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Chancellor Taylor (left) and Willie Mebane, BSM head, at South Building Tuesday (Staff photo by George Brown)

Black students present grievances to Taylor

by Nancy Kochuk
Staff Writer

Chancellor N. Ferebee Taylor was confronted on the steps of South Building Tuesday afternoon by about 500 blacks with a list of grievances from the Black Student Movement (BSM) Central Committee.

This confrontation was the result of a rally and march from the Pit to South Building headed by BSM Chairman Willie Mebane.

The rally was a protest against Nixon's proposed higher education financial assistance budget, the cutback in the number of blacks admitted to UNC and the total elimination of the Afro-American Studies curriculum here next fall.

Abeola, a representative from the Youth Organization for Black Unity (YOBU), who spoke in the Pit, said there are two factors of education that the black student must consider. He must realize the true purpose of getting a college degree and he must ascertain his role as a black student on white or black campuses.

"Our education always reflects the needs of the American society, not the needs of the black people," he said.

Abeola stressed that the role of the black student is not simply to get a degree, but rather, "to come to school to see what we can do to perpetuate and uplift the black masses."

Blacks will become valuable to their brothers and sisters, he said, only when

they develop a correct political ideology, learn something that will be useful to the black masses, and dedicate themselves to the black movement to help themselves.

Former BSM Chairman Warren Carson also spoke at the rally, protesting the "gradual phasing out of the black studies curriculum for next fall." He said blacks were promised in 1968 that an Afro-American Studies Department would be established by this year.

Mebane protested the decrease in the number of black freshmen accepted for the fall. He said the number has decreased by 50 each year since 1970 and that this year only 150 blacks have been accepted. He said the \$10 application fee, which is no longer waived, allowed fewer blacks the opportunity of even applying for admission here.

Dr. Lillian Lehman, UNC registrar, confirmed this, saying that black acceptances were down from last year. She attributed this to a lower number of applications. "Also," she said, "white male applications are lower this year, and our acceptance for them is running 14 to 15 percent behind last year's."

The rally ended with the march to South Building. The black students waited on the steps while Mebane spoke with the Chancellor and Donald Boulton, dean of student affairs.

Taylor responded to the demands of the black students by setting up an appointment with Mebane for 10 a.m. Thursday to discuss their list of grievances. He said he welcomed the dialogue between himself and the black students because he has "some awareness of the special problems and concerns of the black students on campus."

He said the University has been striving to meet these special needs. Taylor hinted at the appointment of some adviser to the black students, but said the decision would have to be approved by the UNC Board of Governors before it could be made public.

The following is the list of grievances presented to the Chancellor Tuesday afternoon.

"On behalf of the black (sic) students attending the University of North Carolina, we demand:

> that, as promised, an Afro-American Studies Department be established.

> that more black courses be offered in each department (i.e., black history, black economics, black media, etc.)

> that at least one (or one more in some cases) black faculty be hired in each department on campus.

> that the University make an honest effort in recruiting prospective black

freshmen through reinstating Project Uplift, allowing financially disadvantaged blacks to waive the \$10 application fee, and that National Achievement finalists be allowed to visit UNC at the expense of the University.

Mebane said if no gains are made from Thursday's meeting with the Chancellor, he will be in Taylor's office Friday morning and the students would be back on the steps of South Building and would remain there until something definite is accomplished.

No funding stops UNC counsel team

by Ken Allen
Staff Writer

The UNC Counseling Team, a group of graduate students in the help-professions that counsel dormitory residents, will cease to exist after this semester due to lack of funding.

Donald Boulton, dean of student affairs, informed team member Ken Kasselmann Monday afternoon that money to continue the program next year was not available.

The counseling team needs \$13,000 for operating expenses, according to Kasselmann.

The counseling team began two years ago in Morrison and James dormitories with a budget of \$10,000. Graduate students in the help-professions — including psychology and nursing — were available to provide counseling and act as a referral service for students experiencing difficulties in dormitory life.

The program was expanded for 1972-73 to include a North Campus team and a roving team in addition to the South Campus team. The \$13,000

needed was provided by the Residence College Federation (RCF) which has since been changed to the Residence Hall Association.

Both Boulton and Kasselmann agreed that the 1972-73 funding from RCF would be for one year only. Kasselmann hoped that funding to continue the project could be found from other sources.

During the current academic year, the team had 236 initial contacts — about five percent of dormitory residents. They made follow-up contacts with 240 people.

Of the total budget, \$3,000 goes to Dr. Paul Fiddleman for his work as faculty supervisor, and the remaining money is allotted as stipends to eight of the 16 counselors.

Kasselmann said Tuesday he started making requests for money to Boulton at the end of January. At the end of March, Kasselmann wrote Boulton a letter saying that funding would have to be found by April 4 if the team were to continue.

Boulton said that he could not find the money in the time specified by Kasselmann's letter. "I think the team has done a good job, and I plan to have a permanent team of this type in the future," Boulton said. "It's a shame they have no money."

Boulton said funding would have to come from Residence Life, with the final decision left to the director. The current director, Robert Kepner, is resigning and a replacement has not yet been chosen.

Amended no-fault passed

by Jody Meacham
Staff Writer

Proponents of no-fault auto insurance won a hollow victory in the N.C. Senate Monday night. The bill passed the senate on a voice-vote after an amendment introduced by Sen. Phil Godwin, D-Gates County, was tacked on to the bill by a 25 to 20 vote.

The amendment lowered the threshold for bringing a court suit for hospital and medical expenses from \$1,000 to \$500.

As originally written, the no-fault bill would have prohibited court suits in auto accidents, no matter who was at fault, unless either hospital and medical expenses exceeded \$1,000, or personal income loss exceeded \$5,000.

If neither of these conditions existed, a person's own insurance company would pay instead of the insurance company of the driver at fault.

The original bill was actively opposed by the N.C. Bar Association and most lawyers because the number of court cases under such a law would be reduced, thereby reducing the need for lawyers.

Proponents of the measure claimed that by reducing court suits, and thus legal fees, insurance rates would be cut. Under the amendment introduced by Godwin, a person could sue in court if medical expenses totaled \$500 instead of the \$1,000 originally proposed.

The bill was most strongly supported by Sen. Gordon Allen, D-Person County, and Sen. Donald Kincaid, R-Caldwell

County, both in the insurance business.

Allen and Kincaid successfully held off three earlier amendments introduced by lawyers, including one by Sen. A.B. Coleman of Orange County, which would allow a person to sue for damages resulting from "suffering" regardless of the dollar amount. They led the opposition to Godwin's amendment.

Lobbyists for automobile insurance companies have been working hard for a no-fault proposal which would allow them to avoid their claim settlements being challenged in court.

Sen. Thomas Strickland, D-Wayne County, spoke against the bill saying that certain provisions of it were unconstitutional. He said that having a threshold provision in the bill would discriminate against the poor who would most likely be treated at public health clinics and thus have more difficulty in having high enough medical costs to sue.

He said that the threshold would encourage fraud by making people inflate medical expenses to a level at which they could take the case to court.

Strickland is the sponsor of a no-fault bill now in committee endorsed by the N.C. Bar Association which would give the motorist an option of having a no-fault policy with no threshold or keeping his present liability insurance.

Sen. Fred Folger, D-Surry County, attacked the \$5,000 income loss threshold, saying that the aged and poor would have a harder time meeting that figure than a lower one.

Today's weather

Considerable cloudiness with thundershowers likely. The high is expected in the mid 70's and the low tonight is expected in the upper 40's. Sixty percent chance of precipitation. Outlook: more thundershowers.

Insight today

In an effort to examine the myths of lesbianism, the DTH contacted Chapel Hill's gay community, talked with its people about themselves and surveyed students on their feelings and impressions of homosexuality. The report does not attempt to draw any general conclusions, but merely presents the facts as they were able to be found.

Check SCAU guide

Apartment problems?

by Bonnie Weyher
Staff Writer

Looking for an apartment in Chapel Hill or Carrboro? Tired of wandering from one realtor to another? Save yourself steps by picking up a Student Consumer Action Union (SCAU) guide to off-campus housing.

The pamphlets, entitled "Southern Part of Heaven?" will be distributed at no charge next Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. and from 4 to 5 p.m. in front of the Undergraduate Library. They will also be available anytime at the Student Union desk and the SCAU office.

Included in the pamphlet is a list of major apartment complexes in Chapel Hill and Carrboro, along with the location, prices and features of each. Also presented are the results of tenant surveys

conducted in each complex.

Under the direction of sophomore Steve Lytch, several students researched the rights and responsibilities of both the landlord and the tenant. A section of the pamphlet explains these rights. In this way SCAU hopes to clear up some common misconceptions about the terms of a lease. Also included is an article on how to take a landlord to court.

Nancy Haslam, head of the local research team, hopes that the guide will help alleviate confusion for the apartment seeker. "Once students have found a place to live, we hope the pamphlet will help them understand their rights as tenants," she said.

With a group of UNC students, Haslam, a senior from Charlotte, spent four weeks interviewing landlords and tenants, all of whom, she noted, were very cooperative.

She added that her group encountered everything from "complaints about rats to total satisfaction with the living accommodations."

Noting that the housing pamphlet is the first of many publications SCAU plans to offer the student body, SCAU Chairman Ted Claghorn said, "Our hope is that information of this sort will enable students to actively participate with existing consumer organizations."

DeWitt McCarley, chairman of the Tenant and Landlord Committee of SCAU, said, "I'm hoping that this pamphlet will alert students to the kind of problems that SCAU can help them solve."

Other groups within SCAU include the Pricing Committee, the Food Quality Committee and Action Line, a consumer complaint service.

Spring Fling fun and flying frisbees

Frisbees, music, beer and cokes will be featured at the second annual Spring Fling for seniors on Thursday, the last day of classes. The event will be from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the American Legion Clubhouse grounds on Legion Road.

"The Fling is planned as a final get-together for the class," said Senior Class President Morey Lampley. "We see it strictly as an afternoon of fun and games."

Sherlocke, a jazz-rock band will provide the music for the Fling. The eight-member group is led by UNC sophomore John Harris and includes several other UNC students. Sherlocke plays a wide variety of music, ranging from Edgar Winter to Blood, Sweat and

Tears, and Seals and Crofts and The Guess Who.

Seniors attending Spring Fling will also have an opportunity to meet Alumni Association officers and staff members and to join the General Alumni Association if they wish to do so.

Class officers are issuing to all members of the class of '73 a special alumni membership invitation that offers a one-time-only, half-price rate for joining UNC's official alumni body.

"We're urging all seniors to take advantage of this opportunity to keep in touch with Carolina," Lampley said.

Regular annual membership dues are \$10 a year for an individual and \$12 for a Carolina couple. Seniors may join for \$5.00 the first year, or \$6.00 for a couple.



Congressman L.H. Fountain

Fountain: Ervin right on Watergate

by Greg Turosak
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"I think that any public official, whether appointed or elected, unless in the judgment of the President that public official's testimony would endanger the national security or seriously impair domestic operations, should not be able to invoke executive privilege."

That was one of the many comments, most of them open to wide interpretation, which N.C. Congressman L.H. Fountain of the second congressional district made Tuesday during a quick stop to the UNC campus.

Fountain is currently traveling in North Carolina, taking advantage of the Easter recess in the U.S. Congress.

"I think the President has gone far beyond all reasonable bounds with respect to executive privilege," said Fountain. "It seems to me that he should have anyone who knows anything about the Watergate case testify in court."

"I believe in the complete freedom of the press," he said, "and I believe in the courageous disclosures the Washington Post has made."

"If it hadn't been for this type of reporting, the Watergate affair would be over by now; it would have passed away without notice," he said.

Fountain added, however, that newsmen should have to divulge sources and information when serious crimes have been committed.

Fountain indicated he was strongly

behind N.C. Senator Sam Ervin's efforts in the Watergate hearings. He said, "I don't think there is any question that Ervin is right."

Fountain was somewhat unclear otherwise about his opinions on increasing executive power. He said that he thought the founding fathers were wise in setting up three separate and supposedly equal branches of government.

However, Fountain said, "Today we don't really have co-equal branches of government."

"The President has vetoed many excessive appropriations; his aim and his goal in eliminating excessive expenditures is good, but his prerogative exceeds his authority," Fountain said.

Concerning the emergency funds appropriated recently by the House and the Senate in response to President Nixon's impoundment of college aid funds, Fountain said, "We are doing a futile, asinine thing in passing legislation which the President says he will veto anyway."

Fountain was not sure if he would vote to override a veto, saying, "It depends on what the actual override bill is."

However, he said, "I would be inclined to support whatever the Appropriations Committee passes out."

Concerning his vote against gasoline tax monies being used for mass transit systems, Fountain said that when the highway bill was passed in 1958, it was

presumed that the funds would be used only for highways.

Office of Economic Opportunity legal branch services, Fountain said, "I happen to believe that people who are in need of legal services should have adequate advice and counseling."

Fountain added, however, that he is not in favor of an independent agency for this legal advice, saying that it should be responsive to jurisdiction of authority from a higher level.

On shield laws, Fountain said simply that his mind was "completely open."

As for his plans in November 1974, Fountain said "I have no plans now to run for Senate, and I do plan to run for re-election. But I don't want to die in Washington," he added.