## International polling archive placed in Wilson Library

By Dale Castle

The "University's attic" gained international recognition recently when the World Association for Public Opinion Research (WAPOR) placed its archive in Wilson Library's Southern Historical Collection.

"It'll cost us some energy and effort because the curator of the manuscript collection is very aggressive about getting us to enhance the archive by col-lecting more documentation," said WAPOR president-elect Philip Meyer, a UNC William Rand Kenan professor of journalism.

WAPOR, an international organization for researchers working in education, business and government fields, contains files dating back to 1947. The group's archive includes publications and minutes from meetings with other public opinion research organizations.

Elizabeth Nelson, WAPOR president and chairwoman of the Taylor Nelson Group Ltd., described the documents as "the history of the evolution of public

Meyer said the archive will prove to be beneficial to future researchers and

"The purpose of the archive is to reserve materials that scholars will be interested in someday," he said. "Not just what scholars are interested in today, but interests that we can't anticipate now.

Meyer, a USA Today consultant and a leader in applying social science techniques and polling to reporting, made the initial suggestion that the archive be located in Chapel Hill. Wilson Library specializes in historical collections and is one of the best libraries of its kind in the country. "It's the University's attic," Meyer said.

Meyer said he anticipated that historians would some day want to know how WAPOR started and what conflicts arose between members of the commercial and academic communi-

"Some day public opinion research might be so important that some future historian might want to know how it

started and how it became a worldwide phenomenon," Meyer said.

WAPOR, which boasts 410 members representing 50 countries, holds annual meetings during which researchers discuss issues relating the world's political, economic and social scenes. The group now is focusing on reaching out to the world's newest democratic

Meyer said WAPOR "advances the state-of-the-art by promoting research into techniques of polling principles and by promoting the use of public opinion polls to advance the cause of democracy.

Public opinion research is associated with journalism because the media sponsors polls that allow voters know about each other and helps the democracy run smoother, Meyer said.

WAPOR has recently been interested in new democratic countries. Several WAPOR members plan to travel around the world to help newspapers and business use polling techniques to learn more about what people think and value.

### Journalism professor to help Slovenian newspaper fight Communism through public opinion research

By Dale Castle

A UNC journalism professor will be knocking on Slovenian doors this summer as he trains a newspaper staff in better polling techniques and the use of computers in journalism.

The newspaper in Ljubljana, Slovenia, called The Slovenec, has a circulation of under 20,000.

The paper was re-established June 1991 after being suppressed by the Communist-controlled government since the beginning of the century. 'They're an anti-Communist news-

paper in a country where the Communists are still a very important force,' said Philip Meyer, a UNC William Rand Kenan professor of journalism.

Meyer will leave July 1 for his twoweek trip, which is being financed by

the Freedom Forum, a private founda-tion to promote free press. niques.

He will representing the World Association for Public Opinion Research. Pro-Communist newspapers often

conduct telephone polls that always indicate the public favors the Communist point of view, Meyer said. He blamed the polls' biases on the

fact that Communists in Slovenia, formerly part of Yugoslavia, were the first to obtain telephones Meyer plans to teach The Slovenec

staff to poll door-to-door - the old fashioned way, he said. "I'm a little like a missionary spread-

ing the gospel of public opinion re-search," Meyer said. He also said he plans to train the

paper's staff in analyzing data and public records and refining polling tech-

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Meyer said he eventually hoped to assist the staff in conducting five to 10 interviews in each of the many neighborhood units he will use to divide the

The Slovenec will hire and send interviewers to designated locations.
For now the staff will interview on city street corners to become accustomed to the process of writing ques-

Although this will be Meyer's first time directly training the staff of a foreign newspaper, he said it would not be his last.

tionnaires and analyzing data.

Meyer will leave in September to assist a Brazilian magazine in marketing strategies, but this time he will be an old-fashioned capitalist consulting for pay."

#### Grievance

Step 3," Goldstein said. "The way it is pow, grievants can't even hope to have their disputes settled in steps 1 or 2."

Grievants perceive bias by faculty members

Paula Schubert, director of SEANC District 35, said one of the major problems with the Step 3 hearing was that a faculty member, not a staff member, chaired the committee that hears com-

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plaints and oversees the selection of panel participants.

'Why, on the staff grievance committee, is a faculty member head?" Schubert said. "It kind of implies the staff members can't do it themselves. Are they saying we're too dumb to do this ourselves?

Schubert said SEANC would like to the administration to remove William Campbell, chairman of the Staff Grievance Committee. Campbell, associate director of the Institute of Government, has been on the committee for 12 years.

Goldstein said that grievants think faculty members like Campbell and law school professor Ron Link, who has been on the committee for almost a decade, are biased.

"You need some freshness, some turnover," Goldstein said. "Anytime people are on for that long, they can get hardened toward staff members.

Campbell said he did not think he was biased toward faculty members after four terms on the panel.

"I think I'm still objective," he said. "We try to take each case as it comes. They're all different and you have to study each on its own merits."

#### Staff group recommends more changes

In the report, SEANC also recom-

that Step 2 of the grievance procedure be heard by an "objective third party," rather than the supervisor of the

accused party's supervisor. "Step 2 is just a rubber-stamp process,"Goldstein said. "Chances are your supervisor has probably already hit base with his supervisor. Now the employee has two people against him."

m that the chancellor guarantee faster turnaround time on Step 3 cases.

The present policy guarantees that officials will try to hold the hearing within 30 calendar days of the filing of the Step 3 grievance.

But according to the Department of Human Resources, during the first year under the new policy, the eight cases taken to a full Step 3 hearing took an average of seven months to complete. Hardin said he was concerned about

the delays, adding that they "certainly doesn'thelp alleviate employees' fears.'

m that all Step 3 grievants be guaranteed hearings.

Although the memorandum sent January 14, 1991 to all UNC employees detailing the new procedure does not mention it, Step 3 grievance committee chairmen — faculty members — can disqualify Step 3 complaints before actual hearings are held.

In an amendment to the procedure, distributed this year to what Goldstein described as "a scattering of staff members," panel chairmen were given the power to dismiss a Step 3 grievance after a pre-hearing conference.

The amendment, dated January 23, 1992, allows panel chairmen to dismiss Step 3 complaints without a hearing if they decide that the grievant can't win. that more staff members be ap-

pointed to the Staff Grievance Committee pool, a move that would speed up the process, Schubert said. m that staff members be notified who

is on their Step 3 panels, and that they be allowed to dismiss up to two panel members each. ■ that the response deadlines in steps

1 through 3 be changed, requiring responses within seven calendar days at steps 1 and 2 and hearings within 30 days at Step 3.

### Tuition

Tuition increases must include provisions for more financial aid, Lee said, adding that in 1991 he proposed setting

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aside money raised from last year's increase for a support fund. "I think it's not reasonable to raise tuition until we take a long-range view of what we're doing in terms of afford-

able education for the masses," he said. Chancellor Paul Hardin criticized Martin's tuition proposal and said that UNC should have the flexibility to de-

cide the fate of its own tuition receipts. "The 10-percent hike is disappointing, in part because there's no indication the money will stay on the indi-vidual campuses,"he said. "I hate to see tuition increased. I'm disappointed to have additional charges to students and parents, especially when the enrichment

back to them. Higgins said he hoped the legislature or the UNC system someday would alter their governance procedures over individual schools.

derived from the money won't come

"The needs of our University are completely different from those of Pembroke State," he said. "I'd like to see some sort of financial autonomy.'

#### Bonds, lottery may be combined

In addition, Higgins stressed the need for the proposed \$300 million bond issue for construction on the 16 UNCsystem campuses. "The General Assembly has to put the bond issue on the ballot," he said.

Although some legislators have proposed combining the bond issue with a state lottery proposal on the ballot, Higgins said the issues must be considered separately.

Lee said he would support a lottery to help pay for the bond, but that the two issues should not necessarily be combined. "The lottery should drive whether we support the bond issue.

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THURSDAY
11:30 a.m. The Campus Y will hold a discussion on "Homosexuality and the church: mutuall exclusive" in the Campus Y lounge.
6 p.m. The Presbyterian Campus Ministry will hold a summer cookout at Umstead Park.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

The UNC Vegetarian Club sponsors free vegetar-ian dinners every Wednesday from 5-7 p.m. across from the Franklin Street post office. The Campus Y is holding a series of brown bag lunch-time discussions featuring resource facilitators

throught the summer. Contact the Campus Y at 962-2333 for more information, International Student Orientation Counselor

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