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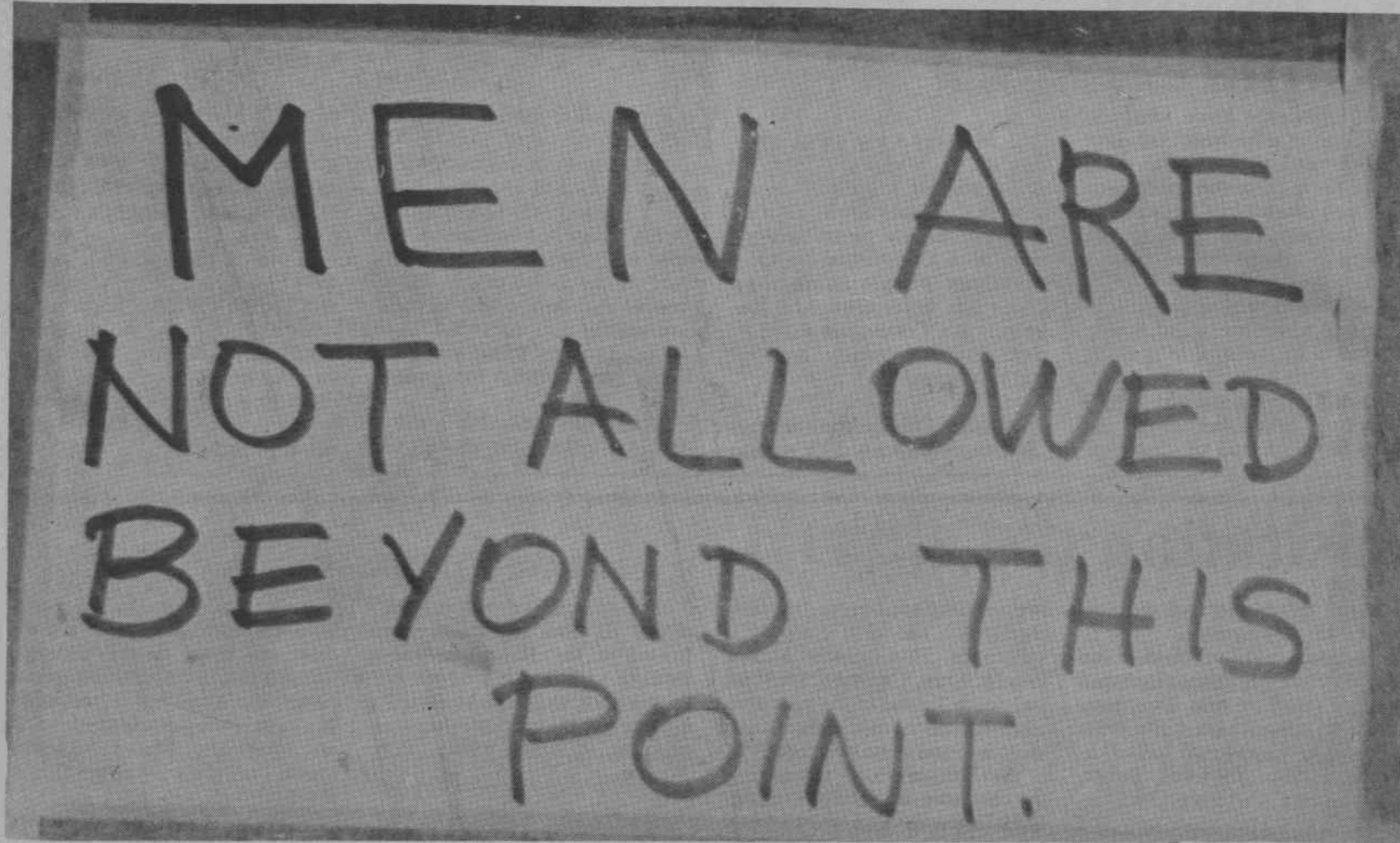
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Fights over visitation changes not finished



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Signs like this one are hanging at various entrances to Douglas and Burney dormitories.

Freshmen petition against new policy

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Students living in Douglas and Burney dormitories collected more than 300 signatures in just more than one week on a petition to fight the new visitation policies.

Electrical engineering freshman Kevin Beach, a Douglas resident, started the petition with help from a few other freshmen in the dorm. Beach and the others began the petition Aug. 21. Since then, the freshmen have collected more than 300 signatures from both dorms, and Beach said he expects a lot more to come in by the end of the week.

Once the petition is completed, it will be presented to Dennis Pruitt, vice president of Student Affairs.

From there, the petition will be taken to the USC Board of Trustees, where Beach hopes to be able to speak on behalf of Douglas and Burney.

The petition states that the policy is "unnecessary and unfair." The petition goes on to say these rules were not stated in their residence hall contracts, and students were not informed of this change in time to re-apply for a different dorm.

"At this age, we feel we can conduct ourselves in an appropriate manner when visited by a member of the opposite sex, and all students, as young adults, should have the freedom to make their own individual choices," the petition states.

Some students said they feel the petition will not work, but they

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Dennis Pruitt, vice president of Student Affairs

think it's a start in getting their situation noticed.

"If we're old enough to vote, go to war, hold a job, own a house and go to jail, we're old enough to have opposite-sex visitation," said one student, who did not wish to be identified.

Others said they feel they are being penalized for something they didn't do.

"A college student is given adult responsibilities and is preparing for life socially," nursing freshman Lisa Chappell said.

If the petition doesn't work, she said she and other residents will get their parents involved and attempt to bring the situation to a close.

Pruitt is helping the students of Douglas and Burney be heard, he said.

He supports student life and activities and became involved in the petition process after Beach approached him, he said.

"I feel the students are going about their problem in a very dignified manner, using all the different resources so their voices may be heard," Pruitt said.

He said no action will be taken until the petition has come before the board.

Fair wants all opposite-sex visitation to end

By AARON SHEININ
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The beginning of the end of opposite-sex, overnight visitation in university housing could be near, according to state Rep. Mike Fair.

"The clock is ticking on overnight visitation campus-wide," said Fair, who also is a member of USC's Board of Trustees.

Fair said the board has stepped up progress on the subject of overnight visitation.

"In two to three years, there will be no opposite-sex visitation in dorms," he said.

The job of implementing the new policy,

which forbids opposite-sex visitation in Douglas and Burney dorms, falls in the hands of the office of Student Affairs.

Student Affairs Vice President Dennis Pruitt said his office has been instructed to "improve safety and security in residence halls by being more intense on who has access to dormitories and mobility in dormitories... to ensure the privacy of each individual."

The new policy has already been implemented and is being enforced campus-wide. The policy has been printed in the *Carolina*

Community and The Guide to Living On Campus.

Also, each student has been left a copy of the policy in his or her dorm, said Jim McMahon, assistant vice president for Residential Student Development. He also said the University Housing Services and Resident Student Development offices have published four different brochures to provide a clear understanding of the policy and to ensure consistent interpreta-

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Hopeful WUSC deejays have to finish training

By DEBORAH RYAN
Staff Writer

Approximately 60 people sign up each fall to go through the six-week WUSC training session, but only about one-third make it to the end.

The station now has about 30 disc jockeys and gets 15 to 20 new people each fall.

Training will begin Sept. 6 under the guidance of Adam Kolesar, the graduate assistant at the station.

Trainees receive a packet specifying Federal Communications Commission and station rules, which Chris LeRoy, station manager, calls the "bible of the trainees."

The trainees have regular meetings to review the specifics of the packet in order to understand the subtle differences of what can and cannot be said on the air.

At the end of the training period, those who have not dropped out take a written test to get their FCC license, which enables them to work at any class B radio station in the country.

When they receive their license, they make a tape adhering to every rule they learned in the course and then, take their on-the-air test. To make the first time on air a little easier, trainees sit with DJs at the station and observe them at work, which helps them learn what works and what doesn't, LeRoy said.



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WUSC DJ Samantha Bonk uses the mixing board to fade one song out while fading another in.

USC cuts nearly 35 classes

By JEFF WILSON
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Because of legislative cuts and a lack of qualified faculty, nearly 35 classes have been cancelled since early registration began at the end of the spring semester, university officials said.

"The worst situation of classes being cancelled has been in the foreign language department," said T. L. Gunter, university registrar.

He said 17 sections of foreign languages, primarily Spanish, Portuguese and Latin, have been cancelled since 5 p.m. Friday.

"Students are really upset, and I don't blame them. They (university officials) waited so late to do this," said Lucy Lawhead, schedule coordinator for USC.

She said 17 foreign languages, nine government and international studies, and four theater and speech classes have been cancelled from the fall roster.

Charlita Earle, a psychology junior, said she had registered for a Spanish class, but it was put into the summer file. She said she was told to take another language or try and get an override.

"When I went to get an override there were five other juniors waiting for overrides. The teacher said there was nothing she could do. She had people sitting on the floor, and there was one guy sitting outside," Earle said.

She said she had planned to graduate in summer school and needed the three Spanish credits.

"I don't know what I'm going to do. I don't want to be here next fall, but I might have to," she said.

USC Provost Arthur Smith said in most cases students were notified in advance of cancellations.

"But there were cases (particularly foreign language) where students showed up for classes on the first day

and found out that the courses that they had pre-registered for were not available," Smith said.

"Some of the late cancellations were not handled well, and I'll be the first to admit that," he said.

Lack of money wasn't the reason several of the foreign language classes were cancelled, Smith said. Half of the classes were cancelled because of a lack of qualified teachers.

But the university's budget did play an important role in the cancellation of some classes.

"The university's budget from the state Legislature received only a 1.92 percent increase this year," Smith said. "But we were hit with a 1.8 million dollar budget reduction at the end of May... It's very, very difficult for a university to absorb a reduction of that magnitude."

He said the university had to try to economize to stay within its budget.

Carol Kay, dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, said a huge growth in enrollment in the college and a new core curriculum, which just went into effect, also led to the cancellation of classes.

The college requires more fine arts, lab sciences, history courses and math courses than in previous years. This led to an increase in freshman-level courses. Classes had to be cut because of the budget cuts, lack of faculty and increased enrollment in humanities, Kay said.

Kay said students closed out of foreign language courses this fall will be sent letters. They should keep the letters because they will get first priority scheduling in the spring.

Any graduating senior that had a required class cancelled should contact their dean, and they will try to accommodate them, she said.

USC student says Chinese measures mean hope

By KELLEY MCDONALD
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A recent order passed by the Chinese government that requires Chinese citizens to carry identification papers at all times and present them on police demand contradicted a recent security decrease.

But Chi Lung Li, USC graduate student and member of the Committee on Solidarity with Student Protestors in Beijing, said the order meant hope for the movement.

"If the government should have to check identification, then they do not trust their people," he said. "It indicates that the people have not stopped their resistance. And anything eventually is decided by the people. I believe in that."

Although the order to check identity papers proved the struggle to be far from over, the CSSPB does not know what form of protest the people will now take.

"We believe in the non-violent method. The first thing you should try to do is stop the killing," he said. "You must try to negotiate with the government through peaceful means."

Li admitted, however, that fighting back may be necessary when the government acts with force.

"If they used violence, I would use non-violence to a certain point," he said. "If I have arms, I won't refuse to fight back. I will use force, but I want to know what I am fighting for," Li said.

The CSSPB protested the violent actions of the Chinese government by sending statements of their

position to the government-run Chinese newspaper, *The People's Daily*, and by holding a memorial service in front of the State House to honor the students who were killed.

The group also sold T-shirts to raise funds for the support of various Chinese student organizations in America which promote democracy.

"We designed our shirts to have the Statue of Liberty standing in front of the Wall of China," Li said. "The statue is a good symbol for people all over the world, not just Americans."

The back of the shirts sport the statement, "For democracy in China," in both Chinese and English.

Because of his active involvement with the CSSPB and support of a democratic movement, Li cannot

have direct contact with his family, and fears that he will not be able to return to his home in China.

"My wife and I have heard that the government has information about me," Li said. "In China, if a person commits a crime, they not only punish you, but they punish your family. We thought about not being able to return, but we had to speak out. I took the risk. But there are students in China who take more risk. They lost their lives."

Li said that the best thing that could happen now would be for the people of China to learn what happened in Beijing June 3 and 4.

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