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Snow continuing, clearing later today, with heavy winds. Low in the 30s, high in the 40s.

Go Heels

The men's basketball team plays the Ohio State Buckeyes at 7:00 p.m.

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Getting faced

While these two UNC students may have worked on suntans earlier this week, that certainly wasn't the case Thursday. Freshmen Cindy Kistenberg (left) of Greensboro and Kerin Butler of Fayetteville battled in front of Connor Dorm during the untimely spring snowfall.

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Surprise! Snow stuns Chapel Hill

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Tuesday in Chapel Hill, arboretum trees were laden with white blossoms, resembling a coating of snow. Thursday, their branches were covered with the real thing.

The snow-covered holly trees looked more representative of yuletide than Easter. Tire swings looked like oversized, frosted doughnuts. Car windows needed scraping. Scarves and mittens were brought out.

Winter was back, and it chose to make its encore appearance in a part of the country not known for cold weather — the Southeast.

The National Weather Service issued a winter storm watch for the state Thursday, as well as a traveler's advisory for motorists.

The snow resulted from a storm system moving from the Gulf of Mexico to North Carolina. The storm moved northeast along the state coast Thursday night. Clearing skies and windy conditions are expected today, with highs in the 50s, according to the Associated Press.

One of the hardest cities was Atlanta, where seven inches of the white stuff fell, causing two highway deaths, grounding most air traffic and shattering weather records.

"Every flake that falls is a record," said Vince DiCarlo of the National Weather Service in Atlanta.

Snow began falling about 10 a.m. in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro area and by 1 p.m. began sticking to the ground.

About two inches had accumulated in

the Triangle area by early Thursday evening.

While the spring snowfall may have been unexpected, it had only a few adverse effects on Chapel Hill and Carrboro town services. Duke Power and Southern Bell reported no problems in customer service resulting from snow or wind.

Chapel Hill Transit halted bus service at 8 p.m. Thursday. Superintendent of operations Lois Magnell said the transit service would make a decision early today concerning service.

Harold Harris of the Chapel Hill Public Works Department said that because of the lack of accumulation on roads and bridges, no sanding, salting or scraping was necessary Thursday afternoon.

The snow did fall hard enough for Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools to close at 1:30 p.m. Thursday.

On the UNC campus, confusion was the rule as students who had expected rain sprouted umbrellas in the snow.

"This is snowball weather. You're supposed to stick your tongue out and eat this stuff," UNC senior Philip Boyle said. "Chapel Hill is the only place I've ever seen that uses umbrellas for snow."

"I feel like I'm in the twilight zone," sophomore Mary Grady Koonce said.

Freshman Kelly Deal spent spring break at Ford Lauderdale, Fla.

"I think it's great, but I can't believe it," she said. "I was just laying out last week, and now it's snowing."

Allison Hemms intended to go to Myrtle Beach, S.C., this weekend.

"I love snow, but not today," she said. "I think somebody's a little confused. Once it starts sticking it'll be fun."

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Hunt talks to student legislators

By PERRY TWISDALE
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Gov. Jim Hunt opened the 46th annual session of the N.C. Student Legislature Wednesday in Raleigh.

Hunt, a former governor of the NCSL, spoke to the delegates of 15 North Carolina colleges and universities gathered in the House chambers of the Old Capitol building.

Thirty-five delegates from the UNC chapter of NCSL are attending the five-day session, which operates under the same legislative procedures as the N.C. General Assembly.

"The annual session is sort of the climax of the NCSL year," said senior Gina Wheeler, president of the UNC delegation.

The funding for the NCSL comes from the delegations of each school, according to Joe D'Amico, NCSL governor and former Chapel Hill delegate.

"Some schools get student funding to cover part of their expenses," D'Amico said. The UNC chapter receives funding from the Campus Governing Council.

D'Amico said that the NCSL was a non-profit, tax-exempt organization, which allowed them to accept donations from private business.

North Carolina National Bank and Wachovia Bank will be sponsoring a speech by U.S. Sen. William Proxmire on Saturday at the Carolina Power and Light Building as part of the session.

The NCSL is the oldest student legislature in the South and the first student organization to be integrated, with the first black delegates attending the session in 1946.

The UNC delegation this year contains 35 delegates and four interns from Chapel Hill High School. The delegation is one of the largest in the NCSL, Wheeler said.

The Chapel Hill delegation has sponsored two bills in the session, one calling for five-year contracts for career teachers and another to support equitable distribution of marital property, Wheeler said.

The delegations choose bills from various issues that are discussed as topics in individual meetings. Bills are introduced by delegations and the process of voting follows the rules of the North Carolina Legislature.

"We are a model general assembly," said Wheeler. "While we do address issues that concern us as students, we do try to address a variety of issues facing North Carolina."

"We have already passed a resolution earlier this year protesting raising the legal drinking age to 19," she said.

During the NCSL meeting Wednesday night, Jim Slaughter, a freshman delegate from Chapel Hill, was elected speaker of the House and Wheeler was elected



Jim Hunt

speaker pro tem of the House.

In his speech, Hunt stressed the advantages of the NCSL and noted the number of politicians that began their political careers there.

"I think this is one of the best ways to learn the ins and outs of the legislative procedure," Hunt said. "This week you delegates are going to be facing the same kinds of issues that we face here in the legislature."

The governor's address was followed by a reception in the Capitol rotunda attended by Gov. Hunt, Lt. Gov. Jimmy Green, State Auditor Ed Renfrow, Insurance Commissioner John Ingram, N.C. Secretary of State Thad Eure, N.C. Supreme Court Justice Burley Mitchell, N.C. Supreme Court Justice Joseph Branch, 85 N.C. representatives and 25 N.C. senators.

"Students have good ideas on issues," Hunt said following his address.

"Most of the time they are ahead of the wave, and usually society comes to their point of view. The NCSL is a place where this has clearly happened."

Eure said that he aided Professor Edwin H. Paget of North Carolina State College in the first meeting of the NCSL in 1937, making the NCSL the oldest state student legislature in the nation.

"I think the NCSL has more than met the expectations that it began with," Eure said.

U.S. House OKs plan slashing defense buildup

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a stinging rebuke to President Reagan, the House passed 229-196 Wednesday night a Democratic budget plan that would slash his defense buildup by more than half, raise \$30 billion in new taxes and restore \$33 billion of his proposed cuts in social programs.

The vote came just as Reagan delivered a nationwide broadcast in which he called for the development of futuristic anti-missile weapons and urged Americans "to tell your senators and congressmen that you know we must continue to restore our military growth."

But an exultant House Speaker Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill, D-Mass., declared "The people believe that Reagan policies are unfair and have gone too far. This evening the House voted to restore fairness and balance to our national policies."

Said Reagan: "If we stop in midstream, we will not only jeopardize the progress we have made to date — we will mortgage our ability to deter war and achieve genuine arms reductions. And we will send a signal of decline, of lessened will, to friends and adversaries alike."

Only four Republicans, Reps. Matthew Rinaldo of New Jersey, William Green of New York, Claudine Schneider of Rhode Island and James Jeffords of Vermont, joined 225 Democrats on the prevailing side. There were 36 Democrats and 160 Republicans voting against the Democratic plan.

N.C. 4th District Rep. Ike F. Andrews said he voted for the Democratic proposal even though he hoped defense

spending would be increased and domestic spending cut when the bill goes to the Senate.

"We have to get a budget, and it has to start somewhere," Andrews said. "I am afraid the implication of voting against it would be that I agree with the president. I don't favor as much defense spending as he does. I don't think we need further cuts in domestic spending, particularly education and training."

Two N.C. Reps. broke rank and voted against the Democratic budget plan in Congress yesterday.

N.C. Reps. I.T. "Tim" Valentine and Charles O. Whitley said the proposal did not include enough money for defense.

The rest of the North Carolina delegation cast their votes along party lines, with six Democratic congressmen voting for the Democratic budget and the two Republicans voting against it. Democrat Stephen L. Neal, who is recovering from a back operation, missed the vote.

Valentine, from the 2nd Congressional District, said he was troubled by the Democrats' proposal to increase defense spending next year by 4 percent, compared with the 10 percent increase requested by Reagan.

"I don't want to do anything that affects our ability to defend the country," Valentine said. He also said he thought the Democratic plan called for too many new programs.

Whitley, from the 3rd Congressional District, also said he could not vote for the Democratic budget because of its lower defense spending.

"I never could make up my mind that we should limit defense as much as this budget called for," Whitley said

after the vote.

It was the first time since Reagan took office in 1981 that either house of Congress passed a tax and spending blueprint that he opposed, though he was forced to backpedal considerably from his proposals in last year's budget debate.

Overall, the fiscal 1984 budget crafted by the Democratic caucus calls for spending of \$863.5 billion and leaves a deficit of \$174.5 billion. Reagan's original package, so unpopular that Republicans didn't even seek a vote on it, called for less spending but had a slightly higher deficit.

The vote represented a substantial victory for O'Neill and the entire Democratic leadership, who suffered one defeat after another at the hands of Reagan and the Republicans during his first two years in office.

The House plan undoubtedly will be revamped in the Republican-controlled Senate, and some officials predict a gridlock as the two houses try to reach agreement on the final tax and spending prescription for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1. But Democrats counted on their victory giving them leverage in the conference committee that will have to iron out differences between the versions of the two houses.

Sen. Pete V. Domenici, R-N.M., chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, declared the Democratic plan "unworkable," adding "It's very questionable fiscal policy. I don't believe it could be implemented, even in the House."

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South Africans dispute effects of divestment

By DON SOLOMON
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The divestment of University funds in companies operating in South Africa could cause either revolution or the return of human rights to the oppressed blacks, according to the two opposing sides at a debate Wednesday night in Greenlaw Hall.

About 60 students heard the arguments of four native South Africans in a debate sponsored by the Public Interest Research Group at UNC. Interest among students has been marked by the majority vote in Feb. 8 campus elections by students supporting divestment and a year-long campaign by PIRG.

"My position of anti-divestment is not support of the South African government," said junior Hamish Stevenson. Stevenson, a political science major from Zululand, South Africa, said that the University could influence the policies of American companies as long as they remained investors and suggested that withdrawing would be equivalent to washing their hands of the South African situation. Rather than pulling out of South Africa, American companies should be a lever to promote peaceful, democratic change, he said.

"I doubt the \$30 billion in foreign investments are going to be pulled out of South Africa anytime soon," Stevenson said. The blacks who need help are the ones that would be hurt by such a move, he added.

Graham Gell, a former citizen of South Africa and a member of the Communist Worker's Party, said that American corporations were assisting the South African government by providing them with

computer technology and military supplies, keys to apartheid control.

American companies have no moderating influence, rather they help the government adhere to apartheid, he said. Gell, who now lives in Durham, maintained that peaceful change was not possible, that it only served as a cover for continued oppression.

Nick Addison, a first-year MBA student at UNC, said that the apartheid government would not suffer from divestment as much as the blacks. American withdrawal would result in immediate unemployment for 50,000 blacks, he said.

Dynamic change has come through the labor movement in the last few years, said Addison, who is from Natal, South Africa. The consequences of American divestment would be people in the streets with nothing to eat, families starving and further instability in an unstable country leading to revolution, he added. This would only justify even more repression by the South African government and further polarize the races, he said.

The only black South African participating in the debate, Esau Mampane, said that apartheid was a crime against humanity. Divestment would not hurt black South Africans, Mampane said. He pointed out that South Africa was where the first human heart was transplanted, but that the infant mortality of blacks is 252 per 1,000. He asked what kind of suffering would be sufficient before they should act.

The audience participated in a question and answer session after the formal debate and applauded during the debate as the speakers made points concerning the suffering in South Africa.

PIRG meeting with trustees squelched by Thursday snowfall

By LYNDIA WOLF
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The Public Interest Research Research Group's rally for UNC's divestment in South Africa Thursday afternoon at the Carolina Inn was reduced to a gathering of PIRG members when the Board of Trustees Endowment Fund canceled its meeting to discuss UNC's divestment. The Endowment Fund meeting was canceled because of Thursday's snowfall.

The purpose of the rally was to protest the fact that the BOT meeting was closed to the public when the matter of divestment and investment of UNC funds was of public concern, said PIRG member Joe Morris.

When asked whether he thought the committee would consider student opinion on the issue, Morris said he thought they should.

"The BOT is somewhat sensitive to pressure, and with UNC's already racist image they need to consider bad publicity," Morris said.

In a referendum held during cam-

pus elections Feb. 8, students voted to approve recommending divestment to the BOT.

Morris said there had been no evidence that the committee would approve the divestment. "As of today, they are not willing to sacrifice profit for social responsibility," Morris said.

Morris said he would be surprised if the BOT approved divestment.

PIRG member Ted Johnson also said he felt student opinion would be given minimal consideration. Johnson said the Endowment Fund would consider profit more since several board members are heads of big corporations such as North Carolina National Bank and Liggett Myers.

"It is a hassle for the issue to be raised because it raises a lot more questions besides divestment, such as the role of U.S. corporations and how they will be affected," Johnson said.

The Endowment Fund meeting has been postponed indefinitely, Virginia Dunlap, secretary of the University, said on Thursday.

compromise.

"You cannot tell the man with the gun when to stop shooting," he said. He claimed that a push for divestment and imbalance in South Africa would be like writing a death sentence for thousands.

Mampane concluded, however, that action was past due and necessary. "We are only trying to stop those who are shooting us."