

Anthrax Fears Spread to Midwest

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The fear of anthrax spread to the Midwest on Thursday with a preliminary finding of contamination at a Kansas City, Mo., postal facility. Investigators established a link between the death of a woman in New York and more than a dozen cases of the disease elsewhere in the country.

The bacteria that killed Kathy T. Nguyen were "indistinguishable from all the others," including the strain in a letter to Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, said Dr. Steven Ostroff of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Officials said they had not yet learned how the woman became sick.

Nearly one month into America's bioterrorism scare, the threat seemed to be receding in the nation's capital, but

New Jersey asked the Bush administration for hurry-up help in testing more than one thousand postal facilities. It appears the state "is the front line of the anthrax attack on our nation," wrote acting Gov. Donald T. DiFrancesco.

In a cruel irony, officials said the suspected spores found in Kansas City had likely been exported from the nation's capital.

"The assumption at this point is that this is a contamination process from Brentwood," the main postal facility in Washington, D.C., that has been shut down for more than a week, said Rex Archer, the Kansas City health director. The idea is that spores "settled out of the air and got on these envelopes."

The preliminary test results at a specialty postal facility - coupled with the discovery of spores at a private Indiana com-

pany - marked the first known spread of spores off the East Coast in the nation's month-long struggle with bioterrorism.

The results were predictable. More than 170 area postal workers in the Kansas City area joined thousands of other Americans on antibiotics, and local officials moved to reassure the public.

The positive test results came from swabs taken on two bags of employees' trash in the first-day cancellation section of the Stamp Fulfillment Center, said Gary Stone, the facility's manager. At a news conference, he said that the affected portion of the facility had been closed and that it had its own ventilation system.

"The mail that we found and sequestered, which is where the samples tested positive, did not come through the mail stream with any letter that might end up in your home," he said.

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bombing campaign by pinpointing targets and coordinating with opposition forces. He mentioned no specific number but said he hoped for a three- or fourfold increase from the current number, which is between 100 and 200.

"We have a number of teams cocked and ready to go," he told a Pentagon news conference on the 26th day of U.S. bombing. "It's just a matter of having the right kind of equipment to get them there in the landing zones ... where it's possible to get in and get out, and we expect that to happen."

He said the plan includes placing U.S. troops with a wider ring of rebel forces, in both northern and southern Afghanistan.

The United States also is supplying rebels with ammunition and arms "as fast as we can," once liaison forces make sure the supplies will be used and not sold, he said.

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"It's a devastating loss, especially the way we did lose," he said. "It came down to the defense to make a stop, and we couldn't do it."

UNC's defense came up with two stops in the red zone but still couldn't keep the ball out of Tech's hands.

The Jackets held possession for 36:57 for 424 yards compared to UNC's 23:03

and 299 yards in the game.

Durant led his team 76 yards down the field late in the fourth and completed a 21-yard TD to Sam Aiken to pull UNC within seven. But it wouldn't be enough.

"I think it was a combination of not having been in a game like this before," Julius Peppers said. "I think we went out there playing not to lose instead of playing to win."

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UNC sophomore said, "I had friends who were supposed to come, but they didn't because of the security."

Tom McManis, a Morganton police officer, said he traveled more than 200 miles to aid local police. He said the recent attacks, not the increased security measures, might have reduced the crowd size.

Despite a reduction in attendance and some students complaining that the security measures were irritating, the Franklin Street tradition continued.

Darah Meelam, a UNC freshman, said her first Halloween experience on Franklin Street left other schools in the dust. "I love Chapel Hill," Meelam said. "There's nothing better."

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"There was a symbolic difference for some of the members, but there was really little difference," Hackney said. "I think you can describe this as a kinder, gentler plan."

The new plan actually helps the Republicans in one area. Under the previous plan two Republican incumbents - Reps. Edgar Starnes, R-Caldwell, and

Gene Wilson, R-Watauga, - would have had to run against each other. Under the adopted plan the two representatives were placed in separate districts.

The redistricting discussion concluded on a heated note. House Speaker Jim Black, D-Mecklenburg, abruptly ended the debate even though several Republican members were waiting for their chance to speak.

As Black began to call for a vote on the bill, several Republican members jumped from their seats and angrily

screamed at Black to be allowed to speak. Black ignored their cries and continued to call for the vote.

Many of the chamber's Republican members were already angered by Black's unwillingness to allow any Republican amendment to be heard.

Only one amendment was introduced on the House floor Thursday - and it passed by a 117-3 vote. But Republicans claimed that they had 10 to 12 other amendments that Black did not allow them to introduce.

"The idea that you can only introduce Democratic amendments is not right," said House Minority Leader Rep. Leo Daughtry, R-Johnston. "You have not treated the Republican party fairly, but, more importantly, you haven't treated the people of this state fairly."

The Republicans became further irritated when Black abruptly ended the debate and immediately called a press conference to decry Black's actions.

"When (Black) decided that the rules didn't apply he decided ... that the people of this state didn't need a constitution, didn't need to be represented by the state of North Carolina," said Rep. Sam Ellis, R-Wake.

Republican members said a lawsuit would be filed because they felt Black had violated not only the rules of the House but also of the state Constitution.

"We saw a tyranny today," said Rep. Art Pope, R-Wake. "The courts will intervene to enforce the constitution."

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REGULATIONS

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swords, pitchforks and play guns - all of which were items that violated restrictions. At these designated areas, police also searched people's bags, and if necessary, costumes.

There were no reports of anthrax scares from the Halloween bash, and officials said they were pleased with the par-

ticipants' attitudes. There was no evidence of bonfires and no reports of hoaxes.

But many students said there was too much regulation. Katie Davis, a freshman English major, said she was disappointed in this year's festivities. "This was my first Halloween at UNC, and I was expecting it to be a lot crazier and bigger, but it was still a lot of fun."

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Campus Calendar

Today

7:30 p.m. - Linking Immigrants to New Communities of Campus Y is hosting an International Party.

It will take place in Toy Lounge of Dey Hall.

There will be free pizza and refreshments.

8:30 p.m. - The North Carolina Black Student Alliance Committee of the Black Student Movement is having the "Loose Rap" Open Mic Extravaganza. It will take place in the Great Hall.

This also is the BSM Month Kickoff. Tickets will be sold in the Pit for \$1 and \$3 at the door.

Editor's Note

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Items must be submitted before noon the day before they are supposed to run.

For the Record

The Nov. 1 article entitled "N.C. House Gives Anti-Terrorism Bills Preliminary Approval" incorrectly stated that the bill will next move to the N.C. House. The bill will move to the N.C. Senate. The Daily Tar Heel regrets the error.

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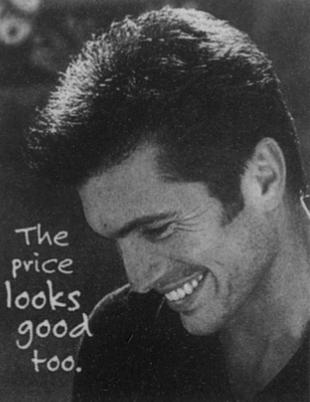
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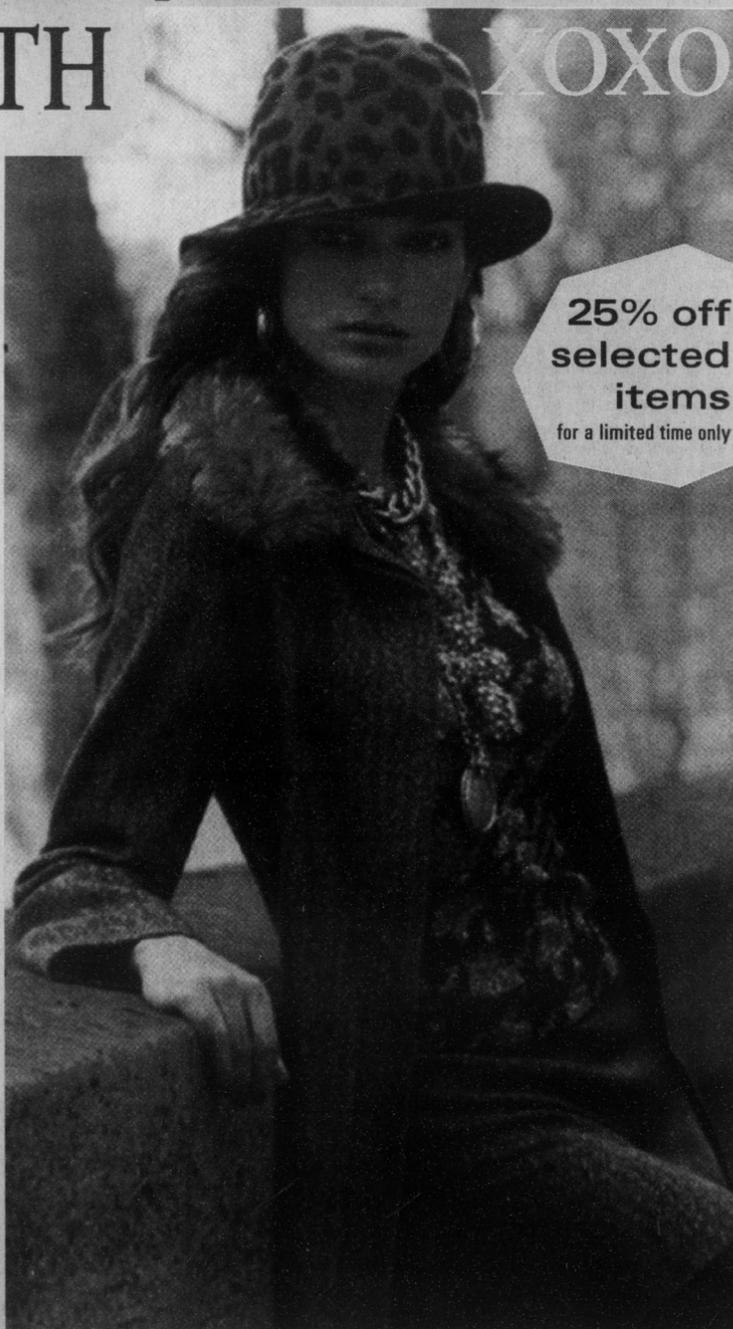
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