Union's January attractions run the gamut: proper, passionate, primal

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January, unlike the harsh month to follow it, is stimulating, chocked with revitalized energy, ideas...and talent. The Carolina Union is stoking that January flame with a barrage of entertainment.

On Sunday, Jan. 16, at 8 p.m., the National Folk Ballet of Yugoslavia will take over the stage of Memorial Hall. The group's international popularity gained in 29 countries – stems from the broad spectrum of Yugoslavia's cultural traditions. Artistic director Branko Markovitch stages the native dance and music with a theatricality that has won the troupe three international gold medals. Catch them on their first American tour. Tickets are $2 for UNC students, $4.50 for the general public.

The New Performing Dance Company (NPDC) will provide an American counterpoint to the Yugoslavian company with its program of classical, modern and tap dance. NPDC's repertoire is a solid collection of American dance ranging from "The Princess and the Pea," a concentrated full-length ballet, to "God's Gonna..."a traditional spiritual, to the smokey speak-easy atmosphere of "All That Jazz."

NPDC is a non-paid, local company of students, mothers and business people from the four-county area and belongs to the Durham Arts Council and Dance Associates. The company was recently awarded a $1,000 grant by the North Carolina Arts Council; it has its own facilities above the Durham book exchange, where it offers classes to the public. The performance is Thursday, Jan. 20 in Memorial Hall at 8 p.m. Tickets are $1 for students, $2 for the general public.

The big band sound of the Bucknell Jazz and Rock Ensemble comes from not only its selections—Glen Miller, Count Basie, Maynard Ferguson and Thad Jones—but this *is* a big band. Twenty-five members worth. The ensemble has toured both nationally and in Europe, with two albums to its credit.

Their concert will be Jan. 27 at noon in the Great Hall. Admission is free.

Beverly Wolff and William Brown will appear with the N.C. Symphony on Jan. 31 in Memorial Hall at 8 p.m.

Wolff's career has included roles with the New York City Opera, the Philadelphia Orchestra, the New York Philharmonic and the Boston Symphony. Brown has appeared with Lake George Opera Festival, the Goldovsky Opera Theater and the New York City Opera. Schubert's Symphony No. 1 opens the program, which also includes Mahler's *Das Lied von der Erde*. Admission is free with a UNC ID card.

Patti Smith's widely growing reputation has earned her the status of queen of "punk rock," a music genre that she created. She's searching for communication in primal form – telepathy, no less. It all began with her childhood hallucinations—"kelly green tortoises which materialized out of viscous azure air and encountered extra terrestrial wayfarers..."

From green tortoises she went to words from cartoons to calligraphy to poems. And finally to rock 'n' roll poetry, where she found the medium for her personal vision.

Now she's featured in the *Village Voice* and *Rolling Stone*; her first album *Horses*, received the *Grand Prix du Disque* from the Academie Charles Cros in France. She's hard to forget, once you've seen her. Her group will be in Memorial Hall Jan. 21, at 8 p.m. Tickets are $3.

The Current Affairs Committee will present K. Barton Osborn on Jan. 17 in the Great Hall at 7:30 p.m. An ex-CIA agent and former director of political agent operations for the Phoenix Program, Osborn is now a crusader for publicizing government activities in order to control them. He'll speak on the CIA and its foreign "relations" and show "The Rise and Fall of the CIA," a documentary on the intelligence agency and its covert operations. Admission is free; there will be a reception following in James Dorm Social Lounge.

Decatur Jones, Chapel Hill minstrel, will be at Deep Jonah this week, guitar in hand. Admission is free, and so is the keg.

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Search for crew officially ended

BOSTON (UPI)—The search for 38 crewmembers of the 642-foot oil tanker Grand Zenith, which vanished Dec. 30 in stormy seas south of Nova Scotia with 8.2 million gallons of fuel oil aboard, was officially ended Tuesday by the Coast Guard.

"They don't really think there is much chance of survivors based on weather conditions we've had," said Coast Guard spokesman Richard Griggs.

Three storms have hit the New England Coast since the tanker's captain radioed he was encountering rough weather about 60 miles south of Nova Scotia. The weather curtailed search activities and lessened already poor survival chances of the Nationalist Chinese crew.

Meanwhile, the broken remains of the Chester Poling, a 281-foot coastal tanker smashed in two by 25-foot seas Monday about four miles off Cape Ann, were the object of another Coast Guard search.

"We have a helicopter out looking for the two parts of the Chester Poling," said a spokesman. "We have no idea where the pieces floated overnight, but we're looking in the general vicinity where it broke up yesterday."

He said "if they (the pieces) are a hazard to navigation, we'll have to move them."

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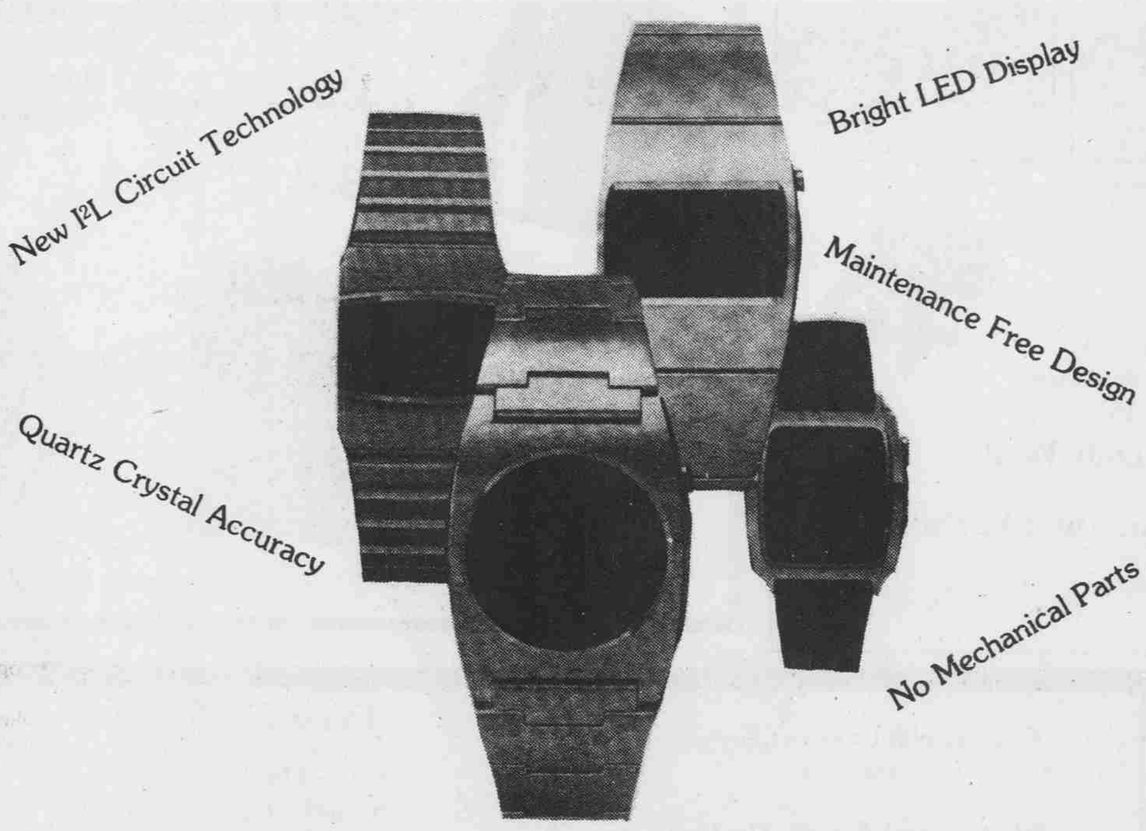

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