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Today: Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Low 43. High 57.  
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## Student Congress rejects referendum on vice president

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Student Congress rejected Monday a constitutional referendum that would have allowed students to decide whether to create the office of vice president to run with the student body president.

The congress failed to pass the bill, then voted again — rejecting it once more — when it was realized that it did not pass by the two-thirds majority needed to put a constitutional referendum on the ballot.

The proposal, introduced by Rob Friedman (Dist. 16) would have placed the referendum on the general election ballot in February, allowing students to decide if they support a joint ticket in the 1988 elections.

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Also in the meeting, the congress appropriated \$1,200 for Project Uplift, an Executive Branch-sponsored minority recruitment program, approved a referendum that could make all pronouns in the student constitution "gender neutral," and approved a referendum for February's election calling for a \$1 Student Activity Fee increase for the sports club council.

The act, authored by Friedman and Jody Beasley (Dist. 16), said a vice president is needed because the speaker of the congress, who would succeed a departing president, is not acquainted with all of the president's duties.

Also, the student body president sometimes must delegate some of his duties, and they should be delegated to an elected official, according to the bill.

Debate Monday centered on how the measure could "politicize" the campus.

"A candidate could get Kenny Smith to run as vice president with them to increase their chances and then not delegate any power to him," said Brian Bailey (Dist. 17). The system could have led to having campus political parties run candidates, which would further increase political polarization in student government, he said.

Also Monday, the congress amended a bill that would have given

\$1,850 to Project Uplift, changing the amount to \$1,200.

Project Uplift, a program sponsored by Student Government, is designed to encourage minority high school students to come to UNC through two-day weekend visits to the campus, said Janet Roach, the project's chairman.

Student Body President Bryan Hassel said the program was important because Student Government and the Black Student Movement agreed in 1967 that Student Government would support it financially. "It's important that we put our money where our mouth is," he said. "If we don't, we'll lose the effectiveness of the program."

Speaker Jaye Sitton (Dist. 11),

moved to table the bill indefinitely — which would exclude it from consideration until the next congress convenes in February. She said she supported the program, but because the congress's available funds are low, the University administration may provide the funds.

After debate lasting more than an hour, the motion to postpone it was killed, and Friedman moved to approve \$1,200 for Project Uplift. That motion passed 15-5 with Steve Griffin, (Dist. 5), Marc Leuthold (Dist. 9), Paul Winter (Dist. 17), Eugene Davis, (Dist. 18), and Sitton voting against.

Also in Monday's meeting, a referendum calling for changing all

masculine references in the student constitution to gender neutral terms was approved 17-2.

The bill, which Sitton authored, said all references in the four-inch-thick constitution could be changed to "he/she" and all references to "chairman" would be changed to "chairperson," if approved by the students in February.

An amendment changing all references to "she," because 60 percent of UNC undergraduates are female, failed.

Student Government is filing the constitution on computer, and if the referendum passes, the changes could be made in minutes, Hassel said.

## Task force OKs three options for older dorms

By JEAN LUTES  
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A University task force appointed to study alternative uses for Old East and Old West residence halls approved Monday three renovation plans to be considered by the architects who have studied the buildings.

"We need to see if our ideas are feasible before we can make any decisions," Wayne Kuncel, director of University Housing, said after the 10-member task force met Monday.

The group's three options will be sent to Dodge and Associates Architects and Planners of Raleigh, which will estimate the costs and feasibility of each plan. A memorandum to be sent to the architects offers the following options:

■ Continuing to use the buildings as student residence halls, but upgrading their quality.

The proposal includes the installation of new plumbing, adequate electrical service, sinks in each room, ceiling fans, updated fire safety systems and handicapped access to the first floor.

■ Upgrading quality as outlined above, but also changing the interiors of the buildings and reducing bed capacity.

The "building enhancement" ideas include installing standard bathroom facilities, developing space beneath the first floor of one or both buildings, adding laundry and ironing facilities and creating a weight or exercise space. Other options include developing a common multipurpose space for large groups or a computer study facility.

■ Making the changes proposed in both of the other proposals, as well as providing for a limited amount of space in Old East for academic programs with a historical theme.

Proposed renovations under this plan include the symbolic restoration of some parts of Old East to add fireplaces, create a historical display or name rooms or towers in honor of historical figures.

Also included are proposals reserving office space in part of Old East for the campus Honors Program or other "appropriate academic programs," and creating a seminar room for special programs.

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### Meter man

Luke Adams, a junior religious studies major from Fayetteville, renders his im-

pression of a parking meter on Franklin Street for an Art 44 class.

DTH/Larry Childress

## Court ruling won't halt Square plan

By SCOTT GREIG  
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The \$19 million Rosemary Square project to be built in downtown Chapel Hill was upheld Friday by an Orange County Superior Court judge, but one of the 16 plaintiffs in the case said his group plans to appeal the decision.

In a lawsuit filed Aug. 27 against Mayor James Wallace, the town council and the development firm, the residents alleged that the proposed complex was unconstitutional, since \$3.5 million in town funds would be used to support the private firm, Fraser-Morrow-Daniels Co. of Research Triangle Park.

They also challenged the legality of the law passed by the N.C. legislature in 1984 that made the hotel, retail shop and parking complex possible and opened up the sale of upper-floor space to Fraser-Morrow-Daniels.

But Superior Court Judge Thomas Lee, while not making a definite statement on the legality of the project, also did not rule it unconstitutional, as the Chapel Hill residents had contended.

The residents, who all live near the proposed project site, contended that the complex would aggravate traffic and crime problems in the downtown Chapel Hill area.

Rosemary Square is slated for

construction at the intersection of Rosemary and Henderson streets. A hearing on the suit was held last Monday in Orange County Superior Court in Hillsborough, but the case was the last one of the day for Lee.

He adjourned court after hearing argument on both sides and delayed his ruling until he said he could have time to carefully read legal briefs filed by both sides.

Lee made that decision public Friday, when he asked Raleigh lawyer G. Eugene Boyce, one of the attorneys representing the defendants, to write the ruling in the case. Boyce could not be reached for comment, but Lee's request for Boyce to write the ruling is a typical practice in cases of this type.

No one from the development firm was available for comment.

John Graham, spokesman for the residents who filed suit against the project, said he expected Lee's decision to be in favor of Rosemary Square because of the nature of the suit. Graham is a professor emeritus of pathology in the UNC School of Medicine.

"I can't say I'm surprised by the ruling, because I'm not," Graham said.

Graham said his group would appeal Lee's decision to the state Court of Appeals.

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## Old Well fountain of legend

By CORIN ORTLAM  
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College students may think they have the market cornered on crazy and strange tales, but one opening of UNC's history books reveals legends, traditions and "believe-it-or-not" stories of olden days that would top any drunken warfare stories.

There's the Davie Poplar story, stories of the hazards of being the first women on campus, tales of dogs on campus and others.

Cornelia Phillips Spencer, the first woman to receive an honorary degree by the University, gave the Davie Poplar, the giant tree near Silent Sam, its name. As her story goes, General William Davie and a selection committee met in the spring of 1792 to decide where the campus would be constructed. During a picnic lunch, Davie said, "This is it," and thrust a poplar branch into the ground to mark the place. According to the legend, the switch later grew into the immense tulip poplar tree still standing (with the help of steel supports and concrete) today.

Another story claims that Presi-



dent Abraham Lincoln was the son of a member of the first graduating class at UNC. His father, according to lore, was Adam Alexander Springs, a member of the graduating class of 1798, whose diploma is the oldest in University archives. The story says that a young girl named Nancy Hanks lived with her brother

and worked for Adam Springs at his home in McAdenville. When she became pregnant by him, Springs sent her away. Hence, the 16th president was born in Hodgenville, Ky., and brought up by Nancy and Tom Lincoln.

Residents of McAdenville produce as evidence pictures of Springs'

other two sons who bear a striking resemblance to Lincoln.

Some traditions on campus are directed towards freshmen. For example, a relatively new custom, according to past UNC graduates, is for first-year students to drink out

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## Iran does back terrorism, official challenges Reagan

From Associated Press reports

WASHINGTON — A top-ranking State Department official on Monday bluntly challenged President Reagan's assurances that there has been no recent evidence of Iranian involvement in terrorism, while Reagan defended anew his decision to approve arms shipments to Tehran.

During an appearance before the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Deputy Secretary of State John C. Whitehead said, "I don't like to have to differ with my president, but I believe there is some evidence of Iranian involvement with terrorists."

Whitehead testified as Reagan said, "I didn't make any mistakes" and declared, "I'm not firing anybody." The president then sat down with members of his Cabinet and top advisers to weigh new moves, amid several calls by members of Congress for a White House shakeup.

In statements that left some House committee members stunned, Whitehead, the No. 2 State Department official under Secretary of State George Shultz, also suggested pointedly that Congress reign in the National Security Council. He said publicly that his department was displeased with the council.

In his nationally broadcast speech on Nov. 13, Reagan defended his policy of selling arms to Iran, saying that "since U.S. government contacts began with Iran, there's been no evidence of Iranian government complicity with terrorism against the United States."

Whitehead contradicted that Monday.

Responding to the committee's questions, he said, "There continues to be terrorist acts in Iran of the type that we find reprehensible."

Whitehead did not immediately elaborate.

State Department spokesmen had been saying for weeks that while Iran remained on a list of nations officially identified as "terrorist-sponsoring states," they would not provide evidence that nation has sponsored any recent terrorist acts.

On Friday, however, Whitehead and other State Department officials speaking privately, linked Iranian-sponsored groups to the kidnapping of three Americans seized in Beirut since Sept. 9.

They are Frank H. Reed, director of a private school in Beirut, Joseph J. Cicippio, acting controller of the American University in that city and Edward A. Tracy, a writer.

Pay no attention to the man behind the curtain. — The Great and All-Powerful Oz