

## ELECTIONS RESULTS:

### Senators chosen, Carter wins.

On Sept. 22, the following students were elected to the Student Senate: Rose Sellers, unopposed as Senior Senator; Joseph G. Young, Jr. and Becky Gooding as the two Junior Senators; and Garrett Allen Stone, Sophomore Senator. The freshman class will be represented by William D. Gardner, Linda Sue Williams, and Jerry Lee Hampton. Glenda Marlene Buchanan and William MacElrath Branham, Jr., were elected as the two Dorm Senators. Mary Beth Penland and Christopher Follanshee Smith were voted in again as Commuter Senators.

Probably the most interesting outcome, however, was the other ballot selections, in which 128 people they were registered to vote in the general elections, and 71 said no. Those who registered to vote and those who will register before October 4 revealed that if they voted today for the presidency, 100 would vote for Carter, 69 for For, none for Maddox, 7 for McCarthy, and one vote apiece for Pat Paulson and Flo Kennedy.

In the gubernatorial elections, 116

said they'd vote for Hunt and 37 preferred Flaherty. Green took the Lt. Governor position with 91 votes to Hiatt's 41. The last question on the ballot, "Do you approve of S.G. purchasing beer for social events?" was answered with an obvious majority of 159 saying yes, and 36 saying no.

The elections were inefficiently done and so poorly publicized that many full-time students didn't even know about them. Those that did vote found that the names of the candidates were just that — names. The candidates' platforms were unknown.

The responsibility for the confusion lies with others in the Student Government, since the Elections Commissioner, Milton Crowe, was selected only two weeks before the elections were held.

If the last question on the ballot had been, "Do you know what each of the candidates stands for?", it would have resulted in a majority saying "No." Maybe in the next election, the voter will be able to say yes to this important question.

## Budget Cut Threat

James Gray, director of Herald Communications and agent of Claude DeBruhl, threatened UNC-A with budget cuts when the Faculty Senate moved to call executive session in the meeting on Oct. 4. The Senate nevertheless called a closed session, and two hours later emerged with a resolution concerning the travel funds controversy.

Gray demanded a written reason for the closure, to be reviewed by the Attorney General for the State of North Carolina and the Chairman of the State Personnel Committee.

Prior to the executive session, the Senate heard reports from the Committee on Institutional Development, which is planning to present a panel to discuss the pro's and con's of collective bargaining by university professors. The Faculty Welfare Committee also reported on a retirement plan for senior professors. A resolution was passed concerning the use of tape recorders in Senate meetings. The resolution requires a five day written notice of the intent to record, and a 2/3 majority vote of the Senate. The Publications Board selections will be considered in the next Senate meeting on Oct. 14.

The decision to call executive session was preceded by discussion as to whether the issue of the travel funds controversy was actually a personnel matter, which is

exempted from General Statute 143 (The Freedom of Information Act). Several professors expressed concern that the closure is severe, restricting the presence of concerned faculty who are not members of the Senate. In the last Senate meeting, non-Senate members of the faculty were allowed to remain in the closed session.

Gray requested permission to address the Senate, since "I am the alien factor which is the cause of concern and resentment." He identified himself as the director of Herald Communications, a research organization which had been contracted by DeBruhl to investigate the institution's "politics and underenrollment of veterans and Buncombe County students." He stated that DeBruhl had said UNC-A's attitude of "Little Harvard on the Hill has gone as far as it can go."

While conducting his investigation, Gray learned that a professor was to be questioned at the Senate meeting. He approached the professor, who told him that it would be "unethical and unprofessional" to discuss it. Gray then contacted Chancellor Highsmith to express his intent to sit in on the meeting. The Chancellor said it was a matter for the Senate, and that he had "faith and confidence in the Senate."

The minutes of the meeting have not been released, pending approval of the next meeting.

## Three UNC A Faculty Not Contracted For 1977-78

Three faculty members were promoted to associate professor, with tenure, and three received terminating appointments last spring. The promoted faculty members included Dr. William Bruce in psychology, Dr. Arnold Wengrow in drama, and Dr. Marcel Andrade in Spanish. Those receiving terminating appointments were Dr. Phillip Hartman in math, Dr. George Stein in political science, and Dr. Mechthild Cranston in French.

Dr. Hartman is now teaching at Mars Hill College. Dr. Cranston has appealed the decision and a re-hearing will be scheduled. In her previous appeal, an informal hearings committee resolved that she had not presented evidence for a case of discrimination. Non-reappointed faculty are allowed counsel, and to examine records and question witnesses.

All faculty with terminal degree are evaluated for tenure before their sixth year of service. Tenure is granted on the basis of "demonstrated professional competence, the potential for future contributions, and the needs and resources of the institution."

A risk is involved when all faculty members of a department are tenured since the department may not continue to grow, which would result in a disproportion of faculty to the number of students majoring in that subject.

## Festival Draws Crowds

Woodcrafts, enamels, metal sculpture, paintings and dulcimers were among the items being sold Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 25-26, in the Second Annual Alumni Arts and Crafts Festival. The majority of the artists were associated with High Country Crafters, which is located on Haywood Street in Asheville.

An outstanding exhibit was the enamel on copper by Don Andrick, who recently moved here from Massachusetts. His show included jewelry of abstract design and "Miracle" key chains that require some ingenuity to use. Mr. Andrick will be appearing on WBTV from Charlotte Oct. 28, discussing the ancient Japanese of cloisonne. Cloisonne is a process of forming outlines with thin silver wire and filling them in with colored glass particles.

Marketry, which uses wood inlays of various colors to create pictures, was shown by Mr. Frank Statum, a retired Air Force officer. Statum uses surgical scalpels to cut the veneers, which are about 1/40" thick.

The Art Show featured music by Jerry Read Smith, playing his hammered dulcimers. He was joined Saturday afternoon by Jeff Cherniss, playing the fiddle and Tad Wright with his guitar, in an impromptu performance.

Sparky Rucker, blues singer and folklorist from Knoxville, pauses beside a dulcimer in the Arts and Crafts Show Sept. 25.

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