

Symposium planners work to raise funds, recruit guest speakers

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Carolina Symposium planners are preparing for the biennial program of speakers, discussions, films and exhibits to be featured this spring, according to co-chairwoman Fifi Kashani-Sabet.

The title of the 1988 Carolina Symposium, scheduled for March 21 to 31, is "Educational Encounter: Learning is no accident."

"Learning is a big process that you accumulate all through life," Kashani-Sabet said Saturday.

She said that in addition to formal schooling, the symposium will examine the effects the media, technological advancement and the arts have had on education.

The media's control over communications of political information about such events as the Iran-contra hearings is one of the topics Kashani-Sabet said the symposium will explore. She said the programs will also examine the effect of computers on learning.

In examining the influence of the arts on education, Kashani-Sabet said she hopes to have a dance group hold a workshop to involve the audience in the performance.

As part of the symposium, Ernest Boyer, president of the Carnegie Foundation, will speak on March 22 about the advancement of teaching and higher education.

Eugene Lang, a New York philanthropist, is also a confirmed speaker. Kashani-Sabet said she became interested in Lang after seeing him in an interview on "60 Minutes." Lang spoke to an elementary school in the Bronx and promised to pay for the college education of all those in the class who finished high school.

"It's so refreshing to see someone so concerned about education," Kashani-Sabet said.

Other possibilities for speakers and discussions include Secretary of Education William Bennett, New York Gov. Mario Cuomo and Draper Hill, political cartoonist for The Detroit News.

Kashani-Sabet said she would also like to have a debate between representatives of the Educational Testing Center of New Jersey and Bowdoin College, which does not use SAT scores in its admission process.

In cooperation with the Black

Student Movement, Kashani-Sabet said she is trying to get the president of Spelman College to speak on black education in the United States.

She said her plans for films include a tape of ABC's Saturday morning educational cartoons, "Schoolhouse Rock," and the movie "Educating Rita."

Kashani-Sabet emphasized that much of the symposium is still in the planning stage, and a suggestion folder will be at the Union desk Nov. 2 to Nov. 23 for topic ideas. Organizations who can help sponsor events and students who want to get involved in the planning can also sign up through the suggestion folder.

"We want to open the doors to more student participation," Kashani-Sabet said.

The symposium now has about \$18,000 in funding from Student Congress, the College of Arts and Sciences and from money remaining from past programs, Kashani-Sabet said. She estimated that the symposium will need an additional \$15,000.

"One of the best qualities of the symposium is that 90 percent of its programs have been free and open to students and the general public," she said.

This aspect makes fund raising a big problem, she said, and it can be difficult to attract well-known speakers if organizers don't have enough money to pay big honorariums.

Kashani-Sabet said she hopes to get more sponsorship from University departments such as the schools of journalism and education. Other funding possibilities include corporate sponsorship and individual alumni contributions.

Chapel Hill woman injures student in traffic accident on South Road

By DONNA LEINWAND
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Police said they may charge a 91-year-old Chapel Hill woman with a safe movement violation, after she turned into the path of a motorcycle rider while entering the Student Union parking lot Friday afternoon.

Freshman Richard King, 18, was treated and released from N.C. Memorial Hospital Friday afternoon, said Mary Beck, director of planning for NCMH.

Police have not issued a citation to the woman, lone Markham Linker of Carol Woods, said Master Police Officer Ronald Moses, who investigated the accident.

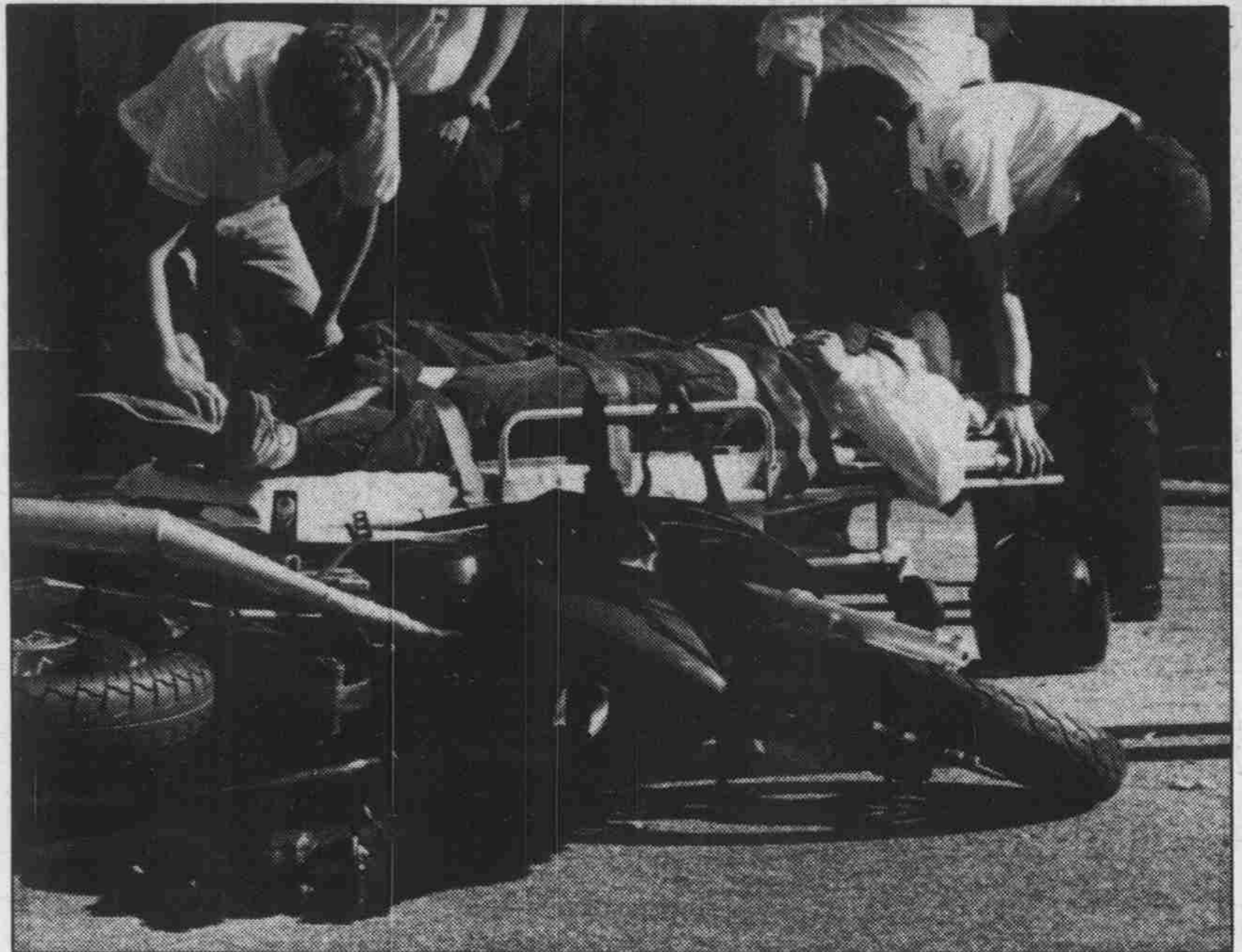
Linker, who was driving a Plymouth Valiant, collided with King and his motorcycle as she turned from South Road into the parking lot on the side of the Union, Moses said.

Moses said Linker failed to see the motorcycle before turning, which is a safe movement violation.

"I didn't see him," Linker said after the accident. "I turned into the parking lot and heard the bump."

King, a business administration major from Raleigh, said he had turned onto South Road and saw Linker in the turning lane.

"She was watching this guy cross the street," King said. "I was paying attention to her just because I'm on a motorcycle and have to be more aware of what's going on. She had gone forward as if she were going to go on and then she stopped."



Paramedics prepare to take Richard King to N.C. Memorial Hospital after his accident Friday afternoon. DTH/David Minton

When I had gotten pretty close to her, she pulled out in front of me."

King said he tried to stop, but could not without hitting Linker's car.

"I could have stopped or swerved

to the left, but I didn't have enough stopping distance, and the other lane had oncoming traffic."

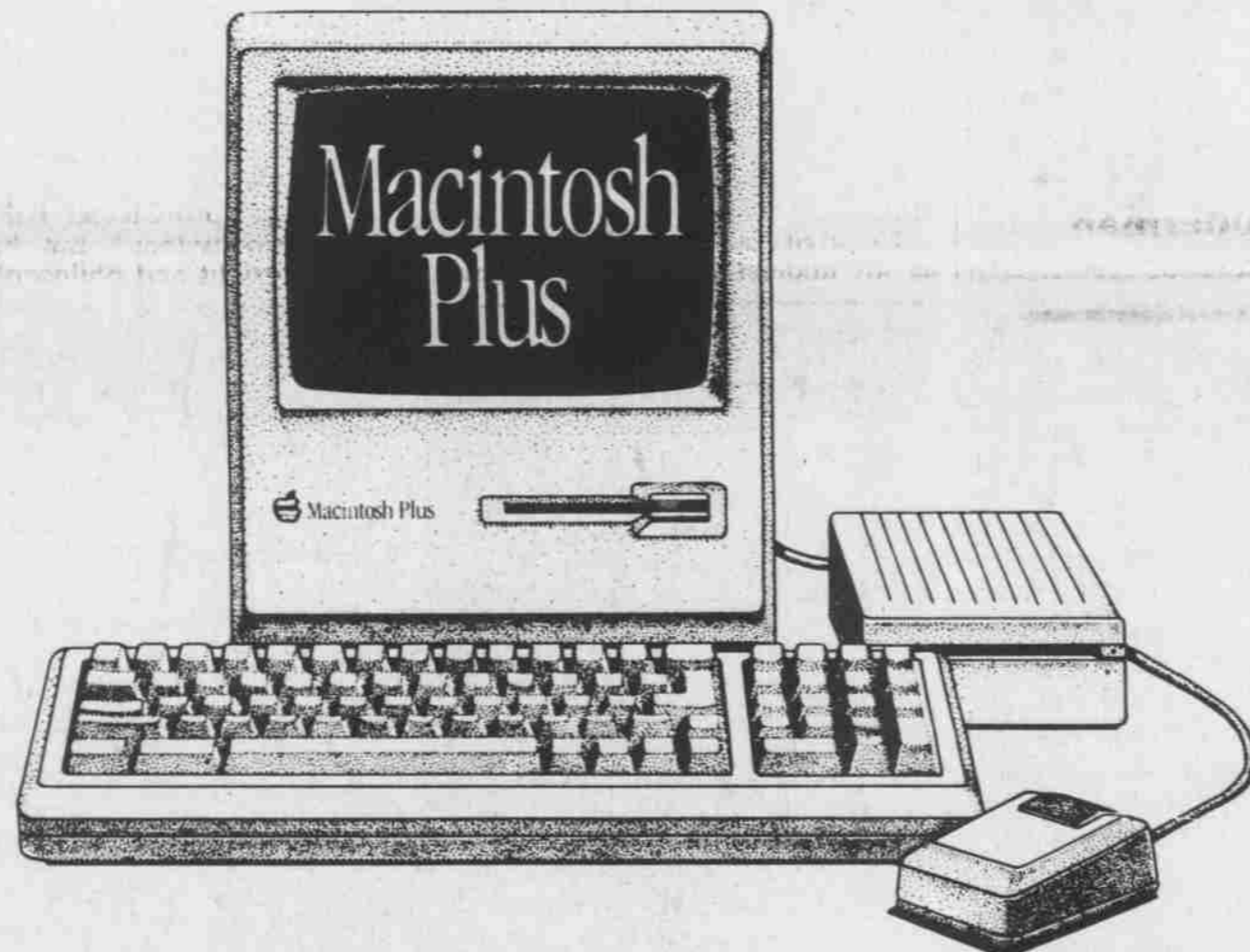
King said his head hit the car twice before he flew off the motorcycle and landed in the middle of

the street.

"My right leg got hit pretty hard — no chips or breaks, but I'm having a hard time walking," said King, who will be on crutches for a week.

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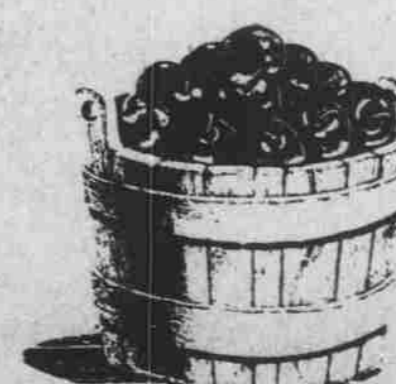
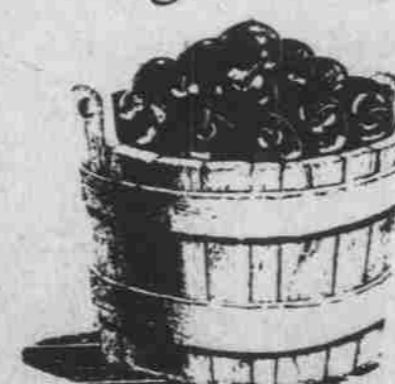
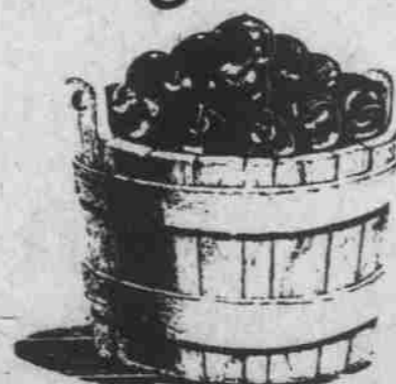
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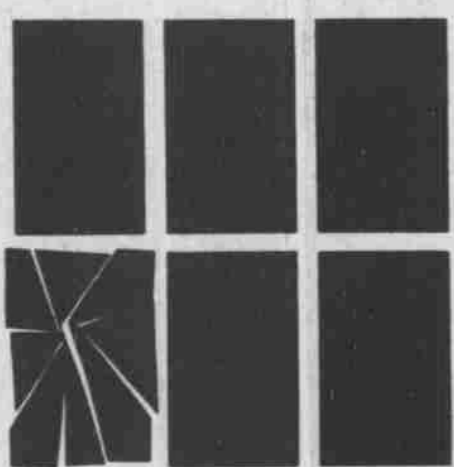
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