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Brown loses 12 players

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Twelve UNC football players, including starting safety Dan Vooletich, have bailed out of coach Mack Brown's reconstruction of the down-trodden Tar Heel program.

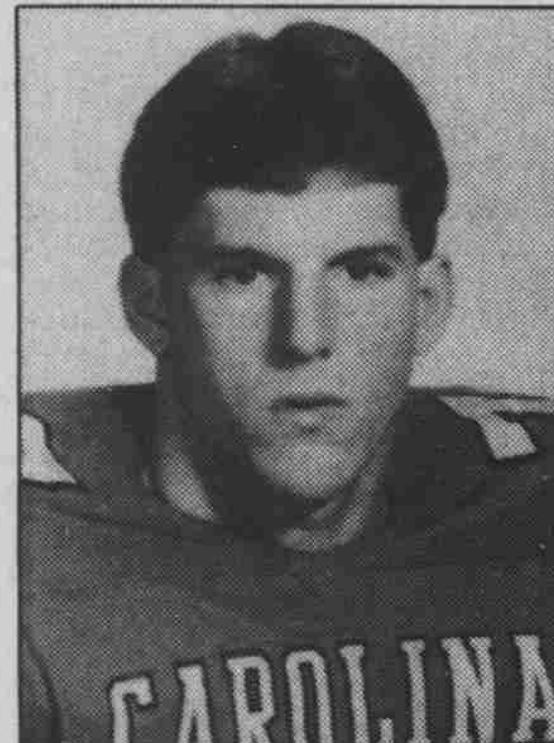
Vooletich, who is on course to graduate next June, was one of seven players who informed Brown last week they would not return for their senior seasons. The others were defensive backs Victor Bullock and Bill Franklin, linebackers Chuck Sledge and Steve Lowe, defensive linemen Phillip Cheek and offensive lineman Richard Applebaum.

All seven were redshirted as freshmen, meaning they would have five years to complete their four seasons of athletic eligibility.

Also leaving the program are wide receiver Freddy Renken, fullback Brian Vooletich, tailbacks Brad Smith and Jay Palmisano, and nose guard Dave Wolfe. All but Vooletich and Smith would be juniors next season.

All 12 players were recruited by former UNC coach Dick Crum, who left in a storm of controversy after the 1987 season and is now head coach at Kent State University.

Brown, in Charlotte on a recruiting



Dan Vooletich

trip, could not be reached for comment Monday night.

Joe Robinson, UNC's recruiting director, said Monday the defections did not reflect poorly on the state of the Tar Heel program.

"We've really reached a junction in the road where obviously we have some folks who have to make some decisions about what they want to do in life," Robinson said. "By no stretch

of the imagination does this mean they're displeased about what's going on. I wish those young men all the success in this world. We spoke with every one of them individually, and we've offered each of them all the help we could.

"One thing that should be made clear is this: It's not a troubling situation."

Brian Vooletich, Dan's younger brother, said he plans to transfer to Michigan State, while Palmisano said he will transfer to the University of Central Florida, which is closer to his home in Melbourne, Fla.

Smith, from Boardman, Ohio, is still unsure where he'll end up but said he expects to transfer to a Mid-America Conference school, possibly even Kent State. Renken, from Charleston, S.C., may transfer to Clemson if he is not accepted by the UNC School of Business next spring.

"I just feel, at this point in time, it's in my best interests to go ahead and graduate," said Dan Vooletich, who started every game at strong safety during UNC's recently concluded 1-10 season. "I'm a senior, I don't consider myself quitting. I've put in four years here. I've invested a lot of time. I don't owe anything to anybody. I don't have to prove

anything to anybody.

"At this point I'm tired, I'm kind of burned out. I still feel good about the program, but I feel strong about my decision, too. I'm not having second thoughts about it."

Robinson had nothing but praise for Vooletich, a journalism major who was UNC's third-leading tackler last season.

"He's done everything we've asked him to, both athletically and academically," Robinson said. "Dan Vooletich is the epitome of what college athletics are about. We have talked with Dan, with his father (Milan, defensive coordinator at Navy), with everyone involved. We've talked about his future, what he wants to do down the road. These are decisions which have to be made."

Sledge, an economics major who saw considerable playing time as a reserve last season, said he was not leaving because of a falling out with the coaching staff.

"I'm not leaving because of coach Brown," Sledge said. "I had kind of planned on not playing the fifth year. I didn't think I would get as much out of it as I put into it. This season wasn't like I wanted it to be. It's time

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Groups claim animal rights violated at UNC

By HELEN JONES

Staff Writer

Five members of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals and their attorney went to a UNC animal quarantine facility in western Orange County Friday to investigate claims that animals there were being mistreated, according to PETA spokeswoman Carol Burnett.

And members of UNC's Students for the Ethical Treatment of Animals are working on getting the meetings and minutes of the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee open to the public, Christopher Smith, SETA president, said Monday.

That committee is supposed to conduct in-house inspections of animal laboratories and to approve research proposals for experiments involving animals, Smith said.

"Our contention at SETA is that

it's a rubber-stamp committee," he said.

Burnett said officials of PETA, based in Washington, D.C., were responding Friday to an anonymous complaint they received from someone concerned about the animals' treatment, especially of a monkey caged in isolation.

PETA members will probably contact the University to file a formal complaint, said Valerie Stanley, PETA's attorney.

Members observed the interior of the facility, called the Farm, for about five to 10 minutes Friday afternoon before an officer from the Orange County Sheriff's Department asked them to leave, Stanley said.

They left, but they were disturbed by the condition of the animals they saw, she said.

PETA members were con-

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OWASA to continue fight for share of lake water

By DANIEL CONOVER

Staff Writer

The Orange Water and Sewer Authority may still get an increased share of Jordan Lake water, despite a recommendation by the Environmental Management Commission (EMC) last week to allocate OWASA less than a third of the water it requested.

Woody Yonts, chief of water supply assistance for the Division of Water Resources, said Monday that

the state's policy on Jordan Lake water was to review requests every five years.

"We're recommending all applicants have a chance to request additional allocations, depending on the growth trends that occur," Yonts said. "We believe the allocation process should be a series of smaller decisions."

OWASA executive director Everett Billingsley agreed with the state's policy, but he said it made planning

difficult for municipal governments.

"I think that it's a reasonable program — however, from a local planning perspective, our own needs may not fall into five-year categories," Billingsley said.

Knowing the amount of Jordan Lake water OWASA will have 20 years from now would reassure water and government planners, he said. "Preferably, we need that greater assurance now."

Billingsley said OWASA will pre-

sent a compromise proposal at the EMC meeting Thursday. The commission will make its official decision on the water allocations at the meeting, but the voting members are expected to support the staff recommendation. Billingsley said he will again request 10 million gallons of water per day.

OWASA's request for Jordan Lake water was reduced last week from 19 million gallons per day to 6 million gallons per day. Billingsley told the

commission last week the figure was too small, and he said 10 million gallons a day are necessary to meet the area's growth demands.

"Given the present projections, we would feel comfortable with that," he said. "The Cane Creek project should last 20 to 30 years, but that's highly dependent on growth, which OWASA cannot control."

Yonts said the state's plan to allocate Jordan Lake water on an incremental basis at five-year inter-

vales allows it to respond to actual growth trends instead of being tied to 20- and 30-year projections.

Municipal planners must use long-range projections when designing water projects like reservoirs, Yonts said, but Jordan Lake is an existing source in an area undergoing extreme growth. State administrators must divide the water fairly among the municipalities competing for the

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Reagan criticized on environmental policy

By KAREN DUNN

Staff Writer

In at least the first years of his presidency, Ronald Reagan did little or nothing to combat the nation's environmental problems, and he may have worsened the situation overall during his two terms, leading environmentalists say.

"Problems have not been adequately dealt with during the Reagan administration," said John Runkle, general counsel for the Conservation Council of North Carolina. Acid rain and the global warming trend — the greenhouse effect — are two problems that have not received needed attention or action, he said.

The greenhouse effect theory holds that the warming is caused by

The Reagan Legacy

increased emissions of chlorofluorocarbons and carbon dioxide from fossil fuels. The excessive carbon dioxide creates a layer that traps the sun's radiation and causes a worldwide warming of the earth's surface.

"If we don't do something about the greenhouse effect, we'll be cooked," said Carl Pope, deputy conservation director of the Sierra Club in San Francisco.

The administration has also received criticism for its numerous attempts to lease government-owned off-shore sites to private petroleum companies for oil drilling. Bristol

Bay, located off the coast of Alaska, was leased for exploration in one of the only successful agreements.

This area, which brings in \$1.5 billion of oil annually, is the most valuable fishery in North America, Pope said. Oil drilling in this area is risky due to extreme weather conditions and also creates environmental hazards.

The president was also weak in enforcing rules for existing off-shore explorations, he said.

Reagan's record on toxic waste cleanup has also been criticized.

The Superfund toxic waste cleanup program, which required that thousands of dumping sites be cleaned up,

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Some object to spending fees for Christmas trees

By AMY WAJDA

Staff Writer

Although students seem to be generally satisfied with the University's policy concerning religious symbols, the use of student fees to pay for Christmas trees has sparked some controversy.

Although Susan Ehringhaus, assistant to the chancellor, said the courts have decided Christmas trees are not religious symbols, members of the University community seem to have some concerns about the practice.

Ehringhaus said the only University religious policy is not to violate the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

Frederic Schroeder, dean of students, said he believed Christmas trees are more a "statement of goodwill" than a religious expression, but added that the University's

sponsorship of trees through student fees could be questioned.

"I have no doubt that someone with a strong religious conscience could wonder what the University is doing here."

On Nov. 29, Sam Bagensos, a floor representative in Morrison Residence Hall, contacted Cynthia Saunders, minority executive assistant for the Residence Hall Association (RHA), to object to a proposed dormitory-sponsored Christmas tree and tree-trimming party funded by student fees. Bagensos asked Saunders to raise his objection at the RHA Governing Board meeting on Thursday.

Saunders said she talked to RHA members and three Jewish people on Wednesday. She said two of the three Jewish people she talked to said they didn't see the Christmas tree as a religious symbol. They said they

would not have minded the dormitory tree, she said, if they could have put up some display representative of Hanukkah.

Saunders went to the Morrison dormitory government meeting that day to offer a compromise to Bagensos. "Thursday would be too late if dorm funds were to be used for a Hanukkah bush or whatever," Saunders said. Bagensos said no one mentioned putting up a menorah. Friday was the first day of Hanukkah. Several Jewish students described the "Hanukkah bush" as an inappropriate symbol for the holiday.

Lauren Stone, director of student activities at the Hillel Foundation, agreed. "Hanukkah has no bush in it," she said. "Hanukkah is not the Jewish Christmas."

Bagensos rejected Saunders' pro-

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Deck the halls

Scott Williams shows one of his evergreen wreaths to a potential customer at his lot on Main Street in Carrboro late Monday afternoon. Williams also sells live potted Christmas trees.

Sometimes to keep it together you have to leave it alone. — The Eagles