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IN THE NEWS

Top stories from the state, nation and world

Hinckley Agrees to Pay Victims of 1981 Shooting

WASHINGTON, D.C. — John Hinckley has agreed to pay as much as \$2.9 million in possible book and movie proceeds to James Brady and two other men wounded in his 1981 assassination attempt against President Reagan, lawyers in the case said Thursday.

The agreement, which Hinckley's attorneys said he signed Monday at the mental hospital where he is confined, provides for his cooperation in the sale of his life story.

The financial benefits would go to the three men besides Reagan who were wounded in the March 30, 1981, attack — Brady, the former White House press secretary; Timothy McCarthy, then a Secret Service agent, and Thomas Delahanty, then a District of Columbia police officer.

Two More Democrats Back GOP Budget Amendment

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The balanced-budget amendment to the Constitution gained crucial Senate ground Thursday with declarations of support from Democrats Tom Harkin and Joseph Biden. Both voted against the politically popular measure last year, and both confront reelection campaigns in 1996.

Their decisions left a handful of undecided Democrats in a position to determine the fate of a measure at the core of the Republican drive to rein in government.

Harkin announced his decision in a telephone call to reporters in his home state of Iowa. "The balanced-budget amendment is far from perfect, but it's the best available alternative right now."

U.S. Accuses N. Korea of Undermining Peace Accord

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Clinton administration accused North Korea on Thursday of undermining the Korean War armistice accord in an effort to force the United States to negotiate a formal peace treaty.

The Korean War ended more than 40 years ago with an armistice. The United States insists that any formal peace treaty must be negotiated between North and South Korea.

Specifically, State Department spokesman Christine Shelly accused the N. Koreans of undermining the neutral nations commission that investigates alleged armistice violations. It said North Korea had failed to nominate a successor to Czechoslovakia and was threatening to evict the Polish contingent on the commission.

U.N. Aid Convoy Manages To Reach Northwest Bosnia

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Aid workers reached northwest Bosnia's famished civilians with more food Thursday, but fighting and war preparations were reported in other Balkan battle zones. The second convoy to reach Bihac in two days was part of a struggle by aid workers to ensure that malnourished Bosnians survive the winter.

War preparations elsewhere heralded new fighting expected in Croatia and Bosnia when winter turns to spring.

The elderly, sick, children and people who have been displaced several times are the most vulnerable among the approximately 200,000 people in the Bihac region.

Gunn's Family Sues Clinic For Failing to Protect Him

PENSACOLA, Fla. — The family of an abortion doctor who was shot to death claims that the clinic where he worked failed to protect him.

Dr. David Gunn's estate filed a wrongful death lawsuit against the clinic last week in state Circuit Court, seeking unspecified damages.

The lawsuit contends that the clinic knew that Gunn — killed on March 10, 1993, after getting out of his car at the rear of Pensacola Women's Medical Services — had received death threats and that someone had blown up his mailbox and that the clinic should have built a fence or provided a security guard to escort the doctor from his car to the clinic.

The lawsuit also claims that the clinic should have warned Gunn, 47, not to come to work that day because a protest was being held there.

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Weather

TODAY: Mostly sunny; high 60.
SATURDAY: Mostly sunny; high 50.
SUNDAY: Mostly sunny; high mid-50s.

Knife-Wielding UNC Mailman Assaults Student

BY CHRISTINA MASSEY
STAFF WRITER

A University employee was arrested Wednesday afternoon and charged with assault with a deadly weapon after threatening a male student on campus, according to University police reports.

Alfred Jamar Smoke, 37, of 3509 N. Century Oak St. in Durham was charged with assault after pulling a razor blade on a student at 1:50 p.m., University police reports state.

Smoke, a postal worker for University

Mail Services, approached a student in front of Hamilton Hall and pushed him, police reports state.

Smoke then pulled out a box cutter and threatened to kill the student, University police reports state.

According to reports, Smoke was placed under a \$500 unsecured bond. His trial is set for March 23.

Ron Andrews, Smoke's supervisor at University Mail Services, declined to comment Thursday on Smoke's mental health history or on any aspect of the case.

"We are handling it as a personnel mat-

ter," he said.

The victim, a graduate student who spoke on condition of anonymity, said that the attack had been unprovoked and that he did not know why the mail worker had felt threatened.

The student said he was in-line skating to class just before 2 p.m. Wednesday near Hamilton Hall.

He said he had come up behind a mail carrier and had had to stop because he could not pass. The victim said that when he started to move again in an attempt to pass the mail worker, the worker was

startled and called after him, "What's wrong with you?"

The victim said he had stopped and had gone back to where the worker was standing and yelling profane insults. The mail worker then pushed the student into the brick wall between Hamilton Hall and Caldwell Hall, the victim said.

He said the worker then had pulled out a raised, double-edged packing knife — with a 5-inch handle and a 2-inch blade — and held it a quarter of an inch from his face. The mail worker then threatened the victim, saying, "I'm going to cut you," the

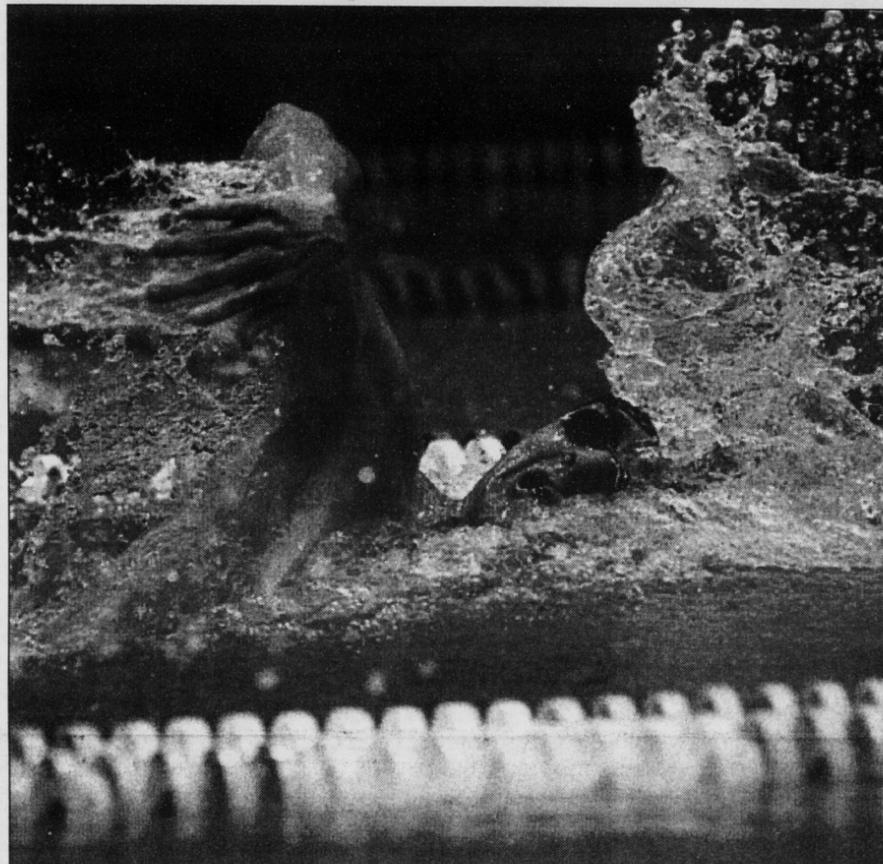
victim said.

The student said he had managed to escape and had skated toward a nearby ramp, where he almost ran into Andrews.

The victim said he had told Andrews that he had just been attacked by one of his mail carriers. Andrews allowed the victim to phone University Police from his office.

The victim said that while he was present University Police confronted Smoke in Andrews' office and asked if he had a knife on his person. The victim said Smoke had handed the knife over to police and had not resisted arrest.

Splashin' Around



Senior Yann deFabrique raced a grueling 500-yard freestyle Thursday night during the men's ACC swimming championships in Koury Natatorium. DeFabrique won the event in 4:22:43. See story, page 7.

AN INTEGRATED FACULTY: UNC HAS MILES TO GO

BY KELLY LOJK
STAFF WRITER

In 1966, the University hired its first black faculty member — more than 170 years after its founding.

Since that time, the numbers have been slowly creeping higher as black faculty continue to break barriers of institutional racism — one department at a time.

Today, the number of black faculty has grown to 93, or 4 percent of the faculty. The University employs a total of 2,208 faculty members.

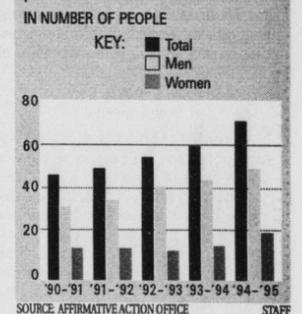
Although the numbers indicate progress, they also show that the University has work to do, said Harold Wallace, vice chancellor for University affairs and co-chairman of the newly created Minority Recruitment and Retention Task Force.

The task force was created to assess current efforts and make improvements, Wallace said. "Although we're doing well, we are going to look at how we can do better," he said.

Linda Lacey, associate professor of city and regional planning and co-chairwoman of the Minority Recruitment and Retention Task Force, said she had seen a big change during a short period of time due in large part to Provost Richard McCormick's efforts in the past three years. "He's come on board and taken a leadership role," Lacey said. "He's taken on diversity in an encouraging manner with real resources to back him up, rather than

Black Tenure-Track Faculty

In the past five years, the number of tenure-track faculty has grown by 52 percent.



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forcing this on departments."

Wallace said the task force would — through a Universitywide survey — evaluate the effectiveness of existing programs to see where future resources should be focused.

He said he hoped to have a set of recommendations on the new chancellor's desk by the end of the year.

With pressure from the U.S. Department of Education, the University is

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UNC Police Arrest 2 Near Residence Hall, Confiscate Rifle, Drugs

BY CHRISTINA MASSEY
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A man and a woman from South Carolina were charged Sunday with conspiracy to sell controlled substances in connection with the arrest of a University student last week, according to University police reports.

Lawrence Lee Moser, 19, of Greenville, S.C., and Shawna Suzanne Owens, 20, of Traveler's Rest, S.C., were arrested and charged with conspiring to sell marijuana

after they had been spotted near the residence of Jason James Buffkin, charged last Thursday with possessing more than a pound of marijuana, reports state.

Moser was also charged with possession of a weapon on campus after police found an SKS automatic rifle and 20 rounds of ammunition in his car, reports state.

"Moser probably had the gun because most drug dealers do," University Police Lt. Mark McIntyre said Thursday.

Police arrested Moser when he came to visit Buffkin at his room at 209 Graham

Residence Hall, reports state.

Police were informed that Moser had been calling Buffkin concerning the marijuana, and they were on the lookout for him, McIntyre said. "Moser was calling the student because he wanted the money or his drugs," he said.

Police arrested Moser at 4:50 p.m. after officers were informed that he was in Graham, according to reports.

Owens also was charged with possession of a controlled substance with intent to sell and distribute, reports state. She was

arrested after police searched the car in which she was sitting, reports state.

According to reports, police spotted Owens in a red Hyundai Excel and asked if the car was hers. She said it was not. Police officers then asked if they could search the car, and Owens complied.

Upon searching the car, police found the rifle, which Owens said belonged to Moser, and a pink bag containing a half-pound of marijuana Owens said was hers, reports state. Police then arrested her and charged her with possession with intent to

sell and distribute, reports state.

Police also found a sandwich bag that contained 300 perforated tabs of paper believed to be soaked in LSD, reports state.

LSD possession charges will be filed if the laboratory confirms that the paper tabs were soaked in LSD, University Police Lt. Clay Williams said.

Moser and Owens each were held in Orange County Jail on \$10,000 unsecured bond, reports state. McIntyre said their first court appearance was Monday and their next would be March 10.

Harris: Chancellor Search Committee Will Meet Soon

BY STEPHEN LEE
STAFF WRITER

With fewer than five months left before the chancellor search committee expects to choose the University's next leader, search committee Chairman Johnny Harris said Thursday he will announce a date today for the committee's next open meeting.

The last search committee meeting was held on campus Jan. 23.

The committee was unable to hold meetings recently because of conflicts in members' schedules and an inability to assemble enough members, Harris said.

"We couldn't get people there," he said of attempts to convene the committee within the last couple of weeks.

After the last meeting of the search committee, Harris said the search committee would hold a meeting within three weeks in Chapel Hill.

One month later, Harris said a date would be set today for a meeting in Chapel

Hill.

However, Harris said he thought the next meeting would be held in the near future.

"We are going to do it soon," he said. Rumors about the possibility of the University's appointing an interim chancellor when Chancellor Paul Hardin leaves at the end of June are unsubstantiated, Harris said.

"The rumors that are going around are not true," he said.

"I don't see the need for an interim chancellor."

At the last meeting, Harris said the candidates' applications were reviewed and nominations were still being considered.

"Right now, we are in the process of continuing to evaluate the candidates," he said.

Harris would not comment on other kinds of search processes the committee is undertaking.

He also refused to comment on the number of candidates still under consideration.

After the Jan. 23 meeting, Harris said the number of candidates still in the running was fewer than 180.

Harris said many candidates who are employed at other institutions do not want to risk their jobs by having their interest in

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IN A CLASS OF HIS OWN

All-American Wrestler
Justin Harty Champions
Community Service

BY JACSON LOWE
SENIOR WRITER

Have you ever noticed that look Charles Barkley gets when people ask him if athletes are role models? His eyes start to burn, his brow wrinkles and he bellows a harsh "No!" from somewhere deep inside.

Charles doesn't necessarily speak for all athletes, however.

There's another athlete who looks just as intimidating as the Phoenix Suns superstar but has a different spin on the role model question. Pose it to him and he sports a sheepish grin, refuses to give it a second thought and gives a hearty, more positive reply.

"I believe we are role models," said Justin Harty, an All-American heavyweight on the UNC wrestling squad. "My personal belief is, when you're in the spotlight and people are looking at you, they're looking at what you're doing and how you're acting. In that context, you are a role model."



Justin Harty, center, and other athletes at a 1993 walk-a-thon.

But the Lead, S.D., sophomore is unique in that he extends his shadow past the spotlight on the mats of Carmichael Auditorium. That rather large shadow extends into the community, where Harty also has become a leader.

When you factor in his 6-foot-2-inch burly stature, his ferocious tenacity against

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Name: Justin Harty
Birthdate: July 5, 1974
Hometown: Lead, S.D.
Major: psychology, communications
Athletics: All-American heavyweight wrestler, 1994
Service: president, ACC Outreach
Philosophy on Life: "Put God first, and just do the best I can in everything I do while helping others along the way."

Never tell me the odds.

Han Solo