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Falklands impact may hit U.S.-Latin relations

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United States support of Great Britain in its battle with Argentina for the Falkland Islands could be bad for U.S. relations with Latin America, according to two UNC professors.

"I think the United States has dug itself a big hole in Latin America," said Joseph S. Tulchin, a professor in the UNC history department. "I think it (the U.S.) has alienated all the countries in the hemisphere."

Richard A. Soloway, also a history department professor, said the U.S. had no choice but to support Great Britain.

"The U.S. clearly tried to be neutral at first, but we really had no choice after a certain point," Soloway said.

UNC student Adrian Halpern, who is of Argentine descent, said he believed the Argentines were right to attempt to take the Falklands.

"History has shown us the British have not given up any of their possessions unless

they were under the compulsion of violence," he said. "I think it's regrettable."

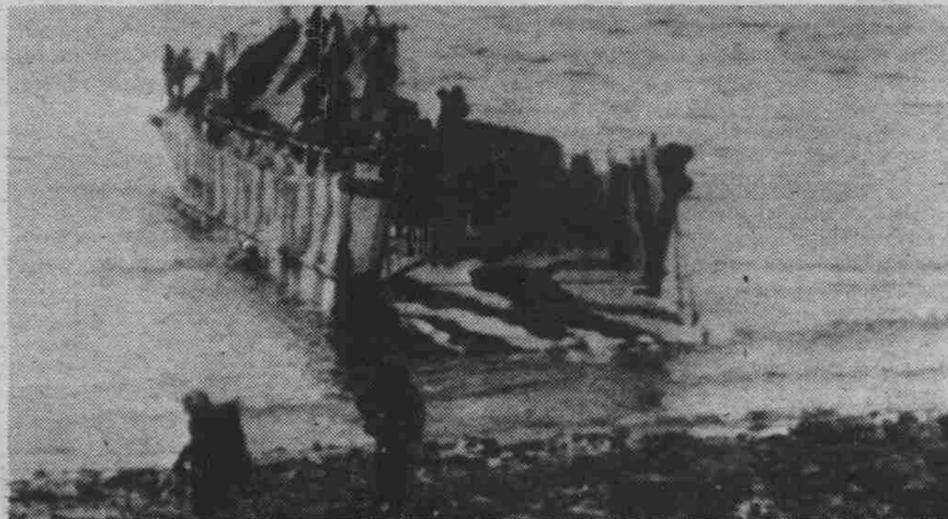
Halpern, a senior Latin American Studies major from Charlotte, also said the Falklands battle would have negative effects on U.S.-Latin America relations. "They (Latin Americans) have long had suspicions regarding the United States," he said.

"One friend of ours — an Argentine — told us that all future generations of his family would be taught that Americans are 'hijos de putas,' which means sons of bitches."

U.S.-Latin America relations would be damaged because of the amount of support Argentina has from Latin America, Halpern said. "Latin Americans have supported Argentina in this (the Falklands battle)," he said.

But Soloway said Argentina had forced itself into a "very, very difficult position" because of a lack of support it has in Latin America. "It's not a very popular country within Latin America," he said.

Soloway said negative impact on U.S. relations with other Latin American countries might be limited by Argentina's lack of popularity.



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Royal Marines disembark from a landing craft to reinforce troops from the British Task Force who have already established a bridgehead at Port San Carlos on the Falkland Islands.

Argentina has had the opportunity to pose as "victim" in the situation because it is an underdeveloped country competing

with two strong countries — the U.S. and Great Britain, Tulchin said.

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Tar Heels John Basil (10), Dave Wingate (19), Brent Voelkel (43) celebrate score against Cornell.

Victorious lax team meets Hopkins

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UNC's top-ranked Tar Heels advanced easily to the finals of the 1982 NCAA lacrosse tournament in Chapel Hill last week, sending Navy to a watery Fetzer Field grave on Wednesday and smothering Cornell in stifling heat Saturday.

The defending national champion Tar Heels face number two-ranked Johns Hopkins in Charlottesville, Va., Saturday in a 2 p.m. rematch of last year's finals.

Against the Big Red of Cornell Carolina generated enough offensive heat of its own in the first half to put the game on ice before high temperatures and humidity began to slow both teams. The Tar Heels, led by All-American attackman Michael Burnett, jumped to a 10-3 halftime lead and held on to win big, 15-8.

Burnett finished the game with three goals and three assists.

But the Tar Heel offense, known for striking early and building up leads with streak scoring, took a while to shake loose in the first half against the Big Red.

Leading only 4-2 at the end of the first quarter, Carolina ambushed the Big Red with goals by Brent Voelkel and Jeff Homire, both assisted by Burnett. Then, with 6:10 left in the half, Burnett popped the Cornell net for his third goal, followed 25 seconds later by Voelkel, and 29 seconds later by Ted Millsbaugh.

Andy Smith rounded out the Tar Heel first half scoring 68 seconds later.

Keys to the game were Carolina's superiority on ground balls and faceoffs. The Tar Heels hustled up 81 grounders to 67 for the Big Red, and took 16 faceoffs to Cornell's nine.

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ERA given high priority on General Assembly's list

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As North Carolina goes, so — maybe — goes the national bid for Equal Rights Amendment ratification, ERA leaders said as their 11th-hour campaign came to North Carolina last week.

An analysis

North Carolina, Illinois, Florida and Oklahoma have been targeted by ERA backers as the most likely prospects for the three legislative victories needed to make the amendment part of the U.S. Constitution. Deadline for ratification by the necessary 38 states is June 30, and the N.C. General Assembly's

action on the measure may make or break the national campaign, backers say.

But while state ERA supporters pulled off minor victories in skirmishes last week, the battle in the June short session will be fought in the same generally unfriendly territory as before. General Assembly opponents of the amendment have claimed 28 of the state Senate's 50 members as firm allies in any votes that come up on the measure.

The push picked up momentum last week with the release at Gov. Jim Hunt's weekly press conference of a Louis Harris Associates poll revealing that an absolute majority of voting-age North Carolinians now favor the amendment. Harris himself, a UNC graduate, attended the conference to release the poll, commissioned by KNOW, Inc., a non-

profit organization that conducts studies of women's issues.

A nearly identical poll by Harris' organization in 1979 showed that the amendment was favored by only 49-41 percent.

Release of the poll at the governor's press conference apparently signalled the start of redoubled efforts for ERA by Hunt, a long-time backer of the amendment whose efforts last year were criticized by some ERA activists.

Hunt said he was "optimistic" about ERA's chances in the short session, which begins Wednesday. The governor has made ERA a top legislative priority for the June session and said last week he would "work

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