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Transit grant needed

by Ken Allen
Staff Writer

Well, the shouting is over, the people have gone to the polls and Chapel Hill is definitely going to have a bus system. But don't go down and wait on the corner just yet.

It will be at least September before the first bus rolls on the streets of "the village," according to Lee Corum, student representative in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro-University Transportation Committee.

The first order of business is to apply for a federal grant from the Department of Transportation. This capital improvements grant would pay two-thirds of the cost of setting up the system.

The next step will be working with UNC to coordinate efforts to relieve the parking problem in the town and the University.

"We'll be working to encourage Carrboro to hold their referendum this spring," Corum said. "If they pass the referendum then, they can be included in the fall semester's bus run."

But, despite what Carrboro does, there will be buses in Chapel Hill running through the campus. The \$350,000 in bonds and the \$100,000 tax authorization approved Tuesday assure that.

"We're going to have to get people to change their habits now. With the new bus transit system, they will have to start thinking about personal transportation in a different way."

As for the University's parking problems, Corum says that the buses will give the Transportation Commission something with which to work.

"We want to emphasize that the parking problem is a University problem, caused by all members of the University community. And to relieve the problem, we want to offer solutions, not tell people flat out that they can't park here or there."

The Transportation Committee will meet for the last time tonight. They will dissolve themselves, to be replaced by a committee selected by the Chapel Hill aldermen to oversee implementation of the bus system.



Abduction

Members of Lambda Chi Alpha, an insidious underworld group in Chapel Hill, abduct the house mother from one of the sororities on campus to collect ransom. It was all for a worthy cause, though—the Heart Fund. (Staff photo by Cliff Kolosov)

N.C. House refuses statewide ERA vote

by Jody Meacham
Staff Writer

RALEIGH—The N.C. House of Representatives killed a proposed statewide referendum on the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) Wednesday by a vote of 32 to 83.

Opposition to the referendum was led by Rep. Willis Whichard, D-Durham County, who is the sponsor of the ERA ratification bill in the House.

Whichard said, "To pass the buck on this issue will be a clear-cut evasion of our responsibilities as public officials elected for the precise purpose of making difficult decisions."

"If we cannot absorb the heat that has been created by this issue, we have no business being here," he added.

Debate on whether to hold the referendum lasted nearly two hours in a session which had already been embroiled in two other controversial bills.

House Majority Leader William Watkins, D-Grandville, joined those arguing for the referendum, saying those who oppose the referendum might be "trying to get out of the heat" of having the issue come up while they are running for re-election.

Rep. Ernest Messer, D-Haywood, broke the House into laughter at one point when he accused those of arguing for the referendum of "acting like a woman." Later, he asked that the comment be stricken from the record.

Supporters of the ERA fought hard to defeat the referendum. The effect of Wednesday's vote will be to force the General Assembly to decide on the ratification of the ERA itself rather than wait until the next session in 1976.

Rep. Thomas Sawyer, D-Guilford, was the sponsor of the referendum bill. He said that he had introduced it because he feared that the Supreme Court might stretch the provisions too far. "The thing that strikes me with fear," he said, "is how the Supreme Court will implement this amendment."

Rep. Foyle Hightower, D-Anson,

attempted to amend the bill so that it would read identically to the ERA ratification bill now in committee, but he was ruled out of order by House Speaker James Ramsey.

The bill was killed on a roll call vote, Orange County Rep. Patricia Stanford Hunt voted against the referendum. Rep. Ed Holmes was not present.

Supporters of the ERA considered the defeat of the referendum a victory. However, it is too early to tell how the ERA will fare in the House. Many of the legislators who voted against the referendum are presently uncommitted.

UNC fears cuts in federal grants

by William March
Staff Writer

Preliminary investigations of the effect on UNC-Chapel Hill of federal budget cuts for higher education indicate a possible loss of \$3.5 million in federal training grants for next year.

This reduction in funding by the government was proposed by President Nixon in his budget message of Jan. 29. The federal training grant programs, used largely for support of graduate studies, would eventually be phased out under Nixon's proposals. The \$3.5 million is about half of UNC's federal training grant funds.

The hardest-hit departments would be the Schools of Public Health, Medicine, Education, Social Work and the Department of Psychology. All of these departments use training grants to support research and training principally for students planning to teach in their fields.

The \$3.5 million figure is not certain. According to department heads in several departments which will be affected, information from Washington on what programs are to be cut and when is coming slowly.

Besides the training grants, various schools stand to lose money in research

grants and capitation grants which are administered under the National Institute of Health.

The capitation grants are made to schools in the health fields on the basis of enrollment. In some schools, these grants provide funds for faculty salaries. Other departments have avoided using the grants for faculty support as much as possible.

According to the results of the investigation released Wednesday by Chancellor N. Ferebee Taylor, the University is studying the full impact of loss of the funds.

Departments such as Public Health and Psychology may face loss of faculty positions, but possibilities of alternative funding are being investigated at departmental and University-wide levels. "We may not lose a single teacher here," said Vice Chancellor Claiborne Jones.

Predictions by some department heads are that while no immediate faculty loss is likely, the loss from the research and training cuts will be acutely felt in future shortages of teachers in the areas affected.

Possibilities for alternative funding for the research and training programs center on state funds and state allocation of federal revenue sharing funds.

Student Aid reductions?

Conflict in laws leaves issue undecided

by William March
Staff Writer

According to information received from William Geer, Director of Student Aid at UNC, the Nixon administration is continuing with plans to implement the Basic Opportunity Grant program (BOG) for college students, while proposing no funds for the National Direct Student Loan (NDSL) and Supplementary Grant programs.

The Supplementary Grant program is the source of Educational Opportunity Grants (EOG). UNC's financial aid office awarded \$1.2 million in NDSL loans and \$353,467 in EOG money this year.

According to Public Law 92-318, which established all three programs, the

\$662 million for BOG grants may not be spent unless the NDSL and EOG programs have also been funded.

The BOG programs would provide grants of up to \$1,400 per year to individual students, minus the family's expected contribution, and not to exceed half the yearly cost of attending the institution.

According to an American Council on Education newsletter, John Ottina of the U.S. Office of Education said that the proposed "family contribution schedule" would make about 1.5 million students eligible for the grants next year.

Congress has until May 1 to disapprove the schedule, but the House Special subcommittee on Education was

expected to take action on it by the end of this month.

The newsletter quoted Rep. John Brademas, D-Ind., as saying that the administration is ignoring statutory requirements to fund the EOG and NDSL programs before initiating the BOGs. Brademas said this was a "willful expression of contempt for Congressional intent."

If Congress approves the program, need forms to be filled out by students will be sent to colleges, high schools and current college students.

The schedule expects 20 per cent of a family's discretionary income and five per cent of its available assets to be used for support of a dependent student. The student would be expected to contribute 33 per cent of his own assets.

As a replacement for the NDSL program, which offers loans at three per cent interest with no interest payments until the student graduates, the administration has proposed funding of a program to guarantee repayment of bank loans to students at seven and a half per cent interest.

The government would pay the bank an interest subsidy to bring its collected interest up to nine per cent.

NDSL loans could still be made, said Geer, from money already lent which the University collects. Geer said that UNC could loan about \$300,000 of collected funds next year.

Weather

TODAY: Sunny, high in the 50s.
Fair tonight, low in the upper 20s.
Almost no chance of rain through tonight.

Responses positive

Living-learning favored

by David Eskridge
Staff Writer

Representatives from several residence halls on North Campus met Wednesday with members of the Living-Learning Committee appointed by the UNC administration and showed interest in establishing a living-learning concept in their dormitories.

A large delegation from Henderson Residence College (Winston, Conner and Alexander) was present and asked committee members if the entire residence college could participate in the program.

Henderson Resident Director Richard

Stevens said that earlier this week the individual dorms in the college voted against a living-learning project being implemented in their buildings.

However, he added that in the last 24 hours "a lot of people have gotten excited about doing something different for the entire residence college."

The Henderson delegation stated that they had no end goals in mind, but they wanted to discuss possible ideas.

Representatives from Mangum dormitory were also present and discussed establishing a program in Upper Quad dorms.

The committee members said there was no reason that a living-learning concept

could not be established in more than one dorm on campus.

Committee member Jane Poller added, "Anyone interested in their dorms going living-learning should come talk with us and use us as a resource for ideas."

A weekly meeting time was set up by the committee for further discussion of the concept. The meetings will be on Mondays from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Carolina Union.

Students wishing more information on living-learning are urged to contact Jane Poller, Department of Residence Life, at 933-5404, or Allen Smith, Department of Student Life, at 933-1309.

Redskins scalp Heels, 102-92

by Winston Cavin
Sports Editor

The Daily Tar Heel wishes to apologize for its article of Wednesday morning, which belittled Miami of Ohio's chances of whipping Carolina in Carmichael Auditorium.

The Tar Heels, ranked sixth in the nation and unbeaten against nonconference teams, found the Redskins from the Mid-American conference a little rougher than expected as the visitors romped to a stunning 102-92 victory.

The loss dropped Carolina's overall record to 20-5. Miami is now 15-8.

The Redskins sank more unbelievable shots than any team has against Carolina this year. For the game, Miami shot 57

per cent from the field and 75 per cent on free throws. Many of their 42 field goals were fired from somewhere between the Carolina Grill and Hector's.

At the same time, Carolina was not playing all that badly. Carolina shot 55 per cent and 71 per cent from the charity stripe. Miami led in rebounds, 36-33, and in turnovers (13 to UNC's 19). UNC led in assists, 31-20.

Paced by the hot outside shooting of Phil Lumpkin, Gary Dees and Rich Hampton and the beautiful inside work of Dave Elmer, the Skins raced to a surprising 20-11 lead six minutes into the game and led most of the way. It was 55-50 at the half.

In the second half, Carolina jumped out to cut it to 55-54 after 41 seconds

had elapsed. But the visitors spurred again to take a 71-60 lead five minutes later and it began to look like an upset.

The Tar Heels came up with one ferocious rally, cutting the lead to 73-70 with 11:30 left. The rally was sparked by the defensive efforts of Bobby Jones and Darrell Elston, each of whom came up with some awesome blocked shots.

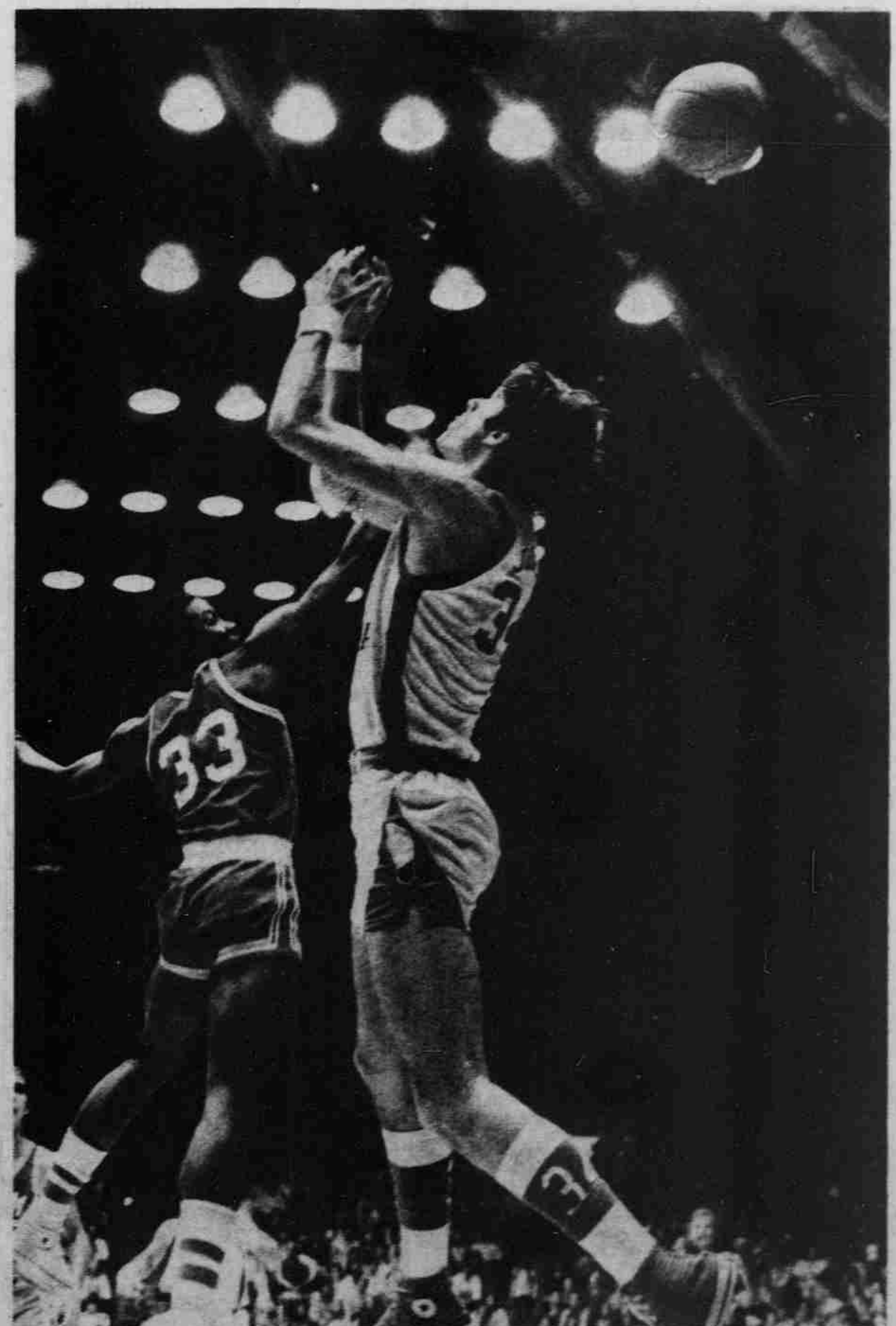
Miami put on another spurge to make it 80-72, however, and the lead never vanished.

"After the first ten minutes, we played reasonably well," said Carolina coach Dean Smith, "When they're shooting like that, there's nothing you can do about it."

"I want to give Miami full credit. They played with a lot of poise."

MIAMI	FG	FT	TP
Dees	5-12	2-2	12
Hampton	12-16	1-2	25
Handy	1-1	0-0	2
Garloch	3-7	0-0	6
Lumpkin	9-14	6-6	24
Elmer	8-15	6-7	22
Fields	1-6	1-2	3
Dorsey	2-2	2-3	6
Dieringer	0-0	0-1	0
Essenburg	1-1	0-0	2
DeMoss	0-0	0-0	0
Freytag	0-0	0-0	0
TOTALS	42-74	18-24	102

CAROLINA	FG	FT	TP
Johnston	2-6	0-0	4
Stahl	2-6	1-1	5
Jones	9-10	3-5	26
Elston	7-14	0-0	14
Karl	9-16	6-7	24
Hoffman	5-9	0-0	10
Kupchak	3-4	1-2	7
O'Donnell	3-6	1-2	7
Waddell	0-1	0-0	0
Hite	0-1	0-0	0
TOTALS	40-73	12-17	92



Rich Hampton blocks Bobby Jones' attempt for two points in last night's Miami game. Hampton scored 25 points in the contest while Jones managed 21. Miami gained the lead early and hung on to win 102-92. (Staff photo by George Brown)