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Stewart Wins SGA Presidency While 2,000 Students Abstain from Voting

Goodnight Will Study Drugs

Dr. Barbara A. Goodnight, Assistant Professor of Sociology, and Mrs. Edith P. Brocker, Chairman, Division of Nursing have recently received a grant through the North Carolina Board of Higher Education for a "Workshop on Drug Abuse for Educators and Youth Workers." The workshop will be held here on the UNC-C campus next fall, probably in September. The grant is for \$2,485, and it will be matched by a grant of \$1,242 from the University.

The specific objective of the program "is to institute a short-term, intensive workshop on the causes, consequences, identification, and prevention of drug abuse involving youth in the elementary and secondary-school age range." Participation will be by invitation. The invitations will be sent to school personnel (principals, counselors, nurses, and social workers) of Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Gaston County, Concord, Kannapolis, Union County, and Monroe; youth workers; and youth leaders of Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, YMCA, YWCA, the Youth Bureau of the Charlotte Police Department, and the juvenile courts of the Charlotte Metropolitan area.

The program was instituted after Dr. Goodnight attended a conference on drug abuse at Chapel Hill last summer. It occurred to her that students probably knew more about drugs than did the workers who were supposed to be helping and counseling them and that it would greatly benefit the community to hold a workshop to better inform these people.

The workshop will be generally concerned with the physical, emotional, and community health problems that result from drug usage. "More specifically, it will focus on (1) identification of drug abusers; (2) examination of reasons for and consequences of drug abuse; and (3) education for the prevention of drug abuse and the treatment of drug abusers."

The format of the workshop will be lectures, panel discussions, movies, and small discussion groups. Each person attending will also receive a packet "of resource materials for study and reference."



President-elect F.N. Stewart

Student Court Convicts and Reprimands Chavis

Benjamin Franklin Chavis had his day in court on Wednesday, April 2, 1969. The Student Court, presided over by Chief Justice, John Lafferty, met at 11:30 a.m. in Union Room 209-210. Mr. Chavis was accused



Chavis protests in silence.

of violation of Student Government Bill 64-65-2, or more specifically, that he willfully caused the sponsoring of a non-authorized press conference without seeking permission from the proper authorities.

At the request of the defendant, the court was open to U.N.C.-C. students, but by Student Court ruling, closed to all those not directly associated with the University as student or professor. Mr. Chavis was accompanied by a Charlotte

attorney, Mr. James Ferguson, and Dr. Reginald Hawkins. There were four court appointed bailiffs at the door to assure order in the packed courtroom.

In his opening remarks, Chief Justice John Lafferty reminded Mr. Chavis that counsel was restricted to a student or faculty member of U.N.C.-C., and he was further instructed to ask his attorney and friend to leave the courtroom. The attorney for Mr. Chavis objected on grounds that the defendant was being denied his Constitutional right to legal aid of his choice. The court recessed for five minutes to discuss this technicality. They returned in seven minutes, and denied Mr. Chavis his request for representation by non-U.N.C.-C. affiliated defense counsel. Without hesitation, the attorney for Mr. Chavis approached the chair and

advised that on grounds that Mr. Chavis was being denied his constitutional right to counsel of his choice; and, the general public was not allowed inside of the courtroom; and, the Dean of Student Affairs was included in Student Court deliberations; the defendant was being advised to stand mute through the entire proceedings, and not respond in any manner. He then left the courtroom, and Mr. Chavis made a short statement stating that he was the victim of trumped up charges, stemming from institutionalized racism, and that he would not participate in any way.

The defendant was then charged by the prosecuting attorney, and the chair asked how he was planning to plea. The defendant remained silent. The prosecuting attorney proceeded to document his

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Chavis and Council exits.



Former G.I. to Assume Office on April 30th

By Sherry Drake

F. N. Stewart will be the new Student Government Association President. He was elected by a substantial majority of votes (270) over candidates Gary Killian (74) and Arthur Williams (52). In the same election, Alan Hickok, who ran unopposed, was confirmed as SGA vice president for 1969-1970. He received 314 votes. Nine write-in votes were cast for the position for vice president.

When interviewed after his election, Mr. Stewart had the following to say about his election and his plans for next year:

What is your primary goal?
To make this a better

university in all ways possible. That sounds shallow because its easy to say. It's like saying let's go out and build a building. There's a lot of work that goes on behind it. In general, I have a bunch of ideas and I will try to accomplish this goal from that point.

Do you think being a philosophy major will help you in your new office?

Philosophy helps you think and reason. That gives you an admiration for logic that helps you anywhere.

What do you think your relationship with the legislature will be?

I've got a damn good vice president. I don't think there will be any problem. I probably won't take an active part in the legislature—that shows a lack of confidence in the vice president. And I don't really think I will be needed.

Have you thought about your appointments yet?

I've spent a great deal of time thinking about them, but I



V.P. - elect Alan Hickok

haven't made any final decisions yet. It's more a question of who will do what best. We've got some good working people in the freshman and sophomore classes, and I intend to use them. I've got to sit down and take a long hard look at all of it, see what I like and what I don't like and go with it from there.

What about the new dorms?

We've always thought the dorms would play a very large part once they were erected. I'm not sure that they will be that important next year. The rest of the University will go on as well. There will come a time when they will be the center of student life, but not next year.

Analysis of the election:

This very quiet election was remarkable in only one way, the lack of concern shown by the student body. Out of almost 2500 students only 396 considered this election important enough to vote. And this was the election for the highest student office on the campus!

Last year approximately 700 students voted in a very hard fought election. All years are important in the University's

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Union Seeks Committee Chairmen for '69

Today is the day for any students interested in serving as Union Committee Chairmen, Committee Vice-Chairmen, or Sub-Committee Chairmen during the coming year to do something about it.

The method to be used in selecting these chairmen will be through interviews with any student by the new executive

council. These interviews are to be arranged during the hours of 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 9 through Friday April 11, and located in the Office of Mr. Howard Winniman in the Union Building.

The standing committees of the union are Arts Committee, Social Committee, Recreation

Committee, Special Activities Committee, Publicity Committee and Lectures Committee. (The functions of each of these committees were described in THE CAROLINA JOURNAL, April 2, 1969). Positions are available in each of these areas.

Additional information concerning these applications

will be available at the Union Information Desk. If there are any questions concerning this, or if anyone has a schedule conflict which would not permit him to meet with the executive board at these times, please contact Carolyn Bobbitt, Vice Chairman of the Union or Mr. Howard Winniman