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Weather: cloudy and cool

Elections officials resign

by Chris Fuller
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Three members of the Elections Board Executive Committee have resigned, leaving only three members to run the Feb. 25 spring elections.

Brooke Bynum, Lisa Bradley and Kathy Moore have resigned from the committee citing lack of time and politics as reasons.

Bradley, who resigned Tuesday, said she did so in order to campaign for a candidate for the *Daily Tar Heel* editorship.

Moore resigned three weeks ago. She said that due to her commitments as chairperson of the Student Consumer Action Union (SCAU), she could not take time out to work on the elections.

Moore emphasized that her resignation had nothing to do with the Campus Governing Council's rejection of Nancy Mattox as elections board chairperson Tuesday night.

Bynum, former Elections Board chairperson, said she also did not have the time to work on the executive committee.

Secondly, she said she was too biased to be on the elections board because she had signed several petitions of several candidates in the upcoming spring elections.

"I'm also too political," Bynum said, adding that she was considering working for an election candidate.

In addition, Janie Clark, a student who has worked closely with the Elections Board since 1974, though not an executive committee member, has



Nancy Mattox
Presidential nominee for elections board chair watches...

said she will not help run elections this year unless the board is up to full capacity and has a chairperson.

Clark also cited lack of time, due to student teaching duties, as the reason she would have to quit.

With the resignation of Bynum, Bradley and Moore, only three members remain on the executive committee, Bynum said, adding that the remaining members have been virtually inactive.

According to Student Government Election Laws, the executive committee of the Elections Board must consist of 11-21 presidentially appointed and CGC-approved members.

This means that a minimum of eight people must be appointed by Student Body President Bill Bates and approved by CGC by the time of the Feb. 25 election.

Bates said he is doing his best to fill the board and find a chairperson. He said five or six students have applied for positions on the executive committee and six or seven people, including one unidentified CGC member, were being considered for chairperson.

Bates said he hoped to have an appointment for the chair by Friday but said it may not come until after the weekend.

CGC rejects Mattox as elections leader

by Mary Anne Rhyne
Staff Writer

The Campus Governing Council rejected the nomination of Nancy Mattox as Elections Board chairperson, 7-9-2, Tuesday night during a special session. Administration Committee Chairperson Dave Rittenhouse questioned Mattox's impartiality because she had given money to a campaign fund prior to her nomination, her experience because she is a freshman and the degree to which she has been involved in student politics as a Student Government reporter for the *Daily Tar Heel*.

Mike Grissom, Administration Committee member, said these three misgivings "were expressed by only one of four persons on the administration committee (Rittenhouse). "It is a false impression that that was the sentiment of the committee," he said.

Elections Board member Lisa Bradley defended Mattox's capabilities, saying "She knows elections laws better than I do, and you need someone to run elections who

knows the law."

Rep. Jan Tannen spoke in favor of Mattox, saying "she'll probably bend over backwards to indicate she has no prejudice."

A third question was raised about the nomination by Rep. Tal Lassiter, who questioned Mattox's political involvement.

"My only objection was that she has been involved in politics so much. We need someone that comes in with a clean slate," Lassiter said after the meeting.

Brooke Bynum, who resigned as Elections Board chairperson last week, said that out of the four applications received for the position, "every one was a politico."

Rittenhouse said Wednesday, "Someone who hasn't demonstrated their bias and who hasn't been so closely involved with CGC would help make a smoother transition into the next council."

He added that "Many people, including some of those who applied, would be less emotional in that position."

Mattox, who has covered Student Government for the *Daily Tar Heel* since September, recently wrote a critical analysis

of the election laws and another story implicating Rittenhouse in a plot to file a bogus Student Supreme Court suit against the student body comptroller bill.

After her rejection, Mattox said "I really didn't expect to get the approval of CGC. I was just a little appalled at the way the meeting ran, and wonder, when the council was discussing all my prejudices so in depth, why I was never asked about my prejudices. A lot of illogical and erroneous assumptions about my character were made." Student Body President Bill Bates who nominated Mattox, said that "When she extricated herself (withdrew her campaign contribution) she satisfied my requirements."

Rep. Ben Steelman, who spoke the longest against the nomination, of Mattox said "I really didn't see how the council could act any other way, considering the facts that were available. I'm sorry the appointment was introduced and sorry that people seemed to have been hurt as a result of this."

The council also voted to release all but \$220 of the Black Student Movement Gospel



Ben Steelman
... as CGC member Ben Steelman lists his objections to the nomination

Choirs' funds, which had been at least partially frozen since last fall due to an alleged illegal checking account. The \$220, which corresponded to the amount in the account, was kept by CGC as a fine.

Another bill was passed encouraging endorsement of eight academic proposals. The proposals included the elimination of extra hours required for double majors, lifting of requirements for final exams and establishment of a student advising internship program.

Athletes receive slight breaks

by Bob King
Staff Writer

first of a two-part series

Besides the glory of representing UNC in the heat of athletic competition, the Carolina varsity athlete enjoys a number of small benefits which make his life a bit easier.

Although the degree of benefits vary among sports, both scholarship and non-scholarship athletes enjoy some or all of the following:

- An easing of traditional admission policies if some non-academic talent is seen as outstanding.
- A preferential place in the order of pre-registration when coaches sign a petition for exemption from classes at certain hours.
- The right to eat at the Ehringhaus training table.
- The right to one preference ticket to each home basketball game if the athlete has earned a letter.

The first two privileges are available to all students under certain circumstances. Any student, for example, may submit to his dean or advisor a petition for exemption from classes at certain hours, if he has a job, Ben Perry, assistant director of records and registration said.

Perry said the registration office will put a student's accepted form at the beginning of his class forms, so that his will be processed first. For example, a rising sophomore who needed to be exempt from certain hours of classes would be among the first sophomores to have his class cards pulled. The student whose hour-exemption petition is accepted is given, in effect, first choice of courses in his class.

Admissions to the University for athletes proceed on the same basis as that used for all students, Frederick S. Stevens, assistant director of undergraduate admissions, said last week.

Between 90 and 95 per cent of undergraduates are accepted or rejected on the basis of what Stevens called "paper credentials"—grades, test scores and activities.

The remaining undergraduates receive a special judgement because of certain special factors. Examples of these factors are financial or other disadvantages, a prolonged absence from any school or any special talent beyond academic considerations. "Almost all schools, from Harvard on down, have this practice,"

Stevens said.

Outstanding athletic talent is one qualification which fits the last category. An athlete (or talented artist or musician) may be accepted even though he doesn't have the normal paper credentials.

"I don't think they (the coaches) ever bring in anybody who they don't feel can do the work, though," Dick Baddour, another assistant admissions director, said. "If they did, it wouldn't be in their best interests because when the student flunked out, the team would lose a scholarship."

Though citing no statistics, Baddour said, "I feel sure that more athletes are admitted on their good academic record than on their talent and a lesser record. We do try always to look at the total person, though."

Baddour and General College advisor James R. Caldwell are quick to add that academic requirements are the same for athletes and non-athletes alike. For example, an athlete who becomes ineligible must regain his eligibility by making up

courses or raising grades in summer school or through correspondence.

Associate Law School Dean Morris R. Gelblum said that if a law school applicant is a borderline case, an outside job, student political post or membership on an athletic team might help him get accepted. "This is only for that small percentage of borderline cases," he said.

Bill Brafford, a UNC law student who received All-ACC football honors as a defensive end in 1971, said that he thought many employers and law firms considered athletic participation a plus in job applications.

"They feel that an applicant who played college athletics is more of a well-rounded person," he said.

The varsity athlete is well off gastronomically too, if he takes advantage of the protein-rich cuisine served at the Ehringhaus training table.

Any athlete whose coach verifies his membership on a team can eat three meals a

day for a little over four dollars. Non-scholarship athletes pay for the food themselves.

One less line in which many varsity athletes must wait is the basketball ticket line—once an athlete receives a varsity letter, or monogram, he is eligible to receive a free ticket.

In addition to the above privileges, scholarship athletes get free room, board, tuition and fees, and:

- An allowance for books and supplies and a \$15 a week laundry allotment.
- Free tutoring service if they desire or need it.
- Free tickets to road games.

In the case of some varsity teams, players receive a number of complimentary tickets for their own games with which they can do as they please.

Tomorrow: The DTH takes a look at the other not-so-beneficial side of collegiate sports at UNC—the costs of playing athletics.

Shaw scholar opens Black Liberation Month

by Sam Fulwood
Staff Writer

The Black Student Movement begins its celebration of Black Liberation Month tonight with an address by a Shaw University scholar.

Wayne Watson, a Shaw history professor will speak on "Oral Tradition and the Afro-American," at 7:30 p.m. in the Upendo Lounge.

Black Liberation Month is a special observance of Black History Week, J. Rupert Picott, executive director of the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History said Wednesday. Normally Black History Week is celebrated during the second week of February.

Picott said the observance of Black History Week was lengthened to a month-long celebration for three reasons.

"1976 marks the 50th anniversary of Black History Week, the man who started the Association (Carter G. Woodson) would have been 100 years old this year and this is the 200th year of our nation," Picott said.

Prof. Sonya Stone, director of Afro-American Studies at UNC, said Woodson

founded the Association in 1915 as part of a larger movement to recognize the achievements of black Americans. In 1926, Woodson started the week-long Black (then Negro) History Week observance.

"Negro History Week was Woodson's effort to have schools, and in particular, in schools where black children were, to observe one week out of the year for their accomplishments," Stone said, adding that it was "an immediate success."

The BSM sponsored activities this month are designed to include all of Orange County, according to Winnona Swayze, BSM Afro-American affairs co-chairperson. Swayze said one goal of the celebration is to use available community talents and resources. For example, an arts and crafts exhibit by elderly people of Orange County will be displayed in the Union Feb. 19.

Nationally, the Association is planning localized programs, assemblies and discussions to commemorate Black Liberation Month, Picott said. "Our theme for the month is 'America for All Americans.' We are working for an America that can be called home for all Americans."

Picott said his organization plans to erect 100 markers to note where famous blacks were born or committed a historic event.

Local groups voice support

Scientists protest atomic power

by Laura Toler
Staff Writer

Several North Carolina anti-nuclear power groups may use the resignations of three California nuclear scientists as the basis for a protest gathering in Raleigh this week, Drew Diehl, executive director of the Conservation Council of North Carolina said Tuesday.

The engineers, who designed and built nuclear reactors at a San Jose General Electric plant and worked on the managerial level, quit their jobs Monday, saying the risks of nuclear power were too substantial to warrant its further development.

They will begin assisting anti-nuclear power groups in California, Diehl said. He added several local anti-nuclear groups would ask for "extensive hearings on the future of nuclear power in North Carolina in light of safety questions which have been furthered by controversy in the scientific community."

Statewide groups opposed to nuclear

power include CCNC, the Southeastern Confederation for Safe Power, Ecos, Inc. and the Carolina Environmental Study Group.

The only operating nuclear power facility in North Carolina, the Carolina Power and Light Company's (CP&L) Brunswick plant near Southport, uses reactors manufactured by General Electric.

Albert Morris, CP&L public relations officer, said Tuesday that CP&L is not yet familiar with the basis for the engineers' decision to quit.

"Unless they have some new scientific information to submit as the basis for their concerns, we have no reaction," Morris said.

CP&L and Duke Power Company have either proposed or begun construction on 11 more nuclear reactors in the state, in addition to the one now operating near Southport. All of the reactors are slated to begin operation in the 1980's.

Of these, only the Brunswick plant will definitely use GE reactors.

Diehl said that although the engineers' resignations indicated dissent in GE and not the whole industry, "this shouldn't convey the false impression that only the GE reactor could have a meltdown."

The possibility of a meltdown, a failure of the reactor cooling systems, which would cause melting of the reactor core and release of radioactivity, has long been one of the major criticisms of nuclear power.

A 1965 study by the now-defunct Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) estimated that a meltdown could kill 45,000 people, injure 100,000 and cause \$17 billion in property damage.

But a 1974 AEC study indicates that nuclear power plants are about 10,000 times less likely to produce fatal accidents than many non-nuclear activities such as fires, airplane crashes, earthquakes and hurricanes.

The summary also stated that non-nuclear accidents are about 1,000 times more likely to result in large amounts of property damage.

HEW okays desegregation report

Federal officials have found no major problems with a UNC system desegregation progress report presented to the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare Monday.

Cleon Thompson, acting UNC vice president for student services, said that HEW did ask for clarification of several points in the report, however. He said he requested a formal reply from HEW concerning its evaluation of the University's compliance with the desegregation plan.

Thompson and Charles R. Coble, UNC associate vice president for planning, presented a draft of the semiannual report to Martin Gerry, acting director of HEW's Office of Civil Rights, at a meeting in Washington.

The main purpose of the meeting was to discuss UNC's progress in achieving the goals outlined in the University's 1974 HEW-approved desegregation plan.

HEW officials may visit the University within the next month to discuss UNC's

compliance status, Thompson said.

He noted that University officials acknowledged to HEW that there are three areas that need more attention—a racial impact study process, the long-range desegregation plan and a report on the predominantly black institutions of the University system.

No mention of the veterinary school proposed for N.C. State University was made at the meeting, Thompson said.

—Laura Scism

Carolina rolls over Detroit, 91-76

by Susan Shackelford
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DETROIT—A snow-covered campus and chilly reception inside University of Detroit's University Building could not cool third-ranked University of North Carolina Wednesday night.

Carolina defeated Detroit 91-76, after jumping out to a lead in the first half and never giving it up, though the Titans pulled within two on a pair of occasions in the second half.

Mitch Kupchak's 30 points, his top scoring totals for the season, led the Tar Heels, who had four others in double figures. Tommy LaGarde, a little tense in the opening moments in front of hometown friends, tallied 21 points, while Walter Davis had 18, Phil Ford 12, and John Kuester 10.

UNC Head Coach Dean Smith said he thought the Heels "played with a lot of poise" especially as Detroit put a box-and-one defense on Ford, trying to limit his ball handling as the Heels went into the four-corner controlled offense with 6:16 remaining.

Carolina led by 11 at that point, 74-63, but the Heels got layups repeatedly from Kupchak and LaGarde.

After the Tar Heels dominated the first half, the Titans made a run at them, by hitting five straight points to pull within two at 40-38. Kupchak, who had 17 rebounds, and Kuester each put in a bucket, however, as the Titans tried to pressure UNC with a man-to-man defense.

At this point, Carolina, which now holds a 16-2 record going into the North-South Doubleheader this weekend, surged convincingly ahead on three straight inside baskets to go up by 10 points, at 56-46 with 13½ minutes remaining.

The UNC lead stayed at eight, nine or 10 points, as LaGarde, who added 10 rebounds for the game, and Kupchak continued pounding the Titans inside. Detroit was hampered by Terry Tyler's having three fouls. UNC got its biggest lead after going to



Tommy LaGarde returned to his hometown of Detroit Wednesday night to score 21 points and grab 10 rebounds in a 91-76 win over the University of Detroit Titans. Mitch Kupchak led the Tar Heels with a game high 30 points and 17 rebounds.

the four corners. The final 15-point UNC margin was its biggest of the game.

Detroit Head Coach Dick Vitale said Tyler's foul trouble and falling behind early sealed the Titan's fate. "The worst thing is that you can't pressure North Carolina. We had to come out and pressure, but that's what they want us to do. We're a player or two away from being a great basketball team. We're a Kupchak or LaGarde away."

Carolina's height advantage aided its rebounding effort, which topped the Titan's 47-34. Coach Smith, however, said he was not pleased with the Tar Heels' floor play. "We didn't do very well. It'll show on the stats that we outrebounded them, but they killed us on possession. We improved in the second half, but we're not used to that aggressive rebounding. It was probably good for us."