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# Dean denies permission for students to speak

by Chuck Alston Staff Writer

Dean Robert Byrd of the School of Law Wednesday denied students permission to speak at today's law faculty meeting on a proposal that would strip the Student Bar Association (SBA) Board of Governors' right to appoint students to faculty committees.

President of the Board of Governors, Ran Coble, requested permission Wednesday for him or any former committee member to speak at today's meeting.

"Basically, faculty meetings are for conducting faculty business,"
Byrd said. He also said that students have never been allowed to
speak at faculty meetings in the law school.

The faculty meeting is scheduled for 1 p.m. today in the faculty lounge of the law school.

The proposal, sponsored by Jon Eddy, Peter Glenn, John Martin

and Dickson Phillips of the law school faculty, would give to the dean the power of appointing students to faculty committees.

Approximately 135 law students attended a meeting yesterday to discuss student action on the proposal. In an informal meeting of the SBA Board of Governors held afterwards, suggestions brought up at the meeting were adopted.

A letter to be sent to the dean today will express the SBA's opposition to the proposal and request a postponement of faculty consideration of it, according to Coble.

"We are not requesting any definite time on the postponement," said Coble. "I'm hoping for any period of time greater than one

Other measures taken by the SBA include the circulation of petitions stating the students' disapproval with the proposal and a suggestion that students speak to faculty members whom they know about the proposal.

Law students are also being encouraged by, the SBA Board of Governors to attend today's faculty meeting, the first open meeting of the law school faculty.

In a letter sent to Dean Byrd yesterday, Student Government Association President Billy Richardson and Administrative Affairs Director Andromeda Monroe expressed their support of the SBA Board of Governors opposition to the proposal.

"The Student Government Association is very concerned about student representation on faculty committees and feels strongly that students should have the responsibility to select their representatives," the letter stated. "In a truly representative system, those who are to be represented should have the opportunity to select their representatives in order to insure that their representatives express their interests and views."



The lack of rainfall this year has turned the Union parking lot into a dustbowl. Drivers who park in the lot must wash their

windshields daily. According to the National Weather Service, little relief is expected from the dry conditions.

## University voluntarily pays \$100

by Chip Pearsall Staff Writer

UNC Chancellor N. Ferebee Taylor, after conferring with Chapel Hill Mayor James C. Wallace Wednesday morning, directed UNC Athletic Director William Cobey to have a \$100 check drawn from the athletic department's account as voluntary payment for the watering of Navy Field on Aug. 31 and Sept. 1.

and Sept. 1.

Chapel Hill Town Attorney Emery Denny said Wednesday night that the check had been received by the town. When asked if the University had been charged with a violation of the water ordinance, Denny said, "No, not

by Laura Byrd

Reported vandalism cases at UNC have

risen 50 per cent in the past two years, Ted

Marvin, director of UNC's security services,

Forty-six cases of vandalism were

reported two years ago with property loss

amounting to \$1300. A year ago 68 cases

were reported with property loss at \$4300.

increase in actual vandalism cases, but that

they indicate better reporting of the crimes.

vandalism is the destruction of state

property-breaking windows and smashing

sidewalk lights, Marvin said. He added that

The most common kind of campus

Marvin said the figures do not represent an

to my knowledge."

"The University has made a voluntary payment in recognition of the fact that some of the members of the governing board of the town felt that such a payment should be made," Denny said.

At a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen Tuesday night, Aldermen Ed Vickery and R.D. Smith said that some action should be taken regarding the watering incident, but the meeting was adjourned without reaching a decision.

Chapel Hill Mayor James C. Wallace said at that meeting that he considered Chancellor Taylor's apology sufficient and that continued concern about the issue by the Board of Aldermen would detract from citizens' conservation efforts.

After the meeting, Wallace told Vickery that the University had offered to pay a fine for the violation if it would serve any useful purpose. Vickery said that he thought the University should take the action to show that the water ordinance was being enforced.

Wallace said Wednesday morning that he

the most common motive is "vandalism for

caused by students who come in slightly

inebriated and try to rip water coolers off the

wall," said Russ Perry, assistant director of

operations for the Department of University

Vandalism directed toward an individual

usually takes the form of slashed tires or

broken car antennas, Marvin said. Much of

the campus vandalism is motivated by

school spirit and occurs during football and

basketball seasons, Marvin said. He said

such instances increase during N.C. State-

If a pattern is discovered in vandalism

cases officers are stationed in the problem

area for several nights, Marvin said.

"Most of the vandalism inside of dorms is

Vandalism 50 per cent higher

vandalism's sake."

Housing.

was "trying to find a mechanism whereby funds could be paid to the appropriate authority." He said he was satisfied that the University would pay for the violation.

Wallace, out of town at a meeting in Raleigh, could not be reached for comment late Wednesday.

The watering of Navy Field, advised by Sports Medicine officials to combat dust, was done with water from the UNC system.

"The watering was the result of a misunderstanding," according to Athletic Director William Cobey. Cobey learned of the incident from the Chapel Hill Newspaper. The Newspaper had been contacted by a student asleep on an adjacent field when the watering took place at 4 a.m. Sept. 1.

Chancellor Taylor said Wednesday that he had reminded University employees in areas that use water regularly—the botany department, N.C. Botanical Gardens, Physical Plant and grounds—to ensure that there was "scrupulous compliance with the water ordinance."

To prevent vandalism in Kenan Stadium,

To help prevent and identify vandalism,

two officers are placed in the stadium the

25 emergency call boxes are being placed on

campus, Marvin said. The call boxes are

yellow in color and look like miniature

Students can help prevent vandalism by

reporting to the security office anything that

looks suspicious. "The faster a person

reports an act of vandalism the quicker we

can respond and have a better chance of

Perry and Marvin agree that the

University has a relatively low amount of

vandalism. "The potential for vandalism is

there. It is so easy to walk up to a building on

this campus and destroy," Marvin said.

catching the suspect," Marvin said.

night before a home game, he said.

#### Nearby areas suffer most

#### Drought affects entire state

by Chip Ensslin and Tony Gunn Staff Writers

Although drought conditions in the Triangle area have received much attention, the lack of rainfall has caused severe problems for other nearby areas in the state.

The drought has been the worst in an area extending from Forsyth County to Wake and Gates counties, according to William Parham, N.C. deputy commissioner of agriculture.

He said that the state usually got rain from hurricanes at this time of the year. "This year we didn't," Parham said. "It was just the way it happened. Moisture for most of the summer has been very short."

According to the National Weather Services Raleigh-Durham Airport Bureau, every month except May this year had less rain than normal. Recorded rainfall this year is 18 inches, 11.3 inches below the average of 29.3 inches.

It appears as though the water shortage will not end soon. For the past three years, autumn has been the area's driest season. Only two inches of rain were recorded between Sept. 9 and Nov. 16, 1974. Fall 1973 was one of the driest periods ever recorded.

A stationary Bermuda high-pressure system off the North Carolina coast has caused the present drought. The system has not allowed cold fronts to penetrate past the mountains:

"In the northeastern and coastal parts of the state we have had very adequate rain," Other parts

Other parts of the state have not had sufficient rain. The unexpected dryness has caused severe damage to agricultural areas. "Tobacco and corn have been hurt badly," Parham said. "Farmers in Wake County have given up on the soybean crop."

Parham said the corn crop in the Piedmont area "is lost."

"The late corn has grown to five feet and shrunk. The early corn has a stalk with no ear which is of very little value to the farmer.

"A good rain would help pastures grow rapidly," he added. "The tobacco in some of this area needs a good rain to fill out the

Parham said that help from federal and state sources was very limited. Eight counties—Caswell, Forsyth, Granville, Orange, Rockingham, Stokes, Vance and Wake—have qualified for federal disaster aid under the Emergency Livestock Feed Program. Farmers in these counties will be able to purhcase oats at a reduced rate.

Raymond Green, assistant director of the Triangle Council of Governors, said there is reasonable concern in all of the counties in this region (Chatham, Durham, Johnston, Lee, Orange and Wake), but Raleigh is the only city near crisis conditions besides Chapel Hill.

"The level of water is dropping in everybody's reservoir," Green said, "but of the six counties, Durham is the best with respect to water." Durham uses the Lake Michie reservoir on the Flat River, which is still effective after 50 years.

The Neuse River is Raleigh's main source of water, usually providing 400 million gallons per day. The daily flow is now only 10 million gallons, less than half of what is needed.

The Wake County Commissioners have spent almost \$4 million in federal revenue-sharing money to build a major water line connecting Apex, Cary, Garner and Fuquay-Varina to the Raleigh system.

In August the commissioners approved a \$1.6 million contract to build a water line linking Wendell and Knightdale to Raleigh. They also authorized a \$50,000 emergency project to supply Feltonsville with water from Apex and allocated another \$547,0 to connect Wake Forest to Raleigh.

The proposed Falls of the Neuse reservoir was designated as the source of water for the regional system.

The Falls project, now under construction north of Raleigh, will dam the Neuse River near the Falls Village. A 22-mile-long lake will be created, providing water for the area, in addition to flood control and recreation benefits.

Congress has appropriated \$30 million for the \$84 million project. More funding likely will come next year, when the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is expected to ask for \$20 million to \$30 million.

### Wilson recalls career at UNC

by Tim Smith

To Louis Round Wilson, there is nothing unusual about writing a book at the age of

Wilson, the retired Kenan professor emeritus whose namesake is Wilson Library, has just finished a book entitled, Louis R. Wilson's Historical Sketches.

"I wrote it because I felt there were many things that the University has done for this state that no one has ever heard of," explained Wilson.

While he remains the oldest living alumnus of UNC, Wilson is also believed to be the oldest living retired professor in the United States.

"I work now principally at doing nothing," he smiled. "But not completely nothing."

At almost 100 years of age, Wilson readily concedes several physical ailments, a malfunctioning bladder and a weak pair of legs among them. But his eyes still shine, and his voice, though broken, still speaks with sharpness and wit.

Storytelling is one of Wilson's favorite occupations these days.

One of his favorite stories deals with his early career in college.

"I was going to Haverford College, near Philadelphia, when I caught a bad cold one year. The doctor told me to get back South and not to come up North again. "So I went to see the president of the college to tell him I was leaving. Well, he was an old Quaker, and he didn't have any sense of humor. So when I told him I was leaving, he just looked at me and said, 'Wilson, Thee knows the college can run without thee.'

"And I never have known whether he was griped at me or whether it was that Quaker indifference," laughed Wilson.

A sense of humor is important, according to Wilson and has become as much a part of his character as his shrewdness and sharpness of wit.

Sitting at the head of a large table, (which is "Papa's favorite seat" according to one of his daughters), Wilson recalled engineering his own professorship at the University of Chicago.

"I had received a telegram from the president of the university, saying that I had just been elected dean of the school of library.

"But I knew that being a member of the administration presented certain financial losses, since administrators had just had their salaries cut below that of the faculty.

"And I also knew that the president was high-tempered and very demanding, so I wasn't about to put my head in that noose.

"So I sent a 25-cent telegram, saying when

and if I became a faculty member of the university, I would accept the job." Needless to say, Wilson was accepted,

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Louis Round Wilson will celebrate his hundreth birthday in December.

### Bernholz proposes recording trial results

by Mark Lazenby Staff Writer

In an attempt to challenge the Chapel Hill Police Department policy of maintaining and distributing citizen arrest records without trial results, Student Legal Services Counselor Dorothy Bernholz said she will offer a proposal this fall to the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen to require the recording of all trial results on arrest records.

As a matter of policy the police department distributes its arrest records, without the results of the trial, to regional and municipal records agencies and the FBI.

These agencies frequently provide arrest record files to federal agencies, state civil service commissions and licensing boards from employment or credit reasons Bernholz said.

She believes a "damaging situation" could result with the circulation of arrest records

which do not contain the trial results, particularly for a student seeking employment.

"If you have been charged with a crime and subsequently acquitted, your employer won't have the additional information on the not guilty verdict," she said.

Because the trial results are a function of the courts and not the police, they are kept in

Hillsborough by the clerk of the court. The police tell any agencies it provides with arrest records that all results are available in the clerk's office.

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Although the results are available to the FBI, explained Bernholz, they generally do not collect them unless they are supplied by the local agency.

The police policy of maintaining separate arrest charges is more convenient for the

department, Bernholz said, adding that paperwork problems plague the police department's attempts to supply trial records.

"They make the arrest and have nothing to do with it afterward," she said. "It would be

"They make the arrest and have nothing to do with it afterward," she said. "It would be more paperwork for them to have to show the dispositions of the trial."

Although the police department's attorney said that a funding allocation for improvement

of its records system will not be used to include trial results with arrest records, Bernholz said she expects cooperation from the department when she introduces her proposal.

In addition to requiring the listing of trial results on the arrest records, Bernholz said she will propose a law allowing all citizens to examine their arrest records for errors. Such a law

would give citizens the right to appeal for the removal of an unfair or erroneous charge. She cited streaking as an example of a charge that a student might want to appeal. "It a student was charged with streaking in 1973 I don't think it would serve any purpose to have the record in 1976," Bernholz said. "When streaking shows up later on down the pike, it is indecent exposure."

Bernholz, who is a member of the American Civil Liberties Union, also believes old arrest records of students should be destroyed in order to prevent the overburdening which plagues the department's records system and to prevent a person from being damaged by events which took place in the past.