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Pigeon's-eye view

This is what the campus looks like to the pigeons perched atop Wilson Library. As spring approaches, they're waiting for the trees to put on their clothes and for the students to take off theirs. (Staff photo by Tom Lassiter)

Runge details plans for consumer action

by Greg Turosak
Staff Writer

Student Body President-elect Ford Runge outlined Thursday a four-point plan of action to be undertaken as soon as possible after his inauguration early next week.

Runge plans to waste no time in getting down to the basics of his campaign promises and in forming a cooperative relationship with the Campus Governing Council (CGC).

"In the next week or two," Runge said, "I propose to submit to the CGC a bill establishing a student consumer board, the purpose of which would be: first, to investigate prices, food quality, jobs for students and the wages they are paid and tenant rights; second, to make this information available to the student body; third, to establish a student consumer information switchboard, the model of which will be the human sexuality program; and fourth, to promote and assist in the organization of viable student consumer pressure groups and a Chapel Hill tenant's union."

"Our most important task at this time is, as I see it, becoming acquainted with the members and aims of the CGC, so that we may work in full cooperation in the coming year," he said.

Runge also said that "together with the CGC, I'll be taking a hard look at the way students' money is presently being spent."

Concerning the campaign, Runge had this to say:

"It's pretty obvious that the majority that voted were not prepared to see SG abolished. But, considerable numbers of those that voted essentially voted to say that yes, SG should be abolished."

"I really don't think you can underestimate the importance of the

position that Pitt Dickey represented and the sentiments of those that supported him, making it even more imperative that we create the kinds of programs which will inspire the confidence on the part of the students that is necessary to carry on an effective and representative student government," he said.

"I'd like to express thanks to everyone involved in my election," said Runge. "I realize that many voted not for me so much as an individual, but that my election was due to an aggregate of feelings."

Runge also announced that the process was underway for the selection of a new

chairman for the Student Consumer Action Union (SCAU), since Runge is leaving the post when he is inaugurated.

Pitt Dickey was not too disappointed with his loss, commenting "That's the way the old ball bounces."

"We wish Ford the best of luck," said Dickey. "He's a fine fellow and a good drinker."

Dickey denied that this was the end for the Blue Sky party.

"The Blue Sky party will be back for sure—probably with new, improved leadership," he said. "As long as the sky is blue over Carolina, there'll be a Blue Sky party."

RHA approves plan

Dorm sign-up changed

by David Eskridge
Staff Writer

The Residence Hall Association (RHA) approved a proposal by Elizabeth Nall, director of UNC Housing, changing the procedures for dorm sign-up next semester in its meeting on Wednesday.

The association also approved a proposal by Mike O'Neal, chairman of Men's Residence Council, advocating the conversion of the former Manly mail room into a common space for the residents of Manly dorm.

The procedural change in room sign-up would only affect those students presently living in University housing or Granville Towers who wish to change dormitories.

Instead of waiting in line, students who

wish to change dorms will first obtain a residence hall application card by paying a \$25 deposit to the University cashier. (For Granville, students will pay the entire amount for one semester.)

The card will then be taken to the Housing Assignments Office at the designated time. A number drawn by lottery will be written on the student's card. The student will keep the card until the appropriate time to sign up for a room.

The Housing Office will compile a schedule of interviews for those students taking part in the lottery to come in and choose from the available spaces on campus, with low numbers having top priority.

A student who cannot come at his

assigned time can send someone else or come at a later time. If the student comes later than his assigned time, his priority will be forfeited.

Nall said that the lottery system is being used simply to avoid the student's need for sleeping out the night before sign-up and to allow less confusion in the Housing Office.

Nall said that on March 20 a pamphlet explaining in detail the housing sign-up procedure will be slid under every door on campus.

In other business, the RHA approved two suggestions by Russ Perry, assistant director of Residence Life, on ways of spending the Special Enhancement Fund for dormitory improvements—\$1,200 for new furniture in Avery and a stove for Cobb.

Police study pleases Chief Blake

by Ken Allen
Staff Writer

"This report says the same thing I've been saying for years," Chief William Blake said of the recent preliminary study of the Chapel Hill Police Department.

The report in question examines the police department and recommends what should be done for orderly growth and operation in the future. The Board of Aldermen commissioned Norman E. Pomrenke, a professional police consultant, to compile the report in the fall of 1972.

Pomrenke listed seven priorities that should be carried out in the near future to keep the Chapel Hill police department "a very great organization."

> Priority one—Revamp the pay plan so that an officer can reach the top of the pay scale in an orderly fashion. This would include higher salaries and a better promotion system.

> Priority two—Build a new police station.

> Priority three—Overhaul the present department organization.

> Priority four—Establishment of a written directives system so that orders, directions, and control for all personnel will be developed in a systematic and understandable way.

> Priority five—Improved recruitment practices.

> Priority six—A study to determine the manpower needs in Chapel Hill at this time.

> Priority seven—Analysis of records and field reporting.

Chief Blake was rather pleased with the study, especially the recommendations for higher salaries and a new building.

"No sooner do we get a good man and get him trained, than he goes down to Atlanta or over to Durham for more money," Blake said.

The present starting salary of a Chapel Hill patrolman is \$6,804, compared to \$7,907 in Durham and \$7,848 for the Highway Patrol.

As for the building, Blake feels that it is about time for the Police Department, which is in the old municipal building on Rosemary Street, to get consideration. "I've seen them (the aldermen) build a new fire station, a new town hall and a

new garage with offices for Public Works.

"We got some room when the fire department moved out of here which we used for a classroom. Up until then, we really didn't have any place to train men. But we don't have nearly enough room now. We haven't got a place for another filing cabinet."

The study resulted because of complaints from patrolmen on the force that things weren't as they should be in the Chapel Hill Police Department.

"The aldermen and the mayor, Howard Lee, decided to hire an outside expert to see exactly where the department is now and where it is going and how to get there," according to Lorena Warner, executive assistant to the mayor.

The town manager, at that time Robert

Peck, was told to find someone to study the police department. The Institute of Government recommended a former instructor, Norman Pomrenke, of Forest Hills, Md. Pomrenke is a police consultant and training officer for the Baltimore Police Department.

Pomrenke's report is only the preliminary, according to Alderman Ross Scroggs. Another consultant, perhaps Pomrenke, will be hired to implement the changes made in the report. The Board of Aldermen will decide on that in March.

The study of the police department is only the first of many studies that will ultimately result in all of the town's departments being studied by outside professionals.

A Residence Life 'mistake'

Housemothers' dismissals an error — Boulton

by Cathy Farrell
and
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Three UNC housemothers received letters of dismissal from Residence Life two weeks ago but have since been reinstated after Dean of Student Affairs Donald Boulton called the whole affair a mistake.

Mrs. Robert Forrest, the housemother at Spencer dorm, received a letter stating that she had not fulfilled her duties. Residence Life felt she had no rapport with the students. She said the letter was vague in some areas, but the message was perfectly clear.

Mrs. Elzora Cunningham of Whitehead and Mrs. Nellie Carrington of Joyner received similar letters.

Boulton, in an interview last week, said, "I wish it had never happened. It was a mistake."

"Residence Life handles administration for 29 buildings. They were trying to make uniform decisions for all the dorms."

"I found about the incident after the fact. I only wish I had found out about it earlier. It would not have happened."

Mrs. Forrest would not comment further on the incident.

When news of the letter leaked out to Spencer residents, the girls organized a letter writing campaign.

According to Boulton, the girls wrote "solid letters and made their feelings perfectly clear."

Many girls talked to Robert Kepner,

director of Residence Life, and John Meeker, assistant director, protesting the action.

Letters and visits proved how wrong Residence Life can be. All three housemothers have since been reinstated.

When questioned about Mrs. Forrest's rapport with the students, Spencer residents had very definite feelings concerning the charges made by Residence Life.

"I have never been in to talk to her but I feel I could if I need her. She's really a very nice lady," said one girl.

"She always stops to say hello and she really tries to get to know the girls," responded a fourth floor resident.

A Spencer Residence Adviser said, "She is always around when we need her. I wouldn't hesitate to talk to her about anything."

Boulton said he feels that the function of Residence Life is to "respond to the needs of the students, not to guess at what they want. The girls wanted to keep their housemother and that is what they got."



Remnant

The Hinsdale Mansion keeps a lonely vigil on Raleigh's Hillsborough Street. One of the few remaining houses of the capital city's elegant era of the late 1880's, the structure has been saved for others to marvel at. (Staff photo by Tom Lassiter)

Insight today

The University stands to lose \$9 million in the next two years if the budget cuts recommended by President Richard Nixon are approved by Congress. DTH Administration Reporter Windy March has been investigating where the cuts will fall and what effects they will have. The results of his investigations are published on page 3 in today's DTH Insight.