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Washington: A crowd of Labor union leaders and thousands of rank and file members estimated at 240,000 in number gather at the rally area in front of the U.S. Capital September 19 after marching from the Washington Monument. The union members came to protest Reagan's administration economic and social policies. (UPI photo by Jeanne Marklin)

Blue's resignation stirs student doubt

By Jackie Haire

James Blue, former dean of student affairs, has resigned and returned to the physical education staff. Many students have voiced concern that he was pressured. Some wonder if his resignation was preplanned.

According to The Campus Echo, Blue was placed on probation and charged with neglect of duty because he missed a financial aid meeting in Washington, D.C. The meeting was decisive to the NCCU financial aid program. A memo was sent to Blue but no specific date, time, or place was designated.

Ronald Burke, 20, a junior dramatic arts major from Babylon, N.Y., called the resignation "strange and surprising." He added, "There is more to it than just his wanting to teach again. I feel he was pressured."

Cynthia Jackson, 20, a junior public administration major from Nashville, says that she thought the resignation was "mysterious," and did not feel Dean Blue had as much support as he should have had. "The campus acted as if it was not such a big deal for a dean to resign," replied Jackson.

Mae Johnson, 20, a junior accounting major from Fuquay Varina, distraught after reading the story, said, "He was a good man. I never knew there was a conflict between Dean Blue and the chancellor. There has to be something else to it since he tried to resign before."

Sandra Newman, 22, a senior criminal justice major from Fayetteville, said, "The whole truth is not being told. There is more to it than what has been printed."

Wanda Nixon, 19, a sophomore mathematics major from Wilmington, was upset after hearing about the resignation during the summer and was even more upset after reading the news story in the Echo. "It was a bunch of bull! I'm sad that we're losing him. He was pressured and the blame was shifted on him. He was doing the best job he could and did not get any recognition. I'm sure that if he had really known about the meeting he would have been present. I only hope that Dean Blue knows that the students support him and that we do care," said Nixon.

By Donna Marie Lee

In the summer of 1982, health and nursing majors can expect to move into the new Health and Science building now under construction.

Construction began Feb. 21, 1980, according to George Thorne, vice chancellor for financial affairs. The approximate cost of the two story building is \$2.8 million.

The facility will provide classrooms, conference and seminar rooms, lecture rooms, laboratories, a learning resource center, and faculty offices for the two departments. It is located on the south side of Nelson Street, adjacent to the parking lot behind the student union. The architect, Robert Winston Carr of Durham, also designed the Shepard library addition and A.E. Elder student union.

Perhaps the most desirable aspect of the new building is that there will be considerably more space for the two departments. "In the Robinson building, there's no place for students to meet with instructors confidentially, and that's

very important," said Dr. Johnea Kelley, chairperson of the nursing department.

Betty Taylor, a junior and nursing major from Clemmons, said "Space is a major problem in the science building now. Our department shares the building with the math and physics departments. When the new building is finished, those departments, as well as ours, should have a lot more space."

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Black student leaders rally for black colleges

By Calvin L. Williams
and UPI staff reports

"We are here today to educate black students and people in the state of North Carolina to the economic, political, and social strategies that are used to undermine, circumvent, and destroy black colleges," said Curtis T. Massey, chairman of the N.C. Association of Black Student Governments and Student Government Association president at North Carolina Central University, during his speech Monday at Black College Day '81 in Raleigh.

An estimated 3,000 students from North Carolina's predominantly black colleges gathered at the capitol steps to show their support for black colleges.

Criticizing the recent consent decree because it depends on the "good faith" of UNC, Massey said, "I find it difficult to have any faith in UNC, much less good faith."

Massey said that black colleges have always educated people and asked the crowd if they were going to deny people in North Carolina a proper college education. The crowd roared "No."

Ben Ruffin, special assistant to Gov. Hunt and keynote speaker, said, "No other institution besides the church has given more to black people than black colleges.

"The fight to save black colleges won't be easy, but as long as we con-

tinue to fight, the struggle will go on, and black colleges will continue to prosper and grow," added Ruffin.

Stephen Kirk, SGA president at North Carolina A & T State University, said black students didn't want just some of the rights that UNC would give them.

"We're tired of voices telling us to be cool. We've been cool too long," said Kirk. "We want all rights and privileges afforded to our white counterparts. We won't wait 100 years. We won't wait 50 years. We won't wait a few weeks. We want them now."

Everette Johnson, SGA president at Fayetteville State University and vice-chairman for the N.C. Association of Black Student Governments, and Kirk both agreed that the march and rally should be held in Washington.

Johnson said, "A Washington message would have been stronger than the one we received in Raleigh. Now that our legislators know our plight, they will have to use more consideration in deciding where the monies allotted to the UNC system will go. Hopefully more of this will go to black colleges.

Kirk, who said on Sept. 4 that N.C. A & T State University might not participate on Sept. 28, said, "We still look at Black College Day from a national perspective. At A & T we knew we had to be unified in North Carolina, so we decided to participate in the march and rally."

Replaces Friday concert

Homecoming cabaret planned

By Winfred Cross

If you've heard a rumor that there's not going to be a homecoming show, it's not a rumor. Instead, NCCU will have a Homecoming Cabaret, according to Curtis Massey, NCCU SGA president.

So what is a homecoming cabaret?

"It will consist of a semi-formal disco and one live recording act in McDougald Gym," said Massey. "There will be tables set up with alcoholic beverages and we'll try to

present a nightclub atmosphere."

Massey said the reason for the switch from the regular concert format is because of the lack of available attractions.

"We had a lot of groups who would have been fine opening acts, but could not serve as the main attraction."

The groups that Massey contacted (Shalamar, Ashford and Simpson, Cameo, and the Gap Band) were either on tour on the West Coast, too expensive or not touring.

"In the past, students have complained about groups that have appeared on campus," said Massey. "I presented the facts to a student body meeting and the students voted not to have a show."

Massey also said student attendance at the concert in past years has been low.

"Each year, only about 10 percent of the student body support the concert. The rest come from the Durham community."

The homecoming cabaret will not

be as expensive as a regular concert. According to Massey, the money saved will go toward a spring show.

"This is not a guarantee that we will have a spring show," said Massey. "That will depend on the

price and availability of the groups."

According to Massey two other universities, Fayetteville State and A&T, will not have homecoming concerts.

Greek lecture and newspaper seminars highlight Mindpower week Oct. 3-11

An editor from a newspaper affiliated with the New York Times, a publisher of a black newspaper, and a member of the faculty just back from a summer in Greece and Italy will be speakers in the Department of English at North Carolina Central University during National Mindpower Week, October 3-11.

Sharon Scott, Family Section editor of The Lexington Dispatch (N.C.), will speak Wednesday, October 7, at 7:00 p.m. in room 310-311 of the Farrison-Newton Communications Building.

Ms. Scott is one of a few black editors in "mainstream" daily newspapers in North Carolina. She will speak on the moral and legal and rights and responsibilities of journalists, as well share her experiences in reporting, writing, and editing the news.

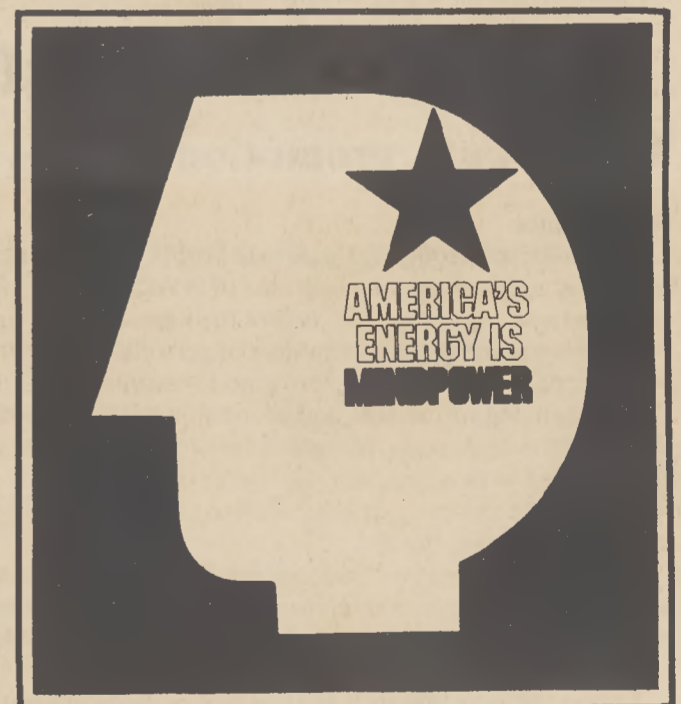
A native of Charleston, S.C., Ms. Scott has been with the Lexington paper for three years. She is a graduate of Tuskegee Institute

and received her M.A. in journalism from the University of Illinois at Urbana.

Mrs. Vivian Edmonds, publisher of the Carolina Times, will conduct a workshop, the first of a series, titled "The Working Press," on Thursday October 8, at 1 p.m. in room 310-311 of the Farrison-Newton Communications Building. Mrs. Edmonds will seek to supplement academic theory with marketplace practice in seminars in which she will speak to supplement academic theory with marketplace practice in seminars in which she will speak on the attitudes, skills tools and habits of the journalism trade.

Dr. Helene DiBona, associate professor in the department of English, will present an illustrated lecture, titled "The Greek Movement: A Cultural-Historical Viewing of Ancient Greece," on Tuesday, October 6, at

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New building to house health, nursing



Artist drawing of new Health and Science Building.