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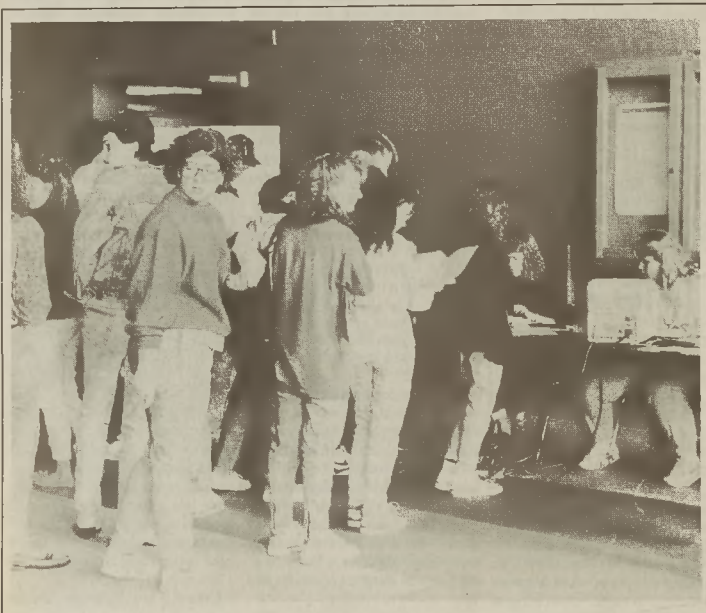
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"A little inaccuracy sometimes saves a ton of explanation." -- H.H. Munroe

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Staff Photo By Loren Stephens

Freshmen filed into Lipinsky Hall last week for spring 1992 pre-registration. Although many major courses closed early, general education classes remained open for most undergrads.

Administration Pleased With Spring Term Pre-Registration

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Better planning, rigid scheduling of appointments, and stand-by sign-up sheets helped make registration for spring term one of the smoothest in years, said Joanne Garrett, UNCA registrar.

"For the spring semester there was a more appropriate number of sections to meet the demand of students," said Garrett. "It was good planning on the part of the departments."

Garrett said "interest lists" cut down on the amount of students who had to run back and forth between registration and instructors. "Once all sections of a course were closed, then students signed up on a special 'interest list,'" said Garrett. She said the lists will allow course instructors to know who is interested in a particular class, should openings occur during drop/add.

The interest lists stopped students from having to return to the registration line with an instructor's permission to add a class. That, said Garrett, kept lines

short and moving quickly.

UNCA offered more courses during pre-registration for spring 1992 than it did in the fall of 1991, according to Lauren Wilson, vice chancellor for academic affairs.

"We had far fewer closed classes than in some previous registrations," Wilson said. "We're trying to add sections for some of the more requested courses."

Some students said they got the courses but not the sections that they wanted. "I had no problem at all except for ARTS 310," said Mardy Murphy, a junior arts major. "The one I wanted was full. So I had to take another section. But that may have been because I am a junior. I'm going to the teacher and beg to get in."

Several students said they did have problems getting courses. "I could not get everything I needed," said Joe Martin, a sophomore majoring in economics. "ECON 210 was closed, and I need that in my major."

In some cases, courses that students wanted were not being offered for the spring semester. Naseem Ostovar, a

freshman who has not declared a major, said she did not get the foreign language class she needed. "I could not get SPAN 120 because they were only offering fast-track."

In a fast-track foreign language course, a student can meet the general education requirement by signing up for Term I and Term II courses for six hours of credit in one semester.

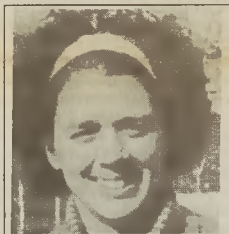
"We do still offer some of the regular courses, but what we are finding is that people are coming up with the background in foreign languages, which puts them ahead of the lower level courses," said Henry Stern, head of the foreign languages department.

Another student said she could not get a philosophy course she wanted.

"We were told to take inductive and deductive philosophy courses for pre-law," Rebecca Miller, a sophomore majoring in literature and pre-law. "Usually they offer one in the spring and one in the fall, but they totally wiped out the one I wanted this time. So I will have to wait a year to take it."

Geology Student, Advisor Mistaken For Consultants

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Potter

Katherine Potter, a UNCA geology student, and her advisor Bill Miller had to appear before the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners and a local citizens' group last month to prove what Potter was doing during her field work as part of an internship with a geological survey.

According to Miller, assistant professor of environmental studies, Potter is working toward an individualized degree in environmental geology, which includes collecting heavy mineral sediments and mapping contacts.

Mapping contacts means to determine the boundary between two different rock types in order to make a geologic map.

Potter has been collecting her samples in the northern part of Buncombe County for a statewide geological survey. Potter told the Asheville Citizen-Times, "During the first part of my project I had to collect heavy mineral sediments out of streams in a six-mile square area just due west of

Weaverville," she said.

Miller said Potter needed to find streams in an isolated area to avoid contamination of her samples. While Potter and Gary Miller, professor of environmental studies, were in the six-mile radius of the Woodfin-Weaverville area, they had to cross the property of a landowner who was not home at the time.

Because they were on a limited time scale, they proceeded to the stream and started their sampling. When the woman returned she became upset and mistook Potter and her advisor as consultants on the landfill issue and thought they were working for the state. Potter has Florida tags on her car which confused the woman even more.

B. Miller said the state brought in outside consultants from Florida to work on the landfill issue. "This is a good idea because you want to get objective advice as possible," said Miller. The Alexander and Weaverville areas are some of the prime sites at this time, said Miller.

Schuman Ranks UNCA High Among Competing Schools

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Chancellor Samuel Schuman spoke about the future of UNCA from a marketing perspective at the UNCA Society for the Advancement of Management's Nov. 12 meeting in Owen Hall.

"The most important thing is to establish a stature of distinctiveness and uniqueness." The chancellor said UNCA is lucky because it is a small, selective, high quality, liberal arts public university, the only one of its kind in North Carolina.

UNCA offers the kind of education "offered by small, selective, extraordinarily, high-priced, elite, private institutions," said Schuman.

When comparing UNCA to Guilford College, where Schuman was previously vice president of academic affairs, the students' SAT scores, high school class rank, the curriculum and the distribution among majors were very similar, he said.

"Eighty-five percent of the faculty at both UNCA and Guilford have the desired advanced education and a doctorate in their field," Schuman said.

The difference is in the tuition price. Guilford's tuition is 10 times as much as UNCA tuition. "We are selling a comparable product, in terms of the educational experience, for a tenth of the price," Schuman said people can't believe the product (a UNCA education) is that good for such a low price.

UNCA must sell itself to potential students. UNCA has a number of clients ranging from the 18-year-old just graduated from high school to the 40-year-old full-time worker to the 65-year-old retiree, Schuman said.

There has been a steady increase of about two percent in the number of out-of-state students coming to UNCA. There will never be a great number of out-of-state students because of the large difference in the tuition price. UNCA's market will always be North Carolina, said Schuman.

Over the past several years there has been a steep increase in the number of students coming from outside Western North Carolina, he said.

The sales message is being accepted by the public, said Schuman. UNCA has accepted 151 students for next fall, compared to the 90 accepted last year.

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Standing Tall

UNCA Cheerleaders try to rally support from the home crowd during the Nov. 23 game against Union College. The Bulldogs eventually lost the game, 65-60. See related story, page 5.

For Your Information...

From staff reports

Campus Get-Together

The final all-campus Chancellor's Get-Together of the semester will take place Tues., Dec. 10 at 3 p.m. in the lobby of Lipinsky Hall. All students, faculty and staff are encouraged to come out for this social gathering.

As a special feature of the get-together, members of several student groups will be singled out for recognition. Students to be honored include those chosen for the next edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities*, those being inducted into Phi Eta Sigma, the freshman honorary society; those who serve as ambassadors through the admissions department, and those who voluntarily assist with registration. Refreshments will be served.

Pisgah Players To Stage *Paradise Lost*

The Pisgah Players will stage David Hopes' adaptation of John Milton's epic poem, *Paradise Lost*, Dec. 5, 6 and 7 at Lipinsky Hall. Curtain time will be 8 p.m. Admission is \$5.

Animal-Rights Activists Picket Local Furrier

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The North Carolina Network for Animals, an animal rights group, protested the fur industry in front of Enman's Furriers on Battery Park Avenue Nov. 29, according to Kayla Rosko, UNCA student and Asheville's NCNA chapter coordinator.

Rosko said the Asheville protest was part of "Fur-Free Friday," an annual event in which animal-rights groups across the country protest the fur industry.

"Animal-rights groups have made tremendous progress against the fur industry over the past decade," Rosko said. "In fact, countless large fur stores have filed for bankruptcy."

However, Leann Enman of Enman's Furriers said, "The fur industry is suffering from many of the same downward trends in sales as other retailers are. Unless the animal extremist would like to take credit for the recession as a whole, I don't think they are causing any undue stress to furriers," Enman said.

Michael Rosko, also of NCNA, said, "If we let these types of businesses exploit animals, endanger animals and torture animals in the name of the dollar, we don't feel that we are good citizens."

The protesters said that the ladders and workers stationed outside of Enman's was a ploy on the part of the furrier to inhibit their march. "We just started some building reno-

vations," Enman said. "It just so happened that we contracted these gentlemen to work on the sign a while back and they contacted us when they had their first available day. It just happened to be Friday."

"It was unfortunate that the two clashed, but by the same token, I don't feel obligated to rearrange my schedule just because these people were having whatever it was they were having," Enman said. "At this point, it (protesting) is kind of passe. It is kind of a non-issue and not something I am all that concerned about."

K. Rosko said, "Many of the animals are trapped, shot, drowned, or stomped on for their furs. Ecologically there is less energy spent (making synthetic furs) than there is to actually process

animal pelts."

According to Enman, 75 percent of the fur they use is "U.S. bred, ranch-raised mink" and 90 percent of the fur farms in the U.S. are certified by the Fur Farm Animal Welfare Coalition.

"Some furs do come from trappers," Enman said. "Animals like the coyote need to be killed because they destroy sheep in the Midwest. Trapping is still a viable means of wildlife management."

In a news release put out by the NCNA, M. Rosko said that many of the animals on ranches die from electrocution or suffocation. "If Enman's wants to be in the fur business, let them make fake furs," M. Rosko said. "This (using animal pelts) is a form of barbarism."