

# SCOTT ACTS ON HAZING ISSUE

John Marshall, executive secretary to Governor Scott, told The Daily Tar Heel late last night that the N.C. chief executive was turning the Phi Gamma Delta hazing matter over to the University administration.

"Governor Scott is definitely going to turn the matter over to University President Gordon Gray, making all of his (Scott's) channels available to the president," Marshall said. "It is up to the president to determine what he wishes to do about it," the secretary added.

Special to THE DAILY TAR HEEL

**RALEIGH—A 39-year-old anti-hazing law will be enforced at UNC, Governor Scott's executive secretary said yesterday.**

Asserting that "self-enforcement seems impossible," Daily Tar Heel editor Glenn Harden in an open letter to Scott yesterday suggested that he might "take an especial interest in a law which has been consistently violated and consistently ignored . . ."

Scott's secretary, John Marshall, said the governor would "follow one of two courses of action."

"He will turn the matter over to Gordon Gray and R. B. House or ask the State Bureau of Investigation to investigate," Marshall said.

The usual procedure would be to let University officials handle the situation, Marshall explained.

"Should the S.B.I. investigate, their findings would be turned over to the district solicitor for possible prosecution of offenders," he asserted.

The Daily Tar Heel letter to Scott has been received, Marshall said.

The 500-word open letter charged that the situation here is "out of hand."

It protested the recent acquittal of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity on hazing charges by the Inter-Fraternity Council court. The offense "clearly was a case of hazing under the definition supplied by the 1913 statute," the letter said.

The incident came to light here two weeks ago when President Henry Bowers charged that the acquittal demonstrated the court's "inadequacy to handle hazing cases" and requested a constitutional amendment to remove jurisdiction in such cases from the IFC court to the Men's Honor Council.

A fraternity-dominated political party has gained control of the legislature, however, and Bowers has predicted that the amendment will never be passed.

The Daily Tar Heel had promised earlier to appeal to the proper state authorities, should the amendment fail.

The state law defines hazing as "annoying any student by playing abusive or ridiculour tricks upon him, to frighten, scold, beat or harass him, or to subject him to personal indignity."

The IFC court has defended their acquittal of the Phi Gams as being under a campus statute which defines hazing as an act involving physical abuse, public display, or scholastic interference.

The fraternity was tried for humiliating pledges who allegedly stole some of the fraternity's silverware.

The hazing issue also inspired a Di Senate bill calling for the abolishment of the IFC court, and the transfer of its jurisdiction to the Men's Honor Council. The bill was still being discussed as The Daily Tar Heel went to press last night.

## No Hazing Here, Says IFC Chairman Froelich

IFC President Jake Froelich and Phi Gamma Delta President Larry Early last night reiterated their defense of the IFC's handling of hazing cases.

"To our knowledge there is no hazing going on on campus now," they said. They added that the IFC can handle hazing cases better than the State law because "the State law has no limit, contains no definition of hazing, and outlines no penalties for hazing."

The State law, however, specifically defines hazing as "to annoy any student by playing abusive or ridiculous tricks upon him, to frighten, scold, beat or harass him, or to subject him to personal indignity." Any violation of this is a misdemeanor.

Any student convicted of hazing shall, according to the State law, "in addition to any punishment imposed by the court, be expelled from the college or school he is attending."

The law further states that "the faculty or governing board of any college or school charged with the duty of expulsion of students . . . shall at once expell the offender, and a failure to do so shall be a misdemeanor."

No one was suspended by the administration in the conviction of Phi Gamma Delta three years ago in which a pledge

(See FROELICH, page 8)

## Di Backs Hazing Court Change

The Di Senate last night asked that the right to try hazing cases be removed from the IFC court and transferred to the Men's Honor Council.

The senators approved the bill by an 11-7 vote. With visitors participating, the vote stood at 27-14 for the transfer of jurisdiction.

The Interfraternity Court "has demonstrated its inability and/or disinclination to properly handle cases involving hazing," the bill proclaims.

It was almost a duplicate of the constitutional amendment proposed by outgoing President Henry Bowers to transfer the jurisdiction of the court.

## Veep Race Highlights Runoff Election; Polls Are Open 9-6

The leftovers will have their way in the ballot box today as runoff elections are held for six student government offices, and amendments to the Constitution will be voted upon—making the present dental and med school courts legal.

Primary interest centers on the vice-presidential race in which Jim McLeod (UP) vies with Ted Frankel (Ind.).



TED FRANKEL, INDEPENDENT candidate for vice president, and Jim McLeod, UP nominee, who will vie today.

\* Others in the runoffs include: Mitchell Novit and Ben Wilcox, both UP, for the at-large-seat, Student Council.

Fred Dale (Select. Bd.), Bill Walker (Sel. Bd.), junior seat, seat, Men's Honor Council.

Shirley Gee (SP), Dot Smith (UP), Woman's Town District, Legislature, for six months.

Pat George (UP), and Carol "Toni" Kelly (Ind.), senior class social chairman.

Tom Creasy (Ind.) and Jack Stilwell (UP), sophomore class president.

Johnsie Bennett and Grace Doar, Women's Athletic Association secretary.

Polls open at 9 o'clock this morning, close at 6 p.m. You can vote in Gerrard hall, Memorial hall, Aycock, Alexander, Mangum, or Alderman.

# The Daily Tar Heel

VOLUME LX CHAPEL HILL, N. C., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 1952 NUMBER 148

## Accident Calls McLeod Home; Vote Urged

Jim McLeod, UP candidate for the vice presidency of the student body in today's runoff, was called home Monday due to an automobile accident involving his family.

"McLeod will be unable to actively carry on his campaign for Wednesday's election since it will be necessary for him to remain in Florence for an indefinite period of time," a spokesman for McLeod said yesterday.

The spokesman continued, "We hope that Jim's absence from the campus at this time will in no way affect his chances of winning today's election. It is urgently requested that all of Jim's supporters go to the polls today and elect him vice president of the student body."

At the same time they released the following statement for McLeod:

"There are four reasons for my candidacy for the vice-presidency of the student body.

"First, an humble desire to be of service to all the students at Carolina has prompted me to seek this office. If given the opportunity I shall serve the student body as best I can.

"Secondly, the vice-president should be more than merely speaker of the legislature. He should work in close harmony with the chief executive and shoulder many of the responsibilities of student government." (See McLEOD, page 8)

## UNC Press Club Plans Award For The DTH's Best Articles

Action was taken by the UNC Press Club Monday night to provide special awards for outstanding work on The Daily Tar Heel and make an actuality the organization's recent resolution concerning cooperation between Carolina's student newspaper and the School of Journalism.

By a unanimous vote, the club approved a motion made by Rollo Taylor to give special recognition quarterly for the best editorial, news, sports, and feature article appearing in The Daily Tar Heel. The exact method to be used in determining who will receive the awards for the best work in the four fields will be decided upon at a later meeting.

The club will get the program underway immediately. Beginning with the first issue of The Daily Tar Heel to be published under Editor-elect Barry Farber tomorrow, each day's paper will be kept on file through the last issue this quarter. The club will then announce the winners for that period of time in the four divisions.

Definite plans for putting in practical operation the organization's recently adopted resolution regarding closer cooperation between the University School of Journalism and The Daily Tar Heel were also instituted at Monday night's session. Press Club President Buddy Northart appointed Bill Hughes and Rollo Taylor to talk with members of the journalism faculty on two specific programs to bring the school in closer contact with The Daily Tar Heel.

One involved compulsory work one afternoon per week on The Daily Tar Heel for students in

Journalism 53 and 54 classes. The time spent by the students doing work on The Daily Tar Heel would take the place of a regular class period.

## PB Approves Neill, Schenck

In a lukewarm session yesterday afternoon the Publications board approved Tar Heel editor-elect Barry Farber's staff appointments for the coming year.

The appointees were Rolfe Neill, managing editor; Biff Roberts, soptrs editor; Jody Levey, news editor and Jim Schenck, business manager.

Also the issue of tabloid versus standard size for the Tar Heel arose again. Farber proposed the larger eight-column paper, saying that he felt the issue should be decided by the old Publications board because it was "so well-steeped in the problems of this matter which is so vital to every student."

The board, upon a suggestion by incumbent Editor Glenn Harden, voted to postpone the issue until next Tuesday when the newly-elected board will meet.

Farber's appointment of Schenck to the salaried position of business manager was the object of half an hour's discussion.

Oliver Watkins, who holds the position this year, objected to Schenck.

Farber defended his appointment saying, "I know Schenck very well, and I feel he is qualified in every way."