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Senate to Set Rules as Clinton Trial Starts

The Senate took an oath of impartial justice as it began the second impeachment hearing in U.S. history.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — With Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist presiding, the Senate somberly placed William Jefferson Clinton on trial Thursday on

charges of high crimes and misdemeanors in the first presidential impeachment in 131 years. The White House promised a "compelling case" for acquittal.

The momentous events unfolded as Senate leaders struggled for an elusive accord on guidelines for the trial, setting an extraordinary closed-door meeting of all senators for Friday.

"I think there is some common ground," said the Democratic leader, Sen. Tom Daschle of South Dakota,

although he and Majority Leader Trent Lott added there had been no bipartisan accord on whether to permit testimony by witnesses.

After several hours of behind-the-scenes discussions, Lott and Daschle made a rare joint appearance



President Clinton

before reporters to declare their willingness to make one more attempt at a bipartisan agreement on procedures.

"We think that the best way to keep calm and cool and dignified is to look at each other and talk to each other," said Lott.

The two sides were expected to exchange proposals for witnesses and other issues in advance of the scheduled Friday meeting.

Hyde and other Republicans have prepared a list of potential witnesses,

including Monica Lewinsky, presidential friend Vernon Jordan and White House secretary Betty Currie, central figures in the sex-and-cover-up case put together by Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr.

In addition, Republican sources who spoke on condition of anonymity said GOP lawmakers may also want to have several current and former White House officials subpoenaed, including John Podesta, the chief of staff; Harold Ickes, a former aide, and adviser Sidney

Blumenthal.

Republicans crafted a plan that would give first the House and then the White House five days each to present evidence, after which senators could submit questions to lawyers through Rehnquist. The Senate would then decide whether to call witnesses.

Democrats generally opposed witnesses at the trial, and Daschle told reporters he favored a vote on the articles after presentation of evidence without live testimony.



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UNC junior and filmmaker Mike Connor (left front) works on the set of his film "Second Hand" with the film's art director, Kendra Gaeta (right). Connor finished working on the film in December and said he hoped to hold a preview for the movie in March.

Fees Would Rise For Reverse P2P

An additional P2P Xpress route would require buying extra buses as well as labor and maintenance costs.

By KATIE ABEL
Staff Writer

Students might soon reach their campus destinations a little faster if student government decides to implement a route that runs opposite the current P2P Xpress route, but they won't be able to do it without having to dish out a few extra dollars.

Student government officials said they were trying to determine whether students would be willing to pay about \$5 more in fees for the reverse route in the late-night campus shuttle.

The new route requires additional funds for new shuttles, maintenance, fuel and labor costs.

Students pay \$40 annually for total transportation fees, \$5 of which goes to the P2P system. "We want to see if the reverse route would be an advantage for students or more of a cost burden," said Student Body Secretary Miness Patel.

Student Body Vice President Emily Williamson said she wanted input from student groups to see how many students would support the route.

She said people who lived on campus would show more support for the reverse route than those who lived off campus.

If students show enough support for the route, Williamson said a referendum would be introduced to Student

Congress in February.

But she said even if the referendum passed, the student fee increase and the new route would not begin until the 2000-2001 school year.

Talk of the new reverse route began after Chancellor Michael Hooker passed along an anonymous student suggestion to Director of Public Safety Derek Poarch.

Poarch and his staff then compiled a cost analysis of the new route to see if it would be financially feasible for students.

The cost of the route for the initial five years would be approximately \$123,530 per year, according to the findings compiled by the Department of Public Safety.

Poarch said the University would lease two new buses for the route. The buses would be similar to the current P2P Xpress shuttles, seating about 25 people, with additional standing room also available.

Patel said the route would probably have several advantages for students.

Since the new route will go in the opposite direction of the original route, it would be a more direct way for students to travel around campus, Patel said.

"One of the problems we have with the current Point-2-Point route is that students have to stay on the buses for a longer amount of time than it should take them to get to various points on campus," he said.

Patel said the new route would also likely decrease the amount of time students would have to wait for the shuttles.

Williamson said she thought waiting-time was one of the major concerns students had with the current system.

"People are walking instead of waiting for the shuttles, and this can create safety hazards."

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What Dreams May Come

By GINNY YU
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For UNC junior and filmmaker Mike Connor, dreams really have come true.

Connor has combined the unsettling thoughts that plagued him in his sleep at night with his longtime filmmaking aspirations to produce a film titled "Second Hand."

Connor finished shooting footage for the movie, filmed in Chapel Hill, in

December, and he is in the process of editing it. He said he hoped to hold a March screening for the film.

The plot for "Second Hand" springs directly from dreams, Connor said.

"I was having weird dreams," Connor said. "I'd be doing something and people were always taking pictures of me."

The film focuses on a psychologically disturbed girl, played by senior Carey Kotsionis, who tapes records

people's conversations and photographs them while they sleep.

"She's obsessed with a guy because she thinks he killed someone," Connor said. "It's a story about her surveillance of him."

Connor, a communication studies major, wrote the screenplay in just a few hours' time. But it has since been revised many times, he said.

To make the film, Connor worked through the Carolina Production Guild, an organization where he serves as vice president.

Connor held auditions for "Second Hand" in September and chose four students to play the principal roles.

A technical crew of 30 people from the Carolina Production Guild worked with Connor to direct the film. The UNC campus and McCauley and Greensboro streets are the film's set.

The production was financed through grants, private individuals and the Carolina Production Guild.

Connor said he looked at the movie. See CONNOR, Page 2

U.S. Plane Fires on Iraqi Site

U.S. officials call Saddam Hussein's repeated no-fly zone attacks the acts of a leader losing control.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — An American warplane fired a missile at an Iraqi air defense site that was targeting the jet Thursday in what the head of the U.S. forces in the region called a sign of Saddam Hussein's desperation.

Marine Gen. Anthony Zinni, leader of U.S. Central Command, said the Iraqi president's grip on power appears to be slipping and he is trying to assert control by repeatedly challenging "no-fly" zones, executing traitorous military and civilian leaders and lashing out at Arab leaders.

'A Sign of Desperation'

In the past weeks Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein has violated U.N. 'no-fly' zone regulations at least 40 times, U.S. officials said. The latest incident occurred Thursday.



SOURCE: ASSOCIATED PRESS

"He's dangerous now. He could become more dangerous," said Zinni, who commanded forces during the Dec. 16-19 airstrikes against Iraq.

Since Operation Desert Fox, Iraq has moved more surface-to-air missile sites into no-fly zones patrolled by U.S. and British planes to protect Kurds in the north and Shiite Muslims in the south, the Pentagon said. The zones began in 1991 and 1992 after the Gulf War.

In past weeks, Iraq has violated the no-fly zones with aircraft incursions at

least 40 times, Zinni said, and two Iraqi fighters entered the southern zone on Thursday, according to the Pentagon.

Iraqi missile batteries fired at U.S. and British planes twice last week in no-fly zones and then four U.S. warplanes fired on — but missed — Iraqi planes on Tuesday after the Americans were threatened.

Thursday's incident occurred in the northern no-fly zone, 20 miles north-

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Committee Approves Student Fee Increase

By ASHLEY STEPHENSON
University Editor

The Chancellor's Committee on Student Fees approved a \$30.50 proposed student fee increase during its meeting Thursday night.

The committee will put the fee recommendations before the UNC Board of Trustees Jan. 28 and 29 for approval and then the N.C. General Assembly in early February, said Roger Patterson, committee co-chairman.

If the increase is approved by the General Assembly, it will become effective in fall 1999, Patterson said.

"I anticipate that they will approve it, but that's their prerogative," he said.

The \$30.50 increase is comprised of three different fee increases, Patterson said. Eight dollars of the money will go toward an education and technology fee, which will be used to cover inflationary growth costs. Students now pay \$236 for education and technology. Of the \$8, \$3 will go to Career

Services to create a computing consultant/technological coordinator position. Career Services has not received an increase in fees since it was created during the 1995-96 school year, he said.

Susan Kitchen, vice chancellor for student affairs, said if the fee increase were approved, students, Career Services staff members and someone with technology expertise would form a search committee. The Career Services director would make the final decision.

The remaining \$5 of the education and technology fee will be spent on computer labs, telecommunication lines for dialing access, central e-mail and Internet access, he said.

The second fee increase included in the \$30.50 covers a \$16 debt service fee to be spent on Student Union renovations. Students approved the increase through a referendum in spring 1998.

The last fee increase comprising the \$30.50 is a \$6.50 student activity fee that

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INSIDE Friday

On the Job

Melissa Exum, the new dean of students, gears her attention toward students by talking with them about their concerns and even baking them pies. See Page 6.

Streak Stoppers

The UNC women's basketball team had its winning streak halted at 11 games by N.C. State on Thursday night. Center Summer Erb paced the 'Pack in the 87-70 win in Raleigh. See Page 7.

Today's Weather

Chance of rain; mid 50s.
Saturday: Rain; lower 60s.
Sunday: Clear; upper 30s.

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