## Campus Drug Abuse Bothers Some

By Eric Davis

The problem of drug abuse is present on the campus of Winston-Salem State. However, it is not as prevelant as at other major universities.
The types of drugs commonly used among WSSU students are alcohol and marijuana. According to the head of security, James Lewis, "There is an occasion when I may find campus students smoking pot but it is not a frequent occurrence." Lewis says there have been no instances when he has encountered other substances, such as cocaine, or pills.
In talking with students on the campus, the subject was treated with varying attitudes. Many students say they don't use any type of intoxicants, but some have
tried them. About half of the students I interviewed use drugs to some extent.

The reasons students gave for using drugs ranged from a means of relaxation, and socializing to "the sheer pleasure", some feel they get out of it. Then there are the daily campus users who operate on a regular basis under the influence, consuming drugs and alcohol on a less controlled level.

A student who asked not to identified stated, "I smoke reefer everyday, I drink beer and liquor too. I can operate pretty normally when I'm high." This seemed to be a shared belief among others. Some students who are daily users agree with
this statement or feel they operate better under the influence. This idea cannot be applied to everyone who uses drugs.

And, there are the moderate users who limit their indulgence to after classes or weekends.
Not being able to operate effectively while on drugs and alcohol were reasons the moderate users gave for only using drugs after class or on weekends. One student stated that "a little marijuana puts me out of it so its no way I can go to class high.'

Finally there are the non-users. It seems that many of the non-users are often subjected to the inconvenience of drug consumption taking place around them.
number of students talked about the marijuana smoking in the dorms that bother them. Another person who will remain nameless said, "I don't like smoking dope, the drinking is O.K. but the smell of reefer i very annoying to me." Another statement made from this point of view was by an exuser. "I believe to each his own. I don't knock anyone for what they do as long as it doesn't infringe upon others. I don't feel we have a real problem on our campus because you will find drugs anywhere you go in life.


## Northstar Newsstand Opens In Student Union

By Phyllis Jeter

Have you ever gone to the library and had the urge to sit down, read and relax with one of your favorite magazines only to find out that someone had ripped it off?
Or have you ever wanted to find out the latest news and gossip of your hometown but found that the library does not even have the newspaper?
Well your worries are over, because the Student Government Association, in conjunction with J.B. Armstrong News Agency, will sponsor a student-owned and operated News Stand.

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Students will be able to purchase popular magazines, area newspapers, and just about every major publications.
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