

SDS Meeting
There will be a meeting tonight at 6:30 the Student Union members of the local attended the National Council meeting in New H. will report.

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Room Rent Due

Room rent for spring semester is due Jan. 15, 1970. James Wadsworth, Director of Housing, requests students changing rooms to do so soon after exams so others can move in.

Cansler Interprets Program Policies

'RAs Represent Administration'

By BILL MILLER
DTH Staff Writer

There have been no changes in the policy or the function of the residence advisor (RA) program, Dean of Men James O. Cansler indicated Thursday. Despite the inherent problems of an advisor also being a disciplinarian, Cansler reported, it has been this way since the start of the RA program.

"Any RA would have been told at this time last year or any year since we started the program that he had to be both an advisor and a representative

of the administration," Cansler said.

"Whenever an infraction of a rule occurs, and an RA has knowledge of it, he cannot act as though it did not happen." The Dean of Men indicated he felt the program had functioned well on this basis.

"There are a lot of advisors who overcome the problems and perform both functions well," he said. He declined to indicate what percentage of the RA's this included.

The question of recent changes in the function of an RA arose when it was revealed Monday that a James dorm RA

had been fired for failing to enforce the visitation policy in Project Hinton.

The fired RA, John Daughtry, said Associate Dean of Men Fred Schroeder indicated to him Cansler had recently changed the advisory role of an RA to include being a disciplinarian. He said he refused to be both.

"The primary concern for life in residence halls ought to rest with student government," Cansler said.

"But the question is raised, what happens when agents of the government in residence halls who are charged with

enforcing rules and regulations fail to perform their jobs."

"For example," he continued, "one of the direct functions of senators is to serve as MRC (Men's Residence Council) representatives. They are to be the disciplinarians."

Cansler explained that if every senator would assume this responsibility, RA's would be free to concentrate on advisory functions.

When asked how successful a program with advisors also serving as disciplinarians was, the Dean of Men responded, "At best, these two roles are not complementary. They

actually militate against one another.

"It can be done, with difficulty, by a certain type of person who will try."

Cansler said it was obvious that what kind of work one does determines the kind of problems people bring to him. "Before assuming this job, he continued, "I did right much counseling of people."

He indicated since assuming this disciplinary role as Dean of Men, the number had been reduced. Cansler formerly served as chaplain of the Baptist Student Center here.

"A man who reports a student for throwing furniture off the tenth story of James or Morrison," he added, "will have no trouble being trusted by a student with girl problems."

Cansler indicated he was open to suggestions from any facet of the academic community who had them on how the situation of an RA might be improved. Discussing the theory of Student Body President Alan Albright of placing two different employees into a residence hall to assume the roles of advisor and disciplinarian, Cansler said, "it is certainly possible to do this, but it would also create some other problems."

"If a person was put into a residence hall to assume the sole function of advisor, he would have to be specialized in this capacity. Now, there is a broad spectrum of job requirements for an RA, but to narrow it down from a multitude of jobs to merely the job of advising requires some specialization."

Concluding the discussion, the Dean of Men said there was never any function or job that he felt could not be improved upon. He indicated there would be changes made in the job of residence advisor, but he could not disclose them at this time.

"I am very much committed to the problem of providing people in residence halls concerned with being of assistance to persons on his floor who are subjected to human problems that beset us all."

Advertising Not Collected

DTH Reported \$8500 In Red

By MIKE PARNELL
DTH Staff Writer

Bob Wilson, newly appointed business manager of the Daily Tar Heel, disclosed Wednesday that the paper is \$8500 in debt and will have to "tighten its belt" to make up the deficit.

Wilson made the remarks at a meeting of the Student Legislature committee studying use of student funds to support the paper. The committee held an open meeting Wednesday night to allow students to question members of the DTH and its opponents. The paper has come under criticism this year for its alleged liberal philosophy and business mismanagement. Opponents also question the right of the University to force them to pay for the paper in their student fees.

The committee, chaired by Bill Blue, will make its report to Student Legislature on Feb.

5. The committee will report either to retain the present method of funding or to handle funding in another way. Student Legislature will then vote on the proposals.

The meeting opened with the questioning of Todd Cohen, DTH editor. Cohen agreed with the nine persons whose letter to the Board of Trustees advocating abolition of student funds resulted in the committee hearings, saying "the paper should be independent of the University and students should not be required to pay for it." Cohen proposed a corporation to run a daily paper, serving not only the University but the community of Chapel Hill. He said that many other major college newspapers have become independent and called for "a study to begin immediately" to effect his proposal.

Bob Wilson, who took over the position of business

manager after Christmas, was then questioned by the audience of 20 people. Wilson told them the DTH had an annual budget of \$110,500, of which \$35,750 comes from students and the rest from advertising. He said 13,000 copies of the DTH are distributed Tuesday through Saturday and 10,000 copies on Sunday. The average length of the paper is six pages daily but, according to Wilson, "unless we can make a miraculous financial comeback, after semester break there will be a succession of four-page papers."

Wilson plans to reanalyze the entire structure of the business department. He said advertising had fallen off and many advertisers had not paid their bills for several months. Wilson said this was not entirely the advertisers fault for many of them have never received a bill from the DTH. Wilson, who was appointed by the Publications Board, disagreed with Cohen saying "an independent paper wouldn't work because it is economically unfeasible."

Guil Waddell, student body treasurer and a member of the Publications Board, then explained the powers of the Board over the DTH. He said

the Board has the power "to fire anyone on the DTH staff except the editor." He admitted the Board was partially at fault about the business problems of the DTH because it "has not put its foot down." Waddell said the DTH "would fall flat on its face if it went independent" and expressed hope the Chancellor's committee studying the problem could "work out a compromise method" of funding.

The final witness was Harvey Harkness, a representative of the nine persons who objected to the Board of Trustees. Harkness said "no person should be compelled to buy a newspaper that they don't want." Harkness said the DTH was chosen for attack because of a "legal reason." He termed the DTH a "state creature" which has supported candidates for office in the past, which is illegal for any state agency.

Harkness said his main objection was "an ethical one." He felt his "minority rights" were being infringed upon. Harkness admitted the price for the paper for a student was minuscule (less than \$2.00 per year per student) but he felt it would be fairer to sell the paper by subscription and let those who want it buy it.

March For Mercy Led By Abernathy

RALEIGH (UPI)—Dr. Ralph Abernathy, wrapped in a patchwork quilt against the cold, led a march on the state capitol Thursday asking mercy for an 18-year-old Negro girl sentenced to death.

Abernathy called on Gov. Bob Scott to commute the death sentence of Marie Hill, who was convicted of beating to death a white grocer.

"If the life of James Earl Ray can be spared," Abernathy told a rally of about 700, "Then I say to you that the life of Marie Hill can be spared."

Abernathy referred to the assassin of Dr. Martin Luther

King. Abernathy succeeded king as head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

The governor's office said Scott was out of town on personal business. An aide, David Murray, received Abernathy and a small delegation.

"I feel this young lady should be given a chance to live," Abernathy said.

Murray thanked him and presented him with a copy of Scott's earlier statement that the matter was not in his hands until all other legal appeals were exhausted. Scott has expressed his personal opposition to the death penalty.

Murray also gave Abernathy a copy of a handwritten letter Miss Hill wrote thanking Scott for allowing her to attend her mother's funeral recently.

At a rally prior to the march, Abernathy said the death penalty has been used in a "systematic, calculated design of genocide against blacks in the United States."

Abernathy arrived by commercial flight from Washington where he joined with two dozen congressmen urging the nation's mayors to launch a movement to make King's birthday, Jan. 15, a national holiday.

He said the first observance next week will include non-violent demonstrations in conjunction with the National War Moratorium Committee.

Abernathy said there is a rumor "Black people are divided. This demonstration proves that we may differ on tactics, ideology and strategy, but we're all together... in dealing with Mr. Charlie."

On the march from the auditorium to the capitol, Abernathy wrapped a quilt around his lightweight suit for warmth in the 18 degree weather. The marchers chanted "Black, Black power to black, black people" and brandished clinched fists.



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Practicing for the high hurdles on a Thursday afternoon

2 More GIs Charged In My Lai Deaths

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Army Thursday charged two more soldiers with premeditated murder in connection with an alleged massacre of South Vietnamese civilians at My Lai. One was also charged with rape and the other with "indecent assault on a female."

The new charges brought to four the number of men formerly accused of crimes during a U.S. sweep through the hamlet in search of Viet

Cong March 16, 1968.

Charged Thursday were: Pvt. Gerald A. Smith, 22, of Chicago, now stationed at Ft. Riley, Kan., accused of premeditated murder, and indecent assault on a Vietnamese female.

Sgt. Charles E. Hutton, 21, of Tullahoma, La., now serving at Ft. Lewis, Wash., accused of premeditated murder, rape and assault with intent to commit murder.

Earlier, 1st Lt. William Calle

Jr., Ft. Benning, Ga., was charged with premeditated murder of at least 609 persons and S. Sgt. David Mitchell, Ft. Hood, Tex., was charged with assault with intent to murder 33 persons.

The six offenses charged against Smith and Hutton were the first such charges to be made in the Army's investigation of the reported slaughter of men, women and children.



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Cold Noses Were Common

War Casualties Hit 3-Year Low

SAIGON (UPI)—The U.S. casualty rate dropped to a three-year low last week, American Headquarters reported Thursday, but the toll of 65 GIs killed sent the total in more than nine years of Vietnam fighting over the 40,000 mark.

At least 30 more U.S. troops have been reported killed this week in a resurgence of action in South Vietnam's northern provinces where B52 Stratofortresses unloaded tons of bombs Thursday to crush a Communist threat. Communiques reported a slackening in combat in the area.

The U.S. command said the toll of 65 Americans killed and 477 wounded in the seven-day period ended last Saturday was

the lowest weekly toll since the week ended Dec. 17, 1966 when 88 were slain and 433 were wounded.

The dip in the casualty chart last week was attributed in part to cease-fires called by both sides to observe the New Year holiday. The Viet Cong ordered a 72-hour cease-fire; the allies a 24-hour standdown.

The report showed that 40,044 U.S. servicemen have been killed in Vietnam since

Jan. 1, 1966, and another 263,003 wounded. A total of 1,356 Americans are listed as missing or captured, with most

believed to be held in North Vietnam where they were seized after their planes were shot down.

Two B52 raids were flown Thursday against targets about one mile below the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) border in an area 10 to 11 miles north of the Dong Ha outpost. Another flight of the eight-engine bombers attached a target 14 miles southwest of An Hoa.

4 UNC Students File Federal Suit

By HAMP HOWELL
DTH Staff Writer

Four UNC students have filed suit in the District Court for eastern North Carolina, charging that an army regulation prohibiting the unauthorized distribution of leaflets on military installations is unconstitutional.

Grove Burnett and Mike Brown, second-year law students filed the complaint Dec. 29 along with undergraduates Fred Thomas and Ben Blakewood, saying that the military regulation violates the First and Fifth Amendments to the U.S. Constitution.

The date for a hearing on the case has not been set. Burnett had written the Provost Marshall at Ft. Bragg

on Dec. 6 and requested that he and other members of the United Citizens for Peace be allowed to distribute leaflets on the base during Dec. 13 war moratorium activities in Fayetteville. Col. Robert J. Kriwanek denied the request.

Later in the month Burnett again asked Ft. Bragg officials to allow himself and others to pass out handbills calling for soldiers to stand up for their rights, and once more he was turned down.

"If the military is hell-bent for freedom, as they say they are," Burnett commented, "then they should allow the right of free speech."

He noted that Ft. Bragg is an open base to the public, and his requests "were based on sound, Constitutional reasoning."

In the complaint Burnett, Brown, Thomas, Blakewood and "all other similarly situated" are listed as the plaintiffs, while Lt. General John J. Tolson, commanding general of Ft. Bragg, and Secretary of the Army Stanley R. Resor are named as defendants. Tolson was unavailable for comment on the suit.

The suit argues that the military regulation on the distribution of handbills violates the First Amendment because it is "a serious abridgement of the rights of free speech and press... and gives the Base Commander unbridled discretion to permit or deny handbilling of his own choice," another violation, it claims, of individual rights.

The complaint also states that the regulation is vague and that one must guess as to its meaning, making it illegal under the due process clause of the Fifth Amendment.

It asks the court to rule that Ft. Bragg regulation is unconstitutional, and that the court issue an injunction forcing military officials to allow "the peaceful distribution of leaflets" on the base.

In November, 1968, ten students from UNC were arrested under a previous military statute when they attempted to distribute leaflets

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Be Honorable During Exams

"The Honor Court Wishes You Good Luck on Exams," reads a sign to be placed in classrooms during finals to remind students to watch carefully for possible plagiarism.

Bob Manekin, Honor Court chairman, advised: "We'd like people to be a lot more careful and see that any work they are not sure is their own be footnoted."

He said the court is currently very busy trying cases wherein faculty members accused students of plagiarism on term papers which have recently been handed in for many courses.

In one course four or five students have been accused, according to Manekin.

He also said that it does not matter whether plagiarism is intentional, or simply due to accidental lapse of memory to violate regulations.

"There has always been a flurry of cases concerning plagiarism just after exams," Manekin said and asked students to "mind themselves to exhibit caution to prevent the situation this year."