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## Married students lose Blue Cross contracts

by Laura Sclm  
Staff Writer

The University will discontinue any contract with Blue Cross-Blue Shield for married student insurance policies next year, Director of Student Health Services James A. Taylor said Tuesday.

"This is simply because it (the present Blue Cross-Blue Shield married student policy endorsed by the University) has gotten prohibitively expensive," Taylor said.

Blue Cross-Blue Shield offers insurance policies to UNC students at reduced group rates. There are different policies for single and married students.

Taylor added that the Student Health Service Insurance Committee will take more

definitive action concerning the cancellation at a later date, and that letters explaining the decision will be sent to all UNC married students.

He said the committee will not endorse any particular policy but hopes to spell out the options for married students.

UNC Student Health Advocate Katie Campbell, a member of the committee, said she was happy with the committee's decision to discontinue the current policy for married students.

"I'm concerned that we couldn't poll students before reaching this decision, but I'm sure we made the right decision, the only decision," Campbell said.

She explained that under the present Blue

Cross-Blue Shield group policy for married UNC students insurance premiums would go up from \$90 per quarter this year to \$152 per quarter next year, based on the claims experience this year.

Campbell also said that it is a disadvantage to offer the UNC group plan to married students because Blue Cross-Blue Shield also offers insurance plans to any college student in North Carolina, and one of these plans, Plan 50, would be cheaper for UNC's married students.

The only disadvantage with this plan is that it is not available to married students over 26 years of age, she said.

"There is no statistical information on the number of 26-year old married students here, but I'm sure there are more under 26 than over," Campbell said.

She noted that married students will have to find an insurance policy on their own next year.

Campbell said she hopes that either the Student Health Advocate or the Student Consumer Action Union will write incoming married students over the summer to inform them of available insurance plans and suggest a good one.

"Right now, I think Plan 50 will be the best because it offers fairly good benefits at a low cost, but I'll have to wait and see," she said.

Campbell noted that the Blue Cross-Blue Shield group plan for single students at the University is an excellent plan.

## Enrollment too high in University system

by Russell Gardner  
Staff Writer

A resolution approved last week by the UNC Board of Governors to limit enrollment for the consolidated university has had no effect on Chapel Hill, Richard Cashwell, director of undergraduate admissions, said Tuesday.

"We have always tried to hold enrollment to a level commensurate with our financial resources," Cashwell said.

Overall, the University system is over-enrolled by 6.8 per cent, with approximately 92,400 full time students compared with its budgeted enrollment of 86,575.

The Board of Governors voted to hold enrollment to between 92,250 and 95,919 for the 1976-77 fiscal year.

Afterwards, UNC President William C. Friday warned he might ask the Board of Governors to set enrollment limits on campuses which admit a substantially higher number of students than their budgets allow.

All UNC campuses except the N.C. School of the Arts in Winston-Salem are over-enrolled.

Each institution has a projected enrollment, done at least two years in advance. This projected enrollment is the basis on which the state allocates funds, Cashwell said.

"It's been the philosophy of this institution not to enroll students we don't have budget funds for," Cashwell said. "We look at all the requirements needed for a quality education."

Cashwell said too much enrollment causes a shortage of teachers, a lack of dormitory and library space and other resources needed for quality education.

Cashwell said that unlike some other state institutions, there are no set academic requirements for admission.

"Generally speaking, a high school graduate applying to this campus should be in the top 10 per cent of his class and have a minimum 1100 on the college boards, but other factors such as the overall high school record are considered," Cashwell said.

Although the ideal enrollment is 2,900 freshmen, Cashwell said his office has already accepted 3,000 applications for the

fall semester.

"We know that a certain percentage of the applicants have a first choice of other institutions. We call these 'ghosts,'" Cashwell said.

Because these "ghosts" will attend other institutions and others admitted simply will not show up in August, Cashwell expects 75 students out of every 100 applicants who are accepted to attend.

Friday last week praised UNC-CH Chancellor N. Ferebee Taylor and his associates for keeping Chapel Hill's enrollment within the budget.

However, N.C. State University in Raleigh is over-enrolled by more than 1,500 students, or approximately 11.8 per cent.

NCSU admissions officials announced Monday that all applications received since Feb. 15 have been put on a waiting list.

Anna Keller, director of admission at NCSU, said Tuesday the school began taking steps last fall to cut freshman enrollment by 300 and transfer enrollment by 300 for the 1976-77 school year.

"We decided to cut enrollment before the edict from the board (of governors)," Keller said.

She said the admissions office is working towards an enrollment of 2,500 freshmen for next fall.

Already, 3,900 applications have been accepted. An additional 1,200 applications are pending and approximately 200 have been placed on waiting lists, Keller said.

She said 1,800 of those accepted have notified NCSU that they will attend, but it is uncertain exactly how many will eventually enroll.

In addition to limiting enrollment, NCSU has also raised the academic requirements for acceptance.

An applicant's high school average and college boards are used to project a NCSU student's average for the freshman year. This average has been raised to 2.0 for freshmen and 2.5 for transfer students.

Keller said the admissions office is in the process of notifying the applicants placed on the waiting list.

Applicants were to have until May 1 to apply for admission.

## Voters to decide on amendment May establish bond-issuing authorities

by Merton Vance  
Staff Writer

In addition to the \$43.2 million UNC bond proposal and the presidential preference primaries, North Carolina voters will cast ballots March 23 on a proposed state constitutional amendment to help attract more industry to the state.

If passed, the amendment would allow the state's 100 counties to establish bond-issuing authorities that could build industrial plants and then rent them to industrial firms moving into that county.

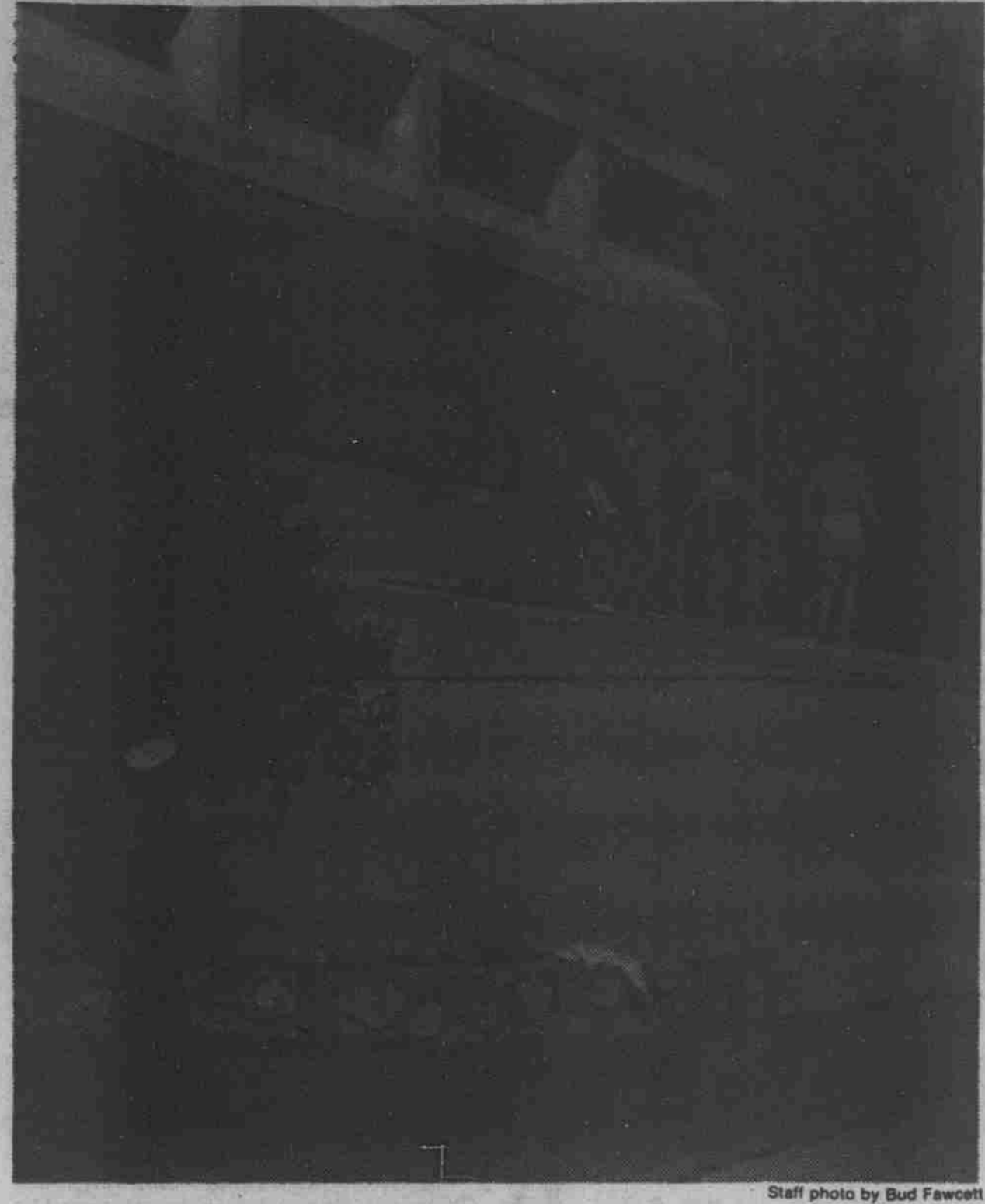
## Pit pep rally at noon

In honor of UNC's Atlantic Coast Conference champion basketball team, a Student Government-sponsored pep rally will be held today at noon in the Pit.

Coordinated by Student Government, the UNC Pep Band and the cheerleaders, the event will be "one last organized wish of good luck to the team," according to Student Body President Bill Bates. The Tar Heels will be leaving Thursday to take part in the ACC Tournament at Landover, Md.

The rally will feature cheers and songs to be led by the cheerleaders and Pep Band. Bates also said that there would be an attempt to have as many varsity players as possible present, particularly seniors.

"With so many students with ACC Tournament spring fever, we're expecting a good turnout," he added.



Staff photo by Bud Fawcett

Monday's fair weather brought out the sunbathers and gave Hamilton Hall a new function. The campus police seemed to prefer, however, the old order of students in Hamilton instead of on it.

The local bond authorities could also finance pollution control equipment for utility firms, although the bonds could not be used to pay for construction of new power plants.

A similar proposal was defeated last year but supporters of the new proposal, including most of the state's top government and business leaders, say that the loopholes and problems of the earlier proposal have been worked out.

No organized opposition has developed to challenge the constitutional amendment proposal.

Bonds sold by a public authority would qualify for lower interest rates and serve as an incentive for industry to build in the state. Responsibility for paying off the bonds would rest with the industry.

The money earned by persons buying these bonds would be tax exempt.

North Carolina is the only state that does not allow the sale of tax-free revenue bonds to attract new industry, and business leaders in the state say this places North Carolina at a disadvantage in trying to persuade industries to locate here.

"It puts us at a distinct disadvantage and we know of many industries that have looked at us but they have just had to move on and locate elsewhere," said Craig Kennedy, Jr., a Goldsboro resident who is leading a private campaign to promote the proposal.

Proponents of the proposal are trying to link the bond amendment proposal with economic prosperity for the state.

"We're not doing something for industry. This is for the people. It's to get more jobs for the people of North Carolina," Kennedy said.

He added that many industrial developers look at North Carolina but locate elsewhere because bond programs in other states make it cheaper for firms to build there because of the lower interest rates and special tax considerations.

State treasurer Edwin Gill has endorsed the proposal. Gill was reluctant to talk about his endorsement in a telephone interview Tuesday, fearing that his endorsement

would be misinterpreted. The details of his decision will be spelled out in a written statement, he said.

Both Gov. James Holshouser and Lt. Gov. James Hunt have also endorsed the amendment proposal.

This is the fourth attempt to allow this type of bond program in the state.

In 1967, the N.C. General Assembly approved a bill to allow the state to issue industrial revenue bonds, but a 1968 State Supreme Court decision declared it unconstitutional.

Bond supporters drafted another proposal in 1971 that would have allowed bond issues to finance antipollution devices and was also aimed at attracting industry to economically poor counties. The N.C. Supreme Court overruled the law, saying it was unconstitutional for the state to subsidize private industrial firms.

In 1974, bond supporters proposed a constitutional amendment to allow the bond sales, but the timing was bad and voters turned it down. The proposal was placed on the ballot hurriedly after Duke Power Co. announced two weeks prior to the elections that it sought tax-free industrial bonds to finance about half the cost of its McGuire Nuclear Station near Charlotte.

Environmental groups filed an unsuccessful lawsuit to block the proposal, fearing that Duke would take advantage of the bond proposal by labeling most of the nuclear power plant as environmental equipment.

The Conservation Council of North Carolina, one of the groups that opposed the 1974 proposal, gave its endorsement Monday to this year's proposal.

Most opponents of the earlier attempts are now apparently convinced that the loopholes in the previous proposals have been corrected.

In order to qualify for the bonds, an industry must be big enough to be financially beneficial to the county, must pay higher than average wages and the company must be in good financial standing. It would also have to meet pollution control standards in order to qualify.

## Candidates, Bates meet on lottery

by Colette Chabbott  
Staff Writer

In a nonpartisan effort to challenge the random selection dormitory room sign-up system proposed for this spring, student body presidential candidates will meet tonight to formulate a combination lottery-persistence system to present to the administration before spring break.

Student body president Bill Bates and presidential candidates Billy Richardson and David Williams each said Tuesday they believe there is still time to change from the random selection to the combination sign-up system this spring.

Williams is scheduled to meet with Housing Director James Condie this morning. Williams, Bates and Richardson said they hope to meet jointly with Condie and Dean of Student Affairs Donald Boulton tomorrow.

The three student leaders are basing their protest on a survey conducted by the Residence Hall Association last fall indicating students favored a persistence or combination system by a three-to-one margin over a lottery system.

In a random phone survey of 190 students conducted by Bates' staff Monday, 116 respondents (63.7 per cent) said they opposed the random selection system. Written polls and surveys conducted this week will be tabulated tonight and presented with the phone survey results to Condie and Boulton.

Richardson and Williams said they hope to present what they consider an acceptable combination system to the administrators with the survey results. Williams has prepared a general outline of a combination persistence-lottery system which could serve as the foundation for the system developed tonight.

Williams' program proposes increasing available dorm space by not requiring freshmen to live in dorms and by abolishing guaranteed singles.

A random selection system, Williams says, should be used prior to regular room sign up for students wishing to change residence halls.

According to Williams, a persistence program, to be monitored by volunteers who sign students waiting in line in and out to attend classes, should be used for actual room sign up.

Former candidate Dan Besse, who has acted as a go-between to coordinate the efforts of Bates, Richardson and Williams, said Tuesday opposition to making Aycock a women's dorm will also be presented at the meeting with Condie and Boulton.

Besse said the main issue with both the room sign up and Aycock decisions was that there had been little "open general student discussion" with the administration prior to the announcement of the policy changes.

"In the future we hope to see the opening up of general student discussions on these type decisions," Besse said. "The information they (the administration) used to make their decisions, such as increases in female enrollment, should be released."

Both increases in female enrollment and Title IX regulations prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sex led to the Housing Department decision to create another women's dorm. Condie said recently.

Besse said many Lower Quad residents felt Aycock was the wrong dorm to turn over to women because it is the only dorm in the quad with a lounge-size basement.

"It's my opinion the housing department has misinterpreted a general demand for North Campus housing as a demand for single-sex housing," Besse said, adding he thought coed dorms would be a better alternative for Lower Quad.

## Presidential, CGC runoff today

Campus runoff elections will be held from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. today to elect a student body president and to fill nine seats on the Campus Governing Council.

Candidates for president are David Williams and Billy Richardson.

Three on-campus and six off-campus CGC district representatives will also be elected today.

On-campus districts and their candidates are: District 9 (Ehringhaus, Women's Triad) Susan Davenport and Patricia Peek; District 10 (James) — Dwayne Hayes and Gordon Cureton; and District 11 (Morrison) Barry Smith and Dale Fussel.

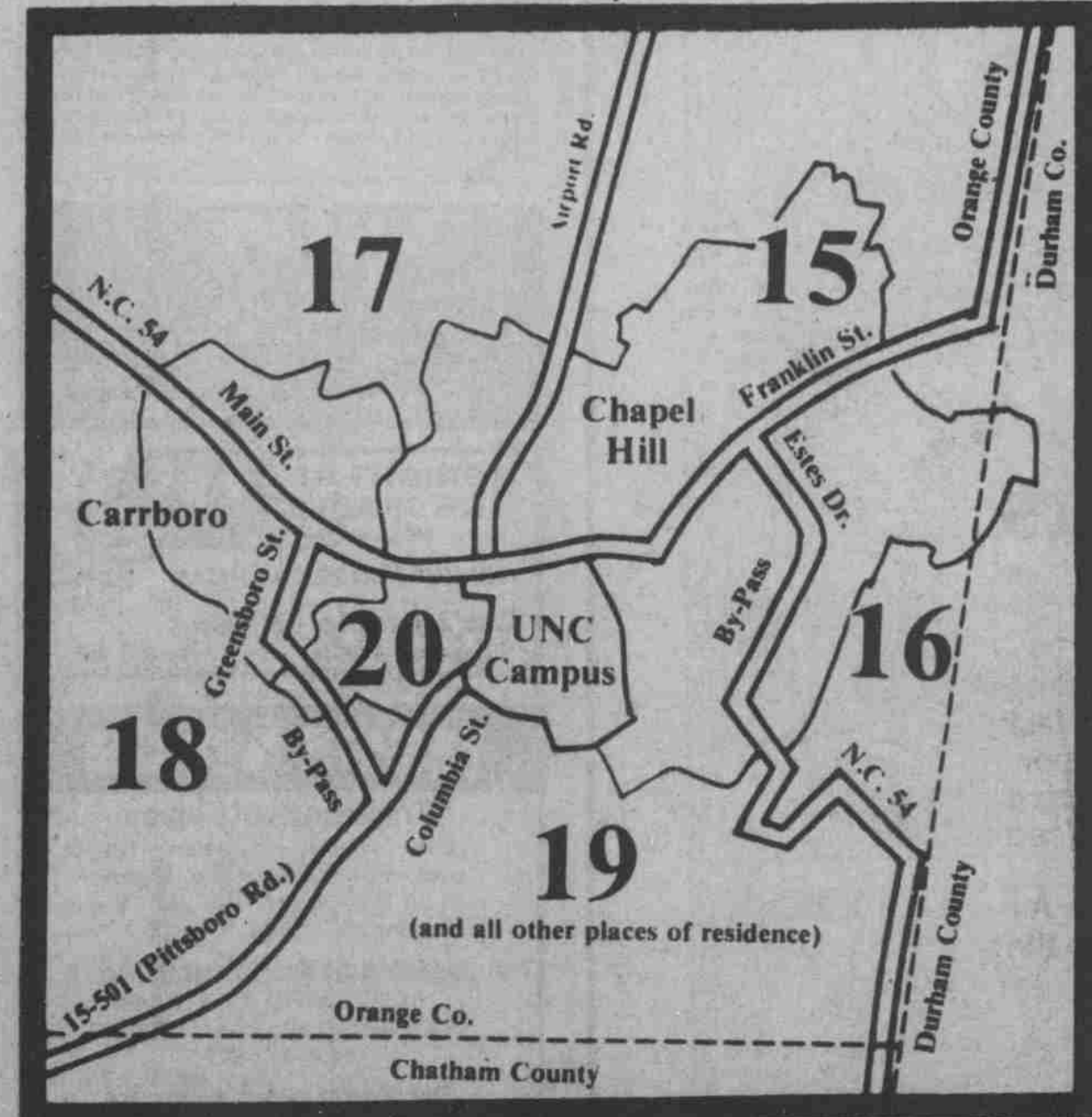
Candidates for the off-campus districts are: District 15 — David Swanson and Dave Rogers; District 16 — Peter Schneider and Bob Lawrence; District 17 — David Tate and Jim Ashburn; District 18 — Graham Bullard and Bruce Tindall; District 19 — Douglas Henderson and Marc Sandman and District 20 — Johnathan Bender and Kim Jenkins. (See map for district location.)

Polling places for the runoff elections are as follows:

Residents of Scott College vote in Parker; Women's Triad votes in Melver; Lower Quad votes in Everett; Upper Quad votes in Ruffin; Henderson College votes in Connor. Students living in Cobb, Joyner, Whitehead, Granville, Spencer, Morrison, James and Ehringhaus dormitories vote in their respective dormitories.

Residents of Old East, Old West and Carrboro vote in Y-Court.

Off campus residents can vote in the Union or Y-Court except for Odum Village residents, who can vote in the Health Sciences Library.



Map of off-campus undergraduate CGC districts

Graduate students can vote in the Union, Y-Court, Rosenau Hall, Craige dormitory (residents only) or the law school (law students only). —Chris Fuller

## Jail remains inadequate for women

by Julie Knight  
Staff Writer

Almost one year after the Joan Little trial, conditions for women in the Orange County jail are still less than ideal.

Orange County Sheriff C.D. "Buck" Knight has attributed the inadequate conditions to a lack of funds for new facilities.

Cricket Ussery, Chairperson of the UNC Association for Women Students, and Jean Wagoner of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, have charged that in addition to financial problems, there seems to be some lack of concern on the part of the sheriff's department.

Ussery and Wagoner recently visited the jail and spoke with Knight as part of preliminary investigations conducted for the county's newly established Council on the Status of Women.

Their strongest reaction to the visit concerned the lack of an official matron at the jail.

North Carolina law does not require

county jails to employ matrons and Knight said he sees no reason to hire one, since one of the jail's three full-time female secretaries serves as matron when necessary.

"It is very seldom you need a matron. The person who is matron would not have anything to do," Knight said.

"When a secretary serves overtime as a matron she is paid the same hourly rate as she earns for her normal duties, Knight added. He could not state the cost to his department for the secretaries' extra salaries.

State Sen. Charles Vickery, D-Orange, estimated that to employ full-time matrons in all of the North Carolina county jails would require 400 additional employees. Assuming a base salary of around \$9,000 a year plus benefits, the total expense per matron would be approximately \$20,000 a year, Vickery said.

Ussery said, "Regardless of how much it costs, I still feel like there should be a state regulation requiring matrons."

Wagoner said she concluded several things from Knight's inability to give even an estimate of the cost of the extra hours put in by the secretaries as matron.

These women are not being paid an overtime rate, and "they are not being paid for extra work, or they are not doing it," Wagoner said.

She added that she did not see how the secretaries could be working overtime and yet not be paid an overtime rate considering the strict state regulations on overtime pay.

"If they are not going to have a full-time matron, then those secretaries who stay there are matrons part time should get a substantial compensation in their pay," Ussery said.

Four other county jails, two rural and two metropolitan, were contacted and officials at each said they employ matrons.

Mecklenburg County employs a full-time matron who is also a nurse. Guilford County has one matron on each of three eight-hour shifts plus three substitute matrons. Beaufort County employs five full-time matrons and Chatham County employs one.

The present jail in Orange County has only one cell containing two cots for women inmates. Thus, the maximum capacity for women is two.

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