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## SG re referendum up for approval today

by Greg Turosak  
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Students will go to the polls again today amid the tightest security ever afforded a UNC campus election, according to one member of the Elections Board.

"This promises to be the most legal election the state has ever seen," graduate student Jarvis Sinclair of the board said Monday. "Unlike several elections during the 19th Century in the South, there will be no possibility of mules eating the contents of the ballot boxes."  
"All necessary means have been taken to correct any mistake that might have

been made last time," said Board Chairman Leo Gordon.

The result of the Oct. 17 Student Government reform referendum was thrown out by the Student Supreme Court Nov. 5 because a law requiring the entire proposal to be printed on the ballot was not followed.

Two legislative races were also voided due to voting irregularities found by the court.

"There will be a standard procedure for voting, or you don't vote. You go to the poll, you present your ID, the code will be stamped on the ID, and you sign the register sheet with your name, address, class and district," Gordon said.

"Until these steps are taken, the poll tender will not give the potential voter the ballot. After the voter examines the ballot, he must return the ballot to the ballot box whether it is completed or not," he added.

Gordon's elaborate security system calls for each of the 16 polling places to be scrutinized by a member of the Attorney General's staff throughout the day.

The votes will be counted behind closed doors by six members of the Elections Board under the supervision of Sparrow.

The total expense, in man hours and other costs, for staging the election again

will be in the vicinity of \$300, according to Gordon.

All the security is being taken to insure fairness in new elections for the Student Government Reorganization referendum, which is on the ballot for the third time after having been approved by 72 per cent last Oct. 17, and for places in Student Legislature (SL), Honor Court and freshman class offices.

In this election, the entire text of the reorganization referendum is being printed; each ballot will be three pages long. Copies of the present Student Government (SG) constitution will also be available at each polling place, although it is not required by SG law.

The proposal calls for amending the Student Constitution by abolishing the 55-member Student Legislature and replacing it with a 20-member Campus Governing Council. Representation would be guaranteed to both sexes and to minority students. In addition, graduate students would be guaranteed proportional representation.

Other features of the amendment include abolishing the position of student body vice president and election of speaker of the legislature from within the body. Presently, the vice president serves as speaker.

Several changes in the executive branch of SG are also included.

Candidates for these elections are as follows: For three SL seats from Men's District (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 Women's District VII - Denise Baddour, Mary Virginia Currie, Sue Dixon, Marcia Lamm, Alice Martin and Susan Strafford;

For freshman class president - Chuck Babington and Barry Schneider; for freshman class social chairman - Hank Birdsong, Blake Dean and Lawrence Lilly.

## Involves 'secret' codes

### Ballot security elaborate

by William March  
Staff Writer

"Some rather elaborate security precautions have been taken to guard against the possibility, or even suspicion, of irregularity in the re-elections," said Leo Gordon, Elections Board chairman.

To hear Gordon describe it, the precautions sound like something out of the Pentagon or the Hoover Building, complete with armed "heavies" guarding doors, color- and number-coded ballots, sealed envelopes to be opened only in case of emergency, secret codes, locks and keys, signed statements and mysterious secrets known only to a few.

"To begin with," said Gordon, "each ballot in each election will be coded. We know by the code which polling place each ballot will go to, and it must be cast there and nowhere else. Copies of the code are in the hands of only five people: David Crump, Chief Justice of the Student Supreme Court; DTH Editor Evans Witt; Francis Sparrow, head of the Student Activities Fund Office; Dick Baker, a member of the Elections Board; and myself.

"No one else will know where any referendum ballot is supposed to be cast. Each of the five copies of the code is in a sealed envelope to be opened only in case of a challenge to the election. If there is no challenge within the allotted time, the envelopes must be returned to me still sealed, and with my signature intact," Gordon continued.

Each ballot is numbered, and ballots for different polling places are colored differently. "Stuffed ballots or improperly cast ballots will not fit in with the code and will be invalidated," Gordon said with an air of self-satisfaction.

Since their printing, the ballots and the ballot boxes have been held under lock and key in an undisclosed location.

In order for the ballots to be distributed, Gordon explained a member of the student Attorney General's staff will have to sign a receipt for a specified number of ballots, a ballot box, the signup sheets (each of which will be coded to match the

ballots to be used at its polling place) and a copy of the Student Constitution.

"A copy of the constitution isn't required," said Gordon, "but there was a lot of noise in the last election about students not knowing what they were voting for. So we decided a copy should be allotted to each polling place so we could prove by signed statements that there was one present all day on each voting table."

The poll tenders, each of whom must sign in and out, are required also to sign release slips when they receive the voting material and when they return it for counting at night.

"Of course, if anyone violates any of the conditions for the signatures or fails to follow my instructions regarding the codes or anything else, it's an honor offense," Gordon explained. "So, we'll know who's responsible for everything, and anyone who charges an irregularity will have to prove these people violated their signatures and lied under oath," Gordon explained.

At the end of the day, Gordon said, a member of the Attorney General's staff will pick up the boxes and ballots. They will be taken to a room guarded by a hired policeman who has instructions to allow entry to only certain people, on the condition they surrender their student ID cards and sign into the room. This is where the counting will be done.

"The people who count the ballots won't know the totals," Gordon said. "They will just mark tally sheets. Mrs. Sparrow and myself will do the totals later with an adding machine."

Gordon said he planned to receive a court order from Crump with instructions as to where the ballots were to be stored under lock and key after the elections.

"We will be able to prove by using our codes and signed statements, the location of every ballot, every ballot box, every copy of the constitution, every signup sheet, every ballot-counter and every polltender at any moment during the election day," Gordon said. "Anything that doesn't fit into our system will be invalidated or an honor violation will be charged against the violator."



The aftermath

Most campaign tables in town and on campus vanished soon after election day. But at least one remains in front of the downtown post office. As the sign notes, losing elections costs money.  
(Staff Photo by Tad Stewart)

## IRS investigating area rent hikes

by Mary Ellis Gibson  
Staff Writer

Several violations of rent controls by Chapel Hill landlords are being investigated by the Internal Revenue Service district office in Greensboro, an IRS official said Monday.

Five or six Chapel Hill tenants have complained that their landlords have raised rents in violation of Phase II of President Nixon's Economic Stabilization Program, IRS official Bob Cooper said.

Eight more possible violations indicated in a recent statewide survey of landlords are being investigated in Chapel Hill, Cooper said.

In the recently completed survey of 1,071 landlords, IRS officials uncovered 200 possible violations of federal rent controls. Of the potential violators, 61 were selected for investigation.

The names of landlords who are under investigation are not released by the IRS, Cooper said.

Sometimes, information on violators is released on a national scale by the Cost of Living Council of the Price Board," he said.

The investigations of violations by Chapel Hill landlords are in various stages of completion, the official reported.

Federal regulations on rent control allow a 2.5 per cent annual increase in rent. Additional increases resulting from higher property taxes or capital improvements are provided for under the controls.

In the year that Phase II rent controls have been in effect, the IRS district office has received 384 complaints from tenants, according to District IRS Director J.E. Wall.

Eighty-one of these complaints were confirmed as violations in subsequent investigations, Wall said.

Landlords who were in violation in each case agreed to reduce their rents and to refund charges in excess of amounts allowed by federal regulations, Wall said.

## Weather

TODAY: Rain ending later this evening; high in the low 60's, low in the 40's; probability of precipitation 40 percent today, 10 percent tonight.

## Illegal drugs found on sale

### Students report violations at Kroger

by Phil Whitesell  
Staff Writer

Two UNC pharmacy students discovered Monday that Kroger's Family Center was selling prescription drugs illegally. Kroger's, located on South Elliott Road, was also selling various brands of non-prescription drugs whose "potency dates" had expired.

The drugs involved were: "Tyzine" brand pediatric nasal drops, which are legally dispensed only with a prescription; "ABDEC" vitamin drops; "Paladac" vitamins; and "Geriplex" vitamins. The latter three were all stamped with expired potency dates. Some had lost their legality more than one year prior to Monday's purchase.

The selling of "legend" or prescription drugs without permission from a doctor is a misdemeanor under the federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act of 1938, which has since been amended several times.

An amendment pertaining to legend drugs is the Durham-Humphrey Amendment of 1951.

An individual convicted of breaking this law can be "imprisoned for not more than one year or fined not more than \$1,000, or both," for the first offense.

One of the students, Sherri Whitesell, noticed that the four drugs were on sale at Kroger's on Sunday. She informed two employees of Kroger's about the situation and they said they would inform their

manager. On Monday the drugs were still on sale at a 20 per cent off discount.

Whitesell and Debby Averette questioned Dr. David R. Work, assistant dean of the School of Pharmacy, to make sure "Tyzine" was still a legend drug. Work provided the two with the necessary information.

When personally informed of the situation, store manager John Williams took the drugs off the counter and took them out to be destroyed. He did not say what he planned to do about informing customers who may have already purchased the drugs, but he said he would

talk to his supervisor.

Harmon C. McAlister, secretary-treasurer of the Board of Pharmacy of North Carolina, said such dispensing was a clear violation of the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. He also stated, however, the state was so understaffed that such violations were rarely pursued.

McAlister said Dr. W.Y. Cobb, state chemist at the Department of Agriculture in Raleigh, would have jurisdiction over such cases but that body of investigators was also understaffed.

McAlister felt the incident will

probably not be investigated by federal authorities since they are more concerned with more flagrant violations or situations involving more dangerous drugs.

Kroger's had a pharmaceutical department at one time, but the service was discontinued for unknown reasons. Williams said the mistake probably occurred when old stocks of non-prescription drugs were taken out of storage to be sold during the sale now going on at the store.

Williams said anyone who had purchased these drugs should bring them back to the store for a full refund.



Kroger store manager John Williams, left, discusses violations with DTH reporter Phil Whitesell.

