Absentee voting bill introduced to Assembly

by Doug Hall Staff Writer

A bill to allow absentee voting in North Carolina primary elections was introduced Tuesday to the N.C. General Assembly.

Sen. Hargrove (Skipper) Bowles (D-Guilford) and Sen. Phillip Kirk (R-Rowan), co-sponsors of the bill, said the bill would increase the opportunity for students, traveling salesmen and other highly mobile citizens to participate in the electoral process.

The bill was referred to the Senate State Policies Committee, of which Bowles is chairman and Kirk is a member.

Gerry Cohen, chairman of the Rules allowed to register to vote in Chapel Committee of the UNC Student Legislature, has been working with Bowles' aides and the UNC governing body to get the bill introduced.

"I am very glad that Sen, Bowles is helping us (students) get our right to vote," Cohen said. "He has always shown great concern for students."

Cohen said the bill, if passed, will allow students to register at home and vote absentee in the May 2, 1972 presidential primary and to register in Chapel Hill and file absentee ballots for the May 23 runoff primaries.

"Sen. Bowles' bill only solves half the problem because students must be

Hill," he said.

"It shouldn't be up to the state to tell a student where he lives (by law, a student legally resides where his parents live) when any other adult is given the chance to choose his place of residence." Cohen added.

Bowles said North Carolina allowed absentee balloting in primaries 28 years ago, but the General Assembly voted to prohibit absentee voting in primaries for all North Carolinians except servicemen.

"It appeared at that time that absentee ballots were being misused and the best thing to do seemed to be to forbid absentee ballots in primaries altogether." Bowles said.

"However," he added, "today I am convinced we can control our election machinery so as to prevent misuse. I am confident the only fair thing to do is allow all our voters the opportunity to participate in the nominating process."

Kirk said the bill is needed at this time because the General Assembly has changed the primary election day from Saturday to Tuesday.

"It will be very difficult for students, traveling salesmen, sick persons and other highly mobile citizens to vote in our important primaries if we do not pass this important legislation," he said.

Bowles said that over the past few years, state government has done much to insure "true equality and fairness" in the electoral process.

"If we are genuinely dedicated to needed electoral reform, then we must take this additional step to insure to all North Carolinians the opportunity to vote in the primary-regardless of where they may be on election day," Bowles

Orientation to have most freshmen ever

by Norman Black Staff Writer

The largest entering freshman class in the history of the University will go through orientation next August provided the necessary quata of student counselors is met, Orientation Commission Chairman Steve LaTour said Tuesday.

The Admissions Office is now projecting a class of 3,100 freshman and 1.100 junior transfers, for a total of 4,200 new students."

The original projection of new students was 3,700.

"Because of the increase in new students, as well as the early starting date for next year, we have run out of "counselors," LaTour continued.

All students interested in becoming a counselor, including applicants who have not been to a training session, are asked to come to room 205 in the Union for one of the three sessions scheduled this

The first will meet Wednesday 7-10 p.m. The second will meet on Thursday night, at the same time. On Friday, a session will be held between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

"The purpose of Orientation Week is to show new students how we live at Chapel Hill; only experienced students can do the best job," commented Larry Reid, men's coordinator for Orientation.

Orientation will consume a full week this year, making it two days longer than it has been in the past.

Since summer pre-registration has been canceled, entering students must take their placement exams during orientation.

Counselors for freshman would have to arrive in Chapel Hill on Aug. 24, and junior transfer counselors must arrive on

Orientation will consist of approximately 10 seminars, including talks on drugs, consumer protection, dorm living and educational alternatives. All activities will be optional with the exception of the Honor Code explanation.

"We just want the students to keep moving and take an active part instead of hibernating in their rooms for a week. This is perhaps the counselor's chief responsibility," Reid said.

Efforts are also being make to make Orientation more attractive for the

Counselors will be able to pick up their registration forms early.

LaTour explained he is working with the administration in an effort to enact visitation and self-limiting hours for eligible students during orientation.

Washington Witness lobbying for 3rd time

> by Jerry Klein Staff Writer

Washington Witness III is on Capitol Hill today to lobby support for the Vietnam Disengagement Act of 1971. The trip is sponsored by the Wesley Foundation, N.C. Veterans Against the War and the YM-YWCA.

The group left Chapel Hill at 4:30 this morning to meet with Congressmen and Senators. They are scheduled to meet today with Chris Topping of the National Council for an Indochina Deadline and John Kerry, one of the leaders of the national Veterans Against the War

Meetings are arranged with all North Carolina Congressmen, as well as N.C. Senators Sam Ervin and Everett Jordan.

The Vietnam Disengagement Act proposed restricting armed troops in Vietnam to a total of 284,000 after May 1, and appropriating funds only to the "safe and systematic withdrawal of remaining American armed forces by Dec. that only the Money on ".1791,18

The act reads in part, "Congress finds and declares that under the Constitution of the United States, the President and the Congress share responsibility for establishing, defining the authority for and concluding foreign military commitments . . . that both the domestic and foreign policy interests of the United States require an expeditious end to the war in Vietnam."

The act concludes, "in light of all considerations, the solution which offers the greatest safety, the highest measure of honor, the best likelihood for the return of United States prisoners and the most meaningful opportunity for a political settlement would be the establishment of a date certain for the orderly withdrawal of all United States armed forces from Vietnam."

The group will meet with Deputy Attorney General Richard Kleindienst at the Department of Justice and is hoping to arrange meetings with Senators Ernest Hollings (R-S.C.), Lawton Chiles (R-Fla.), William Saxbe (R-Ohio), Robert Taft (R-Ohio), and Lloyd Benson (R-Tex.).

Washington Witness III will return to Chapel Hill about 12:30 a.m.

'Femininity and Female' subject of lecture today

Dr. Esther Westervelt, an authority on the development and education of women, will speak on "Feminity and the Female" at 8 p.m. tonight in Carroll Hall.

A reception at Kenan Dorm will follow her talk. Both the reception and her speech are sponsored by the Association of Women Students (AWS).

Current co-director of the recently organized National Coalition for Research on Women's Education and Development, Dr. Westervelt received her B.A. from Vassar College and her M.A. and Ed.D. degrees from Columbia University.

For eight years she taught courses in guidance and student personnel administration at Teacher's College of Columbia University, resigning as adjunct professor in 1969.

Dr. Westervelt became director of the New York State Guidance Center for Women, a state university pilot project, in 1966 and is currently conducting research connected with this project.

She has been a community organization executive, a community college instructor and a secondary school teacher.

Dr. Westervelt's research and writings concern women's roles, the development of sex differences, counseling girls and women and utilization of anthropoligical

theory and research in guidance and student personnel administration.

She is currently writing a book explaining how physiological, psychological, social and cultural factors interact to encourage the development in American women of characteristics which are considered "feminine."



Esther Westervelt

YRC officers elected

Michael Eugene O'Neal, a sophomore from Miami Springs, Fla., has been elected president of the UNC Young Republicans Club for the 1971-72 year.

Also elected as recent meeting are:

Fred Williams, first vice president; Charles Gilliam, second vice president; Sharon Kinch, secretary; Allen Green, assistant secretary; and dney Hollowell, treasurer.

At the same meeting, resolutions supporting The Daily Tar Heel and visitation in recent controversies with the General Assembly were passed.

Hunger Walk nets \$12,000

The Chapel Hill Hunger Walk held last March has collected over \$12,000 in donations to date, according to Young World Development (YWD) Coordinator

The local walk was part of the national program sponsored by the American Freedom From Hunger Foundation.

Ingalls said he was pleased with the amount turned in thus far, but indicated there were many people who had not yet turned in their money. The YWD coordinator urged all

walkers to turn in their pledge cards and donations at the campus YM-YWCA in person of by mail as soon as possible.

"The faster the money is collected, the faster it can be put to work for the projects," Ingalls said. The Inter-Church Council for Social

Service is a local project which will receive 42.5 per cent of the Hunger Walk The Council will use a portion of its Walk money in its Loan and Grant Fund.

which provides financial assistance for low income families in emergency situations. Ingalls said the remainder of the local

funds will allow the Inter-Church Council to devote more staff time to developmental assistance for the poor. The walk's foreign project, the

American Friends Service Committee.

will receive 42.5 per cent of the proceeds. "The committee will use its share of the money for its Agricultural Improvement Program in rural Mexico."

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