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 TODAY: Mostly sunny; high mid-40s
 SATURDAY: Partly cloudy; high 45-50

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 SIGNED: Outfielder Ron Gant, who agreed Thursday to a \$3.7 million, one-year contract with the Atlanta Braves — a \$1 million raise for the 27-year-old outfielder. Gant hit .259 with 17 home runs, 80 RBIs and 32 stolen bases in 1992, when the Braves won their second straight National League pennant.

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FRIDAY IN THE NEWS
 Top stories from state, nation and world

Clinton abandons vow to alter Haitian policy

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — President-elect Bill Clinton, retreating at least temporarily from a campaign pledge, said Thursday he would honor President Bush's policy of forcibly returning Haitian boat people to Haiti.
 "For the time being, this is the right policy," Clinton said.
 He had criticized the policy sharply during his campaign, leading to widespread expectations in Haiti that he would overturn it.
 First word of Clinton's decision to abandon — at least for now — his campaign vow to scrap the restrictive policy on Haitian refugees came in a radio broadcast to the Haitian people.
 Later, he cited humanitarian grounds for his first foreign policy pronouncement. He said he did not want his inauguration next Wednesday to launch tens of thousands of refugees on the risky trip to Florida.
 "I still believe the policy should be changed ... but I don't think we can do it on a dime on January the 20th," Clinton said.

Iraq swears revenge for U.S.-led air strikes

NICOSIA, CYPRUS — A still-defiant Iraq pledged Thursday to avenge the U.S.-led air strikes against its southern missile sites.
 The raids by American, British and French warplanes on Wednesday killed 19 people, two of them civilians, and wounded 15, Baghdad radio said.
 Saddam Hussein's government appeared willing to make some concessions to the United Nations. At the same time, it apparently was trying to shift attention away from the southern "no-fly" zone to a similar aircraft exclusion zone in the north.
 The Iraqi ambassador to Turkey, Raffi Daham al-Tikriti, said in Ankara that his country's anti-aircraft missiles in the zone north of the 36th parallel would be kept in place.
 Iraqi television reported "mass demonstrations" across Iraq to protest the air raids and show support for Saddam. Tens of thousands of people were shown marching in Baghdad, Najaf and other towns.

Letterman will make summer switch to CBS

NEW YORK — David Letterman told his "Late Night" audience Thursday he'll be taking his "Stupid Pet Tricks" and Top 10 lists from NBC to CBS.
 Letterman said his last show on NBC will be June 25.
 Letterman, during the afternoon taping of his show, tipped his hand by starting with a joke about how he would be visiting outgoing President Bush to pick up extra moving boxes.



The audience groaned, and he replied, "Do you really mean that, ladies and gentlemen?" He continued: "Shortly thereafter we'll be taking this program to another network — can I mention this? — taking it over there to CBS."
 Former "Late Night" page Chris Brown, a 1991 UNC graduate, told the DTH that Letterman's top 10 list for the program was the "real reasons Dave is leaving NBC." Brown said Letterman's number one reason for departing the network was "because they make me wear pants."

AIDS epidemic slowing, still spreading in U.S.

ATLANTA — At least 330,000 Americans will have died from AIDS by 1995, but the epidemic's spread will slow a little, according to projections federal health officials released Thursday.
 "The AIDS epidemic hasn't plateaued, but it will not grow as fast as in its earlier years," said Dr. John Ward, chief of AIDS surveillance for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
 "Why? A slowdown in new infections is a possibility, and another is that people with HIV are getting treatment that slows the progression to AIDS."
 Still, the CDC said that by 1995 more than half a million Americans will have been diagnosed with AIDS since the start of the epidemic.
 —The Associated Press and staff reports

UNC employees to get day-care help

By Daniel Aldrich
 Staff Writer

Lower-paid UNC employees will be getting University help in finding affordable child-care alternatives as part of a \$100,000 allocation by Chancellor Paul Hardin.

In a five-page letter to Hardin dated Jan. 5, the Child Care Advisory Committee recommends that the University allocate almost \$100,000 for additional child-care services for UNC employees and students.
 Committee members said Thursday that Hardin had pledged his support for the recommendations. Hardin, who is out of town until Tuesday, was unavailable for comment.
 "Chancellor Hardin is very support-

ive of day care and is certainly in support of our recommendations," said Garland Hershey, a member of the committee and vice chancellor for health affairs.
 The committee recommended that \$50,000 of the money be used to provide subsidies and loans to University staff members to help them pay the high cost of day care.
 Nancy Park, administrative director of Child Care Networks, a resource and referral agency for Orange and Chatham counties, said the average cost of day care for an infant aged 1-12 months was about \$385 a month at a licensed full-time center.
 Both Victory Village Day Care Center and Chapel Hill Day Care Center are licensed full-time child-care centers.

The care provided by centers like these could cost more than \$4,500 annually for University-employed parents whose yearly salary may be only \$15,000, Park said.
 Many university employees could have to spend almost one-third of their annual salaries to pay for day care.
 "We hope that this subsidy will enable parents who would otherwise be unable to afford day care to find that care," Hershey said.
 Donald Boulton, vice chancellor for student affairs and a committee member, agreed with Hershey, adding: "We have a number of people now who are employed by the University with children."
 "Child care is not a cheap thing — it is expensive as you want it to be for high

quality. This kind of financial aid will be definitely instigated."
 Provost Richard McCormick said the loans would focus on lower-paid staff. "Paying for child care is difficult for employees with low wages," he said.
 "The largest amount of money in the report is for this child-care support for the less well-off faculty, students and staff."
 Alan McSurely, the attorney representing the UNC housekeepers in their grievance against UNC, said University officials had been working overtime to provide small concessions to the housekeepers.
 "As the university tried to hand out turkeys at Christmas (last year), that is not what the housekeepers are upset about," McSurely said. He said the

housekeepers were seeking higher wages, not small favors.
 Committee members suggested that \$10,000 of the allocated money be used to help develop a potential site for a Head Start classroom for three- and four-year-old children of University employees. The Head Start classroom would be available for both children in the Head Start program and children who could afford to pay for the education.
 The committee also recommended that \$5,000 of the allocated money be offered to the Victory Village Day Care Center to hire a child-care expert. The expert would consult with a team from the Kenan-Flagler Business School to set up a new administrative structure for the center.



Some furniture still gone after athletes' arrest

By Thanassis Cambanis
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Despite the arrest of two former UNC football players on charges of possessing property stolen from Carmichael Residence Hall, University Police still are investigating the case, in which more than \$2,000 in furniture was reported missing from the dormitory shortly after a 10-day stay by the football team.
 University Police arrested former UNC quarterback Chuckie Burnette and wide receiver Julius Reese Wednesday after searching the pair's 228 Teague Residence Hall room and discovering stolen furniture and UNC property tags valued at \$908.70.

But the pieces of furniture found in Burnette and Reese's room, which included two chairs, an end table and a cocktail table, did not account for all of what was reported missing after the team's 10-day stay from Aug. 7 through Aug. 17.
 "There were other pieces that disappeared at the same time that haven't been accounted for," said Wayne Kuncl, director of University housing. "The police have had this matter since it happened and, to the best of my knowledge, they are still investigating."
 The furniture and property tags found in Reese and Burnette's room matched

some of the furniture stolen from Carmichael. The property tags, which identified the furniture as belonging to UNC, were found in Burnette's footlocker.
 Both Burnette, a senior from Haw River, and Reese, a senior from Winston-Salem, were charged with possession of stolen goods and were released on \$1,000 unsecured bonds. They are scheduled to appear in Chapel Hill District Court Feb. 4.
 Burnette and Reese were registered in different third-floor Carmichael rooms in mid-August. Burnette, who sparked controversy last summer with his involvement in the fight for a free-standing black cultural center, quit the team at the beginning of the season citing personal reasons. Reese still has one year of athletic eligibility left.
 Reese, who is not enrolled in school this semester, was contacted in Winston-Salem and cooperated fully with police, reports stated.
 Two University Housing Support Maintenance employees saw and recognized the stolen furniture in Burnette and Reese's room while performing routine electrical maintenance over Winter Break.
 Head Football Coach Mack Brown

Closing the 'Big O'

John Carswell, owner of Colonial Drug Co., closes up shop on West Franklin Street Thursday night. Carswell graduated from

UNC pharmacy school in 1943, and his shop has been a fixture in Chapel Hill since the 1950s.
 DTH/Erin Randall

Week of festivities honors King

By Chris Robertson
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Although no classes will be held on Monday, there is more for UNC students, faculty and employees to do than sleep late and not check the mail. A series of celebrations, festivities, speeches and services are planned to honor the birthday and memory of Martin Luther King Jr. throughout next week.
 The week kicks off with the eighth-annual Martin Luther King Jr. University/Community Banquet in the UNC Ballroom of the Carolina Inn. The banquet is open to all members of the University community, and tickets may be obtained from the Office of University Affairs for \$20.
 Several speeches will be presented during the week, including a Friday night lecture by Lerone Bennett, senior editor of Ebony magazine, in Memorial Hall. Discussions will be held during the week on topics such as the philosophical differences between Malcolm X and King, civil responsibilities and race relations.
 Michelle Johnson, coordinator of the 1993 Martin Luther King Oratorical Contest, sponsored by the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, said students would present skits five to seven minutes long for the event. All students who wish to compete for the \$50 prize should contact Johnson.
 "We've been doing this contest for as long as the celebration week has been at the University, and it is a great way to come out and continue Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream," she said.
 In "A Show Of Hands" in Polk Place at noon Wednesday, Jan. 20, members of the University community can join hands as a remembrance of the peace and love King preached.
 Soyini Madison, an assistant profes-

- Celebration Schedule of Events**
- Sunday, Jan. 17**
 - 7 p.m. - Eight Annual Martin Luther King, Jr., University/Community Banquet, UNC Ballrooms, Carolina Inn. Tickets: \$20. Call 962-6962
 - Monday, Jan. 18**
 - 3 p.m. - Community Memorial Service First Baptist Church, Chapel
 - Tuesday, Jan. 19**
 - 12 noon - MLK Discussion Forum, "Malcolm and Martin: Must We Choose?" The Sonja Haynes Stone Black Culture Center
 - 7:30 p.m. - 1993 MLK Oratorical Contest, "Reclaiming the African American Youth," Great Hall
 - Wednesday, Jan. 20**
 - 8 a.m. - 12 noon - Housekeepers Appreciation Day. Students will be paired with housekeepers.
 - 12 noon - "A Show of Hands," Polk Place, UNC Campus (Quad area in front of South Building)
 - 1 p.m. - MLK Discussion/Forum: "Rap, Race and Religion," The Sonja Haynes Stone Black Culture Center
 - 2 p.m. - Video and discussion: "The Rumors and Facts of Poverty and Civil Responsibility" Union 206
 - 3 p.m. - Forum and panel discussion: "It's Not Just Black and White" Union 224
 - 4 p.m. - Discussion and forum: "The Universality of Civil Rights" Union 208-209
 - 6:30 p.m. - Residence Hall Programs: Further information at your area office
 - 6:30 p.m. - Lecture/Discussion: Dr. Yvan das dōres Silva, "Martin Luther King and Mahatma Gandhi," Carmichael Ballroom
 - Thursday, Jan. 21**
 - 12 noon - MLK Discussion/Forum: "Dr. King and Education," Sonja Haynes Stone Black Cultural Center
 - 4 p.m. - Video and Discussion: "Muslims in America" Union 208
 - 7:30 p.m. - "I, Too, Sing America" Union 208
 - Friday, Jan. 22**
 - 6:30 p.m. - Candlelight Vigil; The Pit
 - 7 p.m. - Lecture: Lerone Bennett, Jr., "Martin Luther King: The Man, The Message, and Our Times," Presentation of Scholarship; Memorial Hall
 - Saturday, Jan. 23**
 - 12 noon - Lecture/Demonstration: James Chapman, "The Principles of Empowerment," Great Hall
 - 8 p.m. - Play: "Our Young Black Men Are Dying and No One Seems to Care," Memorial Hall
 - Sunday, Jan. 24**
 - 3 p.m. - "Martin Luther King Memorial Celebration" Sonja Haynes Stone Black Culture Center

sor of speech communication, will lead a candlelight vigil in the Pit on Jan. 22 at 6:30 p.m.
 Playwright James Chapman will give a lecture on "The Principles of Empowerment" in Great Hall at noon on Jan. 23. A presentation of Chapman's play, "Our Young Black Men Are Dying and Nobody Seems To Care" will follow

the lecture in Memorial Hall. Tickets can be purchased at the Carolina Union Box Office for \$3.
 The week's activities will end with a ceremony in the Sonja Haynes Stone Black Cultural Center at 3 p.m. Jan. 24. The service will include a speech by Cressie Thigpen, a member of the UNC Board of Trustees.

Dorms might remain open for Duke game

By Gautam Khandelwal
 Staff Writer

"We want Duke, we want Duke," was the chant heard in the Dean E. Smith Center as the Tar Heels defeated Georgia Tech Wednesday night.
 However, because of a scheduling quirk, many UNC students may not be able to attend the Duke-UNC basketball game, which is scheduled for March 7 — the first Sunday of Spring Break.
 But don't shed tears yet, Tar Heel fans.
 The Residence Hall Association, Carolina Athletic Association and the

UNC Athletics Department have proposed a plan that may keep certain residence halls open the weekend of the Duke game.
 Tracy Kirincich, CAA president, said she contacted the Athletics Department to seek support in keeping residence halls open for the game.
 "I went to the Athletic Department and asked if they could write a letter to (the Department of University Housing) in support of keeping the dorms open," Kirincich said.
 Wayne Kuncl, director of University housing, said students presently

Officials, studies dispute Locke Foundation report

By J. Miles Layton
 Staff Writer

A recent study by a conservative Raleigh think tank that suggests UNC-system professors are among the highest-paid in the nation is off-base, according to similar studies and UNC-CH administrators.
 "Salary levels that are this low compared to our peer universities make it very difficult to attract the best faculty members and retain the ones we already have," said Provost Richard McCormick. "Undergraduate students come to Chapel Hill because it has a distinguished faculty."
 "If that ceases then the quality of our student body will decline."
 The Locke Foundation, a conservative think tank based in Raleigh, recently reported that UNC-system salaries for full professors are the fourth highest in the nation. Full professors in

the UNC system earn an average of \$60,564 a year, the report states.
 Reports by the American Association of University Professors and the National Academy of Sciences concluded that UNC-CH professors are paid much lower than their colleagues at other major universities.
 According to the Locke Foundation report, salaries for UNC-CH associate and assistant professors rank seventh nationally. Associate professors at the University earn an average of \$42,551 annually, and assistant professors make about \$36,291, the report states.
 But the AAUP, a national organization, reported last summer that UNC-system salaries were among the lowest in the nation.
 The report compared nationally ranked public universities, including UNC-CH, on the basis of teaching fa-