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From left to right: Rick Medlock, Jackson Spires, Charlie Hargrett and Greg T. Walker
... Blackfoot is scheduled to perform Saturday at 8 p.m. in Carmichael Auditorium

Blackfoot's powerhouse rock — English style with boogie base

BY RACHEL PERRY
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Blackfoot is not just another Southern rock band. "We play heavy powerhouse rock — much heavier than bands like Molly Hatchet," said Rick Medlock, founding member, lead vocalist and lead guitar player for Blackfoot. "Our music is raw and heavy with a melodic flavor. A lot of people try to lump us together with Lynyrd Skynyrd, The Allman Brothers and .38 Special because we're all from Jacksonville (Fla.)," Medlock said in a phone interview Thursday. "Actually, we're the black sheep of Jacksonville because we're so different," he said. "You can't label this band as typical Southern rock." Blackfoot's musical style is more English rock with a Southern boogie base, he said. "We have one foot in England and the other in Florida." English musicians from the early 70s like Cream, The Who and Led Zeppelin have influenced Blackfoot a great deal, he said. But Blackfoot's common Southern rock label can be both helpful and harmful, Medlock said. "When people found out we were from Jacksonville, the home of so many Southern rock bands, a lot of people said, 'Oh no, another Southern boogie band' and didn't even pick up the album," he said. "On the other hand, other people would buy the album specifically because of the Southern rock label." Blackfoot began about 12 years ago in Jacksonville, Fla., as a four-man teenaged band called Early Garbage, Medlock

said. The band still consists of Medlock, drummer and vocalist Jackson Spires, guitarist Charlie Hargrett and Greg T. Walker, who sings vocals and plays bass and keyboards. Spires and Medlock have written the lyrics and music for almost all the songs on the band's five albums.

"We've lasted with the original four members for so long because we all have the same basic goals — to go against the odds and get to the top," Medlock said. "It takes a lot of talent, perseverance and hard work, but here we are!" According to record sales and popular reception, Blackfoot has indeed obtained success.

Their *Strikes* album, with hits "Highway Song" and "Train, Train," went platinum. Blackfoot's latest album, *Marauders* (with the single "Fly Away"), has sold about 3,500 copies since its release three months ago, Medlock said.

"*Marauders* (which took only three months to record) has some of the best material we've ever written," he said. "It was a well thought-out album, well put together and produced." One song on the *Marauders* album, "Rattlesnake Rock 'n' Roller," features Medlock's 70-year-old grandfather, Shorty, on the banjo. "He plays with us on tour sometimes, whenever the mood hits him — he's a trip to see on-stage!" On tour, Blackfoot has been received well by audiences and critics alike, Medlock said. "We're very popular up in Boston, Detroit, Cleveland and New Jersey."

Blackfoot, along with The Johnny Van Zant Band and Def Leppard, will perform Saturday at 8 p.m. in Carmichael Auditorium.

Key control a major problem

Constant thefts plague students

By LYNN EARLEY
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Theft and break-ins pose a potential problem for some UNC departments and residence halls if security is not evaluated and upgraded Crime Prevention Officer Ned Comar said this week. Easy opportunity provides the impetus for some people, Comar said, naming inadequate key control and carelessness with personal belongings as the major catalysts for theft and break-ins. Seventeen cases of breaking and entering and 61 cases of theft were reported during fiscal year 1981. The most recent break-in was at Howell Hall last weekend. This was not the first time. "We've had three break-ins between now and the beginning of the summer," Richard Cole, dean of the journalism school, said. Each time small amounts of money were stolen. The first thief also stole a table-top radio from a professor's desk. The thieves got little money because no University departments are allowed to keep large

sums in their buildings. Each department has an account with the University Cashier he said.

Break-ins at Woolen Gymnasium, Graham Memorial Auditorium, Winston Residence Hall, the Carolina Union and Spencer have been reported along with thefts of two love seats from Beard Hall, a portable welding machine from the medical complex site and an oven from Old West.

Comar said security could be increased with proper actions. "The departments should evaluate and appraise who really needs to get in. It might be a good investment to re-key certain parts of the building and assign someone to keep up with keys." Keys are often given to graduate students, and members of the faculty and then later lost, he said.

Some buildings need better lock systems, bars on the windows or stronger doors to help alleviate the problem. Howell Hall has undergone security renovations since the last two break-ins.

"The Physical Plant has taken care of it," Cole said. "They've made the building much harder to break into." Special pins

were put into the basement doors, and special latches placed on the windows. Other security measures are being considered.

The cost for security measures is usually covered by the Physical Plant's security fund, said Ed Sanders, Construction Maintenance Superintendent for the Physical Plant. "If it's involving a major renovation, it would require funds from some source," Sanders said.

State funds and grants are one potential source. Major renovations are usually not undertaken unless adequate needs can be shown. Funding does not allow for extensive burglar alarm systems or other major security systems, John Temple, vice chancellor for business and finance said. "There's no such thing as enough money to provide Utopia or enough money to provide security."

The crimes were probably committed by people who had seen the stolen items or knew the lay-out of the buildings, Comar said.

As Sanders said, "You put locks on the doors to keep honest people honest."

Reagan plans to cut government pensions

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Ronald Reagan said Thursday he was going to cut all pensions — including Social Security — paid by the government. Other officials reported he also wanted to eliminate revenue sharing as part of a new, \$16-billion round of budget cuts.

The president told his cabinet the plan requires "blood, sweat and tears from all of you," said deputy press secretary Larry Speakes.

Starting next month, the proposed cutbacks for the fiscal year include a postponement of cost-of-living increases for Social Security recipients. The three-month delay in the boost scheduled for next July 1 would save \$2.8 billion, as contrasted with a commensurate outback in defense spending of \$2 billion.

House Democrats, humbled in earlier budget fights, vowed to go to the mat again over the Social Security issue. "We intend to make the president keep his promises on Social Security," said Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill, D-Mass. "We don't intend to let him wreck the system."

The disclosure that Social Security was

a target of the latest cuts followed indications Reagan would spare pensions and entitlement programs. Sen. Paul Laxalt, R-Nev., Reagan's closest congressional ally, said earlier this week there was "no serious discussion concerning any cuts in Social Security at all. That should be put to rest."

And Reagan's chief spokesman, David Gergen, reported as well that "there is no one in this administration now working over plans to find cuts, for example, in 1982 Social Security."

But when reports asked Reagan about his plans just before he left for Grand Rapids, Mich., on Thursday, he said, "this is a slippage ... but we're going to cut all pensions."

Speakes subsequently confirmed Reagan had decided on proposing cost-of-living delays in nine pension and welfare programs, including Social Security, veterans' retirement, unemployment compensation, food stamps and school lunches.

Reagan, hoping to hold down a ballooning federal deficit for 1982, also was expected to propose abolition of the Department of Energy and Education and to seek cuts of 10 percent in a variety

of non-defense programs. In addition, the plan calls for phasing out 75,000 federal jobs by 1984.

The cuts in domestic programs come on top of announced plans for a \$2 billion reduction in the defense budget, a figure that some Republican senators say is too low to satisfy them.

Senate Republican Leader Howard Baker told reporters outside the White House he expected an effort in Congress to increase the figure to \$3 billion to \$5 billion.

Congressional sources expected Reagan to unveil his latest austerity plan in a nationally televised address Tuesday night.

Reagan proposed a cost-of-living delay earlier in the year for Social Security, but that was rejected by Congress. Administration and congressional sources said the plan called for a three-month delay in so-called entitlement programs — Social Security, civilian and military retirements, veterans benefits and food stamps. The savings overall would be an estimated \$5 billion next year. On revenue sharing to cities and local governments, Reagan reportedly is planning to propose a three-year phase out, beginning with a 5 percent cut in 1982.

Mikeman Krcelik catches 'Fever,' leads fans' cheers

By VINCE STEELE
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"When I was a young Tar Heel, I was a nonbeliever, until I caught the life-long flu called CAROLINA FEVER!"

That is the cheer that helped get Gene Krcelik his job. "Mean Gene, the Tar Heel Machine," as he wants to be called, is the mikeman at UNC's home football games. Krcelik got his first game experience last Saturday during Carolina's 56-0 drubbing of East Carolina University, beginning his career with "Go Heels!"

"I was nervous at first, but I started feeling better about it toward the second half," freshman Krcelik said. "Most of the people sitting in the front of the stage helped me out. They gave hints of what to do. All I knew what to do was what the cheerleaders told me."

Krcelik was dressed in a blue Madras blazer, light blue Birdwell swim trunks, hiking boots, racquetball goggles and a brown hat. He ran onto the field and up to his stage in front of the student section waving a big blue flag with a Tar Heel draw on it, which he waved on touchdowns and big plays, also.

"I thought the fans were getting into it," Krcelik said. "Once I told them to ball up a piece of paper and throw it and they wadded the hell out of me."

Krcelik picked up on the traditional push-ups to mark each Carolina score. "It (the pushups) was all right and a couple of people actually volunteered to do some for me," he said with a sigh of relief.

Krcelik said he has had experience speaking in front of other people.

"I was very involved in drama and forensics in high school," he said. "My school (Jefferson Forest in Virginia) gave me the drama award. I plan to major in drama here at UNC."

"My senior year I should have won the state forensics. I was hot, definitely hot," he said.

Krcelik also has experience on the football field. "I was not all-state status, but I started," he said of his high school athletic career, which included soccer, also.

Krcelik said he did not know what a mikeman was until he tried out.

"Well, I heard about the tryouts, but I didn't know what a mikeman was. When I finally found out what it was, it sounded like fun."

"Considering my experience I was not nervous, but I was



Mean Gene
'The Tar Heel Machine'

worried about having the right materials," he said about the tryouts. The competition involved creating a cheer using the words "Carolina Fever" and ad-libbing for about five minutes, calling and leading cheers as if at a game against N.C. State or Duke. "I expected other students to say, 'My God, you are a freshman and mikeman,'" Krcelik said about his being a freshman. "My roommate Rob Rogers and my suitemate, Kadjul (Choudhury), have kidded me about it a little, but they have been pretty cool."

Krcelik said the first question he wanted to ask after the game was, "Was I all right?"

"I thought he was great, considering he is only a freshman," said sophomore Marie Washington.

Darryl Williams, a junior from Winston-Salem, was less enthusiastic. "He was all right and he'll probably get better, but he will never be as good as Itch," Williams said, in reference to a mikeman here two years ago.

"I wish people would stop comparing me to that Itch guy," Krcelik said. "I'd like to be as good as he was, but with a little luck I'll be better as the games go on. And with a lot of luck, I'll be mikeman for three years."

Charges denied

Common Cause accuses Fountain of gerrymandering in state redistricting

By JAMEE OSBORN
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Common Cause, a national public interest group, said this week North Carolina's redistricting plan was gerrymandered to serve the interests of Rep. L.H. Fountain, D-2nd.

All states must review state legislative and congressional districts to conform to population changes reflected in the 1980 census. State maps containing the new districts were completed in July by the N.C. General Assembly.

A gerrymander is dividing election districts to give one political party an advantage. Common Cause charged that the alleged gerrymandering occurred in the new 2nd Congressional District of Rep. L.H. Fountain, a Democrat from Tarboro. Fountain supporters objected to including urban Durham County in Fountain's predominantly rural district.

March Stephens, state issues coordinator for Common Cause in Washington, said, "Appearance-wise, the district seems to protect the incumbent." The district is shaped like a hook, and has been called "Fountain's Fishhook" by Common Cause.

"Common Cause is concerned that the district is not compact in appearance," Stephens said. "It appears to be a manipulated district."

"We are questioning the motivations for shaping like they did," she said. "We see it as an incumbent protection plan."

Ted Daniel, executive assistant to L.H. Fountain in Washington, said Fountain had little to do with the new plan. "Fountain wanted to keep the district as it was," he said. "The General Assembly decided not to include Durham County and Fountain had very little part in that decision."

But Daniel said Fountain was not trying to prevent Durham County from being included in the 2nd District. See DISTRICTS on page 5



Fountain
DTH File Photo

NAACP challenges plan's constitutionality on grounds of discrimination to blacks

By ALAN CHAPPLA
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One day after the filing of a law suit challenging the state's congressional and legislative redistricting plans, defendants are awaiting formal details of the suit before taking action.

The suit, filed in U.S. District Court in Raleigh Wednesday by the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, challenges the constitutionality of the state's redistricting plan on the grounds it discriminates against blacks and other minorities.

"We have not had an opportunity to review the suit," said N.C. Senior Deputy Attorney General Vanore Jr., speaking for state Attorney General Rufus Edmisten, who was named as defendant. "We will not issue a statement until we have decided what course of action to take." Vanore did say, however, the Attorney General would vigorously defend the redistricting plan.

Margaret Webb, spokeswoman for Lt. Gov. Jimmy Green who is also a defendant in the suit, said it was within the rights of the NAACP to file such a suit.

She also said the state government fully intended to defend the plan of the Legislature.

According to reports, the suit alleges the redistricting was drawn up with "the effect and purpose" of diluting black voting strength. It also says the legislative districts fail to conform to the U.S. Supreme Court's one-man, one-vote principle.

"It (the redistricting) was done how it would best serve those in office," said Fred Belfield, a plaintiff in the suit. "It appears it was done to protect those in office."

If successful, the suit would require the state Legislature to revise the districts it drew during the 1981 session to conform to the census.

Named as defendants in the suit are Green, Edmisten, House Speaker Liston Ramsey, the State Board of Elections and its five individual members and Secretary of State Thad Eure.

The plaintiffs listed in the suit are Belfield, Ralph Gingles, Sippio Burton and Joseph Moody. Julius Chambers and Leslie Winner are attorneys for the plaintiffs. James Bullock, senior deputy attorney general, and James Wallace, deputy attorney general for legal affairs, will be defending attorneys.