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Miss UNCC 1970 Cindy Teal (center) is flanked by her court (from left to right) Laura Jacobs, Dorothy Conley, Barbara Jean Smith, and Kit Ward at the Miss UNCC Dance Monday night, March 20.

## Teacher Evaluation System Among Retreat Discussions

By Donna Raley

How do you establish rapport among students, faculty and administration? A retreat held near Reidsville, N. C. this weekend aided in breaking the barriers and establishing effective communication.

Forty-six people were taken from a cross-section of departments and the student body by a Retreat Committee. Among the topics discussed were the alienation of teacher and student, teacher evaluation, freshman orientation, the University as an agent of social change, the improvement of the Carolina Journal, and graduate courses.

The conference was split into six small groups to concentrate on special points of concern.

Instead of the usual uninformative "hacking around", several conclusive steps of action will be taken:

The student is encouraged to take an active part in determining the curriculum of his major.

Steps in beautifying the campus will be taken by several sororities; landscaping of the dorms is to be done in the spring.

There will be a meeting Tuesday to decide if the shape of the lake should be changed.

Freshman orientation will become more effective. Opinions were that a more efficient orientation may do away with the apathetic student. Definite steps such as a pre-freshman newsletter and "big brothers" and "big sisters" were decided upon.

A teacher evaluation system is being devised for the fall to aid the students in selecting courses and to provide the professor with more insight into better

teaching.

There will be a revitalization of a student committee to provide the library with feedback from students.

Faculty members will have an opportunity to take an active part in the Counseling Center. There is a plan that will cover a three year period to acquaint the teachers with means of establishing communication with students.

The Carolina JOURNAL will be made a more effective instrument of communication possibly through journalism courses or seminars.

An Inter-Club council will be established to provide students with an important means of interaction.

Activities to bring faculty staff and students together on common ground were discussed. Suggestions such as picnics, curriculum planning and informal exchanges of ideas will be put into action. As one of the Administrators said, "We are a big team, and must take steps to complement each other."

The necessity for an Annual Workshop was sighted. Communications on campus will be improved by circulation of the "Green Sheet" an administration paper, specific bulletin boards and a large bill board announcing University activities.

The positive attitude of the conference was summed up by Miss Nugent, "If it's able to be thought about, it can be done if we want it done badly enough."

If you wish to participate in any of these activities, contact the JOURNAL staff in B-4, for the name of the involved person to speak to.

## Clay: No More 'Moving On'

Citing "outdated philosophic ideas" and "materialism" on the part of a majority of Americans as the core from which most environmental problems stem, Dr. James Clay addressed a small group of students and faculty on March 5 on the "Move on Environment". The meeting and Dr. Clay's address were a preliminary to the "Teach-In" on environmental problems to be held at UNCC and on high school and college campuses nation-wide on April 22.

"Materialism and outdated ideas" said Dr. Clay, have led to uncontrolled air

pollution, water pollution, sound pollution, resource depletion, population increases and military adventurism.

Americans have always been able to "move on" when the area in which they were living became too crowded or ceased to be productive. Dr. Clay, however, asserted that this "out" was no longer open to Americans.

The "Teach-In" to be held here on April 22 is only one of six hundred taking place the same day all over the U.S. Speakers and times for the UNCC Teach-In will be announced soon.

## Veep Hickock Cites Major Legislation

By Joe McCorkle

This year's Student Legislature has received more attention than have those of past years. The increased attention is the result of the Legislature's extension into areas such as the Viet Nam War and the Moratorium. Just recently, it donated \$100 to the Dave Blevins Legal Defense Fund, only to call a special meeting and change its mind.

The notoriety of these few actions has tended to divert attention from other legislative activity. The following is an interview with Alan Hickok, Chairman of the Student Legislature. It reviews all of the Legislature's activities of this year instead of focusing on the more controversial resolutions.

Hickok is a 20-year-old-Junior majoring in math and has previously served as Freshman Representative and Sophomore Class Vice-President.

JOURNAL: In your opinion, what should be the main objective of the Legislature?

HICKOK: It should serve the needs of the students, seek-out the needs of the students, and it should see what's wrong and make changes.

JOURNAL: Should there be any limits to the Legislature's activity?

HICKOK: Well...They should be involved in any legislative act that would be of benefit to the students.

JOURNAL: Any comments on the Viet Nam de-escalation resolution that was adopted by the Legislature?

HICKOK: The Legislature felt at that time that they were representing the decisions of the resolution. As to whether they really were or not is an unsolved question.

## Poet Dana On Campus Thursday

Poet Robert Dana will read several of his works on Thursday at 8:00 P.M.

Mr. Dana is widely known in poetry circles outside the South, but this will be one of his first appearances in this area.

He has published four books of poetry, the latest one being "Some Versions of Silence."

Among the magazines his poetry has appeared in are, "The Paris Review," "The Sewanee River Review," "The Prairie Schooner," "The New Yorker," "The North American Review," "Poetry" and the "Nation."

The poet is a native of Massachusetts and holds degrees from Drake University and the University of Iowa.

He has taught at Cornell College in Iowa since 1954 where he was editor of "The Hillside Press" and later revived and edited "The North American Review."

The reading, sponsored by the UNCC English Department, is open to the public.



Hickock

JOURNAL: The Viet Nam resolution was an interesting one but what about the legislation that doesn't get on T.V.? Could you list some of the more important legislation?

HICKOK: It's hard to rank them as to importance, but I feel the major pieces of legislation have been the amendment of the Judicial Act establishing dorm courts, an amendment allowing the publication of Student Court records after a trial, and another Judicial bill allowing the right to discuss trial proceedings in public. I also feel the new Cheerleader's Constitution is significant.

JOURNAL: Why is it significant?

HICKOK: Because this constitution provides for the election of cheerleaders by a panel of judges from four different area colleges in addition to UNCC. This will afford the opportunity for Black representation in the election of the cheerleaders.

JOURNAL: Are there any other Legislative actions which merit comment?

HICKOK: Yes. One area in which the Legislature should concern itself is dorm life. Very important steps have been taken in this direction by a special committee of the Legislature which has looked into the possibility of erecting basketball courts and this should occur within a few weeks.

Another area is course evaluation. I'm disappointed that a system could not be in operation by this semester, but enough ground work and research has been made so that, with proper leadership, a system should be in operation by next fall.

JOURNAL: How will a course evaluation system help the individual student?

HICKOK: He will be able to obtain information and criticisms concerning courses, professors, and textbooks which may be of interest to him.

JOURNAL: In terms of legislation passed, how would you compare this Legislature to last year's?

HICKOK: With the advent of dorm life, it became necessary to enact new rules for the general

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