

Proposed Class Attendance Policy Fails To Go Through; Committee Says Provision On Quality Point Deduction Academically Unsound, Cites Dissatisfaction Of System

By CLARKE JONES

The recently-proposed class cut attendance policy passed by the student Legislature yesterday failed to go through. A special faculty committee, appointed by the Faculty Council to study the bill, recommended to the Council that the measure not be passed.

The committee, in stating its reason for not recommending passage of the policy, said "the use of quality point deductions as penalties for excessive absences" is "... academically unsound."

The policy as passed by the student Legislature called for unlimited cuts for juniors and seniors with a loss of one quality point per cut for unexcused absences two days before and after regular holidays.

Instructors, however, had the right to drop students from class for excessive cuts which would harm the class or the student himself.

Freshmen and sophomores, under the bill, would still have been under the present rule of three unexcused absences.

They could overcut, however, with the loss of one quality point per cut. They also would have been subject to the before and after holidays provision.

The measure was not hopelessly defeated, however. The committee, headed by Dr. Hugh Holman of the English Dept., stated that it believed there was fairly widespread faculty and student dissatisfaction with the present system and a serious lack of uniformity in its enforcement.

The committee also recommended that the Council appoint another committee to examine the present policy and to recommend "such changes as seem to it desirable."

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"The committee wishes to commend the seriousness, good faith, good will, and intelligent cooperation of the student leaders who met with it.

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"However, the committee's examination of our present attendance policy and practice leads it to believe that there is fairly widespread faculty and student dissatisfaction with the present system and a serious lack of uniformity in its enforcement. The committee, therefore, recommends that the Faculty Council authorize its Chairman to appoint a committee charged with the duty of examining our present attendance policies and practices and of recommending such changes as seem to it desirable."

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Old Advice Still Proposed - - Lyons

Observations of Michel de Montaigne, one of the great French writers, are as applicable today as they were in the last quarter of the sixteenth century, Dr. J. Cori of the University of Carolina Romance Language Department said Wednesday in the Humanities Division's lecture.

UNC Band Concert Is Tomorrow

The UNC Concert Band will hold a Davie Poplar lawn concert tomorrow afternoon as the first in a series of May concerts sponsored by the Music Dept.

Tomorrow's concert will follow a speech by Chancellor House at 4:30 p.m. to students and visiting parents.

The UNC Symphony Orchestra, with soloists Edgar and Dorothy Alden, will play in Hill Hall next Tuesday. Other concerts will be given by students in the Music Dept.

James Chamblee, baritone of the class of Joel Carter, will perform in a junior recital next Thursday.

Miss Nancy Eversman, piano student of the class of William S. Newman, will give her senior recital Sunday, May 13.

Sandy Peake, pianist from the class of Jan Schinhan, will give his senior recital Friday, May 18. Students from the preparatory Music Dept. will perform in Hill Hall Saturday afternoon, May 19.

The final concert of the season will be the annual commencement program, given by the combined choruses and the UNC Orchestra on June 3.

LaGrange; and Herman Godwin, freshman from Dunn.



Miss Libby McDowell Chosen Miss Chapel Hill

Miss Libby McDowell, a senior who lives in Wake Forest, is shown above, center, after she won the Miss Chapel Hill contest Thursday night at the local high school auditorium. Miss Shirley Carpenter, left, a junior from Oakboro, was third in the contest, while Miss Doris Adkins, right, junior from Richmond, Va., finished second and was also awarded the "Miss Congeniality" cup. (Truman Moore Photo.)

McDowell, Minister's Daughter, "Very Surprised" To Win Contest

By PEG HUMPHREY
How does a minister feel when his daughter wins a beauty contest? "Well!" was his major comment, but Miss Libby McDowell who Thursday night was named Miss Chapel Hill in the annual beauty pageant, states that her father's face better expressed his happiness and pride.

"I think it is just wonderful," laughed Miss McDowell and added that she was "very surprised." She has previously been a candidate for the Yack Beauty Court, Blue-White Queen, Duke Parade Queen, and Maid of Cotton. "I haven't ever won any contests before, though," she stated.

Chi Psi fraternity sponsored Miss McDowell. According to Tom Johnson, they felt that she had all the winning qualities of character, talent, personality, beauty, and culture. "She is a great favorite of the fraternity," added Johnson.

For her talent presentation, Miss McDowell sang "One Fine Day" from the opera "Madam Butterfly." She plans to use her \$200 scholarship to do graduate study in music and has indefinite plans for a singing career, preferring classical music to popular.

The judges asked each contestant how they thought they would most benefit if they were named Miss Chapel Hill and what qualities they felt a girl should have to be chosen Miss America.

In answer to the first, Miss McDowell said she felt one "interested in entertaining in public always

benefits from public appearances." It is also good in developing poise," she added.

Character, talent, poise, dignity, and beauty were the qualities she cited as necessary for a Miss America.

Before coming to the University she attended Furman where she was the yearbook beauty, a member of the May Court, and an ROTC sponsor.

A senior major in English, Miss McDowell lives in Wake Forest, where her father is a teacher at the Southeastern Theological Seminary.

She will go to Morehead City on July 26, to compete with other North Carolina contestants for the title of Miss North Carolina. She is appearing as the honored guest at the Miss Durham contest to be held on May 18, and will appear on WTVN.

ADKINS SECOND
Miss Doris Adkins, a junior from Richmond, Virginia, placed second in the contest and also received the title of Miss Congeniality.

Gray Award To Be Given On Thursday

The third annual Jane Craig Gray award will be presented Thursday by Kappa Delta sorority to the junior girl in the University who is considered most outstanding in character, leadership, and scholarship.

She will be selected by Miss Isabel McLeod, acting Dean of Women, Ray Jefferies, assistant to the Dean of Students, Ernest Mackie, Dean of Student Awards, Don Fowler, former student body president, Joan Purser, former chairman of the Women's Honor Council, and Sarah Alice Jackson, former chairman of the Women's Orientation Committee.

The award will be made in the Morehead Planetarium.



Mixup: Fraternity house receiving delivery of Orange County News instead of The Daily Tar Heel. Some print shop prints both papers.

University Gets \$6,200 For Research

The University has received a grant of \$6,200 from the American Cancer Society for the support of research on the relationships of nucleic acids and proteins to cancer, under the direction of Dr. J. Logan Irvin and Elinor Moore Irvin and the Dept. of Biochemistry.

This project is concerned with a study of the formation of various proteins and nucleic acids in normal and cancerous cells of experimental animals. Since proteins and nucleic acids are known to be involved in the growth and multiplication of cells, this research will attempt to determine whether the uncontrolled growth of cancer cells is related to an abnormal rate of formation of certain special proteins and nucleic acids.

The Irvins will be assisted in this work by Mrs. Dorothy D. Schottelius and David J. Holbrook.

Either Webb Or Willis To Head Alumni

James Webb of Greensboro or Meade H. Willis Jr. of Winston-Salem will head the Carolina Alumni Assn. during its 1956-57 year.

Webb, Class of '26, and Willis, class of '31, were nominated by the nominating committee at the annual Alumni Assembly meeting in Chapel Hill Tuesday. Ballots will be mailed to members of the association within the next month.

The runner-up in the presidential race will serve as first vice president.

For second vice-president Harry Montgomery, '36, Florence, S. C., and P. W. (Watt) Miles, '38, of Danville, Va., were nominated.

For directors: C. Coleman Cates, Jr., '30, Burlington; Frank M. Parker, '34, Asheville; Reed Sarratt, '37, Winston-Salem; and Dr. James E. Davis, '40, Durham, were nominated. Two will be elected.

Exum To Speak To Orientation Counselors

Jim Exum, Chairman of the Men's Honor Council, will speak to the Men's Orientation counselors at their meeting in Gerrard Hall Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Bill McLean, chairman of Men's Orientation Committee, said all students who will assist in foreign student orientation should attend the meeting also.

Exum's subject will be the "Honor System and Judiciary. Changes in the Student Constitution."

The program will also include a short quiz on the Orientation Manual.

The meeting will be broken up into discussion groups led by members of the Orientation Committee. These members include John Brooks, Jeep Myatt, Sonny Evans, John Kerr, Mebane Pritchett, Exum, Jim Martin, Pat Hunter, Jim Kinzey and Luther Hodges.

This will be the last meeting of counselors before next fall. McLean said all counselors who were unable to attend the previous meeting and do not have a manual may obtain one by going by the Student Government office in Graham Memorial.

Math Offered This Summer

Deficiencies in plane geometry can be removed in either session of summer school, the Admissions Office announced yesterday.

The office said there were 25 or 30 students who will be ineligible to return to school next year unless they have removed their geometry deficiency.

The course will also be open to any high school graduates who have a deficiency. No credit toward graduation is given for the course, as it is offered only to make up for the deficiency in Math that some students lacked upon entering the University.

For some time previous, night classes during the regular school term have been required to remove the deficiency.

IN THE INFIRMARY

Students in the infirmary yesterday included:

Miss Ann Fullton, Mrs. Mary Moore, Miss Ruth B. Thomas, Mrs. Virginia Maynard, Herbert J. Greenblatt, Marvin Brody, Christopher M. Douthy, William H. Baddley, George L. Taber, Thomas M. Bolkan, Frank W. Williams Jr., Louis S. Crye, Paul M. Leder, James M. Prevo, Bretts T. Summey, James R. Pritchett, Donald W. Warren, Henry T. Carpenter, James M. Millican, Donald C. Starling, Chester C. Davis and Alan L. Sternberg.

Fouse To Be Featured In Petite Musicales

Mrs. Martha Fouse, soprano, will be the featured artist in the Petite Musicales here tomorrow.

The concert, which will be the seventh in the Graham Memorial Activities Board Sunday night series, will begin at 8 p.m. in the main lounge of Graham Memorial.

Included on the program will be art songs in French, German and English, an aria from Boito's "Mefistofele," and "The Nursery," a suite by Mussorgsky.

Chancellor Runs Into Side Of Baseball Coach's Car

A wreck involving Chancellor R. B. House and Baseball Coach Bunn Hearn occurred early yesterday morning when the Chancellor's Old State Buick struck the coach's late model Cadillac, which was parked in the E. Franklin St. business district.

According to the patrolman who witnessed the accident, damage to the Buick was estimated to be about \$25 to \$30. Hearn said his car was not damaged.

House was driving west on Franklin at the time he struck the car in which Hearn was sitting. Hearn said he didn't even get out of his car at the time of the accident.

House commented that "evidently I was just a little too close." He wasn't given a ticket.

Special Issue

A special issue of The Daily Tar Heel will be published tomorrow for the observance of Parents' Day. This special issue will carry several articles that should be of interest to visiting parents.