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## IN THE NEWS

Top stories from the state, nation and world

### Clinton Lifts Sanctions on Haiti During U.N. Speech

UNITED NATIONS — Citing "a moment of opportunity" for democracy, President Clinton lifted travel, trade and most other U.S. sanctions against Haiti on Monday and urged other nations to follow suit.

Clinton told the U.N. General Assembly that lifting the sanctions would hasten rebuilding of the impoverished country and was being done "in the spirit of reconciliation and reconstruction."

He suggested the sanctions were no longer needed, with American and other forces firmly in place in the Caribbean country to enforce the U.S.-brokered agreement to restore exiled president Jean-Bertrand Aristide to power by Oct. 15.

But Clinton said some sanctions would remain in force against Haiti's military leaders and their supporters.

### Serbs Stage Exercises in Retaliation for Airstrikes

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Underscoring their contempt for the United Nations, Serbs entered a U.N. weapons compound and staged "training exercises" with anti-aircraft guns stored there, officials said Monday.

NATO jets strafed and bombed a Serb tank near Sarajevo Thursday in retaliation for Serb attacks on French peacekeepers.

Serbs increased the pressure on U.N. peacekeepers Monday by:

—Denying permission for U.N. helicopter flights or convoys.

—Announcing a new requirement that U.N. military vehicles get clearance three days in advance of any movements through Serb-held territory.

—Making a veiled threat to shoot at any U.N. planes landing at the airport.

### Israel to Renew West Bank Peace Effort Construction

JERUSALEM — Israel has decided to renew some West Bank construction to bolster its territorial claims in future talks with Palestinians, officials said Monday.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's government froze construction of Jewish settlements in mid-1992 to spur talks with the Palestinians.

Housing Ministry spokeswoman Ofra Preuss said the freeze had been lifted in the Alfei Menashe settlement in the northern West Bank. She did not confirm newspaper reports of a list of more settlements to be expanded.

A top government official confirmed the move was partly aimed at making some changes in the West Bank before talks with the Palestine Liberation Organization on a permanent peace settlement.

### Algerian Security Troops Murder Extremist Leader

ALGIERS, Algeria — Security forces on Monday killed the chief of an extremist Muslim faction that has vowed to derail peace talks between Muslim leaders and Algeria's secular government.

According to a government communiqué, Cherif Gousmi, 26, was slain in the Algiers region, but it gave no details. Authorities had offered a \$70,000 bounty for his death or capture.

Gousmi headed the Armed Islamic Group, which opposes any negotiations that would thwart its goal of turning the North African nation into a radical Islamic state. Two top leaders of the fundamentalist Islamic Salvation Front were released from jail this month and placed under house arrest.

### Chief of CIA Says Iran May Gain Nuclear Technology

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The CIA believes Iran will be able to build its own nuclear weapons in eight to 10 years, and that it is focusing on Russia as a potential source of key materials and direction, the spy agency's chief said.

R. James Woolsey, the director of central intelligence, told a Washington think tank that in addition to an aggressive effort to strengthen its conventional defenses, Iran had put a high priority on acquiring nuclear weapons.

Woolsey spoke to a conference sponsored by the Washington Institute for Near East Policy on Friday. A text of his prepared remarks was released by the institute Monday.

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## Weather

TODAY: Partly cloudy; high upper 70s.

WEDNESDAY: Partly cloudy; high in 70s.

## UNC STUDENTS DISCOVER PHYTOSAUR

### Landmark Finding Made Near RTP

Two weeks ago, UNC students Marco Brewer and Brian Coffey made a discovery that is one of the most astonishing paleontological findings in North Carolina history.

BY JON GOLDBERG  
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DURHAM — For years, UNC seniors Marco Brewer and Brian Coffey have sifted through dirt, looking for clues to the past.

Much to their dismay, they mostly had found only a few shark teeth and whale bones.

But that changed two weeks ago.

In a big, big way.

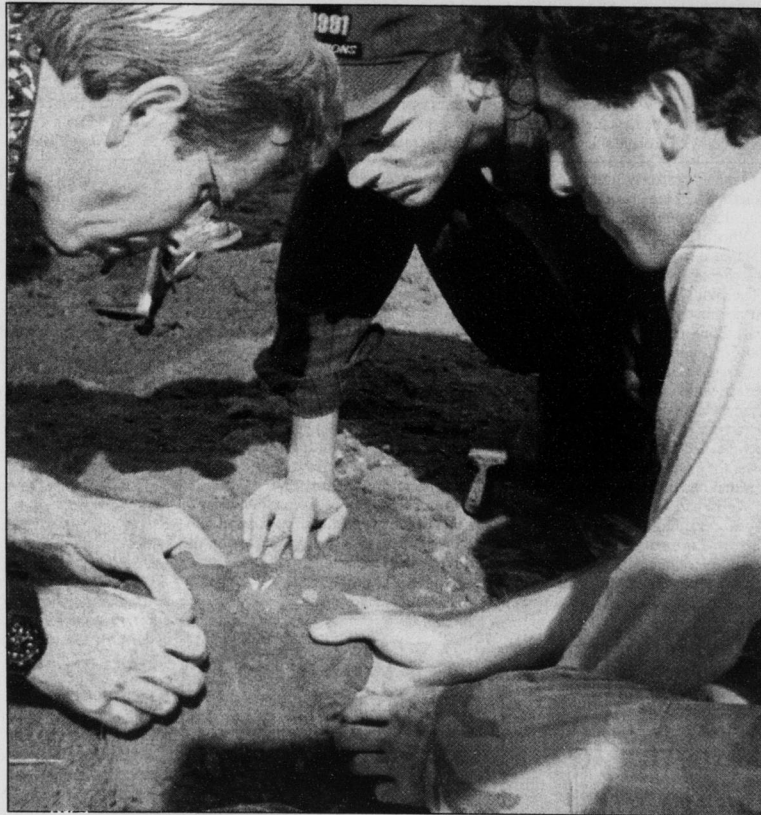
While digging near Research Triangle Park as part of Coffey's honors thesis, the two uncovered a 7-foot phytosaur skeleton, the largest and most complete one ever found in North Carolina.

"When we first saw a tailbone, we knew it was a reptile," said Brewer, who lives in Raleigh and was a junior transfer from UNC-Wilmington. "It became significant right then and there."

"Brian and I had looked for a long, long time. We spent a lot of hours and found nothing. Finding one



Professor Joseph Carter uses a dental pick to loosen soil around the bones.



Geology Professor Joseph Carter, Todd Pusser and Brian Coffey remove a fragment of the fossil for analysis at Mitchell Hall.

dinosaur bone would make my year. Finding an articulated skeleton is unbelievable."

Phytosaurs, also known as parasuchids, were large carnivores and were close relatives of the dinosaur and crocodile, UNC geology Professor Joseph Carter said Monday. The phytosaur, distinct for having nostrils near its eyes, thrived during the late Triassic

Period 225 million years ago.

On Sunday, Carter, his dog "Scruffy" and eight students from his invertebrate paleontology class — including Brewer and Coffey — returned to the site, which was somewhat muddy thanks to Saturday's

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## Aune Case Won't Go To Court

BY LEAH MERREY  
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The Orange County Superior Court of officially dismissed on Monday the civil suit filed by former UNC School of Medicine employee Kirk Aune, saying his claims against the University showed no factual basis.

Presiding Superior Court Judge Anthony Brannon ruled in favor of the University.

This ruling responded to a request by state attorneys representing the University for a summary judgment regarding a civil suit filed on July 7, 1993, by Aune regarding the University's decision not to renew his contract.

Either party involved in a civil law case has the option to file a summary judgment. To do so, the filing party must feel that they are able to demonstrate that their facts are indisputable.

David Parker, associate University attorney, represented the University and members of the medical school involved in the suit. "All defended were granted some judgment," he said Monday in response to the ruling.

"The University and the defendants are pleased with the decision," Parker continued. "The light was favorable in regards to the University," he said.

It is unknown whether Aune and his attorneys, John Stewart and Al McSurely, will file to appeal the court's decision. "Dr. Aune has the option to appeal to the North Carolina courts," Parker said.

Stewart said he and McSurely would meet with Aune on Thursday to decide whether to appeal to the N.C. Court of Appeals.

"Generally, the court of appeals frowns on summary judgments because our court system is based on allowing a jury of peers to make a judgment," he said. "It is a good rule in some cases — such as making frivo-

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## Servatius Calls Petition Statements 'Blatant Lies'

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Student Congress Rep. Tara Servatius, Dist. 12, said Monday that a petition to recall her in an Oct. 11 special election was invalid.

"As far as I'm concerned, the petition is invalid because all the statements on top of it are absolutely not true — they're all blatant lies," Servatius said.

Student Body President George Battle said early Monday afternoon that all the signatures on the petition to recall Servatius had been verified.

Battle said Monday afternoon that the

signatures on the petition to recall Rep. Jonathan Jordan, Dist. 1, had not yet been verified. Battle could not be reached for comment Monday night.

Servatius said she planned to take the students who started the petition to the Student Supreme Court. "I don't know how that will turn out," she said.

According to the petition to recall Servatius, "Ms. Servatius has a history of unethical and inappropriate actions that in no way represent the constituents of Dist. 12."

As examples, the petition includes her voting this summer, as a member of the Student Congress Finance Committee, against a bill to fund Race Relations Week and her resignation as finance committee chairwoman after holding office for four days.

According to the petition, "Ms. Servatius

*"Everything that's happened since the reconsideration of the Minority Recruitment Bill has been a blow to student government. It makes us look like a joke."*

ROY GRANATO

Congress Ethics Committee chairman

stated in front of the University community that a vast percentage of minority students at UNC-CH were unqualified and by extension, had no place in the UNC academic community. In the roll call vote for this (Minority Recruitment Bill), Ms. Servatius answered, 'Hell no!'"

Servatius said the prior statement was completely false. "I'm outraged that someone would attribute that to me," she said. However, she declined to comment on her alleged "hell no" statement.

Servatius said she had voted against the bill because recruitment already received funding from the University and student fees should not pay for recruitment.

"I cannot justify the funding of a non-student program while ignoring the needs of current students and the organizations that are important to them."

She said that if her constituents understood the reasons why she had voted against the bill and still wanted to recall her, she would be "obliged to resign" as a member of congress.

A day after the recall petitions for Servatius and Jordan had been turned in, UNC students constantly called or visited

the student government office saying they wanted to recall their own representatives, other congress members said Monday.

"It's been recall mania in almost every district," Rep. Ginny Moore, Dist. 19, said Monday.

Moore said students had come in asking who their representatives were and saying they wanted to recall them.

"There are so many good people on congress that love the University and want to do the best thing for their constituents," she said. "There have just been a few people that make us all look bad."

Moore said the recall frenzy was a result of the recent controversy spawned by a late-night motion Sept. 14 to reconsider the Minority Recruitment Bill after a number of congress members had left the meet-

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## 24-Hour Weekend Visits To Be Part of New Policy

Housing Department Spells Out Residence Hall Visitation Policy on All New Contracts

BY CHRISTINA MASSEY  
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The University's visitation policy may change again because of proposals made by the Board of Trustees and the Department of University Housing that will go into effect next school year.

Wayne Kuncel, director of the housing department, announced plans to expand the current visitation policy at a meeting before the BOT's Student Affairs Committee on Thursday afternoon.

Kuncel said Monday that the new policy would include an option of 24-hour visitation on weekends in addition to the option of 24-hour weeklong visitation already established in six residence halls.

"Within two years, we will have 66 percent of all residence halls with either the weekend option or the 24-hour option," he said.

Under the current visitation policy, six residence halls have 24-hour visitation: Aycock, Carmichael, Craige, Kenan, Mangum and Teague.

In all other residence halls, opposite-sex visitors are allowed from 9 a.m. until 1 a.m. on weekdays and from 9 a.m. until 2

a.m. on weekends.

Another change concerning the visitation policy that will be made is the inclusion of policy information in the housing contracts, Kuncel said.

In the past, incoming freshmen were not aware of the visitation policy and could not use such information to help determine where they wanted to live.

"For the 1995-96 school year, we have published the visitation policy in the housing contracts to have a means for students to indicate their choice of housing preference based on their visitation preference," Kuncel said.

He also said the housing department was making efforts to ensure that roommates shared the same opinions on the visitation policy in their dorm.

At the BOT committee meeting, Allan Calarco, associate director of the housing department, presented a three-page questionnaire, which deals with issues such as visitation, that roommates would be required to fill out and discuss with each other, Kuncel said.

George Battle, student body president and ex officio member of the BOT, said Monday that he was pleased with the current visitation policy but was looking forward to the upcoming policy changes and expansion.

"The policy is working out well," Battle

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## NAACP Calls For Investigation of Recall Drive

BY CHRIS NICHOLS  
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The president of the local chapter of the NAACP has sent a letter to state legislators asking them to review the process by which enough signatures were collected to hold a recall election for Chapel Hill-Carrboro school board member LaVonda Burnette.

N.C. Sen. Beverly Perdue and N.C. Rep. Anne Barnes received the letter, dated Sept. 18, from the Rev. Gene Hatley, president of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The letter was accompanied by a report done by Marjorie Schwartz that declared that the recall petitions for Burnette had violated a recently passed law that established provisions for recall petitions.

School board Chairman Ken Touw said that Hatley's letter contended that the law had been violated because the signatures on the petitions had not been validated by a witness.

"Rev. Hatley's contention is that that person (of the Board of Elections) did not see all the signatures, but that's not what the law says; the law says that he must authenticate them," Touw said.

"It (the letter) indicates a lack of trust of voters to make a decision on this issue. ... I am mystified why Rev. Hatley is not willing to trust in a democratic process," he said. While the law requires that the petitions have approximately 4,000 signatures in order for a recall election to be

held, more than 7,000 were collected.

Hatley was unavailable for comment Tuesday.

Hank Anderson, a Carrboro alderman and a vice president of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro NAACP, said the intent of the letter was only to make sure that proper procedure had been followed in the initiation of the recall drive and that it was based on Schwartz's report concerning the signatures on the petition.

"We were just trying to make sure that the recall efforts were up to par," Anderson said Tuesday. "We just sent it to let people know that it was not handled properly. It's just a letter being sent to the legislature to let them know there is something wrong."

"The process is not done correctly. The process went awry. And we're saying that whatever the procedure is, it was not followed by those who initiated it."

Anderson added that the NAACP wanted legislators to conduct an investigation. Neither Barnes nor Perdue was available for comment Tuesday.

Burnette was accused last fall of lying about her educational background when she ran for a seat on the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education under the pretense of being a UNC student.

The recall drive was initiated this summer by Madeleine Mitchell.

The recall election is to be held Nov. 8. If Burnette is recalled, the school board will appoint someone to replace her until the next school board elections in November 1995.

Two school board district residents, Harvey Carnes and David Mage, brought

a lawsuit against the school board shortly after the charges against Burnette were thrust into the public eye.

Carnes' and Mage's attorney, Lunsford Long, was set to square off with school board attorney John McCormick yesterday in court, but the men decided earlier in September to allow the recall election to run its course.

Carnes said the lawsuit had stemmed from the fact that the charges against Burnette had been lined up, the school board had accepted them and then it had reneged.

"I did want to see justice done, which was LaVonda Burnette removed from the board," Carnes said. "The law is very simple. The law of North Carolina is very clear. The law of North Carolina is unequivocally compelling. It does not leave a choice."

Carnes was referring to state law 115C-39, the part that reads: "... there shall be a meeting of said board of education for the purpose of investigating the charges, and if the charges are found to be true, such board shall declare the office vacant. ..."

"They (the school board members) are at this moment in dereliction of duty and in violation of the laws of the state of North Carolina," he said. Now, Carnes said he and Mage had decided to allow the recall to run its course for practical reasons. "My guess is that Nov. 8, the electorate will prevail and she will be ousted."

Carnes said that if Burnette retained her seat after the recall election, he and Mage would still pursue the lawsuit against the school board.

*The working class is loyal to friends, not ideas.*

Norman Mailer