

SOME NOTES ON THE RELATIONSHIP

BETWEEN SOUTHERN TECH AND

————— GEORGIA TECH —————

Recently Southern Tech's students, faculty, staff, and alumni have been discussing the relationship between STI and its parent institution. Many members of the STI Student Council have --wisely--reminded all of us that no vote or poll should be considered valid until all interested parties have had a chance to examine this relationship carefully. As part of this prudent reminder the Student Council invited me some weeks ago to present to them salient points in the discussion of any future relationship between the two colleges.

As the next step in a campaign of careful study, the student leaders asked me to summarize in the newspaper some of the key points. The following list will suggest some factors which we--all the Southern Tech family-- should carefully study. Please remember that this list is not complete, nor is this list any official statement; instead, this list will help focus our discussions:

Some factors which might suggest a very close relationship, perhaps including a change in Southern Tech's name:

1. Georgia Tech is better known in some circles than is Southern Tech; therefore, STI should share Georgia Tech's reputation or "image."
2. Georgia Tech, presumed to have more influence in political and administrative circles than STI could have, can better obtain funds through Georgia Tech than by "sailing" alone.
3. Southern Tech, as a unit of Georgia Tech, can share or partake of Georgia Tech services in such activities as athletics, purchasing, etc.
4. Southern Tech can share Georgia Tech's accreditation.

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NOTE

Notice. On February 25, 1976 the Student Council passed the following bylaw:

I. Agenda scheduling.

In order to reserve time on the agenda of a scheduled Student Council meeting it shall be necessary to submit a written request, stating the general intent, to the SGA Secretary's office no later than forty-eight (48) hours prior to said scheduled meeting.

II. Posting of schedule.

All requests for time on the agenda of the Student Council shall be duplicated by the SGA secretary and distributed to the post office boxes of all SGA members no later than 10:00 am of the day proceeding the next Student Council meeting.

The forms for reserving time on the Agenda are available in the Library Lobby next to the SGA offices.

congratulations!

Glenn Welch, a Southern Tech senior majoring in Industrial Engineering Technology, was honored by the Atlanta Chapter of the American Institute of Industrial Engineers as the outstanding senior in Industrial Engineering at STI.

Welch was selected by the Southern Tech IET faculty on the basis of scholarship, character, and service to the department and school.

At its February meeting each year the Atlanta AIIE presents this award.

5. Southern Tech could draw upon the resources of the Georgia Tech Foundation--for supplementary funds.
6. With an even closer relationship between the two colleges, Southern Tech might find transfer of credit easier--in both directions.
7. Under Georgia Tech's "umbrella" Southern Tech can minimize administrative overhead.
8. The Georgia Tech reputation could help STI graduates who seek professional licenses (engineering and architecture).
9. The closer the identification between Southern Tech and Georgia Tech, the more the STI graduate will be treated as a professional. Thus, the graduate should receive higher starting pay and faster promotion than at present.

Some factors which might suggest a less close relationship, perhaps including separation:

1. In its field Southern Tech already enjoys an excellent reputation, not dependant on Georgia Tech's "image".
2. The STI budget is presently submitted for Regents' approval as a distinct part of Georgia Tech's budget. If Southern Tech were separated, it could (would have to) seek its own budget.
3. By recent decision of Pres. Pettit of Georgia Tech, Southern Tech now manages its own services, such as physical plant--subject to top administrative Georgia Tech approval. Southern Tech students already have athletic privileges accorded Georgia Tech students.
4. Southern Tech already has separate accreditation by both the Southern Association (for the college as a whole) and the Engineers' Council (for individual programs). STI has never "flunked" an accreditation study.
5. STI already has its own foundation underway. STI has received very little from Georgia Tech's Foundation or alumni. STI has its own Alumni Association.
6. Transfer of core curriculum courses already applies among all units of the University System. Transfer of other courses will continue to vary with the particular course and the target college's policies.
7. Southern Tech already manages its own major functions; separation would require some but perhaps not much added cost.
8. Policies on licensing come from examining boards and state laws. Many STI graduates have earned licenses. No matter what the relationship between the two colleges, the boards will no doubt continue to distinguish between engineering and technology programs.

9. Southern Tech graduates receive excellent salaries now. Salaries reflect training and education, rather than college nomenclature or "image." Whatever the name of STI and whatever the relationship between STI and its present parent, engineering programs and technology programs are too costly to offer duplicate programs in Marietta and in Atlanta.

Some who read this article may challenge the weight given these factors; and some readers may even doubt the truth of some of the statements. Such challenges and doubts are healthy. Let us earnestly reason about all factors, perhaps each of us adding his own concerns.

Let us also remember that the decision about the future relationship between the colleges and even the name of Southern Tech is not ours alone to make. But no doubt the decision-makers will want to consider our views.

Robert Hays

Professor of English

Honorary Alumnus, 1975



LETTERS

Help! Most of the students who have early classes come into the coffee lounge to sip and think. But with the speaker from 1280 blasting we can't enjoy comming in here. Could we have a volume switch placed on it? I'm sure the EE dept. could help us with this problem, or furnish us with some speaker wire cutters.

a Student.

Dear Editor,

There is a problem that has risen in the dorm which pertains especially to the women. The problem is the "open house" rules. The open house hours are from 3:00 pm until 11:00 pm, on weekdays. I would personally like to see these hours extended. A more reasonable time allowance should be from 12:00 noon until 1:00 am. or some similar time.

I have talked to other girls in the dorm, who agree with me, and I am sure that most of the men in the dorm agree also. The only complaint that I have heard to this change is the extra noise that it might cause. We still have the 8:00 pm to 8:00 am quiet hours that are enforceable.

What do you think?

Sincerely,

Anne Loehr.

Dear Editor,

You may or may not realize it but the new Student Center will be completed in approximately six months and there isn't any money available to furnish or operate it. The current budget of the Student Activities fund is \$100,000 while the current total of fees collected are just under the figure. This means that we must raise enough money to balance the current budget, plus have a sufficient reserve, to furnish and operate the new Student Center.

It is my feeling that the only way to accomplish this is to raise the student activity fees from \$15.00 to \$20.00. Five dollars per quarter is a small price to pay for the enjoyment the student center will bring us.

Yours truly,

Edwin E. Mussinan.

Dear Editor,

Recently the students living in the dorms were asked to express their opinion concerning food service. The results were close with 36% voting to leave it as is and 34% voting to make food service sepearate from dorms.

By making food service sepearate from the dorms, this would lower expenses \$100-\$150. for those students who desire to eat at other places. Considering that about $\frac{1}{2}$ of the dorm students indicated that wanted seperation, their would be quite a savings.

Another thing to consider is allowing the students some means of cooking thier own meals. This could be done either by allowing cooking appliances in individual rooms or by placing several kitchens throughout the dorms.

Students wanting to support this plan are urged to write letters or speak to the Dean of Student Affairs.

Name Withheld.



Dear Editor,

The question has been raised about whether or not the school cafeteria should be moved to the new student center being built on the north end of the campus. I believe that a new cafeteria would really be nice. However, the distance from the dorms to the student center is a fairly long walk. In the rain it would be a fairly long run. Since there is only one covered breezeway, which is only about $\frac{1}{2}$ of the trip, a person could get pretty wet in the rain before he gets there. A day that is real stormy and rainy, a dorm student would probably stay in their room hoping for the rain to stop, and starve. If someone caught a cold or the flu because of getting rained on, he would probably miss a few days of class and spend many late hours catching up. If the cafeteria is moved, more covered breezeways are a necessity.

a Concerned student.

FREE SOCIETY II

"TECHNOLOGY AND A FREE SOCIETY"

Dr. Eugene P. Odom, Callaway Professor of Ecology at the University of Georgia where he heads the Institute of Ecology, will speak at the fifth session of Southern Tech's community dialogue series Thursday, March 4, in the campus gymnasium at 8 p.m.

In 1970, Dr. Odom was elected to the National Academy of Sciences, the first University of Georgia faculty member to receive the high honor. On the eve of his speech last year at Southern Tech, Dr. Odom and his brother, Dr. Howard Odom, who teaches at the University of Florida, received the news they had won the \$66,000 prize of the Paris-based Institute of Life. The Odoms received the French prize, equivalent to a Nobel prize, for their contributions to experimental ecology and the environmental sciences. Also, in 1975, he was elected a Fellow in the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the second oldest honorary learned society in America.

Dr. Odom's topic will be "Technology and Ecology," the fifth in a series of community dialogues titled "Technology and a Free Society," which are free and open to the public.

He received his A.B. and A.M. degrees from the University of North Carolina and his Ph.D. from the University of Illinois. Dr. Odom has been head of the Institute of Ecology at the University of Georgia since he established it in 1961.

Recently, the Georgia General Assembly held a special joint session to honor Dr. Odom and three other Georgia educators; Dr. Joseph M. Pettit, president of Ga. Tech, Dr. Norman Giles, an expert in genetic regulatory mechanisms at the University of Georgia and Dr. Glenn W. Burton, agronomist and research geneticist at the University. The four were praised in privileged resolutions for their elections to the National Academy of Engineering and the National Academy of Sciences. Dr. Pettit is a member of the National Academy of Engineering and the other three are members of the National Academy of Sciences.

ASCE

The American Society of Civil Engineers will dedicate the new bridge in the area opposite Norton Dorm, Friday, March 5 at 2:30 p.m. All students, faculty and staff are cordially invited to attend.

According to an ASCE spokesman, there will be a ribbon-cutting, and a commemorative picture of the bridge will be presented to Southern Tech.

It is hoped by the ASCE that the area will be developed as a recreation area.

The A.S.C.E., student organization is having its last business meeting of the quarter, March 2 at 12:00 noon in Room 568. All members are urged to attend. The topic of the meeting will be election of new officers.

The ASCE is also having a program in conjunction with the CET 332 class at 12:00 noon in room 568 on Wed., March 3, . Mr. Jim Abercombie is the scheduled speaker. Mr. Abercombie was the United States Representative to the cold weather construction seminar held in Russia.

SENSORY OVERLOAD

No ambition,

No control,

No drive,

All gone,

Time to mellow out.

Take it easy,

Take it in,

Take it slow,

Lay back;

Think about it, mellow out.

c. j. welty

Revolution in America ?



American historian Dr. Pauline Maier speaks on "Understanding the Revolution: A problem in Historical Imagination" March 3 at Agnes Scott College. The free, public lecture is at 8:15 p.m. in Presser Hall.

Dr. Maier is associate professor of history at the University of Massachusetts, Boston, and author of the book, "From Resistance to Revolution: Colonial Radicals and the development of American Opposition to Britain, 1765-1776." This volume, published in 1972, was favorably reviewed in the New York Times as "a superbly detailed account of the ideological escalation of the decade from 1765 to 1776 that brought Americans into revolution."

A graduate of Radcliffe College, Dr. Maier was a Fulbright Scholar at the London School of Economics, University of London, in 1960-61. She received her doctorate in history from Harvard Univ. in 1968.

Dr. Maier's attitude toward history is revealed, among other places, in reviews she has written on children's books on the American Revolution for the New York Times. In one such set of reviews entitled, "Re-creating the Revolution," November, 74, she states, "Understanding the past is an act of imagination, an exercise of a controlled fantasy."

As for the American Revolution, she has said, "The Revolution, was above all, a political event; one so imprisoned by cliches and mythology that restoring it to comprehensible proportions is particularly difficult."



PING-PONG TOURNAMENT

The Southern Tech tennis team is sponsoring a ping-pong tournament Thursday, March 11 in the lobby of the gym from noon to 4 p.m. or until a winner is named, according to Doug Laird.

According to the SGA president, there will be a registration fee of \$1.00 per person. Women will be given a 10 point handicap, Laird said.

"If women want the handicap," said Laird, "they must declare it before the match."

The standard rules of ping-pong will apply and all students, faculty and staff are invited to participate. There will be single elimination, three game sets.

"The winner will get a trophy or 20% of the purse," said Laird.

Entry forms may be obtained from the S.G.A. office or the public relations office.

OFFICIAL SCHOOL CALENDAR

- March 2 (T) General Faculty Meeting
12 Noon Library Seminar Room
- March 3 (W) Last day for applications from
new and transfer students
entering Spring Quarter 1976
- March 16-19 (T-F) Final Exams. End of the
Quarter.
- March 22 (M) Final grades due in
Registrar's Office no later
than 5 p.m.

Student suicides



"Jump!" some students shouted playfully to the young man on the roof of the 28-story U. of Mass. Library. He returned the shouts and dropped some model rocket engines that sounded like firecrackers on them. He then took a running leap and plunged 286 feet to his death, the fourth suicide there in two years.

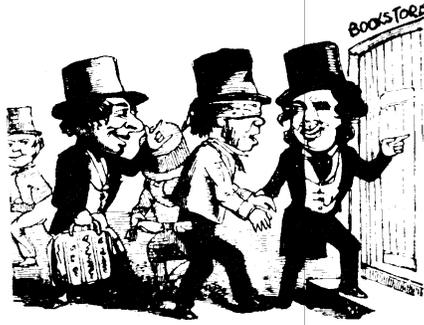
Four suicides in two years is about average for a campus the size of the U. of Massachusetts according to a 1968 study by Dana I. Farnsworth, "Psychiatry, Education and the Young Adult." The study estimates that on a 10,000- student campus:

- 1,000 students will have emotional conflicts severe enough to warrant professional help;
- 100 to 200 will become apathetic and unable to organize their efforts;
- 15 to 25 will become ill enough to require treatment in a mental hospital;
- 5 to 20 will attempt suicide, and 1 to 3 will succeed.

Other studies show that the rate of suicides among young people is less than among older people, but it is second only to accidental death as a cause of death in the college age group. Each year 10,000 collegestudents in the U.S. try suicide; 1,000 succeed.



The A.I.A. will hold a business meeting, Thursday, March 4, at 7:30 pm, in the seminar room of the Library. All AET students are welcome.



now accepting

The bookstore is now purchasing used books for the spring quarter, according to George Herndon, bookstore manager.

"We pay half of the current new book price," said Herndon. "Of course, the books must be in good shape."

The bookstore will purchase the books until the opening week of school.



A.S.M.E.

A.S.M.E. meets Thursday, March 4, in room 602. Several important issues will be discussed concerning officials, tours, and special surprises for several people. All members and interested persons are urged to attend.

Ives to be performed

The Columbia Univ. Glee Club conducted by Gregg Smith, a Grammy Award Winning authority on modern choral music, performs works by American composer Charles Ives March 9 at Agnes Scott College.

The Agnes Scott Glee Club directed by Dr. Theodore K. Mathews will join the Columbia Glee Club for parts of the program. The free, public concert is at 8:15 in Presser hall.

The program will include works by Ives such as "Psalm Ninety," "Circus Band," "Serenity" and "Son of a Gambolier," which is the forerunner of Georgia Tech's song, "Ramblin' Reck." Other composers, American and European, will also be represented at the concert.

Smith, a recognized authority on the works of Charles Ives, has gained wide acclaim in music circles in the United States and Europe for his experimental programming and innovative style. In addition to conducting the Columbia Univ. Glee Club, he directs his own professional group, the Gregg Smith Singers, who sang at the Fox Theatre this February. He also conducts choral clinics throughout the country, including Georgia. This past January he conducted the All State College Choir for the conference of the Georgia Music Educators at Jekyll Island.

The Columbia Univ. Glee Club is primarily men's chorus, which in 1973 for the first time in 100 years had women, who sang tenor parts. The Glee Club's activities during any given year include a concert for New York City performed downtown, a spring tour and three or four joint concerts with Eastern Colleges. In past years, the Club has travelled to Europe, Puerto Rico, Canada, Mexico and the southern United States. This year the group is touring the United States in celebration of the Bicentennial.



R.P.M.

Joan Baez - "From Every Stage" - A & M Records (2 records). Quite varied material and strong vocals highlight a double live set from an artist who hit top ten after a long record dry spell last time out. Basically, a complete concert. First disc is Baez and guitar, second LP features artist with fine band of David Briggs, Jim Gordon, James Jamerson, Larry Carlton and Dan Ferguson. Acoustic side seems to drag a bit by comparison with live disc and last LP, with perhaps a bit too much patter. Second LP, with the band, comes across much better, with even the talk fitting well. Perhaps listening to a live set on record naturally comes across with more power when there is more power in the music. Material from artist, Dave Loggins, Dylan, and Robbie Robertson works well, and Baez's voice is in its usual top form. Best of the old and new. BEST CUTS: "Suzanne", "I shall be released", "Joe Hill", "Forever Young", "Boulder to Birmingham", "Please come to Boston", "Amazing Grace."

NATIONAL LAMPOON - GOOD-BYE POP - Epic Records Usual dose of sicko and off the wall humor from the group that is best at it. Some amusing radio takeoffs, good Neil Young bit and an art-rock suite that works well. Topper, however, is very strong and very funny bit that hits soul music and Christmas songs in one fell swoop. BEST CUTS: "Kung Fu Christmas", "The B side of love (a country take-off)", and "A history of Neil Young."

Joey Watkins
WSTB-AM
WGHR-FM

The Hippie Trip

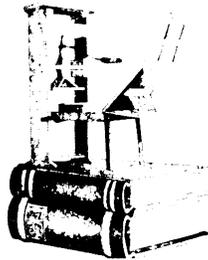
Mike Y. Hendrix, the State Director of Selective Service for Georgia has announced the closing of all local draft board offices by the end of February 1976.

Mr. Hendrix said this is the result of a drastically reduced budget recommendation for the Selective Service System, and will cause what the National Director Byron V. Pepitone recently termed "a drastically altered structure" of the agency.

This reduction in the work force of the draft agency made necessary the termination of all registrant processing on January 27, 1976. State Director Hendrix said: "This means there will be no registration or lottery drawing in the foreseeable future, no classification actions and young men will no longer have any requirement to report changes of address or anything else to their local boards."

For many years, all men were required to have their "draft" card in their personal possession at all times, but this is no longer required. If a Selective Service Status Card is lost or stolen, there is no need to ask for a replacement card. "In fact," said Mr. Hendrix, "replacement cards will no longer be issued."

After the local draft board offices are closed in February, all Selective Service records will be transferred to appropriate Federal Records Center.



New Book News

All those interested in the future of American education will be fascinated and disturbed by a critical new analysis of the history, performance and future of the community college. Written "from the inside" by L. Steven Zwerling, it is titled, Second best: the crisis of the community college (McGraw-Hill, \$10.00).

The fastest growing sector of American public education, the community college represents -- in history -- a last chance to chance to become socially mobile for increasing multitudes of students from disadvantaged or working class backgrounds. It is considered "one of the greatest equalizers in a society which professes to be democratic and egalitarian."

In this controversial book, however, Zerling examines the reasons for which the community college has not succeeded in achieving its professed social goal. Why do only 25% of its students complete their schooling, while the dropout rate is 75%? he asks. Why is the rate of transfer to four-year college so low? What is the actual quality of the education offered to the students? What are the prospects in the job market for those who do succeed in graduating?

The author suggests that the community college is not really a lever of opportunity at all, but a social filter, a cooling out process by which the aspirations of students to be upwardly mobile are pruned to what is considered a "realistic" level. Thus, he concludes, the status quo is maintained and potential social discontent is defused.

L. Steven Zwerling directs an innovative inner college at Staten Island Community College and conducts a weekly radio program, "Metroscope," on WRVR in New York City. A graduate (both B.A. and M.A.) in English from Columbia Univ., he has done further graduate work at Rutgers Univ.

