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A four-member panel discussed amnesty for draft evaders and the Nixon pardon Tuesday in Great Hall

Amnesty plan discussed

Compared to Nixon pardon

by Lynne Barnes
Staff Writer

Amnesty for draft evaders and deserters was the main subject of a panel discussion Tuesday night in the Great Hall.

Speakers on the questions of amnesty and Nixon's pardon were Dan Pollitt, UNC law professor; Steve Carver, North Carolina vice-commander of the American Legion; James Reston Jr., author and journalist and Vermont Royster, professor of journalism and former editor of the *Wall Street Journal*.

Pollitt, the first speaker, said the tradition of amnesty goes back to George Washington. During his opening speech, Pollitt outlined amnesty precedents from Washington's pardons through the present. Carver, who said he "represents the sentiments of the American Legion and the sentiments of the average American veteran," opposed amnesty. He said, "These men are no better than any other criminal who broke the law and fled the country to avoid prosecution." Carver said he thought each deserter or deserter should be tried

individually. Reston called for unconditional amnesty. He said the Civil War amnesty is the country's most extensive precedent of conditional amnesty, but said that "it requires imagination to remember the spirit of that time in this attitude of international machismo" that Gerald Ford reflects. Reston outlined the reasons he thought conditional amnesty will not work. First, he said, alternate service will always be viewed as punishment. Other reasons included the variation in regional treatment of the cases, the large case loads the amnesty boards would have and the fact that amnesty would cause the refighting of the war in this country.

Reston said that there is evidence already that the plan isn't working—out of 153,000 investigated cases of draft evaders, only 12 men have reported to U.S. attorneys and out of 453,000 cases of desertion, only 22 deserters have voluntarily appeared. Royster, who spoke last, was the only panelist who discussed the Nixon pardon in his opening comments. "Justice ought not always to be blind, always even-handed, always exacting the penalty to the last ounce," he said.

Royster, who said he opposed treating all deserters and evaders alike, since their motives were all different, said he agreed with Ford's decision. He also said that ex-President Nixon has suffered quite a bit. "What we need in this country more than anything else, is a time for healing," he said. "There should be less interest in strict and absolute justice for Richard Nixon and the deserters than in putting all this behind us. I think that is what President Ford is trying to do."

Associates in small claims court, according to Kathy Moore, Student Consumer Action Union (SCAU) housing chairman.

The controversy surrounding Old Well Apartments developed in late August as tenants moved in. Tenants said they had been told by Roberts that appliances would be installed by Sept. 1 or shortly thereafter. When Roberts did not fulfill this promise, SCAU arranged a meeting to air Old Well tenants' complaints. A \$30 per month allotment was provided for the tenants as compensation for the lack of appliances.

Tenants said Tuesday they were happy about Roberts deadline compliance.

Roberts Associates installs appliances

Roberts Associates fulfilled their promise to Old Well tenants by installing the final 61 sets of stoves and refrigerators Monday, Roberts representative Ed Hill said Tuesday.

The delivery came one day before the Oct. 1 deadline set by Roberts at a meeting with tenants last month.

Dishwashers, included in last spring's Old Well advertisement, have not yet been installed in 120 of 130 apartments. Hill said Tuesday, "We have no idea when the dishwashers will arrive."

Before Monday's installation, many tenants had been without appliances for more than a month. This prompted several tenants to file suit against Roberts

Nixon associates begin cover-up trial

by Jane Denison
United Press International

WASHINGTON—Five associates of Richard M. Nixon went on trial in the Watergate cover-up scandal Tuesday with the knowledge that the star witness—the former president himself—might never appear.

U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica began questioning some 200 prospective jurors at 9:30 a.m. EDT in the huge, ceremonial courtroom on the sixth floor of the same federal courthouse where he tried the original Watergate burglars nearly two years ago—before the scandal washed through the highest levels of government and brought Nixon's resignation.

John D. Ehrlichman, Nixon's former aide, was spat upon and jeered by youths as he entered the courthouse. But he and the other four defendants, who have all pleaded innocent, sat smiling and relaxed when they reached the courtroom.

Ehrlichman reportedly had changed his defense to contend that Nixon planned the cover-up and his agents should not be punished for carrying out presidential orders.

Nixon was subpoenaed by both the prosecution and defense but his doctors in California said it was doubtful he could appear at the trial. Nixon's health was a key issue in what form the trial would take and how long it would last.

Despite Ehrlichman's encounter, the trial drew fewer spectators than previous Watergate-related court proceedings. The demonstrators outside, about a dozen in all, identified themselves as Yippies and chanted slogans at each of the defendants.

The first of some 1,000 prospective jurors were asked questions by Sirica which eventually would weed them down to a panel of 12 to decide the fate of the two former White House aides, an ex-attorney general, one of his assistants and an attorney who worked for Nixon's re-election campaign.

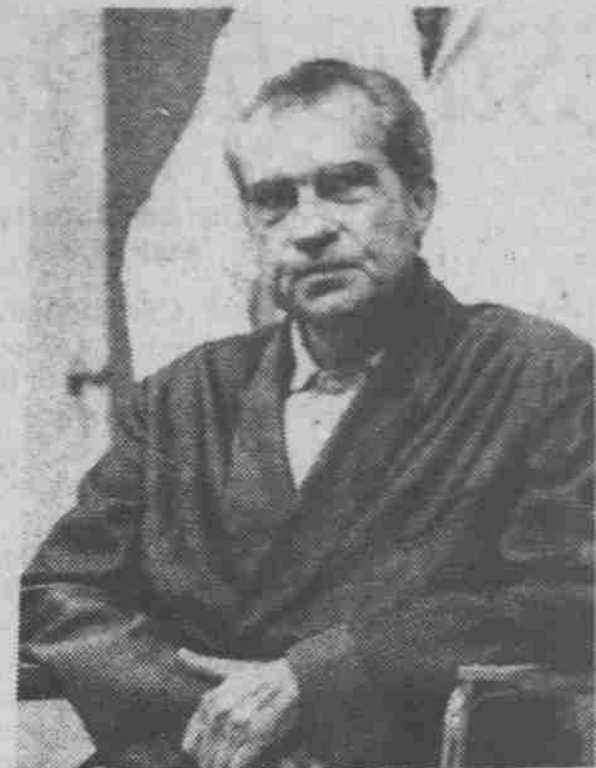
Sirica asked if any of the jurors would "feel most uncomfortable" by serving on a sequestered jury or would it create a "serious interference" in their lives. About 50 persons stood in response and the judge then questioned them more closely at the bench.

Sirica said the defendants should be "presumed to be innocent" and warned that the jury would be sequestered, possibly until Christmas, at a motel near the courthouse, eating all its meals together and prohibited from seeing any newspaper or television stories about Watergate.

Sirica immediately issued a stern warning that all of the five defendants—who sat smiling and relaxed at the defense table—should be "presumed to be innocent" of all crimes until the verdict is reached.

The process of jury selection was expected to take a week and lawyers predicted the trial might continue until Christmas, including an open court hearing of the still controversial tape recorded conversations in which Nixon discussed Watergate with his aides.

Standing trial were five of the seven men indicted last March for plotting to hush up the Watergate scandal—Ehrlichman, former Attorney General John N. Mitchell, former White House chief of staff H.R. Haldeman, former Assistant Attorney General Robert C. Mardian and Kenneth W. Parkinson, an attorney for the re-election committee.



UPI telephoto

Former President Nixon is wheeled around Long Beach Memorial Hospital Tuesday. Doctors say his condition is improving.

Black show gets 'Sounds' airtime

by Jim Roberts
Staff Writer

Since Monday night, campus radio station WCAR has been broadcasting a black progressive music show from 11 p.m. to 3 a.m. This time period is the same slot the controversial *Black Sounds* program held last year.

WCAR Station Manager Gary Rendsburg said the show, which will run from Sunday to Thursday, will not be like the original *Black Sounds*. "The artists will be predominantly black but not exclusively black," he said. "The announcers will be black, but the show's name will not be *Black Sounds*. The show will take its name from the disc jockey who is announcing at the time."

Ron George, assistant program director for the show, said the show would not differ greatly from the old *Black Sounds*. "The show is different only in minor details but this is to be expected since now it's under the station format."

Carl Fox, Campus Governing Council (CGC) finance committee chairman, said, "The only difference is that the new show is not called *Black Sounds* and that's not important." A CGC resolution introduced Sept. 17 by Fox first urged WCAR to

reinstate the *Black Sounds* show which had been cut down by more than two thirds.

Rendsburg's decision to move the show is the second change in programming within a week. Last Tuesday he chose to broadcast a black progressive show from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Pressure by CGC did not influence his decision, Rendsburg said. "I got some more student input and then decided to make the change. Disc jockey Bob Golombik lives in a dorm, and he gave me some of the feelings of the residents."

Fox said he thinks the controversy over the show is over. "I am very pleased with WCAR's decision. All we wanted for the show was the time that we originally had and now we have it."

The new show will adhere to the station's format by playing some white progressive music. "We have to play songs from certain albums just like any other disc jockey on the station," George said.

Four songs from the station's playbox must be played every hour, Rendsburg said. Disc jockeys will also take a more low-key style in running their shows.

"The jocks will be more FM oriented," George said. "There won't be too much talking between songs. This type of format will not upset the total operation of the show."

Elections

Students of Granville Residence College will be allowed to vote for RHA chairperson in today's election, the Student Supreme Court decided Tuesday. The court changed the contempt order placed against GRC Thursday that stated that Granville students could not vote because of a contempt of court citation. For details about the election, see page 2.

College education needs re-emphasis—Tenney

Senate candidate opposes food tax

by Greg Turosak
Staff Writer

"The problem with the present educational system," Ed Tenney said recently, "is that the emphasis is all wrong."

Tenney, 51, a Chapel Hill realtor, is one of four candidates competing for two seats from the 16th North Carolina senatorial district. The other three candidates are Republican Michael Budd and Democrats Charles Vickery and Russell Walker.

Tenney sees educational improvement and tax reform as his two major concerns in this campaign.

During a recent informal interview with the *Daily Tar Heel*, he called the primary purpose of the state university system "to educate the citizens of North Carolina—and the out-of-state students we have here—and to help them decide what career they should be following."

Tenney said he thinks there is perhaps too much emphasis on graduate humanities schools and not enough concern for helping students, especially undergraduates, to decide what practical use they should be making of themselves once they leave the university system.

He also had harsh words for the tenure system, and says the emphasis needs to shift away from so much research and more towards plain teaching.

"I think professors should produce, should teach," he said, and if not, he said they're not performing one of their basic functions.

"I think the University was much better (in that respect) when I was here 25 years ago," Tenney said. "I

spent many afternoons in the Shack with my professors" going over material in their courses.

Tenney did not make any specific recommendations on how to correct all this but rather seemed to be sticking to a statement he made last spring: "I think politicians should just decide that something should be done and let experts figure out how to do it."

Tenney was elected to the Chapel Hill School Board as a republican in 1963, beating five Democratic opponents for the spot, and served several years on the board.

The present location of Chapel Hill High School is largely due to his efforts.

Tenney said he is almost invariably in favor of bills which would improve educational facilities. Although originally opposed to the building of the ECU med school, he now feels the battle is lost, and "we might as well make as good a school over there as possible."

As far as taxes go, Tenney is 100 per cent in favor of the total abolition of both the intangibles tax and the sales tax on food.

"The intangibles tax constitutes double-taxation and is particularly punitive to the elderly and the poor," he said.

Tenney said he realizes that if the intangibles tax and the food tax go, the state will lose revenue. Thus, he proposes to replace the old taxes with a new luxury tax, of unspecified percentage, to be placed on all liquors, including wines, and all cars priced over \$5,000.

"I don't see any reason why a man who spends over \$200 a week on groceries for himself, his wife, and his servants shouldn't have to pay a tax on the wine he buys," said Tenney.

"I know that if I decide I want a bottle of liquor, and I walk into the ABC store, I won't be too concerned if I have to pay \$5 instead of \$4.50 for the bottle," he added.

On other issues, Tenney thinks there should be some form of capital punishment.

"For premeditated murder, for premeditated arson, and maybe for rape too—but I haven't made up my mind on that—there should be capital punishment," he said, "because in those cases, you're endangering someone else's lives."

On coastal and mountain management Tenney was in favor of the original tough bills introduced to the legislature in January, which were subsequently watered down.

He does not think utilities and others should be exempted from land reform bills, and sees North Carolina's beaches largely as public domain.

Tenney is against the plan to extend I-40 on a route that would cut between Durham and Chapel Hill, and has proposed a separate southern route—alternate 'T'—be built in Chatham County.

Tenney seems confident of doing well enough to win the Nov. 5 general election. He thinks he can hold his own in Chatham and Moore Counties, and do strongly in Randolph County—a Republican stronghold in this state.

"I feel if we can get at least 41 per cent of the vote in Orange County," he said, "we'll win. And I think we can do it."

Interviews with the other three state Senate candidates will be published before the Nov. 5 election.



Ed Tenney, candidate for state senate, speaks at Aug. 22 I-40 hearing