

news

# Mount St. Helen's ash has little effect in Southeast

RALEIGH, AP—Ash debris from Sunday's volcano eruption in Washington drifted eastward high in the sky Wednesday on a path that would take it over the western and northern edges of North Carolina.

The National Weather Service said pilots reported seeing some ash debris at an altitude of 30,000 feet over Bristol, Tenn., early Wednesday.

"Effects on the ground should be negligible, although some brilliance may be added to the evening's sunset," the Weather Service reported.

The ash was thrown into the air when Mount St. Helens volcano erupted early Sunday morning. It has been drifting eastward for the past four days.

The Weather Service said the densest portion of the cloud was over Missouri, Illinois and Indiana early Wednesday, but thin portions were found as far north as southern Quebec and as far south as northwest Georgia.

The weather service had not calculated how long it would take the cloud to pass over North Carolina, the spokesman said. Scientists do not believe the volcanic cloud

will present any physical hazard, especially at that altitude.

Geologists said the eruption already has spewed almost as much ash and rock as Vesuvius dumped on the ancient Italian city of Pompeii in 72 A.D., killing more than 2,000 people.

If put in one pile, it would cover a square mile as tall as three Empire State buildings. Bob Christiansen of the U.S. Geological Survey estimated the volume at six-tenths of a cubic mile. Vesuvius spewed less than three-quarters of a cubic mile of material.

The mountain also has emitted huge, unmeasured volumes of steam and water vapor, Christiansen said.

In Washington, an estimated 5,000 travelers stranded by the shutdown of ash-clogged highways and airports jammed shelters across the state as the death toll from the devastating eruption of Mount St. Helens climbed to 10. Officials estimated that 98 people were missing.

Gov. Dixy Lee Ray asked President Carter to declare the state a disaster area and officials kept wary eyes on a dam of mud and debris that stood between the waters of Spirit Lake and the residents of cities below the mountain.

## Campus Calendar

Campus Calendar is a public service of *The Tar Heel*. Announcements for each Thursday's paper must be turned in to the *Tar Heel* office in the Carolina Union by 10 a.m. Tuesday.

The UNC karate club will hold an introductory meeting to talk about a beginning class in Tae Kwon Do this summer. Everybody is welcome, 7 p.m. Tuesday.

On Saturday, Cornerstone Ministries will travel to the Orange Correctional Center in Hillsborough. All interested persons, please meet at the Chapel Hill Bible Church at 12:45 p.m. We will return about 4:30.

The Christian Science Organization will meet Thursday at 6 p.m. in 206 of the Union. All are welcome.

Durham's Hillside High School will hold its 31st annual Awards Day program at 1 a.m. Friday, in the school auditorium.

The film *Dostigayev and Others* will be presented at 8 p.m. Tuesday, in Great Hall. Sponsored by the UNC Campus Y. The public is invited, and there is no admission charge.

LSAT (Law School Admission Test) June 28. Applications must be postmarked by May 29 for \$15 test fee. Late fee is \$10 more until June 5. This testing is for admission for the fall of 1981. Next testing Oct. 11. Applications in 101 Nash, information in 106 Nash.

GRE (Graduate Record Examinations) will be June 14. Walk-in registration only, and there is a registration fee of \$24. Applications in 101 Nash hall (across from the Inn parking lot). Next testing in October for 1981 admissions.

GMAT (Graduate Management Admission Test) will be given July 12. Applications must be received in Princeton, N.J. by June 20 (allow one week for mail). This is the last testing until late October. Good for admission in 1981. Registration fee \$12.50. Applications in 101 Nash Hall.

The current program at the Morehead Planetarium, "Fire From the Sky," runs through June 2. Shows at 8 p.m. weekdays, 11 a.m., 1, 3 and 8 p.m. Saturdays and 2, 5 and 8 p.m. Sundays.

"Sea, Mountain and Metaphor," an art exhibit by William Steinel, is showing through May 30 at the Morehead Planetarium, along with the planetarium's regular scientific exhibits. It may be seen free of charge 2-5 and 7:30-10 p.m. weekdays; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and 7:30-10 p.m. Saturdays; and 1 and 7:30-10 p.m. Sundays.

The Art School of Carrboro will present watercolors and video-scan photography by Frank Twitty and Barbara Kistoth through June 15. The Art School gallery is open Monday through Saturday 9 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

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