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NCSU athletes charged in conspiracy to assault

RALEIGH — Five North Carolina State University athletes and another student were charged with conspiring to assault members of a fraternity in what authorities called a retaliation incident.

Authorities said the suspects went after members of the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity after a dispute. Three NCSU football players and a student at Brevard College broke down the door of the wrong house and smashed belongings with sticks and bats before realizing their mistake and fleeing, police said.

Sgt. Dennis Lane of the Raleigh police said the series of events began on campus Saturday when two groups got into a fight.

Charged Tuesday with first-degree burglary and conspiring to assault members of Phi Beta Sigma are Lerone Harper, 20, a redshirt freshman defensive back; Richard Bell Jr., 18, a freshman defensive back; and Kimatni Rawlins, 18, a freshman running back; and Rawlins' brother, Vincent Rawlins, 19, a student at Brevard College.

The remaining three were charged only with conspiracy. They are Vontz Threkeid Burke, 20, and Chadrick W. Jackson, 20, both Wolfpack wrestlers, and Roger H. Santana, 22, of Raleigh.

N.C. newspapers make political endorsements

President George Bush was endorsed Wednesday by one North Carolina newspaper, while Jim Hunt received the nod for governor from another.

The Gaston Gazette said it was endorsing Bush with some hesitation. "It is not so much that President Bush has earned another term. It is that the other choices are worse," the Gazette said.

"Independent Ross Perot simply is not a candidate for consideration. His self-promotion and loony ideas offer nothing to the voters. When the going got tough, he quit the race. Would he likewise quit the presidency when things didn't go his way? With this candidate, that's a fair question." The Democratic team of Bill Clinton and Al Gore is a team of liberals, the Gazette said.

Bush "comes back to the voters with blemishes on his presidency," the newspaper said. But Bush can lead, it said, "particularly in the international areas, which get short-changed in the internal focus of this campaign."

Meanwhile, the Lexington Dispatch endorsed Hunt, the former governor, who faces Republican Lt. Gov. Jim Gardner in the November election.

The paper said Hunt "will be best able to work with the General Assembly to affect new programs that will help the people of our state. While there will be some new faces in the legislature, it will again be controlled by the Democrats. Gardner has had an adversarial relationship with the body for four years, and has opposed just about everything that the legislature has created, even improved safety conditions for N.C. workers."

"The other key difference is that Hunt has a real vision for this state as we approach the 21st century. Gardner worries more about the day-to-day aspects of life. While those areas are often important, we need someone at this critical juncture of our history to be looking at what's ahead for us and our children."

—The Associated Press

Callahan selected as Carrboro police chief

By Dale Castle
Staff Writer

Ben Callahan, who has served as a captain and as interim chief at the Carrboro Police Department, was named its permanent police chief Wednesday morning.

Callahan said at a press conference that he would work to enhance communication within the police department, encouraging participation at all levels of decision-making.

Police officers should be more involved in the communities they serve, he said.

Callahan has been with the Carrboro police since 1984. Before that, he was the assistant director of security services with University Police and assisted former Chief Herman Stone at the Chapel Hill Police Department.

Carrboro Town Manager Robert Morgan said he had been impressed with Callahan's performance as interim chief during the past six months.

Morgan added that the department had deliberately waited this long to select a new chief to ensure that the most qualified person would be chosen.

"(This is) an important decision that needed to take a long time," Morgan said. "These next 12 months are going to be rather busy."

Callahan said he wouldn't have any new duties as chief but that having a permanent title made a difference. "Now (police department staff) know they'll be dealing with me on a different perspective," Callahan said.

Chapel Hill Police Chief Ralph Pendergraph said he was pleased that Callahan had been named Carrboro police chief and said he looked forward

to working with him.

"I think we've got a real working relationship," Pendergraph said.

Chapel Hill police spokeswoman Jane Cousins said she thought Callahan would have a positive impact on the Carrboro Police Department.

"He's represented law enforcement real well," Cousins said.

Carrboro Police Capt. Carolyn Hutchison said she was relieved that a new chief had been selected. "(The police department) has been understaffed for a while," she said.

When Callahan is off duty, he coaches a Little League team in Carrboro for kids between six and eight years old.

But Callahan said he doesn't tell the kids that he's a law enforcement officer unless they ask.

"I'm out there to coach baseball, not to be a cop," he said.

Scientists believe in 'M'ind over matter

By Stephanie Beck
Staff Writer

The year was 1866. A woman fell on the ice, breaking multiple bones. The doctors had given up hope that she would survive the injuries.

Lying on her bed, dressed in funeral clothes, while the mourners waited in the adjacent room, she asked for her Bible. She opened it to the New Testament and came across one of the healings of Jesus. Suddenly, she realized she was healed, stood up and went to greet the surprised mourners.

For the next three years the woman, studied the Bible in an attempt to discover the agent behind her healing. She also looked at many different medical approaches for explanations. Finally, she wrote a book that became the textbook to a new Christian denomination.

The woman was Mary Baker Eddy, the book was "Science and Health," and the denomination was that of Christian Science.

The First Church of Christ, Scientist is a church of lay people. In place of an ordained minister, they elect two Readers: a First Reader, who reads from the Bible, and a Second Reader, who reads from the Christian Science textbook "Science and Health," during the Sunday lesson.

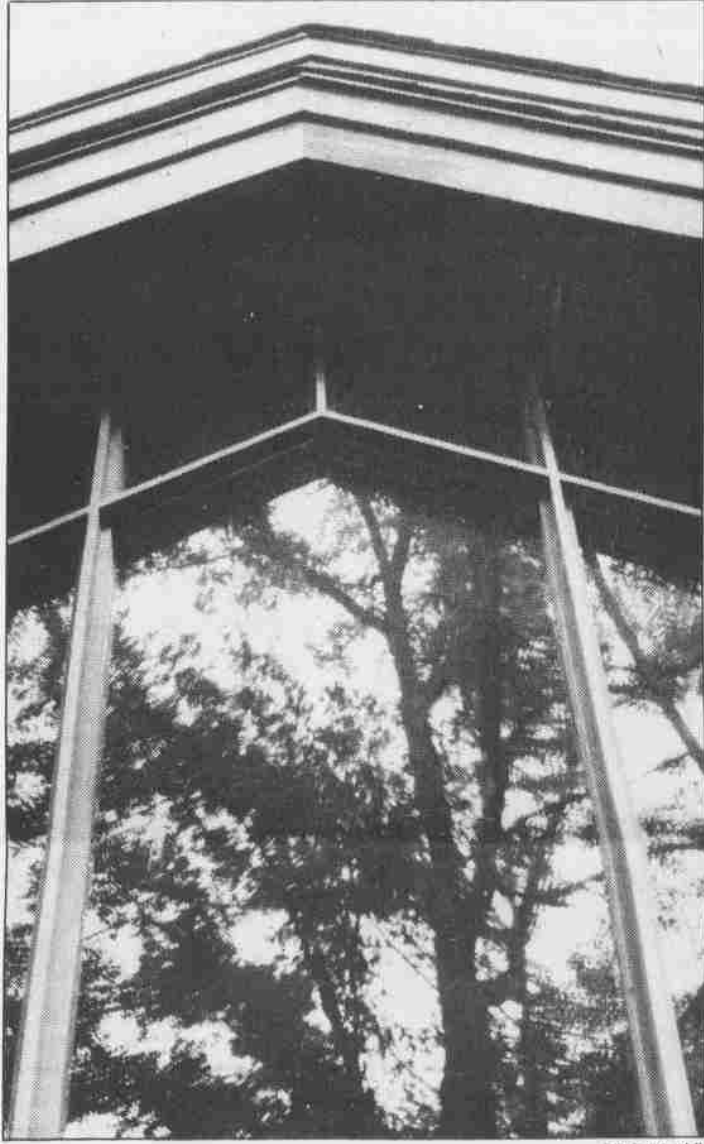
Due to the regular use of an auxiliary text, Christian Science has often been called a cult by other Christian denominations.

"Christian Science is not a cult. It is a Christian religion," said Frank Mead, a member of the Christian Science Committee on Publication for North Carolina.

"'Science and Health' does not replace the Bible. It provides correlative readings and explanatory readings to the Bible. Mrs. Eddy said that if we don't understand the Bible spiritually, it will be nothing but confusion."

Christian Scientists also have been accused of attempting to escape reality.

"Of course you cannot escape it," Mead said. "Reality is another interesting term which we can play with. You, as an (outsider), would say that this table is reality. I would tell you this table I could destroy, but the theory of the table, the blueprint of the table, I can't destroy. The theory or blueprint is



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reality. The table is unreality. I can destroy it.

Clinton Kurshildgen, the UNC Christian Science College Organization adviser and a senior citizen returning to obtain a museum curatorial degree, said no more than six University students attended the group's meetings.

Kurshildgen, who would not reveal his age, said, "We do not talk about age because it is not the concept of eternal."

"This immortal concept is what we today hold on to and use in our thinking to overcome any sort of limitation. If we

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Alcohol safety goal of campus Zero Proof Day

By Kristen Huffman
Staff Writer

Before you settle down for that first beer tonight, stop and think — did I sign the Zero Proof Day pledge?

DELTA Squad, a student group, has declared today Zero Proof Day in an attempt to increase the awareness of alcohol and drug abuse on campus. Students, faculty and staff who signed the Zero Proof Day pledge have agreed to refrain from using alcohol or illegal drugs for 24 hours.

Members of DELTA Squad, an acronym for "Drug Education Leads To Alternatives," hope the day will "bring to the attention of the entire University family the problem of abusive alcohol and other drugs on campus," said Willie Riddick, director of substance abuse counseling at Student Health Service and the group's adviser.

The main focus of Zero Proof Day, a part of National Alcohol Awareness Week, is alcohol abuse. "Alcohol abuse represents about 80 percent of the abuse we see on campus," Riddick said.

Members of DELTA Squad chose today for the event because "Thursdays represent the beginning of the drinking week," he said.

Angie Fox, a member of DELTA Squad, said she hoped the day helped students see that there were other things to do besides drink. "I hope if someone does have a problem, by stopping for one day they will see how much it affects them," said Fox, a senior from Asheville.

Members of the group also are concerned with the effects the abuse of alcohol and other drugs have on the academic success of students.

"Students spend their weekends drinking and partying," said Regina Underwood, a junior from Fayetteville

and a member of DELTA Squad. "Then during the week, they are tired and miss class."

Riddick said he saw the day as an opportunity to educate people about the problems of alcohol abuse.

"My goal is that one of these days we will get everyone hooked to this University to understand the damage done to young adults in the pursuit of education and productivity," he said.

Faculty and staff members should strive to set good examples for both students and co-workers, said Thomas Horne, manager of the Physical Plant accounting and business office and a Zero Proof Day pledger.

"I think it's important to be good role models in working situations as well as parental situations," Horne said. "I personally believe very strongly in the fact that drug and alcohol abuse should be something that we do not conform to."

"Anything we do like this makes people more aware of the problem of drug and alcohol abuse."

This is the third year DELTA Squad has sponsored Zero Proof Day. Last year, about 15,000 people signed the pledge, exceeding the expectations of some members of the organization.

"The success (of Zero Proof Days) has been way beyond our expectations," Riddick said, adding that he also was pleased with this year's response.

By Tuesday evening 5,000 people had pledged, Riddick said.

Riddick said he hoped to see the program grow to include other communities in our area. "Hopefully next year we can expand this to all of Chapel Hill," he said.

Riddick also said N.C. State and Duke universities were discussing incorporating Zero Proof Day.

Commission hopefuls debate school bond, character concerns

By Dana Pope
City Editor

The five candidates for the two open seats on the Orange County Board of Commissioners addressed various issues at a Wednesday night forum, including the \$52 million school bond referendum.

Candidates also debated about character issues, and one challenger, Republican Johnny Kennedy, questioned the democratic process of the present board.

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro chapter of the League of Women Voters sponsored the forum at Chapel Hill Town Hall.

The incumbent candidates for the two vacant seats are democrats Moses Carey and Donald Willhoit, and challenging candidates are independent Mark Marcoplos and republicans

Norman Haithecock and Kennedy.

Kennedy, who gave the first opening statement of the five candidates, opened by saying, "Carey thinks he's a king of a dictator."

Kennedy's comments stemmed from a public meeting in which Carey limited input from citizens.

Kennedy, who owns a small business, said he wanted to change the board of commissioners' closed-door policy. "They turn a deaf ear," he said. "I've spoken before them, and they've snickered."

"I feel like (Carey and Willhoit) have to defend their positions," added Kennedy, who lost his first bid for the commissioners in 1990. "To this point, I don't think they have."

But Carey, who has served on the board for the past eight years and served

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CANDIDATES FOR N.C. COMMISSIONER OF LABOR

Payne emphasizes positive reinforcement

By Allison Taylor
Staff Writer

N.C. Rep. Harry Payne, D-New Hanover, who also is the Democratic candidate for N.C. Commissioner of Labor, said he hoped to improve conditions and health insurance in the workplace, as well as to emphasize positive reinforcement for employees through a "Carolina Star" program.

Payne faces Republican Nelson Dollar for the post of N.C. Commissioner of Labor.

Payne said that during his 12 years in the N.C. House he had focused on bills concerning workman's compensation, health insurance and Occupational Safety and Health Administration standards.

"A healthy economy ... as well as a safe workplace means a great deal," Payne said.

Electing, Payne said he would implement a plan called Carolina Star, which emphasizes positive reinforcement in the workplace. Carolina Star is based on the national OSHA Voluntary Protection Programs established in 1982.

HARRY PAYNE

AGE: 41
PARTY: Democrat
FAMILY: Not married
EXPERIENCE: 12 years as N.C. Representative
EDUCATION: AB in Psychology & Political Science at UNC-CH, Law degree from Wake Forest University.



"What you find out in politics is not one person's face, but a lot of people's ideas."

The Carolina Star plan proposes that companies apply to the program, undergo voluntary inspections and receive a list of the necessary health and safety improvements.

After qualifying for Payne's program, companies would be exempt from regular OSHA inspections, except in the case of major accidents, employee complaints, agency referral and occasional re-evaluations.

"We ought to hold higher the many

safety success stories in North Carolina. They can set an example for those places that are still struggling," he said.

Companies qualifying for Carolina Star would be publicly recognized, Payne said.

"You never inspire greatness by merely punishing deficiency," he said.

Payne also said that he did not believe in negative campaigning and that he felt that he had run a clean campaign against Dollar.

Dollar calls for change, reform in policies

By Anna Burdeshaw
Staff Writer

Nelson Dollar, Republican candidate for commissioner of labor, stressed the need to reform the policies of the N.C. Department of Labor to reduce inefficiency and bring about change.

"We need to reform the North Carolina Department of Labor," Dollar said. "We need a Department of Labor that is open and responsive to the public."

Dollar, who is running against Democrat Harry Payne, said cooperation and the elimination of fighting among special interest groups were necessary to correct the problems in the department.

Dollar said the labor commissioner's main role was to oversee the state's regulatory and training department in areas concerning the workplace.

But the Department of Labor also controls other areas of state government, Dollar said. The department includes the Occupational Safety and Health Administration and also determines the state's wage-per-hour laws.

Dollar said his topgoal was to provide assistance to small businesses at-

NELSON DOLLAR

AGE: 31
PARTY: Republican
FAMILY: Wife, Lorrie Dollar
EXPERIENCE: First campaign for elected office
EDUCATION: BA, MA in Political Analysis from Appalachian State University.



"Instead of dividing rights, we need to work together to provide safer healthier, more productive workplaces here in North Carolina."

tempting to comply with existing laws.

Another of Dollar's goals is to create opportunities for students to participate in government. "I'm committed to opening up the department to more internships and co-ops for students," he said.

The candidate said that these internships would serve two purposes. They would generate interest and provide a pool of people who might later choose state government as a career field.

Dollar said that he would initiate and

support further training of state inspectors, safety training for business employers and employees and the development of better technology to improve the efficiency of the department.

Dollar claimed that his opponent supported legislative action that was not necessary to reform the department. Dollar said that these bills were "just talk" and that the next labor commissioner needed to have "the political will to target the department's problems."

Carolina Career Day
Oct. 22, 12:30 — 5:00 pm in the Great Hall
MEET 55 EMPLOYERS