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## Morehead grant returned to student

by Mary Ellis Gibson  
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Trustees of the Morehead Foundation decided Thursday to end the suspension of UNC sophomore Frank Alexander's Morehead scholarship.

Alexander's funds were suspended after he was charged with violating a Pitt County parade ordinance.

Trustees suspended Alexander's funds in December on the grounds that he did not meet the minimum standards required of all Morehead scholars.

The standard which Alexander says

the trustees cited in his suspension state, "A Morehead Scholar will be expected to comply with the Laws of the United States and the several states. In the absence of special circumstances, conviction of a criminal offense (except for minor traffic violations) will be considered sufficient reason for immediate and permanent termination or non-renewal of the award."

Alexander said Monday Morehead Foundation lawyers contacted his lawyer Thursday and informed him of the trustee's decision.

The trustees decided to give Alexander

his scholarship funds at this time "due to special circumstances" of his case, Alexander said.

Before the trustees lifted their suspension of the scholarship, foundation lawyers investigated the case, he explained.

Alexander said he had talked with Mebane M. Pritchett, associate director of the foundation, who gave him a letter explaining why the suspension was ended.

The letter, Alexander said, listed three reasons for lifting the suspension.

First, foundation lawyers believed Alexander's case would not be decided in court for a long time.

Secondly, the lawyers compared the ordinance to a similar parade ordinance and found reason to doubt its constitutionality.

Thirdly, the suspension was lifted on the basis of Alexander's outstanding record as a student.

Alexander said this week the foundation will give him the full amount of his scholarship for this semester plus six percent interest.

"I'm pleased they've finally realized the implications of taking away a person's scholarship for these reasons," Alexander said.

"I hope they think twice before suspending a student's scholarship for the same reasons," he continued.

Roy Armstrong, executive director of the Morehead Foundation, would not comment on the trustee's action.

"We have never made a statement on this matter," he said.

Mebane Pritchett called Alexander's case an "internal matter."

"In any internal matter, we have no statement to make. We try to protect the scholars in matters of this kind," he said.

Pritchett refused to detail reasons for the lifting of Alexander's suspension.

## Weather

TODAY—clear and sunny, highs in the low 60s, lows in the 30s, zero chance of precipitation.



Since Chapel Hill is one of the fastest growing cities in North Carolina, it was perhaps inevitable that one day we would get our first pedestrian bridge. The bridge foundation was set in place yesterday spanning Rosemary St., and connecting the new NCNB building with a parking deck. (Staff Photo by Tad Stewart.)

## Dam decision to be appealed

Conservationists are appealing a U.S. District Court ruling that denied a temporary injunction to halt construction on the New Hope Dam.

Lawyers for the Conservation Council of North Carolina (CCNC), ECOS and several individuals who own property that will be flooded by the New Hope Reservoir filed the appeal Friday in Greensboro.

James C. Wallace, president of CCNC, said the ecologists felt the judge's decision in the case was "deficient in law and that on appeal it will be reversed."

The conservationists argued that the Army Corps of Engineers is doing irreparable damage to the environment of the dam site, without first complying with the National Environmental Policy Act. The Act requires that a statement be filed exploring fully the impact of the project on the environment and any alternatives to the project.

The plaintiffs said the corps had failed by not considering the effects of two projects — Interstate 40 and a nuclear plant that Carolina Power and Light Co. is planning to build downstream — on the reservoir, by not updating the

cost-benefit ratio of the project and by not examining alternate projects that could meet the same needs as the New Hope Dam and Reservoir.

Judge Eugene Gordon ruled February 14 that the corps' impact statement was sufficient under the law.

Government attorneys had argued that stopping construction would cost taxpayers \$14,000 a day.

Wallace said, "If the decision is allowed to stand, considerable damage would be done to the National Environmental Policy Act since Judge Gordon views the law as being merely a disclosure statute."

He pointed out that other courts have interpreted the act much more broadly.

"Others have held that it requires a finely-tuned balancing process," he said. "I hope the Circuit Court of Appeals will follow these decisions."

The corps and 13 towns and counties below the dam contend the dam is necessary for flood control and water supply. Conservationists say the reservoir will be too polluted for recreation or water supply use.

## 4 pay filing fees

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RALEIGH — North Carolina's presidential primary ballot increased to four candidates Monday as George Wallace, Shirley Chisholm and President Nixon all paid their filing fees.

Senator Edmund Muskie (D-Maine) was the first to file as aides paid his \$1,000 fee last Friday to the State Board of Elections. The filing deadline is Thursday for some candidates and Friday for others, depending on when they received their mailed invitation to run in North Carolina.

State Board of Elections Secretary Alex Brock said he received by registered mail the filing fee of Mrs. Chisholm, the black congresswoman from New York. The Democratic lawmaker is one of the

few presidential candidates who earlier expressed strong interest in running in North Carolina.

Michael Griffin of Montgomery, Alabama, paid Wallace's filing fee and announced that the Alabama governor planned five visits to North Carolina before the May 6 primary.

Griffin said Wallace was unable to come Monday because of campaign commitments in Wisconsin.

Charlotte Attorney Charles Jonas, Jr., President Nixon's campaign coordinator in North Carolina, represented the President at the State Board of Elections.

"We expect the president's campaign to be one of the best organized and most intensively waged campaigns ever seen in North Carolina," said Jonas, who

launched a petition drive on behalf of Nixon several months ago.

He said, "The President will not actively campaign in the primary election but he will in the national election."

Jonas said he expected Nixon to win in November by the largest plurality ever recorded in North Carolina in recent history.

Jonas released a telegram to him from the President which said, "The petitions signed by 117,000 North Carolinians have arrived at the White House, and I assure you, I am greatly encouraged by this expression of so much early support in North Carolina."

Representative Paul McCloskey (R-Calif.) is the only Republican challenger to the President who has

## On North Campus

## Group seeks coed dorm

by Susan Miller  
Staff Writer

The committee to protest the refusal of the New Learning Center proposal is now seeking a coeducational North Campus dorm that would be academically independent of the University.

The protest committee is not asking for departments to release professors from their normal course loads to come to the dormitory, according to Reid Tunstall, a committee member.

"Faculty members can be reached," he said. They will come to the learning center independent of the administration and on their own time if they are interested in innovative education, Tunstall said.

Charles D. Wright, a member of the New Learning Center planning committee, and Barney Corvin, a member of the protest committee, are now working to plan a feasible budget for a North Campus dorm to present to the Committee on University Residence Life (CURL) at its meeting Thursday night.

CURL turned down the possibility of a coed North Campus dorm at its meeting last week when the New Learning Center proposal, calling for such a dorm, failed to receive academic approval from the College of Arts and Sciences.

The plan was considered by the college to be economically unfeasible for the fall of 1972.

Four members of the protest committee — Corvin, Tunstall, Donna Petty and Susan Donaldson — said Monday they were going to ask CURL again for a coeducational North Campus dorm.

Corvin said it is economically feasible to have a living-learning project at UNC.

Petty said the planning committee viewed the Learning Center as just a transferral of professors who would be teaching the courses anyway. "This would not be taking up resources," she said.

One of the primary reasons for the refusal of the plan by the College of Arts and Sciences was that the learning

center would use up resources needed elsewhere.

Corvin said, "Once a living-learning project got started, there might be a possibility of receiving money from the state."

"There is no way a plan of this sort cannot be worked out," he said.

Tunstall emphasized that time is the crucial problem now in trying to get a North Campus dorm to be coed.

March 22 is the day students will sign up for dormitory rooms.

"Students need to be aware there is the possibility of innovative education on this campus," Tunstall said. A living-learning center is not "an elitist organization for the superstudents," he said.

Students remain unaware of educational opportunities until they become involved in UNC's current projects, which are primarily on South Campus, he said.

But South Campus has its drawbacks in getting people unified, all four committee members agreed. The suite system isolates the residents from other suites, Tunstall said. The whole structure of South Campus dorms is simply to accommodate a large number of students, and not to allow people to get together to interact, he said.

He cited the four separate wings, no common eating area, lack of space for general activities and alienation of other dorm residents among the problems of organizing a one- or two-floor project on South Campus.

On the other hand, a North Campus dorm would involve all the dorm's residents in the living-learning project. A sense of identity and a more personable atmosphere would be natural in a North Campus Dorm, Tunstall said.

Corvin added there would be common space for activities in a North Campus dorm.

Professors would be more likely to come to a closer place to teach additional courses than to South Campus, Petty said.

All four of the committee members felt that a North Campus dormitory with its structure and convenience would provide a better opportunity for an experimental project.

## Additional married housing planned

by Bob Downes  
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The University is currently considering the construction of 400 additional units of married student housing at an estimated cost of \$7.5 million, according to George Rutherford, director of facilities planning.

A questionnaire will be mailed within the next two weeks to current occupants of and those on the waiting list for married housing in Odum and Victory villages to help analysts determine whether such a project is necessary.

Rutherford said the purpose of the questionnaire is two-fold—it will furnish planners with valuable input to help analyze the needs and desires of potential occupants of the new housing, and will

provide further justification for the construction of the additional units when the project is explained to the 1973 N.C. General Assembly.

The plan tentatively calls for 400 apartments consisting of 350 two-bedroom and 50 three-bedroom units to be incorporated in buildings "with a maximum height of three stories."

As yet, no site has been selected for the housing.

Jim Wharton, a second-year graduate student in planning who is assisting Rutherford on the project, said the University also hopes to gain from the questionnaire information pertaining to the problems and needs of married students, the cost and the number of units from other universities which provide married housing.

Both Rutherford and Wharton emphasized the need for input and data as extremely important in drawing up plans to accommodate potential occupants.

The questionnaire, revised by the planning office in conjunction with the Odum Village Married Student Housing Board of Aldermen and the University Office of Residence Life, is highlighted by a number of blanks following questions to allow space for additional comment.

Married couples will be asked to rank in preference what they look for in married housing, whether it be proximity to campus, economics, neighborhood appearance, recreation or other qualities.

Questions also deal with preferences in the type of housing, the amount of privacy available and the amount of open

space that should be provided.

Participants are asked the types of recreation facilities preferred in the living areas, ranging from billiards to basketball.

Another area includes transportation and the preferred distance from the campus in minutes by various means.

Various combinations of living arrangements also are discussed.

The questionnaire provides about a half-page of space for comment upon the importance of the University's role in housing married students.

Once the information is obtained and studied, Wharton said a detailed program would be submitted to an architect to draw up final construction plans.

The need for additional married housing, Rutherford said, "started with the realization that Victory Village, as

nice as it has been over the years, has become dangerous and run-down and ought to be torn down."

Besides the fact that Victory Village is 25 years old, Rutherford said it has become necessary to remove the housing there to make room for the expansion of the University's medical complex.

There are presently 133 of the original 350 units left in Victory Village. A total of 34 of these will be demolished in June to provide space for the Hospital Bed Tower Building, he said.

Rutherford also pointed out that the current waiting list has resulted in some students having to wait for a year or longer before they can obtain married housing.

Presently in Odum Village, there are 350 units of married housing built in

1961 which, combined with the original units in Victory Village, gave the University at one time nearly 700 total units.

"While our enrollment has gone up since 1959, our married housing has gone down," said Rutherford adding "even with 400 units, it will put us barely above what we had in 1959-60."

He said an earlier project in 1966 was submitted to provide for the then 1,700 married students enrolled in the student body. This figure has more than doubled to 3,500 enrolled in the student body last fall, Rutherford said.

The need is great, according to Rutherford, adding "in the long run we are looking for a total near 800 or 1,000 units."