

# Biden's career isn't over, experts say

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Democratic Sen. Joseph Biden's staff is still answering the phone, "Biden for President," but they will soon move on.

"Some of us might go to other campaigns, others might leave politics altogether," said Tim Heaphy, college press contact for Biden. "It depends on the individual."

Biden withdrew from the race Wednesday afternoon following 10 days of press disclosures charging plagiarism in his campaign speeches and misrepresentation of his law school record.

But Biden is far from washed up, Heaphy said.

"He certainly left the door open for a run at the presidency in '92 in his speech," he said.

The senator will continue investigating the nomination of Robert

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Bork to the Supreme Court as chairman of the Senate's powerful Judiciary Committee.

"Generally, a senator or congressman's own constituency are more forgiving," said Philip Meyer, UNC professor of journalism. "So he probably will have a great future as a senator from his own state."

Since Biden's withdrawal came after former Democratic Sen. Gary Hart's downfall, Biden received less attention. When Hart quit, the field for the Democratic nomination was blown wide open, with no strong frontrunner, Meyer said. With Biden gone, the field is narrowed.

Both Biden and Hart quit the race after media disclosures cast doubts about their characters.

"The press has become more of a player, and less of a commentator," Heaphy said.

The result is candidates who are bland and mediocre, because such candidates are safe from press scrutiny, Heaphy said.

But Meyer said it is up to the press to identify inferior candidates.

"Certain character flaws could be damaging in a president," Meyer said. "It would be nice to have a candidate who has his own ideas."

Candidates are under constant scrutiny and have to be above reproach, said Robert Jones, communications director of the N.C. Republican party.

"If you're in politics, you're in a fishbowl, and you do all you can to stay squeaky clean," he said.

Television clips showing Biden speaking next to those whom he had mimicked, proved especially damag-

ing because Biden had used the same tone of voice, pace, and hand gestures, said Frank Biocca, a UNC professor of psychology and symbolic processing of TV.

"What you saw was an empty, inauthentic individual," he said. "All of a sudden he became totally transparent. You wouldn't have that in print."

The Biden campaign machine is now winding down. Second only to Dukakis in funds among the Democrats, Biden will have to decide what to do with his money.

Up to \$1,000 of the funds can be given to another candidate, but Biden may donate some to charities or political organizations, said Fred Diland, press officer for the Federal Elections Commission.

Biden may also allocate the money for personal use, after receiving FEC approval, Diland said.

# U.S., Soviet leaders urge unity in ending Iran-Iraq conflict

From Associated Press reports

**UNITED NATIONS** — Secretary of State George Shultz and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze on Thursday agreed that unity can help secure a cease-fire between warring Iran and Iraq, but said nothing about a U.S.-proposed arms embargo against Iran.

The United States had asked for the meeting with Shevardnadze after the Soviets did not publicly endorse the embargo.

Shultz said they decided he would visit Moscow Oct. 22-23 to set a date for the summit at which President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev will sign a pact eliminating the superpowers' shorter- and medium-range nuclear missiles.

Both Shultz and Shevardnadze called their discussion on the Iran-Iraq war constructive and stressed the importance of unity on a United Nations Security Council peace plan.

The council's resolution demands that Iran and Iraq observe a cease-fire and withdraw to internationally-recognized boundaries as the first step toward peace.

## News in Brief

**Health and Human Services.**

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**Evangelist defends himself**

CHARLOTTE — Evangelist John Wesley Fletcher said Thursday he did not force Jessica Hahn to have sex with him and does not know if PTL founder Jim Bakker forced himself on her during a 1980 meeting in a Florida motel room.

"Much of what has appeared in magazines and other media has bared only half-truths," Fletcher said in a statement he read after testifying for three hours before a federal grand jury investigating the television ministry. "I told the truth, painful as it is."

"I did introduce Jessica Hahn to Jim Bakker, but I have no personal knowledge of what happened after I left," Fletcher said. "I forced no one to do anything."

**Broadway mourns Fosse**

NEW YORK — Broadway theaters dimmed their lights Thursday for one minute before the start of evening performances in honor of Bob Fosse, the director and choreographer who made musicals sizzle.

Fosse, whose musical credits included "The Pajama Game," "Damn Yankees," "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," "Pippin" and "Dancin'," died Wednesday night of a heart attack while doing what he did best — working on a show.

## AIDS booklets printed

WASHINGTON — The federal government is printing 45 million copies of a new brochure on AIDS and will start distributing the eight-page booklet next week, an administration official said Thursday.

The pamphlet will be distributed through state and local health departments, community-based organizations and large employers, said Campbell Gardett, a spokesman for the Department of

# American Indians need help, speaker says

By CARRIE DOVE  
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Education and dedication to Indian culture are needed to build a positive future for Native Americans, Assistant Director of the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs David McKoy told about 20 people, mostly Native Americans.

"I'm really worried about our young people," McKoy said in a speech sponsored by the Carolina Indian Circle Thursday night in Gardner Hall.

Young people need to have pride in their heritage, McKoy said.

"I think you are the modern warriors," said McKoy, an alumnus of the UNC School of Public Health and a clinical assistant professor in public health.

McKoy, a Turtle Mountain Chipewewa raised in North Dakota, said the 65,000 Native Americans in North Carolina need better education, housing and daycare programs.

Better education for Native Americans would be "planting the seeds

and waiting for the harvest" of more competent and educated Indians, said McKoy, who received his master's degree in public health in 1982 and then graduated from the UNC Law School in 1985.

McKoy joined the Commission of Indian Affairs last year after a brief stint in the UNC Office of the Dean of Public Health. The N.C. General Assembly created the commission in 1972.

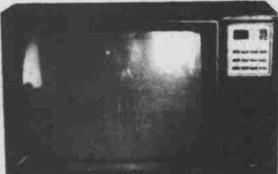
The commission's programs include the Indian Housing Author-

ity, which has contracted 234 homes for low-income Native Americans, and a Talent Search that provides high school students with college guidance and vocational information. The commission also held an educational symposium and is formulating a state-wide education policy for Native Americans.

McKoy said the commission is turning away from the reactive approach to Indian affairs and instead beginning new, positive programs. As a positive way to advance Indian culture, he said the commission is planning to build an N.C. Indian Cultural Center off of Interstate 95.

"You've got to accept the idea that you're a cultural broker and you have to carry out the message (of the culture)," he said.

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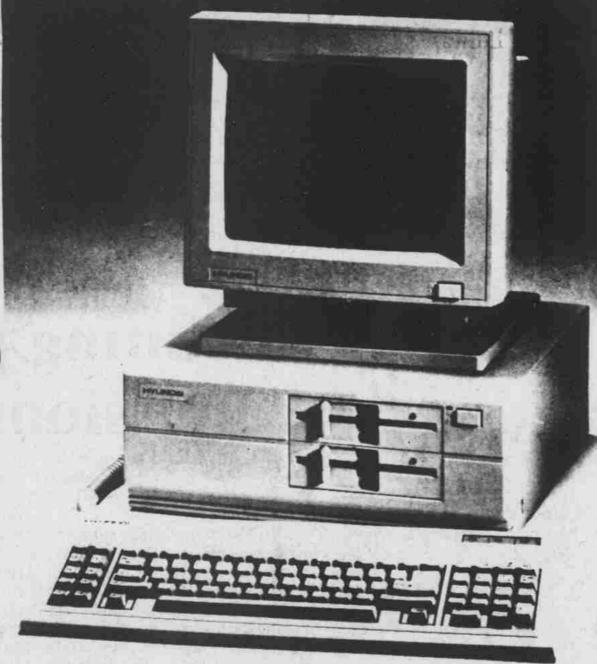
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