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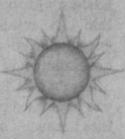
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Bioterrorism Claims 2 More Lives

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Anthrax probably killed two postal workers from a facility that delivers mail to the nation's capital and left two more hospitalized, officials said Monday as the country suffered fresh casualties in the bioterrorism war.

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"The mail and our employees have become the target of terrorists," said Postmaster General John Potter.

Health officials also expressed concern about as many as nine other Washington-area patients who have exhibited symptoms consistent with the disease. The officials did not say whether any worked for the postal service.

With bioterrorism claiming additional lives, Washington, D.C., health officials issued an urgent call for 2,000

workers at the city's central Brentwood mail facility to undergo screening for the disease, and stoutly defended the decision not to order tests last week.

"I think they moved quickly, as quickly as they could," said Tom Ridge, the nation's homeland security director.

But some postal employees expressed anger that officials didn't order testing when an anthrax-laced letter showed up Oct. 15 at Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle's office.

The letter to Daschle is the only

reported case of anthrax-tainted mail in the Washington area, but all mail destined for the city is routed through the Brentwood facility.

Congressional officials said the House and Senate would reconvene Tuesday, although their sprawling office buildings on Capitol Hill would remain shut. Lt. Dan Nichols of the Capitol Police said lawmakers would have off-site work space in nearby buildings.

In all, officials have tallied a suspected three deaths and nine other con-

firmed infections from anthrax nationwide, including six cases of the skin variety and the other three of the more dangerous inhalation type.

Nearly six weeks after terrorists hijacked airliners and struck New York and Washington, and with American warplanes bombing Afghanistan, Ridge said the nation was fighting two fronts in the same war.

"There's a battlefield outside this

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Death Was Result of Overdose

Officers investigating the case found white powder and a partial tablet of a pill on Daniel Walker's desk.

By JENNIFER JOHNSON
Staff Writer

A medical examiner confirmed Monday that UNC senior Daniel Walker died from a multiple-drug overdose.

Walker, who was a senior journalism and economics major, was found dead at 10:39 a.m. Sept. 7 in his 92 Pine Hill Drive residence.

Thomas Clark III, the associate chief medical examiner handling the Walker case, said a combination of cocaine, alcohol and oxycodone, the main ingredient in OxyContin, found in his system caused his death.

But Clark also added that the levels of each drug detected in Walker's system would have been enough to kill Walker.



UNC senior Daniel Walker died from an overdose of alcohol, cocaine and oxycodone.

"He had enough cocaine in him to kill him, but the combination of the (alcohol and oxycodone) could have killed him too," Clark said.

While investigating Walker's death, officers found some white powder and a partial tablet of a pill on the 20-year-old's desk.

Clark said it is unclear which specific drug or combination of drugs caused Walker's death.

"Either one could have contributed to his death," Clark said.

Clark said it can be difficult to pinpoint the exact cause of death in cases involving recreational drug use.

"With so many possible causes of death the medical examiner is not able to settle on one single drug as the absolute cause," he said.

"So it is a multiple-drug overdose." The cause of death report confirms initial toxicology results released Oct. 16 by the Orange County Medical Examiner's Toxicology Lab.

According to the toxicology report, a significant amount of cocaine was detected in Walker's system along with oxycodone.

The report also stated that Walker's blood alcohol level was .10 at the time

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Suspicious Mail Found On Campus

The manila packages sent to the deans' offices were harmless mass mailings that included journal articles.

By KAREY WUTKOWSKI
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Officials responded to four suspicious packages sent to UNC deans' offices last week, but the packages proved to be harmless.

The dean's office at the College of Arts and Sciences and the dean's office at the School of Medicine each received two 8-by-10-inch manila mailing envelopes Wednesday afternoon, said Jeff McCracken, deputy director of the Department of Public Safety.

Officials from DPS and the Department of Environment, Health and Safety responded to calls from office assistants who thought the packages were suspicious and were concerned that they might contain anthrax.

McCracken said the four similar packages did not have return addresses and that two had suspicious incorrect mailing addresses, with two labels addressed to the College of Arts and Sciences.

But he said the packages were not dangerous. "There was nothing indicating an actual threat," McCracken said. "It was a mass mailing sent out to different schools with a journal article. Unfortunately they didn't put a return address on it, and that put up a red flag for some people."

He said the packages, which were probably mailed from Santa Barbara, Calif., contained no powder. After officials examined the packages at the scene, EHS took possession of them, McCracken said.

McCracken said there have been a few other calls reporting suspicious packages being sent to the University, but he said no packages have posed a

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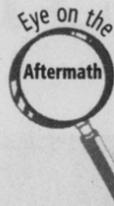
In the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks, political figures are re-examining global tensions, particularly between the United States and Muslim countries, to unite a splintered world. Analysts say people must bridge cultural gaps as well as overcome past political differences.

Strife Has Plagued U.S.-Islamic Ties

By MICHAEL MCKNIGHT
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For the last decade, tension has been a significant theme in the relationship between the United States and many of the world's Islamic countries.

Even in times of peace, news from Islamic countries often shows groups of Muslims, discontent with America, burning flags, marching and chanting anti-American slogans. Now, as members of the Islamic fundamentalist terrorist group al-Qaida stand accused of plotting and carrying out the worst terrorist attacks in U.S. history, historians are re-examining



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the fragile relationship between the United States and the Muslim world.

Many historians have pegged the start of direct conflict between the United States and the Islamic world on a 444-day

standoff that began in November 1979 when Iranian students who supported Iranian Islamic revolutionary Ayatollah Khomeini stormed the U.S. Embassy in Tehran and held 66 workers hostage.

A string of other conflicts have followed, both related and unrelated to the situation in Iran, culminating in the two most recent attacks against U.S. installations — the bombing of the USS Cole last October and the Sept. 11 attacks — both believed to have been masterminded by al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden.

Culture Clash

Pundits familiar with American-

Islamic tensions claim that conflict between the Middle East and the West has been brewing since before the United States was even founded.

"I think (the conflict) is a thousand years old and dates back to the Crusades," said John Dodd, president of the Jesse Helms Center Foundation, a free enterprise and foreign policy educational center at Wingate University. "I think the clash started there."

"Fundamentally, it's a clash about cultures," he said. "We believe in freedom, and these strict Islamic fundamen-

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Revised Ticket Distribution Begins Today

This year, students will get bracelets at Kenan Stadium and the start number will be chosen Friday in the Pit.

By TINA CHANG
Staff Writer

To accommodate students' demand for basketball tickets, Carolina Athletic Association officials have changed their ticket distribution policy.

This season's first bracelet distribution for men's basketball will be held at Gate 5 of Kenan Stadium from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. today, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday.

This week's distribution is for games against Hampton University, Davidson College and Indiana University, said

CAA President Reid Chaney.

Students must present their UNC ONE Cards to receive a bracelet, and they can only receive one bracelet each.

The CAA will hold a drawing at noon Friday in the Pit, where arbitrarily selected students will randomly draw a number that will be the starting point for ticket distribution.

The number will be posted on the CAA Web site, on the CAA sports ticker in the Pit and on the ticket window at the Smith Center ticket office, Chaney said.

The ticket line check starts at 6 a.m. Saturday at the Smith Center. Students will be divided into groups of 100, and the student with the number drawn Friday will be the first to receive tickets. Student are eligible to receive two tickets by presenting their own ONE Card and another student's ONE Card.

Chaney said CAA officials expect to give out more bracelets this year because enrollment is higher. "We will probably give out anywhere from six to seven thousand," Chaney said. "Maybe more, maybe less — we'll see after the first time."

This year's system differs from last year's by incorporating ONE Cards, Chaney said. He said scanning ONE Cards prevents cheating because it limits students to one bracelet.

"I think a lot of students wanted to scan ONE Cards to eliminate cheating," Chaney said. "It goes into the system, and the card is denied the second time."

Chaney also said because the number will be announced Friday, the actual ticket distribution on Saturday will go faster.

Distribution of tickets for riser seats also has been changed to give more students an opportunity to watch from that

section, Chaney said.

Students early in the distribution have the choice of receiving three lower-level seats or two lower-level seats and a riser. No separate number will be drawn for the riser distribution.

CAA officials do not anticipate any problems with the new distribution policy, Chaney said. "This distribution is of course different. We hope to have all the kinks worked out, and with this being the first one, we can improve on it."

Chaney said tickets still are available for the Blue-White scrimmage game and the two exhibition games. Students can get two tickets to these games by presenting their ONE Card and an additional card to the ticket office beside the Smith Center.

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GOT MILK?



DTH JOSHUA GREER

Marissa Toselli (left) and Hanna Root don milk mustaches for their chance to be in the next Got Milk? campaign. The Taste Sensation tour stopped at Maple View Farms Country Store as part of its national tour.

A man's feet must be planted in his country, but his eyes should survey the world.

George Santayana