his sex through an operation. Hall (Now Miss Dawn Hall) took the step so he (she?) could marry a South Carolina Negro man. No one in his (whose?) family objected, except for a great aunt who commented, "I do wish Dawn wasn't marrying a Baptist."

Dawn's mother was pleased with the whole situation. "We had three adoptive sons and an adoptive daughter," she said. "Now we have two of each."

Oh yes, and about those Communists who are lurking behind every bush

It is alleged that we are preventing monolithic communism from dominating the world. But Ho Chi Minh is not Hitler; agrarian, peasant-populated North Vietnam (with 14,000,000 people) in 1968 is not industrialized Germany (with 60,000,000 people) in the 1930's; peasant-populated Indo-China is not western Europe. The blunt fact is that we have been forced to neglect areas of the world whose security is vital to ours because of our hysterical, fanatical obsession with stamping out guerrilla-type movements in small countries with primitive economies.

It would have been far better had we allowed communist North Vietnam to control the entire country and spared the Vietnamese people the horrors of a protracted land war. Then we might have attempted to encourage Ho to become independent of both the Chinese and the Russians, just as Tito became independent of Stalinist Russia. I find it hard to believe that the Vietnamese people would have been worse off than they are now, notwithstanding the fact that Ho and the communists probably murdered 60,000 Catholics when they came to power in the north, and forced others to flee to the south. This was unquestionably an abomination, and is justly condemned.

Nevertheless, it does not follow that our attempt to prop up any regime, as long as it is non-communist, has been better for the South Vietnamese or for us, than communist control would have been.

The point I am trying to make is this. One need not look for moral grounds on which to oppose American participation in the war, although I think that what we are doing is morally indefensible and I believe Vlasits agrees. The essence of the matter is that we are attempting something which is by nature impossible; and it is our failure to distinguish between the desirable and the possible which has meant that "good" intentions have led inevitably to bad results.

Vlasits, Smedberg, Eaton, Broyles and others are justified in opposing the war by refusing induction. Even though it cannot be said that they have a right to refuse to obey any law so long as they consent to live under a system of laws, it is entirely conceivable that they may have a duty to refuse (civilly) to obey a law if they feel that obedience to such a law may cause them to perform acts which are contrary to the principles for which the law (or system of laws) was established, or if they feel that such acts are likely to lead to the disintegration of the system of laws, which they support.

No system, even the democratic system of laws in the United States, is perfect, because the men who administer it are not perfect. The men who compose the present administration in Washington have made a mistake. They have gotten this country into a war which cannot be won in any meaningful sense, and isn't worth winning anyway, because the costs outweigh the benefits.

Public opinion on the war is changing, slowly and agonizingly, from support of the U.S. war effort to repudiation of it. Before such change can be manifested through political processes which will bring a formal end to the war, thousands will die or be maimed, and all for nothing. If George Vlasits wants to protest against this utterly senseless and stupid waste of humanity by refusing induction, I support him.

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