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# The Carolina Journal

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## Campus Beer, Wine Sales Endorsed

By Chip Wilson  
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Beer, wine and malt beverages will be sold on the UNCC campus, if the Student Legislature, along with other groups, convinces the North Carolina General Assembly to change the law prohibiting sale of alcoholic beverages at state universities.

Laurah Van Poole, campus affairs committee chairperson, introduced the resolution based on a similar proposition by the North Carolina Student Legislature.

"If we pass this resolution it does not mean that we will instantly have the sale of beer and wine on this campus," Van Poole told the legislators. "The General Assembly would have to pass the law, then the Board of Trustees at each individual university would decide whether or not to distribute the beverages."

The cover letter for the proposal

referred to the death of seven students at Western Carolina University who were killed in automobile accidents while they were away from campus.

Student Body President Ron Olsen, who asked for removal of the restriction before the state Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, said the sale of beer and wine on campus would preclude the possibility of students leaving campus and becoming potential drunk drivers.

William Faquin, Arts and Sciences representative, disagreed. "The whole resolution is based on the idea that on-campus alcohol sales will reduce deaths. That is totally absurd. Western Carolina is located in a dry county, so students would have had to leave anyway. In wet counties, beer and wine are already there for

students to obtain.

"At campuses where many students commute, you could increase the drunk driving problem when they could be going to campus, drinking too much and drive home under the influence," Faquin said.

The representative for undeclared majors, Baker Smith, voiced his fear that on-campus sale of beer, wine and malt beverages would encourage students to consume more alcohol.

"We are an academic campus, concerned with giving people an education. We don't need to encourage students to drink" Smith said. "On-campus beer sales will heighten the possibility of students going into class drunk."

Kim Fortanbury, sophomore class president, responded to the claim that on-campus sales would encourage al-

cohol use. "Students will not decide to drink, just because we have it for sale on campus. We would only be offering them the chance to do it here, instead of driving somewhere else to get it. It would be their alternative."

The resolution was passed by a roll-call vote.

Also at Tuesday's meeting, the Black Student Union asked the legislature to initiate an investigation into the editorial practices of the *Carolina Journal*.

In a statement to the legislators, Kemp expressed his anger over alleged distortion of news coverage, especially that which affected his constituency, the BSU. Kemp would not comment on his charges.

Legislature chair Barry Brown referred the investigation to the Campus Affairs committee.

## Legislators Honor Lennon

The following is a resolution passed by the Student Legislature. It was proposed by Com-muter Representative Mike Derby.

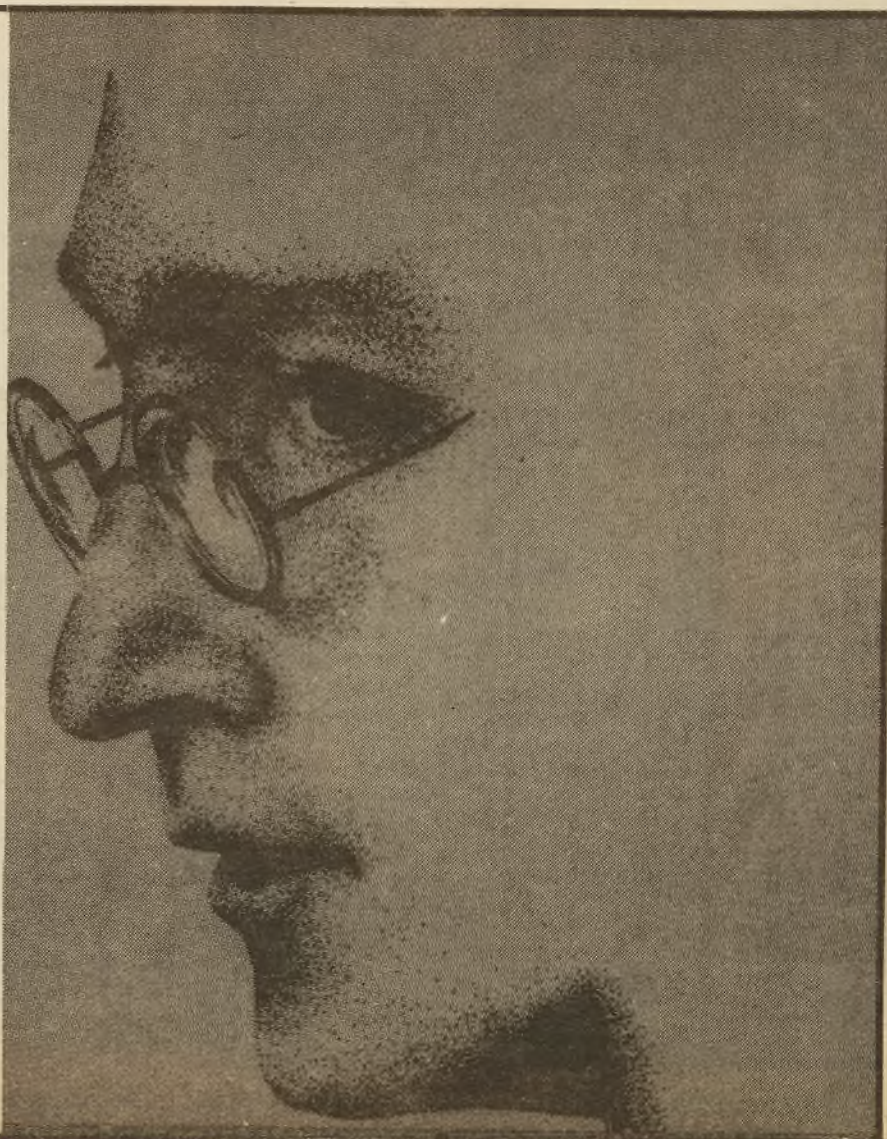
"Few people have captured the hearts and minds of American youth quite the way John did. We loved his music, we idolized him and forgave his faults.

"John Lennon, with a little help from his friends, changed the way we view the world, listen to music and judge our

numerous pop stars. He and the Beatles set the standard for everything musical that has been recorded since "Meet the Beatles" first captured our imaginations 17 years ago.

"Though we may still play his records and watch his movies, no one will ever fill the void created by John's untimely death. No one can heal the emptiness millions feel at his loss.

"May his place in heaven be secured."



## Math Professor 32, Dies

By Teresa Skipper  
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Lynn Pearce, 32, an assistant math professor, was found dead last Saturday morning.

Pearce was to host a brunch on Saturday morning. When her guests began to arrive Pearce's mother also came, worried because her daughter hadn't answered her phone all morning. A back window was finally broken out, and Pearce was found dead in her bedroom.

Pearce became a member of the UNCC math department in 1977. She specialized in statistics.

The cause of death was not known as of this writing, however, foul play was not suspected.