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Thousands throng Raleigh for rally protesting racism

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The National Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression (NAARPR) mobilized over 5,000 people from all over the nation to march in Raleigh this July 4th.

Co-chairperson Angela Davis proclaimed, "Today marks the beginning of a new era in this country. We are not going to stop until the majority of all people are with us in the struggle against racism."

The struggle started in Raleigh because, according to NAARPR leaders, North Carolina is the most repressive and racist state in the union.

Raleigh mayor Clarence Lightner

welcomed the protestors to his town and said, "We must all continue to work together to stamp out injustice."

The protest began in Memorial Auditorium with various radical speakers. Larry Little of the Winston-Salem Black Panther Party stepped on stage in a purple suit flanked by two cohorts. Little shouted, "All power to the people!" and declared Raleigh "the capital for repression and racism for the whole United States of America."

"The whole concept of Independence Day is a fraud," Sidney VonLuther, a New York State Senator, said. "It is a sham. Anyone who raises his voice against the government

is kept incarcerated so he can't be heard."

"The bankers who drain the lifeblood of this nation are the ones who should be in jail," he said. "We are going to make every day 'Struggle Day' until the people of this nation can really have an Independence Day to celebrate."

Angela Davis commented on the press in an early morning press conference. "We appeal to the media to do their job, mainly to carry news to the people. That is why we are creating a national alliance. We now have 25 chapters in 21 states." She predicted that soon there would be chapters of NAARPR in all 50 states.

After the morning speakers, the march began to the State Capitol. Scores of

marshalls kept the mostly black crowd orderly. The march began with lines of protestors 10 abreast walking arm-in-arm down Fayetteville Street, while one block away Salisbury Street was lined with over 40 State Patrol cars, engines running in case any trouble developed.

But the only excitement came from about 10 counter-protestors who supported the death penalty and held signs saying, "Go Home Commie," and "Boooooo!" The counter-protestors represented the Rights of White People, the Ku Klux Klan and the National Socialist White People's Party, also known as the American Nazi Party.

As the march passed, the group was surrounded by about 25 Raleigh policemen who provided protection. The media lived the action as local spectators raised clenched fists for the cameras.

As the protestors gathered around the capitol they shouted "Free Ben Chavis! Jail Nixon!"

Davis was greeted with thunderous applause at the capitol. "Though we may be weak in political power," she said, "our will to struggle is fierce. In Washington, D.C. at this very moment they are trembling."

Rev. Ralph Abernathy, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, led the group in a series of shouts of "Soul Power!" and then said, "I have the message for the pharaohs of this state. The word is simple and the word is plain — Let my people go."

He called President Nixon "the most notorious criminal in America" and said that if he had his way he would arrest Agnew, Reagan, Mitchell and Nixon and put them in jail where they belong.

"I believe in non-violent resistance," he said, but added, "there will be no peace anywhere in America until liberty and justice is accomplished for all Americans."

From the capitol, the march went past Central Prison and on to Pullen Park where Clyde Bellecourt was to speak and Stevie Wonder was to sing.



Staff photo by Ted Mellnik

National Alliance marchers parade down Fayetteville St.

Abortion: legal question

by Katherine Smart
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Dr. Christopher Fordham, dean of the UNC Medical School, said Tuesday he will reply to a request for information from district solicitor Herbert Pierce concerning the legality of a research project in which a North Carolina Memorial Hospital nurse-midwife performed therapeutic abortions.

Pierce sent a letter to Fordham last week asking for a detailed outline of the project as it has been conducted to this point. Copies of the letter were also sent to Dr. Charles Hendricks, chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology and to Dr. Brenner, director of the project.

Pierce said his decision on whether to prosecute those involved in the project will depend on the information Fordham sends him.

The state's abortion law, amended by the 1973 General Assembly, states that it "shall

not be unlawful" to perform abortions during the first 20 weeks of pregnancy if the abortion is performed "by a physician licensed to practice medicine in North Carolina in a hospital or clinic certified by the Department of Human Resources."

According to a recent report, the purpose of the project was to determine whether nurse-midwives (nurses who have received two years graduate training in obstetrics and gynecology) could be trained to perform abortions.

During the project, which began in mid-1972, Linda Staurovsky, a certified nurse-midwife and instructor in the medical school's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, performed about 90 therapeutic abortions under the supervision of doctors and medical faculty members.

Fordham said Tuesday that Staurovsky's participation in the program was halted when the question of the project's legality came up several weeks ago.

Sponsors of the project have said the nurse's actions did not violate the law because the abortions were performed under the supervision of physicians. According to Dr. William Brenner, a project participant, it is comparable to what happens when a medical school student operates. He said the physician is responsible.

Before the project started, it was cleared by the chairman of the Obstetrics-Gynecology department and by the Human Rights Committee. The latter committee was recently formed to protect human rights in research projects.

Brenner said about 200 women seeking abortions at the outpatient department of Memorial Hospital were asked to participate in the project. About 110 chose to have physicians perform the abortions and 90 chose the midwife.

Fordham said all the patients were fully informed beforehand of the nature of the project, had agreed to participate and had signed consent forms.

Opinions vary in McIver

Search inspires reaction

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The controversial June 16 room search of McIver Dorm inspired a variety of reactions this week from McIver residents, including numerous complaints that the search was conducted in an offensive manner.

Many agreed, however, that the door policemen had discovered propped open late at night was a legitimate cause for a security check.

Two University Police officers and two McIver staff members conducted a room-by-room search of the dorm at 3:30 a.m. Sunday June 16 after officers notified the Residence Director about the open door.

Residents' complaints included inadequate explanation at the time of the search, lack of a warrant by the search party and checking closets without permission.

One resident, who asked that her name be withheld, said she asked the searchers what they were doing and was told they were making a routine security check. "I don't consider it an invasion of privacy, but they didn't ask my permission to look into my closet," she said. "I think the dorm needs discipline; there is no other way to safeguard the residents. But it was kind of scary."

"They should have searched," Collette Moussalli said Wednesday, "but they should have had a warrant, because the law is there, and you should abide by it."

"All the girls in the dorm have a right to a certain amount of privacy," Betsy Un-hi Chang said Thursday. "I should have gone about it in a legal manner. They think they

should make it clear in the housing contract what rights they have and what rights we have."

One resident said that unescorted men in the dorm, not policemen, constituted an invasion of her privacy. "My roommate, my friends and I have seen men in the hall and the bathroom after hours," Sabahat Given said, adding that she had complained to the Residence Director about men in the dorm but never to campus police.

Another resident said there are men "who practically live in this dorm." McIver houses about 100 women, including one floor of foreign students.

One woman who the searchers discovered with a man in her room said she suspected not everyone caught violating the visitation policy was charged with an offense by the Housing Department. "I saw one girl here with her boyfriend that night," she said. "Later I called Residence Life and her name wasn't on the list (of those facing the Honor Court)."

Five cases involving women allegedly discovered with men in their rooms were sent to Honor Court last week.

None of the 30 McIver residents contacted by *The Tar Heel* said they had complained about dorm security to campus police or the Housing Department. Police spokesmen said they knew of no recent complaints relating to McIver, but Director of Housing James D. Condie said Monday he had received security complaints "again and again and again."

"If they really came for a security search,

they would have been better off to ignore the guys they found," McIver desk attendant Susan Perkinson said. "Then they could have gotten warrants and come back a second time for the guys."

A number of residents said the propped open door might actually be better security than a locked door. "Personally, I have complained about the doors being locked," Natalie Sanders said Wednesday. "I feel that if they're going to lock the doors, residents should have keys, so we don't have to wait outside in the dark. That's dangerous."

Susan Perkinson said male friends in the dorm late at night could provide protection against strange men entering the building. "Knowing your friends' boyfriends are there is security," she said.

HEW accepts plan

After almost a year of research and revision, the North Carolina plan for desegregating the public higher education system has been officially accepted by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW).

The HEW Office of Civil Rights announced June 21 that plans submitted by North Carolina and seven other southern states complied with federal desegregation guidelines and legal requirements. If the plans had been rejected, the states would have faced possible lawsuits and loss of

Leroy Gibson said. "They can't be nothing but what they are."

Gibson, holding a sign that read "Angela vs. Leroy," was one of 10 persons who stood on the curb along the march route protesting the march and its demand that the death penalty be abolished.

"We're here to meet 'Angelee' Davis," Gibson said. "She has her right to march on that street there and we have the right to stand here and oppose her."

"She doesn't have any right to come to our state capital because she is a communist and a murderer," another delegation member said, referring to Davis's indictment and acquittal of murder in California four years ago.

Gibson and his group were surrounded by hecklers minutes before the march passed by their position across the street from the Sir Walter Hotel on Fayetteville St. Extra policemen were summoned who dispersed the crowd from the street. But after they left, the crowd reassembled behind the right-wing group and from there gestured, shouted and chanted "Ku Klux Klan, scum of the land" at the group as the march passed by.

"We believe in complete separation of the races," said Frank Braswell of the National Socialist White People's Party, also known as the American Nazi Party. "We would send them back to Africa. We got them over here and it's our responsibility to get them back. They don't belong. They don't fit."

"Black people commit 70 per cent of the crimes in America and we're getting tired of it," Gibson said. "They want to be equal and guaranteed everything and live in the jungle."

"The only ones we're really against are the welfare bums," KKK member Alabama Lee of Durham said.

The plan also contains a clause limiting the authority of the governor or any university official to change educational policy in any way that might run counter to the intent of the desegregation program.

One of the plan's major features is a set of goals for the ratio of blacks to whites at each campus. At UNC, the proportion of blacks is expected to increase from the present 5.1 per cent to about 7.1 per cent by 1977.

This will mean the number of blacks enrolled should increase from less than 1,000 during the past academic year to 1,400 or more in 1977.

According to the plan, this "increased minority presence" will be achieved by intensified recruiting, development of a single application form for all state institutions, and studies leading to greater cooperation among schools with different racial traditions.

The Tar Heel is looking for copy editors and staff writers, who, preferably, have some experience. If you are interested, please come by The Tar Heel office in the Student Union Friday or Monday.



Members of local marching bands and other groups march in the annual Chapel Hill/Carrboro Fourth of July parade here Thursday. The parade started at the Carrboro Town Hall and ended at the Morehead Planetarium. (Staff photo by Bill Wrenn)

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On The Outside

from the wires of United Press International

Civilian unrest plagues Thailand

BANGKOK — Prime Minister Sanya Dharmasakti, faced with two nights of rioting and a mounting death toll in the city's Chinese district, Thursday night declared a state of emergency and ordered the army to restore order.

"The government has tried to use moderate measures but without result," Sanya said in a radio and television speech.

"Therefore it is compelled to use drastic action to prevent the situation from worsening and has decided to use police and military forces to suppress the rioters immediately."

As Sanya spoke, police forces moved out of the Plabphachai police station to clear rioters who made the building a target in two nights of violence and looted stores in the area.

Legal profession on guard — Jaworski

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. — Calling Watergate a "calamitous burden" for the nation, Special Prosecutor Leon Jaworski said Thursday enough already has been admitted in the scandal to make those in the legal profession alert to attack by high officials.

Attorneys and the courts should take the lead to ensure another such episode does not occur, Jaworski said in a speech to a Junior Bar of Texas luncheon.

Douglas orders station manager's release

LOS ANGELES — U.S. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas Thursday ordered the release from federal prison of Will Lewis, general manager of radio station KPFK, who was jailed for contempt for refusing to give authorities the original

of a Patricia Hearst tape recording.

Officials at the correctional institution on Terminal Island where Lewis has been held since June 19, would not say whether Lewis would be released immediately. Lewis, 42, had been ordered by U.S. District Judge A. Andrew Hauk to be held in custody until he purged himself of the contempt charge.

Veterans march for benefits, amnesty

WASHINGTON — Hundreds of veterans and their friends marched peacefully Thursday for better benefits for themselves and unconditional amnesty for those who resisted service.

With the temperature in the mid-90s and the sun blazing, a two-block line of demonstrators walked from the Lincoln Memorial to a spot between the Jefferson Memorial and the White House. A rough headcount placed their number at 2,000. Led by a young woman with a bullhorn, they chanted, "What do we want? Amnesty! When do we want it? Now!"

New Mexico fire brought under control

CARLSBAD, N.M. — Firefighters from five states Thursday encircled and contained a 16,400-acre fire that had raged for six days through the Lincoln National Forest and Carlsbad Caverns National Park in southeastern New Mexico.

Forest Service spokesman Lou Armijo said complete control of the blaze was expected by early Friday.

The 550 firefighters stopped the spreading flames by lighting back fires in the path of the blaze late Wednesday. The fire was blown back on itself, enabling firefighters to encircle the blaze.