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Rain site: Carmichael
Auditorium

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Activist walks out on Honor Court

By JENNY CLONINGER
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Dale McKinley walked out of a hearing Thursday night and refused to return when the Graduate Student Court board decided not to allow him to discuss CIA activities as evidence in his defense.

The hearing has been recessed indefinitely, but could resume later, said Jay O'Brien, chairman of the board of student justices.

McKinley was brought before the court on four charges: obstructing the normal operations of the University as a result of a Feb. 23 incident at the University Motor Inn, and obstruction, trespassing and disorderly conduct at an April 15 demonstration at Hanes Hall.

The court decided to recess the hearing and made no decisions concerning McKinley's case. "It makes no sense to proceed if you don't have a defendant," said Scott Dratch, graduate student attorney

general.

Dratch said he would meet with his staff to decide what action to take and would notify McKinley of the decision.

As part of his defense, McKinley planned to present as evidence information concerning CIA activities he said were illegal. William Price, the investigating counsel, questioned whether the agency's lawfulness was relevant to the hearing.

"The CIA's actions are not on trial here," Price said. "What is an issue is the organization's legitimate existence."

When the board decided the CIA information was not relevant and could not be presented as defense, McKinley left the hearing and said he would not return unless the decision was overturned.

"I will not be part of a trial that will cut off information that is inextricably linked to the educational purpose of this University," he said.

"I'm not going to take part in what I consider to be a farce. How can they prevent me from presenting evidence that challenges the very definition of what I'm being charged with?"

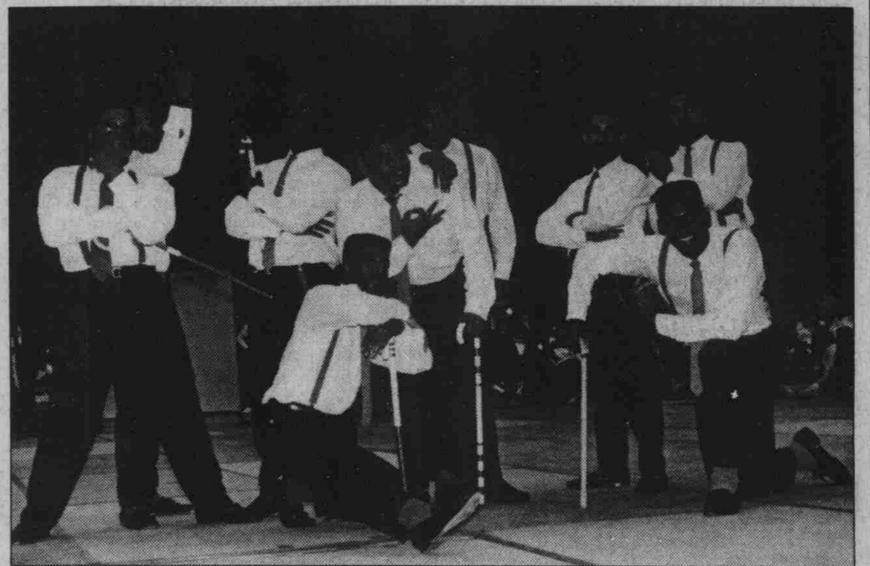
The court's decision violates his right to a fair hearing, McKinley said. "It's a basic denial of the right to put on a defense," he said. "This is really a dangerous precedent."

O'Brien would not comment Thursday on what further action the court might take, but David Fountain, undergraduate student attorney general, said an absentia hearing may not be possible.

"I don't think we can do it without a written waiver from the defendant," he said. "I don't think it's ever been done. It would definitely require some kind of written consent; even then it might be kind of questionable."

Many students and community

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DTH/Steven Exum

Steppin' out

Members of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity strut their stuff at Thursday night's step show. Kappa

Alpha Psi opened the homecoming event, held in Carmichael Auditorium.

Televised debate between Fetzer, Price postponed

By LYNN GOSWICK
Staff Writer

A scheduled debate between 4th district congressman David Price and Republican challenger Tom Fetzer has been delayed due to Price's work in Washington. Price campaign officials announced Thursday.

The debate, which was scheduled to air at 2 p.m. Sunday on television station WTVD in Durham, will now be aired Sunday, Oct. 30 at 1:30 p.m.

The debate was originally supposed to be taped Thursday afternoon, but because a drug bill was being heard and worked on by House of Representatives committees, Price stayed in Washington to wait to vote on the House's version.

The new debate will be taped Monday at 1:15 p.m.

Before the new taping schedule was approved by both candidates, a Friday taping of the debate had

been ruled out because of Price's schedule in Washington.

WTVD had also ruled out a Saturday taping because of a lack of personnel, Price campaign officials said.

Price has to be in Washington for House business while Congress is in session, according to a Price aide in Washington.

In 1986, Price challenged then-incumbent Bill Cobey to a series of eight debates.

This year, Fetzer challenged Price to eight debates.

In a joint letter sent to six area television stations — WRAL and WPTF in Raleigh, WTVD in Durham, WUNC in Chapel Hill, WFMY in Greensboro and WGHP in High Point — Price and Fetzer proposed a schedule for the televised debates.

The first debate would have been aired the week of Oct. 3 and the last would have been shown the week of Oct. 24.

Bentsen speaks with students

By LAUREN MARTIN
Staff Writer

Vice presidential candidate Lloyd Bentsen told students via a satellite hookup Thursday that they must not treat democracy as a spectator sport before he began a question-and-answer session addressing such issues as polls, prosperity and prison furloughs.

Bentsen spoke in a live teleconference from Corpus Christi, Texas, to

28 college campuses throughout the South, including UNC and East Carolina University.

In his opening remarks, Bentsen urged students to study the issues and actively get involved in the election.

"Then decide which candidate you want to support. And of course I hope that's going to be Mike Dukakis and Lloyd Bentsen. But what's truly important is that you get involved in that process. That's your responsibility

as a citizen of a democracy.

"You are the inheritors of more than two centuries of freedom and progress in America, and you have an obligation to give something back to America."

That obligation can be a career in public service or simply voting, he said.

When a Corpus Christi State University student asked how Bentsen expected to win despite the polls

showing Republican George Bush ahead, Bentsen referred to history and returned to the question of voting.

He brought a round of laughter by responding, "You are much too young to remember Harry Truman, but . . ."

"The political pundits had written him off, the pollsters had written him

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Students rally for freedom to dissent

By WILL SPEARS
Staff Writer

UNC students must become aware that their right to peaceful dissent is being endangered by recent University actions toward protesters, members of the Chapel Hill Coalition for Freedom to Dissent (CFD) told about 150 people in the Pit Thursday afternoon.

The CFD, formed this week, is composed of campus and community groups, said Christina Kendrot, a CFD member. Member groups include the Black Student Movement, Action Against Apartheid (AAA), Student Action Union, International Action and the American Civil Liberties Union, she said.

The CFD held another rally Thurs-

day evening in support of Dale McKinley, UNC graduate student and campus activist. The evening rally ended with a march to McKinley's Graduate Student Court hearing.

McKinley was sentenced to 21 days in Orange County Jail on Oct. 12 for violating a "prayer for judgment continued" ruling received during a January trial for trespassing during an Oct. 28, 1987 protest. He will begin serving his term today.

CFD members distributed copies of a letter to spectators challenging Chancellor Paul Hardin "to protect and strengthen the democratic integrity of UNC." Students were asked to sign the letter and return it to the CFD, which will send copies to

Hardin, Chapel Hill Mayor Jonathan Howes and Orange County District Court Judge Stanley Peele, said Kim Deans, an AAA and CFD member.

The purpose of the rally was to increase student awareness, Deans said. "We hope to draw attention to the fact that student rights may be being violated by the administration," she said.

The rally was not an anti-CIA or a "defend Dale McKinley" rally, said Carlos Cerezo-Suarez, CFD member. "I see an issue that goes beyond Dale McKinley," he said. "It goes beyond the CIA. This is a situation with much broader implications for the non-political students. We feel that, working from the assumption that the University is run

democratically, the administration fails to act in a democratic manner."

Dan Foster, a graduate student, said he was not associated with any of the groups in the coalition, but was concerned and felt he had to get involved.

"I am enraged about the administration's actions," he said. "It is clear that their policy is intimidation. I couldn't sit down as the good apathetic student the University wants me to be. I felt I had to speak out."

McKinley's 21-day jail sentence for "speaking his conscience" should never happen in the United States, said Ken Sandler, a graduate student.

"Imprisoning someone for express-

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DTH/Becky Kirkland

Christina Kendrot leads a march to Manning Hall, site of Dale McKinley's Honor Court trial

Group to hold 21-day vigil to protest activist's sentence

By JUSTIN MCGUIRE
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The Chapel Hill Coalition for Freedom to Dissent (CFD) will hold a 21-day vigil in front of the Chapel Hill Post Office to commemorate UNC campus activist Dale McKinley's Orange County Jail sentence.

The CFD, a coalition of campus and community groups, was formed this week to protect the right of students to peacefully dissent, group member Christina Kendrot, a UNC freshman, said Thursday.

"Basically we want to bring publicity to this situation," Kendrot said. "A lot of people in the community aren't aware of what's going on."

Organizers said they hope about 100 people will attend the beginning of the vigil today at 4 p.m. McKinley will attend the rally before driving to Hillsborough to begin serving his sentence.

McKinley, a UNC graduate student in political science, was sentenced in district court Oct. 12 for violating the terms of a "prayer for judgment continued" ruling he received in a January trial.

Six students, including McKinley, were arrested Oct. 28, 1987, when they chained themselves together to

block the entrance to rooms in Hanes Hall where CIA recruiters were conducting interviews.

On Jan. 14, Orange County District Court Judge Stanley Peele entered a "prayer for judgment continued" on McKinley and two other students, saying they were guilty of disorderly conduct but would not be punished.

Under the terms of the ruling, the judge said he would not enter the conviction on the students' records unless they were convicted of another violation within a year.

In August, McKinley and UNC student Graham Entwistle were convicted of trespassing as a result of an April 15 protest at the Hanes Hall offices of University Career Planning and Placement Services.

Bob Sheldon, owner of Internationalist Books on West Rosemary Street and a CFD member, said the vigil will last at least 12 hours each day. Community groups, such as the Community Church and the Carolina Interfaith Task Force, have volunteered to serve day-long shifts at the vigil, he said.

Those at the vigil will carry signs and pass out letters challenging UNC Chancellor Paul Hardin "to protect

and strengthen the democratic integrity of UNC," Sheldon said.

"We want to stand against the general intimidation of protests on campus," Sheldon said. "This is a concerted effort by people within the University to come down on Dale as a leader to take the wind out of the protest movement. We hope to show it's had just the opposite effect."

McKinley said Thursday that the vigil is not intended to specifically honor him, but to inform students that their rights could also be abridged.

"I think it is more of a response to the fact that everyone's rights are in danger," he said. "I just happen to be the one going to jail, so I can serve as a focal point."

The vigil is a positive action and will alert the community to the status of campus protest, McKinley said.

"A lot of students are standing up and saying 'enough's enough,'" he said.

The University administration has "vigorously pursued" the prosecution of the CIA protesters by publicly condemning them and providing witnesses for the prosecution,

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History repeats itself. That's one of the things wrong with history. — Clarence Darrow