

Faculty group OKs rape amendment IN THE NEWS Top stories from state, nation and world Supreme Soviet begins

By Holly Stepp Staff Writer

impeachment process MOSCOW - Russia's hard-line legislature, meeting in emergency session Sunday, took the first step toward impeaching President Boris Yeltsin. The Supreme Soviet voted 125-16

to ask Russia's Constitutional Court to review Yeltsin's declaration of

emergency rule. If the court finds that Yeltsin violated the Constitution, he could be impeached by the full parliament, the Congress of People's Deputies, which may be convened as early as Wednes-

day. Constitutional Court chairman Valery Zorkin said Saturday that Yeltsin's declaration appeared to violate the constitution

The Supreme Soviet's resolution also asked Russia's chief prosecutor to consider whether any of Yeltsin's advisers bear criminal responsibility for the declaration of emergency rule

White retirement fuels hope for U.S. liberals

WASHINGTON - Their nearly 20year wait for a sympathetic Supreme Court nominee is almost over, but liberals are hardly euphoric. They say it could take years to undo a genera-tion of conservative appointments. Most liberal activists are keeping

their expectations in check as President Clinton begins his search for a candidate to succeed retiring Justice Byron White.

The new justice is sure to be more progressive than the conservative White. But liberals say the most they hope for with one appointment is an end to what they view as erosion in areas ranging from gay, civil and abortion rights to church-state

French conservatives elected to parliament

PARIS - Voters fed up with political scandal and high unemployment ousted the Socialists from their control of parliament Sunday and cast their lot with the conservatives.

Socialist Party leader Laurent Fabius conceded defeat minutes after the polls closed, saying voters had delivered their verdict and that France faced the most right-wing government

in its history. Fabius urged supporters to vote for any left-wing candidates in runoff elections next Sunday to block a huge

right-wing takeover of parliament. The likely conservative majority means President Francois Mitterrand, a Socialist, will govern the final two years of his second seven-year term with a hostile premier and Cabinet.

Nuclear war almost happened, book says

WASHINGTON — The world was on the edge of a nuclear confrontation between India and Pakistan in early 1990 because of the tug-of-war over Kashmir, according to a new account by Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Seymour M. Hersh.

Seymour M. Hersh. The detailed report, titled "On The Nuclear Edge," is in the March 29 issue of The New Yorker magazine, which appears on newsstands today.

Hersh, quoting senior U.S. intelligence officials by name, termed the showdown in the spring of 1990 "the most dangerous nuclear confron-tation of the postwar era." He said the

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Amendments to Honor Court sexual ssault trial procedures have passed the first step toward becoming part of the University's Honor Code, but some stu-dents say they still are concerned that the procedures would violate victims' rights.

A rape shield amendment, which would minimize testimony about a victim's past sexual history, and a vic-

tims' rights amendment were approved by the Faculty Council Friday. The Faculty Council approved the report by the Committee on Student Conduct presented by Committee Chair-

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ALABAMA

By John C. Manuel

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The scene was the stuff sports mov-

Two players carried their teams for

40 minutes, with spectacular individual moves and efforts, only to see their squads knotted at the end of regula-

tion. Both UNC's Tonya Sampson, a jun-ior, and Alabama's Yolanda Watkins, a freshman, took the big shots for their teams, and when Watkins put her club

on top with an old-fashioned three-

point play with 29 seconds remaining in overtime, the Tide led 73-71. The

Carmichael Auditorium crowd of

1,007 was silenced. Then it was Sampson's turn. The Tar Heels set up a play for their star, who already had tallied a game-high 30 points, one better than Watkins'

game total, her career best. Sampson

game total, her career best. Sampson came off a pick at the top of the key, stepped in and shot. But Sampson's shot was off. Both teams crashed the boards, and with the ball falling out of bounds, Alabama's Niesa Johnson grabbed it and threw it as far from the basket as she could. That went't ware for as it turned

That wasn't very far, as it turned out. The ball landed a few feet behind

her, bounding toward UNC's 6-foot-1 forward Stephanie Lawrence. A noted

3-point shooter, Lawrence was 0-for-3 for the game.

Lawrence scooped up the loose re-

man Robert Byrd. The report still must be approved by Student Congress and Chancellor Paul Hardin before it can take effect. The proposed amendments establish a procedure for determining the admis-sibility of evidence concerning the

victim's sexual behavior and allow the victim to be present at the hearing and

bring a support person. But Ruth Campbell, co-chairwoman of Women Against Rape, said she didn't think the rape shield would be effective. "It was the general consensus of the Rape Awareness subcommittee on Honor Court Reform, which I am a member of, that the proposed rape shield amendment to be implemented would

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not work," she said. Sexual assault cases at the Univer-

Sexual assault cases at the Univer-sity are heard by the Honor Court, a panel of students who enforce the Honor Code and preside over cases involving Honor Code violations. Rape is an Honor Code violation.

The Honor Court's handling of rape cases has come under fire this year from Campbell and other students who claim

the court's policy is ineffective. The proposed amendments to the Honor Code were an attempt to make the Honor Court more capable of handling the sensitive issues involved in sexual assault cases.

According to the first of the proposed amendments to the Honor Code, evi-

dence of the victim's past sexual behavior is admissible only when the behav-ior includes the past history of the victim and the accused.

The proposed change states that the victim's sexual behavior can be used as evidence only if it proves the accused did not commit the charged acts or when the victim's past history is related so closely to the alleged encounter that it proves the alleged victim consented

to the charged acts. Evidence that the alleged victim "fan-tasized or invented the act or acts charged" offered on the basis of expert psychological or psychiatric opinion, also is admissible, according to the pro-

The amendment also stipulates that before a case is heard, the evidence will be considered by a three-person panel-appointed by the judicial programs of-ficer. The victim is not given the explicit right to be present for the panel hearing. But the accused, the legal coun-sel of the accused and the victim's legal

counsel can be present. Campbell said the exclusion of the victim in the amendment was a clear violation of the victim's rights. "She should be there — after all, we are talking about her sexual past," she said. "The members of the three-person

panel are not trained enough, educated

See FACULTY, page 7 **Selection board** chooses Chang to lead the

in the past.

By Jackie Hershkowitz

After nearly five hours of deliberation, an 11-member selection board chose sophomore Yi-Hsin Chang to lead The Daily Tar Heel into its 101st year.

Chang, a journalism and English major from Raleigh, said her top priority would be to increase the diversity of the DTH's staff.

"I think it's most important for the "I think it's most important for the DTH to reflect the diversity of the Uni-versity community," she said. "I want to let campus groups know that the DTH is open and any interested student can write " can write.

The board, which voted six times The board, which voted six times before coming to a decision, selected Chang by a margin of 8-3. The selection board was composed of eight at-large students and three DTH staff members, including a desk editor, an assistant editor and a staff writer.

Board members said they opted for Chang because of her commitment to diversify the DTH.

"She has a unique sensitivity to mi-nority issues because she is a minority," board member Dave Glenn said. "She has a lot of ideas about how to make the DTH more representative of the student

body." Chang, who will begin her term this summer, said she also planned to ex-pand the DTH's coverage of campus, city and world news.

"Our paper tends to shelter our read-ers from what's happening outside Chapel Hill," she said. "I want our reporting to reflect the issues that concern students, faculty members and admin-

istrators." Chang said that under her leadership,



of issues are left Yi-Hsin Chang out of the picture simply because people aren't as vocal

"I think we need to go out there and find the stories so that people aren't left out," she added.

Chang said she thought coverage of Greek organizations, graduate student concerns and nonrevenue sports needed to increase.

to increase. Chang said she would keep world briefs on the front page and added that she thought the paper should publish seven or eight briefs each day. "I want to extend briefs and not just

limit them to events that occur in the Western world," she said. "I think we need to include Asia, Africa, Australia

and other parts of the world that don't get a lot of coverage." Chang said she also wanted to re-structure the editorial page to include more letters to the editor to present more diverse editorial viewpoints

"I'd like a conservative columnist, a woman columnist and one or two minority columnists," she said. "I want to open up our editorial board to everyone campus. "When I talk about diversity, I don't

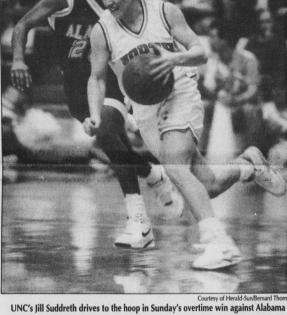
just mean ethnic diversity," she said. "I

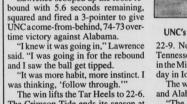
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Board might not endorse BCC report member, said advisory board members told Provost Richard McCormick the committee composed of working group and advisory board members — does plan needed "major revision" before they would approve it. She said McCormick, chairman of the working not recommend either of the two sites remaining under consideration. Sinreich said the Coalition for a Freegroup, told them he would not accept "substantive changes" in the working Standing BCC discussed the draft of the

report submitted to the advisory board t week at a meeting Sunday night. "It's the coalition's unanimous opinion that Dick McCormick's report needed substantive changes to elimi-nate Dick McCormick's bias," she said.

Matt Stiegler, a coalition member,





The Crimson Tide ends its season at

By Thanassis Cambanis

ant University Editor The Black Cultural Center Advisory Board will hold a press conference to-day at noon announcing whether mem-bers intend to endorse a report on the BCC completed by a joint drafting com-

The report, drafted by members of the Chancellor's BCC Working Group and the advisory board, includes programming specifics for a 48,000 square

22-9. No. 17 UNC moves on to play Tennessee, the No. 2 team in the nation.



could possibly happen happened," Tide head coach Rick Moody said. "It's very, very difficult to explain what happened to your team. "They won't forget this feeling and See ALABAMA, page 5

in the Mideast Region semifinals Thursday in Iowa City, Iowa. The win left North Carolina ecstatic, and Alabama speechless. "The worst possible scenario that

Bush administration kept the conflict secret, failing even to disclose it to key members of Congress.

According to Hersh, the nuclear confrontation was defused by the intervention of President Bush's personal envoy, who was sent to India and Pakistan to negotiate a standdown een the two countries

Seven more members depart cult compound

WACO, Texas - At least seven more Branch Davidian cult members left the group's armed compound Sunday, a quickening tempo of releases that the FBI said is a positive sign. The first of the seven — two

women — left the compound shortly after midnight. Two more women followed them out late Sunday morning and a man and two women left in the afternoon, authorities said.

Also at about midday a school bus was seen moving into the compound area, and a short time later a bus left the area with one passenger. But federal authorities wouldn't immediately say if that was yet another cult member leaving the compound. —The Associated Press

foot free-standing BCC and a mission statement for the BCC.

Advisory board members said they looked at a draft of the report earlier this eptable. week and found it "una Ruby Sinreich, an advisory board

simistic and optimistic" about whether the advisory board would also endorse

group's report. McCormick said a report endorsed

by the working group would make it to Hardin's desk early this week. But he

said he was "somewhere between pes-

the auvisory or and would would all the report. "We're trying to figure out if we can issue a joint report," he said. "We're still hoping for a joint report, of course." The report - written by a drafting

said the coalition would encourage the advisory board to reject the report and write their own report "separate of the Chancellor's Working Group and Dick



Rape-Free Zone aims to empower students

By Phuong Ly itaff Writer

I kept telling him to stop, and I was crying. I was scared of him and thought he was going to hurt me.... He had a hand over my face. I was

foot 2 and weighed 110 pounds. I didn't have any choice.... I just wanted to block it out. I felt

ashamed because it happened. I just felt dirty, violated....

J just had no concept that anyone ould do something like that to me.... Every six minutes, a woman is raped. Rachel, a college student from Bos-on, was one of those women — raped during her freshman year by someone she had met at a party. Her reaction was recorded in the book "I Never Called it Rape: The Ms. Report of Recognizing, Fighting and Surviving Rape." According to national statistics, three out of four women will be victims of UNC RAPE-FREE ZONE at least one incident of sexual vio lence in their life-But for 24 hours - from

noon Thursday to noon Friday one area of the UNC campus will be designated as a site free from sexual violence.

The UNC Rape-Free Zone, a slate of programs on sexual assault, will be held within one section of Polk Place from the steps of South Building to the flagpole.

The purpose of the event is to raise awareness about sexual violence, to educate people about what can be done

and where to go for help and to em-power people to action, said project co-chairwoman Jenny Youngblood. "It's a place where people can pro-

claim the right to safety for their bodies and to feel safe in their actions and their words," she said. "It's to emphasize that we do have that right (to safety), and we can stand up for it."

A clothesline display, sponsored by the national Clothesline Project, will mark off the area. The shirts to be hung on the clothesline were created by sur vivors of sexual assault and friends o victims primarily from the Cape Cod, Mass., area, where the Clothesline Project is based.

Project is based. The Rape-Free Zone, sponsored by the Campus Y and other campus groups, will include 15 programs throughout Thursday afternoon focusing on vari-

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By Deepa Perumallu

Gone are the days of Camelot and its chivalrous knights, but have the ideals of chivalry -- "courage, generosity to inferiors, courteousness to en-emies and faithful service to the king, the savior and his lady," according to Collier's Encyclopedia, 1990 — died out in the modern sense as well?

The modern notion of chivalry has lost any former associations with patroitism and physical provess, at least in the minds of many students, profes-sors and Chapel Hill residents. Chivalry now boils down to a single association: the association between

men and women.

Some women, such as junior Kelly Eddins, appreciate men who regard them with traditional chivalrous attiudes. She defined these attitudes more

specifically as "how respectfully a man treats a woman" and said chivalry as she saw it was still alive but

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"The emphasis on it has been taken away and downplayed a lot by the feminist movement," she said. "Women tend to resist it."

Freshman Kelly Gore agreed that chivalry is now rare but attributed the change in behavior to men and to an overall decline in Americans' values.

A chivalrous man is one who is not so pushy on dates, opens doors for women, brings them candy and flowers and avoids being rude to them in general, Gore said.

"That type of thing is almost ex-tinct in men," Gore said, adding that chivalry could be reciprocated by women acting less forward toward

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We thought we had the answers but it was the questions we had wrong. — U2