

# The Daily Tar Heel

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Tom Gooding, Editor

## TH Editorial Study Judicial Reform: Probation Penalty

The Judicial Reform Report lists offenses in the Code of Student Conduct that carry the maximum penalty of disciplinary probation.

Disciplinary probation permits continuation of the relationship between the student and the University while prohibiting the student from officially representing the University or from participating in any extracurricular activities, membership in fraternities, societies or special residential assignments and selection in campus honoraries.

It seems a bit paradoxical for the administration to accept that a student could commit an offense serious enough to warrant disciplinary probation and still be eligible for a campus honorary.

However, we applaud their stance.

Fortunately, the sanctioning of the penalty also contains the clause: "For the duration of the sentence the student will carry a special I.D. Card which has the effect of prohibiting attendance at

entertainment or sporting events or the exercise of voting privileges."

This clause can be considered only a pathetic example of the ridiculous pettiness of the entire concept of a faculty-administrative-student judicial system.

The offenses which carry the above sanctions are equally as obtuse as those carrying the penalty of expulsion. Those offenses are: "Disorderly conduct on institutional premises or at University-sponsored functions."

Why can't instances of disorderly conduct be handled by civil courts?

"Trespass upon University housing units, offices, classrooms or other facilities."

This clause can be interpreted to read "any student who is in a room occupied by a member of the opposite sex after the University-approved hours of visitation is considered guilty of trespass upon University housing units and can then be given the sentence of disciplinary probation."

This clause establishes visitation violations as offenses against the university community and would require student courts to try those violations.

Students can only call for the total rejection of this section.

"Violation in University-approved housing of regulations promulgated by the appropriate authority."

In other words, student courts would be forced to try students for any and all violations of residence hall regulations.

Thus, if the University, the "appropriate authority," considers it a violation of residence hall regulations to operate a hotplate a student could be placed on disciplinary probation for a violation.

This clause also has direct effect over violations of any open house policy.

These provisions place the student court system in the position of being the enforcer of the administration's dictates.

Consequently, we reject this entire section of the Judicial Reform Report.

Rick Gray

# Running The Only Thing Left

Somehow there seems to be a great futility to worry.

Getting upset doesn't do any good. It doesn't change anything.

It only makes your conscience more bearable.

Last spring, it felt good to sit at this same desk and write a column screaming for the students on this campus to stay away from their classes, to strike and tell somebody, anybody that would listen, that we didn't want anything to do with their bloody war in Southeast Asia, that Cambodia was a country that belonged to the Cambodians, not the U.S. Marines.

This fall, no one really cares about last spring.

It's forgotten by everyone except the media and the legislature and the reactionaries.

The only ones who remember,

remember the strike because they want to keep it from happening again.

Others don't remember because they are afraid of it.

If they remember they will have to do something they pledged to do the minute they went to the first rally, struck the first class, marched in the first march.

The strike was an emotion that had been building up for a long time. Like Woodstock it happened once and will never happen again.

Sure, there are some who will spend two weeks this fall knocking on doors or stuffing envelopes or making telephone calls for their local congressmen.

But that won't do any good.

No one will listen.

They don't listen to the voices, they will answer our guns with more and better guns of their own.

All of our screaming feels good, and as long as we don't really expect anyone to listen, then they let us scream all we want to.

And eventually you scream so much and accomplish so little that something snaps, and like John Dos Passos you begin yelling at everything.

And you die.

Have you screamed at the walls until even they turned and walked off, you die.

And what have you accomplished?

You've spent your life not liking anything.

Even the scotch you drink before dinner is bitter.

Your reality becomes an existence of cynicism. Nothing is funny anymore, and all you can do is yell and curse at the stupidity around you.

And the stupidity doesn't go away.

So you try to run from it.

You look somewhere else for the intelligence, for the life you've been told since birth is yours for the taking.

If Washington and Jefferson and Jackson and Lincoln don't have it, maybe Marx and Engels do.

But you find they don't have it either.

So you look for it some more.

Try looking in the books, in Shakespeare, in Hemingway, in Faulkner, in Dickens, in Shaw, Galsworthy, Brecht, Heller, Wolfe (both of them).

It isn't there either.

And eventually you have to turn back to the people you turned from before.

But this time, look for the people in a different place.

Try the mountains of North Carolina, the "Good Old Boys" who spend their week nights running liquor and their weekends running races.

Try the outer reaches of land where civilization comes only in the summer, where for most of the year the people don't care what you do or how you look just so you don't bother them.

But these places don't have it either.

The people are honest, and where they live is far removed from the crassness and corruption of the civilized world.

But their lives are spent in search of the very things you're trying to escape.

And you being to believe that maybe there isn't any escape, that maybe all life is in running, searching for something that you will never find—like Diogenes.

And in the end you find all you can do is keep on looking and trying not to scream at what you find.

Grover B. Proctor Jr.

## Agnew's Frost Show Triumph: One Victory For Conservatism

Imagine the situation. The Bad Guys muster up all their courage, world prestige, propaganda, and—lest we forget—their overwhelming numbers. They are whipped into a frenzy and have Big Guns placed in their hands by outside, non-involved Trouble Makers.

A Big Fight is in the making. You can feel it in the air. The Bad Guys are going to completely obliterate the Good Guys.

But here come the Good Guys. Like a veritable David facing Goliath. Their only outside help being a Silent Partner in the background. Everything looks bad for them. They are outnumbered, surrounded, in hostile territory.

Wait! The battle is over and look how quickly the Bad Guys go running away, licking their wounds, and calling the Good Guys names!

I will be willing to bet that by now you thought I was talking about the Arab-Israeli situation back in 1967. Not so.

Conservative of America, chalk up one victory. Mr. Agnew has triumphed again, and this time even the vanquished acknowledges the loss.

The Vice President's recent interview on David Frost's national television program, with several members of the nation's college corps on hand to try to show him to be the bumbling candidate we thought him in 1968, proved that sanity, thought and reason can still be shown superior to irrationality, emotionalism, and personal vendetta.

Unfortunately, we in this area were unable to see this fireworks display, due to network pre-empting. A few glimpses can be had, though, by reading the Liberal syndicated columnists, which our local papers are full of, and trying to read a little sense into their gnashing of teeth.

The topics of conversation turned to many areas, not the least of which were Kent State, Cambodia, the hardhats vs. peace demonstrators in New York, etc., and even with what would seem to be such "embarrassing" topics, Mr. Agnew came out with flying colors. This need not be such a great surprise, since many Americans have been saying all along that the Conservative had nothing to fear in

these subjects—mainly because our answers are based on reason and logic. And more often than not, the other side is not.

Thank goodness there are men like Mr. Agnew to advocate our position so eloquently.

However, the real test of the duel comes not in the verbal battling during the program. The clincher appears in the statements made by the student participants after the taping. Gregory Craig, a Harvard graduate and Yale Law School student, is quoted by Liberal columnist Mary McGrory as saying, "Of course, he won. I had no idea he was so crass and controlled and unflappable. He was completely different from the way he's been on the campaign."

Quite a list of attributes he gives Agnew's style. But is he really so different "from the way he's been on the campaign?" I submit that he is no different—it's only that for once the campus crowd was forced to sit down and listen to all he said, not just what they wanted to hear.

To put the fitting finish to this American melodrama, the students, according to McGrory, moping after the ordeal, accused various circumstances of causing the disaster, i.e. the format of the program, David Frost, etc. It was evident to one prominent member of the panel who actually squared off the Vice President that none of these were valid complaints, however.

Eva Jefferson, president of the Northwestern University student body, who received the brunt end of several Agnewian jabs, was quoted as saying, "It wasn't a conspiracy, it was our fault." Quite well thought words, these.

Because the pages of the DTH found it unnecessary to publicize this confrontation of generations and opposing ideologies, I thought those of you who frequent this column, be ye friend or foe (or in some notable cases, both), would find some recounting of this interesting. Mr. Agnew has never really been anything but quite outspoken on those principles and ideals which he holds as most important. His performance and subsequent triumph on this one occasion should not surprise anyone. And maybe, just maybe, the students themselves were not really surprised after all.

I hail this particular incident not merely because a verbal battle was won, but for much more substantial reasons. It was the opportunity for the open discussion of views which we Americans are so famous for and fond of. And it seems that Conservatism has proved its point again.

Thank you, Mr. Agnew.

By the way, the UNC campus should also beware, since on December 9 we will be hosting a far more eloquent and outspoken Conservative, William F. Buckley, Jr. Setting the stage for a confrontation? One wonders if the Left is so masochistic as to provoke another.

Letters

The Daily Tar Heel accepts letters to the editor, provided they are typed on a 60-space line and limited to a maximum of 300 words. All letters must be signed and the address and phone number of the writer must be included.

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Letters

Lentz Column 'Illogical'

To The Editor

Mr. Lentz's editorial in the September 29 Tar Heel was disturbing. The illogical arguments of his article must be questioned.

In Mr. Lentz's glowing history of student government at Carolina he leads off with a report of the Dialectic Senate and the Philanthropic Assembly of the 19th century. These organizations are correctly described as having "quite literally governed themselves through an orderly, democratic system." The reason for this policy of self-determination was quite naturally that these men of the 1800's were able to govern themselves. They forged strong pillars in heated debate, and then accepted the responsibilities as well as the privileges of self-rule.

Mr. Lentz states that somewhere in the transition from these traditional assemblies to our present "government?" we have lost our power of self-rule. This is correct and perhaps rightly so. We need only examine Mr. Lentz's next statement to see why.

Mr. Lentz says that the current controversy on visitation has several ways in which to develop:

- 1)The Legislature may back down and return to the mil-que-toast obscurity of the past. This doesn't seem quite consistent after Mr. Lentz's glowing description of the past, but I suppose it means something to him.
- 2)The administration may back down. I would guess that this means Mr. Lentz would like the administration to cease to fulfill its stated purpose of governing and assume a new one of non-existence.
- 3)The administration may enforce its policy.

Of ideal student government of a by-gone era; "...and quite literally governed If the first or third direction is taken Mr. Lentz none too subtly suggests massive civil disobedience. Now let's go back and re-quote Mr. Lentz's description

should keep our noses in our books, but he is the Vice-President and should keep his nose out of them.

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Bernie's Hair Fight  
A Fight For Students

To The Editor

I wish to make a few comments concerning Bernie Oakley. First, that such an obvious political and moral travesty should occur on this campus is horribly saddening; that it should be dumped on an affable, happy-go-lucky guy like Bernie is doubly disheartening. Secondly, let us not get hung up on definitions because some of us have evidently not bothered to look beneath Bernie's bright red beard. He represents all students at UNC, not just the freaks among us who frolic around so happily. He is a Southerner from Burlington. A Golfer. A gung-ho, rah-rah fan of Carolina football, basketball, baseball... In short, he would probably admit to being a "grit" in every non-harmful sense of the word. Thirdly, let us make his battle for personal choice our fight for freedom in the aggregate sense. If all the Athletic Director listens to are, authoritative complaints, then I am convinced the spectre of boycotted football games or a resigned football team or cheerleading squad will make his exalted jockstrap uncomfortable. After all, if we do not, as it were, smother these foolish people now, Bernie will never forgive us. And, more importantly, will we be able to forgive ourselves.

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Agnew Should Keep  
Nose Out Of Books

To The Editor

Wake up students! According to Spiro Agnew in Sunday's Charlotte Observer, you are sleeping in an academic jungle of irrelevance. In studying the problems of your society, you are neglecting your responsibility to "ivory-tower" indifference. Agnew's axiom of relevance would involve detaching yourself from the outside world and devoting yourself to impartiality, emerging as graduates to solve the problems of humanity, clad in an armour of "moral character." The question then arises: If, Mr. Agnew, we detach ourselves from our world and become efficient machines of indifference, will we have the motions of zeal and compassion when we confront the problems of our world? We are students and according to Mr. Agnew

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