

Cloudy

It will be cloudy today, with the high in the upper-60s to low-70s and the low tonight in the mid-50s. There's a 40 percent chance of rain through tonight.

# The Daily Tar Heel

Serving the students and the University community since 1893

Homecoming Queen

Vote for your favorite Homecoming queen nominee today and order a boutonniere or corsage for that special guy or gal. See page 2 for details.

Volume 85, Issue No. 48

Wednesday, November 2, 1977, Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Please call us: 933-0245



Carrboro mayoral candidates Bob Drakeford, center, and John Boone, right, discuss the issues at a forum Tuesday cosponsored by the Daily Tar Heel and Student Government. Chuck Alston, left, DTH state and national editor, served as moderator. Another forum featuring candidates for the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen will be held tonight at 7:30 in Howell Hall. Staff photo by Sam Fulwood III.

## Board candidates split over political diversity

By DAVID WATTERS  
Staff Writer

Three newcomer candidates for the Carrboro Board of Aldermen said Tuesday that political division in the town must be mended for the board to function effectively.

The three candidates trying to break into the board said the division between the Carrboro Community Coalition (CCC), which represents students, and the Allied Citizens for Carrboro (ACC), which represents permanent residents, is a hindrance to local government. Jim Porto, Sherwood Ward and Harry Wheeler said a compromise between students and residents would improve the board.

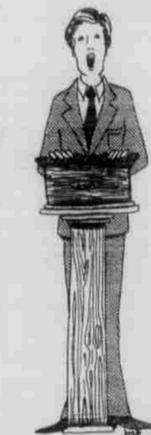
But Bob Drakeford, a member of the board and CCC as well as a mayoral candidate, said political diversity is important so that all sides of an issue will be represented. He claimed that the idea of political unity is a false one in this campaign because disharmony stimulates discussion of the issues.

The candidates' remarks came at a forum of Carrboro mayoral and alderman candidates cosponsored by the Daily Tar Heel and Student Government. A similar forum for Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen candidates will be held tonight at 7:30 p.m. in 104 Howell Hall.

While the three new candidates are running as independents, the four other participants in the forum are members of either the CCC or the ACC. Drakeford and incumbent candidates Doug Sharer and Nancy White are members of the CCC, and mayoral

candidate John Boone is identified with the ACC.

After answering questions about the students' voice in local government, housing problems and possible solutions to the water situation, the candidates engaged in a lively debate on the bus system in Carrboro.



1977 ELECTION FORUM

All of the candidates agreed there was a need for a bus system, but their opinions differed sharply on how the bus system should be funded.

Boone said he was opposed to the city's subsidizing the bus system. "The people who use the service should pay for it."

Sharer said the bus service should be

expanded. "I can guarantee that as long as CCC members are elected, we will continue to have buses, and maybe an expanded service."

And Wheeler said the town should support the bus system, but with existing funds only. "We should take the cost of the system out of the contingency fund instead of raising taxes."

The bus debate is an important issue in Carrboro. Many permanent residents do not support the bus system because of a possible tax increase to subsidize it. But the CCC has argued that buses are necessary because they provide a valuable service to the students who live in Carrboro.

Ward said his candidacy is not a threat to the bus system and he took great pains to disassociate himself with either of the two factions. "I have had to work hard to avoid the label of Allied Citizens by association," Ward was referring to the fact that an endorsement of him by Carrboro business persons has led many to believe he was aligned with the ACC.

While none of the candidates came out against the bus system for fear of alienating the student vote, Sharer maintained that an end to the subsidy essentially would be the same as wiping out the bus system. Sharer, who works with public transportation in Durham, said, "I know of no bus system that is not subsidized."

White, who was one of the original members of the CCC along with Sharer, said that she would not oppose a tax increase to pay for an expanded bus service.

## Station owner: Board hurts business

By MEREDITH CREWS  
Staff Writer

A Carrboro businessperson has leveled charges against the town's Board of Aldermen, claiming that some of the board's actions have damaged Carrboro business.

"The board has no business sense of what local businesses need," said Jim Stewart, co-owner of The Station Saloon and Restaurant. "Carrboro is a boom town, and the board doesn't know how to handle it. We need people who can help businesses grow with the town."

The Carrboro Board of Aldermen recently threatened Stewart and business partner Mike Macomson with revocation of The Station's conditional land-use permit. But the board granted The Station an extension to Nov. 9 to fulfill conditions of the permit.

It was the third extension granted to The Station in a two-year period.

Stewart said restraints by the board are suffocating businesses and keeping

them from growing.

"Carrboro is the only town in the area where parking spaces must be 10 by 20 feet," he said. "When you have to pave the driveway, talk about a lot of money."

Stewart also said some conditions of land-use permits were superfluous.

"When Duke Power was putting up the outside lights, they said it was ridiculous the amount of lights they had to put in," he said. "They (Duke Power) said two outside lights would suffice in front where the board required three."

But Stewart said he intends to continue "at utmost speed" to fulfill the remaining requirements for the land-use permit, despite financial strain.

"The board said I should have paved my driveway earlier and it wouldn't have cost more money than was set aside for the purpose," he said. "It would have been \$1,500 cheaper in June because Carr Mill was being paved, and it would have been less expensive for them to do ours."

"But we couldn't as we didn't have our

permit in June.

"People on the board are starting to take this personally, and I'm trying to protect my rights and my customers' rights. I want people to vote on election day, no matter how the elections fall."

Stewart said one of his main concerns is for his customers, and his opposition to some of the land-use permit

Please turn to page 4.

## Possession legal up to an ounce

## House may adopt Carter's marijuana plan next year

By MARK ANDREWS  
Staff Writer

Federal law still allows prison terms for marijuana users. But next year Congress may follow the lead of some states and adopt President Carter's recommendation to decriminalize possession of small amounts of marijuana.

The N.C. General Assembly this summer eliminated the possibility of prison terms for first offenders convicted of possessing one ounce or less of marijuana.

Rep. Lamar Gudger, D-N.C., a member of the subcommittee on criminal justice of the House Judiciary Committee which will review one marijuana decriminalization bill, said he is somewhat optimistic that a reform bill will be passed by Congress some time in the future. He said he supports a "qualified decriminalization" of marijuana.

"I could support a bill which would not require imprisonment of first offenders under 25 years of age," he said, adding that such a bill would apply only to amounts less than one ounce.

Gudger opposes extending the decriminalization law to include sellers of marijuana or repeat offenders.

"I think a break point ought to be an ounce, but I think a break point ought to be for first offenses," Gudger said.

While cautiously optimistic about the

chances of eventual reform, Gudger admitted there was opposition to the proposals.

"A lot of people flat out say they will not support decriminalization," Gudger said. Gudger predicted that the House would begin some consideration of the bills in February or March of next year.

Andy Burness, health affairs assistant to Rep. Richardson Preyer, D-N.C., agreed that the House would not begin

consideration of any proposals until February at the "very, very earliest." He noted that the House is operating presently under a heavy workload and that there are scheduling problems.

He could not say whether any decriminalization bill would survive the rigors of subcommittee and committee debate.

Burness said Preyer is "very willing to listen to a reassessment" of federal laws on

marijuana use.

Bills have been introduced in both the House and Senate calling for a maximum \$100 civil fine for possession and not-for-profit transfer of one ounce of marijuana or less.

Another proposal by Rep. Robert Kastenmeier, D-Wis., would eliminate all fines and other penalties for possession and not-for-profit transfer of three and one-half

Please turn to page 4.

## Senate committee reverses decision on pot

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Senate Judiciary Committee Tuesday reversed its decision to decriminalize possession of up to an ounce of marijuana, but proposed lightening of penalties.

At present, under federal law, the possession of any amount of marijuana is punishable by a \$5,000 fine and one year in jail. The compromise, included in a bill to revise all federal criminal laws, would be substantially easier on persons possessing less than 10 ounces.

On a 12-1 vote, the committee approved a provision which would set a fine of up to \$100 for persons who possess less than 10 grams of marijuana, about one-third of an ounce.

Although the offense would be a "criminal

infraction," the defendant's record automatically would be expunged for both the first and second offense. A person arrested for the third time could have his record expunged if there were no more violations in the following year.

For persons possessing between 10 grams and one ounce of marijuana, there would be an automatic \$100 fine for both the first and second offenses, but the record could be expunged after six months or 12 months, respectively, if there were no further violations.

An individual arrested a third time would be subject to the same penalties prescribed for possession of between one and 10 ounces — 30 days in jail and a \$500 fine.

There would be no jail terms for individuals possessing less than 10 grams, nor would the first or second offender be subject to jail for an infraction involving less than one ounce.

All these violations would be treated by a "summons" like a traffic ticket, rather than arrest.

For possession of over 10 ounces of marijuana, the current penalty of a \$5,000 fine and one year in jail would be applied.

The compromise was devised by Sens. Birch Bayh, D-Ind., author of the original amendment to decriminalize possession of less than one ounce, and Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, who opposed decriminalization and had threatened to oppose the entire revision.

## Controversial attorney to speak on racial equality

Julius Chambers, a controversial Charlotte civil rights attorney, will speak on the state of the University's commitment to racial equality at 8 p.m. tonight in Memorial Hall.

Chambers is to address the problem of human rights in North Carolina and the University's responsibility in providing an affirmative atmosphere for racial equality.

Chambers, the president of the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, resigned from the UNC Board of Governors in August after the UNC system announced its decision to appeal

desegregation guidelines sent down by the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW).

In resigning, he questioned the board's effectiveness in dealing with desegregation. He said he felt he could do more for the people of North Carolina by operating outside that level of educational decision-making.

UNC's new desegregation plan accepts some of the HEW's guidelines but rejects others, including a 150 percent increase in black enrollment in traditionally white schools in the next five years. The UNC's plan aims for a 32 percent increase. Chambers' address is free.

## Demands long hours of study

## CPA exam a certified drain

By MEREDITH CREWS  
Staff Writer

Bobby Silver never thought he'd spend every Friday and Saturday night in the library, but he has had to make some sacrifices to prepare for the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) exam.

"I haven't been to a football game the entire semester," said Silver, taking a brief study break at the Undergraduate Library Monday night.

"We've even been in review sessions every weekend from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.," he said.

The exam, which begins today in Charlotte, continues through Friday. It is probably one of the toughest professional exams in the nation, a spokesperson for the N.C. State Board of CPA Examiners said, and only 15 to 20 percent of those taking it for the first time will pass.

A total of 906 North Carolinians will try this week, however, according to the spokesperson. Of these, 75 to 80 are Carolina students.

"Even when you're not studying, it's occupying your mind, and you're feeling guilty," said Steve Anderson, who, along with Silver, plans to take the test this week. "But Dr. Junius Terrell, professor in the School of Business, has given us encouragement and shown more concern than any other professor I've had."

Silver said some students have been preparing for the exam since summer vacation.

Silver and Anderson said they have studied at least three and one-half hours in the library each day since August. In

addition, they have attended review sessions and regular classes.

"To get jobs in accounting firms, you have to have it (CPA)," Anderson said. "If you don't pass it in two and a half years, you're out of luck."

"I don't want to go through this again, I really don't, but it's worth it when you consider the salaries," he said. "A CPA just starting out can make between \$12,500 and \$14,500, after which he can go up to as much as \$100,000."

Taking the CPA exam is an expensive process. "It costs \$50 for the test itself, \$38 for review books, \$85 for weekend review sessions and \$25.50 a night for a hotel room in Charlotte," Silver said.

Anderson said a lot of material had to be covered in preparation for the exam.

"It's like preparing for a final for 10 courses at one time," he said. "But it's worth it if you enjoy what you're doing. It's a good profession; some think it's boring, but it's not."

The spokesperson for the N.C. State Board of CPA Examiners said more UNC students take the exam than do students from other schools because of UNC's reputation for success on the exam.

"Also, other schools are just now beginning accounting programs within business schools," the spokesperson said. Silver said he planned to get a few cases of beer after he finishes the exam Friday.

And, he said, "I hope I'll be able to meet my roommate Saturday. I get home after he's in bed and otherwise I'm in the library."



Doug Mayes, newperson for Charlotte station WBTV, gets the opinion of UNC student Allen Patterson on reverse discrimination and the Allan Bekka case. Mayes visited UNC

Tuesday to get student views in noontime man-in-the-street interviews in the Pit. Staff photo by Sam Fulwood III.