

# THE CAROLINA JOURNAL

Student Publication Of The University Of North Carolina At Charlotte

VOL 2

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 1967

NO. 26

## Students Honored

The annual Honor and Awards Convocation will be held today at 11:30 in the Parquet Room. Speaking will be Fred Weaver, the vice-president for University Relations.

The newly elected student body officers and Union officers will be installed in a ceremony at the convocation. They will take an oath to "preserve, protect, and abide by the Constitution of the Student Government."

President Tim Britton will administer the oath of office to John Gaither, our new president, as his last act in office.

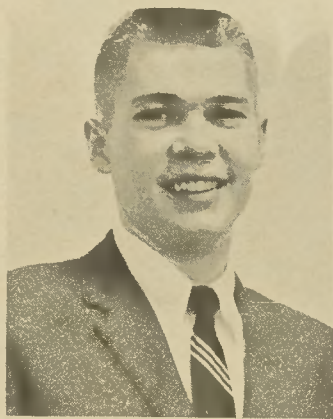
A number of award, including the Bonnie E. Cone Award to an outstanding freshman, The Chemistry, Mathematics, and Physics Awards to outstanding students in these subjects, and the James W. Grey Award to a scholastically outstanding athlete, will be given.

Two new Awards will be given this year in addition to the conventional ones. The Nursing Honors Scholarship will be "awarded to the student who has the highest cumulative quality point ratio at the end of the Sophomore year of all those students enrolled in the program leading to a B. S. degree with a major in Nursing."

The Student Government Award will be awarded annually by the Student Legislature to the student at UNC-C who has most exemplified the ideal of unselfish dedication to student government and the welfare of his fellow students during the current year.

Last year, ten awards were won by members of our student body. Dawn Fisher won the Chemistry award; Trenton Wilson, the Math Award; Van Bell, the Physics award; James Short, the James W. Grey award; Betty Ann Craig, the Charlotte Panhellenic award; Bill Billups, the Bonnie E. Cone Award; Shirley Carpenter and Doris Weddington, the Education Award; and Celia Meyer and Rosalie Shumate, the National Conference of Christians and Jew Awards.

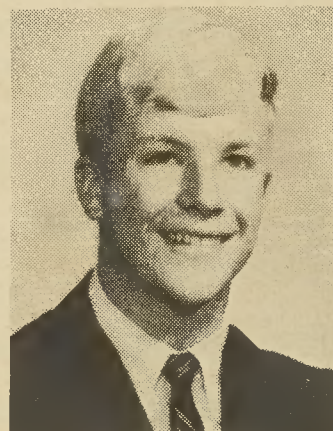
Also, students being selected for Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges will be recognized.



Larry Garner



Sam Scott



Phil Wilson

## Hospital Distributes Pill

With all the controversy about the pill going on, it is interesting to keep track on all the activities concerning birth control going on over the nation.

In this area, Scott Goodfellow, editor of the DAILY TAR HEEL, advocated campus distribution to unmarried coeds.

A recent story by the Associated Press related the story of a Baltimore hospital, and their use of the pill.

The hospital is currently providing pills to high school girls who are "sexually involved with a number of boys or the girl who is often intimate with her steady boy friend."

The story went on to tell, "The providing of pills is a part of a program at Sinai Hospital which offers treatment of adolescent problems from acne to and through pregnancy."

About 60 girls are on the program of using the pills, said Dr. Leon Gordis, pediatrician at Sinai.

The doctor explained, "Since the rate of teenage pregnancy is so high and the consequences are so tragic, the new service was added to the center."

The deputy health commissioner

for Baltimore, Dr. Matthew Tayback, said the unique program proposes to lessen the 'extremely large numbers of pregnancies and live births among girls 16 and under.'

Dr. Gordis added that the teenager is unprepared for motherhood. Because of this, accidental births are often tragic and sad events.

He continued by saying that sexually active girls may include others than promiscuous girls, since many girls go steady.

The girls in the program are from all parts of the city, and they get the pills only after counseling by a group and an individual, and only by parental consent.

Part of the number of participants are there because their parents are worried about pregnancy, while others are referred by physicians, nurses health agencies, venereal disease clinic, or the Maternity Care Center.

Gordis added, 'Essentially the experience of the adolescent center has shown that sexual activity is increasingly common and accepted among adolescents.'

Perhaps Scott will have his way if the trend toward the pill continues.

## Class Officers Elected, Garner, Scott In Runoff

BY ELLISON CLARY

Twenty positions on the new legislature were filled in student body elections last Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, and one position was left undecided. In addition, two students were elected to spots on the Publications Board.

In senior class elections, the race for president was left undecided. Larry Garner, an independent write-in candidate, polled the largest count with 48. Trailing Garner with 35 tallies was independent Sam Scott. Scott was followed by John Hostetter, who also ran independently and picked up 32 counts.

A runoff between Garner and Scott will be held this week to decide the winner.

In the senior vice presidential contest, Jimmy Price (UP) defeated Chuck Prendergast (Ind.) by 69 to 44.

For senior representatives, elected were Nick Stavrakas (Ind.)

with 84 votes; Lane Hurley (UP), 83; Sandra Brantley (UP), 74; Diane Hargett (UP), 71 and Vincent Batts (UP), 70.

Not elected were Nita Brown (SP), 69; and Betty Polson (Ind.) 50. It is quite possible that Brown will ask for a recount.

Phil Wilson (UP) ran unopposed for junior class president and was elected with 80 votes.

The junior class vice presidential contest was a wide open affair since it was completely write-in. Tommy Thomas led the 13 write-ins with 15 votes. Behind him was Betty Ann Guion, who had originally been nominated for the position but who had withdrawn because she planned to attend another school in the fall. She collected 10 tallies. Others getting more than one vote were Rodney Smith, 3; David Turner, 3; and Ray Thompson, 2.

Five ran for junior representative seats and all were elected.

Dean Prevette led with 79, followed by David Klutzz and Gerri Vest with 76 each, Mary Morgan, 75; and Dona Haynes, 69. Vest ran on the UP ticket; all others were independent.

In the sophomore class, Freddie Setzer (UP) bested Robert Wood (Ind.) by 107 to 46.

The vice presidential nod went to Carol Haywood, who defeated her UP opponent Homer Gaddis 86 to 62. Haywood ran independently.

Elected sophomore representatives were Steve Patterson, 140; Patsy Hansel, 123; Carol Morris, 122; Beth Schwartz, 120; and Patty Clayton, 117. All were UP candidates except for Morris who was an independent. Faithel Toney (UP) got 99 votes and was not elected.

Billy Baumgardner (Ind.) and Larry Keith (UP) were opposed for the two student posts on the Publications Board and both were elected. They received 262 and 285 votes respectively.

## Stem Loves Nature's Ocean, Doesn't Care For Politics

BY KAY WATSON

"I must be one of a few middle-aged Americans who still lives on the street on which I was born," Mr. Thad Stem, Jr. is an Oxford native who "works at writing as any other man might work at being a dentist, a plumber, or an actor." He speaks with an accent

that adds to the rustic quality of his appearance and somehow helps to belie the age in his small statue and crew cut.

His writing tends to be a combination of poetry and prose -- "the poetry to suggest and the prose to explain." While most of his poetry is acute observation,

there is usually an element of philosophical logic involved too.

Reading from the introduction to his book SPUR LINE, he explained that a spur line is a side-track from the main path, and he went on to say that though his poetry isn't "the main artery, it isn't off-beat."

From listening to his poetry and talking with him, it is easy to see that he loves Granville County and Oxford, North Carolina. And just as plain is the fact that he feels every emotion and every feeling that he writes about. What he writes about is real, and his feelings are just as true.

His writing encompasses everything from love to the ocean, "everybody's big brother," to LBJ. He satirizes love, saying that we only have one word for love where the Greeks had three. That is why we love everything from the "Baltimore Colts, to God, to truth, to chocolate sundaes."

Thad Stem is a true poet -- but "a poet without Laurel." He is like the ocean he describes in his poem, "Sea Scape," one who "doesn't give a decayed bit of driftwood for all of man's politics..."

Meeting Mr. Thad Stem was an experience; knowing him must be even a greater one. But from listening to his poetry, I felt like I came to know him, and it certainly was a pleasure.

Afterwards at lunch with Dr. Cone, Dr. Wallace, Mrs. Stem, LeGette Blythe, and Dr. Mason, Mr. Stem was quite at ease discussing North Carolina and its people. His love for his state, his friends, and his poetry was obvious through his quick wit and his flashing smile....

## Editor Change

Paul Boswell again is editor of the JOURNAL this week. Ellison Clary is still officially editor, however.



Thad Stem Reads From the introduction to his book, SPUR LINE. Photo by Journal Photographer, Frank Coley.