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Wednesday will be partly cloudy with the high in the 70s. Today will be sunny and warm with no chance of rain increasing to 10 per cent Wednesday.

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White House advocates decriminalization of pot; legalization discouraged

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The administration told Congress Monday it does not want to legalize marijuana outright but believes jailing people for using it causes much more damage than the weed itself.

Dr. Peter Bourne, President Carter's director-designate of the White House Office of Drug Abuse Policy, said the administration favors making possession of small amounts of marijuana a civil penalty, much like a traffic citation.

Night-time taxi to be planned

Chapel Hill Transportation Board member Gorman Gilbert will present plans for a trial evening taxi service at the board meeting tonight.

The proposed service would be provided to bus-pass holders for a 25-cent fare. Riders could call in and meet the taxi at a bus stop. Delivery to a second bus stop would be provided from 7 or 8 p.m. until midnight. The U bus route would continue to run.

Delivery to the rider's door is being discussed, but the fare for such service would be more expensive to the rider.

Both Gilbert and interim Transportation Director John Bartosiewicz said they expect the board to approve the plan and forward it to the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen for final approval and budgeting.

Gilbert and Transportation Board members Connie Garber and Jim Foerster have drawn up 15 proposals for evening taxi service. Bartosiewicz said the group is leaning toward an hourly pay scale for paying the taxi operator. They also favor the use of taxis for both commercial and city use.

"This is a scheme to save money," Bartosiewicz said. "The Board of Aldermen are looking at it with great interest."

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Testifying before the House Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control, Bourne said "legalization of marijuana... would be totally inappropriate."

But he said criminal penalties, including prison and subsequent career damage "causes far greater harm... than any effect the drug would have had and the penalties are counter-productive."

Bourne and seven other administration officials testified at the first of three days of "informational hearings" on marijuana.

"Our position is to discourage the abuse of all drugs, including alcohol and tobacco, as a national policy," Bourne said. "At the same time, we believe that the mechanism for discouragement should not be more damaging to the individual than the drugs themselves."

"We will continue to discourage marijuana use, but we feel criminal penalties that brand otherwise law-abiding people for life are neither an effective nor an appropriate deterrent."

The administration estimates that as many as 75 million Americans have tried marijuana and as many as 11 million people use it on a regular or weekly basis. Customs officials estimate it is a \$5-billion-a-year business, with as much as \$1 billion leaving the country annually.

Bourne noted that at least eight states have decriminalized possession of small amounts of marijuana and said "the federal government should not seek in any way to influence that decision."

But he said federal law, "which is now rarely enforced with regard to simple possession, should be decriminalized."

Dr. Robert D. DuPont, director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, told the committee medical research has shown no serious clinical damage from marijuana use.



Staff photo by Allen Jernigan

This young lady has the right idea for these warm and sunny Carolina spring days—ice cream and a stroll through campus. Spring fever may cause many students to evacuate classes and join in an afternoon of sun and fun.

Local NAACP enters battle in voter purge

The Northern Orange branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) voted last week to join efforts opposing attempts by the Orange County Board of Elections to remove students from county voter roles. The NAACP also decided to oppose the committee's efforts to secure a new election for two county commission seats.

The organization said it felt the Orange County Board of Elections had upheld all North Carolina election laws for registering voters.

Thomas Shanklin, president of the local NAACP chapter, said Monday the Orange County Board of Elections has filed complaints about the county's registration practices because of their disappointment with the election last fall of County Commissioners Donald Willhoit and Richard Whitted.

"The committee opposes Mr. Whitted because he is black and Mr. Willhoit because he is from Chapel Hill," Shanklin said.

"If a reelection were held they feel they can defeat Willhoit and Whitted without the student vote."

In a statement released Friday, the NAACP questioned the opposition of Lucius Cheshire, head of the Orange County Board of Elections and former attorney for the county government. The group "found it strange" that Cheshire did not act on the voter registration questions when he was county attorney until 1974.

Cheshire said Monday that his opinion on the matter was the same now

as in 1974. "The proper authority to act on registration questions rests with the Board of Elections and not with the county attorney," Cheshire said.

"I would have given my opinion on the matter, but it was never requested."

The N.C. Board of Elections received formal petitions early last week challenging the legality of students' voting in the county where they attend college.

Alex Brock, elections board chairperson, said Friday that the petitions, signed by 820 Orange County residents, requested that:

•The names of all students from outside Orange County be purged from the voter registration books or that a new registration for the county be held.

•A new primary and general election be held for the two county commission seats now held by Whitted and Willhoit.

•The state elections board request a court-appointed special prosecutor to study the possibility that state election laws were "willfully and deliberately violated" in Orange County.

Brock said the petitions implied that voter registration guidelines established by the state elections board last July had not been followed in Orange County. Those guidelines applied specifically to students and military veterans whose domicile might be questioned.

Brock said he did not know when the board would make a final decision on the three requests, but he predicted that it would not be a hasty decision, because the issue was "not of a severe, compelling nature."

Moss, Arne object to parking deck addition

By TONY GUNN
Staff Writer

A proposed addition to the parking deck located on Manning Drive has met with criticism from Student Body President Bill Moss and Student Transportation Director Paul Arne.

The 800-space addition to the deck was approved Friday by the UNC-CH Board of Trustees. Moss cast the only dissenting vote.

Moss asked the trustees to delay action because he feels there has not been adequate discussion among students about the deck. He also expressed concern that the money used to fund the project could be used to fund the town bus system.

Arne said he fears that in the future the University might not give as much money to the town bus system if the deck addition is built.

"I'm not saying that the parking deck is not needed," Arne said. "But to provide for one at the expense of another is wrong, should it happen."

The total cost of the parking deck is estimated at \$3,333 per space, or \$2,666,400 total. Of this amount, \$666,400 will come from the traffic fund. The remaining \$2 million will be funded from the sale of bonds.

The proposed parking deck is to compensate for 474 parking spaces that will be lost when the proposed central library is built in the present Carolina Union parking lot. Construction is scheduled to start in spring 1979.

only \$1.15 million, leaving a deficit of \$135,788.

The University will have to raise parking fees under the current plan, Arne said.

"Providing for all parking needs of

Chancellor N. Ferebee Taylor said Monday that money that would go to the bus system would not be used for construction of the parking deck.

"The parking deck is designed to meet the needs of visitors and out-patients of

administration of the University."

Moss said he would talk with Arne and other experts about the project and come back to the board in April with additional student input. Board members said Friday that it would not be too late then to change the plans.

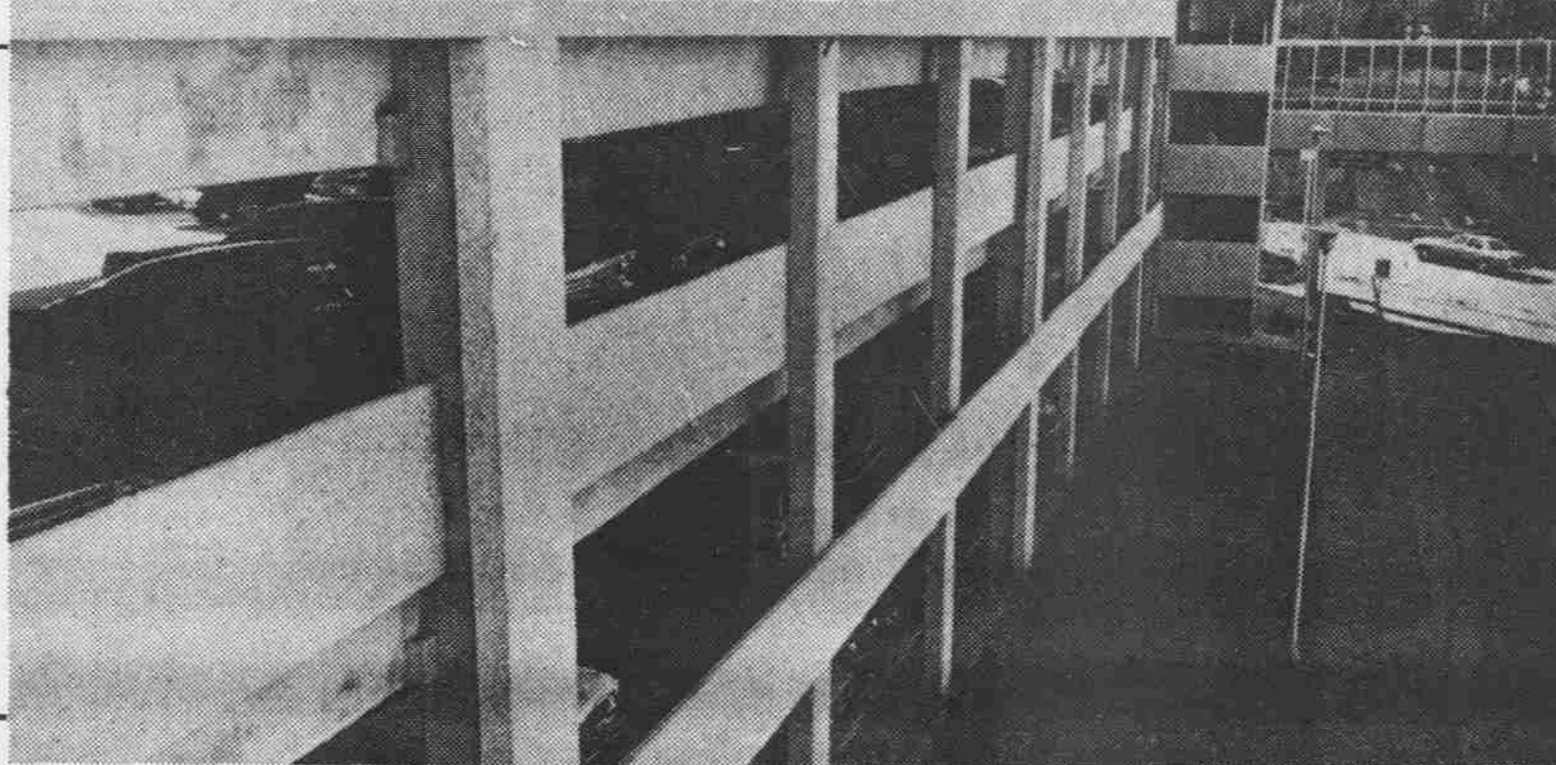
Arne proposed that the parking deck be built in stages, instead of constructing the 800-space addition at one time.

"From an engineering, design and financial standpoint, it is not feasible to build it in pieces," said John L. Temple, assistant vice chancellor for business. "It can be done, but we will pay a price for it."

Temple said the University presently is losing more spaces than it is gaining. With the building of the new central library and the proposed physical education facility on the site of the Tin Can, "all those combined will wipe out the 800 spaces (of the parking deck addition)."

Future sites for parking decks might include the Health Affairs area or the Bell Tower lot, Temple said. He added that the University might have to go off campus and provide shuttle service.

The Board of Trustees approved Friday an 800-space addition to this parking deck on Manning Drive. Student Body President Bill Moss cast the only dissenting vote. Moss said he felt student opinion had not been considered sufficiently.



Staff photo by Bill Russ

For 1980, the projected cost of operating the entire campus parking system will be approximately \$1.28 million. The projected revenue will be

visitors and patients at the hospital for the next number of years, at the expense of not providing permit parkers on campus—it's not equitable," he said.

Memorial Hospital," Taylor said. "This is a responsibility the University has—to meet the needs of the hospital. It is not a student matter, but a matter for the

Floyd fills atty. gen. appointment

Elson Floyd, a junior from Henderson, has been appointed as the new student attorney general, replacing Chuck Lovelace.

Floyd was appointed by Student Body President Bill Moss and was approved by the Campus Governing Council on March 1.

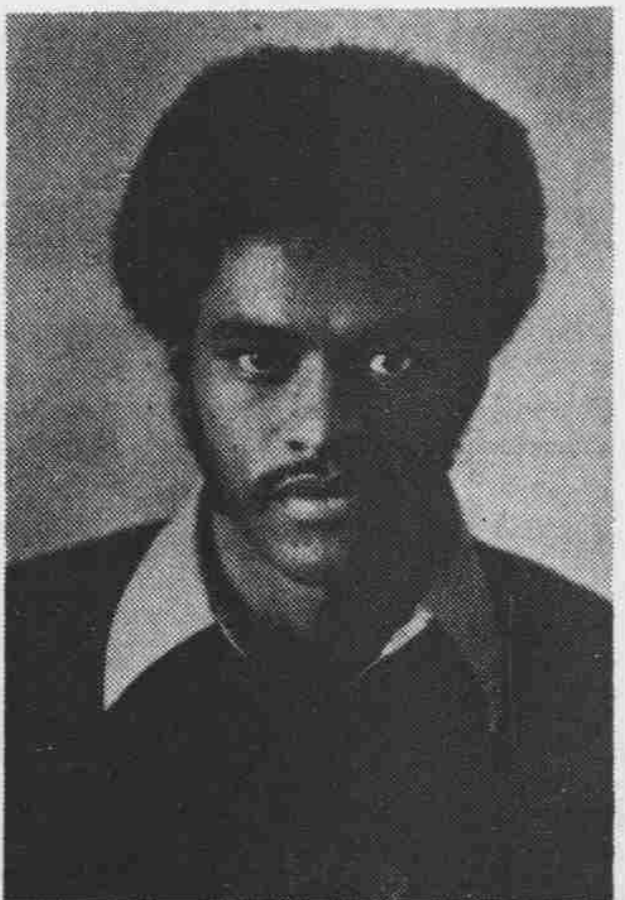
Floyd was busy in his Suite C office Monday as he began his first full week on the job.

Floyd said he does not plan any immediate changes in the attorney general's office, but he does plan to expand the staff this semester.

There has been discussion recently about changing the existing honor system, and Floyd said he thinks this is a good idea.

"I'm sure some reform will be made, but I'm not sure exactly what it will be at this time," he said.

He said he hopes discussion of the



Elson Floyd
Staff photo by Bill Russ

problems in the honor system will lead to improvements, and he also said he wants to try to get more faculty members involved with the honor system.

—MERTON VANCE

Despite increase in aid programs More students work to finance education

By RUSSELL GARDNER
Staff Writer

Despite an increase in the number of student financial-aid programs in the last decade, more UNC students than ever before are working to finance their educations, UNC Student Aid Director William Geer said recently.

"There is a common attitude, particularly among older adults who came to college before there were any financial-assistance programs, that students don't work today like they formerly did," Geer said.

"When these older adults read about our financial-assistance programs, they assume the students aren't working. But their assumptions are not true. There has never been a time at this University when a higher proportion of students were working their way through the University than now."

Geer said there has been a constant and regular increase in the number of working students as shown by the

number of students working for the University itself.

During the 1975 calendar year, 8,405 students worked for the University and earned a total of \$14,675,094. The average annual earning was \$1,746. (Figures for 1976 are not available.)

"We can assume that several hundred additional students worked off campus and went back to their hometowns and worked on weekends," Geer said. "So it's a safe conclusion that more than half of UNC's students are working their way through the University and are self-supporting to some degree."

Approximately 15 per cent of the students employed by the University are paid through the work-study program, which is funded by federal and state governments and administered through the student-aid office.

When the work-study program was initiated 10 years ago, new jobs for the program were created within the University. But Geer stressed that these

work-study positions are not simply token jobs.

"Work-study provides job opportunities and earnings for students who otherwise would not have an opportunity to work. These student employees perform valuable services that the University could not otherwise afford," Geer said.

Work-study jobs are available in practically every University department and in a number of nonprofit public institutions, including day-care centers, city and county government and public schools.

During the 1975-76 academic year, 1,278 students were employed through the work-study program. Undergraduates on work-study earn \$2.50 per hour, and graduate students earn \$2.90 per hour.

"We have always kept the work-study wages above minimum wage and tried to promote the increase in student wages in all University departments and schools," Geer said. "We keep leaning in

the direction of higher wages for students for their benefit. Of course some student jobs in the University pay more than work-study, and that's fine. Usually these jobs are in areas where UNC has secured grants to employ students."

Geer cites two primary reasons for the continued increase in the number of working students.

"The main reason is that students would prefer to work than to borrow," he said. "The idea of borrowing large sums of money is frightening to young people whose families have always known poverty and debt. Also, young people have the Protestant work ethic and believe this is the acceptable behavior."

The student-aid office maintains a student employment information service where prospective employers call in with job descriptions. These job openings are posted on a bulletin board in the stairwell of Vance Hall.

Chancellor says dean nomination narrowed to one

By MERTON VANCE
Staff Writer

The list of nominees for a new dean of the College of Arts and Sciences has been narrowed to one person, selected by UNC Chancellor N. Ferebee Taylor.

"I have made my nomination and received the approval of the Faculty Advisory Committee and the Board of Trustees," Taylor said Monday.

Taylor would not release the name of his nominee because he said the nomination must receive further approval from UNC President William Friday and the UNC Board of Governors.

Friday said Monday that he had not yet received the name of the nominee but that the Board of Governors probably would consider the nomination at its next meeting scheduled for April 8.

Taylor said he expects to announce the name of the new dean by the end of this semester.

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