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Parking changes await Chapel Hill bus system

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The new University parking system cannot progress past the planning stage until the proposed Chapel Hill bus system begins service, said William D. Locke, an administrative official for the campus Traffic Office.

This plan calls for three fringe lots on University property in the immediate area and the re-zoning of present campus parking lots to cut down on the excess cars on campus. Buses will shuttle patrons from their cars to other areas on campus.

Some parking will be available on North Campus after the system begins. Ideas are still being shuffled to determine a list of priorities for these spaces, said Claiborne Jones, a University representative to Chapel Hill's Joint Transportation Commission and assistant to the chancellor.

The only change in UNC parking policy for this fall ends the sale of "T" stickers, Locke reported. In the past, students who operated a car in Chapel Hill had to register it and buy a "T" sticker, whether they wanted to park on campus or not.

Students who do not want to use UNC parking facilities during the day can park off campus. Stickers are not required to park on campus from 6 p.m. until 7 a.m. during the week, on weekends and holidays.

UNC has no financial commitment in the proposed bus system. Jones stated that if there is a system of public transportation in the Chapel Hill area, the University will be interested in signing a contract.

The system will be financed and run by the city of Chapel Hill. UNC will contract for services only. A schedule of

times and routes will be set up between Chapel Hill and UNC. The University will buy a block of annual bus passes to be resold at cost to University people.

Chapel Hill citizens passed a referendum in February, supporting a tax increase to pay for the bus system. George Lathrop, chairman of the Joint Transportation Commission, says that the service will probably not begin until January, 1974.

Meanwhile, plans have been made for a new drama building to be built in the Carolina Union parking lot. Jones expects that bids will be accepted around Christmas, 1973, and that construction will begin during the spring semester.

Approximately 400 parking spaces will be lost as soon as the construction is underway. The paved parking lot at the Union can still be used, but holds only 75 cars.

Locke reports that the Traffic Office

registers 14,000 to 15,000 cars each year. There are only 8,000 spaces available on campus. This situation is not as dire as it sounds, Locke explained. Several faculty families register both cars, but only one is legally allowed on campus at a time. Of the remaining cars registered, about 2,500-3,000 have "T" stickers, which prohibits campus parking during the day.

"I guess we're in the neighborhood of 4,000 parking spaces short," Locke said.

Locke, who is in charge of parking lot maintenance, says that he converted the basketball court at Ehringhaus dorm on South Campus into an additional 50-60 spaces because the court was never used.

Under the proposed new plan, stickers will be sold only for the actual number of spaces available in campus parking lots. Students with stickers who live in dorms can park their cars in certain zones and cannot move them to any other area on campus during the day.

When a student buys a parking permit, Jones predicts that he will automatically receive a bus pass for the year included in the cost. The pass will be necessary to move around the campus, since his car has to stay in its designated area.

Permits for North Campus parking will cost more than before with the zoning changes. Locke sets the proposed price for nine months at \$45, but agreed with Jones that priorities for permits have not been established yet.

The University is now authorized to levy and collect fines on tickets for UNC parking violations. Previously, the campus police just wrote tickets, and the Chapel Hill police collected the fines and issued warrants when necessary. This system will probably begin within the year when the traffic change comes, Locke said.

Campus police will guard the parking lots, to control parking. If someone parks in the wrong spot, it will constitute a violation, and means a ticket.

Chapel Hill presently plans to finance the bus system alone, since Carrboro citizens rejected the bus referendum last May.



The mountie look

In case you haven't noticed, Carolina's campus cops are wearing some spiffy new hats. Officer Sims has added a new dimension to his typical dour expression with the addition of the headpiece. (Staff photo by George Brown)

Major brand rationed

Gas squeeze hits town

by Bonnie Weyher
Staff Writer

Local gasoline shortages appear to be hitting hardest at Union 76 service stations, which are the first in the Chapel Hill area to be rationing gasoline.

Silas Talbert, manager of the station at E. Franklin Street and Estes Drive, said that his customers are being limited to \$5 sales. In addition Talbert said that his station is now closing at 7 p.m. instead of 11 p.m. and is not opening at all on Sundays.

Noting that his monthly quota has been cut by 20,000 gallons from last year, Talbert said, "We're hurting now mainly because of a substantial growth in business over the past year."

Although not yet rationing gas, most other station owners in the area are cutting their hours of operation significantly. Once opened 363 days per year, Walker's Gulf Service Center at 1500 E. Franklin Street is now closing all Sundays and holidays.

Night manager Jim Cox said that Gulf stations are suffering less than others because of substantial reserves in this

area. "The only thing we've been quoted on is Gulfane, but the problem is that 95 per cent of all 1973 cars are burning it," he noted.

When asked about the future, Cox did not seem optimistic. "The Gulf dealer has warned us that the situation could get worse. But we expect some improvement within the next two to five years," he said.

John Hamilton, owner of Estes Sunoco Station at 1408 E. Franklin Street, expects local gas prices to jump to 50 cents. "The average profit is 5 cents per gallon. When you can't sell as much, you have to increase the price in order to survive," he noted.

Hamilton is confident that by the summer of 1974 the situation will be much improved. He said, "Buying from Venezuela is of key importance. Right now the United States only has a five to six day supply of gas. What we really need is a 90 day reserve."

The independent service stations are better off than the large chain stations, according to Hamilton. "It's not fair," he said. "The major oil companies are required to supply them, and then they're

able to undersell all the rest of us."

John Lamb, owner of Sava-ton, an independent station on Main Street in Carrboro, disagreed, claiming that the independent service stations are no better or worse off than anyone else.

He also disagreed that his practice of underselling is unfair. "The large chains could sell at a cut rate, too. After all, they buy the gas cheaper than we do," he said.

At the present time Shell and Exxon service station managers prefer to remain silent on the subject of gasoline shortage. Both have cut their hours of operation. When asked about the future, Gerald Talbert, owner of Gerald's Shell Service on Airport Road, said, "We'll just have to wait and see."

Orange County chapter

Women's caucus organizes

by Lu Ann Jones
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The Orange County Women's Political Caucus (OCWPC), held its first business meeting Wednesday night in the Municipal Building in Chapel Hill.

Several members of the North Carolina Women's Political Caucus (NCWPC) spoke to the group of approximately 40 enthusiastic women about the activities and objectives of the Women's Political Caucus (WPC) on the national, state and local levels.

Kathi Perkerson, one of the organizers of the OCWPC, announced that a larger

meeting of the Orange County caucus is scheduled for October.

"The purpose of the October meeting is to organize and mobilize women all over Orange County to gain political power for women," Perkerson stated.

At that time members will elect permanent officers and vote on by-laws. Also, workshops will be conducted.

Some of the possible topics for the workshops are: (1) job discrimination and how to file complaints, (2) women and family law, (3) a hard look at the socialization process, (4) women and the media—how to fight their image of you, (5) rape—what it means and what we can

do about it and (6) fund raising—up from the bake sale approach.

Temporary officers for the OCWPC elected Wednesday night are: Kathi Perkerson, chairperson; Josephine Holman and Mary Lynn Q. Fuller, assistant chairpersons; Eva Caldwell, treasurer; and Ann Glassman, Rebecca Addington, Kyle Fauth, Carol Dabbs and Michele Sumka, secretarial committee.

The nomination committee had met earlier and drawn up the slate of names which included women from Hillsborough and Chapel Hill. With no further nominations from the floor, a motion was made and seconded that the slate be elected as proposed.

The four additional members of the secretarial committee volunteered their services to Glassman.

Florry Glasser, Talent Bank Chairperson of the NCWPC, reported the progress of the talent bank, a storehouse of information on women qualified and anxious to participate in public matters.

Glasser read a letter the NCWPC had written to Gov. Holshouser expressing the concern about virtual exclusion of women from state boards. They also informed him of the computerized talent bank and urged him to appoint more women to state governmental agencies, boards and commissions.

The talent bank was started in Orange County and is now statewide in scope.

Shirl Marshall, a member of the Second District Policy Council of the NCWPC, gave the group some background information on the National Women's Political Caucus (NWPC).

The NWPC was begun almost two years ago and since that time has become a strong, important force.

On July 11, 1971 the purposes of the NWPC were adopted. Some of these aims are: (1) To mobilize every woman who abilities have been wasted by second class, subservient, underpaid or powerless positions to which female human beings are consigned, (2) Train women to organize caucuses on a state and local level and (3) Register new women voters and encourage women to vote for women's priorities.

Marshall also announced that the NWPC has released by-laws and that the North Carolina caucus will meet in September to adopt by-laws for the state.

Josephine Holman, another organizer of the OCWPC, gave highlights of the NWPC convention held February 8-11 in Houston, Texas.

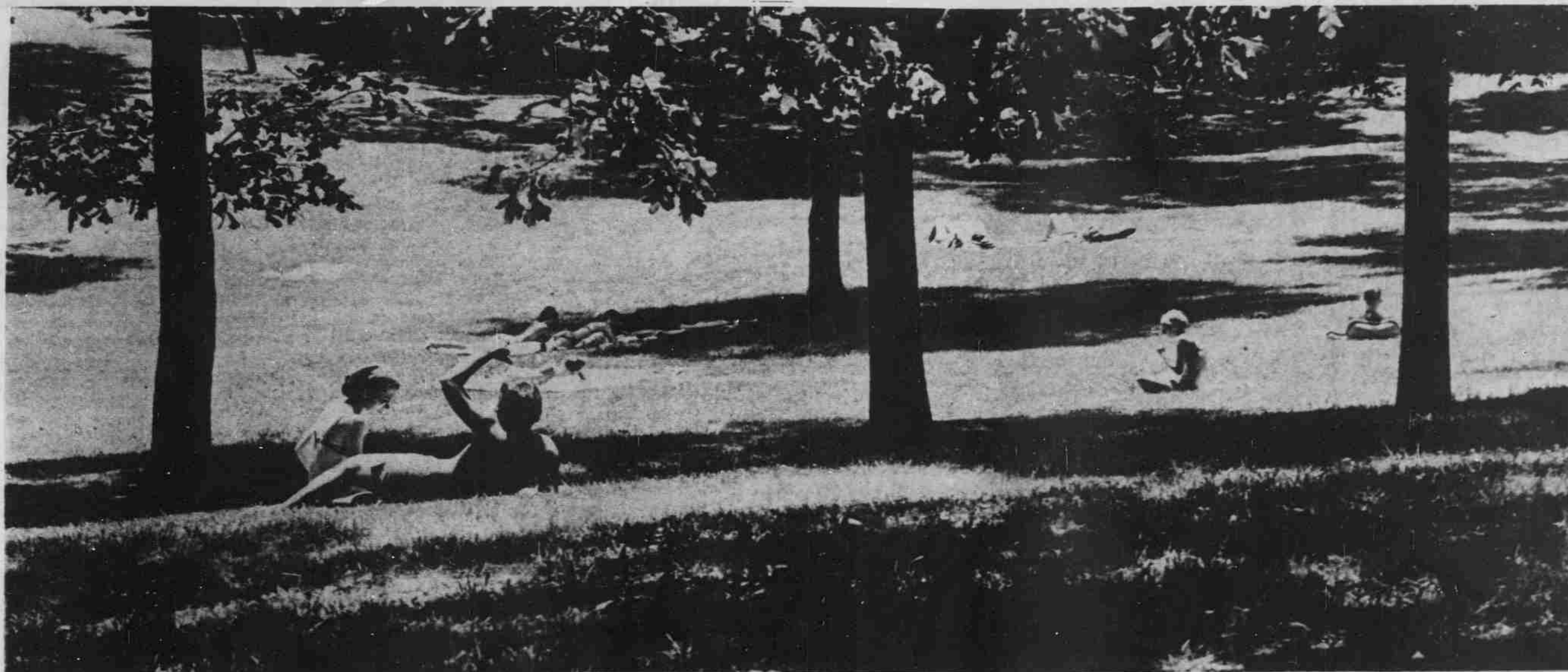
During the meeting workshops were conducted where a permanent structure for the national caucus was adopted.

Holman said that Orange County and North Carolina were well represented at the convention.

Several women who attended the national convention volunteered to draft by-laws for the Orange County caucus. These by-laws will follow those of the national and state groups and will be voted on at the October meeting.

Itchy fingers?

If you've got an urge to write, this may be your chance. The Tar Heel is now accepting applications for writers for both sessions of summer school. There are also openings for copy editors. Whether you have experience or would just like to get some, stop by The Tar Heel office in the Student Union between 1 and 4 p.m. Sunday or Monday, June 17 and 18.



Could Heaven be more heavenly than Chapel Hill in the summer?