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Congress OKs funding for radio station

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Student Congress voted Wednesday night to allot \$3,778 to WXYC to help the radio station purchase new equipment and upgrade existing equipment.

The station will buy two new reel-to-reel tape machines, valued at \$6,778; improve its studio-to-transmitter link to comply with newly adopted Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulations; and fix its emergency broadcast system, which has been out since last spring, said Todd Mormon, station manager. The reel-to-reel machines are the station's top priority, Mormon said. The price quoted to the station is a bargain, and the station must buy the machines now to get the low price, he said.

The FCC recently adopted new regulations concerning studio-to-transmitter links, and the links must be upgraded by July 1, Mormon said. "The FCC thing was just dumped in our laps three weeks ago. It is a major, unexpected expenditure."

The links are WXYC's second priority because the sooner they're purchased, the cheaper they'll be, Mormon said. "The links will be in high demand as July approaches; prices will rise the nearer we get to July."

The station first asked for \$5,778, but that figure was reduced with the

understanding that WXYC would use more of its proceeds from fund raising to help purchase and upgrade equipment.

Some congress members objected to the large amount of the expenditure. Rep. Jürgen Buchenau (Dist. 3) said the \$5,778 figure was too substantial a part of the congress' budget of about \$10,000. "Can we afford to spend nearly 60 percent of our surplus now if (the studio-to-transmitter link) is not needed until June?"

The station can't wait until the spring budget process to receive funds from the congress because orders for the links often take at least two to three months to process, and if the links aren't in place by July, the station will have to go off the air, Mormon said.

Rep. Jill Gilbert (Dist. 17) said WXYC was important to students, and the congress should appropriate the funds. "I can't see taking the chance of having WXYC off the air."

In other business, the congress failed a resolution supporting the rights of individuals to interview with the CIA, opposing attempts to restrict those rights unlawfully and supporting the rights of individuals to express dissatisfaction with the CIA and its activities.

Rep. Tom Wyatt (Dist. 4) voted

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Perot opens conference

By JEFF D. HILL
Staff Writer

Billionaire industrialist H. Ross Perot told an audience of about 2,000 people to tear down the walls that are restraining America in the field of international competition.

Perot gave the keynote address of the first Kenan Conference on International Competitiveness Wednesday night at the Smith Center. The conference is sponsored by the Kenan Institute and the UNC Masters in Business Administration Students Association.

Perot, speaking with a pronounced Texas accent, compared the symbolic destruction of the Berlin Wall to what America must do to regain its competitive advantage in the world market.

He said the United States must tackle the education crisis, crime, illegal drugs, the deteriorating family structure and the budget deficit before the country can hope to surpass the rest of the world economically.

He compared the deficit to a crazy aunt in the cellar. "Nobody talks about it, but everybody knows she's there."

Perot warned that this generation is living on its children's money. "We want to feel good now at any price."

The debtor is always at the mercy of the creditor, he said. If the earthquake that hit San Francisco had hit Tokyo, America would be in financial chaos because the Japanese would have pulled out their investments to rebuild Tokyo.

Perot also said America has confused talk with action.

"As the rest of the world is going through dynamic changes, we are living in the past — standing still."

American industry must accept blame for its second-rate status, Perot said.

"I can't ask you to buy American

products, if they are not the best."

Perot, who spoke out against junk bonds, warned the business students in attendance to avoid them. "If you go to this great business school and then go out and sell junk bonds, you ought to call an Orkin man and have him come put you away."

Perot told the students that the best place to start in industry is at the bottom. The only difference between an MBA and a factory worker might be that one got the opportunity and the other did not. He said knowing the basics of an industry is a must.

"We don't need managers; we need leaders."

The audience gave Perot the evening's most rousing round of applause when he said the problem in American business was with management and not labor.

At an early evening press conference, Perot, mixing Texas humor with business realities, ripped junk bond trading.

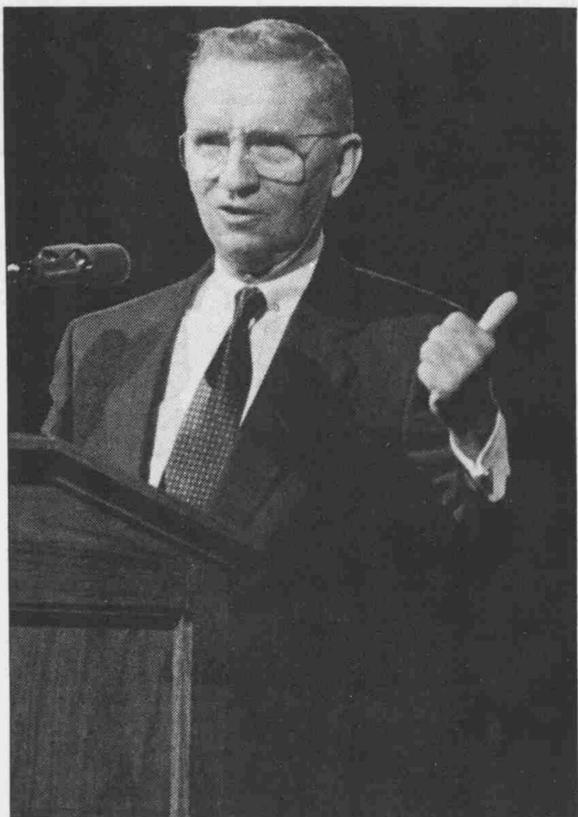
"We have turned corporate America and our biggest, finest corporations into a sandbox where a 28-year-old on Wall Street can go down and play and do destructive things."

America no longer makes things; it plays with money — and that is dangerous, he said. "Any fifth-grade mathematician can figure out that these junk bond deals don't work."

He also blamed American business for the existing U.S. trade deficit. "Our companies were complacent and assumed they (the Japanese) would go away."

Perot said if he were president, he would tackle the trade deficit by saying to the Japanese, "You can set the rules; but it's got to be the same both ways."

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H. Ross Perot speaks in the Smith Center Wednesday night

Graduate Student Court drops activist's charges

By NANCY WYKLE
Staff Writer

All Graduate Student Court charges against campus activist Dale McKinley have been dropped, according to a letter from Graduate Student Attorney General Todd Harrell to McKinley, bringing to a close more than a year and a half of hearings, appeals and legal wrangling.

In a letter Tuesday, Harrell said the charges — which stemmed from 1988 protests against CIA recruitment on campus — had been dropped because of the University Hearings Board's Nov. 8 ruling that McKinley had not received a fair and impartial hearing.

Harrell refused to comment Wednesday.

The McKinley case involved two

protests by McKinley and other students. McKinley and six others were charged with campus code violations as a result of protests in February and April 1988.

The Undergraduate Court found five of the students guilty in October 1988. McKinley walked out of his first hearing later that month when the Graduate Student Court refused to admit evidence regarding alleged CIA wrongdoings.

McKinley's second hearing, in November 1988, was ruled invalid by the court because the prosecutor had passed the N.C. Bar exam, although he was not a lawyer. The case was then delayed until this semester because McKinley left UNC for Zimbabwe.

The court found McKinley guilty at

his third hearing last month, but the Hearings Board sent the case back to the court Nov. 8.

McKinley said one reason the Hearings Board voted in his favor was because of a Board of Trustees resolution passed Feb. 26, 1988.

The resolution followed a protest in which a CIA recruiter left campus after CIA Action Committee members confronted him at the University Motor Inn. BOT member John Pope authored the resolution that said the University would investigate and discipline students involved in the protest.

He also called the demonstration activities "violent and terrorist acts." The BOT approved the resolution 6-5.

"That resolution created a very preju-

iced environment from the beginning," McKinley said. It was responsible for initiating several of the charges brought against the protesters, he said.

The resolution should not have taken place, he said. "It happened because irresponsible people are on it (the BOT) like John Pope. I and several others believe Mr. Pope is an embarrassment to the University. There is no way he represents any majority of people here."

Pope refused Wednesday to comment on the decision to drop charges against McKinley.

Jeffrey Cannon, assistant dean of students and judicial programs officer, said he did not know how the outcome of the McKinley case would affect future cases involving student activism.

"I would hate to speculate about the future," Cannon said he could not comment directly on the case.

The letter gave a chronology of McKinley's case from the beginning of the judicial proceedings through the unanimous decision of the Hearings Board, McKinley said.

Harrell acknowledged in the letter that it would be in the best interests of those involved not to pursue the case.

McKinley said he was concerned before he received the letter about the possibility of the court pursuing the case.

"I was a little concerned because that's sort of been the track record in the past."

Pursuing the case would have been a waste of time, he said. "I think they

realized that." McKinley said he had a strong case because of his arguments about dissent on campus. "The University should allow nonviolent, peaceful protest. Charges of disruption were fairly bogus."

Raising questions about the legitimacy of a government agency like the CIA caused the issue to be a sensitive one, he said. That partially caused the administration's "harsh reaction."

McKinley said he was pleased with the decision to drop charges. "I think after all this time the University dropping charges says that students should not be intimidated by retribution on the part of the University for actions."

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Highway Patrol's eagle eye catching drunk drivers

By ROBERT BERRY
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A statewide crackdown on drunk driving is making a difference, according to statistics released this week by law enforcement officials.

Operation Eagle, now finishing its second year, is a collaborative effort

involving the N.C. Highway Patrol and Alcohol Law Enforcement (ALE), said Renee Hoffman, public affairs representative for the N.C. Department of Crime Control and Public Safety.

Statistics from the department show 4,259 charges issued during 1989, compared to 1,111 during 1988. The

number of DWI arrests increased from 237 to 924.

Under the program, which selects a different N.C. city for each two-day operation, undercover ALE agents go to bars and watch for obviously intoxicated customers, Hoffman said. When those customers go to their cars, the

agents notify Highway Patrol officers at nearby checkpoints who stop and test the drivers for impairment.

The operation allows officers to stop drunk drivers even without observing erratic driving, Hoffman said. Other drivers passing through checkpoints are checked for driver's licenses, seat belt

use and other possible violations.

During 1989, Operation Eagle was conducted in nine cities: Raleigh, Greensboro, Charlotte, Wilmington, Asheville, Winston-Salem, Hickory, Fayetteville and Greenville. The city of each operation — though not the specific location — was announced pub-

licly beforehand to deter drunk driving, Hoffman said.

An unannounced operation in Raleigh the weekend of the Rolling Stones concert alone netted 143 arrests.

Becky Bowman, state director of

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Cambodian exile recounts experiences under Khmer Rouge



DTH/Sheila Johnston

Dith Pran tells about his Cambodian experiences in Memorial Hall Wednesday night

By BRYAN TYSON
Staff Writer

People must work together to ensure that a tragedy like the bloody Khmer Rouge rule of Cambodia in the 1970s never happens again, Dith Pran, a former prisoner of war, told several hundred people in Memorial Hall Wednesday night.

Pran, whose story was documented in the movie "The Killing Fields," appeared as a keynote speaker of the Campus Y-sponsored Human Rights Week '89.

"We have a mission to protect, to learn, to prevent the holocaust from coming again."

Pran, who escaped from Cambodia to Thailand in 1979, downplayed his role as a leader. "I am not a hero. I am a Cambodian holocaust survivor and a spokesman for the plight of the Cambodian people."

Cambodia's involvement in the Vietnam War began when communist North Vietnamese troops crossed into Laos and Cambodia in the late 1960s. The troops set up an outpost in Cambodia from which to attack the South Vietnamese.

In 1970 a coup overthrew the ruler of Cambodia, Prince Norodom Sihanouk, who was out of the country at the time, Pran said. Sihanouk took refuge in China and appealed to the people of

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Cambodia to flee to the countryside and join the guerrilla forces there. "He said, 'You must go into the jungle and join the resistance movement.' The people didn't know they were joining the North Vietnamese."

The Khmer Rouge, which existed before communist activity, was reorganized, was strengthened through Chinese aid and became very powerful within Cambodia.

In 1973 the Khmer Rouge leaders felt they were strong enough to operate without North Vietnamese help. The Khmer Rouge began a civil war and more than one-half million Cambodians were killed in the fighting.

On April 17, 1975, the Khmer Rouge, headed by Pol Pot, came to power after taking over the capital city of Phnom Penh. Pran said the original reaction to the takeover was relief. "We were happy because we thought, 'That's it. The war has ended.' But, in only two hours, the Khmer Rouge turned themselves into a monster."

The group forced people out of the cities and into the countryside. Most high officials, teachers, doctors and other prominent citizens were executed.

"All were killed." Many citizens, including women, children, elderly and members of religious groups were also killed in the conflict. "The Khmer Rouge killed their own people — 2 or 3 million. We didn't understand why they did such a crazy thing."

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