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Pentagon Officials: Afghan Skies Clear

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The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The United States hit Afghanistan with a third day of airstrikes, crushing Taliban air defenses, radars and airports to the extent that American warplanes can fly virtually unchallenged night and day, the Pentagon said Tuesday. "The skies are now free," President Bush said.

The administration pushed for the

surrender of Osama bin Laden's terrorist **America Attacks**

network and the ouster of the Taliban regime that shelters him. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld urged Afghan dissidents to "heave the al-Qaida and the Taliban leadership ... out of the country."

Bin Laden's spokesman called for a holy war against U.S. interests and praised the hijackers who flew jetliners into the World Trade Center and Pentagon on Sept. 11. "The storm of airplanes will not stop," Sulaiman Abu Ghaith said.

In a home-front scolding, Bush accused Congress of leaking information about the global investigation into the

Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in New York and Washington.

"You have a responsibility, and some members did not accept that responsibility," Bush said. He warned lawmakers not to talk about troop deployments either.

In the skies over Afghanistan, U.S. bombs streaked day and night toward sites connected with the ruling Taliban. Sources inside the Taliban said bombs struck around Kandahar, the militia's headquarters, and the northwest city of Herat. Anti-aircraft fire and the roar of jets rattled the capital, Kabul.

Four security workers for a United Nations-affiliated mine-clearing operation were killed during Monday night's strikes. Rumsfeld said it wasn't clear

whether U.S. bombs or Taliban anti-aircraft fire killed the men.

In an appeal to the United States, U.N. spokeswoman Stephanie Bunker said, "People need to distinguish between combatants and those innocent civilians who do not bear arms."

Bush was unapologetic, saying, "There is one way to shorten the campaign in Afghanistan, and that is for Osama bin Laden and his leadership to be turned over so he can be brought to justice."

Four weeks after terrorist attacks killed more than 5,000, Americans were still on edge.

The FBI pressed its anthrax investigation in Florida, convinced that foul play rather than environmental sources

infected one man and exposed a co-worker.

Bush called the death an isolated incident. "We're on high alert on the governmental level, but the American people should go about their business," he said.

Rumsfeld declined to identify the targets of Tuesday's assaults but said the meager Taliban defenses were in shambles. Bush called the mission a success so far. "We believe we are now able to carry out strikes more or less around the clock as we wish," Rumsfeld said.

He said, however, some risk remains to coalition pilots from helicopters, a small number of fighter jets and surface-to-air missiles.

Rumsfeld and Joint Chiefs Chairman

Richard Myers opened their news conference with before-and-after pictures of Taliban targets. Each grainy aerial shot of a terrorist camp or military site was followed by second — the target now cratered or smoke-streaked.

The home of Taliban supreme leader Mullah Mohammed Omar, about nine miles outside Kandahar, was struck for the third time, Taliban sources said.

There was a dwindling number of targets left to strike in the Taliban's paltry military or bin Laden's network, a fact that increased speculation about Bush's next move. Rumsfeld said Bush has not ruled out the use of ground forces; Bush

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Latest Teach-In Relates Religion, Afghan Bombing

Graduate student Michal Osterweil says the teach-in will differ from the previous two, which occurred before the bombing began.

By RACHEL CLARKE
Staff Writer

A discussion about the relationship between religion and the bombing in Afghanistan will be held tonight — the third in a series of teach-ins that has garnered national attention.

The event is called "Inter-Faith Responses to September 11" and will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Hanes Art Center auditorium to discuss the terrorist attacks in New York, Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania.

The teach-in is co-sponsored by the University Program in Cultural Studies and Progressive Students, Staff and Faculty, known as PROGRESS.

"The people speaking are all from different communities of faith," said Michal Osterweil, a graduate student in anthropology who was involved in planning the event.

The speakers will include Sister Evelyn Mattern from the N.C. Council of Churches; the Rev. Robert Seymour, minister emeritus of Binkley Baptist Church in Chapel Hill; the Rev. Curtis Gatewood from the Durham chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; an active Catholic; and a practicing Muslim.

"I think that we feel like there hasn't been a whole lot of opportunity for discussion of September 11," said Osterweil, an active member of PROGRESS.

"We really, really underestimate the importance of creat-

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Conservatives Call UNC Campus Liberal

UNC received national attention after a series of teach-ins relating to the events of Sept. 11 was attacked as being too liberal.

By JENNIFER HAGIN
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The Sept. 11 attacks and the United States' subsequent bombing of Afghanistan have caused a flurry of protests and vigils on college campuses across the nation.

But two recent teach-ins on UNC-Chapel Hill's campus have been the subject of national criticism from several prominent conservatives. Radio talk show hosts Rush Limbaugh and G. Gordon Liddy both have made references to the University's "liberalism" on their shows, citing the teach-ins as an example.

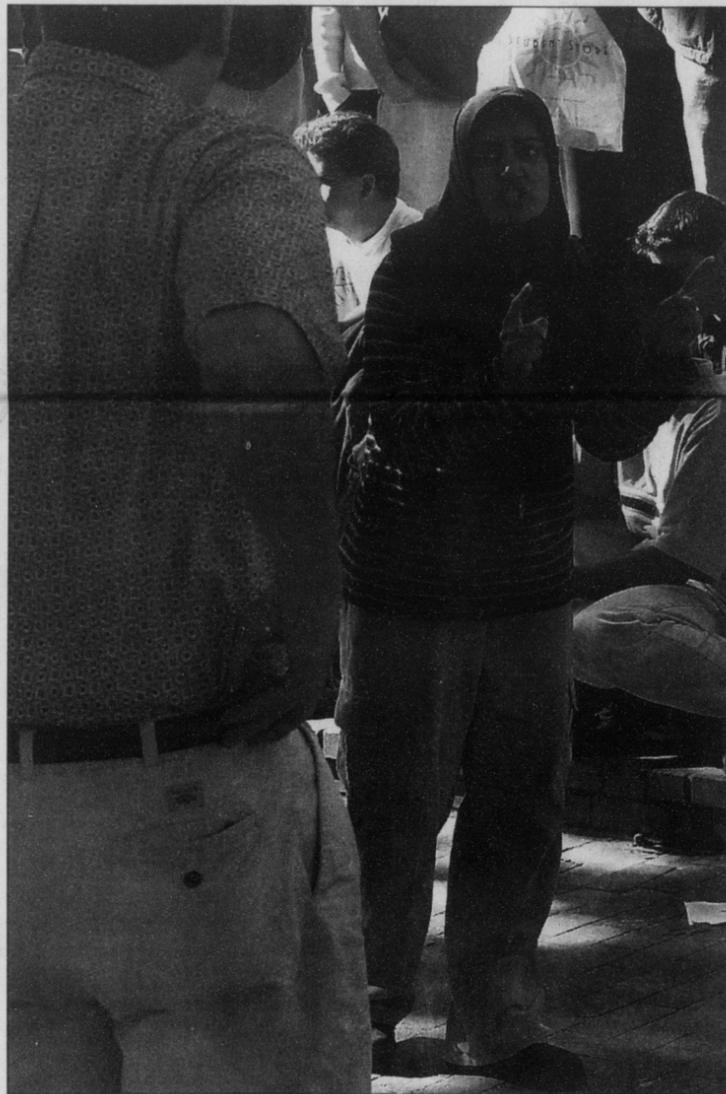
Chancellor James Moeser has received hundreds of e-mails from across the nation criticizing the University for its "anti-American" behavior. The Web magazine frontpagemag.com, sponsored by prominent conservative David Horowitz, has featured several articles criticizing the University.

But UNC's national attention might have been prompted by conservatives with ties to campus.

Scott Rubush, associate editor of frontpagemag.com, is a UNC graduate and was the publisher of the Carolina Review while he was at the University. Rubush said he continues to follow events at his alma mater and heard about the teach-in. He called Michelle Oswell, a UNC graduate student in

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TWO SIDES TO EVERY STORY



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Saba Maroof, a senior psychology major, voices her anger and frustration concerning attitudes toward Muslims since the attacks to preacher Tom Short on Tuesday in the Pit. For the second day in a row, a group of students gathered to debate with Short.

Race Relations Forum Looks At Administration's Progress

By JOHN FRANK
Staff Writer

Participants in a race relations forum held Tuesday night praised the University administration's efforts to eliminate racism but said more needs to be done for students of color to feel safe on campus.

More than 50 students and staff attended the forum titled "Want to Talk About Racism?" to discuss institutional racism at UNC. The event, which was organized by the On the Wake of Emancipation Campaign as part of Race Relations Week, included a panel of faculty members and student leaders, as well as Provost Robert Shelton.

The forum addressed questions of institutional racism stemming from a protest march OWEC members staged in April. Institutional racism is loosely defined as an organization's policies that covertly support racist practices and ideas.

During the April protest, the group presented Chancellor James Moeser with a list of 10 demands designed to make the campus a safe environment for students of color. Most of the panel members said they believe the University has done a good job addressing the list of demands but that they were still concerned about the damage an underly-

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Seniors May Plant Tree as Memorial

By ROB LEICHER
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Many people at UNC see the Davie Poplar as a symbol of the University.

But in the near future, there might be another historic tree on campus, this one dedicated to the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on New York City, Washington, D.C. and Pennsylvania.

The senior class is going to use money raised through T-shirt sales and other fund-raisers to plant a tree on campus and place a plaque nearby listing the dead or missing UNC alumni, said Ben Singer, president of the senior class.

"We want this tree to be something that will grow along with the University," Singer said.

The senior class will give a traditional gift to the University in addition to the tree, Singer said. He said research for the class gift began this summer, so choices already had been decided before the attacks.

Voting for the gift began Tuesday and continues today. Choices include an Unsung Founders memorial for the black men

and women who helped build the University, a marquee for Memorial Hall and a need-based scholarship for a senior.

"We didn't need to vote on (the tree) because there was a general consensus," Singer said. "This is just something the seniors want to give to the University separate from the class gift."

Singer also disputed claims of a column printed in The Daily Tar Heel on Tuesday that suggested senior class officials were wrong in not considering a memorial related to Sept. 11 as the senior class gift.

"The marshals are very sensitive to the issue — they have not forgotten (the attacks)," he said. If a larger memorial was feasible this late in the class gift

search process, Singer said, it would have been an option.

But he said the relatively low cost of a tree and the historical significance of other campus trees made it a good choice for the seniors. "It is a solution based on the time frame we have," Singer said.

Future class gifts could focus on a larger dedication, Singer said. "I encourage the class of 2003 to plan a memorial."

Some students already have anticipated a memorial by unofficially reserving a small area of McCorkle Place with a short, white picket fence. But the location of the seniors' tree has not been chosen yet, Singer said.

Grounds Director Kirk Pelland said many factors have to be considered in choosing a location. "You have to consider how much sun you have, what kind it is, how tall it's going to be, how long you expect it to live," Pelland said. "This is all landscape architecture."

Pelland said he will work with senior class officials to find a location when they make some decisions.

While most students think the tree is a great idea, others think it should

not be exclusively from the senior class.

Raja Gupta, a senior from Birmingham, Ala., said everyone was affected by the tragedy and should be involved in the memorial. "I think it should be a gift from the University," Gupta said. "Everybody should have a chance to participate."

But Natalie Jones, a sophomore from Gastonia, said the seniors should present the tree because it is their year of graduation. "I think it's a good idea because it is representative of the year itself," Jones said. "It represents life."

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Sandy Darity (left), Fred Hashagen and Provost Robert Shelton discuss the presence and effect of racism on UNC's campus.

Men are never so likely to settle a question rightly as when they discuss it freely.

Lord Macaulay