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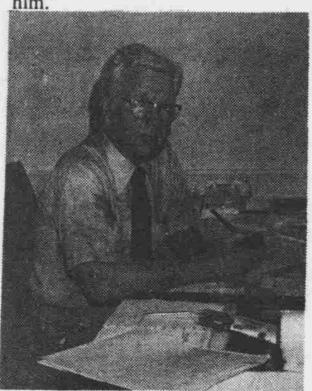
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Branch: for 49 years, University's faithful servant

In the long and distinguished history of the University of North Carolina, few have shown the dedication of James Arthur Branch. Few have matched the incredible 49 years of service that James Arthur Branch offered this institution.

The retired business manager of the University, Mr. Branch died at the age of 71 Wednesday. His funeral will take place today at 11 a.m.

"Arthur Branch was among that group of devoted University people," former Chancellor Carlyle Sitterson said, "whose life was inseparably associated with the University at Chapel Hill in a variety of responsibilities in business and financial affairs. And, as business manager, he provided able and dedicated leadership. With his wife and children, he was fully involved in and committed to the community and the University in all of their functions. The University and his friends throughout the state will miss him."



James A. Branch

A native of Rowlesburg, W.Va., Mr. Branch began working in the University business office when he was a student in 1924. He became head of the business office in 1957.

In 1966, the Ford Foundation and the University of Calcutta "borrowed" Mr. Branch to aid in a two-year reorganization program in India.

Returning to Chapel Hill, Mr. Branch took over the added responsibilities of the director of Enterprises and Services at UNC. As director, he took under his wing food service, housing, utilities, retail stores, the Carolina Inn, Morehead Planetarium and University Airport.

There was little doubt that the University placed a great deal of faith in Mr. James Arthur Branch. And Mr. Branch proved he was worthy of such trust. "He will long be remembered," Chancellor N. Ferebee Taylor said, "as a man of tremendous talent and dedication who gave more than half of his life to the service of the University."

As a young man growing up in Salisbury, J.A. Branch-or "Abie" as he was called by friends-always wanted to attend the University. But college was only a dream to him until the Women's Club of Salisbury offered him a scholarship to the place he would eventually spend the rest-of his life.

"Abie Branch never had anything handed to him on a silver platter," wrote Orville Campbell in a Chapel Hill Newspaper tribute, "... He was the oldest of eight children of a locomotive engineer for the Southern Railway.

"As a youth he mowed lawns, carried newspapers, delivered groceries, worked in a shoe store, sold advertising for the Salisbury Post, and at one time even had the Salisbury agency for the Fleischman Yeast Company, selling yeast to stores, bakeries and individuals, making his deliveries on a

Mr. Branch is survived by his widow and two sons. His younger son, John Branch, a 1976 UNC graduate, is one of the finest and most talented persons ever to work at the Daily Tar Heel.

In a gesture characteristic of the Branch family, Mrs. Branch and her sons have asked that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the South Orange Rescue Squad.

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UNC vs. Nevada-Las Vegas A game of cosmic significance in the Omni

BY HARRY WRAY

Don't let them tell you that The Game Saturday afternoon is simply another game. It has cosmic significance. Rarely in the annals of sport have the forces of darkness and the forces of light been so clearly divided. If one were looking for a musical analogue, it would be Waylon Jennings against Pat Boone. So when you plop down in front of a tube on Saturday, leave the beer in the refrigerator. Religious meditation, not revelry, is called for.

Consider first the respective cities. In the white sneakers we have Chapel Hill, better known as "The Southern Part of Heaven." Bumper stickers proclaiming something about God, the sky, and Carolina Blue unashamedly adorn automobiles.

On the other side we have Las Vegas, more evil even than Zebulon, home of the Wak-Art Theatre. If God were working his miracles today. Lot's wife would undoubtedly be a national monument somewhere in the Mojave Desert.

The coaches also reflect the epic nature of the struggle. For the good guys, there is Clean Dean Smith, he of the three piece suit. Unlike Lefty Driesell, for example, Coach Smith even goes to church in the off-season. After the Kentucky game, Rick Robey accused Smith of swearing at him. Coach Smith was truly indignant, saying he "never used such words." We know, Dean, we

The University of Nevada at Las Vegas (UNLV) is coached by Jerry Tarkanian. affectionately known as Tark the Shark. It would never occur to anyone to accuse him of cursing. The Shark gained notoriety in California by winning state community college basketball championships with players from South Chicago. It was all quite illegal, but the Shark has never been one to stand on formalities. He managed to bring Cal-State, Long Beach, to national basketball prominence and then to three years of NCAA probation for assorted violations.

The Shark moved on to UNLV. Rumor

has it that this is the last year in this century

that UNLV will be eligible for NCAA

playoff competition, but don't bet on it.

Images of an NCAA investigator waking up

one morning to find a slashed basketball in

his bed, compliments of a UNLV fan, dance

Then there is the contrast in the players.

North Carolina players are, and always have

been-how else can one say it-so nice. No

wonder the coeds from Granville support

them so loyally. One would never find a

Carolina player offending people by having

an interesting social or political idea. No

in one's head.

"For the good guys, there is Clean Dean

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local sports writers stop being sycophants long enough to ask players a reasonable question, the players never, never offend anyone. "Who's the toughest guard you play against, Phil?" "Gee, Art, they're all tough." "Thanks, Phil."

The UNLV players are not troubled by such niceties. They are not playing for Las Vegas, or even Nevada. They're playing for a bigger pro contract. I call your attention to a picture of Boyd Batts, former UNLV forward, in a recent issue of Sports Illustrated. How could Boyd with his menacing Afro, his bright-red head band and his silver choker-if he smiled he would

probably reveal a gold tooth-how could

playing styles. For basketball aficionados,

this is of religious moment, because the

teams represent the best of each style.

Carolina plays in the rural, or Kansas,

tradition. The idea is essentially Christian.

We live in an orderly universe. We must

bring that order to the game so that we can

control the flow. All of Dean Smith's

impressive innovations—the four corners.

Most dramatic perhaps is the contrast in

Boyd possibly play for Carolina?

The search for order is reflected in Carolina's vaunted team concept. Everything is done for the sake of the team. and a player seems positively embarrassed if he makes two baskets in a row. Nobody soars, for a moment defying gravity and assorted other physical laws with a doublepump, one and a half gainer-up yours-sky jam-screaming slammer, because the shot might be missed. If you must, simply dunk

the ball. It is the triumph of science over art. The UNLV style is straight from the city. It is visceral. Its origins are in the senses, not in the intellect. One doesn't control the game, one dances to its rhythm. Sometimes you lose to lesser teams. Other times you blow someone out by 70 points. Against San Francisco, one Reginald Theus came off the UNLV bench and hit nothing but cord for 26 points. Can one imagine a Carolina sub ever doing that?

The Vegas players are shimmering, incandescent billboards, spectacular in their gaudiness. Individual moves are often not instrumental, but are done for the sake of the move. As opposed to science, Vegas offers art and mystery. Who knows what wonders Walter Davis would wreak if he were playing for UNLV? The mind boggles. Walter would probably be known to the world as Ab-dul Saudi Arabia.

So there you have it, sports fans. The lines are drawn. Don't let anyone tell you it's only a game. It is in fact an incarnation of a timeless metaphysical struggle.

the free-throw huddle, 60 per cent shooting-can be seen in the context of a Harry Wray is a graduate student in desire to control. political science from Whittier, Calif. Carter human rights stance an aberration from reality

By FRANK WHITE

President Carter's recent stand on human rights is anything but realistic. The President appears to have no understanding of how foreign governments think, or of international conceptions of the values he

Oppression of human rights is a worldwide phenomenon. If there is an international standard of treatment of people it is certainly based on repression, not modeled after the free and open democracies in the United States and Western Europe. The State Department recently reported that 88 of the nations that receive aid from the United States violate human rights. This figure does not include countries that do not receive aid: for instance, Uganda or the Soviet Union, or those countries that the State Department deems as non-violators. A good example of this would be the United States, where, in a Vietnam War operation called Phoenix 20,000 Vietnamese civilians were assassinated. K. Barton Osburn, a former CIA agent, believes less than half of these were Viet Cong, and the remainder

were the victims of personal vendettas. Oppression does not result from a leader's sadistic tendencies (there are possible exceptions to this, like Idi Amin, but these are rare) but from a desire to stay in power. The Kremlin perceives the Soviet dissidents as threats, the ruling whites in South Africa view a government of blacks as dangerous, and in Argentina the military government faces violence and revolutionary dialogue from both left and right. To ask these governments to stop repression of human rights is tantamount to requesting them to commit suicide.

Carter assumes that all the nations of the world are naturally open, free and liberal societies, and repression is but an aberration, but much the opposite is true. Daniel Moynihan points out that of the 78 nations formed since 1946, only 11 are still democracies. And of those II all but four are small islands.

Carter seems to feel that human rights are obtainable by criticism and subtle types of pressure, such as restriction of military aid. But the idea that the United States can use its

moral prestige to stop a world-wide and decades-old trend is ludicrous. After Vietnam, after assassination of foreign leaders, after world-wide bribery by corporations and a continuing string of accusations against the CIA, the United States has precious little moral prestige to spare, and Carter's statements will be viewed as the ravings of a hypocritical giant, not the moral protestations of a Southern Baptist,

And around the world reaction to Carter's pronouncements confirm this interpretation. In the Soviet Union the campaign against dissidents has stepped up since Carter's complaints. Brezhnev has made it clear that the Soviet Union considers criticism a danger to detente. Carter then announced he did not feel that Strategic Arms Limitation Talks and U.S. moral pronouncements are related, but what must shock Carter is that Brezhnev objects to being criticized.

In Latin America a number of nations, including Brazil and Argentina, have rejected United States military aid and are making unfriendly noises. On March 24 The Washington Post reported that Carter's criticisms have solidified Argentine support of the reigning military government According to a recent news report Brazil is considering negotiating with the Soviets for military aid. Brazil has been the United States' closest ally in Latin America and to have U.S. influence in the strongest of South American nations decline injures U.S. strategic position. And for all these setbacks in Latin America no nation has made signs that it intends to be less oppressive.

A choice must be made. Carter can continue to criticize foreign nations, but so far this plan has led to no less oppression (and, in some cases, more) with a decline in United States influence and strategic position. Conversely, the President can try a realistic position: he can realize that foreign governments will not change their ways to fit what is a unique American conception of how a world should be run, he can realize that calling another nation repressive publicly only infuriates that nation and forces it to repudiate the United States.

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No legal process needed for wife to keep own name

Editor's Note: This advice is prepared by Student Legal Services which maintains an office in Suite C of the Carolina Union. All UNC students may obtain free legal advice at this office.

In North Carolina there is no legal compulsion for a wife to assume her husband's surname upon marriage. If Jane Doe marries John Smith, she has the choice of remaining Jane Doe or voluntarily using the new name of Jane Smith. She is not required to resort to any legal process to become Jane Smith. Similarly, she may choose to become Jane Doe-Smith. The Department of Motor Vehicles will tell you that the computer lacks the capacity to hyphenate, but that should not deter

A recent North Carolina Court of Appeals decision indicates that a person in this state may still assume and use any name of one's choosing so long as it is not done with the intent to defraud or to hide one's identity.

The North Carolina statutes which change.

prescribe the procedure for changing one's name do not abrogate the common-law rule still in force in this state, which allows a person to change his or her name without resorting to legal procedure. This is only an additional method of effecting a change of name and providing a method for recording the change. If, however, one does resort to the statutory recordation, he or she must demonstrate to the Clerk of Superior Court that he desires the change "for good cause shown and for good and sufficient reasons," which means more than the mere absence of

ADVICE FOR THE DAY: 1) Be consistent in using the name that you have assumed; notify all governmental agencies (Social Security, Department of Motor Vehicles, etc.) of any change. 2) Resort to the statutory process is preferable since some agencies (including the Department of Motor Vehicles) will require a copy of the court order before making any official

UNC intramural department deserves thanks

The intramural department of Carolina deserves the thanks and congratulations of us all for organizing contests in sports from basketball and football to badminton and golf. Without these team and individual sports, many of us would be fat, lonely and

I would especially like to tip my hat to the intramural basketball officials who night after night received abuse as they monitored the participants' elbows. Even though these offensive moves were sometimes directed at them, they faithfully returned the next day to deliver their unbiased rulings once again. Wanted or not, one must agree that every contest needs a third opinion to provide each team with someone other than themselves on which to blame their defeats. Without the dedication these officials exhibit, intramural competition would not be possible.

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FDA decision correct

To the editor: I feel that Mr. Schnare (March 22) missed or even misrepresented the points made in the Jenners' letter (March 21). He decries their "...near total acceptance of the validity of animal-based toxicological data," and substitutes epidemiological data as a basis for risk-benefit analysis, noting later on, however, that "...useful information is in short supply." In short, he is substituting one imperfect set of data for another. The Jenners' "...predisposition against food additives . . . " was not based on the additives" lack of nutritive value, according to their letter, but on the fact that very little is known about the health effects of the 93 per cent of food additives which have no nutritive value. I could detect no animosity in the Jenners' letter toward people who consume products

which are "...crunchier, smoother, redder or sweeter." Non-nutritive additives are put in foods by manufacturers, not directly demanded by consumers. What the manufacturers may put in is determined by the FDA.

I feel that Mr. Schnare missed the points of balance in the Jenners' position, and failed to respond to their argument, which—as I understand it-stated that where human lives are concerned-particularly human lives such as those of children, who cannot exercise control over what is fed them, and who are the most vulnerable members of the population because they are growingsetters of public policy should make their decisions concerning food additives or drugs on the most conservative basis available.

Warning labels are useful only when everyone reading them can usefully evaluate the risk for his own case—clearly not the case for children, nor for additives whose longterm and synergistic effects are unknown or inadequately studied. As far as saccharin is concerned, why not limit the risk by making it a prescription drug, freely available to people who need it, but not imposed on the rest of the population?

> Allen C. Myers Durham

Pranksters a menace

To the editor:

Last night a "practical joker" crept

letters to the editor

Further, any decision which affects other people is based on a set of values, and the process of arriving at the decision does not eliminate the values. Representative government "imposes" decisions on all of us (laws) which presumably do reflect our values. Many units within the government, however, promulgate regulations by administrative ruling, and such decisions may nearly reflect the values of individuals running the agency. Where these values (whether stated or implied) are at variance with the values of the wider society, citizens have every right to question them. I fail to see how the Jenners can be more guilty of imposing their values on the nation than the FDA or Mr. Schnare.

We must make decisions on the information available, knowing that in most cases it is imperfect and incomplete; our 'decisions will reflect this: this aspect of our information should lead us to make conservative decisions (minimize the risk).

through our dorm in search of an unwary victim. His goal was to spray someone with a fire extinguisher and run like hell. The prank left one person with a badly cut hand and another student in trouble with the police and the housing authorities.

"If you screw around, someone is bound to get hurt." This insightful phrase was the first advice I received at Chapel Hill. Three years later I continue to find that this wisdom is remarkably valid and foolishly forgotten. Without fail, pranksters at UNC are constantly attempting "funnys" and consistently failing to accomplish anything but harm for fellow students. For example a group of guys might decide that it would be clever to hang someone upside down, naked from the Old Well. This selfish joke, however, disregards the embarrassment that might be experienced by the "jokee."

I feel that gags that harm others ignore the rights and consideration owed to these people. Hanging someone naked from the Old Well may be fun, but the victim is the one who must finance this joke. However, in planning a prank, if respect for other's rights are considered, then everyone will be able to enjoy a laugh.

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Call her Bette

To the editor:

So... "Betty" Davis is coming off the screen and onto the stage in the PRC's A History of the American Film. When did she start spelling her name with a "y"? As Miss Davis herself once remonstrated, "Dammit, my name is Bette."

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Where's the Big 10?

To the editor:

Johnny Orr and Bobby Knight, where is the Big Ten now?

Stacy Chi

Cleanup unnecessary

To the editor:

We can appreciate the effort, time and money spent by Mr. Trammel and his staff in cleaning up the aftermath of a Carolina victory. However, it seemed rather ridiculous to put forth these energies during this past week when we all know they will only have to repeated after our victories in the NCAA finals. GO HEELS!

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