

(Staff Photo by John Gellman)

Orientation counselor Tommy Vass (center) talks with freshman group.

Housing Shortage Aided Morrison's Coed Move

by Ken Ripley
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Morrison Residence College, the first permanent coed dormitory at UNC, is not an experiment like James Residence College's "Project Hinton," but a necessity.

Assistant director for men of the newly created Department of Residence Life, Fred M. Culbreth II, cited the

problem of housing the increased women enrollment as a major factor in converting the all-male Morrison into a coed residence college.

"Depending on future female enrollments," he said, "the University may consider making more residence halls coeducational."

Approximately 375 women and 1,000 men residents will share the top seven of Morrison's ten floors, Culbreth said.

Project Hinton, the University's first attempt at coed dorm living and an experiment in "living-learning experiences," will continue this year in Hinton James Residence Hall.

Approximately 200 men and women occupy two separate floors and meet together in different project activities.

The sexes were brought together under Morrison's roof when the old Nurses Dorm was taken over by Memorial Hospital.

The idea of converting the mammoth Morrison building was first proposed and developed by the Morrison Advisory Board (MOAB) last spring. Planning and preparation was completed during the spring and summer.

"The Morrison project has been extremely well planned," Culbreth said, "more so than some other projects we have worked on. Because of this, I think it's going to work."

Unlike Project Hinton, women will share rooms with the men, occupying two of four wings. Because of this, Culbreth said, there can be 24-hour common areas on each floor.

A centrally located bathroom and two single rooms on each floor have been converted into a kitchen and eating-study rooms. Floor social lounges, as well as the main social lounge on the first floor, have been furnished with furniture from the old Nurses Dorm.

Security for Morrison will be the same as for other women's dorms. A student night watchman will unlock the door for women with self-limiting hours after closing hours.

Eleven men resident advisors and seven women resident assistants meet jointly as one staff, under the recent creation of the Department of Residence Life. Resident Director for Morrison Mrs. Viola Stevens and Assistant Resident Director Terry Garner provide "good continuity of staffs," Culbreth said.

Morrison can serve as a "working model," Culbreth said, is an increase in women students requires more coed dormitories. Culbreth is satisfied with the first permanent coed dorm.

"I think this is the type of thing we may want to go with if the University tries other coed residences," he said.

ECOS Group Trying To Save Environment

by John Agar
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ECOS, Chapel Hill's environmental protection organization, has reorganized itself during the summer to more efficiently handle its functions.

Actions during the summer, said Beaty Bass, a member of ECOS' temporary steering committee, "have laid the groundwork for a new, vital and effective ECOS."

Less than a year old, the Chapel Hill chapter of ECOS had been plagued by organizational and financial problems which, by the end of last semester, had severely limited its effectiveness. Despite a number of signal successes in the areas of state-wide conservation and public education, disorganization had made sharp inroads into ECOS' active membership.

Another committee member, Mike Knowles, outlined some of the procedures through which ECOS has re-organized itself.

ECOS has incorporated under federal regulations enabling it to become a non-profit, tax-exempt organization. Currently, Knowles said, there are ECOS chapters in Chapel Hill, Greensboro, Durham, Davidson and Campbell College. These, together with new chapters, will form ECOS, Incorporated, and will have sole rights to the name "ECOS."

ECOS, Inc. is currently under consideration for a \$10,000 grant from the U.S. Office of Education. The money,

should it become available, will be used to fund a high school student environmental conference in Chapel Hill during the coming year; to conduct a study of waste paper recycling; and to finance the ECOS newsletter and Environmental Bulletin.

ECOS has retained a full-time director, Watson Morris, to coordinate its activities. Morris will work out of Chapel Hill.

Chapel Hill ECOS has drawn up a set of bylaws and elected a temporary steering committee. A meeting will be held in early October to ratify the bylaws and elect a permanent steering committee.

ECOS has submitted a public service film to WTVD television in Greensboro; it has sent representatives to the Environmental Conference, which was held this summer in Michigan, and to the conference which was held this June in Chicago on Optimum Population and Environment. Currently, members of ECOS are also working in various agencies of the state government.

Morris summed up his organization's optimistic outlook for the coming year.

"We spread ourselves a little thin last year," Morris said, "yet we still had a number of successes—in our publications, in our dorm presentations, in our Chapel Hill pollution studies and in our campaign to save Linville Gorge. Last year was the hardest part. Our increased know-how and organization this year would increase our effectiveness greatly."

Suit Filed Against Schools By Young Salesman's Father

By Mike Parnell
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The father of a former Chapel Hill junior high school student has filed a \$50,000 suit against the Chapel Hill-Carrboro school system charging discrimination in a case involving the sale of a newspaper on the junior high campus.

Dr. F.T. Cloak, a former professor of anthropology at the University, filed the suit last month in behalf of his son, Daniel, 11, who was suspended from Grey Culbreth Junior High School last year for selling the "Protean Radish."

In his suit, Cloak is asking U.S. Middle District Court in Greensboro to declare the school's selling policy unconstitutional and discriminatory.

Cloak has asked the court to enjoin the school board from prohibiting the sale of newspapers "and other items of free expression" in the school system if they are sold without disrupting class.

He has also asked the court to enjoin the board from disciplining any students for violation of such a regulation and to clear the record of his son, who was suspended for three days.

Defendants in the suit are Wilmer Cody, superintendent of the school

system, Woodrow W. Edmonds, principal of the junior high school, and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education.

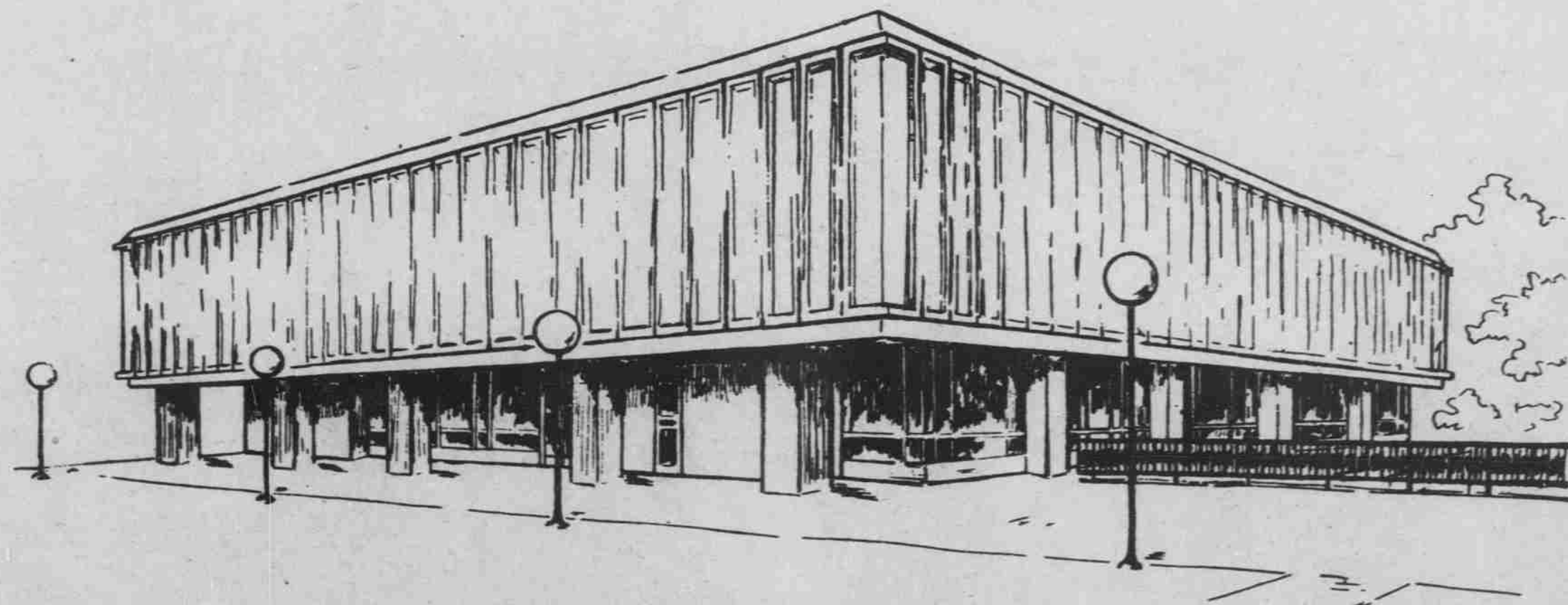
The suit is pending to allow the defendants time to answer the charges.

The \$50,000 has been asked by Cloak to pay for his son's "mental and emotional suffering."

Young Cloak was suspended on Oct. 22 for selling "radical newspapers," according to a statement made by the principal at the time.

The school board held several sessions with the Cloaks at the time to study the dispute but, while the study was underway, Cloak continued to sell the papers and was suspended.

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