

The high today will be near 70, and the low will be in the low-40s. There's little chance of rain. Saturday will be a little warmer with a high in the mid- to upper-70s.

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Students who still do not have tickets for the South Carolina football game can get standing-room-only tickets before the game at the gate. See page 5.

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SG finds English prof to present drop plan

Flora to give proposal today

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Associate Professor Joseph M. Flora agreed Thursday to present a Student Government (SG) proposal for a six-week drop period to the Faculty Council at its 3 p.m. meeting today in 100 Hamilton Hall.

"The four weeks is a short time and I think that the student thinking on the proposal is not unreasonable," Flora said Thursday night.

"I feel that it would be better to make it six weeks and then hold to it than have it look tougher (four weeks) and make lots of exceptions anyway," he said.

Flora, an English professor, spoke in support of a six-week drop period last spring when the council voted to have its Educational Policy Committee (EPC) consider the drop period.

The proposal will be presented in the form of an amendment to EPC's recommendation, which will propose retention of the four-week policy.

The Faculty Council voted to shorten the drop period from 12 weeks to four weeks in April 1976 and referred it to EPC for review last spring.

Student Body President Bill Moss said there was faculty support for a six-week period although SG had difficulty finding a Faculty Council member to present the proposal. "I feel that it is a soft issue — most professors see arguments for both sides (four- and six-week periods) — and I don't feel they are one way or the other," Moss said.

"I ran into very few professors that were definitely set on four weeks," said Sonya Lewis, a Campus Governing Council representative who helped prepare the SG proposal.

The SG proposal states that the four-week period places unreasonable pressure on many students and encourages panic drops.

The SG proposal cites several reasons for extending the drop period, including the overburdening of advisers during the first

four weeks of classes.

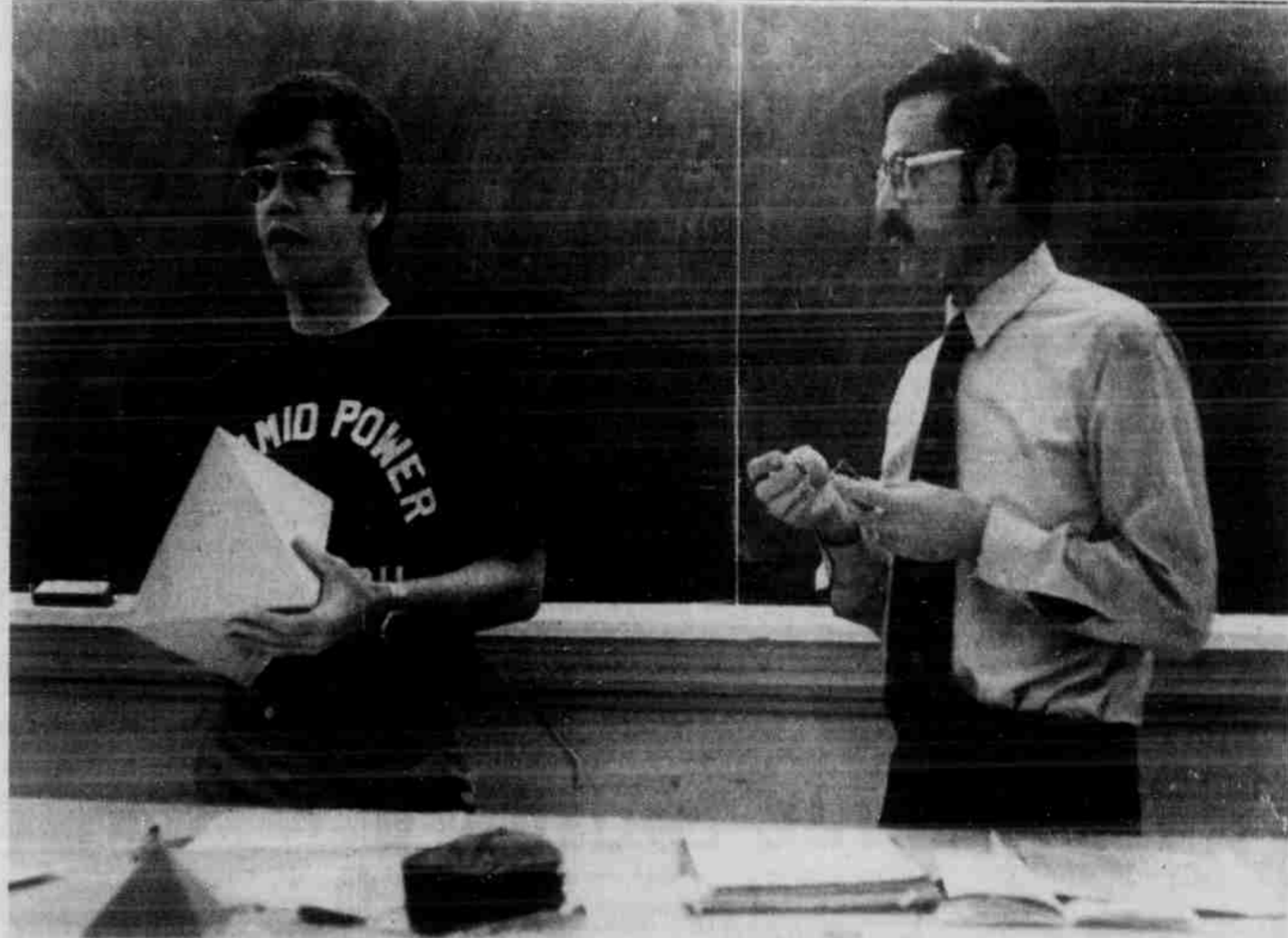
The report states that few tests are given during the first four weeks and the beginning of a course is usually just review.

In its report to the Faculty Council, the EPC states that it did not find persuasive "the argument for an extension of the drop period beyond four weeks in order that a student might better assess the probability of receiving a desired grade."

But, the report later states that the committee "acknowledges that the specification of a particular time limit for the drop period is somewhat arbitrary. The report further states that the committee feels that four weeks, or 25 percent of the course, is a sufficient time for students to make a judgment about the content and educational value of a course."

The report also recommends that faculty members provide students with "clear and detailed information about their courses very early in the semester."

EPC also recommends that the drop-add period at the beginning of the semester be increased to five class days. During the drop-add period a student may drop a course without receiving a "W" (withdrew while passing) on his transcript.



Wearing a shirt proclaiming "Pyramid Power Be With You," David Craft, left, showed up at Professor Dietrich Schroeer's Physics 37 class Thursday to watch Schroeer pay his debt to journalism by eating a banana cake. Schroeer questioned Craft's DTH column expounding that the mystical powers of a

pyramid would preserve a banana slice. He challenged the junior journalism major to conduct an experiment, which Craft did successfully. While the student explained his admittedly unscientific theory to the class, Schroeer savored the fruit of defeat.

Notables speak at Duke forum; Kreps presents corporation index

By CHIP PEARSALL
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Duke University President Terry Sanford apologized to a group of corporate executives during a symposium on corporate social responsibility Wednesday at Duke University. Nobody had shown up to demonstrate against the corporations.

"I don't know if it's the weather or the closeness of midterm exams," Sanford explained. The former North Carolina governor and organizer of the symposium said he expected at least a token demonstration to assure the executives that

Duke University is interested in the issue of corporate donations to groups fighting social problems.

The list of corporations represented read like a stock portfolio. U.S. Steel, Procter & Gamble, Allied Chemical, B. F. Goodrich and Aetna Life and Casualty were among the companies sending officers to the symposium.

Despite the absence of sign-carrying, shouting agitators, about 80 corporate leaders generated heat of their own as they batted around corporate responsibility during the day-long event.

Highlighting the meeting was U.S. Secretary of Commerce Juanita Kreps' announcement that her department will work up a Social Performance Index to measure the social contributions of American corporations to the "private sector."

The index, she said, will encourage corporations to be more socially conscious in their operations. It will be a voluntary index measuring categories such as environmental concerns, affirmative action programs, product-quality testing and solutions to consumer complaints.

Kreps admitted that different types of contributions must be measured somehow, and that the Commerce Department has a complex task ahead in developing a meaningful index.

At sessions before and after Kreps' announcement at the symposium luncheon, the executives discussed their ideas about corporate responsibility and its compatibility with profit-making.

John D. Rockefeller III, a prominent American philanthropist, said that "corporate statesmanship" and donations to the "third sector" of the American economy — that part outside business and government — are as important as federal support. He decried tokenism and sagging efforts by some corporations in giving money and volunteer services to third-sector groups.

Businesses can offer leadership, organization and funding to those trying to deal with social problems, Rockefeller said. "The best problem-solvers in the country are in American business," he added.

The "private sector" spends \$26 billion per year on projects and provides another \$26 million worth of services, Rockefeller said.

Representatives of two private sector groups were on hand to back up Rockefeller's appeal for corporate support. Nancy Hanks, chairperson of the National Endowment



Sec. of Commerce Juanita Kreps announced plans for a Social Performance Index to measure corporate contributions to society. Staff photo by Fred Barbour.

for the Arts, told the executives that their donations and leadership are invaluable, especially in cities.

"To make them (the cities) livable, you have to have the arts," Hanks said. "If the money goes away, your volunteers will go away."

Vernon Jordan, director of the National Urban League, prodded the representatives to provide more assistance for fighting social problems.

"Corporate social responsibility is not exactly thriving," Jordan said. "Donations to minority-based institutions form a minuscule part of annual giving from corporations."

He urged the leaders to "look at where the dollars are going."

"I'm not asking for blank checks," Jordan said. "I believe in accountability."

Jordan said that corporate contributions could be directed toward more employment opportunities for blacks, especially the young. He cited figures which indicate that, at current rates, the gap between black-white ratios in employment would take 43 years to close.

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Survey shows taxi riders like shared rides over bus

By DAVID WATERS
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Although an on-board survey on the shared-ride taxi system indicates most of its riders are satisfied with the system, its future is uncertain because of low ridership.

Chapel Hill Transportation Director Bob Godding said the survey shows 53 percent of the riders preferred the shared-ride taxis to the fixed-route bus service provided last year, while 40 percent favored the fixed-route system.

The survey was conducted on Oct. 5 by Don Plaskette, a graduate student at UNC. Plaskette, who has worked with other transportation systems before coming to Chapel Hill, surveyed the 39 passengers who used shared-ride taxis that night.

According to an arrangement between UNC and Chapel Hill, the shared-ride system will be modified if an average of 100 riders per evening is not reached by Oct. 31. About half that number currently use the system.

"We thought we would be able to reach the goal of 100 riders easily," said Godding, "but we are not even close to that figure now."

Godding cited two requirements of the system that he said he believes reduce ridership. Riders have to call the cab company an hour in advance to schedule a ride. Also, riders must pay a 25-cent surcharge, in addition to having a bus pass, to go from bus stop to bus stop.

In an attempt to boost ridership before Oct. 31, Godding said the system no longer requires riders to call an hour in advance. The system was designed with the advance call so cab dispatchers could coordinate several rides into one trip.

But because the number of persons using the system has been so low, Godding said dispatchers only occasionally get more than one rider on a trip. So the dispatchers have been told to respond immediately to requests for a shared-ride taxi if one is available.

Godding said he also is planning a promotional campaign that would allow persons who do not have bus passes to try the shared-ride system. Such a promotion would let persons try the system with the 25-cent surcharge the only cost.

The survey also showed that 81 percent of the users of the shared-ride system were affiliated with UNC, either as a student or as faculty or staff members. The survey said most of the trips were University related, and especially library oriented.

When riders were given the choice of riding on evening bus service with a 25-cent fare, or using the shared-ride taxis with the same fare, more than twice as many persons chose the taxi service over the bus service. Sixty-eight percent said they would use taxis, while less than 30 percent said they would rather ride the buses.



Vernon Jordan, president of the National Urban League, speaks at the Duke conference on corporate responsibility. Staff photo by Fred Barbour.

Horton does not consider Avery incident closed case

By JAY JENNINGS
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Black Student Movement (BSM) Chairperson Byron Horton said Thursday he did not consider the "Avery incident" a closed case and that the BSM would continue to push for prosecution of those responsible "to eliminate recurrences of such incidents."

"We're not going to let this thing die," Horton said. "How can the attorney general know a crime has been committed — know who the people are involved — and call the investigation to a halt?"

The original complaint in the "Avery incident" alleges that water-filled bags and racial obscenities were directed at passing black students from the upper floors of Avery dorm around midnight on April 19. The blacks were part of a delegation returning from a Campus Governing Council budget meeting during which BSM funding was a prime topic.

Horton said he wants to arrange a meeting with Student Attorney General Elson Floyd, the Office of Student Affairs and University Police to "make suggestions" that will lead to prosecution.

"It seems to me that someone

would have to go through this process (a trial)," Horton said. "To me, it seems like they aren't trying (to bring someone to trial)."

By "they," Horton said he meant the attorney general's staff and the Office of Student Affairs.

"We're making every attempt possible to go through the proper channels," Horton said. "We're giving the legal system an opportunity to work. And so far nothing has been done. It disturbs me that something like that could happen on this campus and be ignored."

"If a group of black males attacked a group of white women — even if it was only verbal assaults, much less bags of water — would it be pushed aside so easily?"

A report on the incident compiled by University Police contains statements by seven Avery residents confessing varying degrees of participation in the incident, but all claim it was not racially motivated.

The confessions are inadmissible in Honor Court because the Avery residents were told by University Police officers that their statements would not be used against them for prosecution.

Fonda crusades at State for 'economic democracy'

By NANCY HARTIS
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RALEIGH — Jane Fonda picked at her broiled chicken, took a closer look at it, then opted for a forkful of Student Union spinach. She didn't want any iced tea with dinner but had a cup of coffee afterward.

Wearing a loose smock, purple pants and no make-up, her long chestnut hair hanging loosely down her back, Fonda hardly looked her 40 years. In fact, sitting in the dining hall of the N.C. State Student Union Wednesday night, Jane Fonda easily could have passed as a grad student (psychology maybe), which is probably why not one person in the room asked for an autograph.

But there she was — famous movie actress, Academy Award winner, outspoken activist — eating greasy Union food and chit-chatting with reporters and members of the student lecture committee.

While she ate, she answered questions from her dinner companions that ranged from her latest political cause, "economic democracy," to her latest movie, *Julia*.

But after dinner, as she sipped coffee and smoked a borrowed cigarette ("I know this is just awful, but do you mind if I have one, too?"), she talked about her visit to Roanoke Rapids that day, where she toured the J. P. Stevens

textile mill. While there, she talked to employees who are fighting for a union. As she talked, her blue eyes glistened and her face lit up with excitement.

But her traveling companion reminded her that she might want a few minutes to collect herself before giving her lecture to a crowd of 600.

So she breezed out of the room, talking all the while, down the hall and into an elevator.

Fifteen minutes later, she faced the crowd.

"Are you angry?" she shouted. The audience mumbled a little, shuffled around.

"Well, you should be," she exclaimed. From there, Fonda launched into a brief spiel about the "unholy alliance" that she said exists between big business and government. She told the crowd she was there to raise money for her energetic "Campaign for Economic Democracy," a California-based organization which lobbies for legislation on behalf of solar energy, a state-development bank, and housing, among other things.

"I'm here for money but I'm here for a second reason: to uncover this veil of apathy that everyone says exists on the college campuses. Because beneath the surface, I think there's a lot of anger, fear and impatience with the way things are today," she said.



Jane Fonda — actress, activist and Academy Award winner — addressed students Wednesday night at N.C. State. She was in Raleigh trying to raise money for her latest cause, the "Campaign for Economic Democracy." Staff photo by Mike Sneed.

Then suddenly, she told the audience she didn't want to lecture at all, and opened the floor for questions and discussion.

For the next two hours, she spoke out on everything from President Carter ("Whenever I get upset about President Carter, I just think of one thing: I'd

rather have him there than Nixon or Ford.") to nuclear plants ("There are some hair-raising facts about the nuclear industry.")

As she spoke, she exuded an unusual mixture of optimism, belligerency and

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