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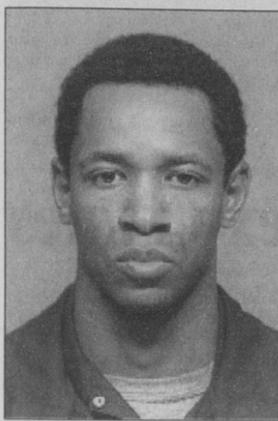


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Sniper Manhunt Yields 2 Arrests



AP PHOTO/PIERCE COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE

John Allen Muhammad, shown here in a 1995 booking mug, was arrested Thursday morning.

Ballistics link gun found in suspects' car to the shootings

The Associated Press

ROCKVILLE, Md. — One of the United States' most extraordinary manhunts culminated Thursday in the arrests of an Army veteran and a teenager, asleep at a roadside rest stop — perpetrators, authorities believe, of a bloody, three-week sniping spree that left 10 people dead and multitudes paralyzed by fear.

John Allen Muhammad, 41 — arrested with 17-year-old John Lee Malvo — appeared in court and was ordered held without bail. Both, said Montgomery County Police Chief Charles Moose, are considered suspects in the sniper attacks.

The two were arrested without incident by members of the sniper task force at a rest stop in Frederick County, Md., 50 miles northwest of Washington, D.C. The time was 3:19 a.m.

A gun found in the suspects' car — a Bushmaster AR-15 rifle — had been linked by ballistics to 11 of the 14 shootings, including one in which no one was injured, said Michael Bouchard, an agent with the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

The AR-15 is the civilian form of the M-16 military assault rifle. As a soldier, Muhammad received a Marksmanship Badge with expert rating — the highest of three ratings — in use of the M-16, according to Army records. Police also found a scope and tripod in the car, a law enforcement source said.

Muhammad, a veteran of the Gulf War, converted to Islam, according to The Seattle Times. The Times quoted federal sources as saying he and Malvo had been known to speak sympathetically about the hijackers who attacked the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. But there was no indication, authorities said, that they were linked to al-Qaida or any terrorist group.

In handcuffs and a green prison jumpsuit, Muhammad appeared Thursday in a Baltimore federal courthouse patrolled by a dozen federal marshals armed with high-powered rifles.

Muhammad is due back in court Tuesday on a federal firearms charge stemming from a 2000 court order in Tacoma, Wash., that barred Muhammad from harassing or using force against an ex-wife and children.

U.S. District Court Magistrate Beth P. Gesner made no mention of the sniper killings. Muhammad spoke little during the 10-minute hearing. When Gesner asked if he understood the charge, he quietly answered, "Yes, ma'am."

Malvo, a citizen of Jamaica, is considered by the court to be a juvenile, and all of his proceedings are closed. Police said he is being held as a material witness, pending charges, and they did not identify him.

A law enforcement official, speaking on condition of anonymity, outlined developments that led to the arrests.

On Oct. 17, a Montgomery County, Md., public information officer received a call from someone they now believe was the sniper. The caller referred to a robbery-homicide in "Montgomery" — not, in itself, enough to prompt authorities to call police in that Alabama city.

The next day, a priest received a call from someone who mentioned a crime in Montgomery, Ala. It's unclear whether the caller referred to the sniper killings, but the conversation prompted the priest to call the hotline. Authorities put the two calls together.

Evidence from a Sept. 21 robbery attempt outside a liquor store in Montgomery, which killed one employee and wounded another, then led police to the men.



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Burn victim David Creedy's son, Tyler, (left) and wife, Jackie, attend a news conference Thursday.

Recovery, Thanks At UNC Hospitals

David Creedy was burned in Bali attack

By MEREDITH CRAIG
Staff Writer

"Just focus on this," he told his brother. Marc Creedy, brother of Bali bombing victim David Creedy, held a photograph taken in September of David Creedy and David Creedy's wife, Jackie, for David Creedy to see in his bed in the intensive care unit at the N.C. Jaycee Burn Center at UNC Hospitals.

This show of optimism is just one of innumerable displays of support and love that have taken place since David Creedy, 49, survived the blast of a terrorist bomb in Bali made of compounds stockpiled by groups allegedly tied to al-Qaida.

The bombing occurred Oct. 12 and killed more than 200 people in a tourist-packed area. David

Creedy, a resident of the Outer Banks, was in an Irish pub during the blast and had to fight his way out, Marc Creedy said.

Michael Peck, the burn center's director, who is in charge of David Creedy's care, had been consulting by phone with those in Singapore caring for him since the day of the bombing.

David Creedy arrived in Chapel Hill on Sunday after a MedEvac flight from Singapore brought him to Raleigh-Durham International Airport.

Peck said in a press conference Thursday at the N.C. Women's Hospital that David Creedy, who has second-degree burns covering 60 percent of his body, is not unstable in any way despite being listed in critical condition because of the intense level of care he requires.

"His biggest challenge is, number one, dealing with the pain of the burn wounds and, number two, coming to terms with his loss of strength and endurance," Peck said.

He also said physical and occupational therapy will be integral to David Creedy's recovery as soon as his wounds heal.

Norma Mills, general counsel for state Sen. Marc Basnight, was central to arranging for David Creedy's return to the United States. "She is now, and always will remain, a cherished member of our extended family," Marc Creedy said at the press conference.

The Creedy family also praised David Creedy's three traveling companions from the Outer Banks for their frantic and dedicated search for him after the bombing. "They did all this while they

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"People from all over the world, even Singapore, have asked me what they can do."

JACKIE CREEDY
David Creedy's Wife

Student Leaders To Work to Ease Housing Tension

By ALEX GRANADOS
Staff Writer

A plan being developed by student leaders to improve student relations with town residents might ease the tensions that led to a nine-month-long ban on duplex construction.

The program is a joint project between the Graduate and Professional Student Federation and the executive branch of student government.

For the moment, the program is still only an idea in the minds of Student Body President Jen Daum and GPSF President Branson Page.

Thus far, the plan calls for pamphlets and packets to be given to students when they decide not to re-contract with campus housing.

Information on noise ordinances, how to dispose of furniture and rules regarding keeping animals will be among the items included in the packets. This information is expected to help students who are living on their own for the first time.

"We shouldn't think (students) intuitively know how to live in a community," Page said. "We want the town to know we are willing to work with

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DTH/SHILPI PAUL

Police stand outside the Banzai ride at the State Fair on Thursday, where an attendant died after the ride's car hit him.

N.C. State Fair Employee Killed in Ride Accident

By EMMA BURGIN
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RALEIGH — Forty-one-year-old Ernie Allen, an Amusements of America employee, was killed Thursday morning in an accident on the Banzai ride at the N.C. State Fair.

At about 10:55 a.m., Allen, who is from Philadelphia, was on a platform below the ride when he slipped and was struck by one of the cars on its way down.

One other person — a 15-year-old

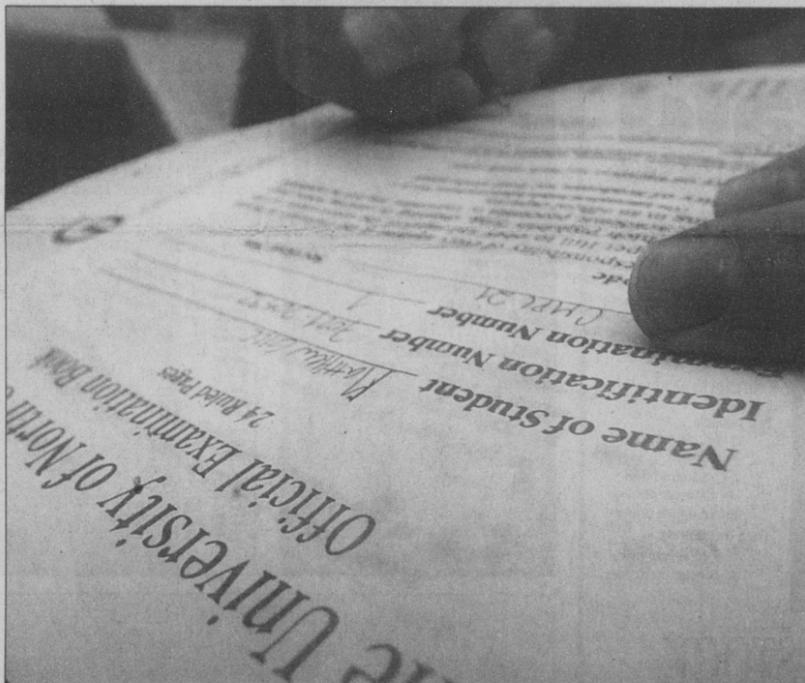
girl — was injured in the accident. She was in the car that hit the attendant but walked away with only several bruises.

"It was a tragic accident," said Mike Blanton, assistant commissioner of the N.C. Department of Agriculture, which is responsible for organizing the fair. "It appears as though (Allen) got in the path of the Banzai ride while it was operating and a foot rest struck him in the head."

Investigators said they assume the blow to the head to be the cause of

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HONOR COURT REVIEW



DTH PHOTO ILLUSTRATION/MICHAEL JERCH

Because some faculty take academic integrity issues into their own hands and many students don't understand the honor system, officials are working to make UNC's judicial system more respected.

Proposals Aim to Imbue Honor System With Respect

By ROB LEICHER
Staff Writer

Faculty members ignore it because they think it's ineffective. Students don't make an effort to understand its intricacies because they think it lacks significant meaning.

This common lack of respect for UNC's student-run honor system prompted Chancellor James Moeser to appoint a task force of students and faculty last year to review the system.

Now, the Committee on Student Conduct is reviewing the task force's proposed changes, which address faculty involvement, student awareness and integrity issues.

According to the Instrument of Student Judicial Governance, the document written in 1974 that lays out the tenets of the Honor Code and Honor Court procedures, faculty are required to "take all reasonable steps" to enforce the Honor Code.

The instrument states that students are required to "obey and support the enforcement of the Honor Code." This includes obeying the Campus Code, which is the part of the Honor Code that prohibits actions that would "impair significantly the welfare or the educational opportunities of others."

Violations of the Campus Code include alcohol and



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drug violations on campus, vandalism and harassment of other students.

All possible violations of either code must be reported to the student attorney general or to the dean of students, both of whom ultimately charge students and decide their guilt or innocence.

Some faculty members said they report all possible violations, but others said they do not trust the Honor Court to adequately deal with the situations. Boone Turchi, professor of economics, said he is aware of several cheating cases that have been dismissed from the Honor Court because of technicalities.

"Sometimes I have thought it would be difficult to prove a case to the court's satisfaction, so I just confront the student directly," Turchi said.

He said that he respects the ideas the code stands for but that he does not think the Honor Court does an effective job of enforcing and promoting these ideas. "I can't tell you I have ever sent a case to the Honor Court," Turchi said. "I think the prevailing attitude of the economics department is that we don't send cases unless there is a slam-dunk case."

The Department of English reports all of its students' possible violations to the Honor Court, said department

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Commit a crime, and the earth is made of glass. There is no such a thing as concealment.

Ralph Waldo Emerson