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Former coaches indicted on steroid charges

By KEVIN ADAMS
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Three former USC assistant football coaches were indicted Wednesday in federal court for allegedly setting up a program to provide illegal steroids to Gamecock players from 1984 to 1986.

Former defensive coordinator Tom Gadd, former tight end coach Tom Kurucz and former defensive line coach Jim Washburn were all charged with "conspiring to conduct a program of illegal steroid use by members of the athletic community... particularly by members of the university's football team."

Former USC strength coach Keith Kephart, who was with the Gamecock program from 1982 to 1988, was also indicted and charged with illegally obtaining and dispensing steroids during the same period. Gadd and Kurucz both coached at USC from 1983 to 1986, while Washburn coached from 1983 until this past January, when he accepted a similar position at Purdue University.

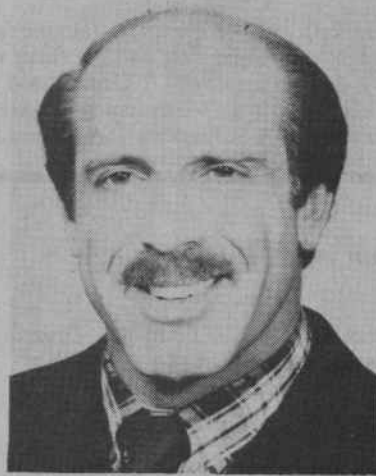
The three were charged with bringing steroids into South Carolina, dispensing them without prescrip-



Jim Washburn

tions and providing funds for the purchase of steroids. In addition, Kurucz was charged with one felony count of lying to the grand jury. The other charges are misdemeanors.

If convicted on all counts, Gadd and Washburn face a maximum sentence of four years in prison and a \$301,000 fine. Kurucz faces a maximum penalty of eight years in prison and a \$550,000 fine, while Kephart could receive a five-year sentence and



Keith Kephart

a \$302,000 fine if found guilty of all charges.

The indictment also charged that "Kephart and others would administer the steroids to each other to improve athletic performance and to enhance physical appearance."

Besides the four coaches, the grand jury also indicted John Landon Carter of Bethesda, Md., with a felony count of distributing steroids to four former USC football players,

including Tommy Chaikin, a defensive lineman for the Gamecocks from 1983 to 1987.

It was Chaikin's Oct. 24 article in *Sports Illustrated* magazine that prompted the grand jury's investigation into steroid use in the USC football program. In the article, Chaikin told the story of his own four-year battle with steroids and alleged widespread drug use by other Gamecock football players.

Arrestment for those indicted will be at 10 a.m. on May 4 at the federal courthouse in Columbia.

No USC athletes will be indicted, said U.S. Attorney Vinton Lide, who conducted the investigation with help from the State Law Enforcement Division, the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the U.S. Department of Justice.

"It had been my intention, and remains my intention, to treat student-athletes as victims," Lide said. "I have not charged and have no intention of charging any student athletes

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Reaction to charges of steroid use mixed

By KEVIN ADAMS
Sports editor

Former USC football player Tommy Chaikin says he has no regrets about co-writing a *Sports Illustrated* article that led to an investigation of steroid abuse in the Gamecock program.

Former USC assistant coaches Tom Gadd, Tom Kurucz and Jim Washburn, plus former strength coach Keith Kephart were indicted Wednesday on various charges of obtaining and dispensing steroids to USC players. All face heavy fines and jail sentences if convicted.

In the Oct. 24 article, Chaikin, who was granted immunity in January for testifying before the federal grand jury, mentioned Kephart and Washburn as being aware of steroid abuse by USC players.

"I don't feel any elation," Chaikin said in a telephone interview with the Associated Press from his Bethesda, Md., home. "I just wanted to show that there was a problem and that I was involved, and the coaches, like the players, were caught up in the situation. And turning their backs on it was not the answer."

Reactions by those involved in the indictments were mixed.

"At this time, I don't know any specifics of the charges," Gadd said in a released statement. "My No. 1 concern at this time is clearing my name." Gadd, now an assistant at the University of Utah, said he was never contacted by authorities concerning the investigation.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

Police arrest demonstrators at AIDS rally

By The Associated Press

At least 40 demonstrators were arrested by police officers wearing rubber gloves Thursday after they briefly blocked traffic in front of the Statehouse during a rally to protest South Carolina's treatment of AIDS victims.

The protesters, yelling "Keep your laws off my body," were picked up by police officers and taken on stretchers to a waiting bus. They were then driven to the S.C. Army National Guard Armory and charged with disobeying a police officer directing traffic, said Hugh Munn, a spokesman for the State Law Enforcement Division.

The charge carries a \$100 fine and 30-day jail sentence. About 80 protesters gathered at the Statehouse at about 10 a.m. carrying placards such as "Silence Equals Death" and chanting, "The racist, fascist, anti-gay Southern bigots, go away."

After about an hour, the demonstrators moved in groups of about 25 to a street by the Statehouse and lay in the road until they were picked up seconds later by police officers.

The protest was organized by the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power, a national group known as ACTUP, to protest the treatment received by AIDS sufferers in South Carolina.

The demonstrators said they were demanding anonymous AIDS test sites; an end to the forced testing and quarantine of inmates infected with the HIV, or human immunodeficiency virus; and a change in state law that allows public schools to expel infected students.

"South Carolina has the most repressive laws on the books in the nation for quarantining people with AIDS... It drives people deeper underground and into closets," said protester Mike Smith of Atlanta.

"This state has been criminalizing this infection, and

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A demonstrator is arrested Thursday at a protest of South Carolina's AIDS policy.

Offices investigating fraternity for hazing

By RON BAKER and MARY PEARSON
Staff writers

The USC chapter of Omega Psi Phi is being investigated by both its district and national offices because of a reported incident of hazing.

Omega Psi Phi District Representative Ulysses Sweeney in Charlotte, N.C., said Thursday the fraternity's activities have been suspended until the end of the semester.

If the incident is verified, criminal charges could be filed against the USC fraternity, Sweeney said.

He said the matter was reported by Melody Hokanson of Student Life in March, and the investigation began immediately.

"The national fraternity does not condone and will not tolerate hazing," Sweeney said.

Sweeney also said that, as he understands it, other separate incidents of hazing by other fraternities were being looked into by the USC administration.

Student Affairs released an updated statement Thursday stating one of two hazing incidents being investigated has been discon-

tinued because of lack of evidence, but the other incident is still being considered.

The incidents were reported to USC officials in late March, according to earlier Student Affairs reports. Hazing is illegal under South Carolina state law and is against university policy.

Dean of Student Life Jerry Brewer confirmed that Omega Psi Phi is the fraternity that is still being investigated.

The Division of Student Affairs has released a statement.

"University offices are working closely with the national officials to determine who is involved and to what extent. The university will not put additional pressure on the national organization during the review process by naming the organization or involved students during the exam period," the statement said.

Brewer said since the district office released the information, he would confirm it.

"We are supporting Omega Psi Phi in their investigation. We will not take any further actions until Omega completes their investigation," Brewer said.

Student Senate votes for fee increase of \$10

By KRIS TAYLOR
Senate reporter

The Student Senate passed a resolution recommending a \$10 activity fee increase at its meeting Wednesday afternoon.

The resolution was tabled last week so the Senate could study information packets prepared by the Senate Finance Committee. Senators also received a letter from Student Government President Marie-Louise Ramsdale in support of the resolution.

"There are times when you have to look closely at the positive impact of what may at first appear to be negative legislation," Ramsdale said in the letter. "I feel that the benefits of an activity fee increase will far outweigh the costs."

Sen. Rajan Shah, who proposed the resolution on behalf of the finance committee, also stressed the importance of the resolution.

"For the past eight years, various student organizations have been working on the same amount of money they were working with in

1981, while programming costs for various activities which students participate in have increased significantly," Shah said. "If we don't get the increase, I don't know how organizations are going to survive."

Opposition to the resolution dealt with the added burden to undergraduate students.

Sen. Frank Timmons said undergraduates are usually faced with the brunt of expenses.

"I think we should look into some other alternatives besides an across-the-board increase for undergraduates," Timmons said.

Sen. Alton Hyatt, former finance committee chairman, proposed an amendment to the resolution calling for a \$6 increase as well as a new fee of "\$15 per semester for all students, graduate and undergraduate, taking nine or more hours who presently have the option to pay the university fee."

Hyatt said his amendment would cause the

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Event stresses safe walkways

By TINA FERRO
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Student Government President Marie-Louise Ramsdale led about 50 students on a tour of the campus Tuesday night pointing out where lighting problems have been corrected and where they still exist.

The Women Students' Association sponsored "Lightways: A Walk Against Violence" as part of Sexual Awareness Week.

Coles Badger of Rape Crisis Network addressed about 50 students who attended the Lightways program on the second floor of Russell House.

Badger spoke about rape and the Rape Crisis Center services, urging students to volunteer at Rape Crisis to educate people about the problem.

She said the Lightways Walk would symbolize the fears women have and show that women have to go hand-in-hand together to

walk across campus.

Students, by coming together to walk, asked USC to respond to the problem of safety, she said.

Lightways' purpose was to raise awareness about the fears of women on campus, to look at the need for more and better lighting on campus, to point out the

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1989 commencement speakers chosen

By KELLY C. THOMAS
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Jaime Escalante, a nationally recognized Los Angeles math teacher, has accepted an invitation to speak at USC's undergraduate commencement exercises.

Escalante has received national acclaim for his success in motivating underprivileged Hispanic students to excel. He was the subject of the recent critically acclaimed movie, *Stand and Deliver*.

Mary Lowe Good, chairman of the National Science Board and senior vice-president of technology for Allied-Signal Inc., will give the commencement address for the graduate students' ceremonies.

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USC President James Holderman

Good has published more than 100 articles in technical journals, as well as numerous publications on science policy and research management strategy.

She was named Scientist of the Year by *Industrial Research and Development* magazine in 1982.

High school math teachers throughout the state have been invited to the graduation exer-

cises to hear Escalante speak. Graduating seniors may invite high school or university teachers whom they feel have made an impact on their lives.

"We believe in our students and their future just as Escalante has faith in his high school students. The power of the teaching profession is evident in how it can change people's lives," Holderman said.

"It's good to know that there are people like Escalante who are willing to give so that their students can build better futures for themselves and their communities," Holderman said.

Both Escalante and Wood will be awarded honorary doctor of science degrees.

They will receive two among six such awards to be presented this semester.

USC expects to award 1,744 undergraduate degrees at the Columbia campus, as well as 1,033 graduate degrees, 59 medical degrees and 216 law degrees.

Commencement for undergraduates will begin at 9:30 a.m. May 6 in Carolina Coliseum. Graduate commencement will be at 3 p.m. May 5 at the coliseum.



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Jaime Escalante