

The next two days promise sunny skies and high temperatures in the low 80s. The low temperature tonight should be in the high 50s. The chance of rain is 10 per cent through Thursday.

The Daily Tar Heel

Journalism Prof. Walter Spearman brings you up to date on the literary scene each Wednesday in the *Daily Tar Heel*. His column today is on page 4.

On restricted streets

Police will tow, ticket illegally parked cars

By DAVID STACKS
Staff Writer

Cars parked illegally on 41 streets restricted by the town's July 11 parking ordinance will be towed, ticketed or cited as if they were illegally parked on any other street in Chapel Hill, Police Chief Herman L. Stone said Tuesday.

"These streets are like any other streets in town," Stone said. "Anybody who parks next to a no-parking sign is taking a calculated risk."

Stone and Jean Boyles, police attorney, said the Chapel Hill Police Department cannot honor special parking permits issued to 118 residents on the 41 streets because of a preliminary injunction issued last week by Orange County Superior Court Judge Henry A. McKinnon Jr.

Illegally parked cars will be towed if they are blocking fire hydrants, bus zones, driveways or parking places for the handicapped. Vehicles impeding the traffic flow will also be towed, Stone said.

In the injunction issued Thursday, McKinnon ordered the town of Chapel Hill not to issue any more special parking permits to residents of the 41 city streets. He also lifted a temporary restraining order granted Aug. 29 on towing cars parked on the 41 streets that do not have the special permits.

The judge prohibited the town from giving "legal effect" to those 118 persons issued special permits.

Both Stone and Boyles said they do not know what "legal effect" means, but they interpret it as meaning the special permits are invalid.

"I'm not happy with the situation," Boyles said. "I wish I knew for sure what

'legal effect' meant. But in the meantime, we've got to proceed in a manner we think is in accordance with the order."

An attorney for Philip E. Williams, a UNC law student who filed the suit with the court, said he believes police are interpreting the "legal effect" clause properly.

"My understanding of Judge McKinnon's order was that the operation of the special-permit clause ordinance was restrained," attorney William J. Blue, Jr. said.

"If the ordinance was restrained, it makes little difference whether somebody already had a permit," Blue said. "If the ordinance is invalid, it's invalid for everyone."

Under the ordinance passed by the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen July 11, residents on 41 streets on which parking was restricted could apply to the board for the free permits. Vehicles parked without permits on the newly restricted streets were subject to towing, parking tickets and traffic citations.

Williams challenged the constitutionality of the ordinance, saying it created and discriminated against a class of people — those unable to get permits. Williams charged that the law restricted public access to public streets.

The preliminary injunction remains in effect until McKinnon issues a new ruling after a civil trial set for the Oct. 31 session of Orange County Superior Court.

In the suit, Williams asks McKinnon to make the preliminary injunction a permanent order. The town is expected to ask the judge to allow the July 11 ordinance to stand.

Town sends latest proposal for bus contract to Temple

By HOWARD TROXLER
Staff Writer

The University has received the town of Chapel Hill's latest contract proposal for bus service, an administration official said Tuesday.

Town Manager Kurt Jenne sent the new contract to Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance John Temple on Monday, but Temple said Tuesday he has taken no action on it.

"I received it yesterday, but I haven't read it in detail," Temple said. "I expect to read it this afternoon."

The University has not agreed to earlier town proposals because they do not provide for night bus service. The bulk of night service has been replaced by a shared-ride taxi service, which is subsidized by transit system funds.

Temple has said the town's original

contract proposal was not signed because it was not the same as the offer the University agreed to sign under a compromise reached this summer.

Temple said Sept. 6 that some fixed-route night bus service is a necessity for students who wish to travel to and from campus. The present transit system provides for no such service.

Temple will review the new contract and give his approval or rejection to Jenne.

Jenne could not be reached for comment about the revised contract.

"Of course, we fully expect to reach an agreement," Temple said. "The only thing left is that we haven't resolved the matter over night service."

"I'm not saying we insist we must have night service. But we want to know exactly what the present contract is and what options we have if the night taxi system doesn't work out."

Waterbeds, symbol of dopey, hairy, sexy '60s become respectable

By NANCY OLIVER
Staff Writer

When waterbeds first came out on the market in the 60s, they were seen as just another of the crazed generation's weird ways — like smoking dope, long hair and kinky sex.

But now, in 1977, the waterbed has earned its place in the sun — rather, its place as a respectable piece of furniture.

"We've been selling more and more waterbeds," said Larry Carswell, owner of Lily Pad Waterbeds at Kroger Plaza, the only waterbed dealer in Chapel Hill. "Students are still the biggest buyers, but now we have a high number of middle-aged customers and quite a few elderly ones."

An elderly lady came into the store by mistake one day, said Carswell, thinking that Lily Pad was a TV store. "She said, 'well since I'm here, I'll try one.' After awhile, I thought we were going to have to kick her out. She just wouldn't leave."

One reason the waterbed's popularity has grown so much may be that people seem to sleep better on water beds than regular mattresses. A Stanford University study showed that people get more sleep on waterbeds than on any other type of mattress.

Waterbeds, by their nature, conform to the sleepers' body shape. The back is actually straightened out, and the bed pressed on each part of the body equally.

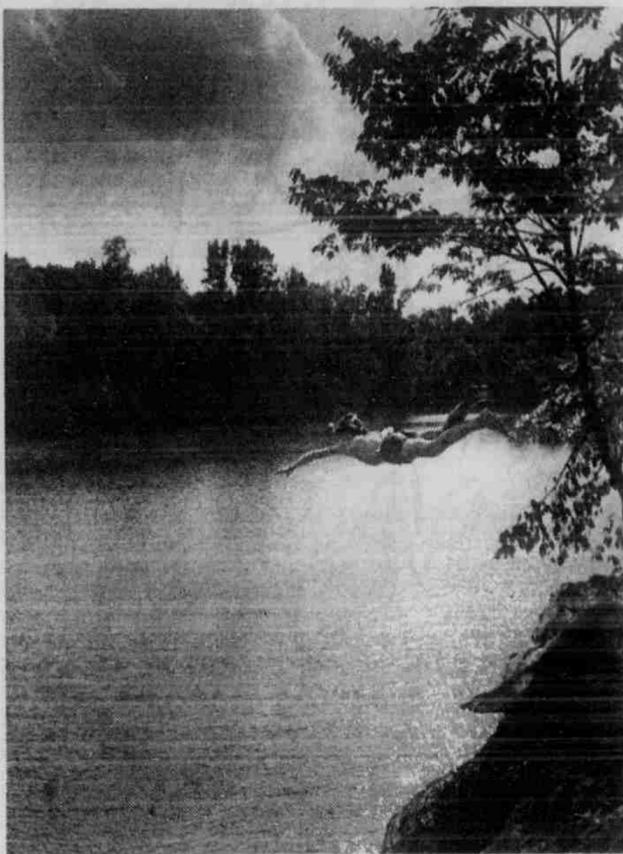
"In a waterbed," Carswell said "your limbs won't go to sleep. It stops tossing and turning. The beds are actually conforming to you."

Carswell said doctors have shown that waterbeds act as a soothing agent to arthritis victims, gently massaging each muscle as the sleeper relaxes.

The waterbed industry now has about seven per cent of the nation's total bed sales, Carswell said. "I got some figures just recently about waterbeds, and they say that there's about 196 million people in regular beds that have to be converted. So we've got a while."

Carswell said the biggest problem the industry has run into is competition from the big furniture corporations who once considered waterbeds to be a passing fad.

"Now Singer and Burlington House are making them in North Carolina. Those are big furniture manufacturers. There are six other furniture makers in North Carolina that have decided to add



All we'll tell you that this lake is in Orange County. It was an Indian-summer September afternoon when our man Fred Barbour caught this young man soaring off the rock ledge and into the cool water below. With students' minds troubled over parking, pass/fail and drop/add, it's soothing to look at a picture such as this.

I-40 foes seek meeting with state board members

By MARK ANDREWS
Staff Writer

Opponents of the state Department of Transportation's plan to construct a 20.5-mile section of Interstate 40 through rural Orange and Durham counties said Tuesday they will seek an open meeting with state Transportation Board members in Chapel Hill to voice their grievances.

The coalition of local government officials and members of concerned citizen groups met at Carrboro Town Hall to continue organizing their case against corridor IB, the route chosen by state transportation officials for the connection between I-85 and the existing I-40 at the Research Triangle.

The coalition wants an open meeting with the state Transportation Board because it feels direct contact with the board concerning issues it claims have been ignored

might force the board to reverse its decision.

"A bad decision was made under atrocious conditions of procedure," said B. B. Olive, a Durham attorney who is coordinating the coalition's effort.

Olive said energy and environmental considerations were not addressed by officials in approving the IB corridor. He maintained that the state had not sufficiently considered the energy crisis as it relates to high construction, or possible adverse effects on the countryside and nearby Duke Forest.

Olive said state officials must consider secondary growth impact, the possibility of a truck accident and resulting pollution into creeks flowing into Duke Forest and pollution of a future water source if the proposed Jordan Lake is constructed where the corridor would run.

Pass-fail deadline Thursday

The deadline for dropping a course or declaring a course pass-fail is Thursday.

To drop a course, a student must pick up an orange drop card from the department concerned and then obtain a drop form from his adviser. The student should turn in both forms at the basement of Hanes Hall.

Persons dropping a course will receive a W (withdrew while passing) on their academic records.

To take a course pass-fail, a student in General College must go to his adviser in South Building, determine whether the course can be taken pass-fail and then have his adviser fill in the information on the pass-fail form.

Pass-fail slips for the different schools, such as the School of Journalism, the School of Education and the School of

Business Administration, are available in their respective offices.

The College of Arts and Sciences requires its students, upon receiving the necessary form at South Building, to submit the form at the records office on the first floor of Hanes Hall.

Graduate students do not take any courses pass-fail because quality-point averages are not used in their grading system.

A student may take no more than seven hours pass-fail per semester and no more than 24 hours in eight semesters. Also, once a course has been declared pass-fail and the records office has been notified of this, a student may not change to letter grading and he may not declare the pass-fail option after the official period.

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CGC vote keeps WXYC on the air

By BERNIE RANSBOTTOM
Staff Writer

Student Educational Broadcasting Inc. (SEB), the governing board of WXYC, received a vote of confidence from the Campus Governing Council (CGC) Tuesday night which, in effect, recognizes SEB as an autonomous organization outside the authority of the Media Board.

The vote recognizes SEB bylaws, which state that SEB is the sole and final authority with regard to the station's budget, managerial and editorial decisions.

WXYC managers and staff had threatened to take the station off the air at midnight and temporarily discontinue broadcasting operations if CGC did not vote to support SEB.

WXYC Program Director Mike Hyman said that approval of the action by Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Donald Boulton would give final approval to the CGC resolution and that a Media Board vote to grant autonomy to SEB now amounts to a formality.

Earlier in the day, the Media Board had voted to table WXYC's request for recognition of SEB as an autonomous board, pending consultation with a lawyer specializing in communications law.

Before WXYC's threat to discontinue broadcasting operations, the CGC had voted to postpone the station's additional budget request of more than \$14,000. CGC granted the student-operated station about \$6,400 last spring.

An emergency WXYC staff meeting following that move resulted in the station's threat to go off the air until the conflict could be resolved.

Hyman and WXYC Business Manager David Madison have maintained that the station might be operating illegally as long as the Media Board retained final control over the station's operating budget and the selection of its general manager.

Federal Communications Commission (FCC) law requires that one incorporated board maintain control of budget, managerial, programming and editorial decisions.

But Media Board Chairperson Patty Turner maintained that it still might be possible for SEB's budget to be appropriated through the Media Board from the CGC.

WXYC received its official license from the FCC Sept. 17. SEB is the board of directors to which that license was granted.

Policy committee discusses move to 8-week drop period

By KATHY HART
Staff Writer

The Educational Policy Committee discussed a Student Government-prepared proposal to extend the present four-week drop period to eight weeks in a meeting Monday.

The proposal, prepared by Student Body President Bill Moss and Secretary of Academic Affairs Tal Lassiter, also suggested that:

- Professors be allowed to extend the drop period for their classes if they have not returned a major graded assignment to students by the end of the official drop period.

- A committee be created to review cases where students run into extraordinary problems such as illness or personal problems after the official drop period has ended. The proposal calls for this committee to be composed of half faculty and half students. A student could drop a course if a majority of the committee voted in favor of his dropping the course.

- Students be allowed to appear in person before this committee in addition to presenting a written request for an exception.

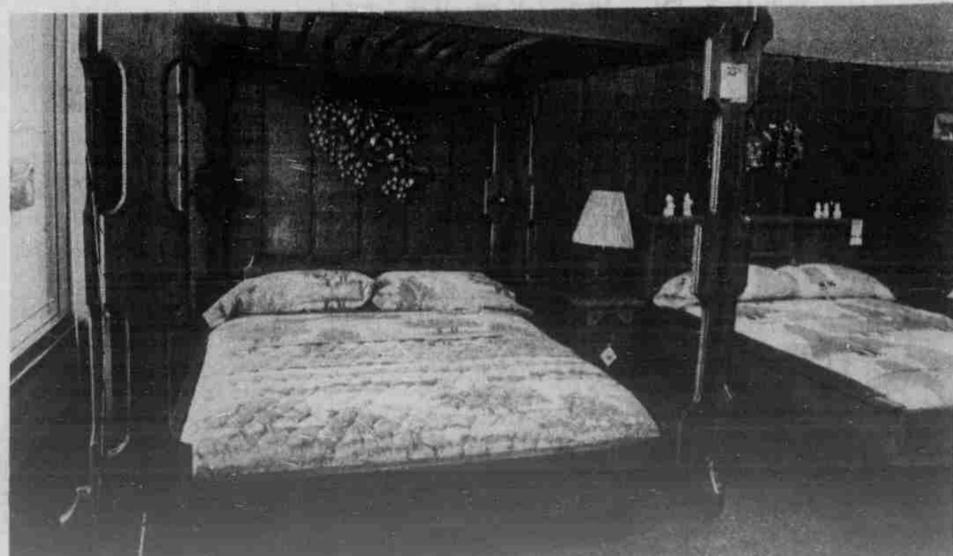
Vaida Thompson, chairperson of the Educational Policy Committee, said Tuesday that the committee would hold a public hearing on the drop policy from 3 to 4 p.m. Sept. 28 in 310 Davie Hall.

"We want input from other students and student groups besides just the Student Government," Thompson said. "We feel other students may have different views, and we want feedback from them, too."

Lassiter says prospects are not good for extension of the present drop period. "Most of the faculty is so worried about grade inflation that they would not consider extending the drop period," Lassiter said.

"The faculty is under a lot of pressure, but they are trying to offset the pressure in the wrong way," he said. "They are putting the burden on the students. Instead they should put the burden on themselves to give

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Waterbeds came on the market in the 1960s, big furniture companies saw them as a fad that would soon go away. Now, however, Singer and Burlington House in North Carolina manufacture them. Besides the obvious use, some people 'actually sleep on them, too.' Photo by L.C. Barbour.