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Clinton's Defense Team **Denies All House Charges**

WASHINGTON - House-passed articles of impeachment are "flawed and unfair," President Clinton's legal team argued before the Senate on Wednesday in a finely detailed, sometimes emotional defense that challenged each claim of

The allegations "do not justify the nullification of a free election," said Special Counsel Gregory Craig.

Craig and Deputy White House Counsel Cheryl Mills spliced together videotane, transcripts, and even the

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words of House prosecutors as they challenged claims that Clinton broke the law to cover up a sexual affair with Monica Lewinsky.

Accusing the House prosecutors of substandard legal work, Craig said at one point, "It is hard to take the charges

And in an emotional summation at day's end, Mills, a 33-year-old black lawyer, told the Senate the "house of civil rights will not fall" if Clinton is acquitted. Clinton's accusers say that by his actions in the Paula Jones sexual harassment lawsuit, he sought to deny

Senators - some of them writing notes on legal pads, others struggling periodically against the urge to doze off - sat silently through the fifth day's presentation. By the time the day was done, Craig said in a joking aside, senators would have had "much more than 100 percent of your minimum daily requirement for lawyering, for which I apolo-

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The Senate Trial

- President Clinton's legal team challenged the House's claims of obstruction of justice and perjury Wednesday.
- Special White House Counsel Gregory Craig and his assistants used videotape, transcripts and House prosecutors' statements to deny all charges of coverup in Clinton's relationship with Monica Lewinsky.
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King's Visit Highlights **Festivities**

The Rev. Bernice King spoke Wednesday night following a noon celebration of the 13th annual Show of Hands.

By CAROL ADAMSON

The eight-day celebration of Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday continued Wednesday with events geared toward spreading the civil rights activist's mes-

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More than 400 people attended a speech by the Rev. Bernice King on Wednesday night as part of the festivities. Bernice King is the youngest daughter of Martin Luther King, Jr.

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In her speech, Bernice King stressed that people of different backgrounds, races and religions should reach out to people different from themselves.

"Dr. King's legacy was about secur-ing the soul of America from death and destruction," she said. "I encourage you to reach out here at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and find one another."

Bernice King said racial discrimination still existed in our society and that it must be recognized to be destroyed. "Although the physical signs of

racism are gone, they are etched on the minds and lips of the people around us," she said. "You can confront it head on and hope to curb its damage and

The Black Student Movement was one of the many groups who came to support Bernice King's message. Delvin Davis, executive assistant to

the BSM, said about 60 members attended the speech and the candlelight march preceding it.

"After our meeting, we marched from Upendo (Lounge in Chase Hall) to the Pit and from the Pit to Memorial Hall," Davis said. "I know that (Bernice King's) speech will be one that focuses on change, and I hope that everyone in attendance will concentrate on that spir-

The speech came following the noon Polk Place demonstration of "A Show of Hands For Peace and Unity," sponsored by the Campus Y. Thirty-three students



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The Campus Y and the Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Week Planning Committee sponsored a Show of Hands for Peace and Unity on Wednesday in Polk Place in memory of King.

joined hands at the event to show their support for Martin Luther King Jr.'s

BSM President Tamara Bailey said the demonstration, which included a speech by Dean of Students Melissa Exum, was another event designed to reach students during the week.

"First, it takes the input of the stu-dents to want to listen," Bailey said. "If students take the time to listen, they might find something that can benefit them in their everyday lives."

Jamie Adams, president of the Campus Y, said the demonstration was the 13th annual gathering of its kind

"Basically, what 'A Show of Hands' is, is a visual display of unity and peace," Adams said. "What we're hoping to do is to get people to reflect on King's dream and how they can incorporate that dream into their everyday activiAdams said the event was symbolic growing racial tolerance.

"It's visual; they can see people of different races and religions holding hands, and then as the program continues, the circle gets larger," she said.

Harold Wallace, special assistant to the characteristics.

the chancellor for minority affairs, said Wednesday's events were designed to heighten awareness on the campus and in the community. "The whole idea behind the Martin

Luther King celebration is to highlight the life and legacy of Dr. King," Wallace

"The idea is to get people of different races religions and ethnic backgrounds to rise above their differences to bring a sense of community and keep the legacy alive

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Bernice King, keynote speaker for the Martin Luther King Jr. birthday celebration at UNC, speaks Wednesday in Memorial Hall.

Clinton Praises N.C. Schools

Clinton lauded the state's test scores in Tuesday's State of the Union address.

By Jessica Jones

President Bill Clinton put North Carolina public education into the spotlight Tuesday night as he praised the test-score-raising efforts of Gov. Jim Hunt in his State of the Union address.

In a short reference to North Carolina's improvements in education, Clinton credited Hunt with the rise of

the state's test scores, which achieved the biggest gains in the nation last year. Clinton cited Hunt's accountability

and end-of-grade testing programs as examples for other states to follow. "All states and school districts must turn around their worst-performing schools," Clinton said. "That's the policy established in North Carolina by

Gov. Jim Hunt." N.C. policy makers and legislators attributed the state's success to recent programs and legislation such as the ABC Accountability Program, the Excellent Schools Act and Smart Start.

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Students Miss Precinct Report

By SALEEM RESHAMWALA Staff Writer

After members of UNC's student government failed to show up at Tuesday's Orange County Board of Commissioners meeting, officials said they would wait for a show of student interest before proceeding with plans to improve student voting precincts for local elections.

Orange County Board of Elections Director Carolyn Thomas said she was surprised that no students attended her presentation to the OCC on creating campus satellite polling sites.

Improving voting precints on campus is one of Student Body President Reyna

Walters' administration's goals.
Satellite polling sites could increase voter turnout by allowing all students who live in residence halls to vote on campus, Thomas said. Most students must currently vote off campus.

"When I presented the memo (on improving campus voting districts) there were about two people in the audience." Student Body Secretary Minesh Patel

said the student government was con-cerned about polling site accessibility but had not planned to meet any county officials until it had gained formal

support from Carrboro and Chapel Hill.
"I don't think anyone from our office was contacted (about the meeting)," Patel said. "I don't understand how (the OCC) could know our concerns without us writing them a formal explanation."

Student government External Relations Chairwoman Jessica Triche said, "I usually check the county Web site for the agendas of the meetings. I checked the Board of Elections' site but not the OCC site.'

Commissioner Stephen Halkiotis said the board was waiting for the student

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Land Tract Use to Get **More Input**

Six of the 17 members of the Horace Williams **Advisory Committee have** science backgrounds.

By KEITH TAYLOR

A chancellor-appointed committee largely made up of UNC scientists could decide the future of undeveloped UNC land with little representation from other University departments.

Chancellor Michael Hooker pro-posed creating a scientific research facil-ity on UNC's 973-acre Horace Williams Land Tract - willed to UNC by a for-mer philosophy professor - in

Hooker appointed members to the Horace Williams Advisory Committee last month, said Senior University Counsel Susan Ehringhaus.

The 17-member committee includes eight faculty members who hold positions in UNC academic departments Of those members, six work in medi-cine or other science departments, and two members hold positions in the Kenan-Flagler Business School and the College of Arts and Sciences.

Ehringhaus, committee co-chair-woman, said most of the faculty members had been appointed for their administrative positions. "I think that this is not an omission (of non-scientific ideas by the committee).

She said all faculty members and student government representatives received information about submitting other ideas.

Committee co-chairman Jonathan

Howes, special assistant to the chancel-lor, said nothing could determine how the committee's makeup would affect a decision on the land. "We're still at the very, very early

stages," he said.

But adding a student and an employee representative to the committee could balance the scales on how UNC uses the tract. The committee received a recommendation Tuesday to add a student and a member of the Employee

Forum, Ehringhaus said.

"As a sort of agenda, the committee has expanded, and I think that we cer-

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Diversions C

A Line in the Sawdust

Country line and contra dancing are enjoying increasing popularity. This ek's Diversions delves into the latest dance crazes that are sweeping the nation. See Page 5.

Blind Justice

The Supreme Court heard arguments Wednesday on whether the drawing of N.C.'s hotly debated 12th District was an unconstitutional attempt at racial gerrymandering. See Page 2.

Ravon Nevermore

Tailback Ravon Anderson is leaving a crowded Tar Heel backfield after seeing limited time as a redshirt freshman. See Page 13.



Today's Weather

Mostly sunny; Lower 70s. Friday: Mostly sunny;

Never exaggerate your faults; your friends will attend to that.