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FROM THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL

Florida, Michigan could go to DNC

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Mark Penn, the pollster and senior strategist for Hillary Clinton's presidential bid, left the campaign Sunday after it was disclosed he met with representatives of the Colombian government to help promote a free trade agreement Clinton opposes.

"After the events of the last few days, Mark Penn has asked to give up his role as chief strategist of the Clinton campaign," campaign manager Maggie Williams said in a statement released Sunday.

"Mark, and Penn, Schoen and Berland Associates, Inc. will continue to provide polling and advice to the campaign."

Optimism about Mugabe's loss short-lived; leader quickly reclaims power

HARARE, Zimbabwe (AP) — For a few brief moments, Zimbabweans suffering under the authoritarian rule of Robert Mugabe allowed themselves a rare burst of optimism after their longtime president suffered what appeared to be a devastating electoral loss.

But ruling party stalwarts and security chiefs — worried about their own fates in a post-Mugabe era — quickly dug in their heels,

and Mugabe now appears poised to do everything he can to extend his 28-year rule.

Earlier, news of the opposition victory sent supporters into the streets, dancing, singing and waving the open hand that is the Movement for Democratic Change's symbol. The symbol of Mugabe's ZANU-PF is a clenched fist, and it didn't take long for it to show.

Three students die in a house fire

MENOMONIE, Wis. (AP) — A smoky house fire near a University of Wisconsin campus killed three students who never made it out of the rooms where they were sleeping early Saturday, even though neighbors said they heard alarms.

Rescuers found two women and a man on the floors of three second-floor bedrooms near the University of Wisconsin-Stout. All three were pronounced dead at a hospital, authorities said.

It was unclear whether alcohol was a factor.

SALARY

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vate university executives has risen 37 percent in the last five years.

Several of UNC's peer institutions, including the University of Virginia and the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, pay their executives more than \$700,000 annually.

On the lower end, the University of California system, which includes two of UNC's peer institutions, pays none of its chancellors more than \$450,000, still more than UNC.

"If you look at the averages of comparable institutions, we are well below the average," Schwab said.

The University of Wisconsin Board of Regents, which is searching for a new chancellor for its flagship campus at Madison, recently raised the pay ranges for its constituent institutions. John Wiley, UW-Madison's current chancellor, makes \$327,400 — the lowest of UNC's peer group.

The range approved by the UW board is between \$370,000 and \$452,000.

Kevin Reilly, the UW-system president, said the increase was implemented to make the school

more competitive in searches.

'Need to be realistic'

Bill Funk, the consultant hired to assist the search committee, said at the beginning of the search UNC most likely will seek presidents and chancellors currently sitting at other universities to fill Moeser's role.

If this is true, the University will have to contend with salaries that are much higher than Moeser's.

Even outside UNC's peer group, many executive salaries are still more than UNC's. Of 182 public institutions surveyed by The Chronicle of Higher Education, 56 paid their executives more than \$450,000 in the 2006-07 fiscal year.

"I can't imagine anybody wanting to take a pay cut," Schwab said. "Certainly UNC is a sought-after position, but we need to be realistic."

UNC also will have to contend

with retention bonuses, which are designed to keep leaders in place and can add substantially to salaries.

One example is Washington State University President Elson Floyd, a UNC alumnus who recently said he rejected an approach from UNC for the job. Floyd's contract includes retention bonuses of \$50,000 for his second and third years, \$100,000 for his fourth year and \$150,000 for his fifth year.

UNC does have some perks to offer its new chancellor. In addition to the salary, the University provides a house and car for the chancellor.

Schwab said that although the committee has not taken salary into consideration, it will have to negotiate with selected candidates.

"It won't be a factor until the end, but at the end it's going to be a factor."

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EDITOR

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junior Elizabeth DeOrnellas.

Both candidates answered committee questions and members then voted by secret ballot.

"The debate ended up focusing on the question of leadership and the question of personality," said Ted Strong, a member of the DTH editorial board and the committee.

He added that both had strengths, which made the decision difficult.

Rob Nelson, editor-in-chief of the DTH in the 1999-2000 academic year, said though both candidates were highly qualified, the committee was impressed with Nichols' experience and goals for the DTH.

"No matter who we picked, the DTH would have been in great hands," Nelson said. "It was Allison's vision and passion for the job that made her stand out."

Nichols started at the DTH as a University Desk writer in 2005. She became an assistant State & National editor her sophomore year and then served as managing editor this year.

Senior Kevin Wohlgenant, a student member on the selection committee, said he believes Nichols'

managerial experience at the DTH will be a benefit to readers.

"She proved to the committee that she can be effective, which is something I wanted to hear," he said.

Despite not being selected, DeOrnellas said she wants to continue working at the DTH next year.

"As of right now the plan is to be a senior writer and help the State & National Desk with the political coverage," DeOrnellas said.

She said she hopes to be a mentor to the next State & National editor.

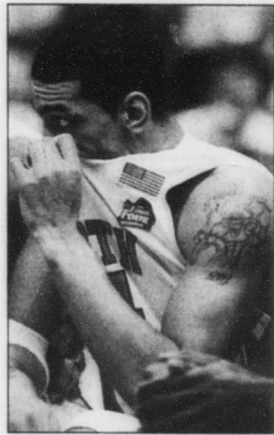
Nichols said that at the end of her interview she had no idea that she would be chosen.

"Liz was a very strong candidate," she said. "So I was extremely surprised and happy when I found out I had been selected."

One of her first tasks as editor will be to assemble her newsroom staff, and Nichols said she plans to start accomplishing the goals of her platform as soon as possible.

"The feelings are still sinking in," she said. "But I am so excited for where this paper will go in the next year."

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DTH/LAUREN COWART
Junior forward Danny Green wipes his face in the closing moments of UNC's loss. Green had 15 points coming off the bench for UNC

DEFEAT

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gies did the trick — the deficit just became a mental block.

"They jumped on us," Wayne Ellington said. "We had no intensity. We were just out there."

After UNC hit rock bottom, there was nowhere to go but up.

So up they went, with Ellington's steals and Danny Green's 3-pointers and Tyler Hansbrough's dunks.

As the Tar Heel crowd implored the team to slice the deficit piece by piece, UNC astoundingly closed the gap to four points with a full 11 minutes left to play.

Visions of previous comebacks against Clemson (down 15 points) and Boston College (down 18 points) reminded the Tar Heels the game always was within reach.

But all the energy they exerted while clawing back into the game emptied their collective tank.

"I guess it's a little like that story about the little engine that spent so much trying to get up the hill, it didn't have anything left when it got to the top," Williams said.

The key play came as Green launched a 3-point shot from in front of his team's bench with UNC down only five in the second half.

The shot rimmed in and out. UNC couldn't close the gap any further.

"We thought we were in it," point guard Ty Lawson said. "We couldn't recover from that."

Lawson, always the gas pedal behind UNC's fast-paced attack, couldn't get into a rhythm against Kansas (36-3).

When he drove, the lanes were clogged. When he went up for a shot, the Jayhawk post players tipped it. And when he looked to pass to his teammates, they were cloaked by defenders. Without him to spearhead the charge early in the game, UNC couldn't find a way to get in gear.

"It's the first time that this North Carolina team panicked," Marcus Ginyard said. "Tonight there's no doubt about it — Kansas threw the biggest challenge at us right off the bat. And it took too long for us to respond."

But all the game's X's and O's faded after KU gaped the game away.

What remained were the raw emotions of dealing with a disappointing Final Four performance.

"It just hurts," Ellington said. "It just really, really hurts."

Williams went from player to player in the locker room after the game. He said he congratulated them, thanked them and apologized to them.

"I told them one of the most inadequate feelings as a coach is that to say at a moment like this that can help them, can remove any of the hurt, that can give them something to grab onto."

After one of the most successful seasons in the school's history, UNC still has plenty to grab onto.

It just won't be the national championship trophy.

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HANSBROUGH

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a first half that saw Aldrich record six points, six rebounds, three blocks and a steal. He went up high to grab both offensive and defensive boards away from Hansbrough & Co. and became Kansas' enforcer at the rim.

"It was a whole team effort because you can't guard (Hansbrough) one-on-one. He's just way too good," Aldrich said.

But Self was willing to indulge a little more in the impact his frosh had on the game.

"He was the best player on the floor for three or four minutes, at least from my perspective," the coach said. "The one thing that Cole did, playing

out of foul trouble, he defended Tyler well but didn't stop him, like he said. Maybe slowed him down a little bit but didn't stop him."

But on this night, with the Jayhawk offense clicking while UNC dented the rim from all angles, slowing Hansbrough down was really all KU needed for a victory.

When Hansbrough made a layup with 12:01 left to miraculously pull UNC within six, he had 15 points. But he would take only four more shots and score just two more points the entire game as the Jayhawks weathered the comeback and blitzed the Tar Heels into submission.

"They came after me with a lot of people — that's what every team's been doing. ... They did a particu-

larly good job of it," Hansbrough murmured at the postgame news conference podium. "I don't think I played the best. But you know, they played real good."

Hansbrough, who has said the outcome of this Final Four could play a part in his NBA decision, will be thinking about his future in the upcoming days.

But Saturday he was faced with lopsided numbers on the scoreboard and the painful realization that, after willing UNC to victory time and time again during the past five months, he had come up short in the game that mattered most to him.

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Kansas 84, North Carolina 66										
	fg	ft	reb	ast	stl	blk	pts	min	pts	min
Kansas	44	40	84							
North Carolina	27	39	66							

Kansas (84)										
	fg	ft	reb	ast	stl	blk	pts	min	pts	min
Arthur	32	39	00	09	2	2	6			
Jackson	17	56	22	14	2	3	12			
Robinson	30	26	22	04	4	2	7			
Chalmers	31	5-10	02	04	3	3	11			
Rush	32	11-17	12	37	2	2	26			
Walker	11	00	00	00	0	0	0			
Collins	30	48	22	14	4	4	11			
Cole	1	00	00	00	0	1	0			
Reed	1	00	00	00	0	0	0			
Kuan	10	24	00	00	0	3	4			
Aldrich	17	24	44	47	0	1	8			
Kleinmann	1	00	00	00	0	0	0			
Total	200	29-64	11-14	11-42	17	21	84			

North Carolina (66)										
	fg	ft	reb	ast	stl	blk	pts	min	pts	min
Thompson	25	24	34	04	0	2	7			
Hansbrough	30	6-13	56	69	1	3	17			
Ginyard	32	03	00	13	2	1	0			
Lawson	28	28	44	13	2	1	9			
Ellington	33	8-29	11	28	0	3	18			
Campbell	01	00	00	00	0	0	0			
Thomas	14	02	00	01	2	1	0			
Graves	3	02	00	11	0	0	0			
Green	21	6-13	00	15	0	3	16			
Tanner	00	00	00	00	0	0	0			
Wood	00	00	00	00	0	0	0			
Weston	00	00	00	00	0	0	0			
Stephenson	7	01	00	00	0	0	0			
Cowdard	1	00	00	00	0	0	0			
Total	200	26-67	13-16	13-23	7	14	66			

Percentages — FG 83.1, FT 79.6, 3-point goals — 5-15 (33) (Rush 2-3, Collins 1-1, Chalmers 1-3, Robinson 1-4), Team rebounds — 3, Blocks — 9 (Arthur, 4, Aldrich, 4, Rush), Turnovers — 13 (Collins 7, Arthur 3, Rush 3, Chalmers 2, Aldrich 2, Robinson, Kuan), Steals — 10 (Robinson 3, Chalmers 3, Jackson 2, Collins, Aldrich).									
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Percentages — FG 39.6, FT 86.7, 3-point goals — 5-24 (20) (Green 3-8, Lawson 1-2, Ellington 1-6, Ginyard 0-2, Hansbrough 0-1, Graves 0-1), Team rebounds — 1, Blocked shots — 3 (Ellington, Green, Stephenson), Turnovers — 13 (Green 5, Hansbrough 3, Ellington 2, Lawson 2, Thompson, Ginyard, Thomas, Graves, Stephenson), Steals — 7 (Ellington 3, Hansbrough 2, Thomas, Green).									
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