

Democrats win in county

by Susan Spence
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Democrats came up winners with Orange County voters in every race—local, state and national—in Tuesday's election.

On the national level, Orange County kept its liberal voting record intact by being one of only two North Carolina counties to go to McGovern-Shriver. However, the margin was not large, with McGovern tallying 12,628 votes to 11,616 for Nixon. Northampton was the only other state county to give McGovern a majority, with 3,231 votes to Nixon's 2,997.

Chapel Hill, predictably enough, was McGovern's greatest stronghold, giving him nine of 13 precincts. The Democrat's heaviest voting turnouts were in largely student precincts. Totals in Chapel Hill

were McGovern, 8,416 and Nixon, 5,939. Carrboro also gave McGovern an edge with 1,562 votes to Nixon's 1,307. The South Dakota Democrat found little support in northern Orange, however, gaining only 2,895 votes to 4,311 for the President.

In the state races, Orange County also overwhelmingly supported the Democrats. In the 16th District State Senate race, A.B. Coleman Jr. and incumbent William Saunders were convincing winners of the two seats over Republicans P.H. Craig and Dave Drexel.

Coleman ran first in Orange County, sweeping all 28 precincts with an unofficial total of 16,915; Saunders took second place with 12,718; followed by Craig with 7,304 and Drexel with 6,260.

Democrats in the State House of Representatives race also found little difficulty winning, with Trish Stanford

running first in all Chapel Hill and Carrboro precincts with the exception of Ridgefield and Ed Holmes taking first place in 12 precincts and second place in 15 others.

Voting totals in Orange County were 16,240 for Stanford; 15,653 for Holmes; and challengers Barry Burns and Elmer Hughes running far behind with 6,465 and 5,426 votes, respectively.

The race for the two seats on the Orange County Board of Commissioners was no different, giving an easy victory to Democrats Flo Garrett and Richard Whitted over Republicans John Gastineau and Phil Rominger.

Garrett and Whitted swept all 28 precincts with 15,331 and 14,807 votes, respectively, showing their greatest strength in Chapel Hill and Carrboro precincts.

Voting in the governor's race was close

with Bowles leading Holshouser 13,664 votes to 10,379 in Orange County. T. Northside precinct was again heavily Democratic with Bowles taking 733 votes and Holshouser only 196. Southern Orange went to Bowles 10,060 votes to 7,089.

Jim Hunt took all 28 precincts in the lieutenant governor's race. Final total of the candidates were Hunt, 17,240; Walker, 6,568; and McLendon, 69.

In the U.S. Senate race, Galifianakis carried Orange by more than a two-to-one margin, with 16,273 votes to Helm 7,674.

Democratic candidate L.H. Fountain won the seat in the U.S. House with 14,483 votes to Little's 8,375. Little received a higher percentage of the vote in Orange County than in any of the other 11 counties in the 2nd Congressional District.

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Once again—students face SG reform referendum

by William March
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Elections Board Chairman Leo Gordon has announced that new elections for the Student Government (SG) reorganization referendum, Student Legislature (SL) seats and freshman class officer run-offs will be held Tuesday.

Besides the referendum, the following elections will be held: a run-off for the Honor Court seat in Women's District VII; run-offs for freshman class president and social chairman; and contested Student Legislature seats in Men's Districts II and III.

The referendum ballots will be three pages long and will contain in full the wording of the Campus Governing Council proposal for SG reorganization

(the Epps Plan), Gordon said.

As required by SG law RR 51-58, the full text of the proposal must appear on the ballot. This law resulted in the Supreme Court's overturning the original referendum.

"We will definitely have the ballots ready by Tuesday," Gordon said.

Gordon said "a vigorous effort" would be made to insure that no fault could be found with election procedure. "I don't want to hear the least snuffle about a court case after this one," he commented.

Walter Daniels, coordinator of the Commission for Student Government Reorganization, predicted in a letter to the DTH Wednesday that a large voter turnout would be necessary for passage of the Tuesday referendum.

Richard Robertson, one of the plaintiffs in the Supreme Court challenge to the Oct. 17 referendum and a consistent opponent of reorganization, predicted a large voter turnout would be necessary for defeat.

John Molen, principal plaintiff in the challenge, said he could not predict whether the change in the wording of the ballot might significantly affect the outcome.

"I frankly don't know just what we'll need to defeat the proposal, but the wording could be important," Molen said. "The wording of the ballot for the North Carolina constitutional amendment to raise the office-holding age to 21 was pretty sneaky, and this same type of approach might affect the vote on the reorganization referendum," he added.

"I would assume that a lot of individuals will be watching the election Tuesday on their own initiative, to check for irregularities," Molen said. "But I know of no organized effort to watchdog the election."

According to Fred Davenport, vice president of the student body and speaker of the Student Legislature, the new legislators from MD II and III will be sworn in and the SL committees will be elected on Thursday, Nov. 16, at the first meeting of the SL after the elections. SL will then be able to do business again, having been on a lay-off because the committees could not be elected while elections were still contested.

"If reorganization passes again," Davenport said, "one of the top priorities for the Rules committee will be to set up the districts for election of members of the Campus Governing Council. This probably won't be a very difficult job because we have some people in SL who have a lot of experience with districting on this campus. There will be plenty of time to set things up for prospective council elections on Feb. 6."

Candidates for the run-off and repeat elections Tuesday are as follows: for three SL seats from MD II—Mike Boner, Robert W. Carter, Steve Coggins, Hunter Dalton, David Gaynor, George Wood and Steve Yelverton; for five SL seats from MD III—Chris Callahan, Rucker Channell, Tom Daniels, John M. Davis, Robert Eve, Robert Griffin, Ed Hawes, Ralph Hill, James Hutton, Nick Jones, Dave Kohl, Jim Lyman, Douglas Martin, Ralph Pitts, Richard Robertson, Peter Romans, Michael Stephens, Craig Stewart, Robert Weaver and Jim Wilcox; for two honor court seats from WD VII—Denise Baddour, Mary Virginia Currie, Sue Dixon, Marcia Lamm, Alice Martin and Susan Stafford; for freshman class president—Chuck Babington and Barry Schneider; for freshman class social chairman—Hank Birdsong, Blake Dean and Lawrence Lilliv.

The Elections Board hold a student referendum to amend the Student Constitution.

But breakdowns are possible all along the way.

Craig Graduate Center has disputed the wording of the RHA constitution, and they may not approve it in the approval meeting, scheduled for Wednesday night in rooms 215-217 of the Student Union.

That would throw the proposal back into the executive board, which would work out the points of contention and resubmit it to the legislative bodies.

Another problem that could arise is that Student Legislature has not appointed a Judiciary committee, pending an election to fill vacant SL seats. The election has been set for Tuesday.

Only then could the students get a chance to vote on the proposal. "The earliest possible date for the referendum is Dec. 5," Saunders said, "and that isn't very likely." The next available time would be Jan. 17.

"There are lots of problems and we'll just have to take them one at a time," said Saunders.

RCF to be dissolved

Restructuring approved

by Ken Allen
Staff Writer

The proposal to dissolve the Residence College Federation (RCF) and replace it with a Residence Hall Association (RHA) cleared the first of three hurdles Tuesday night.

The executive board of RCF recommended acceptance of the new constitution by the Association of Women Students, Men's Residence Council and the Craig Graduate Center.

Theoretically, the proposal has only to be recommended by the RCF executive board, approved by the legislative bodies

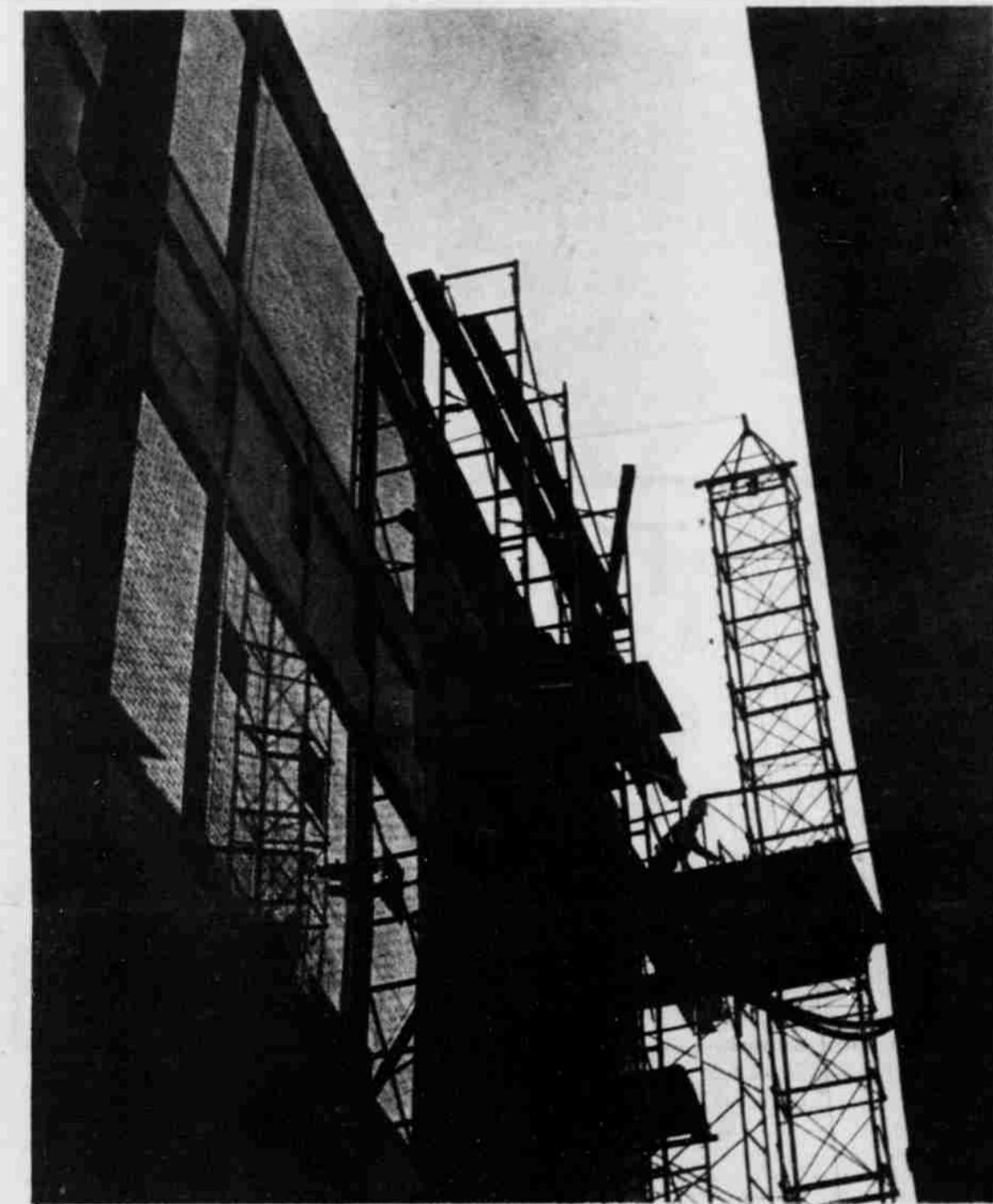
and ratified by the student body. In practice, however, the situation gets complicated.

To receive approval by the legislative bodies, the Association of Women Students, Men's Residence Council and Craig Graduate Center each must approve the proposal by a majority of two thirds of those members present and voting.

If it goes through the legislative body without any changes, which is unlikely, according to RCF Chairman Steve Saunders, then the Student Legislature Judiciary committee must act upon the approved proposal and recommend that



Jubilant Republicans made it hard to hear for both Mike Cozza, WBTV in Charlotte, and a radio fan at the Hilton Inn in Raleigh Tuesday night. For more election coverage, please turn to pages 4 and 5. (Staff photo by Cliff Kolovson)



It seems as though the NCNB building in Chapel Hill has been under construction forever. But now it is finally nearing completion with just some of the minor feature to be finished. (Staff photo by Tad Stewart)

Student loan fund begins Wednesday

A Student Government loan program offering UNC students loans of up to \$15 upon request will go into effect on Wednesday, according to Student Body Vice President Fred Davenport.

The fund will operate from the Division of Student Affairs, 01 Steele Building, from which loans will be disbursed from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any student may borrow up to \$15, which has to be repaid within 10 days. If the loan is not repaid within the time limit, the student will forfeit his borrowing privileges for the equivalent of one semester.

Any student who fails to repay a loan after 30 days will be considered to have

committed an Honor Code offense, and will be tried in the student courts.

The loan program is funded from \$2,500 in Student Government money. The loans will be repaid into it.

There is no expiration date on the program, which Davenport terms "experimental."

Student Body Treasurer Way Thomas is to receive weekly reports the status of the fund from the Division of Student Affairs and make monthly reports on its status to the Student Legislature Finance committee.

Thomas is also required, at the end of one semester's operation, to report on the fund's state of affairs directly to SL and recommend any changes he thinks appropriate in the program.

Weather

TODAY: Sunny and cool; high in the mid 60's, low in the upper 30's; probability of precipitation near zero through tonight.

Campus politicians

Democratic disunity to blame

by Mary Ellis Gibson
Staff Writer

Disunity in the North Carolina Democratic Party and good organization and coordination of state Republican campaigns contributed to the Republican sweep in Tuesday's election, students active in electoral politics agreed Wednesday.

"Of course we were very happy," Richard Robertson of the Young Republicans Club said. "I think the Republican victories are indicative of the hard work of Republicans across the state."

The Holshouser win "opens the door for this to be a two party state," Robertson said. "I think it's an open door to good government through increased competition for state office."

Nixon's win in North Carolina was expected by students active in both parties. "McGovern did no worse and no better than Humphrey did in North Carolina in 1968," Gerry Cohen of the Orange County Democratic Committee said. "It hurts to lose, but it was an uphill battle."

The victory of Democrats Flo Garrett and Richard Whitted in the Orange County commissioner's race is encouraging, Cohen said. "Although voting for Helms and Nixon, these people are still willing to vote for a black for county commissioner."

McGovern organizer Charlie Dean attributed McGovern's poor showing in North

Carolina to the fact that McGovern workers could not do enough personal canvassing in the state.

"We didn't feel the campaign was a total loss," Dean said. The McGovern organization has a strong basis for reaching people the Democratic party does not ordinarily reach, he said. He predicted this basis could be built upon in future elections.

Lack of Democratic unity contributed to the McGovern loss, Dean said. "The Democratic party of North Carolina didn't want to have anything to do with us," he explained.

Because the state party ignored the presidential race, state Democrats will "have to do some explaining" to encourage McGovern workers to continue their active support for party candidates, Dean predicted.

A large gain in the black and the youth votes in recent weeks may partially account for the victory of Republican Jim Holshouser in the gubernatorial race, according to Bob Singer, campus organizer for Holshouser.

Excessive advertising and overexposure may have hurt Democrat "Skipper" Bowles chances in metropolitan areas, Singer said.

"People got tired of seeing advertisements and this led them to believe Bowles was trying to buy the election," he explained.

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