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IN THE NEWS

Top stories from the state, nation and world

Clinton Revives Super 301 As Tool in Trade Conflict

WASHINGTON — President Clinton today signed an executive order reviving the most feared weapon in the U.S. trade arsenal to keep up pressure on Japan to reduce a \$59.3 billion trade gap between the two countries.

U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor announced the president's decision to put Super 301 back in force, saying it should send a clear message about America's resolve to open markets.

It will allow the administration to draw up a "hit list" of countries judged to have erected the most egregious trade barriers against U.S. products. The list will be derived from an annual report due March 31 that studies and compares the trade practices of all of America's trading partners around the world.

Instability in Israel Grows As Extremists Gain Speed

RAMALLAH, Occupied West Bank — Israel freed 400 Palestinian prisoners Thursday in a so-far vain effort to stop violence ignited by the Hebron mosque massacre, while it faces growing defiance from Jewish extremists.

Despite the release of 1,000 prisoners in the past three days, there has been no sign that outraged Palestinians in the occupied territories would stop protesting and return to stalled peace talks.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is facing growing defiance from extremist Jewish settlers in the territories. Following last week's attack by a settler who mowed down at least 39 Palestinian worshippers in a mosque, the army disarmed 18 settlers and banned them from Palestinian areas.

Russia Charges U.S. Tried To Steal New Tank Plans

MOSCOW — Russia struck back in the spy vs. spy squabble with the West on Thursday, saying an American diplomat urged two Russian men to collect secret plans for Russia's most sophisticated battle tank.

Western arms experts expressed surprise at the news that the T-82 tank even exists; the spokesman for Russia's spy-catching agency said Thursday's announcement was the first confirmation of its existence.

It was the latest in a flurry of charges and countercharges by Russian and Western intelligence agencies prompted by last month's arrest of the former chief of the CIA's counter-espionage division as an alleged Russian mole.

N.C. Legislature Prepares Budget for Crime Package

RALEIGH — The state House rolled out a \$269.1 million crime budget Thursday, less than 24 hours after the Senate approved its own \$192 million proposal.

House leaders said they planned to immediately substitute their proposal for the Senate budget and get it approved, setting up a negotiating committee that would iron out the final crime budget.

"We can complete this in one day," said Rep. Dave Diamond, D-Surry, the co-chairman of the House Appropriations Committee. "I don't know how much long, drawn-out debate you'll want to do. This is pretty cut and dried."

Korean Military Exercises Halted; Inspections Begin

WASHINGTON — The United States agreed Thursday to resume high-level talks with North Korea and to suspend military exercises with South Korea.

The announcement followed the start earlier in the day of international nuclear inspections in the North and talks at the border between North and South Korea.

A State Department official said a third round of U.S.-North Korea talks was to begin in Geneva on March 21 and the training exercises would be suspended for this year.

South Korea announced suspension of the exercises before the release of a State Department statement that said the decision "will not weaken our joint capabilities." North Korea had viewed the exercises as preparation for war.

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Weather

TODAY: Mostly sunny; high mid-60s.
SATURDAY: Fair; high 60-65.
SUNDAY: Fair; high 60-65.

Staff Wants Voice in Chancellor Search

BY PHUONG LY
ASSISTANT UNIVERSITY EDITOR

Members of the Employee Forum Wednesday called for a nonfaculty employee to be added to the chancellor search committee, saying that UNC Board of Trustees Chairman Johnny Harris' failure to do so was a "glaring omission."

The 45-member forum's resolution also asks UNC-system President C.D. Spangler to review the chancellor search process guidelines and consider adding a new section on the role of employees and students.

The Employee Forum's resolution comes just a week after student leaders demanded the addition of six students to the search committee. Student Body President-elect George Battle is the only student member of the search committee.

Harris has refused the students' request, saying he would not consider adding any more students to the committee.

Employee Forum Chairwoman Margaret Plumb Balcom said the group wanted

Harris to recognize that staff members were valuable to the University.

"All the other human components of the University were included. You've got alumni, faculty, a student and trustees (on the committee)," she said.

The Employee Forum, which represents the 6,500 nonfaculty employees at the University, wants the resolution to draw attention to the exclusion of staff members on the search committee even if Harris does not add an employee to the committee, Balcom said. The forum wants to prevent the exclusion from happening again, she said.

"This University is a leader, and staff are a vital force within this University," she said. "What the chancellor does affects staff employees."

The new chancellor will have to work with employees on issues such as morale and salary compression, Balcom said.

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Copeland, supervisor of the carpentry shop at the Physical Plant.

"They're going to share in the decision-making process in the long run, so why not now?" he said.

Efforts to reach Harris on Thursday were unsuccessful.

Harris has said he did not pick committee members to be "politically correct," but only to choose the best candidate for chancellor.

Student leaders have asked Harris to appoint more minorities to the 22-member

committee, which includes five women and four blacks.

The search committee will make recommendations to the Board of Trustees on a successor to Hardin, who announced two months ago that he would step down in June 1995. The committee will determine the criteria to be used to select the chancellor.

Balcom said that Hardin told the forum that he thought it had a legitimate concern, but that he did not think Harris would add more members to the group.

Hardin suggested to the forum that it ask Harris if it could meet with the search committee, Balcom said. Hardin made the same suggestion to student leaders, she said. Hardin was out of town Thursday and could not be reached for comment.

Balcom said she did not think Harris would add more members to the committee.

"We would love it if it happened, but I don't think any of us are holding our breath," she said.

Hitting the Road



Molly Metcalf packs up her car to head out of town for Spring Break on Thursday. She plans to spend a relaxing week at home in Winston-Salem.

DTH/JONATHAN RADCLIFFE

Officials to Consider Parking Fee Increase

BY JOHN ADCOCK
STAFF WRITER

Students and University employees might have to pay more to park their cars in on- and off-campus lots next year.

The UNC Department of Transportation and Parking is proposing a 3-percent increase in parking fees for 1994-95 to raise money to maintain the department.

Some fee increases will be phased in during a three- to five-year period, but others will be implemented immediately.

The rate increase plan already has been approved by the DTP's Advisory Committee and was proposed to the Employee Forum on Wednesday, said Randy Young, marketing specialist for the department.

The fee increase requires final approval from the UNC Board of Trustees, which will review the plan at its meeting in May, Young said.

"The reason we are proposing this plan to so many groups is to get feedback on it from many different viewpoints," he said. "We are re-evaluating everything at each turn."

"We just want to do what best meets our needs and the needs of the campus at this point in time."

The plan also includes an increase in fees for P and PR lots, located on Estes Drive. The fees will increase from \$6 to \$31 for the next school year. The fee then will increase a dollar each year until it reaches \$35 in 1999.

The plan also proposes that the transportation and parking department no longer subsidize a bus pass for PR lot.

The DTP is proposing these increases in

parking fees is because it is not state funded. The supplies used by the department are not subject to the inflation limit and have risen, therefore, while fees have remained the same, according to Young.

In the past, the DTP has offered subsidies to people who purchase permits for different campus lots.

But while the subsidies have stayed the same, the DTP's expenses have increased, Young said.

Some UNC students don't like the large fee increases for P and PR lots. Christian Lawrence, a senior from Charlotte, said he didn't see any reason for the fees to be raised. "I think the lots look fine," he said.

"There are no potholes, the fences aren't coming down, and they don't even have to cut the grass, so I don't see any reason for them to raise the fees."

"Also, the fee increase sucks because the University made a tacit agreement with the students that they would have two security guards in the parking lots, and they are not there, and they still want to raise the fees," he said.

Thomas Whitlock, a junior from Warner Robbins, Ga., said the fee increase for the P and PR lots were too much. "That just seems like an awful lot," he said. "If they are going to increase the other parking lots by only three percent, then they should do the same for P and PR lots."

Under the proposed plan, lots that have a parking fee of \$192 will increase to \$198 next year. By 1999, the cost of parking in those lots will be \$223.

Parking fees that are currently \$252 will increase to \$260 next year. The cost of parking will be \$292 in 1999.

BCC Finds New Home in Academic Affairs Division

BY HEATHER N. ROBINSON
STAFF WRITER

The Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center will be classified as an academic organization rather than a student group, Chancellor Paul Hardin announced Thursday.

Jurisdiction of the cultural center will change from the Division of Student Affairs to the Division of Academic Affairs, Hardin announced.

Hardin said in a press release that the change was appropriate because groups representing the BCC approved academic and cultural program proposals last year.

Hardin was out of town Thursday and could not be reached for comment.

The date of the transition has not been decided yet, according to the press release.

Hardin changed the classification of the cultural center after consulting with students, staff and faculty, said Richard McCormick, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs. The cultural center will fall under McCormick's jurisdiction.

"I believe the BCC to be a central part of the University's academic tradition, and this change will allow an increase in faculty involvement," McCormick said.

Although the BCC will now be under academic affairs, students will still be involved in the cultural center's leadership, he said.

Journalism professor Harry Amana, chairman of the BCC Advisory Board, said that the change of classification was needed.

"The BCC's vision of the future deals with much more than just student activities," Amana said. "The switch is a good move, as long as we maintain consistency with regard to student and staff input on

the selection of a new director and their continued advisory under the new division."

Amana said that the BCC Advisory Board was not at a consensus on which division the center should fall under. He said a "good number" of members supported the change.

Board members supported the switch to the academic affairs division because it offered more resources to the cultural center, Amana said. The division also is closely linked to the chancellor and offered the possibility that the new director could also be classified as a tenured faculty member, he said.

Student Body Vice President Dacia Toll, a member of the advisory board, said the switch to the academic affairs division was natural.

"The division of the new free-standing BCC includes cultural programming and student creativity with strong academic commitment," Toll said. "We need to capitalize our existing strengths, and not cancel out the atmosphere already created."

But some advisory members wanted the cultural center to be classified under the Division of University Affairs, which deals with minority activities.

"I would have preferred the switch to be to the University Affairs division because it produces specific programs for African Americans, like recruitment and advisement," said Laticia Henry, Black Student Movement president-elect and advisory board member.

The cultural center's new classification would make it harder for student leaders to keep the center focused on cultural pro-

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School Board Attorney Begins Investigation of DTH, Burnette

BY LYNN HOUSER
STAFF WRITER

The Daily Tar Heel is not legally required to reveal the telephone number of the person that school board member LaVonda Burnette falsely named as her UNC English instructor, DTH attorney Katherine White said Thursday.

In a Feb. 22 letter, Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education attorney John McCormick notified White that he wanted the DTH to give him the phone number of "Jeff Jones," whom Burnette had said was her English teaching assistant.

After Burnette gave Jones' name and phone number to the DTH in December, reporters contacted and interviewed him. He affirmed that Burnette was in his class, but English Department officials later said there were no TAs by that name.

On Dec. 9, the DTH reported that Burnette, who billed herself as a UNC student during her campaign, had misrepresented her educational background.

McCormick's letter said he might request a deposition of DTH staff members who wrote or contributed to the story.

White said Thursday that the DTH would not grant his request, but DTH staff members involved would agree to submit a signed affidavit stating that the article is accurate.

"Reporters have a qualified privilege to keep that information confidential," said White, a N.C. Press Association attorney who works in the Raleigh-based Everett, Gaskins, Hancock & Stevens firm. "We don't want anybody, particularly government agencies, tying up reporters when they can get that information themselves."

But McCormick said he had exhausted all sources. "Burnette" said it was a num-

ber she made up and she didn't know what it is," he said. "She said she had no idea why a person at a number she made up would play along and act like he knew her, which is why I'd like the number."

Even if the subpoenaed Burnette's phone records, McCormick said, it was unlikely that anyone at any of the numbers listed would admit to being "Jeff Jones."

McCormick said he needed the number the DTH called so he could compare it to Burnette's phone records and see if she made any calls to that number. He said he would accept an affidavit rather than requiring a deposition if the affidavit included the phone number.

Still, White said, phone records and all alternate sources must be checked before asking a reporter to reveal a source.

N.C. courts have held that reporters have a qualified first amendment privilege not to be compelled to testify in response to a subpoena unless they can prove that the information is relevant, state interest in the information overrides freedom of the press and that information cannot be obtained from any other source. "I don't think he needs that phone number," White said. "I don't think that makes any difference whether she stays on the school board."

The investigation began when school board members passed a resolution on Jan. 10 to look into allegations against Burnette stated in the DTH article. Members said they wanted the investigation to begin soon in case reporters were not available for a future investigation. The board also passed a resolution to ask the N.C. General Assembly to approve a recall provision. "The board is trying to avoid taking action," White said. "It's a delaying tactic so they don't have to do anything until the legislature acts on the recall provision."

Man Held In Armed Robbery

BY AMY PINIAK
ASSISTANT CITY EDITOR

A man was charged Wednesday with the armed robbery of a local bank after Chapel Hill police discovered he had been arrested Monday in connection with a Burlington bank robbery.

Chapel Hill police charged Cleo Cornelius Moore, 27, of Mount Airy, with one count of robbery in connection with the Feb. 24 holdup of Branch Banking & Trust Co. at 143 E. Rosemary St. Moore also faces charges of armed robbery in Burlington.

When Moore was arrested in Burlington, the Chapel Hill bank robbery still was being investigated. Chapel Hill police Lt. Marvin Clark said the arrest prompted police to find out if there was a connection. "Once he was arrested, we started looking into the similarities," Clark said Thursday.

Clark said Chapel Hill police linked the two robberies by matching up physical evidence gathered by Burlington and Chapel Hill police. Clark would not say what kinds of evidence were matched.

Jane Cousins, Chapel Hill police spokeswoman, said no details would be disclosed until the case went to court.

"Before a case goes to court, there's not a lot we can say," Cousins said Thursday. "Arrest details will be very limited until they are heard in court."

According to Chapel Hill police reports, on Feb. 24, a man walked into the Chapel Hill downtown branch of BB&T at 1:05 p.m. and spoke to an employee about opening a bank account. As they spoke, the suspect gave the employee a note demanding money. The man also said he had a gun but did not display the weapon.

After receiving an undisclosed amount of money, the man walked out the door and turned right onto Rosemary Street. Although the bank's surveillance camera captured a picture of the robber, Chapel Hill police had no suspects until Moore's arrest.

On Feb. 28, Moore walked into the Community Savings Bank in Burlington and handed the teller a note demanding money, said Bennie Felts of the Burlington Police Department. After receiving the money, Moore fled to a nearby mall.

Burlington police Patrolman First Class T.O. Bratcher saw a man fitting the robber's description in a vehicle in the mall parking lot, Felts said. Bratcher stopped the vehicle, and after tellers positively identified Moore as the robber, Bratcher arrested him.

According to Winston-Salem detective Lt. Larry Reavis, Moore was arrested as he was leaving the scene of the robbery in Burlington. "It's my understanding that Moore was apprehended while trying to flee in a van," he said.

Moore also was charged with two Winston-Salem bank robberies, Reavis said. On Feb. 11, Branch Bank & Trust Co. was robbed. Two days later, Southern National Bank was robbed.

"And later, he was identified as the perpetrator of three other robberies here," Reavis said. "A Residence Inn and a Subway were robbed, and there was an attempted robbery at the Ramada Inn."

Reavis said a federal grand jury in Greensboro issued an indictment Feb. 28 for the two Winston-Salem bank robberies. "At this time, he was still on the run, and that was the day he robbed the bank in Burlington," he said.

Moore now faces federal charges on the Winston-Salem robberies, but Reavis said he did not know when Moore would appear in court.

Dan Wozniak, of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Greensboro office, said no other federal charges had been filed. "We only have the two for the Winston-Salem banks right now," he said. "There are possibly two other charges, but that's up to the U.S. Attorney's office."

Moore currently is being held under the name Cornelius Cole King in Alamance County Jail under \$200,000 bond, according to the county jail.

Editor's Note

Although you might not have been able to tell from the weather this week, spring — or at least Spring Break — is upon us.

The Daily Tar Heel will not publish next week, and the office will be closed. The paper will be back in the boxes first thing Monday, March 14.

Applications for 1994-95 DTH editor are available at the DTH office, Union Suite 104, and the Union front desk.

Interested students must submit applications by noon March 18 and be available for interviews March 26.

Get your facts first, and then you can distort them as much as you please.

Mark Twain