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IN THE NEWS

Top stories from the state, nation and world

Teenager Arrested After California Firebombings

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Police arrested one teenager and expected to detain more suspects in a string of firebombings aimed at minorities that Gov. Pete Wilson blamed on a "gutless group."

The first of five bombings damaged a synagogue in July. The last caused minor damage Oct. 14 to a state agency that investigated discrimination in housing and employment. Fires also were started at an office of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Japanese-American Citizens League and the home of Jimmie Yee, a city council member. The youth in jail turned 18 on Sunday.

Police didn't identify the youth they arrested Saturday. Officers want to determine whether Sacramento-area skinhead groups are responsible, said police spokesman Michael F. Heenan.

Government, Rebels Call Cease-Fire in Philippines

JAKARTA, Indonesia — The Philippines government and Muslim rebels agreed Sunday to a cease-fire, while talks continue to end the separatist war that has claimed at least 50,000 lives over two decades.

The talks, which began Oct. 25 in Jakarta, are aimed at implementing a 1976 accord that calls for granting some autonomy to the 6 million Muslims in 13 southern provinces.

The rebellion began months after former President Ferdinand Marcos declared martial law in 1972. It had been largely dormant until a spate of bombings hit the south and the capital of Manila this year.

Free Elections in Jordan Accompany Peace Talks

AMMAN, Jordan — Candidates made last-minute appeals Sunday for votes in Jordan's first multiparty elections since 1956, in which proponents of peace with Israel are expected to retain a majority in Parliament.

Monday's elections come after Israeli officials confirmed over the weekend that Jordan and Israel are close to reaching a peace agreement. While Muslim fundamentalists are expected to win the single largest bloc in the lower house of Parliament, conservative and tribal members who support Hussein's policy are expected to keep a majority of seats.

The bicameral legislature must ratify any peace agreement, although Hussein retains ultimate authority with the power to dissolve Parliament and rule by decree.

Assassination Attempt Leads to Israeli Protests

BEIT KAHIL, Occupied West Bank — Palestinian gunmen opened fire Sunday on a car carrying a prominent rightist rabbi, killing his driver. The attack led to settler demonstrations in the occupied territories.

Rabbi Haim Druchman, a former legislator of the right-wing National Religious Party, suffered light wounds in the arm and shoulder. It wasn't immediately clear whether Druchman was the target.

The Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, a Palestine Liberation Organization faction led by Nayef Hawatmeh, took responsibility for the attack in an announcement in Damascus, Syria. But Israel radio said authorities believed the attack was carried out by the Muslim fundamentalist group Hamas.

Raleigh-Durham Airport Gets Direct London Flight

RALEIGH-DURHAM — American Airlines on Friday congratulated the communities of Raleigh-Durham and Nashville for their successful efforts to gain route authorities to serve London's Gatwick airport. Both cities learned Friday that the U.S. Department of Transportation had awarded them the routes.

Michael Gunn, American's senior vice president of marketing, said service would begin from both American hub cities May 26 using a Boeing 767 aircraft.

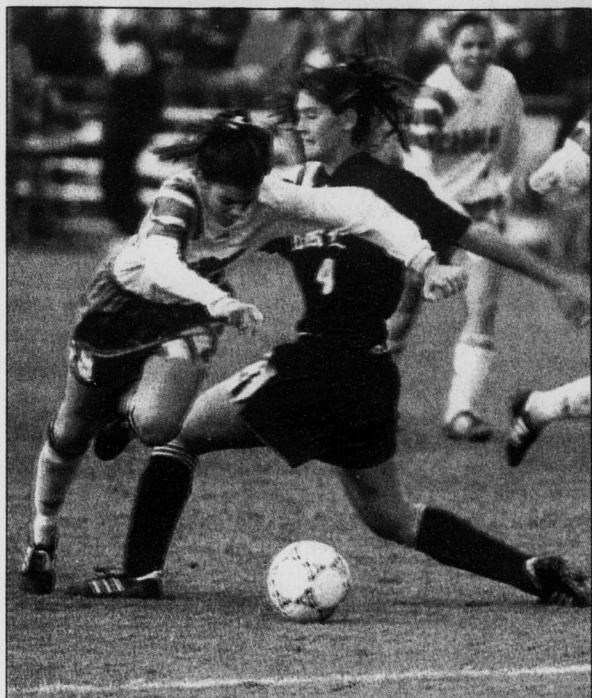
The new London service from Raleigh-Durham will become American's second daily nonstop to Europe from its East Coast hub. The airline began serving Paris from Raleigh-Durham on May 26, 1988. The Nashville-London service will be American's first international flight from that hub.

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

Weather

TODAY: Mostly sunny; high mid-50s.
TUESDAY: Mostly clear; high 50-55.

Another ACColade



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UNC's Mia Hamm (19) slides by Duke defender Mandy Lehr (4) during the Tar Heels' 4-1 ACC Championship win Sunday afternoon. See story on page 10.

Bands Ask University to Pay Costs for Bicentennial Visit

UNC Can't Afford to Repay Expenses for Every Group, University Officials Say

BY KIRK ROYAL
STAFF WRITER

East Carteret High School's band spent more than \$6,000 to come to UNC to play for President Clinton in the school's Bicentennial Celebration.

Schools from Burlington, Southern Pines, Wadesboro and Wilson spent a total of about \$3,000.

Now they're asking the University for compensation.

The bands were among a group of 13,000 high school bands and cho-

rus from around the state that didn't get to play because of poor planning on the part of Bicentennial organizers cost them their reserved seats in Kenan Stadium.

"I don't feel like it's right to invite people as your guests and then not even allow them to participate," said Arnold Adams, director of the East Carteret Marching

Mariners. "Instead of working on my half-time shows, I spent all my time on this thing, thinking we'd get to play."

"It was a big letdown for the kids," he said.

University officials have said they could not meet the schools' demands for reimbursement because they could not afford to compensate all the schools that were supposed to have participated.

University officials are offering to pay registration and transportation costs of up to \$1,000 per band for a music festival to be held at UNC in the spring. UNC has invited the 70 bands and 58 choruses to the first Carolina Classic Band and Choral Festival as reimbursement for the mix-up at convocation.

Adams said the invitation to the music festival was a political move, and his band would not be participating in the festival. "No one apologized for what happened until the media got wind of the situation."

He said \$1,000 was only "a drop in the bucket" compared to what it would cost to attend the festival. "Besides, we don't want to try something twice when we were stabbed in the back the first time," he said.

Steve Tepper, University Bicentennial Observance Office director, blamed the Secret Service for the problems of getting

the bands into the stadium.

"The plans were changed 12 times in five days because of security for the president," he said.

The Secret Service refused to allow the bands to enter the stadium early and made them go through security checks that were meant for the general public, Tepper said. As a result, the general public grabbed seats reserved for the bands before the Bicentennial staff had a chance to rope off the area.

"Had we known there would be 1,000 confused band members trying to get in through gate four, we would have tried to have more staff down there," Tepper said. "It turned into a disaster."

East Carteret's band was one of 10 that never made it into the stadium.

Adams still holds the University, not the Secret Service, responsible.

"Everyone wants to put the blame on someone," he said. "Chapel Hill is still liable because it was their campus, and they invited the president and let the Secret Service take over."

Tepper said most of the bands were understanding about the mix-up.

"The majority of the bands who got in were still happy to have been able to come and see the president."

UNC to Sponsor Festival for High School Bands

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Committees Aim to Improve Strained Faculty-Staff Relations

BY JOHN ADCOCK
STAFF WRITER

The Faculty Council and the Employee Forum have decided to form two committees to improve faculty-staff relations, which have been strained since a heated discussion over basketball ticket distribution.

During that debate, which came at the Oct. 15 Faculty Council meeting, some professors said they deserved better tickets than staff members because they were more valuable to the University.

The new faculty-staff relations committee will consist of an equal number of faculty and staff.

Membership for a second committee — the basketball-ticket distribution committee — will be proportional to the University work force, which is 74-percent staff and 26-percent faculty.

Townsend Ludington, chairman of the Faculty Committee on Athletics, said the argument over ticket distribution was indicative of deeper issues concerning faculty-staff relations.

Faculty Council Chairman James Peacock voiced similar concerns.

"I think the reason for bad relations is that each has the wrong perception of the other," said Peacock, who proposed the idea for the committees.

"I do not think there is enough contact

between faculty and staff in a friendly atmosphere," he said.

Kay Wijnberg, chairwoman of the Employee Forum, said she was hopeful that better relations would result from the new committees.

"The comments made at the Faculty Council meeting upset me," Wijnberg said. "But I really believe that there is a silver lining in this that none have expected."

The Employee Forum plans to ask Chancellor Paul Hardin to read a resolution at the Faculty Council meeting Friday stating that staff members are key contributors to the University.

At the October Faculty Council meeting, some professors said they didn't think

it would be fair if a staff member received better tickets than a tenured professor. They said they wanted prime basketball tickets to be a faculty perk.

The factors in the current distribution policy are rank and the number of years an employee has applied for basketball tickets. Employee Forum members want a policy that considers only the number of years at the University and the numbers of years applying for tickets.

Some members of the Employee Forum said they were upset over some of the comments about faculty-staff equality made at the meeting.

"I hope those comments reflect only a small segment of the faculty council," said

Ed Phillips, vice chairman of the Employee Forum.

"I think, judging from people's reaction concerning the comments, that people have realized the situation is bad and will change for the better."

At the October meeting, the Faculty Council postponed a decision to adopt a recommendation that would have eliminated rank as a factor in ticket distribution.

The council wanted members to reconsider provisions in the recommendation.

Ludington said the joint committee probably would form a compromise in which rank would be diluted rather than eliminated in the ticket distribution formula.

Gun Buyback Plan to Begin In February

BY BRETT PERRY
STAFF WRITER

A program called "Buy Back the Hill" designed to get unwanted guns off Chapel Hill's streets will begin in February, now that Town Manager Cal Horton has given the plan his stamp of approval.

The Chapel Hill Town Council will vote tonight whether to support the gun buyback program initiated by town council member-elect Jim Protzman. Although the program could begin without the council's approval, the vote would mean symbolic support for Protzman's plan.

The program will allow people to bring unwanted guns to the Chapel Hill Police Department, where they will be destroyed. Former gun owners will receive money for their unwanted guns and a receipt from the police department documenting the transaction.

Protzman's business, FGI Inc., has donated the first \$500 to start the program. Other private donations are expected to continue to fund the program, which will begin Feb. 1 after a January fund-raising project.

"(\$500) should be enough money to destroy a dozen guns," Protzman said. "We expect there will be a lot of support from the public, and we hope that the public will donate enough money to keep the program running for a year."

Chapel Hill residents who want to get rid of their guns have a hard time, Protzman said. "You have to go to a lot of trouble to do something that would seem simple to do."

There are many reasons why people might no longer want their guns, Protzman said.

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New Council Members Say Gun Control a Positive Step

BY AMY PINIAK
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Chapel Hill Town Council members will have their hands full Nov. 22 when they vote on five proposed stricter gun-control ordinances, which would prohibit the use and storage of firearms in specific areas.

The proposed ordinances will prohibit the display of firearms by anyone under the influence of alcohol or drugs and the display of small handguns on public property, including sidewalks. They also will ban firearms at polling places and the display of

firearms at public assemblies.

The last ordinance will prohibit the possession of weapons of mass destruction off of one's own property. Mass-destruction weapons are defined as semi-automatic weapons with the capacity of 20 rounds or more.

The final public forum on the gun-control issue, held by the town council Nov. 4, gave area residents their last chance to speak out against or in favor of the ordinances. More than 60 residents and non-residents spoke at the hearing.

Town council member-elect Rosemary Waldorf, who will vote on the proposals,

said the hearing was orderly and helpful. Waldorf will be sworn in earlier than the three other council newcomers to fill in for former town council member Joe Herzenberg, who resigned Sept. 23 after a year-long controversy surrounding his willful failure to pay state taxes.

"The citizens made some interesting fine points that the town attorney (Ralph Karpinos) will check on," she said. "We certainly want to adopt something that's workable."

Waldorf said she favored all five proposals, but she wanted to wait and see what answers Karpinos would find to the citi-

zens' questions.

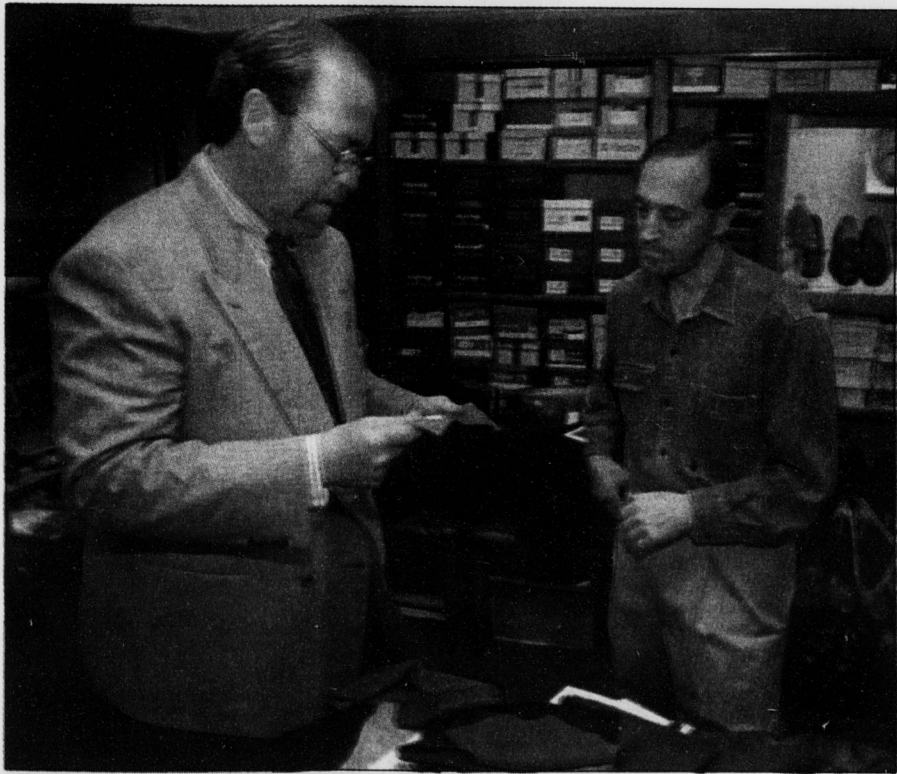
"He is looking into all the questions the people had at the hearing," she said. "We don't want to make a decision until we are fully informed."

Council member-elect Pat Evans said she supported all the ordinances, and added that the hearing, for the most part, was a repeat of the other public hearings. Evans, who will not vote on the ordinances, said most of the questions raised at the hearing were technical ones.

"There were technical points raised

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Fashion Advice



DTH/JUSTIN WILLIAMS

Alexander Julian, fashion designer and Chapel Hill native, shows Mike Hershfield various suit fabrics at Julian's College Shop on East Franklin Street. Julian worked Saturday at the store his father started to promote changes at the shop.

UNC Students Charged With Bomb Threats

BY KELLY RYAN
CITY EDITOR

Two UNC students charged with making bomb threats to Tammany Hall bar Friday night could face more trouble — in the form of a civil lawsuit.

UNC students Karl Kenton Sale, 20, of 303 E. Franklin St. and Adam Portius Wheeler, 21, of 201 Augusta Road in Clemson, S.C., were arrested early Saturday morning and charged with seven counts of making false police reports, Chapel Hill police reports state.

No local address was available for Wheeler.

Sale and Wheeler were arrested at 2:04 a.m. Saturday at NationsBank Plaza, where police officers observed them in the immediate area of a pay phone where they could have called Orange Central Communications, or 911, according to Chapel Hill police Sgt. Steve Riddle.

"They had gotten into an altercation with the manager of Tammany Hall and had to be escorted out," Riddle said.

Riddle said he would not comment on whether Sale and Wheeler appeared to be intoxicated at the time of arrest. Even though Sale is underage, police do not know whether he was served drinks at Tammany Hall and so will not press additional charges, Riddle said.

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The mastery of life is to really be there in the experience.

Bill T. Jones