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## Reagan backs budget, raps interest rates

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WASHINGTON — President Ronald Reagan said Thursday that high interest rates posed the greatest single threat to the American economy, but insisted that his embattled tax and budget programs would reverse the tide and pull the nation from recession.

The president also said he had no plans to send American combat troops into action in El Salvador or anywhere else. But, he declined to spell out U.S. options for future support of the ruling junta in that Central American nation, which has been besieged by leftist guerrillas.

As budget director David Stockman had Wednesday, Reagan left the door open to revision and compromise with a wary Congress over his big-deficit, \$957.6 billion budget for next year. He told his critics, "Come up with some specific suggestions... we'll take a look."

But in his eighth news conference as president, Reagan said he saw little room for trimming his opposed 18 percent boost in defense spending. "We cannot back away on national defense," he

said, without sending the wrong signal to friend and foe alike.

Responding to calls to back off the massive tax cuts he won last year, Reagan said the three-year program was the strongest measure available for restoring productivity. "To abandon our tax policy now would be giving up a fundamental thing that is required," he added.

Reagan did not specify when recovery from recession would begin.

Meanwhile, he announced he would soon name a panel of private citizens to search out waste and inefficiency in the government, concentrating on further reductions in the budget.

"This will be the largest effort of its kind ever mounted to save tax dollars. I expect them to roll up their sleeves and search out waste and inefficiency..." he said. "We mean business and we intend to get results."

Reagan affirmed that Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger had represented the United States when he discussed possible sales of missile launchers and F-16 jets to Jordan, an episode that drew

a severe protest from Israel. "We're not just an arms supplier" Reagan said, adding he didn't believe Weinberger's mission "was correctly portrayed in some of the stories."

Asked whether there were any circumstances under which he might use U.S. troops in El Salvador, Reagan said, "Well, maybe if they dropped a bomb on the White House, I might get mad."

Reagan said he didn't believe there was a parallel between U.S. involvement in Central America and Southeast Asia at the time the United States was becoming involved in the Vietnam war.

He said high interest rates were the greatest threat today to a lasting recovery from the recession. Major banks increased the prime rate from 16½ to 17 percent Wednesday.

The president said the boost reflected concern that the Federal Reserve Board might ease monetary policy and that the administration might tolerate ever-higher deficits. Reagan's budget projection record deficits, with the figure this year estimated at \$98.6 billion.

He said the Federal Reserve and the administration could and would work together to produce monetary and fiscal policies that should quell concerns in the money markets. "I will devote the resources of my presidency to keeping deficits down over the next several years," he said.

The president said he inherited an economic mess when he took office a year ago, and that since then the nation had made progress on many fronts, citing the declining inflation rate.

"But obviously we aren't out of the woods yet," Reagan said. "There'll still be some difficult days ahead, but at least we are heading toward a clearing."

Reagan also defended his nomination of Sam Hart, a religious broadcaster from Philadelphia, to the Civil Rights Commission. "I'm quite confident about his ability," Reagan said, responding to criticism of Hart's position on equal rights for

women. "He is not against equal rights. He is for them. He just happens to be opposed to ERA," Reagan said.

Expressed concern about the plight of the American farmer. "I don't know what sector of the economy is hurt worse than the American farmer," he said. Reagan added that he would use a grain embargo as a foreign policy tool only as part of an across-the-board embargo because he won't penalize one sector of our industry—the farmer.

Refused to comment on whether the Soviets had introduced offensive weapons in Cuba in violation of an understanding that stemmed from the Cuban missile crisis.

Declined to say whether the United States would again save the Polish government from default on loans to U.S. banks. "Default as it stands right now would make Poland more dependent on the Soviet Union," he said, adding that no decision had been made.

## Bookstore has leftist diversity

By RANDY WALKER  
DTH Staff Writer

Internationalist Books, located above Henderson Street Bar, is the only bookstore in Chapel Hill that stocks the *Anarchist Black Dragon*.

The *Dragon*, subtitled "Cheap Komix — 13 Ways to Get Out of Jail," was published by a prisoner in Walla-Walla, Washington, Internationalist founder Bob Sheldon said.

"The guy was murdered right after he put it out," he said.

The *Anarchist Black Dragon* is only one of hundreds of titles available at the Internationalist, where the ideology runs from anarchist to communist to Yippie.

"We generally try to hit against U.S., European and Soviet imperialism, but there are a number of differences among the people who work here," he said.

On a recent rainy afternoon at the bookstore, Sheldon, an employee Marilyn (who asked that her last name not be used) and Yippie organizer John Ganga discussed the differences.

"The publications have a certain degree of criticizing Soviet imperialism," Sheldon said.

"To actually call it imperialist — I don't think we're agreed on that," Marilyn replied.

"We need to bring it up at a meeting," Sheldon said.

The bookstore is owned and managed by a volunteer collective of eight to 12 people, including a truck driver, nurse, waitress, secretary and several students.

"We promote internationalism," Sheldon said. "We are united with the peasants of Iran and the workers of Turkey." The collective's recently revised Statement of Purpose says:

"We are united with the people world-

wide in their resistance to all imperialism... We have no interest in keeping America No. 1... In fact, we clearly recognize the criminal nature of the U.S. and welcome each and every defeat she suffers."

"We just had a discussion and revised it (the Statement of Purpose)," Sheldon said.

A fragile-looking young man with a wispy black beard and a foreign accent walked in and launched into a political discussion with Sheldon. He carried a copy of *The Militant* newspaper.

When he left, Marilyn said: "He's probably from the SWP (Socialist Worker's Party). He wanted to know if we would carry their newspaper."

"We have to discuss it," Sheldon and Marilyn said together.

While the man from the SWP was leaving, John Ganga rolled a cigarette.

"It's a good place to hang out," he said. "You can come in, read every book in the place and nobody cares."

"We encourage people to come in, browse, discuss, sit down," Sheldon said as he put an album on the store's stereo. The collective's small library includes *Darkness on the Edge of Town* by Bruce Springsteen, *Sandinista* by the Clash and Bob Marley's *Uprising*.

"You have to renounce the goods we get from the exploitation of the Third World," Marilyn said. "My parents are middle-class. You start that out that way, but you have to renounce your middle-class interest."

Sheldon is a full-time nurse at Student Health Service. As a UNC staff member, he takes one class per semester free, usually in political science or economics.

"He doesn't think he knows everything yet," Marilyn said.

With his reddish hair and round, plas-



Bob Sheldon discusses the clientele of the Internationalist...customers include anarchists, communists and yippies

tic glasses, Sheldon has been a familiar figure to many UNC students for years. He has often set up a table in the Pit to sell books and buttons and to talk to whoever stopped by. In fact, that's how Internationalist Books got started.

"It was sort of an embryonic Internationalist Books," Sheldon recalled. Toward the end of last semester, Sheldon and Marilyn decided they wanted to expand the table into a full-time bookstore.

"We went and said to a number of people, 'Will you work with us?' and they said yes," Marilyn said. "We opened in the middle of exams. Then there was Christmas, so it was sort of screwed up."

But the store has been doing well this semester.

"We've had enough (business) to order some new books and do a little bit of advertising," Sheldon said.

"We've sold a couple hundred at least," Marilyn said. "We're doing well enough to pay our bills."

Their room costs \$165 a month; the landlord is Tim Kirkpatrick, who runs the bar downstairs. Enough is left over to pay for the phone (942-REDS). Legally, they are a proprietorship. "We're working on non-profit status," Sheldon said.

Unlike a regular bookstore, the Internationalist does not confine itself to ledgers and invoices.

"The main idea of this resource center is to be able to influence people's hearts and minds," Sheldon said. "We go to libraries and professors and urge them to use different books."

Some of the titles available are *Mao for Beginners*, *Women and Revolution* and *The Big Red Joke Book*. The shelves are divided into sections with titles like Black History, Liberation Theology and Atheism. For children, there is the story of Immortal Hero Yang Ken-Sze, a people's martyr of the Korean War.

But not all the sections are so well stocked.

"Our gay section needs building up," Marilyn said.

## Residents offer praise of fire plan

By MARK STINNEFORD  
DTH Staff Writer

Following a small fire in the basement of Winston Residence Hall Wednesday morning, area students expressed confidence in existing emergency procedures as University officials emphasized their ongoing program to upgrade fire safety on campus.

Although Winston dormitory has smoke detectors on first through third floors and heat detectors in the basement, the fire was not discovered until a resident observed smoke in a stairwell and set off a fire alarm.

Despite the failure of the detection equipment, Winston students praised fire preparedness for their dormitory.

"With the number of fire drills we've had here, I think we can handle anything," sophomore Jim Byers said. "The danger of fire is something everyone takes very seriously here."

"The essential facts were that we evacuated the hall quickly and that on one was hurt," Winston Area Director Mickey Sullivan said. "An incident like this always emphasizes the need for increased awareness, but I think we handled ourselves extremely well under the circumstances."

Smoke detector/fire alarm systems are now installed in the upper and lower quad residence areas as well as in Winston, Conner, Joyner, Alexander, Old East, Old West and Spencer residence halls, said Russell Perry, associate director of operations for University housing.

Perry said the remaining dorms should have smoke detector/fire alarm systems installed within two to three years.

"We can't install the systems as fast as

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## Vandenbergh takes oath, appoints aides

By DEAN FOUST  
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After being sworn into office, Student Body President-Elect Mike Vandenbergh announced Thursday afternoon the appointment of his six executive assistants and the institution of his revised cabinet structure.

Vandenbergh was given the oath of office by the chief justice of the Student Supreme Court, Roy Cooper, before about 15 people in Suite C. Vandenbergh raised his right hand and repeated the oath of office given by Cooper.

"I, Mike Vandenbergh, do solemnly swear that I shall preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the Student Body of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the laws enacted under its authority."

With the new executive branch organization, each executive assistant will coordinate several cabinet offices' activities, Vandenbergh said.

"I have essentially reorganized the entire office, and the numbers reflect this new structure," he said. Former Student Body President Scott Norberg had five executive assistants.

"The purpose (of the change) is to promote communication between areas of similarity in the executive branch," he said. "One assistant will coordinate those committees with re-

lated concerns such as bus services, transportation and town relations."

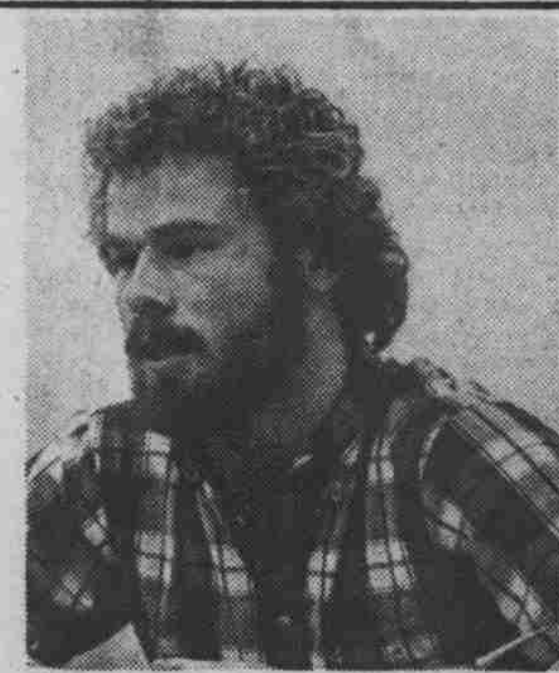
Vandenbergh also announced the creation of a new executive assistant position aimed at promoting student awareness of Student Government activities. This executive assistant will also be charged with improving each Student Government official's knowledge of other areas in Student Government.

Melanie Wilson, a sophomore from Newton, was named to this position with the title of executive assistant of participation. Wilson will also be the Student Government representative at orientation events such as Tar Heel Days.

Tony Lathrop, a junior from Chapel Hill, will continue as special projects assistant, a position he has held since November when Summey Orr resigned to campaign for office. Lathrop was earlier head of town relations under former Student Body President Bob Saunders.

Sally Hadden, a sophomore from Wilmington, will direct the Town Relations Committee, the Transportation Committee and the State and National Relations Committee.

Donald Beeson, a senior from Winston-Salem, was named to supervise the University Services, Housing, Food Services and Health Affairs, and the Scholarships, Aid and Student Stores committees.



Mike Vandenbergh

Jonathan Reckford, a sophomore from Chapel Hill, will direct the Educational Policy, Academic Procedures, Academic Advising and University Relations committees.

Leslie Takahashi, a sophomore from Bound Brook, N.J., was appointed executive assistant for student services and the new employment service Vandenbergh proposed during the campaign.

Although three of the appointees have little experience in Student Government, Vandenbergh said he was pleased with their potential.

"It was a matter of selecting people who are energetic, independent and extremely concerned about Student Government having a greater impact in student life," he said.

Although the official inauguration ceremonies will be held Tuesday night, Cooper said the swearing-in ceremony was held this week to allow the new president to assume his duties now.

## Campus crime

### Most students are victims, not perpetrators, but local rate increase shows need for caution

By SONJA PAYTON  
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Although Chapel Hill's crime rate increased by 0.9 percent last year, Ben Callahan, the administrative assistant to the town's chief of police, said students were not a significant part of the problem.

Callahan said students were often the victims of crimes, not the perpetrators. The presence of a university in a town tends to lower its crime rate because of the type of people associated with it, he said.

A statistical comparison of the Chapel Hill and University communities shows substantially lower crime figures for the campus, although its population is larger.

Sgt. Robert Porreca of the campus police also attributed the relatively low crime rate to the sort of person affiliated with the university.

"What we have here is middle-class people with middle-class values and a respect for the law," he said. Porreca said Chapel Hill was a nice place to live and work because it does not have the intensity of crime generally associated with towns the same size. He said that factor rested on the town's economic base.

Campus police Sgt. Walter Dunn said college students were inclined to be trusting and to stay out of trouble. He cautioned, however, that their trusting nature made them highly vulnerable to thefts.

University crime prevention officer Ned Comar is trying to educate students by presenting slide shows, newspaper articles, radio spots and posters. Meanwhile, Dunn urged students to report suspicious people, lock their doors always and generally exercise caution.

Student crimes are typically the less serious ones, such as passing bad checks, playing pranks, using narcotics and violating

traffic laws, Dunn said.

But police policy is no different for students than for the rest of the public, Dunn and Callahan agreed.

"The law doesn't say that if you're a student, you can go," Dunn said. "An officer may, however, use his discretion."

"We have a very good working relationship with the town of Chapel Hill," he said. The campus police are sworn in through the town of Chapel Hill and have the same legal jurisdiction, but are employed by the University.

The two departments work together on serious cases, although Chapel Hill police refer most campus crimes to the campus police first. The two are classified as separate law enforcement agencies.

It is not easy to determine whether the campus police are more successful in recovering stolen goods than Chapel Hill police, said Sergeant Robert E. Sherman, director of security services for the University. He said recovery was harder because students failed to mark their property.

"A lot of times we find that stolen items are not registered anywhere," he said. "If a person does not mark his property, even if it is recovered they would have no way of verifying who it belonged to."

Sherman said the problem peculiar to police on any campus was having few leads, unlike city police, who sometimes know who to suspect for a crime.

The nature of the college environment creates a sense of false security Sherman added. The crime rate for a community of 30,000 persons would be much higher than that of a college of the same size.

But serious crime does exist on campus, he said. It is the low rate that causes people to be surprised when serious crime does occur.