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STRUCTURED POLITICAL DISCUSSION AND MOCK ELECTION TO BE HELD

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The Ethics Committee is planning a structured Political Discussion to be held tentatively on Wednesday, October 30 in the Cafeteria after Chapel. (Watch Bulletin Boards.)

The main issues of the Presidential campaign will be discussed, with students representing and presenting the views and positions of the major Presidential candidates.

In connection with this discussion, there will be held, on Thursday, October 31, a mock election. The purpose of these activities is to gain knowledge of the political leanings of the Seminary community and to create an atmosphere for greater understanding and for creative and fruitful dialogue.

--John Kelly
Ethics Committee Chairman

NEWS RELEASE

(Ed. Note: This dispatch was filed by our Nixon-Agnew political analyst in flight to sample the Florida political climate.)

ATLANTA Oct. 24 (SERP) The campaign of a winner marches on! Richard M. Nixon was the focal personality as an estimated 60 seminarians met Wednesday morning in the cafeteria following chapel. Jim Winslow served as moderator for the staunch supporters of the Nixon-Agnew ticket. With the goal of informing the campus of their true choice in the November 5th election, a supply of materials was made available in the Commons Room.

The extensive volume of Nixon support on campus was evident as supporters readily donned campaign buttons. The appeal of Nixon to the intelligent and to the idealist of today was paramount in the impromptu speeches of the morning. The group closed with winning confidence.

Political activity should be an integral part of a campus, especially a seminary campus. Those who have a firm stance worth defending and discussing have shown their colors. Still there are those whose allegiance has no logical defence. They, without blame, should remain quiet. - - - -

NIXON

UNSINKABLE MOLLY BROWN

Debbie Reynolds "socks it to us" in this colorful, comedy-musical on Thursday and Friday nights of this week at 7:00 in Johnson Theatre. Admission prices: \$1.00 for couples; \$.75 for stags; \$.25 for kids (those 12 and under).

Released in 1964, the film is about a miner's daughter who becomes a legend in her lifetime with her husband's millions. (Belated congrats to Jackie-Ari.)

S.C.C. REPORT

The second meeting of the Student Coordinating Council was held on Tuesday, October 22. Reports from the various Committees revealed that many plans are being made for the benefit of the Seminary Community. Be on the "look out" for announcements from these Committees in the Enquiry and on bulletin boards regarding coming events.

If you have not made your contribution to the United Fund through the Campus effort you may contact Dr. McLeod today. He is Director of the drive on the Seminary Campus. The S.C.C. urges everyone to share in this effort.

You will appreciate the fact that the Campus Post Office is open twenty-four hours a day now and in the future. Calling attention to this need was another service of your S.C.C. Thanks go also to officials who granted this request.

Junior Class Fall Elections last week yielded the following results: Sharon Rosenberg, Harold Anderson, and Don Ledbetter were elected representatives to the S.C.C. Sharon will serve on the Executive Committee as she received the highest number of votes.

As on other occasions, the S.C.C. has sought to encourage suggestions from members of the Seminary family concerning betterment of our Seminary. Very soon, a suggestion box will be placed in the foyer of the Student Center. It is hoped that everyone will use this added means of sharing ideas with the S.C.C.

--Joe D. Coltrane
Secretary, S.C.C.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

O, Lord, protect us with Thy might
From Ghosties and Ghoulies,
Long-leggedy beasties,
And things that go bump in the night.



EDITORIAL

The Junior Class Elections last Wednesday followed the typical election pattern on this campus with less than half of the electorate voting.

There are 107 Junior students who entered this Fall plus a number of others who entered last year who have less than 32 semester hours. Of these 125-150 students, only 51 cast ballots for the five nominees for class representatives to the S.C.C.

A total of 132 votes were cast with some students voting for only one or two of the required three candidates. The vote resulted as follows:

*Harold Anderson	30
Eleazer Benenhaley	13
*Donald Ledbetter	29
Edwin Lord	28
*Sharon Rosenburg	32

We hope that at least one pattern will be broken; that is that the critics of the S.C.C. will not be those who refused to take part in the election, but rather those who did vote and will support their representatives with constructive criticism. Though the representatives and the S.C.C. as a whole will endeavor to serve all the students, it would seem just to hold that the apathetic have forfeited their right to such service.

"Hold on!" you say? "Our local churches are open to all members whether they vote or not, whether or not they take part, or whether they are glowing torches or dead wood."

So they do and maybe that's why so many churches have ceased to be the Church. A bit of church discipline is in order to educate the membership and potential members in what it means to be a participant in the life and work of the local church and thus in the Church universal.

We are well aware that many of our fellow students have church fields and off-campus responsibilities. Some look forward to the time spent on campus just to get away from parrish pressures.

Regretfully, some find the four day stay an escape rather than a time of renewal whether by relating with fellow students or even in their academic work. Perhaps the professor was partly right in accusing students of resting up for the weekend.

Whatever the reason, valid or not, for seeming disinterested in the life of the campus, you can at least make the supreme sacrifice, pick up a ballot and mark it, thus enabling another to minister for you.

For those who enjoy discussion and dialogue, may we call to mind the Chapel program last Friday in which Engrum Johnson on behalf of the S.C.C. pleaded, "Don't talk about us--talk to us."

We emphasize this plea also on behalf of The Enquiry with a sincere, "Amen."

-----C.C.C.

THE ENQUIRY'S PRESIDENTIAL CHOICE

To date, the choices are as follows: Caldwell=HUMPHREY-MUSKIE
 Rosenburg=NIXON-AGNEW
 Poore=HUMPHREY-MUSKIE
 Conyers=WALLACE-LEMAY
 Vance=HUMPHREY-MUSKIE

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STRING ALONG WITH MAX

Tuesday, December 3, is a date to remember. On that evening the Southeastern Choir will be joined with harpsichord, brass, and strings as they perform Vivaldi's "Gloria" in the small chapel.

A second musical event that we look forward to is the performance of "Rejoice!" by the Swinging Singers directed by Phil Parker. This has proven to be a very popular group among the music buffs on campus, and you will be hearing from them for the first time in November.

The Music Committee requests that everyone who intends to perform with either of these groups attend rehearsal tonight so that your name can be included on the programs.

If you care to string along with Max or swing along with Phil--why not join us at 6:00 p.m. this Tuesday evening.

--Dave Norris, Chr.
 Music Committee

FLAG FOOTBALL

In last week's football action, Lewis' team manhandled Raymer's (32-7) and Dowis' team squeaked past Davis' in a post-game play-off after the regular play had ended in a 6-6 tie.

This week's schedule begins with Lewis' team opposing Dowis' on Tuesday afternoon at 4:15 in a game which will determine, perhaps, who is the best in the league. Thursday's game features Raymer's team vs. Davis'.

Our team standings up to this point are as follows: Dowis (Won 2--Lost 0); Lewis (1-0); Davis (0-1); and Raymer (0-2). These standings can be changed considerably before the season is over, so support your team.

GOLF

The annual Golf Tournament comes to a climax this week with the semi-final matches. They are as follows:

Championship Flight--the winner of the Montsinger-Wall match vs. Vallini.
First Flight--the winner of the Jackson-Patterson match vs. Fowler.
Second Flight--F. Smith vs. C. Bundy.
 --Del Brunson, Chr.
 Athletic Committee

INFORMAL DIALOGUE -- F.M.B.

You are invited to an informal dialogue Tuesday, October 29, 8:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of Mackie Hall with --
 Dr. Ralph West, Foreign Mission Board.

(**The following is submitted by the Christian Students for Humphrey-Muskie with the permission of Mr. Allen Adams, who is a law partner of former North Carolina governor Terry Sanford. Mr. Adams submitted this editorial as a rebuttal to the constant criticism of Mr. Jesse Helms of WRAL-TV in Raleigh.**)

I am Allen Adams, Wake County Democratic Chairman, and I appear in support of Hubert Humphrey, Democratic Candidate for President of the United States.

As you would expect, Jesse Helms has been critical of Mr. Humphrey. Last week, in an attack on him and on Terry Sanford, he employed such familiar scare phrases as:

"Heaping tyranny on the backs of school boards", "Federal Bureaucrats taking over the public schools", "Ultra-Leftwinger", and even "Socialist".

These phrases, of course, echo the campaigns of Mr. Wallace, Mr. Agnew, and Mr. Nixon in trying to make (us) forget the solid accomplishments of Hubert Humphrey and of the Democratic Party. Their purpose is to exaggerate and to play upon the fears and frustrations of our people, largely on the basis of racial problems, and to translate those fears into votes against the Democratic Party.

I do not pretend to approve of everything my party has done or contend to you that all of its programs have been successful. But, over the years, it has been the Democratic Party, and especially Mr. Humphrey, that have tried to honestly recognize the problems of America and to develop programs to meet those problems.

Those who would now destroy the Democratic Party have been content to sit back and offer criticism with no constructive alternatives.

But, the election of the President is not a "No" referendum. We must weigh the alternatives and honestly decide which candidates and party will best serve to solve those problems that confront our state and nation, unblinded by appeals to passion and prejudice, fears and frustrations.

Hubert Humphrey has originated and engineered more advances for the people of America than any other man in public life today.

He pioneered Medicare, 16 years before its final passage.

He has consistently introduced and supported legislation to establish price supports and acreage allotments and to provide loans and other forms of special assistance to farmers.

He was the first to propose the Job Corps, to provide job training, Not handouts, to unemployed young people.

As Majority Whip he cleared the way for the passage of Headstart, acknowledged even by our Republican opponents as an outstanding success.

Humphrey first proposed Federal scholarships and loans for college students, which later passed as part of the National Defense Education Act.

He was the first to propose a department to deal with urban problems and to call for closer cooperation between the Federal and local governments.

As a Senator he helped shape and pass every major housing bill from 1949 to 1964.

As Mayor of Minneapolis he restored law and order to a crime ridden city and received an award from the F.B.I. for effective law enforcement.

In foreign affairs he sponsored the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty, Arms Control, and originated the Food For Peace Programs and the Peace Corps.

What is Wallace's Farm Program?

Can you name one accomplishment of Richard Nixon? President Eisenhower asked for a week to think of one----It has been eight years now and nobody has thought of one yet.

But, you are asked to forget all of this.

You are asked to forget the antics of Mr. Wallace while Governor of Alabama which were condemned even by Mr. Helms in 1963, as the kind of irresponsible acts which tended to give our southland a bad name.

Yes, you are asked to forget these things and cast your vote on the basis of scare phrases, blind criticism, and most of all, the race issue.

So, let's look at the problems of race.

Do you really want to turn the clock back--back to the days when our black people could cross entire states without finding a decent place to sleep or eat.

Or, to the days when a black man could finish college, apply for a job, and be handed a mop to clean our toilets--the only job open to him simply because his skin was black.

Or, to the law and order of George Wallace's Birmingham where in the climate he deliberately created, four little girls were murdered in Sunday School and no one ever even arrested.

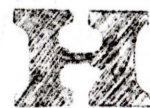
I do not believe this is what (we) want.

I support Hubert Humphrey for President because it was he, in 1948, who recognized the evil of racial discrimination in America, and had the foresight and the guts to stand on that convention floor in Philadelphia and direct the Democratic Party towards the goal of equal justice under law for all of our people. And, that is still our goal.

I do not apologize for this record.

I am proud of it.

And, if you will examine your consciences, I think you will be too, and cast your vote for Hubert Humphrey.



THE SUBJECTIVE EXPERIMENTAL POLITIC
by Gary W. Laird

Some may say that we have no choice in the forthcoming election but as one who thinks change such as the social inclusiveness of ethical creativity I am voting for George Wallace.

Recently two articles were published on the possibility of a Wallace vote to change the established political system: electoral college, the two party system, fair representation in news media, etc. they were: "What Wallace Means to Me" in LOOK 10-29-68 and Reader's Digest November "What A Vote for George Wallace Could Mean" I suggest these be applied to the situation in North Carolina where Wallace could carry the state or if not could be very important in giving it to Nixon or Humphrey especially if this takes votes from the more conservative Republican candidate.

A Philosophical view demands one to BE, that is to rip away our masks of social and personal interaction in the hope of a more equal order. The creature of today is ridding himself of the "hang ups" that have caused him to turn to destruction when in confrontation of differences. Love thy enemies for from them come the greatest potential for creativity. This creativity demands the greatest diversity yet the greatest unity, for one must do his own thing lest I turn to non-existence or let others create for me.

Wallace will make the conservative stick his neck out to be, and will demand liberals to be liberal. Maybe within the power structures of change which use destruction or within the creative act of love. Confront me of yourself, that I may like or dislike you...tell me of yourself to destroy or create. Which of the men for President confront you?

A vote for Wallace may mean a chance at another candidate. It is ideas that demand action for the call to idealists has now been met.

Where does our hope lie?

In a man who is not logically equipped to answer Questions and Answers October 7. A man who becomes emotional to wimper at "---- You" signs...is such a truth oriented idealist or liberal??? Or what of the Status Quoist, his record shows the heart of a political boss not a leader with any sense of intelligence. Why does not the Democratic candidate have the support of Eugene McCarthy?

Wallace is a demagogue as such, whether he has any guts behind his mask will be answered hopefully November 5.

A liberal is not afraid of losing house, family etc. for what he believes, Wallace may offer the possibility of change by confrontation. Must we reject Gandhi's way to change, is it possible in this country? It is this system of change that may give the greatest good or the greatest evil, status quo offers relegation of choice to previous choice stances. To choose we must know where a man stands... does anyone know for sure where the Presidential candidates stand? Ignorance is not the path of change.

I know that there will be very few li-

berals to cast their vote for a man such as Wallace. There will be those who see it as a movement toward change, for the ones who see not a chance at change, reductio ad absurdum will suffice. A liberal is thus without a cause, he can not vote for a ninny traitor to the American Ideal whose name is Hell (may give) by promising Heaven but would find himself in High-water (over his head).

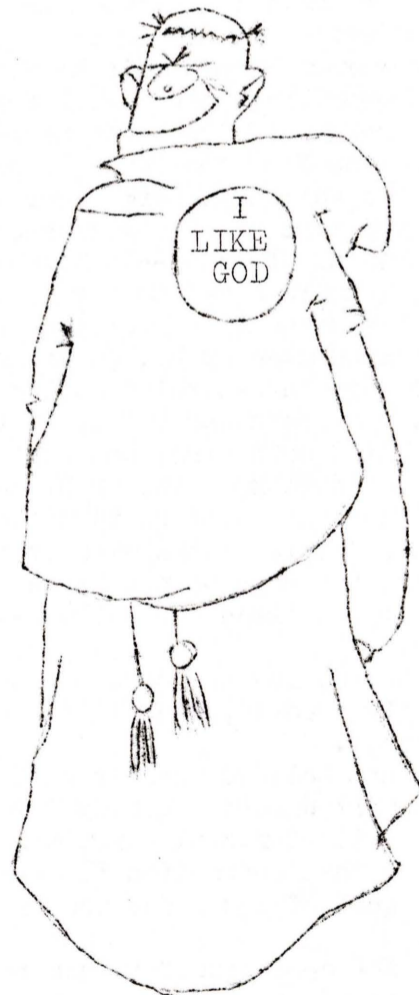
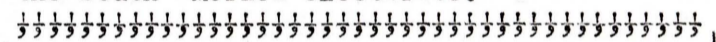
In protest against non-choice the conscientious liberal will select the most provoking thing--VOTE FOR WALLACE.

-Wallace shows the "true" secular America, one which is caught up in materialism, bigotry and prejudice. A vote for Wallace is a Vote for the Real America.

-Wallace may represent the only authentic individual, maybe he really believes in what he states (I doubt it--for as Kierkegaard witnesses there are very few extraordinarius individuals.

-Wallace may offer the breakdown of the two party system which has been argued as the American Way by the two major parties, hum,....argumentum post de facto?

It is time for change by changing the political scene from the corruptions of the two party system, electoral college, political machines (as Mayor Daley's) a time for free political communications--in the European sense or maybe nearer to the South America electorate.



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