

UNC gridder in critical condition after heat stroke

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UNC offensive guard Billy Arnold remained in critical condition in North Carolina Memorial Hospital Tuesday night after suffering a heat stroke Monday afternoon while running wind sprints.

An attending physician Tuesday night termed Arnold's condition "quite serious...grave."

Arnold was moved into the intensive care ward Monday night when his condition continued to deteriorate.

The physician said it would be several days before anything definite on the future course of Arnold's condition could be determined.

Head coach Bill Dooley said Arnold suffered the heat stroke following practice Monday.

The Carolina football players customarily run eight 40-yard sprints

following regular drills.

Arnold, a 6-2, 224 pound sophomore from Staten Island, N.Y., had been playing on the Tar Heel second string unit, he was red-shirted last season.

The attending physician at Memorial Hospital noted that Arnold's illness "is a very strange one, but very serious."

"Heat stroke is a condition in which the body mechanism controlling body temperature becomes defective," the physician said. "The temperature then shoots very, very high, often with complications resulting."

Asked if Arnold's temperature had gone as high as 108 degrees, he said, "That's very close."

The physician denied rumors that Arnold had additionally suffered a cardiac arrest, but noted there had been "disturbances" in that region.

Officially, Memorial Hospital had Arnold's condition listed as "critical and unstable."

A hospital spokesman defined the terms, saying "we usually use the terms 'good', 'fair', or 'poor'. Critical is somewhat worse than poor, and it is about as bad as we list them."

Immediately after Arnold suffered the heat stroke, Dooley arranged for Arnold's parents to be flown here from New York.

Arnold attended Woodbury Forest Prep School before coming to Carolina, where he captained his school's football, wrestling and lacrosse teams.

His teammates here apparently also held him in high regard, with one football player who asked not to be identified saying Tar Heel players "are taking it (Arnold's illness) pretty hard."

"You're always sorry to see someone get hurt," the player said, "and especially someone like Billy. He's really a great guy, popular not only with members of the team but with everyone who knows him."

There was nothing unusual about

Monday's practice, he continued, except "it was shorter than usual. We practiced about an hour and 50 minutes instead of the usual two hours or two hours and 10 minutes."

Dooley had also said the practice time was less than usual.

"It was just so hot and humid," the player said. "Some guys lost 10 pounds during practice."

The temperature Monday afternoon was in the middle 80's with scattered showers in the area.

The football player described the wind sprints as "just something to get you in a little better shape."

Arnold, a political science major, was red-shirted last season but the player noted that "he took it real well. Billy came down this year with a really good attitude."

Center Bob Thornton, a pre-season All-ACC selection, was also taken to Memorial Hospital Monday but was treated and released.



Billy Arnold



Bob Thornton

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Stallings critical of health board

by Doug Hall
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Chancellor J. Carlyle Sitterson Tuesday announced appointments to the joint student-faculty-administration Board of Student Health Services.

Student Body President Joe Stallings was critical of what he said were changes in the board's purpose and powers. He claimed the changes will make the board less effective.

The board was formed last July shortly after Dr. James A. Taylor was named director of Student Health Services. It consists of five students, four faculty members and an administrator.

In a letter to board members, Sitterson said the group is "to initiate, together with the director, and to recommend policies governing Student Health Services operations" and "to advise upon innovative changes."

Stallings said the letter's tone indicates

the board will be more of an advisory group than an administrative one.

Sitterson was quoted in the July 11 issue of the Chapel Hill Weekly as saying the board would "formulate, together with the director, policies governing Student Health Services" and "review and approve innovative changes."

"Essentially, the board has been changed since July from a group making changes to a group that advises changes," Stallings said.

Sitterson said Tuesday every administrative board at the University "works in concert with an administrative officer" and the health services board "will thrash things out with the director."

"I hope this board will ensure that we have the best Student Health Services possible," Sitterson said. "I hope the board will attempt to keep the infirmary attuned to the students' needs."

Sitterson said he hopes the board will seek ideas from students about changes in the infirmary.

The board will also aid in planning a new \$2,400,000 infirmary complex which has been approved by the N.C. General Assembly, Sitterson added.

Stallings said, "It seems to me with the problems we have had with the Student Health Services in the past, we should have a strong administrative board."

"Students should help in making decisions," he added. "When a board such as this is relegated to an advisory group, you take away much of the prestige and power to gain changes."

Stallings said he has requested a meeting with Sitterson to discuss the new board.

"I would rather get changes in the infirmary off to a good start than to have to hassle with it all year long," he said.

Stallings to confer about carpet sales

Student Body President Joe Stallings will confer with Dean of Student Affairs C.O. Cathey this morning on several Student Government questions, including the recently discontinued carpet sales.

Carpet sales were sponsored by Student Government last week before the administration notified Stallings' office the sales violated a Board of Trustees ruling.

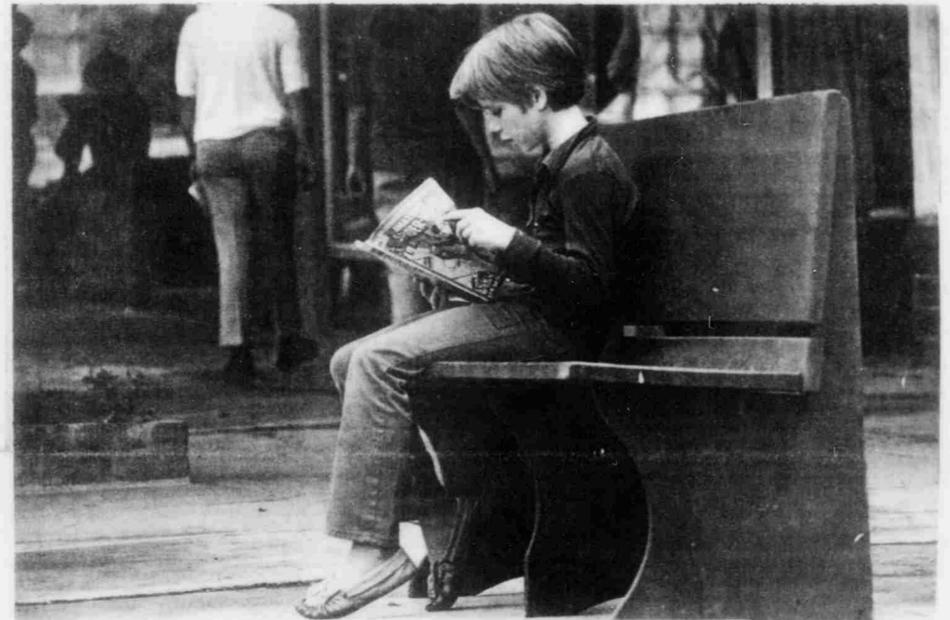
A letter from Cathey to Stallings said, in part, "no canvassing, selling or soliciting by any person, firm or corporation shall be permitted in the dormitories or other buildings or on the campus and grounds" of the University without approval and supervision of the administration.

"This is an unfortunate interpretation of the selling policy of the University," said Stallings last Friday. "We want to check into all the legalities of the situation and get an independent ruling."

"I don't doubt Cathey's sincerity, but this does not mean I agree with him," Stallings continued. "I personally doubt the sale is illegal."

Stallings will meet with his presidential advisors Thursday afternoon to decide what further action should be taken.

Stallings and Cathey will also confer on several student appointments to the University's student, faculty and administrative committees



Remember when you were a kid and comic books were the thing. Well, it still happens. This Chapel Hill lad sat on

Franklin Street Monday enjoying the latest adventures of "Spiderman." (Staff photo by Cliff Kolosson)

Defendant in tow case says nol pros possible

by Bill Lovin
Staff Writer

A conviction appeal for illegally towing a parked car may never go back to court, says Robert Oakes, a defendant in the case.

This would mean the state does not consider the case important enough to prosecute the appeal.

In Hillsborough District Court last week, Oakes, who is manager of Cedar Court Apartments, and Bill Burch, owner of Burch's Auto Servicer, were found guilty of taking a motor vehicle "without intent to steal."

Burch, under Oakes' direction, allegedly towed a car belonging to Rick Gibbs, former UNC student living in Chapel Hill. Gibbs' car was parked in the driveway of Cedar Court while he was visiting friends across the street from the apartment complex.

Gibbs complained to the magistrate in

Chapel Hill and a warrant was issued under N.C. statute 20-105. The statute, known as the "joy riding" law, makes taking a vehicle to deprive the owner of use but without intent to steal a misdemeanor.

Gibbs said "there was no sign saying parking was illegal and I wasn't blocking the driveway."

Oakes, foreman of the Orange County Grand Jury, said he conferred with a judge and the county solicitor in Hillsborough Tuesday. Oakes said he questioned the legality of his Grand Jury service while the appeal was pending.

"The judge told me I was well within my rights," said Oakes in a telephone interview Tuesday afternoon.

"I think, from what they told me, the whole thing will blow over," he said.

If the state does not prosecute the appeal, the case would officially be termed "nol pros" meaning "no

prosecution." The solicitor could choose "nol pros" because of a crowded court schedule or if he believed a conviction could not be obtained.

When defendants are granted an appeal, it is essentially the same as granting a new trial. If the state decides to "nol pros" an appeal, fines, sentences or court costs from the initial trial are not collected or imposed.

The original trial was decided by the verdict of a single judge. If the case is appealed, a jury trial could be held.

"I was told by the solicitor," said Gibbs, who appeared as a prosecution witness at the trial, "that if they (Oakes and Burch) appealed the case he probably wouldn't prosecute." Oakes said the incident had forced him to become "a mean man, and I don't want to be."

"I'm putting up signs and issuing bumper stickers for the apartment tenants and I'm going to tow some cars," he said.

Weather

TODAY: Partly cloudy, warm and humid today and tonight with a chance of afternoon and evening showers. High today, mid-80's, low tonight upper 60s. Probability of rain 30 per cent today and 20 per cent tonight.

Says Robert Kepner

UNC housing situation improved

Overcrowding in University housing has eased slightly since semester opening, reports Robert Kepner, director of Residence Life.

The excess number of students decreased from 540 during Orientation to 458 on Sept. 2, the first day of classes, Kepner said.

"This drop has reduced the number of students in group living situations—converted social lounges, study areas, etc.," he explained.

the housing situation has improved such that Kepner believes "nobody will be living in these group situations" in the relatively near future. He gave no definite

date when group living problems would be solved.

Students moved from group situations have been housed in normal double rooms or in recently converted triple rooms.

Beds reserved for students who dropped out before the opening of classes or failed to notify the University they would not attend were the source of approximately 80 vacancies.

"A lot of people chose not to come to school for a variety of personal reasons," Kepner said.

The breakdown by six of the overcrowding situation shows

approximately equal decreases for men and women.

At the opening of school, approximately 330 excess men were living in dorms. These caused an overcrowded situation for a total of some 860 men.

Approximately 279 excess men are still in dorms, with about 800 men remaining in overcrowded situations.

Women's dormitories began the year with 210 women in excess of normal capacity, causing crowded rooms for approximately 540 women.

On the opening day of classes, 179 excess women were still in dorms. Approximately 500 women remained in

crowded living situations.

Further easing of overcrowded dormitories is expected, Kepner added. "The extent of the crowding is such that by the beginning of the spring semester, there will be no problem," he said.

Kepner also expects more dormitory openings during this first full week of classes. The residence hall staff made a complete roster check at the beginning of this week to aid in alleviating overcrowding, Kepner said.

But until the end of this semester, Kepner sees no real chance for overcrowding in dormitories to be completely alleviated.



Riding a skateboard takes a lot of talent. Lee Snitzer demonstrated his adroitness on the second floor balcony of Morrison Dormitory and luckily managed to avoid a fall. (Staff photo by Leslie Todd)