

# The Daily Tar Heel

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Tom Gooding, Editor



## Sitterson Should Adopt Proposals Of Committee On Financial Assistance

The stipulation in the current financial aid policy that prohibits students who own cars from receiving assistance should be removed.

The Faculty Committee on Student Aid, which meets every six years, has recommended such a change to the Chancellor. We hope the Chancellor will agree with his committee.

The current regulation is: "An unmarried aid recipient is not permitted to maintain a motor vehicle in Chapel Hill for personal convenience. Violation of this stipulation will result in immediate termination."

The original justification for the measure was that any student who could afford to operate an automobile on campus did not need financial aid.

However, we feel that the committee on financial aid should only determine a student's need or lack of need for assistance. The committee should not apply social restrictions upon the students who receive that aid.

We completely agree with Miss Revelle Gwyn, a student member of the committee, who said, "The committee feels the amount of student aid granted is based on the financial ability of the student and his parents. How the student uses the funds is his own business."

Students receiving financial aid used to be prohibited from joining a social fraternity. This provision

has been changed and we feel the provision governing cars should be handled in the same manner.

The regulation affects 3,000 students and we hope the Chancellor will consider these students in making his final decision.

The committee has also recommended a rules revision concerning disadvantaged students.

The proposed reads: "An appropriate amount of University resources shall be allotted for financial grants-in-aid for disadvantaged students who qualify for admission and study at the University but who do not meet University standards for scholarship awards."

We agree with student committee member Richie Leonard who said, "The proposed is a major step in a program designed to help needy students who ordinarily would have no source of aid."

We feel that this provision is essential.

We hope Chancellor Sitterson will consider the remarks made a few days ago by Consolidated President William Friday who said, "North Carolina is getting to the point where a student's ability to pay will have as much to do with getting a college education as his ability to learn."

The proposed changes are an improvement in the current aid program and should be approved by Chancellor Sitterson.

## Food Service Study Raises Questions

The findings of a study conducted on restaurant facilities in Chapel Hill should cause both the students and the administration to reflect upon the necessity of a campus food service next year.

The study, conducted by John Wheeler and Judy Weinberg, casts serious doubts on the ability of downtown restaurants to handle the food needs of the student body.

These two students checked into the prices, menus and seating capacity of the 20 restaurants closest to the campus.

Their report shows:

- Only six of the 20 restaurants serve breakfast.
- Only 11 of the restaurants offer vegetables with lunches.
- Only one half of the restaurants offer vegetables with supper.
- The average price for a full meal at breakfast, lunch and supper at these restaurants is \$1, \$1.60 and \$1.80.
- The seating capacity for the restaurants which serve breakfast is only 600 and the capacity for the restaurants which serve full meals for lunch and supper are 1,200 and 1,050.

Thus students would have a difficult time obtaining food downtown.

Many students would have to completely avoid breakfast and most would miss lunch and dinner. The only solution left to students would be the snack bars in the dorms.

We feel that the University should take steps to assure students that they can receive adequate food next year.

However, if the University decides not to operate a food service students are going to be left at a great inconvenience. We feel it is obvious that the 20 closest

restaurants can't accommodate students thus students would have to go further out into the town to find food.

This would present a tremendous handicap to those students without a car and by University regulations that include all freshman students.

Unfortunately, we feel certain that not only would students have a difficult time finding a place to eat but they would also find the prices increased.

Thus, we feel the University should conduct a complete survey of the food establishment in the area and determine exactly how much inconvenience it will cause students if there is no on-campus food service.

Jubilee is here, and it couldn't have come at a better time. With exams, papers, and good weather all descending in me at once, this weekend should be a great chance to really cut loose.

Alone or not, I still intend to celebrate my summer birthday this weekend—and anybody else's if they want.

But, eagerly preparing for this weekend's festivities, I was struck by a tiny controversy between John Agar and one of his readers on the relevance of pleasure in our lives.

Agar had made a criticism in his Sunday column, challenged by the reader in Wednesday's paper, that Woodstock

was "justified merely because it feels good."

And here we are beginning Jubilee tonight with essentially the same justification—if things go well, Jubilee will be one big party.

I was intrigued, though, with the question Agar raised. Just how much is "feeling good" justification for the way we live?

Most of us have done things, probably a good many things, because they brought us pleasure. Ranging from little things—a picnic, walk, or going to a movie—to major areas of our life, like our

careers, a good deal of what we do is because we like to do it, feel it is worth doing, and consider it good. Pleasure, without doubt, is one of man's greatest natural incentives.

The question that comes to my mind is not whether pleasure is a good thing, but how much can we live our lives on "merely" pleasure?

In his column, John Agar made some useful comments on pleasure, where what he was objecting to was actually the "undervaluation of pleasure... pleasure without significance; pleasure minus edification or religion of any kind."

In a certain sense, I wholeheartedly agree with Agar that pleasure is often undervalued and debased when it is taken for itself and sought after on its own merit. Purely "mechanical" pleasure is often a poor substitute for meaningful enjoyment.

But I do feel that not all pleasure need have "redeeming social value," nor must it necessarily teach or elevate us. Some things are fun to do just because they feel good—like Jubilee, for instance.

The danger is not enjoying pleasure for its own sake; it is the pursuit of pleasure for itself—living life "merely" for the pleasure it brings.

My objection to hedonism, pleasure-seeking as a way of life, is that it may degenerate into three-fold dangers.

First, I've seen little hedonism that wasn't essentially selfish. People who are out to get pleasure often fail to give it in return. Or when they do stop and give someone else pleasure, it's only if they themselves benefit. And life, as well as people, becomes something to be "used" to gratify "number one."

Secondly, hedonism often abdicates

responsibility. Not everything is pleasurable, nor is everything pleasurable necessarily good. Pleasure-seekers often fail to exercise their responsibility not only towards other people, but also to themselves. Selfish pleasure-seeking with regard to the world and its needs taints what I believe is man's basic responsibility to others.

And finally, my last objection for the moment is that hedonism can provide a narrow and self-limiting view of life. The hedonist himself suffers if, in his seeking for pleasure, he neglects what is significant, meaningful, and elevating in the world. Pleasure without meaning is limited to sensation; pleasure without significance can lead to inspiration, growth, human maturity.

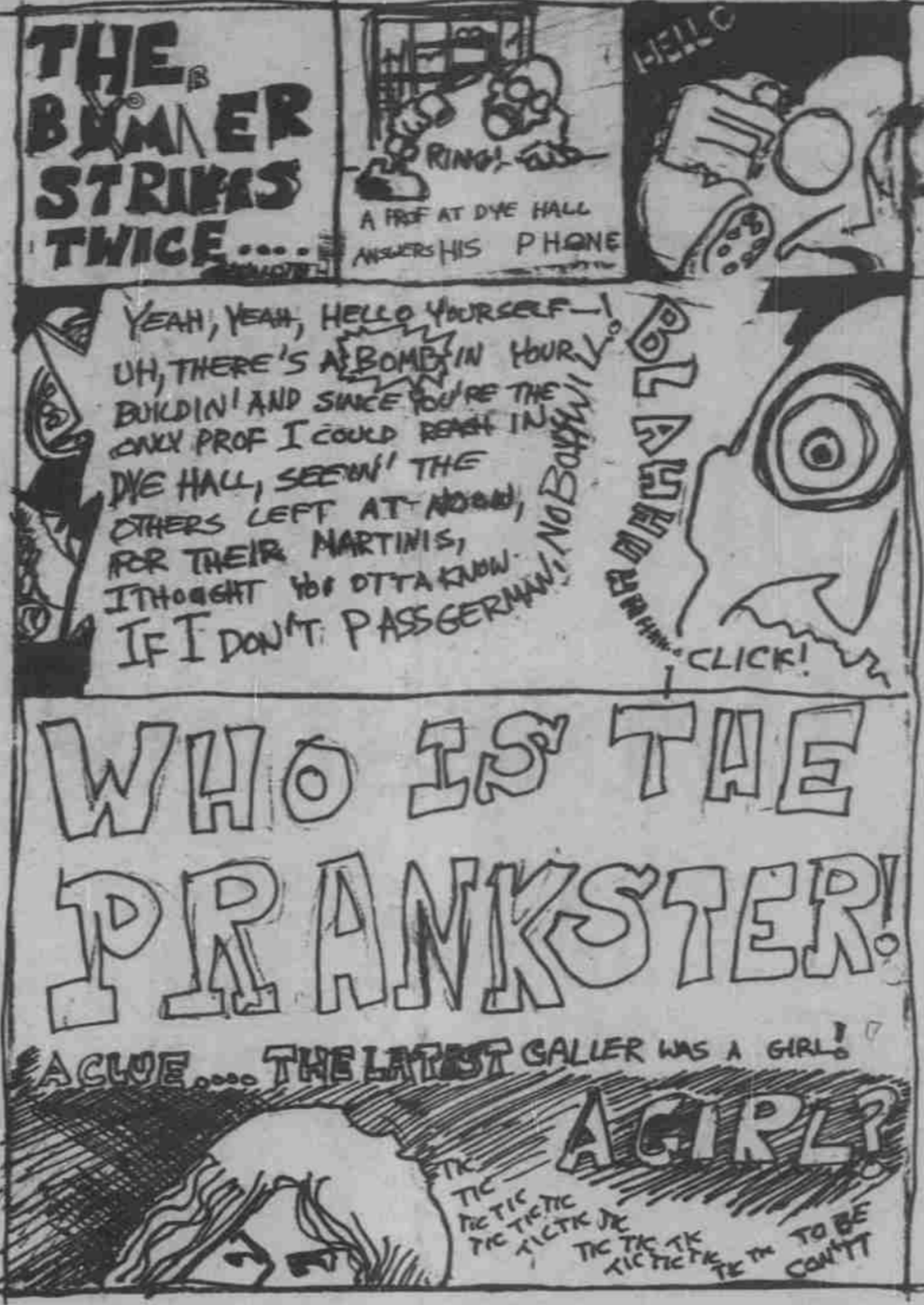
There is a lot of cheap pleasure-seeking on this campus. I fail to see anything elevating or even genuinely pleasurable in attending fraternity orgies, maliciously throwing fire-crackers, and destroying property. Much of the immaturity on campus that passes for "fun" is generally disgusting, if not malicious. And whatever pleasure exists in such reveries is cheap and tasteless.

There's got to be something better.

That's one reason why I'm looking forward to Jubilee. I'm not particularly an acid rock or blues fan, but it's still a chance to have some really pleasurable pleasure.

And maybe there can be a worthwhile form of pleasure-seeking—where people can find pleasure in the seeking of significance and meaning to life for themselves and others, while still being able to recognize and enjoy pleasure for its own sake and in its place.

Maybe there can be. I hope so.



## Some Things Left Alone

"Fill 13 and a half inches for Friday." That's about all this column will do—fill the space.

We just don't feel like attacking anyone, arguing with the phone company, being funny or doing anything else particularly strenuous.

Maybe, subconsciously, we're getting ready for Jubilee. Probably not, but we need an excuse.

The biggest problem in writing a column like this twice a week is finding something worthwhile to write about.

This week there hasn't been anything happening that we really feel like writing about.

There have been all sorts of possibilities, but none of them excite us particularly and we're sure they wouldn't excite any of the readers (either one of them).

This could have been a 13-inch complaint piece on the fact that of the six courses we want to take next fall four

of them are offered at 2 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and only at that time.

Or it could have been another attack on the incompetence of the phone company. But everybody knows they're incompetent, and besides they haven't called this week.

If we had gotten some sleep Tuesday night instead of studying and washing six weeks' worth of dirty laundry, this would have been a great angry piece on the stupidity of Daylight Savings Time, but no one really cares about DST any more.

Spring would have made a nice column, but it's gotten to be a big cliché on this campus because it's the same every year—warm and rainy.

The irrelevance of the curriculum here would make a nice column sometime, but classes are nothing to get excited about at this time of year.

A year ago we could have attacked the language requirement since we're still struggling to complete it, but the

Merzbacher reforms took all of the punch out of that issue.

The fact that all of these giant ugly buildings are being built on what used to be a pretty campus is always worth a column, but someone already wrote about that this week.

The electric golf carts used to deliver campus mail are obnoxious, but they're not worth a whole column.

The azaleas on campus are pretty, but now do you write 13 inches of type on azaleas? Especially when you're not a society editor.

The Cubs have won 11 straight, or so we thought until we read today's paper. That did in a nice piece about the future of baseball.

Having just eaten a somewhat less than pleasing hot dog in the Union snack bar, we could always go off on an attack on SAGA. But they're leaving, and we don't eat in their dining halls anyway.

If we had had any energy earlier in the week, the rumor that no trailer courts in Orange County will rent to blacks would have been worth writing about.

Ecology has gotten to the point that no one wants to hear about it, and we don't think we could stand to write about it if even if someone would read what we wrote.

The Chapel Hill High School Humanities Festival was, we hear, really great. We were told that it was "10 times better than the symposium," but the high school is too far away from the office to try to get out there.

We now have written almost 11 inches on what we didn't write about for today. If anyone made it this far without stopping, congratulations.

We had to stop three times. Not because there was something else to do, but because we were running out of things not to write about.

There could be a moral to this column somewhere in the next two inches, but there really isn't one to draw.

There could be more of what has been asked, but we don't have any more ideas.

There could be a few lines on how useless exams are, but there's no time to get indignant about academics since we have so little time left to catch up in all our classes.

We could ask all of the seniors if they feel that this university has really prepared them for life in the real world, but if they feel it hasn't done that they don't need us to remind them. And if they think that they are prepared to face the world, they'll find out the truth soon enough.

And speaking of seniors, today is the deadline for getting measured for caps and gowns at the Student Stores.

## New Kenan Turf Opens Way To Better Things

I had heard during the summer that the UNC Athletic Department had laid the new synthetic turf in Kenan Stadium, so I decided to talk to the athletic director to see how things were coming.

"Not so good," Homer Rice told me. "We got the turf down okay, but after looking at it several times, we decided that it wasn't enough."

"What do you mean?" I asked.

"Well," he said, "the place looked so good. It even resembled the Houston Astrodome."

"Is that bad," I asked.

"Very," he replied. "To make things more complete we spent an additional five million dollars to build a dome. But it still was not exactly right."

"How so?"

"Well, the glare was so bad inside, we had to go and spend another half million to paint the darn thing Carolina blue."

"It sounds lovely," I told him.

"The only trouble was," he said lowering his voice, "is that we had several rain showers in the dome and had to remedy that problem."

I was astounded. "How could there possible be rain in the dome? I thought

the thing was supposed to be completely weather proof."

"It protects against the outside elements, but since it's so damn big it creates weather of its own," he said.

"Did that cause many problems," I asked.

"You don't know the half of it," he sighed. "Why during the month of June alone three days of the International Croquet Tournament were rained out."

"I wouldn't think so much of it if it were not for all those little old ladies who kept calling to complain."

"What did you do?" I asked.

"The only thing we could do—install air conditioning. Of course that cost us another three million dollars, but it was worth it. Besides, we can raise the price of football tickets."

"That's a lot of money just to keep from cutting the grass," I told him.

The athletic director said nothing, but I caught a slight sigh.

"Just think," I said trying to console him. "Now the University has an Astrodome of its own to be proud of."

"Sure," he said glumly. "Except now all of our football players have gone on strike."

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## Letters To The Editor

To The Editor:

By now, most students are eagerly looking forward to Jubilee 1970 and the various films, rides, and parties that accompany this big week end. However, I

think that one important criticism bears mentioning.

If a person will examine the list of concerts scheduled for Jubilee, he can easily see that 1) the list consists of about 80% acid rock; and 2) most of the entertainers are virtually unknown to most of the student body.

The only groups that are known to any substantial degree are James Taylor, who only had one hit of prominence, "Carolina on my Mind"; Grand Funk Railroad, who have had two recordings, "Time Machine" and "Mr. Limousine Driver," neither of which did exceptionally well; and B.B. King, who, while having some hits in the early fifties, has released only two in recent times of which "The Thrill is Gone" did very well. It is too early to tell about his other record, "So Excited."

The other three groups, while known by name to most of the students, have produced very little in the recording industry.

Those responsible for Jubilee selection should bear in mind the fact that among 17,000 students plus those visiting the campus, that not everybody likes heavy music. Some of us like other types of entertainment not only among the rock field, but other forms of popular music as well. B.B. King is the only non-psychedelic singer on the bill, he being Rhythm and Blues.

I would like to ask the committee what is wrong with jazz or an easy-going group. Also, why is it that in the last two years, none of any prominence has been brought to this campus for Jubilee? The only group to rise to any prominence in Blood, Sweat, and Tears, and they were not well-known at the time they were brought in.

In summary, I would like to state that while I agree with the general policy statement and am looking forward to the rides and other extra entertainment, considering the excellent concerts brought in during the fall.

The Entertainment Committee should realize that there is a variation of musical tastes among such a large student body, and some of us would like something different. For instance, why not a comedian like Bill Cosby. If the present profits do not permit this, why not have a few more concerts between football season and Jubilee. People look for something to do during this time.

I hope the committee will read this letter with an open mind, and bear it in mind for future concerts and Jubilees.

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