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The high today and tomorrow should be in the low-80s, and the low tonight should be near 60. The chance of rain is 40 per cent through Saturday.

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'Y' survey on campus life: UNC size is main concern

By MARK ANDREWS

Staff Writer

Students favor a four-course load and a longer drop-add period, a recently released campus survey shows.

The Educational Committee of the University YM-YWCA conducted the survey last winter to determine the status of undergraduate life at UNC and found that the academic curriculum and the four-course load are still important issues to students.

In its report the committee said it may be necessary to re-evaluate the entire General College program.

The survey, which polled both undergraduates and faculty members, also showed that both students and faculty members are concerned about some of the problems that Carolina's size has fostered.

Students and faculty listed oversized classes and impersonal relationships between students and professors as problems of most common concern.

Students and faculty differed in the

emphasis placed on other issues. While students complained about inadequate housing and parking facilities, the faculty members responding said there was an overemphasis on nonintellectual activities such as sports and social life.

The survey was conducted through random sampling of undergraduates and faculty members last February. Every tenth student and every third faculty member were chosen from alphabetical listings. The questionnaire was also sent to University administrators occupying high-level positions who deal with undergraduates.

Less than 10 per cent of the students receiving the questionnaire responded, and the percentage was only slightly better for faculty members.

Only 102 students and 38 faculty members responded to the survey.

"The small number of faculty precluded any useful examination of their characteristics," the committee report said.

Both groups said they are pleased with the

natural surroundings of the campus and the town, and with the diversity of University programs and courses.

Students indicated substantial interest in the sports program as well as other extracurricular activities such as fine arts, lectures and student government.

Students and faculty members alike showed they considered UNC to have a good faculty and a strong academic reputation.

Despite criticism about Carolina's large size, both undergraduates and faculty members favored the variety of courses and programs that the University has to offer. Faculty members praised the wealth of facilities available.

"Size in itself may not be the problem," the committee report says, "but rather the way(s) the large number of students are organized and assisted through their undergraduate experience at Carolina. The process for many students has become impersonal, confusing and deficient in meaning."



Salvation on Franklin Street

In his novel *Look Homeward, Angel*, Thomas Wolfe had another name for Chapel Hill—he called it Pulpit Hill—and on Thursday afternoon Franklin Street was the scene of this traveling evangelist's portable pulpit.

Staff photo by Mike Sneed

Debut of 'Weekender'

Weekender, an eight-page tabloid supplement to the Friday *Daily Tar Heel* makes its debut today.

The supplement, devoted to entertainment, sports, special events and the arts, is a complete guide to weekend activities in the Triangle area.

It will be published in the *DTH* every Friday and will also be distributed off-campus and at weekend sports events.

DTH Editor Greg Porter called *Weekender* a "beautiful marriage of the practical and the ideal." The tabloid supplement should increase advertising and also serve students by providing better, more comprehensive coverage of weekend events, Porter said.

"It's not feasible for the *Daily Tar Heel* to publish on Saturday and Sunday, but it is feasible for us to use the resources we have during the week to supplement the days when we're not publishing," Porter

said. "We don't have to invest as much money for something like *Weekender* as we would for a Saturday or Sunday edition, yet we can still serve the student's weekend needs."

The success of *Weekender* will depend mainly on advertising revenue, Porter said. Increased advertising revenue should result in larger newspapers and thus more space for news, features, sports, arts and entertainment, he said.

Today's *Weekender* includes articles on the first home football game, area flea markets and reviews and previews of movies and plays. A comprehensive weekend calendar is also included.

Porter also announced several new staff appointments. The new arts and entertainment editor is Chip Ensslin.

Staff photographer Allen Jernigan has been named head photographer. Sam Fulwood has been hired as a staff photographer.

Blue jeans war flares up in Chapel Hill area; prices bottom out on most popular campus styles

By ETNA LEE

Staff Writer

It used to be that blue jeans cost only a couple of bucks a pair. But today, customers sometimes pay more than \$20 a pair, and merchants now are referring to them as "blue gold."

But the one phenomenon that could come to the rescue of students who are feeling the pinch of expensive denim has hit the blue jean market in the Chapel Hill area: a price war.

The heavy competition began this summer when major retail outlets across the nation marked down some lines of Levi's jeans from \$16 to \$12.50.

After Levi's outlets cut their prices, sellers of other brands lowered their prices to compete. Sears, Roebuck & Co. and the J. C. Penney Co., for

example, ran sales on their private-label brands. Those jeans cost less than \$10.

County Seat, a Levi's retail outlet, was one of the first stores to cut its prices. The County Seat at South Square Mall lowered the price of its denim flared legs and corduroys to \$12.50 around Father's Day.

Brooks Honeycutt, assistant manager of the South Square's County Seat, said sales have improved tremendously since then but have begun leveling off because other stores also have lowered their prices.

Barbara Call, manager of The Junction in University Mall, said, "It's a price war. We have to keep up the competition. We've been doing fine in our sales."

The price of Levi's corduroys and denim flared legs also has been cut to \$12.50 at The Junction, but the price of straight legs has remained at \$14.75 and regular jeans still cost \$16.50.

Although Levi's retailers have lowered their prices, the wholesale price of about \$8 a pair has not been discounted. But Blue Bell Inc., the makers of Wrangler's, announced at the beginning of this week that it was cutting by six per cent its price to retailers on three lines of jeans. Blue Bell also said the discount would eventually cover 30 per cent of its jean products.

Cheap Joe's on East Franklin Street, which sells Lee's, Wrangler's, D.C.'s and a few Levi's lines, has not lowered its prices. Wrangler Wranch at University Mall sells Male jeans for \$22, Land Lubbers at a variety of prices and Wrangler's flared denims for \$14. They have not lowered their prices either, although they are running a temporary sale on straight-leg pants for \$11.99.

Chic Homes, owner and manager of The Dandelion on East Franklin Street, said, "The price war is bunk, in my opinion."

Homes said the price war was mainly between mall chain stores which open next to one another and sell jeans in such large quantities that they can afford to undercut one another.

Undercutting is also due to the big-name companies' fears of newer, smaller companies, such as Faded Glory, Blue Spirit and Snap-Finger, which sometimes sell Levi's quality jeans at lower prices, Homes said.

"In the past, other manufacturers complained because they couldn't get cotton to make their jeans. Levi's bought up all the cotton. Now Levi's doesn't have the corner on the market that it used to," Homes said.

"If a store opened across the street and were selling our brands at lowered prices, we'd have to lower ours too," he said.



Staff photo by Mike Sneed

Jeans...almost everyone wears them. With a war brewing in Chapel Hill over the cost of the pants, the few holdouts may soon sport a pair — and may well wear them this gracefully.

Lance claims 'conscience is clear'

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Calling for a "people's verdict," Bert Lance took the offensive against his critics Thursday, charging that members of the Senate and the media have smeared his reputation with innuendoes and distortions.

"My conscience is clear," he said in a forceful and sometimes angry 90-minute statement to the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee.

When Lance was done, President Carter told reporters he is "keeping an open mind" on the future of his old friend and budget director.

Carter said he probably will make a decision when the committee completes its hearings.

Lance gave no direct indication of whether he will resign in his 49-page statement, but made a detailed, point by point rebuttal of the major charges against him: bank overdrafts, questionable bank loans, improper use of political clout and hiding his financial problems from the Senate prior to his nomination as budget director.

"I did not ask for this fight," he told a packed hearing held in the Senate's largest committee room to accommodate the

crowd. "But now that I am in it, I am fighting not only for myself, but also for our system."

In response to one of the most potentially damaging charges he faced, Lance said he had ample proof that he did not withhold information on his financial dealings from the Senate during his nomination hearings in January.

Lance said that seven days prior to his confirmation he told Senate investigators about his bank overdrafts, the large loans he got from several banks, problems his Calhoun, Ga., bank had faced, and that the Justice department looked into financing of his 1974 campaign for governor of Georgia.

Committee members questioned him for 2½ hours afterward, but much of the time was devoted to political squabbling and recesses.

Panel Chairman Abraham Ribicoff, D-Conn., turned immediately to the issue of overdrafts, noting inconsistency in Lance's story and information gathered by the comptroller of the currency.

"You and I read the comptroller of currency entirely opposite," Ribicoff said. He said the comptroller lists overdrafts in the second half of 1974 in amounts ranging from

\$25,000 in August to \$189,000 in November.

Lance said that he was speaking only of his personal account which was overdrawn in a much smaller amount. Ribicoff's totals included the overdrafts of Mrs. Lance, the Lance family and Lance's campaign.

Lance's lawyer, Clark Clifford, advised him to stick with his statement.

Lance answered each question, but often conferred with his lawyer first.

He had made clear in his statement he is depending on the public — not the Senate of media — to back his case.

"I am secure and comfortable knowing that my conscience is clear and that the people's verdict will be a fair and just one," he said.

The hearing took a political tone under questioning by Sen. Charles Percy of Illinois, the panel's ranking Republican and chief Lance critic.

Percy attempted to introduce into the record a sworn statement of a surprise witness, a lawyer from a New York bank involved in the controversy over Lance's use of stock as loan collateral.

Bed lofts called unsafe

Officials order dismantling of most bunk beds in dorms

By AMY McRARY

Staff Writer

Bed lofts in UNC residence halls were ordered to come crashing down this week, except for one in Ehringhaus and another in Cobb.

Residence directors were told several weeks ago that all lofts would have to be dismantled pending the setting of rules by the Department of Housing.

Director of Housing James D. Condie has said he is in favor of lofts, but that the state fire marshal has called them a fire hazard.

But Kenneth Dixon, state fire marshal for state-owned property, said Tuesday that the majority of the bed lofts are not fire hazards. Dixon said Tuesday that he has no objections to the elevated beds as long as they are painted with fire-retardant paint (if made of wood) and built with cross-braces to make them as sturdy as a normal bunk bed.

The lofts in Ehringhaus and Cobb have not been removed because "they are being used as models to determine specifications for the new policy concerning lofts," Osteen said.

"But lofts are not presently legal. They never have been," he said.

Betty Jeanne Smith, who has been allowed to keep the loft she built in 206 Cobb, would not say how her elevated bed was selected as a model.

"All I'm going to say is I don't want this talked about until the housing department rules are set," Smith said.

The other loft still standing is that of Ehringhaus Residence Assistant Jan Bailey.

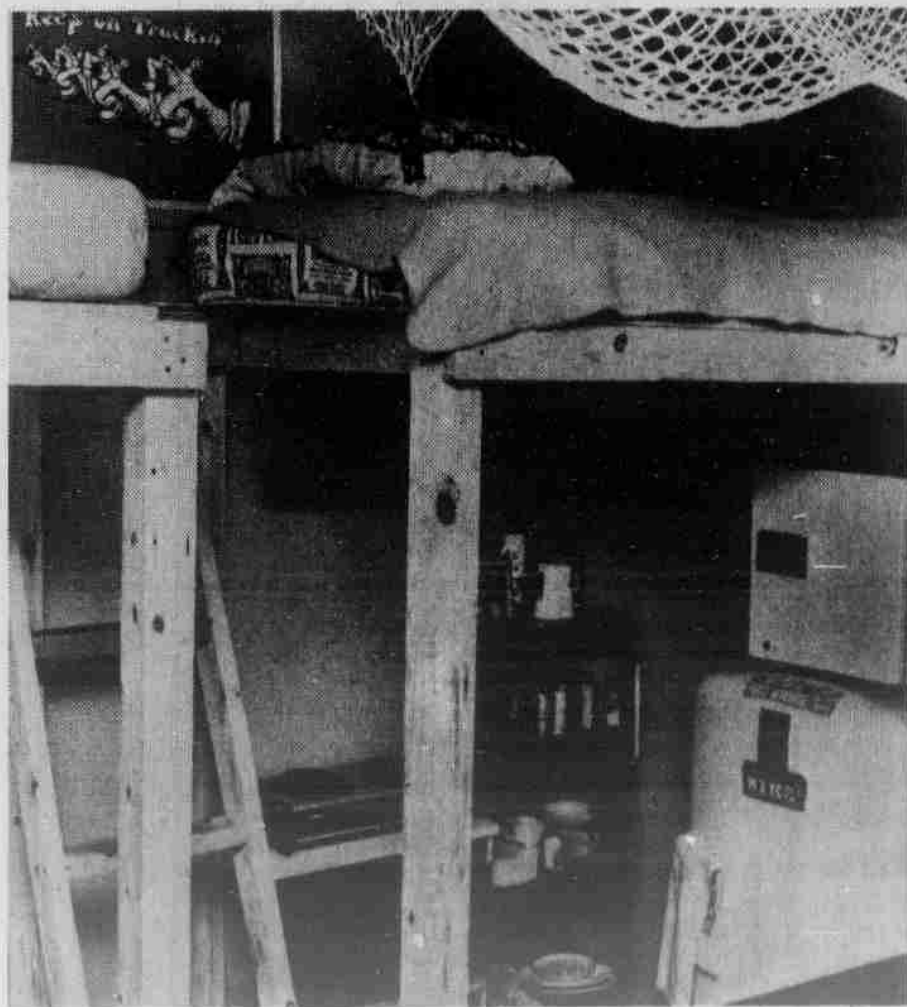
Smith and Bailey are both members of a committee established by the Department of Housing to make rules on what kind of lofts are legal and safe on campus.

Other students on the committee are: Mark Alford, Mike Griffin, Tom Worth, Henderson College Residence Director Ron Wilson, Jim Dzaszynski, an assistant residence director, Randy Brodd, Marie Patterson and David Scher.

Alford a Griffin, who are roommates, were required to remove their loft Tuesday. Worth must also remove his loft.

The committee will consider who should inspect the lofts, removal of the beds at the end of the year, ladders for the lofts and the signing of a form releasing the Department of Housing from any responsibility for injuries to the student as the result of sleeping in a loft.

The rules may be set by Sept. 26.



Staff photo by Joseph Thomas

As if students at Carolina didn't already have enough problems, James Condie recently ordered the dismantling of lofts in dormitories.

Students complain Noise law attacked

By HOWARD TROXLER

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Several UNC students, including the president of the Residence Hall Association (RHA), have complained that the Chapel Hill noise ordinance is unfair to student interests.

"It seems that the ordinance is unfairly weighted to the town over the students," said RHA President Bain Jones. "There needs to be some sort of uniformity for the town and the students."

The noise ordinance establishes a closing time for outdoor parties of 11 p.m. on Sunday through Thursday nights and 1 a.m. on weekends.

Chapel Hill police officers warn parties that they are too loud after one complaint. With the second complaint, police may close the party down.

"The people here don't give us any consideration at all," Bill Gillikin, governor of Morrison, said Thursday. "How many days out of a year do we have parties? Before classes start, before exams start, a few Saturday nights through the year — they should expect it. Besides, the parties aren't held late, anyway."

Dormitory parties are not the only ones affected by the ordinance. Mark Finlayson, former social chairperson of Sigma Nu, said he also objects to the town's noise policy. "There's a lot of rigmarole you have to go through to get a noise permit."

"Several parties have been closed because of the ordinance, one held this spring in the frat court, for instance. It was closed down on a Thursday afternoon. The proceeds of the party were going to go to charity."

It's unreasonable for that to happen in the afternoon," Finlayson said. "Police shut down any party that they think disturbs the peace. There should be some sort of criteria of determining that."

"We should get all the dorms and frats and civic leaders together to work on this." RHA has set up an informal committee to look into possible action concerning the noise policy.

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