

a responsible job

Welch supervises gym facilities

by C.J. May

Have you ever walked into the gym on the night of a basketball game to see the side goals rolled up, the bleachers pulled out, and everything perfectly in order for the game to begin?

You might ask the questions: Who does this? Who is responsible for the work and leadership of such an orderly job? The answer to this question is Leo Welch, supervisor of physical education and athletic facilities.

Leo has been supervisor of facilities for nearly three years now and Athletic Director Alan White says he is pleased with the job Leo has done. "Leo is a very dependable and cooperative person," says White. "He gets along with people well and this is important in his job because he deals with many different people each day."

The gym is just a small part of Leo's responsibilities. He is in charge of the pool, the weightroom, all athletic vehicles, and he supervises some 30 to 35 student workers.

Although Leo's job re-

quires a lot of hard work he says he has no regrets for taking on the responsibilities. "Sure, things get hectic at times," says Welch. "There is always something going on and plenty of problems come up, but I don't have any regrets. If I had it to do all over I would take the job again."

When asked what his main problem is, Leo replied, "It's definitely keeping the students out of the back gym area when something is going in Alumni. They blame me for not being able to use the facili-

ties. We have a policy against using Jordan facilities while Alumni is in use. I can't help it; I'm just doing my job."

During the summer Leo refinishes the gym floors. This is a great help to the school and takes an extra burden off the athletic department's hands.

"Leo is an all-around good worker," says Dr. White. "It's hard to find someone who can do as much as he can. When he leaves he will be greatly missed."

Elon offers Riviera

Elon College will again sponsor a four-week program during August at the University of Nice on the French Riviera with the possibility of obtaining up to six credit hours.

Nice is known world-wide for its mild climate and Mediterranean setting and is situated close to Monte Carlo, Cannes and St. Tropez.

Other cultural centers such as Rome and Venice are also accessible.

The cost of the program, which includes air fare from New York, is \$930 for two weeks and \$1140 for four weeks. Spaces are limited. For further information, contact Dr. Mike Taylor, 584-9711, Ext. 417 or 584-8023 (home.)



Leo Welch, supervisor of physical education and athletic facilities, has a varied job. Photo by Avrette.

State and Local News

Edited by Chris Christopher

MILITARY ASSISTANCE: While denouncing Cuba and Russia for their complicity in El Salvador, the Reagan administration has announced that it is sending \$25 million in military aid and 20 additional advisers to that war-torn country. "The possibility of additional aid will depend largely on the willingness of Cuba and the U.S.S.R.... to continue to intervene illegally in the affairs of the member states of this hemisphere," Sec. of State Alexander Haig said last week. The addition of the 20 advisers brings the total number of American advisers there to 54.

DROPPING OF CLEAN AIR STANDARDS URGED: A major Congressional report released last week recommended that national deadlines for achieving anti-pollution standards be dropped from the nation's clean air law and that restrictions on industrial development in pollution-free areas be loosened considerably. The deadlines were "... ineffective and in some cases unrealistically harsh," the report said.

CETA JOB FREEZE: The Reagan Administration, aiming to cut 340,000 CETA jobs by next fall, last week clamped a freeze on further hirings in the program. A spokesman for the U.S. Conference of Mayors said Thursday that the freeze will "have city halls facing the prospect of laying off CETA workers, who are likely to seek unemployment compensations." He added "that cities don't have money for such jobless benefits," and that they will have to cut services in order to compensate.

ABORTION FUNDS: The N.C. Supreme Court upheld the state's legal right to fund voluntary abortions for the poor. The Court also ruled

that a fetus has no constitutional claim to be a "legal person." During the 1979-80 fiscal year, the state paid out nearly \$1.4 million for more than 6,300 abortions.

UNEMPLOYMENT LOW IN ALAMANCE: In January, the average jobless rate across the state was 7.3 percent, but employment was low in the Piedmont area with Orange County at 3.5 percent and Alamance County at 7.2 percent. Swain County, in western N.C. reported a 27 percent jobless rate while Dare Co., in the east showed that 20.2 percent were unemployed.

WALTER'S GONE: On Friday night, the anchorman of the CBS Evening News, Walter Cronkite, retired after anchoring the No. 1 rated evening news program for 19 years. In front of the estimated 48 million viewers watching his final newscast, he closed the newscast as usual by saying, "And that's the way it is..."

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News Briefs

The Religion Department is holding a drop-in coffee in Dr James Pace's office at 317 Mooney for all religion majors, minors and prospective majors and minors on Tuesday, March 17, from 9:20 to 10:10 a.m. This will be a time for informal conversation with members of the religion department and fellow students.

The deadline for applications for editors and managers of *The Pendulum*, *Colonnades*, *Phi Psi CII*, and *WSOE* has been extended to 5 p.m. Monday, March 16.

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