

WEATHER

Partly cloudy and warm with scattered showers. Cooler tonight. Expected high of 75.

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PROBE

Looky here! The Daily Tar Heel's being probed. See the editor's comments, and the letters on p. 2.

## Kuralt Terms Legislature's Charges 'Patently Absurd; DTH Not Red-Brumfield'

Editor Charles Kuralt yesterday answered charges by student legislators that The Daily Tar Heel is a "second Daily Worker" and that he and Managing Editor Fred Powledge are "lazy." Editor Kuralt said most of the charges are "patently absurd," and dismissed accusations of lacking quality and "pseudo-intellectualism" as "out of the same warped mold."

Kuralt's statement follows: Most of the charges made by the legislators are, of course, patently absurd. It is good to see Lewis Brumfield and Frank Warren recanting on the bulk of their charges, but the fact is, despite their backdown, that they said precisely what they were reported to have said—that The Daily Tar Heel is a "second Daily Worker" and that the editor and managing editor are "lazy." Mr. Warren says his views were not correctly expressed by our reporter. Our reporter's reporting was accurate in every detail.

The charges that "quality" is lacking on the newspaper and that we are guilty of "pseudo-intellectualism" are out of the same warped mold.

None of the legislators who sounded off on this subject has the dimmest acquaintance with the workings of The Daily Tar Heel, nor have they made any attempt whatever to find out anything.

We intend to cooperate with the investigation; but we intend to preserve The Daily Tar Heel's integrity against the irresponsibility that these politicians have shown.

## McElroy Hits DTH's Coverage

"The implicit policy of The Daily Tar Heel seems to be that notices of the activities of organizations of Carolina students are not important enough to merit full and adequate coverage or to merit any coverage at all," said Legislator Harry McElroy in a letter to the newspaper yesterday concerning the criticism he made of The Daily Tar Heel in Thursday night's session of the student Legislature.

"But The Daily Tar Heel is financially supported by, and supposedly should serve, Carolina students," continued McElroy's letter. "It should therefore give full and adequate coverage to the activities of Carolina student organizations whenever these organizations request such coverage. This coverage should be the primary consideration, not huge photographs on the front page (or any page), not Doris Fleeson, and not the Alsops, not dispatches of the Associated Press, which can be read in other newspapers."

According to McElroy, the Monogram Club, the University Party, the Young Democrats Club and the Dialectic Senate are among the organizations of Carolina students that have asked to have notices or stories printed in The Daily Tar Heel and have had no satisfaction given to these requests. According to McElroy, the notices and stories of these organizations have been small, inadequate, obscurely-placed or have not appeared at all.

### New Play

The Carolina Playmakers announced that try-outs for Saturday Stranger, a new play by Joseph Rosenberg, will be held in the Playmakers Theatre Monday at 4 and 8:30 P.M. The production will be directed by James Riley.

### BSU

Dr. R. J. McMullen will speak on the "Why of Missions" at the Sunday night supper forum of the BSU. The meeting will be held at the Baptist Church at 8 p.m. The theme for the month of March is "Christian Missions."

## Brumfield & Warren Write 'Clarifications'

Lewis Brumfield and Frank Warren, two members of student Legislature, wrote letters to The Daily Tar Heel yesterday to clarify their positions on certain criticisms concerning the newspaper which they made in Thursday night's Legislature meeting.

Brumfield in his letter said that he did not consider The Daily Tar Heel a Communist front newspaper (in his statement Thursday night Brumfield referred to The Daily Tar Heel as a "second Daily Worker.")

"The remark that I made about The Daily Tar Heel and The Daily Worker was unfortunate and not meant to be taken seriously. The very absurdity of the statement should bear that out," said Brumfield in his letter.

"The fact that I disagree with some of your editorial policy is not important. The important thing to me is that some of the students are dissatisfied with the newspaper. If enough students are dissatisfied, I believe that we should try to do something about it," said Brumfield's letter.

Warren, who referred to Charles Kuralt, editor, and Fred Powledge, managing editor, as "lazy" and "not doing a good job" and said "that there was 'poor coverage' of student activities by the newspaper in the Legislature session." (See LETTERS, page four.)

## Radio Man Hits 'Smear' By Legislature

A Chapel Hill radio man told his audience yesterday he felt a student Legislature investigation of The Daily Tar Heel was the lawmakers' way of getting "their names on the front page."

He also said he was very unhappy to see smear tactics used in the student Legislature.

The radio man was James Wright, and he was talking on his radio program, "Dig These," broadcast yesterday afternoon over WCHL, local station. Wright deviated from his regular record-and-comment program to discuss the proposed investigation with student Leslie Scott.

Wright is a former Daily Tar Heel staffer. He worked for the newspaper during 1953 and the spring of 1954, before he went into radio work.

### 'REACTIONARY ELEMENTS'

Wright assailed the "reactionary elements" in the student Legislature and what he termed the "gross generalizations" made by it.

Wright said he found "no excuse, no comparison" for Legislator Lewis Brumfield's labeling The Daily Tar Heel "the second Daily Worker." The label, said Wright, was a "very poor way" to "attack Kuralt's views."

"They just want their names on the front page," the radio man said.

(See RADIO, page four.)

## Investigation Tuesday

The committee which was appointed Thursday night by Legislator Martin Jordan to "investigate the quality and circulation problems of The Daily Tar Heel" will meet with Editor Charles Kuralt and Managing Editor Fred Powledge at 2:30 Monday afternoon in the Woodhouse Conference of Graham Memorial, according to Jack Hudson, chairman of the committee.

"Any student that wants to come is welcome to attend," said Hudson.

According to Hudson, the meeting will be a "roundtable discussion in a constructive fashion to determine, if possible, if there are any problems concerned with The Daily Tar Heel that can be (See INVESTIGATION, page four.)



Brubeck Here For Germans Club Only

Dave Brubeck, above, will give a concert Wednesday in Memorial Hall from 5 until 6 p.m. The concert will be for Germans Club members only, due to the fact that the club is a private organization and cannot sell tickets because of taxes, according to Jake Roundtree, president of the Club.

## Legislators Chastised For Missing Meetings

By NEIL BASS

Although the legislators spent the larger part of their meeting Thursday night directing harsh words at The Daily Tar Heel, they themselves were given a severe tongue-lashing.

Their vocal paddling came at the hands of the chairman of the legislative Rules Committee, Bob Harrington. The offense, according to Harrington, was a "deplorable" amount of absences.

The chairman warned the group that they had been neglecting their sworn duties by not coming to meetings. As he spoke, there were 29 out of 47 student representatives listening to his words.

Harrington told the body that he had been accepting "any old kind of excuse," but from now on, "only infirmity and required class excuses will be taken." One of the legislators, according to Harrington, had given as an excuse for missing a meeting that "he was eating his supper." The Rules Committee took this excuse without question, the chairman said.

In less dramatic matters of the night, Martin Jordan, speaker, gave a progress report on bills that the group had already passed. Among these, a bill to revert profits from vending machines in dorms to dorm social funds was reported as "not being passed" until the N. C. General Assembly takes action on the proposed room and tuition hikes.

The measure calling for two "class-free Saturdays each semester" was referred by the body to President Tom Creasy's appointed committee that has been working on the same idea.

The Orientation Committee appointees of President Tom Creasy were also approved by the group. The body consists of Jim Exum, Beverly Webb, Bob Young, Mebane Pritchett, Bob Harrington, Larry Ford, John Curtis, Gil Ragland, Bill Baum, Jane Cocke, Mary Dunn, Pat Mebane, Denna Ashcraft and Sarah Jackson.

## Student Party Expected To Nominate Either Muntzing Or Fowler For President

## Stovall Will Deliver Lecture Monday Night

"Leaves of Grass: The Evolution of a Book" will be the topic of the spring Humanities Faculty Lecture to be delivered Monday by Dr. Floyd Stovall, professor of English here.

The lecture will be given in Carroll Hall Auditorium at 8 p.m. The Humanities Faculty Lectures are presented three times a year by the undergraduate division of the Humanities as a means of presenting faculty members to the University and general public. Dr. William Wells of the English department was the fall lecturer.

As this year marks the centennial of the publication of the first edition of Leaves of Grass, many universities and organizations plan special observances in connection with this centennial. Dr. Stovall's lecture will give UNC one of the earliest of the series of commem-

orations of Whitman's book. Dr. Stovall, a member of the UNC faculty since 1949, received his A.B., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Texas.

The University Library is now displaying an exhibit of works by and about Whitman, including various editions of Leaves of Grass. Charles Feinburg, noted Whitman collector of Detroit, Mich., has presented a group of 14 rare editions and rare books about Whitman in honor of Dr. Stovall. Feinburg has also lent the Library photostats of Whitman manuscripts for its exhibition.

The Solitary Hunter, the latest critical biography of Whitman which was reviewed by Dr. Stovall in the Feb. 5, 1955 issue of The Saturday Review is also on exhibition, along with a copy of Dr. Stovall's review.

## Dorm Improvements Committee Meet Held; Only 4 Show Up

The Dorm Improvement Committee met yesterday with three people, besides the chairman, attending.

Those who showed up were Manning Muntzing, president of the Interdormitory Council; Bill Baum, representing Old East; J. Burce Morton, representing Grimes; Lewis Brumfield, representing Cobb, and Jack Hudson, chairman.

The discussion centered around the problem of social rooms. Nearly every dormitory mentioned in its report the need for improved social facilities.

Cobb is getting a large social room which will be open to all students from all dormitories, said Brumfield.

Bill Baum asked which was more important, better social rooms relieving the situation of three in a room.

The need for study rooms was also brought out. Manning Muntzing said that all study room pos-

sibilities should be realized immediately. "Study rooms are a prime necessity," he said.

In talking about improvement Brumfield pointed out that it was embarrassing to ask for improvements when the members of the dorms persisted in tearing up doors, vending machines and windows.

The committee will meet again Thursday, at 2 p.m. All dorm presidents and all other interested persons should come, Chariman Hudson said.

## Meet Set For Students Who Want To Join Y

All those interested in becoming active members of the YMCA are invited to attend a meeting for active members to be held Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the YMCA building; Ed Hennessee, membership chairman, said yesterday.

## Reid, Bryan Possible Veep Candidates

By LOUIS KRAAR

When the Student Party meets this Monday night to nominate a student body president, it will nominate either Manning Muntzing or Don Fowler.

Neither Fowler nor Muntzing has officially announced his candidacy, but it is quite clear in SP circles that they are the two who will fight it out for the nomination.

The SP will also nominate a candidate for vice-president. David Reid and Norwood Bryan are both expected to try for the nomination. Reid said yesterday, when asked about the vice-presidential nomination, that he was going to try for it.

In an afternoon session of the Advisory Board, SP members decided to pick their presidential candidate first at the Monday night meeting. There was some question earlier in the week over which candidate—presidential or vice-presidential—would be picked first.

It is known that Muntzing will not accept the vice-presidential nomination if he loses the presidential bid. Thus, Muntzing supporters were particularly eager to have the presidential nominations first because should Muntzing win the nomination, his supporters would like to see Fowler in the second-spot post.

Fowler is a junior from Winston-Salem and is current student body treasurer.

Muntzing, a junior from Moorefield, West Va., is currently Interdormitory Council president.

The Student Party is fairly evenly split between the two candidates for student body president. Muntzing supporters, earlier this week, raised unofficial objections that the Fowler backers "packed" the SP meeting. Under the SP's rules, anyone can become a member after attending two meetings and paying dues.

Party Chairman Don Geiger, when questioned about the charge that Fowler's supporters "packed" the meeting, said yesterday: "We always have a lot of new faces showing up around election time. Recently, we did have a lot of Chi Psi join. But, that same night, we also had an equal number of boys from Ayeoek Dorm to join." (Muntzing lives in Ayeoek Dorm.)

Neither side in this inter-party conflict had any comment yesterday. Jim Turner, SP big-wig, said that "one thing is sure. Whoever we nominate will win the presidency."

### MARRIAGE DISCUSSION

"Marriage and Sex" will be the topic for a series of discussions beginning tomorrow at Newman Club meeting. The discussions will be led by Father Weidinger, and the meetings will be open to all Newman Club members and non-members. The meeting tomorrow will be held at 7 p.m. in Roland Parker Lounge of Graham Memorial.

### HOWES CONCERT

Arthur Howes, founder and director of the Organ Institute at Andover, Mass., will be held in an organ concert in Hill Hall Tuesday at 8 p.m. Howes' concert here will be the third in the regular Tuesday Evening Series presented for the public by the University department of music. GMAB will co-sponsor the event.

### COSMOPOLITAN CLUB

The Cosmopolitan Club will meet tomorrow at 4 p.m. in the Rendezvous Room. The program will include a discussion of courtship customs in foreign lands.



ACTRESSES MARTHA FOUSE & BEULAH ADAMS HUNTER ... from two Show Boats: one was launched last night

## SAYS SHOW BOATER BEULAH ADAMS HUNTER:

# Chapel Hill Excitement Overshadows Eating, Sleeping

By ED MYERS

"I've never had such a wonderful time. I'm so excited I can't eat or sleep." These are the words of Mrs. Beulah Adams Hunter, who was the Playmakers' guest for their premiere performance of Show Boat last night.

Mrs. Hunter, on whose life Edna Ferber based Show Boat, said that she did not have words to describe her visit to Chapel Hill. "The students, with their background, should really go places."

Mrs. Hunter related many incidents about her 26 years on the James Adams Floating Theater which could fill several novels of Show Boat character. Probably the most interesting was the one concerning the water barrel incident, which Miss Ferber adopted for her novel. It seems that Mrs. Hunter, then Miss Adams, would arrange to meet Mr. Hunter at the water barrel each evening; his cue being the slamming of her cabin door.

There were, however, many actors who got thirsty at that time of evening, consequently, Mrs. Hunter made just as many trips to the barrel, and drank an equal number of dippers of water before his love finally would arrive. "He has loathed

## Crowd Sees 'Show Boat' First Night

By TED ROSENTHAL

Before a crowded first-night house at Memorial Hall, "Show Boat," the Jerome Kern-Oscar Hammerstein musical, was last night launched on its first college-theatre cruise.

While there were loose spars and areas of chipped paint visible aboard, (review will appear next week), the vehicle never floundered. With the higher spots balancing the dips, they leveled out at a degree of satisfying entertainment. If the production wasn't quite a booming triumph, it did make a victorious sound—a lot of sound—and the audience reaction seemed very favorable.

Martha Fouse, playing Magnolia Hawks, and Marty Boyle as Ellie, made the strongest impressions (as an immediate reaction), along with the consistently effective vocal support of the chorus.

Although it could have been slicker, it could have been sicker;—it was fun!

water ever since," said Mrs. Hunter.

"All the characters in Show Boat are true to life," she said. "Mr. Hunter acted out each one while he described them to Miss Ferber."

In order for Mrs. Hunter to attend last night's production it was necessary for her to find someone to run her grocery store in Saginaw, Mich. Who took the job? Why another old show boat actor, of course.

When asked how she felt about the actual location of Show Boat's being moved to Mississippi, she remarked, "I don't think Miss Ferber has ever visited Mississippi."

One scene in the show portrays the actors doing a play for the highly interested audience and a bearded man shoots the "villain." "I recall," reminisced Mrs. Hunter, "in one scene when I put a glass of—supposedly—poison up to my lips one enthusiastic lady jumped from her seat and yelled, 'don't you drink that, young lady!'"

Mrs. Hunter was taken to the Planetarium Thursday night and afterwards, while being photographed with some of the Playmakers, she exclaimed, "What a thrill it is to be on the stage again!"



ACTOR JOHN SHEARIN ... tall hat & cane

