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The young Democratic Clubs of North Carolina held their annual Fall rally Saturday in Chapel Hill. The rally was highlighted by a speech by Democratic

Congressman Jim Wright of Texas (left), which followed an evening of pig pickin' (right).

## **Texas representative Wright** featured speaker at YDC rally

back the tides of economic recovery had promised "two cars in every garage, which our initiatives have attempted to two chickens in every pot. Well, when he was there we were lucky if we had a pot to put a chicken in." He said today's economy under Ford resembles that of Hoover's day. Dozen's of Democratic political candidates attended the rally. Lt. Gov. Jim Hunt, a probable gubernatorial candidate in 1976, was awarded the Harry S. Truman Award as the "outstanding young Democrat in the nation."

# Court: O'Neal firing valid until challenged

#### by Art Eisendtadt Staff Writer

The Student Supreme Court issued a actions of the President of the Student Body statement Sunday declaring the office of or the legislature are valid until challenged student body treasurer vacant on Student Body President Bill Bates' order.

With its statement, the court dismissed a suit filed Thursday by former Executive Assistant Billy Richardson against former Student Body Treasurer Mike O'Neal. The suit contended that Bates did have the power to fire O'Neal, and therefore, O'Neal should be forced from office.

But the court made no decision on contests the order given by (Bates), he may whether Bates' dismissal of O'Neal was legal. O'Neal must file suit against Bates if the question over whether Bates has the power to fire O'Neal is to be resolved, the court said.

Since Sept. 30, the following has occurred: · Bates fired O'Neal as treasurer. He designated assistant treasurer Graham Bullard and Student Activities Fund Office Director Frances W. Sparrow as acting treasurers, with all requisitions requiring the treasurer's signature to be signed by Bates. · O'Neal refused to leave office,

The court's statement formally dismissed Richardson's case against O'Neal and said, "This Court must always presume that the and annulled ....

"In this case, an order by (Bates) removing Defendant O'Neal from performing the duties of the Treasurer of the Student Government must be considered valid and binding. As of this Order of Dismissal, the office of Treasurer...is vacant.

"If it happens that the ex-Treasurer petition this Court for an interpretation of the Student Constitution. On him lies the burden of proof that the President ... acted without authority."

Explaining the decision, Hancock said, "The court can't take a position everytime the president does something. It has to be challenged."

Asked whether the court considered O'Neal to be fired as treasurer, Hancock said, "You're going to have to check with Bill (Bates) on that. If he's said O'Neal's fired, we have to assume that he is. Bates said he considered O'Neal fired. O'Neal and his counsel, Jay Strong, said Sunday they did not interpret the court's statement to mean O'Neal had to leave office.

court."

O'Neal said, "I think what the court is trying to say is that it wants us to work it out ourselves." He said Bates' statement firing him was a verbal order only and that Bates had not physically enforced the order.

Weather: cloudy

Bates' counsel, Ralph Yount, said, "Mike's position is just untenable. We don't have Student Government marshals here to come in and drag him out of the office." Bates said he was considering asking the Carolina Union to change the Suite C locks

this morning. Bates had asked O'Neal to turn over his keys the day after firing him, but O'Neal refused to hand them over.

O'Neal said changing the Student Government locks could not force him to abandon his duties, saying, "There's nothing that says I have to work in this office in Suite

After originally saying he saw no reason to file his own suit, O'Neal later said a suit is possible. He also said the Supreme Court statement allowed for interpretation of two separate decisions. "On the one hand, there's the action (by Bates) of dismissal," O'Neal said. "On the other is the (Campus Governing Council's) action of confirming me as treasurer," in April.

by Art Eisenstadt Staff Writer

administration seems intent on holding set in motion," Wright said.

Wright recalled that Herbert Hoover

U.S. Rep. Jim Wright, D-Texas, told a statewide convention of Young Democrats Club members Saturday night that the Democratic Congress is starting to solve the nation's problems despite opposition from the Republican Ford Administration.

"I know we haven't done everything in this Democratic Congress that we set out to do," Wright said. "But we've done some good things."

Wright, chairperson of the House Democratic Task Force on Economics and Energy, attributed the gradual improvements in the nation's economic condition over the past few months to the success of those Democratic programs which were able to slip through Ford's numerous vetoes.

"Many of us in Congress are angry and impatient because the

"But while the President has vetoed some of our most innovative efforts at economic revival, we have put others into effect, and the nation's economy is in much better shape that is was a year ago. Not nearly enough, but much better than when this Congress began." Wright listed improvements in inflation and unemployment rates and an increase in the Gross National Product as areas where Democratic actions have helped improve the economy.

His remarks came before 750 cheering Democrats who filled the Chapel Hill American Legion Hall. Only 450 had been expected. Club members from all North Carolina Congressional districts were in town Saturday for platform adoption session and pig-picking dinner.

Ed O'Herron, a Charlotte businessman and potential opponent for Hunt, also attended.

At least five probable and announced candidates for lieutenant governor attended the rally-Chapel Hill Mayor Howard N. Lee; N.C. House Speaker Jimmy Green, D-Bladen; Rep. Herbert Hyde, D-Buncombe; Rep. John Jordan, D-Alamance, and Wake County Commissioner Waverly Akins.

contending that Bates' dismissal order was illegal.

· Richardson filed his suit against O'Neal.

• Supreme Court Chief Justice Darrell Hancock issued a restraining order Thursday night preventing O'Neal from acting as treasurer until the case was resolved.

 In an order signed Sunday by Associate Justice Don Hughston, the court dismissed Richardson's suit, saying any presidential order is valid unless challenged. The court considered the office of treasurer vacant and said it is up to O'Neal to file suit if he believes the president's dismissal order was not valid. · O'Neal said the court decision was irrelevant because while Bates had verbally ordered O'Neal out of office, he had not taken action to enforce the decision.

· Bates said his order was equivalent to enforcement and said he would have the Student Government locks changed, if necessary, to keep O'Neal out of his office.

### Six more alderman candidates Friday deadline closed with a total of 15

#### by Richard Whittle Staff Writer

Five more candidates entered the race for the five open Board of Aldermen seats Friday, beating the noon filing deadline and swelling the list of candidates to a total of 15. Another candidate Leigh T. Beadle filed Thursday.

The five who entered the race Friday are Mac Campbell, Robert Epting, Doug Holmes, C. William Rettie and Tom Ricketts.

#### Leigh T. Beadle

Beadle, president of Specialty Products International, a Carrboro firm which sells beer and wine-making supplies and equipment for home use, announced his intentions Thursday before the flurry of activity at the Orange County Board of Elections on Friday.

His major priorities will be maintaining fiscal responsibility and preserving the town's character, he said. He added that he is concerned with the proliferation of local bureaucracy and deficit spending.

Favoring the local bus system as long as it eventually pays for itself, Beadle said current bus routes should be reexamined.

#### Mac Campbell

Among the five who filed Friday was Mac Campbell, who operates a private school, the Institute of Property, from his home. Campbell and two staffers teach courses through the community colleges to prepare person's interested in taking the state real estate broker's examination. A 1964 graduate of the University of Oklahoma, Campbell said he will stress fiscal responsibility in his campaign. However, he said he would be interested in new programs if they benefit all town residents and said he favors the construction of more bikeways and sidewalks. Campbell said he wants to see the bus system pay for itself and added that he feels present town programs and services need to be evaluated for efficiency.

government but that he wants to build on the progress achieved already. "I have no ax to grind with the present leadership; indeed, I support their progressive initiatives."

A former faculty member of the UNC Institute of Government, Epting came to Chapel Hill in 1963 and earned both his undergraduate and law degrees here. He has practiced law in Chapel Hill since November 1972 and has been active in the Conservation Council of North Carolina, the Sierra Club and the American Civil Liberties Union.

#### Doug Holmes

Holmes, a 1971 graduate of the UNC law school, who filed Friday, previously ran for mayor of Chapel Hill in 1971 and 1973, losing both times to Howard N. Lee.

"We are losing three very good people from the present board," Holmes said. "The town is losing its leadership for the past six years, and we're going to need somebody with the vision of Howard Lee, the imagination of Mary Alice Welsh and the energy of Sid Rancer."

Lee, mayor for the past six years, is not running for reelection and will probably run

demand efficiency and economy in town. for the North Carolina lieutenant governorship in 1976. Aldermen Rancer and Welsh, whose terms expire this year, have declined running again.

A Fayetteville native currently working here on his PH.D. in business administration while teaching part-time at N.C. State Holmes, 32, has lived in Chapel Hill for the last eight years.

"I don't think there's anybody who loves Chapel Hill any more than I do," he said. "I'm a born and bred Tar Heel and I'm willing to offer my services wherever needed."

Holmes received his undergraduate degree in 1967 from Old Dominion College in Norfolk, Va., and has passed the North Carolina certified public accountant examination.

#### C. William Rettle

Rettie, who operates the Center for Family Planning, a private health services agency, from his home said the use of federal revenue sharing funds would be one of his major concerns if elected to the board.

"You can't balance budgets at the expense of human needs," Rettie said, adding that he thinks the board should "become much more supportive of a wide variety of programs in the community" and be more aggressive in seeking federal funds.

Rettie said his qualifications include training in both sociology and public administration and that he has done private consulting work with state and local governments for 12 years.

Holding a bachelor's degree in sociology from Montana State University in Bozeman, Mont., Rettie said he has done graduate work in public administration at the University of Pittsburgh.

Rettie has lived in Chapel Hill since 1971. He said that as a member of the Board of Aldermen he would try to represent "the sizeable population group that does not work for the University."

Tom Ricketts, the fifth candidate to file Friday, was unavailable for comment.

The six new candidates join William Bayliss, an attorney who has previously served two terms on the Kalamazoo, Mich., city council; Charles G. Beermer, who practices law here and is chairperson of

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"The president hasn't issued an executive order," Strong said. "The most important thing is that there must be a better way to determine these issues other than going to

The Student Government constitution says the president shall appoint the treasurer with the two-thirds consent of CGC but has no clause for explaining dismissals except by CGC impeachment.

Bates said he believes his power to appoint also implies the power to fire.

The number of motor vehicle thefts has

increased significantly, while the number of

violent offenses, especially armed robbery,

Crimes against property is the most

He indicated that numerous problems

Although the overall rise in the Chapel

frequent type of crime in Chapel Hill, while

violent crimes occur least often, Lloyd said.

arise downtown in an area containing

· Hill crime rate was approximately 12 per

cent, the increase roughly equalled the

overall rise in crime in other major cities in

the state Lloyd said. But the percentages of

violent crimes is lower in Chapel Hill than

Lloyd cautioned that some of the statistics

"Take armed robberies, for instance, One

month none are reported, the next month

maybe three are reported. That shows up as

Police Chief Sidney Hilliard said he thinks

educating the public in crime prevention is

among the best ways to reduce the crime

A growing problem for police is that many

people seem to be reluctant to report crimes

can be misleading and can make things look

the perpetrators of crimes.

has risen slightly, Lloyd said.

approximately 25 bars.

other cities, he added.

worse than they actually are.

an increase of 300 per cent."

rate.

## Chapel Hill crime jumps 12 per cent

#### by Merton Vance Staff Writer

#### First of a two-part series

The overall crime rate in Chapel Hill has increased by approximately 12 percent during the first nine months of this year, with breaking and entering and larcenies being the most prevalent crimes, according to Chapel Hill police Lt. Lucas Lloyd.

Lloyd said there were 40 incidents of breaking and entering in August and a total of 274 between January and August. During the same period last year, 211 cases of breaking and entering were reported, he said

Between January and August, police reported 676 cases of larceny from buildings involving more than \$247,000 in stolen items, Lloyd said. Television sets, radios and cameras were the most frequently stolen items.

Lloyd added that larceny is a frequent problem on the UNC campus because students often leave doors unlocked.

Ted Marvin, director of UNC Security Services, said breaking and entering are also prevalent on campus.

But bicycle thefts have dropped by more than half since last year, Lloyd said.

From January to August this year, 130 bicycle thefts were reported, compared to 291 during the same period last year.

Lloyd credited the decrease in bicycle thefts to the police bicycle registration program which has helped break several bicycle theft rings in the area.

Students generally have good relations with the town police, Lloyd said, adding that students are usually the victims rather than

to police, especially crimes such as sex offenses and threats of physical assault. Both Marvin and Hilliard indicated that many minor crimes probably go unreported also. Hilliard estimated that only 40 to 70 per cent of crimes committed are reported to

police. Tommorow: A look at crime on campus and why many crimes are not reported to police.

### Edmisten says opinion ready on SG attorney

North Carolina Att. Gen. Rufus Edmisten

Two challenge Besse in CGC recall Oct. 15

by Nancy Mattox

said Besse's actions were lacking in

#### **Robert Epting**

Chapel Hill attorney and vice-president of the Orange County Bar Association, Epting was another to file Friday.

"I believe there are many good things about the progressive leadership our town government has had in recent years," Epting said. "I am concerned now, however, about the voices heard counseling negativism toward the progress we have made."

Epting said he believes citizens should

#### Staff Writer

Todd Albert of Aycock dorm and Bill Long of Stacy have announced their intentions to challenge Campus Governing Council Rep. Dan Besse in the Oct. 15 recall election for the CGC District VIII seat.

The district's representative and also CGC Speaker Besse was recalled last week by residents of his district on charges of misrepresentation. Besse has said he will run for reelection.

In an article printed in Friday's edition of the Daily Tar Heel, today was mistakenly named as the date of the recall election. The actual date of the election will be Oct. 15. Albert and Long said Sunday petitions were being circulated to place their names on the ballot.

The issue behind the recall election, they said, is representation, not the funding of the Carolina Gay Association (CGA) particularly.

Albert and Long said Besse had neglected to consult his constituents on a number of matters presented before the CGC. Long

"determining the attitude of his area," allowing personal conviction to interfere with his decision."

Albert said he agreed with the charges against Besse that appeared in last week's weekly newspaper Carolina. The charges included a lack of communication with Cobb, a dormitory in Besse's district, and a lack of desire on Besse's part to work with the officers of Lower Quad dorms also within Besse's district.

Long said, if elected, he would work closely with Morehead Confederation residents and officers for the improvement of security systems and to increase enhancement funds.

Albert said he does not have much experience in Student Government but said he would like to see the student body treasurer issue resolved. He said he believes the students do not know who controls the CGC. He said he would be interested in a study of the financing of University organizations and dormitory enhancement funds.



The tuba section of Carolina's Marching Tar Heels performs during the halftime ceremonies of Saturday's gridiron clash with Virginia. The story of Carolina's 31-28 victory appears on page 5.

told Student Body President Bill Bates Friday an opinion regarding the legality of a Student Government legal aid attorney has been written and that Edmisten may make a final decision this week.

Bates said he thinks the opinion, written by Senior Deputy Att. Gen. Andrew A. Vanore, will allow Student Government to hire an attorney, despite three previous opinions issued from the attorney general's office prohibiting any agency of the state (such as Student Government), from hiring outside counsel. The attorney general himself represents state agencies in legal matters.

Last month the Campus Governing Council passed a bill restricting the proposed student attorney from suing the University or any other state agency.

This restriction on the attorney's power. Vanore has said, was necessary before the attorney general's office would consider overruling the three prohibitive opinions on Student Government's behalf.