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Symposium offers look at future

Workers thrive on bigger stake in firm's success

By RHONDA SHARPE

"Entrepreneur, as defined by Webster, is an organizer or promoter of activities, especially one that assumes risk in a business," said Mike Mozingo, corporate communication manager of Food Lion, Inc.

"It is our feeling that as many people as possible should have a stake in the business," he added, explaining Food Lion's view of how the business world should operate.

However, Mozingo said, "Top managers own less than one percent of company stock, nearly 50 chief executives of Fortune 500 businesses that receive salaries of over one million dollars don't own any stock, and that these executives have watched company profits decrease by 17 percent and jobs by 10 percent from 1981-85 without losing their jobs. So while their companies are not doing well, their personal reputation or bank accounts go unaffected."

Mozingo also spoke on what it took to be better than the next guy, the ability to serve the people, and what it takes to be a leader.

"To be 100 percent better than the next guy requires you to be one percent better in 100 areas," said Mozingo, who has a B.A. in journalism from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Mozingo has also attended classes at North Carolina Wesleyan, and worked in the Nash County School System and Burroughs before going to Food Lion.

While at Burroughs he observed the detailed paper work and channels of exchange that had to be passed through to get something accomplished. From this experience he realized two things: "As businesses become bigger and bigger, they become less able to react to the changes in the business environment and community; and government affects the ability of the business to serve the people."

For example, he said, large companies have levels and levels of managers and committees to pass improvements, deletion, etc. By

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MIKE MOZINGO



SALLY CRAVEN



DENNIS MAHAR

Women still unequal at job

By MELANIE BOLLING

"Is the status of women going to change by the year 2000?" Sally Craven, assistant professor of business, asked in her discussion on "Women in the Year 2000" during the Spring Symposium. According to Craven, the answer is yes.

Because value systems are changing and there will be emphasis upon different success symbols in the future than presently, men and women will be viewed more equally in the workplace in the year 2000, she said. However, equality in all areas still will not be achieved.

Craven made her remarks before a large and often vocal and boisterous audience which filled the room. The audience, many of them women, seemed genuinely sympathetic to the plight of women in the work force.

Currently, she said, many women are discriminated against

in the workplace because their attention is diverted to outside commitments, such as the home and family, and frequently these women must take breaks in their careers. Because of these outside interests, women seem less committed to their jobs than men.

However, by 2000, men will also be taking breaks in their careers to pursue the new success symbol of "free time, any time," which means having time to spend at home, time for leisure, and time to take care of personal needs, she said. This future success symbol is in contrast to the present success symbols of having a Swiss bank account or two or more vacation homes.

"We're in a time of change, but the change is slow," Craven said. "Things will be better in the year 2000, but there will be no total equality."

Despite numerous legislation in the past, such as the Equal Pay Act

and the Civil Rights Act of 1964 Title VII to prohibit discrimination against women, the discrimination still exists, Craven pointed out.

"With all of this legislation, women are still discriminated against, both overtly and covertly," she said.

Forexample, pay discrimination

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Mahar predicts world's growth double by 2050

By CURTIS MOORE

The 1987 Spring Symposium was headed by guest speaker, Dr. Dennis Mahar of the World Bank, on March 24.

Mahar, who received his Ph.D. from the University of Florida, presented his speech on population growth and economic development. Mahar said that the topic was very crucial to our society and that there are many views on the subject.

Mahar spoke of the recent population increase and decrease, as well as on birth and death rates. His estimates concluded with a two percent population growth annually. He also concluded that 40 percent of the population consists of people aged 13 and under.

Another estimate given by Mahar was that by the year 2050, the world's population will be doubled, compared to the current population estimates.

Though inaudible to some areas of the gym, Mahar gave a well-prepared speech on one of society's most talked about problems. However, acoustical problems caused a portion of his audience to fall prey to restlessness. In brief interviews with those who attended the 9:30 a.m. event, they said the speaker was in some instances inaudible.

Mark Morgan, a freshman commuter from Rocky Mount, said Wednesday's opening lecture was more audible than Tuesday's. He also said Wednesday's speech was more relevant to the current situation. Others complained that Ma-

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Presidential candidate to visit

Dr. Leslie H. Garner, Jr., assistant professor of business administration at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a candidate for President of North Carolina Wesleyan College, will be on campus next Tuesday.

Dr. Garner will address the college community at 11:30 a.m. in Gravelly 105. During his scheduled hour-long visit, the candidate will also field questions from the floor.