

OVERCROWDED POPULATION



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N. C. STATE STUDENTS UPSHORT FINANCIALLY

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North Carolina's college students are losing millions of dollars in financial aid because North Carolina college administrators aren't asking the federal government for it.

Walter Gale, head of the National Defense Education Act, loan program, in Washington, said in an interview this week "Many North Carolina colleges are not taking care of the needs of their kids - many of them aren't asking for nearly as much student aid as they could be getting from the federal government."

Gale said, there are several North Carolina colleges with enrollments of only a couple of thousand students - many of whom come from poor homes - which "ought to be asking for \$1 million aid a year, but are only requesting a quarter of that."

"This year, fewer than 20,000 of North Carolina's college students will receive aid under federal programs. That's not many," Gale said.

Other states have been asking for and receiving significantly larger amounts of aid than North Carolina, he said.

\$8.5 MILLION ASKED FOR IMPROVEMENTS

Requests for an \$8.5 million capital improvements were presented to the advisory Budget Commission this summer by F.S.U. administrators.

F. S. U. outlined the university's capital improvements and "B" Budget requests for the 1971 - 73 biennium to the commission.

The capital improvements request was required to provide the physical resources to meet the needs of the current student body and to meet the needs of accelerated expounded enrollment.

The request includes \$2.4 million for a new academic building, \$2.7 million for a new science building, \$1.7 million for a 450 student dormitory, and funds for renovation of the J. W. Seabrook Auditorium, the Mechanical (Municipal) Arts building and physical education facilities.

The budget includes \$89,000 for a new residence for the university president.

The requests are necessary to meet expansion needs, including five new degree programs and a minor program to take effect this fall.

In addition, degree programs in business administration and chemistry have been approved for the fall of 1971.

The State Board of Higher Education has approved a joint proposal by FSU and North Carolina State University to transfer administration of the N. C. State Ft. Bragg branch to FSU.

N. C. State will continue to support the program.

SLIGHT \$ RISE IN FSU TOTAL COST

1969-70 TOTALS,
BOARDING STUDENTS

INSTATE - \$976.00
OUT OF STATE - \$1,526.00
NON BOARDING
STUDENTS

INSTATE - \$307.00
OUT OF STATE - \$857.00

1970-71 TOTALS

INSTATE - \$1,111.00
OUT OF STATE - \$1,761.00

NON BOARDER
IN STATE - \$370.00
OUT OF STATE - \$1,020.00

DORM CONGESTION CRITICAL

At the peak of student arrivals for the first semester of the school year 1970-71, F.S.U. was girded with dormitory congestion.

Statistical student surveys indicate that there was a surplus of students for every dormitory. In minutely examining the situation it was found that the two dorms designated for freshmen women, Joyner and Harris Halls, and the two men's dorms, William and Vance Halls, were filled beyond capacity. In the remaining women's dorms, Smith, Bryant and Hood Halls, there were no overcrowding problems; however, all were filled to capacity either with arrivals or reservations.

The count was as follows: William Hall, with a capacity of 45, was housing 70 young men; Vance Hall, having a capacity of 254, made accommodations for 289 young men; Joyner Hall, having the original room occupancy for 96, made tight adjustments for 120 young ladies of which 14 were counselors; Harris Hall, with a capacity for 98 was in a pathetic predicament housing 145 freshmen and 12 counselors; Hood Hall, with rooming space for 72, had 66 arrivals and 6 reservations remaining; Smith Hall was full with 67 occupants; and Bryant Hall, which can provide comfortable lodging for 200, had 189 arrivals and 11 reservations remaining.

Joyner and Harris Halls had students sleeping in rooms designated for studies, television, recreation, and trunks. Harris had more than 20 students without rooms. In Joyner and Harris Halls, three beds were placed in the larger rooms. The third bed was usually a narrow army cot with a thin mattress.

As a result of this overcrowded condition, some students have returned home; others are seeking housing accommodations off-campus, and others are accepting the crowded circumstances.

The super influx of students at F.S.U. for the fall semester can be viewed in a number of ways. As the situation stands, several of F.S.U.'s freshmen are finding their first stay away from home slightly unpleasant in the crowded dormitories. It is evident that a larger percentage of young people are interested in furthering their education at F.S.U., and administrators have perceptible evidence that there is a need for the construction of at least one new dormitory.

Some type of action is supposedly being taken by authoritative administrators to solve the congestion problem. Students are hopefully looking forward to a change for the better in rooming conditions where clustering exists.

BELL RINGER

Future bright with dramatic change

PRESIDENT LYONS SAID HE BELIEVES F.S.U. IS IN THE PROCESS OF DRAMATIC CHANGE AND THAT THE UNIVERSITY'S FUTURE HAS NEVER BEEN BRIGHTER.

The chief administrator voiced this opinion in the initial faculty dinner meeting August 26. He cited 1969-70 F.S.U. accomplishments, called unrest a part of total national disorder, and said that the ensuing academic year will probably double the speed of last year.

DR. LYONS SAID DRAMATIC CHANGE IS INEVITABLE BECAUSE THE LAST LEGISLATURE HAS BROADENED THE SCHOOL'S PURPOSE AND THAT IT HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PROVIDING FOR THE NEEDS OF THE AREA, INCLUDING A GRADUATE PROGRAM.

He said in the face of change, the F.S.U. assemblage needs to be bold, daring - dare to be different - and willing to experiment.

BRIGHT FUTURE

F.S.U.'S SECOND - YEAR PREXY CALLED PROBLEMS FACING MORE SOCIOLOGICAL THAN ACADEMIC. THE TIMES CAUSE MORE QUESTIONS TO BE ASKED AND IT IS F.S.U.'S TASK TO PROVIDE RIGHT ANSWERS, SINCE WRONG ONES GREAT CONFUSION AND STRIFE.

He added that the university has greater educational assets than most people realize, and in future years, even greater assets and roads to brightness.

Among the 1969-70 curriculum accomplishments were: seven of eleven degree programs presented to the Board of Education with approval, the language laboratory is being updated, and plans for an early childhood education lab were formulated.

In other areas, an accreditation and "in depth" team visited the campus, the self-study was brought to its final stages, the university was apprised of its role in the N.C.S.U. Forth Bragg branch, and various academic programs including the inauguration took place.

The top executive called campus unrest a part of national disorder and mentioned as causes; dissatisfaction with government, loss of confidence in institutions, political synthesizing, a fear of repression and a questioning of the whole system.

RUN TWICE AS FAST

Dr. Lyons called for a renewed commitment to excellence in 1970-71. He said to advance F.S.U.'s promising intellectual enterprise, its faculty and administration would have to run at a speed twice as fast as last year's.

In the process, the desires in the minds of men will be the real issue; that it is necessary to take the position that when the going gets tough, the tough get going, for in the final analysis, it is not so much the money, the faculty or the administration, but their service to mankind. He added, "We mean business."



Dr. Richard L. Fields, new academic dean of the University, huddles with Head Librarian, Mrs. Nathalie Smith. The two make plans for the 1970-71 school year.