

Oil allowance kept in tax bill

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WASHINGTON—The House Ways and Means Committee refused on a 22-14 vote Tuesday to include an end to the oil depletion allowance in a pending multibillion-dollar tax reduction bill.

Proponents of the oil depletion repeal, led by Reps. Sam Gibbons, D-Fla., and William J. Green, D-Pa., promised to take the matter to the House floor.

Committee chairman Al Ullman, D-Ore., swayed the committee against the depletion repeal, promising to consider it within the next 90 days as part of an upcoming energy tax proposal. Ullman warned that the depletion issue would delay the tax cut, which he said is gravely needed to stimulate the economy.

"To amend this bill in this way at this time would be a very grave error although I have publicly stated many times that I would support an end to the depletion allowance," Ullman said.

Voting against repeal were 14 Republicans and 10 Democrats. Fourteen Democrats, but no Republicans, voted for repeal.

Ford said in Atlanta Tuesday that while he would want to see the fine print, he felt he could go along with the committee's plan to junk his \$12 billion tax rebate in favor of a combination of tax cuts and rebates mainly for moderate- and low-income persons.

Ullman, who has promised to push a tax cut bill through the committee by the end of the week, said the oil

depletion repeal would be irresponsible procedurally and substantively when the committee would immediately consider energy taxes.

The half-century-old oil depletion allowance allows oil and gas companies to deduct 22 per cent of the income from wells even before other tax deductions are taken. It will mean, if not repealed, \$2.6 billion to oil companies this year.

Ford, who proposed a simple \$12-billion rebate for all taxpayers, said, through a spokesman in Atlanta, that he would want to "read the fine print" after the committee completes the bill, but he felt the Ways and Means measures are "not too far from what we proposed."

On Monday, the tax-writing committee approved an \$8.4 billion cut, the first installment of a reduction for low and moderate income individuals which probably will grow to \$15.3 billion or more.

A second installment, granting \$6.9 billion or more in one-time rebates to those earning less than \$30,000 or \$40,000, and a third installment granting business tax incentives of \$3.6 billion or more, are yet to be decided by the committee in its rush to complete the tax cut bill by the end of the week.

The first \$8.4 billion would come from payment of up to \$200 for the working poor, plus an increase in the maximum and minimum standard deduction which would result in the last half of this year.

Ways and Means Chairman Al Ullman, D-Ore., intends for these cuts to become permanent, although this bill covers only 1975.



Despite freezing rains on Tuesday, temperatures today may climb as high as the low 60s

FM station to build soon

Final equipment estimates begun

by Jim Roberts
Staff Writer

Within a few weeks, the \$35,000 approved by students in a 1973 referendum for a campus FM radio station will be put to use to buy equipment and to begin construction of the station.

Following receipt of a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) construction permit Jan. 27 for a non-commercial FM station, the management of

campus AM station WCAR has begun final estimates for equipment necessary to build the FM station.

According to WCAR station manager Gary Rendsburg, equipment costs should not exceed \$32,000. The main and auxiliary transmitters and the antenna tower are some of the more expensive pieces of equipment to be purchased.

Once the FM station is broadcasting—possibly as early as fall, 1975—WCAR-AM will probably continue broadcasting, Rendsburg said.

"That will eventually be something the new station manager will have to decide. The AM station has a definite potential to make money, but it is also a definite money expender," he said.

By the middle of the summer, Chapel Hill and the University will have another FM station, WUNC, which has been unable to broadcast since 1970 because of a storm-damaged transmitter.

Station director Donald M. Trapp, who previously worked for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting in Washington D.C., said he was not in favor of the student FM station because the frequency it will occupy is designated for an educational, non-commercial station.

Although the new student FM station is non-commercial, it will not provide

educational services such as those planned by WUNC-FM.

Giving frequencies to stations such as WCAR "shuts out the possibility that full-service public stations" can be set up, Trapp said.

"I think to use the frequency in this way is a misuse. I think the frequencies are very valuable, very precious things. Frequencies are becoming scarcer and scarcer."

Once the campus station is constructed, the FCC will grant it an Equipment Test Authority permit. "This allows us to turn on the juice and run tones to test the equipment," Rendsburg said. "The test will be made to make sure the frequency is not fluctuating."

Following the equipment tests, the FCC will grant a Program Test Authority permit, which, according to Rendsburg, amounts to a temporary license to broadcast.

The management of WCAR is also in the process of selecting call letters for the FM station. "WCAR" is presently licensed to a station in Detroit. The present campus station is allowed to use the same call letters because its signal goes over carrier currents instead of through the air.

Call letters being considered are WVFM, WYXC, WTHR, WXYL and WCTH. Rendsburg's decision on the call letters will be made within a week.

Carolina Coalition attempting to stir student interest in SG

by Art Eisenstadt
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Armed with little more than a folding table, a stack of mimeographed papers, several hundred wallet-sized cards and a treasury of about \$7.50, a small band of students is hoping to stir up about 19,000 of their peers.

This, so far, is the story of the Carolina Coalition. Its ultimate goal is to become the first serious student political party on campus since the late '60s.

Mark Dearmon, co-founder and acting chairman of the Coalition said last week, "Even if this thing gets off the ground as a group interested in Student Government, I think we've served our purpose."

Dearmon is interested in reaching the 96 per cent of the student body who didn't vote in last month's Student Government (SG) referendum. He hopes to have made the Coalition familiar to at least some of them in time for the Feb. 26 student election.

"For years, campus politics has been based on personalities," co-founder Ben Steelman said. "SG was not set up for getting things done. If we get campus politics more oriented toward taking stands on issues and problems, we will have accomplished our purpose."

According to original plans, the Coalition would have nominated a slate of candidates for various SG offices this month.

Instead, the organization will endorse existing candidates. There are two main reasons for this change in plans.

First, several members of the Coalition's executive board and observers at party proceedings protested the nominating plans.

Dan Besse, a Campus Governing Council (CGC) representative but not a member of the Board, said at one Coalition meeting, "Unless you want to become a party *per se*, nominating candidates would not be wise. You'd look like a group of people trying to elect themselves to office."

All eight members of the Executive Board are either in SG or connected with an SG-funded organization in some way. At least three are considering running for office this year.

The other reason for scrapping the nominating plans is more direct—SG election laws require a recognized party to have 250 members at least two weeks prior to the election, and to support candidates for at least half the elected offices in SG.

After about two weeks of low-key recruiting, Board members are now manning information tables in the Union and the Pit. Board members Winston Cavin and Steelman both said they have been approached by prospective candidates while working at the information table.

Dearmon invited any interested candidate or student to attend tonight's Coalition meeting at 8 in the Union.

The Coalition has sold less than 50 memberships at annual dues of 50 cents.

Publication importance debated

by Mike Horne
Staff Writer

After interviews with several administrators, student government officials and faculty members, the old adage "publish or perish" continues to generate disagreement.

"It is not a dodge to say there are no stated requirements for appointment—publication or teaching requirements—there really aren't," Provost J. Charles Morrow III, chairman of the Committee on Instructional Personnel, said. His committee reviews all departmental staff recommendations.

Several of the other committee members agreed that their own priorities were used in considering faculty applications, rather than rigid University rules.

"I don't have any standard requirements for applicants," Dean James R. Gaskin of the College of Arts and Sciences said. "They vary with scholarly temperament and habits. Of course, the most reliable manifestation of these habits is publication; still, publication is only one. Some people do books like hens lay eggs. Others don't. It varies."

Vice-Chancellor Lyle V. Jones, dean of the Graduate School, agreed, saying, "Publication depends on the position. If publication is going to be part of his duties, it is essential. In new appointments, everyone is hoping we have a good researcher and a good teacher, but if he hasn't had much opportunity to prove himself as a teacher, sometimes we consider research more."

In contrast, however, Dean Edward G. Holley of the School of Library Science, said, "I weigh publication very heavily, because this is a 'research university.'"

Nita Mitchell, Student Attorney General, said she is certain that teaching is insignificant compared to publication at Carolina. "Here the big thing they emphasize is how much a person publishes, and how good a teacher he is really

doesn't make any difference," she said.

"Not so, Provost Morrow says. "There are some people on the faculty who do no teaching, some who do no research or publishing . . . each person is different."

Patricia Z. Barry, assistant professor of health administration, doubts if there are many professors who don't publish. "Selection and promotion are based on performance, largely on your publications. I know of many people who haven't been promoted just because they don't publish," she said. "Still, I don't think publication is overstressed, because I think people in academics should be active in their fields."

Dean Gaskin denies such rigid standards, claiming that shifting standards are a necessity for UNC faculty. "In probably every department in the college there are full professors whose only value to the department, students and the university as a whole, is just as a teacher. You've got to keep the intellectual life of the department alive, so your next appointment must usually be an intellectual, someone who researches and publishes," he said.

Dr. Roy R. Kuebler, chairman of the Chancellor's Advisory Committee, suggested that the University is exceedingly lenient in considering a teacher's publications and research if his teaching record is superior. "A person is supposed to publish a certain amount; this is evidence of scholarly behavior," he said, "but teaching, publication and service to the University, these things balance off—no one is superior in all three."

William J. Peck, associate professor of religion, who has taken a year off from his teaching to concentrate on research, sees UNC's publication standards as mild compared to those at some universities.

Some universities stipulate annual publication quotas which all faculty members must fulfill to remain employed, Peck said.

"UNC is far more benign in this than Harvard or Yale...here it is much more tolerant."

"In order to do research with quality, I think professors must take time out sometimes to catch up on their research, for their own good, and for the good of their students. It's certainly a temptation for a person to concentrate in one area—teaching—especially in an institution like UNC where good teaching is stressed."

Student Body President Marcus Williams emphasized the importance of Carolina's publication standing nationally, saying, "They stress publication just to stay well known nationally. This university has the good reputation it has because of a combination of both good teaching and good research."

However, Richard William Viall, a graduate assistant in the speech department, suspects that the university has more selfish reasons for stressing publication. "I know in this English department they're too hung up on publication; this is a 'publish or perish' university. This English department is considered about number three in the country, and they want to be number one," he said.

Dean Maurice W. Lee of the School of Business Administration sees research as a vital reinforcement for teaching. "Actually, a man should be engaged in research in his field of teaching; they should complement each other," he said.

Dean Holley concludes that there is a need for a balance of teaching and researching. "I know there are a lot of people who think that young professors who are exciting teachers have little time for anything else, such as research. But, I really don't buy this...I see this as an excuse for people who have never published anything," he said.

"I'm also not impressed by the statement, 'Gee, the University let this exciting young professor go because he didn't research, and they let that old deadhead researcher stay...you need a balance.'"

CGA notes some progress

by Tim Pittman
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The Carolina Gay Association (CGA) is suffering from its own "ineffective governmental set-up," a CGA spokesman said at a meeting Monday night, but in terms

of finances and future plans, he said it has made progress in the last five months.

"Our biggest problem is reorganizing our internal structure to meet the wider needs of the gay community," the CGA member said.

Monday's meeting, attended by about 40 people, was a discussion of the relationship of gay liberation to feminism. Of the 40 people, 10 were women, most of whom were from the Triangle Area Lesbian Feminist group (TALF).

"We're trying to include lesbian groups and so far our success in that area has been meager," a member said.

Despite CGA's progress, the group has had its problems.

"Only WDBS (the Duke University FM radio station) and the Tar Heel will carry our meeting announcements," Tom Carr, CGA publicity director, said.

"I've sent announcements to WQDR, WCHL, and the Chapel Hill Newspaper, the Raleigh News and Observer and other publications," he said, "without getting any results."

In terms of progress, however, CGA officers and members agree that much has been done—but that much more has yet to be done.

"I never thought at this time last year that I'd be meeting in public with other gay persons," a member said.

Ford says '76 will be prosperous

by Richard H. Growald
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ATLANTA—President Ford said Tuesday the nation's economy "will get better the further we go into 1976" and predicted the situation will be good enough for him to seek the presidency on his own.

Ford told a news conference concluding his two-day southern visit that "the economic situation in 1976 will be an improving picture. I believe unemployment will be going down and employment will be going up."

"I think the economic circumstances will be good enough to justify at least my seeking re-election," Ford said.

He said "good old American free enterprise" in the form of cash rebates to purchasers of new cars had gotten the economy "moving quicker than had been anticipated."

Ford predicted that in 1976 the cost of living will go up 7 per cent, compared with the 12.2 per cent jump in the past year. He contended this would be "a very significant improvement, as it is not double-digit inflation."

He said he expected the second and third quarter of this year to produce a "switch on the plus side," with a 5 per cent increase in the Gross National Product and possibly a reduction in joblessness of 2 million.

Ford refused to discuss what he might do if Congress rejects his economic and energy proposals. Asked his reaction to the bill approved by the House Ways and Means Committee for an \$8.4 billion income tax rebate, Ford said "I'll have to wait for the final version."

"We've had changes in the last two or three months that show the economy is developing faster than expected," Ford said.

"The unusual, and I think successful, marketing technique shown by the automotive industry in the last few months, and the announcement that some of the appliance manufacturers are going to use the same techniques—good old American free enterprise—I think this approach will have a very good stimulus, not only to the economy but to public confidence."

Wage and price controls, Ford said, "are the worst kind of medicine I could possibly see."

Ford reiterated that his proposals will "make conditions better and avoid rekindling of double-digit inflation. I hope the Congress acts responsibly and I think it will."

Some Democrats in Congress have said Ford's proposed 1976 fiscal budget for the Defense Department is bloated and should be cut in favor of more funding for services for poor and middle class Americans.

Fine arts festival

Schedule for Wednesday, Feb. 5:

Matting and Framing Workshop with Bill Holloman	1-3 p.m. Union North Gallery
The Artist as Filmmaker Series—Andy Warhol	6, 8, 10 p.m. 111 Murphey
Christo	
Rudi Stern: seminar on videotape	2:00 p.m. 106 Berryhill
Lion in Winter: directed by Paul Nickell	7:00 p.m. 1-A Swann
UNC Jazz Lab Band	8:00 p.m. Great Hall