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Martin says commercial raises legitimate question

By ERIC GRIBBIN Staff Write

In spite of controversy and protests from his opponent, Gov. Jim Martin said last week that a radio commercial sponsored by his re-election campaign legitimately questions Lt. Gov. Bob Jordan's stand on the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

The commercial, which depicts a fictitious conversation between several blacks about Jordan's decision not to serve on the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Commission, was sold to 15 major black-oriented radio stations in the state, said Tim Pittman, press secretary for the Martin campaign.

"The governor is trying to change the perception of black voters who blindly support the Democratic Party. The governor has hired more manship of the commission. This is

minority members than any other governor," Pittman said. "We are the first statewide campaign in 1988 to make a major buy on a black network."

Martin does not support the King holiday, a position that has remained unchanged since his days as a congressman, Pittman said.

"The governor pushed for a Sunday holiday. His position was that Dr. King was not campaigning for days off. In North Carolina, no individual had a holiday prior to the King holiday except Jesus Christ," Pittman said.

"I don't feel that this is a negative ad. There is no reference to Mr. Jordan's actual opposition to the holiday. The focus of the ad is why Bob Jordan turned down the chair-

a legitimate issue," he said.

In reaction to the ads, a black member of the commission has threatened to resign his position unless Martin took them off the air.

"It's the lowest thing I've heard lately," Bruce Lightner, who was Jesse Jackson's presidential campaign mananger for North Carolina, said last week. "We agreed the Martin Luther King commission wouldn't be a political entity and he's making it a political football."

"We're sorry that the governor is playing political football with the issue," said Betsy Jordan, operations manager for the Jordan campaign.

"Jim Martin has flip-flopped on a lot of issues, and this is just another one," she said. "He opposed the phosphate ban; now he supports it. He opposed the King holiday, then he organized a commission. He's playing election-year politics and

trying to look like he's supporting the issue."

"It was unheard of for the governor to try to appoint a lieutenant governor," she said. "We're really sorry that Gov. Martin has stooped this low."

Jordan's campaign will not run ads in reaction to the Martin ones, Betsy Jordan said.

"Our strategy is not to react at all. We will run our own campaign. For statement."

Martin to make a statement like we're taking the black vote for granted ismissing the whole point. The truth is that we have worked to pass this legislation to help the people.

"Our commercials are on the, offensive. We are not defensive about any issues," she said. "If you see a, commercial that says we support the holiday it will not be a negative, reaction. It will be a positive,

Students face strict parking enforcement

By CEDRIC RICKS

Parking officials increased ticketing and towing of illegally parked cars on campus last week in response to complaints from permit holders about the lack of parking spaces, parking officials said Friday. "Permit holders have expressed

ment of Transportation and Parking Services. "In response to these concerns, we have increased the enforcement procedures."

Last Monday and Tuesday, which were registration and drop-add days, saw heavy violations - 233 citations issued on each, she said.

control coordinator for the Depart- believe the numbers for towing have been calculated," she said. "All I can say is it was a significant number." Mary Clayton, director of trans-

portation and parking, said about 40 cars were towed on each of those days.

Much of the towing took place in faculty-staff lots located near resiStadium Drive in front of Carmichael Residence Hall: Lenoir and Emerson drives near Davis Library; Alumni Drive near Old East; and areas, around Cobb, Lewis, Alexander and, Connor residence halls, Fox said. de

"Even with the amount of towing, we still have faculty and staff displaced because of violators," Fox, said. "What normally occurs is faculty-staff arrive early at 7:30 a.m., and are unable to find parking because of all the violators in the lot." Fox said.

Fox said students were given advance warning about rules governing parking enforcement in a letter dated Aug. 16.

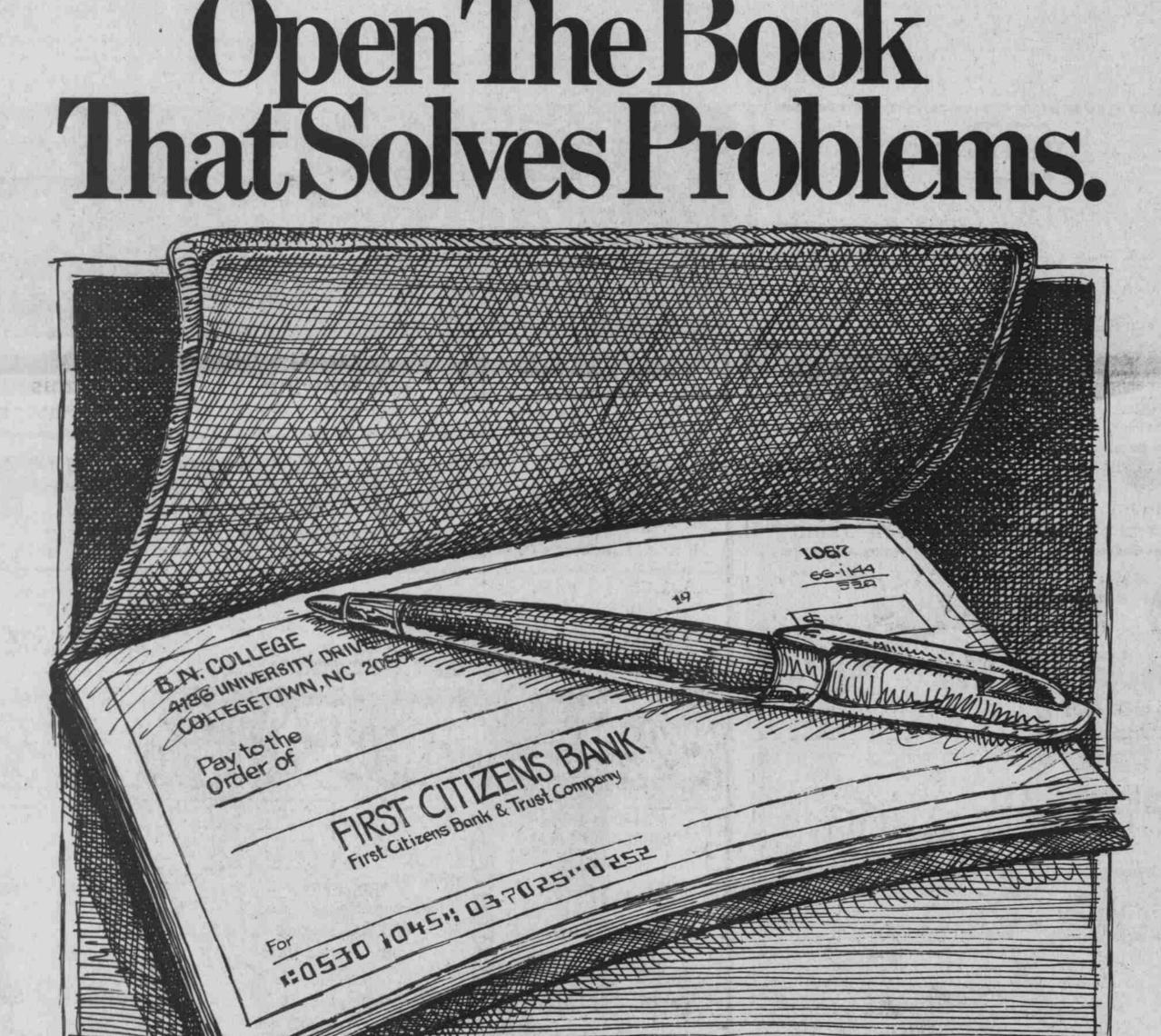
"We sent out a mailing to all students using their permanent address explaining where parking would be available and where we would be citing," she said.

The letter informed students of the rules governing loading procedures for returning students, parking, enforcement and parking permits, The letter also explained alternatives to campus parking.

"We also advised them that parking in faculty-staff areas would be subject to ticketing and towing," Fox said.

In addition to permanent parking signs, other temporary signs marked in black letters and depicting red vehicles, reading "Parking Permit Only" were placed around the campus to remind students of parking regulations, Fox said. Fox said that while the University does have towing contracts with many towing companies, UNC does not make a profit from towing. The transportation department will begin charging heavier fines for parking violations this week, Fox said.





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Meter violations will be \$10 for the first violation and subsequent violations will be \$5. Meters will be enforced at all hours, Fox said.

"These violation amounts were) increased in response to concerns expressed by permit holders," Fox said. "The concern was that the current violation amount was not a serious deterrent to violators."

Shooting

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their money, Ayer said Monday. After Neel and Ayer turned over their money, which totaled about \$10,7 the men told them to turn around and walk back the way they had, come.

After Neel and Ayer had taken, about three steps, Ayer said one of the men shot Neel in the back. The thieves then fled on foot.

After the shooting, Ayer said they walked about 200 yards to their friend's house, and Neel was taken to the hospital.

"I thought I had been shot, but I wasn't sure, because it didn't really hurt that bad at first," Neel said.

Ayer said he could describe the men's heights and weights, but it was too dark to see their facial features. He said they were about 18 years old.

"They must have had nothing better to do," Ayer said. "We did nothing to provoke it."

The men are wanted for armed robbery with intent to kill, he said, but on Monday night Columbia police had not apprehended any uspects. Neel said the police believe the shooting may be related to other armed robberies that occurred on the same night.

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