

Today will be clear and cold, with a high near 40 dropping to the upper teens tonight. High Saturday will be in the upper 30s. Chance of rain today is near zero.

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Cathy Shoemaker and Bernadette McGlade scored 14 points each to pace Carolina to a 79-52 win over Wake Forest in the first round of the ACC Tournament Thursday night.

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Friday announces plan to meet with civil rights official

Leaders to discuss desegregation problem

From Staff and Wire Reports

UNC System President William Friday said Thursday he will talk next week with the director of the Office of Civil Rights and set up a meeting to discuss differences over the system's desegregation plan.

Friday said he will call OCR Director David Tatel in the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare Monday and decide when and where the meeting will be held.

At a press conference Thursday, Gov. Jim Hunt said he did not think federal funding would be cut off to the University system.

If that were the case, he said, the system could operate on its own with just state funding for some time. "But I don't make those assumptions" that HEW and UNC will fail to reach a settlement and that funding will be halted, he said.

Friday said Hunt's statement was based on the assumption that state funds would be available. "Any loss would be made up by appropriations from the General Assembly," Friday said.

Last week HEW rejected the desegregation plan for the 16 state campuses. Two days before the rejection, HEW told the state it should examine duplicated programs at the predominantly black and predominantly white schools and eliminate excess programs in a way that benefits the minority schools.

State officials, however, have contended that some duplication is necessary and have agreed to get a lawyer in case HEW tries to take the state to court or cut off federal funding through administrative action.

The state also has contended that HEW is trying to interfere in matters that should be left to the UNC Board of Governors.



We should be so lucky

Ostensibly, these students, part of a 27-member UNC NROTC unit, were in New Orleans at Mardi Gras time to march in a parade. They stayed aboard the USS Francis Marion, above. But something tells us they might just as easily have been found in Pat O'Brien's. Photo by Joseph Thomas.

UNC Aid Office pleased with Carter grant plan

By YANN MILLS
Staff Writer

A Carter administration proposal which would add \$1.2 billion to the college-aid program has been received enthusiastically by the UNC Student Aid Office.

"We support the president's proposal with enthusiasm because it will increase funds available to all students, both in low- and middle-income families," William Geer, UNC director of Student Aid, said Thursday.

Carter and Joseph Califano, secretary of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, announced the proposal Wednesday. One of the reasons for the proposal is the rising cost of a college education — 77 percent in 10 years.

Carter's proposal would provide funds for students from middle-income families who previously had not been eligible for assistance. It also would provide for increased assistance in the form of grants, loans and part-time jobs.

The proposal is an attempt to head off support for a tax credit for parents of college students.

Geer said a \$1.65-million recommendation for the College Work-Study Program will provide additional jobs on every campus if it is approved.

The president is concerned with the financial squeeze of all families, Geer said, especially if they are sending more than one child to college.

For these families the president proposed two means of assistance. The first is a guarantee of a \$250 Basic Educational Opportunity Grant to families whose income bracket is between \$16,000 and \$25,000 per year — a group which now is not eligible for the

grant.

A second proposal for assistance to families with larger incomes is the recommendation that eligibility for the interest subsidy of the Guaranteed Student Loan Program be raised from the current \$30,000 to \$45,000 a year, before taxes. The subsidy program provides that the federal government would pay the interest on such loans while students are in college and would guarantee payment of the loan to prevent possible losses to lenders through default.

Geer said a limitation may exist for North Carolina students regarding the Student Loan Program. "In North Carolina most of the Guaranteed Student Loans are made by a central state agency: College Foundation, Inc.," he said. "The foundation makes its own rules and sets conditions for lending funds, which usually include some kind of financial-need test. Perhaps this will change in keeping with the president's recommendations."

Geer noted that many senators and representatives are in favor of a tax credit, but he said Carter's proposal of a \$250 basic grant is far more beneficial to a student than a tax credit.

"The basic grant would provide direct assistance to the student at a time when he needs the money most. The tax credit would only be available to families during tax declaration in the spring with payment of a refund.

"The tax-credit scheme would require another set of bureaucratic procedures which would burden both students and administration with additional forms but less real money available at the time the students need it most."

Geer said he is pleased because the proposal would provide additional



William Geer, director of the Student Aid Office, endorsed Jimmy Carter's proposed \$1.2-billion increase in educational grants to middle-income-bracket families.

funds for each institution and would help students in all financial positions.

"While it is true, and it has been stated publicly that the president's program is aimed at the middle class, the size of his recommended appropriation is such that if Congress approves, it will provide additional assistance to students in all income categories," he said. "The president has addressed the problem of the financial squeeze which has been experienced by families in the middle-income brackets who find themselves pinched between increased inflation of all that they buy and the rapidly rising cost of a college education."

Longer transition period, other amendments to be offered

By RAMONA JONES
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Students will vote Wednesday on five constitutional amendments, including one to create a four-week transition period between the election and inauguration of Student Government officials.

The proposed amendments will appear on the ballot for campus elections.

The student constitution now provides for a maximum 12 school-day transition. This period, however, is optional; the official can be inaugurated any time during the 12 days after his election.

The purpose of the amendment, according to Chip Cox, Campus Governing Council speaker, is to give the newly elected officials a chance to find out what their jobs entail at the beginning of the term.

"It gives the new president a chance to come up here (to the Student Government

office) with his chief advisers, and find out what he's really going to be doing," Cox said.

"It's the same with CGC representatives. When I was first elected, we were all told to show up in a room at one time and act like CGC representatives. Most people who are elected to CGC have never even been to a meeting."

Cox said the budgetary process is one of the first things new CGC members must do. It is also one of the most important.

"It's not good for them to be doing the most important thing during the least experienced part of their term," Cox said. "We want to change the least experienced part."

"A lot of the problems we've had, and that all student governments have had, comes from the type of transition that takes place," Bill Moss, student body president, said.

"What I'm hoping is that a four-week period will make it so the transition will not be as

abrupt."

Moss said his predecessor, Billy Richardson, worked with him for a week after the election.

"It was an unusually excellent transition," he said. "But there's just not enough time now for the old president to teach the new president the ins and outs of the system. Consequently, the new president spends half his term learning about the office."

The long list of areas in which the student body president participates is a primary reason a longer transition period is necessary, Moss said.

"The student body president is a member of the Board of Trustees, the General Alumni Board of Directors, the Athletic Council and the CGC," Moss said, "and is the main liaison to the office of student affairs, the chancellor's office, the faculty council, the towns of Chapel Hill and Carrboro and all the various student

organizations.

"He's also got about 70 appointments to make and has to set up his staff. He's got to set policy for the staff and Student Government in general."

If the amendment is passed, Moss said he will work with the new president in several areas.

He said he wants to relate his experience about representing campus organizations to the new president, as well as instruct him in building up the legislative branch. He also wants to tie up loose ends.

"It irritates me that loose ends build up during the year, but instead of doing something about them, everybody wants to leave them for the new staff to take care of," he said. "The transition period is a perfect time to get this stuff cleared away, and make as much of a clean slate as possible."

The four-week transition period would not apply to the *Daily Tar Heel* editor.

"The transition is good for Student Government, but at the *Tar Heel*, we will keep our 10-day schedule," *DTH* Editor Greg Porter said. "After that time the new staff will take over. There's such a volume of work that, psychologically, it's better for the staff to just tackle it."

Other amendments to be included on the ballot Wednesday would end the Men's Residence Council, Women's Residence Council and Carolina Women's Council. According to Cox, none of these organizations has met in the past three years and their responsibilities have been taken over by the Residence Hall Association.

The final amendment would remove Article VIII, section one of the constitution, which states, "Those persons elected as members of the Campus Governing Council in the spring of 1973 shall serve until 12 calendar days after certification of the 1974 spring elections."

DAYS COUNTDOWN

German department Fasching — a German mardi gras or carnival — at 8 p.m. at the Community Church on Purefoy Road. Beer, cider and pretzels will be served. Costumes encouraged. Tickets available in 438 Dey Hall for \$2.50. Music department band will perform.

Career Planning and Placement drop-in career counseling from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Hanes Hall.

University Counseling Center walk-in hours from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Nash Hall.

Political science department mixer at 2 p.m. in the third floor Hamilton Hall lounge. Faculty and students welcome.

McNeill Smith addresses gathering of law students

Discusses Middle East situation

By STEPHEN HARRIS
Staff Writer

A Middle East peace is feasible if Israel is left with defensible borders, state Sen. McNeill Smith told a group of UNC law students Thursday.

Smith toured Israel, Jordan and Syria recently and spoke to officials of the three countries. He shared his impressions with approximately 40 law students in a talk sponsored by the Parker Society of International Law.

In response to a question, Smith said Israel should not give back occupied territory "unless a substitute security device is instituted on the West Bank." One such possible device, Smith said, could be security patrols on both sides of the Jordan River.

One area that Israel could not give up safely, Smith said, would be the Golan Heights, an Israeli-occupied mountain area which is not inhabited by Arabs but which overlooks a vulnerable Israeli valley.

At this stage of the Middle East negotiations, Smith said, "I don't think we should try to force a formal agreement. We should hold out for a reasonable standard of defensible borders (for Israel). I feel we should recognize our special relationship with Israel, and we should continue to support them."

Smith said he does not feel the United States should sell more arms to Egypt and expressed reservations on America's large arms sales throughout the world.

"It disturbs me greatly," Smith said, "that America could go down in history as the merchants of death."

Smith, a Democrat is candidate for the U.S. Senate from North Carolina, traveled with two other senatorial candidates, Democrats Charles Ravenel of South Carolina and Don Stewart of Alabama. The three spent one week in the Middle East. Their fact-finding trip was sponsored by an American Jewish organization.

He said the most dangerous aspect for the United States in the Middle East was the threat of another oil embargo. The country should take steps to break current price fixing by the oil-exporting countries, he said.

"The government could demand a special permit to unload imported oil in the U.S.," Smith said. "Permits could be sold at auction."

"At first, I thought the oil companies could bargain (with the Arabs). But then I realized that they are agents for the oil-producing companies."

Smith said this proposal would give corporations that do not deal in oil a chance to enter the world oil market and pressure it for lower prices.

The huge flow of money into the Arab world is a major American concern, Smith added. "(Saudi Arabia) has a \$26 million surplus. We could run the state of North Carolina for six years without any taxes on that."



U.S. Senate candidate McNeill Smith spoke to UNC law students Thursday. He called for "defensible" Israeli borders and said that Israel should retain the Golan Heights. Smith attacked U.S. arms sales abroad and called the PLO an "itinerate Mafia." Smith recently toured the Middle East with Senate candidates from two other states. Staff photo by Allen Jernigan.

Board announces times, places

Special registration set for May 2 N.C. primary

By RACHEL BROWN
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The Orange County Board of Elections set up guidelines Tuesday night for a special registration for residents 18 years old and older who wish to vote in the May 2 North Carolina primary.

Ray Montgomery, chairperson of the Orange County Republican Party, said the special dates also apply to those who wish to change party affiliation or to change their precincts if they have moved.

Registration will be held from noon to 5 p.m. March 20 in Woolen Gym and from 6 to 9 p.m. March 27 at the Community Church in University Married Student Housing.

"This is the first time they (the election board) have held registration on campus since the spring of 1976," Chapel Hill Alderman Gerry Cohen said Thursday.

Five registrars will assist students in Woolen Gym.

Voter registration will be held in the Chapel Hill Municipal Building and the Carrboro Town Hall at the following times:

- Noon to 8 p.m. March 14, 16, 21, 23 and 28.
- Noon to 5 p.m. March 18 and 25 and April 1.
- 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 3.

Through March 12, Cohen said, registration will be held in those two locations from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday

through Friday, at the Chapel Hill Public Library from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

"They (the board) are trying to encourage people not to wait until the last minute to register," Cohen said.

Students and townspeople, he said, will be able to register on campus and in the above locations.

Students who are registered in their former hometowns may register to vote in Orange County, he said. "A lot of time people make a decision on the basis of where their interests lie."

If a student considers that he has changed his place of residence and decides to register in Chapel Hill, he said, then the city will notify his previous place of residence to cancel his registration.

Students who wish to vote in their home counties may obtain absentee ballots beginning March 3. Ballots will not be issued after April 26, and they must be returned by May 1.

There is one Republican primary for state senator on May 2, Cohen said. Democrats will vote for a U.S. Senate candidate to oppose incumbent Jesse Helms.

The Orange County ballot for May 2 includes voting for North Carolina state senators and representatives and county school board members, commissioners, registrar of deeds, clerk of court and sheriff.