

## Student hit by car near Morrison

A UNC student was struck by a car Sunday afternoon while crossing a street near Morrison Dormitory.

Officer James B. Weeks of the Campus Police said that Kimberly Micol, a UNC senior, was struck by a 1976 Ford as she was crossing the street at the intersection of the Morrison driveway and Manning Drive. Weeks said the driver of the car, Carol Ann Hooper, was blinded by the sun as she was making a left turn at the Morrison driveway to go down Manning Drive. Hooper was not charged in the incident, as the circumstances made the accident unavoidable, according to the police report.

Chapel Hill firemen responded to two fires Sunday morning, one at Spanky's restaurant and bar at 101 E. Franklin St., and the other at Spring Garden Apartments, located on Holland Drive.

At 6:05 Sunday morning, Chapel Hill firemen answered a call at Spring Garden Apartments.

Captain Pendergraph said that when firemen arrived, the second floor and attic of the apartments were in flames.

No one was hurt in the fire, which Pendergraph said was ignited by building contents. He also said that damage was considerable, but that no official estimate had been made.

The Chapel Hill Fire Department answered another call at 12:37 a.m. Sunday about a small fire in the trash dumpster at Spanky's. Captain Bobby Pendergraph of the Chapel Hill Fire Department said the fire was quickly extinguished, and no major damage was reported.

Lt. Grover Brinkley of the CHFD said that arson is suspected in the case because public safety officers recently have extinguished several small fires in the area. These fires are still under investigation.

— KAREN BARBER

## Official sees outbreak of Russian flu virus here

By PAM KELLEY  
Staff Writer

While UNC students recover from the A-Texas and A-Victoria influenza viruses which have attacked persons in at least 37 states, they should be warned that another similar flu strain, the A-USSR, may hit North Carolina in the near future, says Dr. J. N. MacCormack, head of the Communicable Disease Control Branch of the North Carolina Health Service.

MacCormack said Sunday the Russian flu will cause particular problems for colleges and schools, as the strain almost exclusively hits people under 25. A virus similar to the Russian flu appeared in this country about 20 years ago, so people born prior to 1957 have some immunity to this new strain.

Although a vaccine for the flu is being developed, MacCormack said it will not be available for several months. In the meantime, the only help for the sore throat, fever and aches the flu causes is rest and fluids.

He said he advises people in high-risk groups, such as people with chronic diseases, to see a physician if they contract the virus. One drug, amantadine, can help prevent and cure the flu in high-risk patients.

"Because the Russian flu has caused a 60

percent absentee rate in schools it has hit, there is a possibility that some North Carolina schools could close because of lack of students," MacCormack said. He added he expects the Russian flu to hit North Carolina harder than previous strains have this winter because North Carolinians caught only the tail end of the A-Texas and A-Victoria flu epidemics.

The national Center for Disease Control has issued a report which lists nine separate localities across the country where the Russian flu has struck.

Last week, flu epidemics were confirmed at the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, N.Y., and the Air Force Academy in Colorado. MacCormack said places such as military academies are particularly susceptible to the virus due to the large amount of travel in and out of them. For this reason, college campuses also are particularly susceptible.

The first documented case of Russian influenza occurred among high school students in Cheyenne, Wyo., during the week of Jan. 15. Since then, outbreaks have been detected in the Southwest, North Central and Eastern Seaboard areas of the country.

The CDC says additional outbreaks are under investigation.

## Quick settlement unlikely UMW council vetoes deal; coal supply drops lower

By United Press International

WASHINGTON — The United Mine Workers bargaining council overwhelmingly rejected a tentative settlement in the 69-day-old coal strike Sunday and directed union president Arnold Miller to reopen contract negotiations with industry leaders.

The proposed settlement was rejected on a 30-6 vote and UMW attorney Harrison Combs said negotiators now must "start over" in their efforts to end the record walkout.

accused Washington of taking sides in peace negotiations with Egypt.

Israel's government radio reported that the Defense Ministry had ordered a halt to development of new ground for settlements in the Sinai and a high-ranking Israeli government official said the move was a gesture to Cairo.

"It was decided that it was best that operations be curtailed," the official said.

### Bella runs again

NEW YORK — Bella Abzug and her Republican opponent, S. William Green, began the final stretch of their hotly contested race Sunday for the Congressional seat vacated by Mayor Edward Koch.

The former congresswoman and Green square off Tuesday in a special election for the 18th Congressional District seat in Manhattan's wealthy "Silk Stocking District."

The race is an attempted political comeback for the flamboyant Abzug, who gave up her seat in the House two years ago to make an unsuccessful bid for the U.S. Senate. Last year she ran for mayor and lost again.

Although the 57-year-old Abzug is the favorite in the heavily Democratic district, the race has been a heated one, with Green mounting a well-financed media campaign.

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Because the council must approve any contract agreement before it is passed on to rank-and-file miners for ratification, Sunday's action makes a quick settlement unlikely.

In the meantime, coal supplies in the east central United States are dwindling to crisis levels.

No date was set for renewed talks.

### Begin levels accusations

In an unusually strong statement, Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin Sunday rejected U.S. opposition to Jewish settlements in occupied Arab land and

## Selection begins for Contact '78 staff

Plans already are under way for Contact '78, the freshman orientation program for next fall.

Applications for area coordinators, transfer area coordinators and counselors are available from dorm residence directors or at the Carolina Union desk.

General responsibilities of area coordinators, according to Robert Kendall, Orientation Commission chairperson, include selecting counselors, planning programs in the dorm areas, being a liaison with the dorm staffs and having energy and enthusiasm to carry the program through.

The deadline for submitting freshman area coordinator applications was Feb. 10, and the deadline for transfer area coordinator

applications is Thursday.

Area coordinators are chosen by a committee from each area, made up of the designated residence director, the 1977 area coordinator and a representative of the Orientation Commission. Selections will be made by Friday, and a workshop will be held Feb. 25 for those who are chosen. Approximately 25 area coordinators and 500 counselors will be chosen.

One orientation event already scheduled is Tar Heel Days, a day-long program for freshmen and transfer students who come with their parents for a tour of the UNC campus. Tar Heel Days will be June 17 and 24, and July 15 and 22.

— SUSAN LADD



## College bowl competition begins tonight

Interest in the College Bowl competition has nearly tripled over last year, according to Greg Swanson, co-chairperson of the program at UNC. Forty-two teams have signed up for intramural

play compared with 15 teams last year, Swanson said. Competition starts at 7 p.m. in the Union. Play will continue through March 30, and spectators are welcome.

Unlike last year, winners this year will go on to compete intercollegiately within the state. State winners advance to national competition. The state and national competition probably will be televised, Swanson said.

The College Bowl still needs scorekeepers, timers and moderators. Interested persons should call Swanson at 929-7343.

Teams should check the schedule posted in the Carolina Union for location and the union desk for times of play.

— SHANNON BRENNAN

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