

Partly cloudy today and Thursday with a 10 percent chance of rain tonight. Temperatures dip into the mid-20s tonight and will warm up to the 50s on Thursday.

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Kelly Klimkiewicz Mackie Schmuck Jernigan Stacks Tuvlin

Down to the wire

Race neck and neck as students go to polls

From Staff Reports

Election day. Weeks—and even months—of intense campaigning all have been aimed at influencing the direction of the voters' pencils on this all important day.

With tight races shaping up for the campuswide offices of student body and Carolina Athletic Association president and *Daily Tar Heel* editor, the candidates declared Tuesday not a day of rest, but a day of extra-intensive work.

CAA candidate Matt Judson, *DTH* editor candidate David Stacks and student body president candidate J.B. Kelly each got an important boost Monday night when they received the endorsement of the Black Student Movement. BSM chairman Allen Johnson announced the endorsements late Monday following a meet-the-candidates forum held in Upendo.

The endorsements of Stacks and Judson were unanimous, Johnson said.

But the Kelly endorsement was a split decision.

"We make the endorsement of Kelly with the reservation that we're not entirely satisfied with some of the things in his platform," Johnson said. "But we do feel he is the best candidate."

"We were very impressed with his public commitment to bring forth answers from the administration to Dean (Hayden B.) Renwick's charges concerning black admissions. We were also impressed with his past record and experience."

The BSM endorsed Stacks because of his emphasis on unbiased news coverage, Johnson said.

"All of the *Daily Tar Heel* candidates had good credentials," he said. "But we felt that Stacks demonstrated the best concern for good, balanced news stories."

Homecoming proposals gave Judson the edge in the CAA endorsement, Johnson said.

"We felt that (Ricky) May gears

homecoming more to the alumni than the students," Johnson said. "But Judson would like homecoming to be for both students and alumni. His proposals were realistic. They involved something for everyone."

The four candidates for student body president spent the day before the election getting in some last-minute campaigning and hoping.

Staff writers Ben Estes, Pam Hildebran and Eddie Marks collaborated for this campaign story.

Kelly and Chris Mackie said they were going to go door-to-door the last day of the campaign. They said they would try to stay as visible as possible around campus on election day.

Richard Klimkiewicz said he had spent most of Tuesday jogging but did plan to visit a dorm Tuesday night. He said he

was going on a field trip today but might make it to the vote count later on.

"I plan to get in some sleeping," Harold Schmuck said of his pre-election plans.

"We've been trying to get people motivated to vote," Kelly said. "Things are looking good right now."

Kelly said he expects a higher voter turnout this year. According to Elections Board figures, 4,707 students voted in the 1978 election.

When asked where his greatest support would come from, Kelly said, "I think we're equally strong in all areas. We expect to do well."

Winning the high-rise dorms is very important, however, Kelly said.

"With four candidates, there's a good chance for a runoff," Kelly said.

"A runoff would be a great moral victory for me," Mackie said.

"I'd like to get the people that my opponent doesn't believe he has to win.... Nobody's given a damn about them in the past," Mackie said. "My efforts have to be

Polling sites

DORM OR STUDENT GROUP	POLLING PLACE
District 1	Graduate students Law school
Districts 2,3,6	Graduate students Carolina Union, Y Court, Scuttlebutt, Wilson Library
District 5	Graduate students Medical school
District 7	Granville West and South Granville Cafeteria
District 8	Granville East Carr, Old East, Old West Spencer Granville Cafeteria Y Court Spencer
District 9	Kenan, McIver, Alderman Ehringhaus Craigie undergraduates McIver Ehringhaus Craigie
District 10	Hinton James Hinton James
District 11	Morrison Morrison
District 12	Avery, Teague, Parker Whitehead Joyner Parker Whitehead Joyner
District 13	Winston, Alexander, Connor Ruffin, Grimes, Manly Mangum Connor Ruffin
District 14	Cobb Stacy, Lewis, Aycock, Graham, Everett Cobb Everett

Off-campus undergraduates may vote at Wilson Library, the Scuttlebutt, Y Court or Carolina Union.

directed at those students who are favoring me but don't necessarily vote."

Mackie said he had spent part of Tuesday "trying to recoup from the *Tar Heel* endorsement."

Klimkiewicz predicted a runoff between Kelly and Mackie. He said he thought that more students had become interested in the elections this year.

"I'll do better on-campus than in fraternities," Klimkiewicz said, summing up what he thought his support would be. "I continue to adhere to my apathetic

stands," Schmuck said. "Thus I will not go door-to-door." However, Schmuck said he probably would vote for himself today.

Interviews with the candidates for *Daily Tar Heel* editor Tuesday showed that all three anticipate a close election and each planned last-minute door-to-door campaigning Tuesday night.

Stacks said he was going to patch up some holes he had left and would

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HEW tries to collect

UNC students have low loan default rate

By ANNETTE FULLER
Staff Writer

Although the federal government has decided to hire private collection agencies to recover defaulted federally funded student loans, UNC Financial Aid Director William Geer says the agencies will not get much business from former UNC students.

The Department of Health Education and Welfare announced recently that it has hired private agencies for the first time to collect from some 94,000 students in the South and West who owe \$121 million on federally backed loans. Geer said Tuesday that UNC has "the best collections record in the country" on such loans. UNC's default rate is only 5.19 percent, while the entire state's is 22 percent, Geer said.

"Many colleges have used collection agencies for years. They are nothing new," Geer said.

UNC does not use a private collection agency to collect defaulted loans. Geer said there are three reasons a collection agency is not needed. "First, our rate (of default) was so good that a collection agency is not necessary."

"Second, collection agencies charge about one-third of what they collect. Since we collect well, we would rather collect all of what we lent out and lend it out again. It would deny future students that amount of money by paying it to commercial profiteers who are profiting with student defaults."

Third, Geer said some private collection agencies are notorious for methods of harassment, to such an extent that Congress recently passed laws to prevent them from using unethical

methods of collection. "We did not want to put our students, even those who default, in the hands of such people," Geer said.

Geer said most Guaranteed Student Loans, are given out by the College Foundation in North Carolina. "The College Foundation gives out GSL loans to students attending public and private institutions in this state. They send us a report on our students, and their collection rate is superb," Geer said.

In 1976, there was a total of 42 defaults, constituting 1.8 percent of the borrowers.

HEW has hired Financial Collection Agencies of Bala Cynwyd, Pa., to seek \$40 million from 36,000 persons with delinquent accounts in Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina.

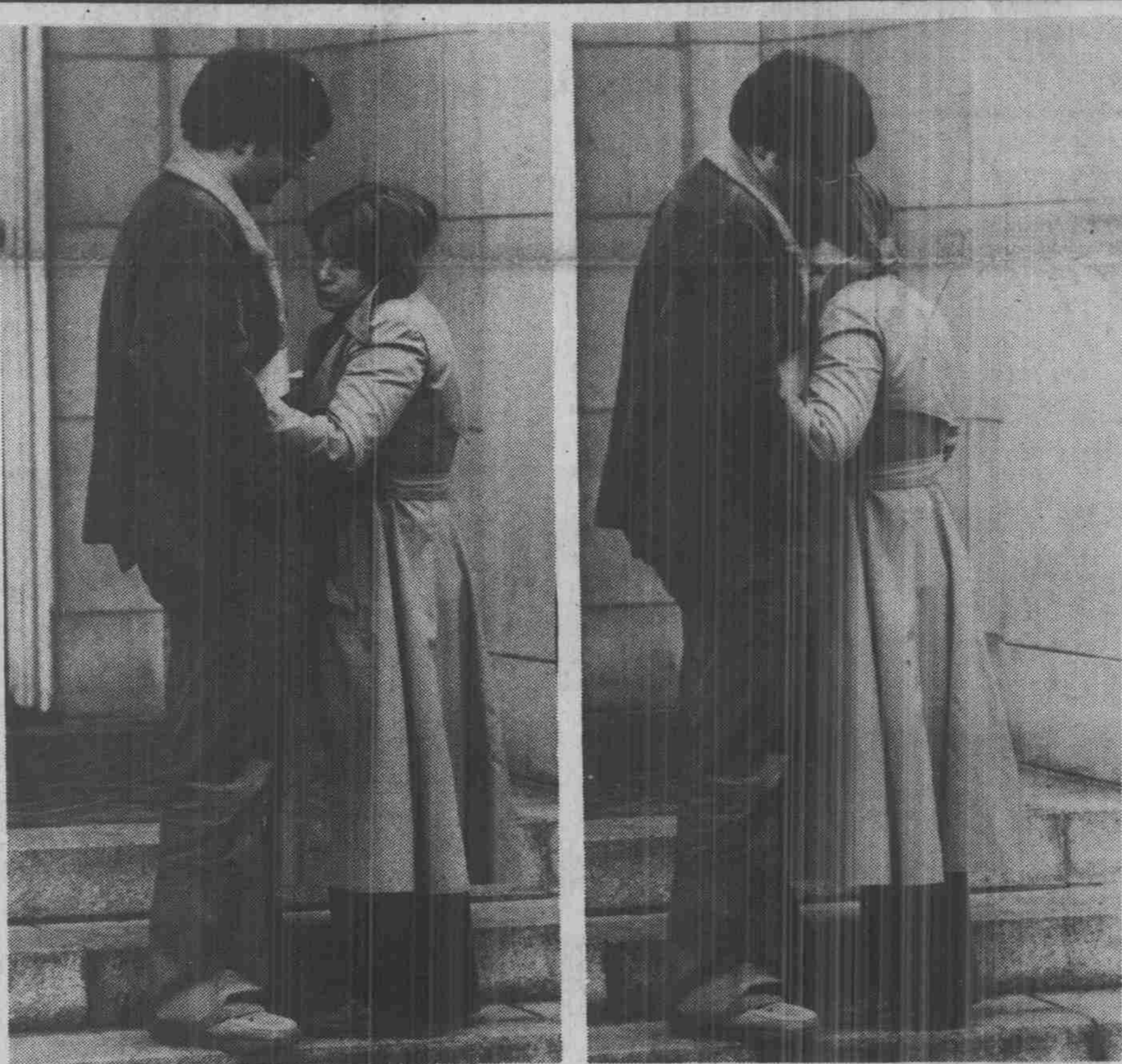
Payco-American Corp. of Milwaukee will collect 58,000 defaulted loans for \$81 million in California, Arizona, Hawaii and Nevada.

Maurice Karmen, vice president of the Pennsylvania firm, said his company would first try to contact the delinquent borrowers by telephone or letter.

"After our personal contact with the student, we will relate the names of those who still won't pay to the Office of Education in Atlanta. We will collect what we can, but what we can't collect we will give to the Office of Education," Karmen said.

"We are mainly looking for students who graduated three or four years ago," Karmen said. "The Office of Education sends us a list of delinquent borrowers in the Guaranteed Student Loan program."

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Happy Valentine's Day

It's a day for hearts and flowers, candy in red boxes, old-fashioned cards with lace edges, new-fangled cards with funny sayings and sweet

treats of all kinds, but most of all, it's a day for expressing love and affection for all those people who mean a lot with smiles, hugs, kisses and sometimes even a tear or two.

DTH/Kim S'100K

New tow regulation approved

By CAROL CARNEVALE
Staff Writer

The Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen approved a new towing policy Monday night which imposes a \$10 fine for any of 14 parking violations that require the car be towed.

The policy, a result of recommendations by the Streets Commission, also ends a \$27 citation for minimum court costs previously given to persons who returned to their cars after a tow truck was called, but before the truck arrived.

In December, 56 cases were thrown out of Orange County District Court. The cases involved drivers who arrived before the tow truck and would have had to pay \$27 fees.

The town will continue to pay half the cost of the tow in cases where the driver arrives before the tow truck.

The new policy is to increase the effectiveness of Chapel Hill's towing ordinances, not because the town has been losing money on the half-tow costs, Police Chief Herman Stone said Tuesday at a press conference.

Stone said he hopes the new \$10 ticket will encourage more people to carpool and ride buses.

The new policy, which took effect Monday night, imposes a \$10 ticket plus towing costs on drivers whose cars are actually towed and only the \$10 ticket on drivers who return before the tow truck arrives. However, persons who take more

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Crowd lobbies assembly in ERA hearing

By TERRI HUNT
Staff Writer

RALEIGH—A crowd of almost 2,000 came to the Legislative Building on Tuesday to persuade state legislators to comply with their wishes in voting on the Equal Rights Amendment, one of the most controversial pieces of legislation in North Carolina history.

ERA supporters and opponents crowded into a 300-seat auditorium for a public hearing on the constitutional amendment and roamed hallways lobbying legislators.

It was the last chance to voice opinions, and they made the best of it. ERA opponents, who constituted most of the crowd, wore large octagonal "Stop ERA" signs. They came by the busloads, prayed and sang "God Bless America" and gospel hymns outside the building's front door. Supporters of the amendment, although fewer in number, were as large in spirit as they displayed "ERA Yes" signs and cheered wildly for cohorts who spoke at the public hearing.

Former Sen. Sam Ervin began testimony against ERA. Ervin urged North Carolina legislators to reject the amendment for the fourth time, saying it is

unnecessary, unrealistic and destructive to our system of government.

Carolyn Hunt, wife of Gov. Jim Hunt, made an appeal for the homemaker. "I am here because I felt a need to say that the passage of ERA would give new dignity to the housewife," she said. "Once we insure equalness as homemakers, we will be equal as people."

Speakers paraded to the podium as supporters and opponents were each given one hour to speak. The audience listened intently to more than a dozen speakers.

"There are two reasons why ERA should be defeated," retired state Supreme Court Justice I. Beverly Lake said. "First, it is utterly unnecessary and secondly, it is extremely dangerous and will do great harm. I do not know of one law that discriminates against women. If you can show me a discriminatory law, I'll try and change it."

William Aycock, a UNC law professor, attacked that view. "The federal courts, at all levels, already exercise jurisdiction involving cases of sex discrimination," he said. "ERA will not put the federal courts in business. They are already in business."

Lisa Kazmierczak, a 14-year-old junior high student from Raleigh, also spoke against ERA and said it would force women to be eligible for a military draft and to serve in combat. "Vietnam was a terrible waste of our men," she said. "Thank goodness not of our women."

Housewife Kay Seating aroused the audience when she challenged the mythical practice of putting women on a pedestal. "Let me dispel the pedestal myth," she said. "Women do not scrub floors from a pedestal, and women do not cook meals from a pedestal. Don't tell us how much you appreciate us—show us under the law."

Both supporters and opponents of the amendment in the legislature said they would take no action until after the public hearing. Supporters said they would decide this week if they want to bring ERA to a vote in the Senate during this legislative session. If supporters decide to push a vote now, the issue could be decided as early as Thursday.

Presently, there are 25 opponents and 22 supporters of ERA in the Senate. The uncommitted votes of Sens. Joseph Thomas, D-Craven, Joseph Palmer, D-Haywood, and Walter Cockerham, R-Guilford, will prove the deciding factor. Thomas said earlier he will announce his decision Wednesday.



ERA proponents debate the bill with an anti-ERA leader

DTH/W.H. Owens

Vote in today's campus elections; polls open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.