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A UNC student crosses Cameron Avenue carrying a stool on her head. Classrooms are getting larger and larger, but really now. (Staff photo by Tad Stewart)

Students laud plan for academic study

by Jessica Hanchar
Staff Writer

Student Government (SG) leaders expressed approval Monday of the objectives and membership of Chancellor J. Carlyle Sitterson's recently appointed Committee to Review and Revise the Undergraduate Curriculum.

The 16-member student-faculty committee will consider and recommend changes in UNC's undergraduate degree programs.

"I was pleased that Chancellor Sitterson charged the committee to go beyond the review of courses required for degree fulfillment," said Joe Stallings, student body president.

"There is no question that the content of courses and the types of courses offered should also be studied," he added.

Cam West, special assistant to Stallings, said, "If the committee does

not go beyond degree requirements, it will not have fulfilled its purpose."

West is a member of a student-faculty committee to establish an Urban Studies undergraduate major.

"To me, curriculum reform is not just a relaxing of requirements but rather it involves a study of classroom teaching methods, possibilities of expanding off-campus learning opportunities and a look into the content of courses in every department and school," he said.

Stallings said the formation of the committee "is the beginning of the fulfillment of one of my top priorities."

Both Stallings and West emphasized they hope the committee will revise course and teaching methods as well as requirements.

"Student Government would like to see the committee place more emphasis on the teaching of undergraduates rather than on scholarly research by professors," West said and added:

"This is not to belittle the traditional emphasis on research but to say that not all undergraduate students are candidates for Ph.D.s in their respective majors."

West suggested "the phasing out of some specialized courses which do not attract many students and the formation of more broad, inter-disciplinary type courses" as revisions for the committee to consider.

"Such action may result in professors seeing increased interest among undergraduates in their respective disciplines," West said.

In his instructions to the committee, Sitterson said any changes to be made would have to be done within the existing financial resources. The state legislature passed some budget cuts for the University last session.

One way the committee could keep costs down, West said, would be to

examine courses within and among departments that duplicate each other.

"Several faculty members of the Urban Studies committee have found one sociology and two political science courses which are pretty much duplicated because of the ways they are taught," he said.

Both Stallings and West were pleased with the committee's makeup. Nine faculty members and seven students are on the committee, chaired by Dr. John Schutz of the department of religion.

"Dr. Schutz is very well respected among both faculty and students and by the educational community outside of Chapel Hill as well," West said.

"It is significant and a show of good faith that seven students will serve on this committee as compared to four students out of a total of 18 people that served on the Merzbacher study," Stallings said.

The Merzbacher Study, formed in 1969, significantly revised the undergraduate curriculum requirements in 1970.

West worked with Dean Raymond Dawson, of the College Arts and Sciences, on student appointments to the committee.

"All students that were appointed came to me highly recommended by both faculty members in their departments and their fellow students," West said.

"Dean Dawson has been extremely cooperative with Student Government in making student appointments for the study," Stallings added.

West said students should contact members of the committee they know or have had for courses.

"The curriculum they are studying is the student's curriculum," he said, "and unless the committee knows student opinions, they will be operating in a vacuum."

County court full of drug cases

by Norman Black
Staff Writer

The backlog of drug cases in Orange County District Court will not be alleviated in the near future, according to a report from Chief District Court Judge Harry Horton.

Town attorney Emery Denny presented Horton's report to the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen Monday in response to the board's petition for additional days of District Court.

Horton's report said district judges were available for court, but cases are

delayed because of the amount of time required by State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) laboratory processing of evidence and court session scheduling by the district solicitor.

The aldermen adopted a resolution Oct. 11 petitioning the Court System to hold sufficient extra sessions to handle the backlog of Orange County drug cases.

Denny read a letter he received from Herbert F. Pierce, the 15th District Solicitor. Pierce said he shared the aldermen's concern over the drug problem but reported he had failed in his efforts to establish special court sessions

to handle the backlog.

"Under North Carolina law, special sessions of Superior Court are scheduled by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of N.C., who works with his administrative assistant, Mr. Frank Bullock of the Administrative Office of the Courts," Pierce's letter stated. The letter added:

"I have made numerous efforts to get special sessions for Orange County, but for reasons beyond my control, I have been unable to get any scheduled."

Denny then read a letter from Bullock which said:

"I have been aware of the need for additional criminal sessions in Orange County for the past several months. However, there are presently four vacancies on the Supreme Court Bench which have existed since July 1, 1971, and which have to be filled by the governor.

"These four vacancies are among the eight Special Judges, who are utilized primarily for special sessions in the counties throughout the state where there is a backlog.

"It is hoped the governor will fill these vacancies in the near future, and when he does we will have sufficient manpower to schedule as many special criminal sessions as is necessary in Orange County to clear up any backlog."

The aldermen also received letters from Ralph N. Strayhorn, president of the N.C. Bar Association, and Charles Dunn, SBI Director. Both men said they would consider the problem and report back to the board.

After hearing the report, the aldermen requested Denny to present any suggestions next week for further action by the board.

In other business, the board deferred until next week final action on recommendations by the Appearance Commission to limit the number and location of service stations and other drive-in businesses by rigid zoning, setback, screening and access standards. The aldermen also voted to prepare an ordinance which would establish the cost of replacing lost dog tags.

By Young Democrats

Abortion, drug laws hit

by Jessica Hanchar
Staff Writer

The state Young Democrats Club went on record last weekend as favoring the abolishment of penalties for possession of marijuana and liberalizing abortion laws.

The group also urged the removal of all U.S. troops from South Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia by June 1, 1972.

The statements are part of the state club's platform, adopted at the state convention held in Greensboro last weekend.

The convention also elected an Orange County woman as first vice president and a UNC student as college vice president.

The resolution on drugs was adopted after a heated debate between coalition of college and liberal elements of the club and other club members.

The minority report of the platform committee had urged marijuana penalties to be reduced. The motion to adopt the amended minority report won on a 293-231 roll call vote.

Delegates at the convention opposed to the measure used virtually every parliamentary procedure possible in an attempt to stop the measure's passage, including a call for adjournment. The moves either lost or were ruled out of order.

The abortion stand was passed after failure of an amendment requiring both the father and mother be involved in the decision for an abortion. The resolution stated it was a matter between a woman and her physician to terminate her pregnancy.

"These votes indicate the Democrats are broadminded and open to change initiated by youth," said Becky Hannah, co-chairman of the UNC chapter.

"It also shows voter registration of the newly enfranchised voters must be encouraged since there is a party open to their views," she said.

Mrs. Armetta McPherson of Orange County defeated Jim Bailey of Johnson County for first vice president to become the first black officer in the club's

history. She was the only woman elected to the statewide office.

Mrs. McPherson, who rose in party and club ranks from the precinct level, told the convention delegates "1972 is going to be an exciting year, but it is also going to be a year of hard work."

UNC junior Lacy Presnell was elected college vice-president. A past president of the state Teen Democrats Club, Presnell will preside over about 30 college clubs as chairman of the College Federation within the state YDC.

"We will be working to expand the organization and the organize new college clubs across the state," he said. The college clubs will also work in voter registration of young voters.

"Before the primary, we will channel young people interested in working on campaigns to different candidates," he said. "After the primary, we will involve young people in the party's campaign."

Presnell has been active in Student Government at UNC.

\$5 health fee increase asked

The Administrative Board of the Student Health Service recommended Monday a \$5 increase in the Student Health fee per semester and a \$1 increase for each term of summer school.

The recommendation, which will be sent to the dean of Student Affairs, calls for the \$20 per semester fee to be raised to \$25 per semester beginning Jan. 10, 1972.

The board released a statement which said substantial funds should be allocated "as soon as possible for use in health planning by the Student Health Service and continued for whatever period deemed desirable."

The board cited numerous conditions that led to the recommendation, among them inflation and the rising costs in providing services.

Student Health fees at UNC have remained low, now ranking 10th out of

14 public institutions in North Carolina, according to the board.

Dr. James Taylor, appointed director of the Student Health Service in July, 1971, recognized that Student Health Services would be faced with deficit spending by the end of the 1971-72 academic year and recommended a \$5 increase in student fees for the 1971-72 academic year.

The chancellor did not act upon the recommendation at that time.

The newly appointed Administrative Board, which began work in September 1971, was faced with the tasks of maintaining and improving Student Health Services, the statement said.

The board said it deemed a new fee schedule for students to be "absolutely essential for both maintenance and a study of the problem."

Saul Alinsky to speak in Great Hall tonight



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Saul Alinsky, noted community organizer and social activist, will speak at 8 p.m. today in the Great Hall of the Student Union.

His speech, "Poverty and Politics" is sponsored by the Carolina Forum.

Alinsky is founder and director of the Industrial Areas Foundation, an agency which contracts to build community organizations.

After receiving his A.B. and Ph.D. degrees in archaeology from the University of Chicago, he did graduate work in criminology.

Alinsky and John L. Lewis founded the Congress of Industrial Organizations (CIO). With the help of labor leaders and priests, he organized the Back of the Yards Council in the Chicago slums behind the stockyards.

The Council succeeded in exerting enough pressure on politics and business to transform the slum into a model working-class neighborhood.

Alinsky has also established the Industrial Areas Foundation in Chicago. The foundation trains organizers from all over the United States to form community organizations.

In 1969 Alinsky organized FIGHT in Rochester, N.Y., to contest the policies of the powerful Eastman Kodak Co.

"If you don't go ahead and really start organizing, what are you going to do, what are your alternatives?" Alinsky said in the March issue of Rolling Stone magazine. "I've never been married to any one thing.

"You show me a better course of action and I'll buy it immediately."

Citing the polarizing effects of the militancy of the New Left, Alinsky said, "To go ahead and have a so-called confrontation with a guy who's commander in chief of the Army, the Navy, or the Air Force, the bomb and every other thing is just so stupid. If the Weathermen were paid agents of the Right they couldn't do a better job of it."

He also described politically active students as "recognizing that the life style of the middle class they come out of, the values that they're familiar with, instead of denouncing them with a lot of the adjectives, like 'imperialistic,' 'bourgeois,' 'materialistic,' and all that; that they should look upon it almost as a surgeon looks upon his operating tools."

Weather

TODAY: partly cloudy; highs near 80, lows in the mid 50s; chance of precipitation 40 percent.



The Coalition for Grass is currently sponsoring a campaign to clean up the UNC campus. Some students apparently haven't heard of the campaign, evidenced by this trash in The Pit. (Staff photo by Tad Stewart)