

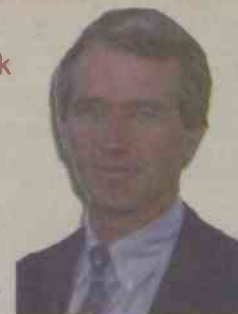
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Bowles, Dole in Senate race

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The Nov. 5 election will be a critical voting day because the Democratic and Republican parties will be fighting for control of the Senate. North Carolina is a very important state in determining this outcome.

Long term Senator Jesse Helms is retiring and there is an intense bid for his seat. Since January 1973, Helms has occupied one of the two seats in the U.S. Senate. Six other N.C. senators have served with him.

During the primary elections, Elizabeth Dole overwhelmingly captured the Republican nomination, winning about 80 percent of the vote. Many members of her party, such as President Bush and Helms have heavily endorsed her campaign. No stranger to politics, Dole is trying her hand again after having led a small campaign for presidency in the 2000 election. She has not held an elected office,



Bowles



Dole

but her government experiences include U.S. Secretary of Transportation (1981-83) and U.S. Secretary of Labor (1989-91).

She sites her priorities as economic growth, improvement of public education and affordable healthcare. She supports the voucher system stating "the federal government accounts for only 6 percent of the money in our schools, but 50 percent of the regulations." The only method of restoring greatness to the public school system occurs on the local level, Dole said.

She plans to stimulate North

Carolina's economy "by cutting taxes, reducing the burden of regulations on business and ensuring strict enforcement of our trade laws to support our manufacturing base," namely the textile industry.

Erskine Bowles won the Democratic primary with 44 percent of the vote. Despite the competition during the primaries, his opponents backed him immediately following his primary win. Former governor Jim Hunt has also endorsed him. Previously an investment banker, Bowles is a millionaire from Charlotte who was once a White House chief of staff under Bill Clinton, earning a salary of one dollar a year, according to his resume.

Despite his ties to the Clinton Administration, Bowles said he is not a politician. He instead said his motivation is from current events such as Sept 11. "This is no time for any American to be sitting on the sidelines," he said.

Bowles opposes school vouchers believing the money ought to be kept in the public school system. A new economic stimulus plan is among his issues, as well as spending money to protect our environment.

Concerning Iraq and other countries in the Middle East, Dole supports the efforts made by President Bush to ensure national security. Dole said, "America can achieve peace through strength."



Courtesy of Jessica Drysdale

Protestors reflect on war's past at the Vietnam Memorial.

Group protests in DC

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More than 250,000 people gathered in Washington D.C. Saturday to protest a potential war with Iraq. About 15 UNCW students attended the demonstration, which was one of many anti-war marches that have been held from Maine to Berlin.

The dissenters may be speaking out against government policies, but they are still allowed under the law to form peaceable gatherings to voice their grievances.

"As U.S. citizens, the protesters have all the rights and responsibilities that any U.S. citizen has;

they are using their right to assemble and the freedom of speech," said Mark Boren, visiting lecturer in the English Department and author of "Student Resistance: A History of the Unruly Subject."

Jessica Drysdale, a 21-year-old student at UNCW who attended the Washington demonstration, said freedom of speech is a right that everyone should exercise.

"This is a free country. It's sad that the opinion that we should not go to war is so sparsely spread," Drysdale said. The fact that there has not been a war in a long time seems to have lessened people's understanding of the magnitude of

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Where do Bowles and Dole stand?

ISSUES	DOLE	BOWLES
Health Care	Allow self-employed to deduct health costs	Invest in health care for rural residents
Environment	Focus spending resources to fight global warming	Pro Alternative Energy Sources Ban Drilling of US Coast
Welfare & Poverty	Allow churches to provide welfare services	Invest in training and childcare to support welfare reform
Education	*Supports CA Prop 187 to ban illegal aliens *Pro school prayer	Increase federal support

According to Issues 2002, Dole and Bowles can only be compared on a few issues as Bowles does not have a lengthy record of public service. Sean Haugh has no record of public service or any history to compare.

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