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Deaths blamed on show delay

The Associated Press

Security was stepped up Tuesday night for a concert by The Who, a performance the band's lead singer said was dedicated to the 11 fans who were trampled to death in Cincinnati the night

Cincinnati officials Tuesday said promoters of The Who concert delayed up to one hour in opening doors to Riverfront Coliseum despite a police warning of a potential danger posed by thousands of waiting fans.

City Councilman Jerry Springer said the alleged delay was definitely a problem Monday night when 11 people were killed and 22 were injured by a stampede of 8,000 fans. Eight people remained hospitalized on Tuesday.

The youngest to die were two 15-year-old girls: the oldest, a man of 22. All but two Kentucky residents were from Ohio. And one was the mother of two small children.

"I think this is the worst incident I can ever remember in over 21 years in the rock business," said Keith Altham, the British group's European press agent. "The Who are absolutely devastated by the sheer horrific proportions of the tragedy."

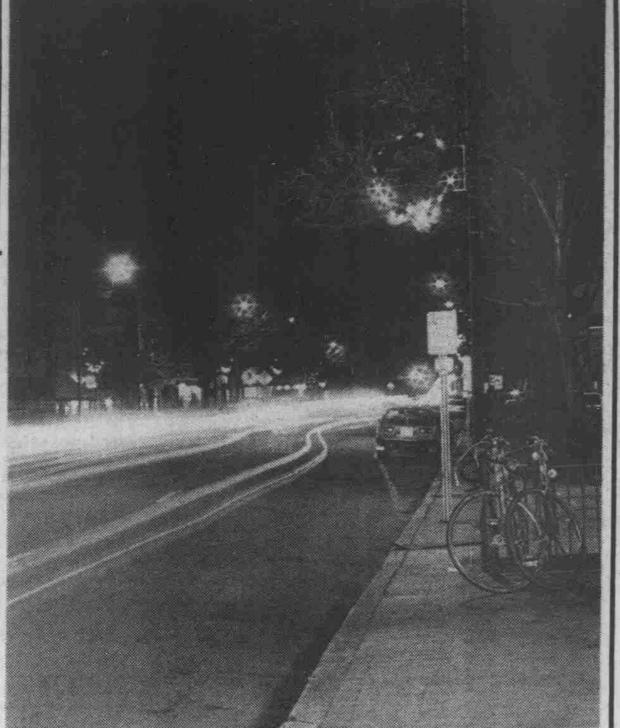
"Peter Townshend feels it very, very deeply because he has always had a very strong relationship with the fans," Altham said of The Who's leader. "Wherever the blame is laid, he feels that he has lost 11 friends—and that hurts. He is very, very distressed. He was up all night, and if I know Peter, he probably feels that he never wants to pick up a guitar again."

City Safety Director Richard Castellini said police recognized the potential danger at 6:30 p.m., which he said was about the time doors for such an event would normally open.

"Police asked the promoter to open up but he said the group was late and that he couldn't open," Castellini said. "He was told there were not enough ticket takers to open more than just the north bank of doors."

The surging fans trampled and suffocated others in the rush, for seats. Doctors said victims suffered "foot-print" injuries, but the exact cause of death will not be known until autopsies are completed.

The promoters, Electric Factory Concerts Inc. of Philadephia, Night light said they would have no immediate comment on the specific allegation concerning the doors. Earlier, the promoters said in a statement that they would have no immediate comment due to the gravity of the incident.



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Time-lapse photo captures winter sparkle of red-and-green wreath-shaped Christmas lights on Chapel Hill's Franklin Street.

Council urges Iran to release hostages

The Associated Press

The U.N. Security Council, by unanimous vote, urged Iran Tuesday to release immediately the 50 American hostages held in the U.S. Embassy in

Meanwhile, the month-old U.S. Embassy crisis suddenly turned grimmer as Iran's foreign minister declared the American hostages would be put on trial and their Moslem militant captors were reported to have threatened to shoot them if they did not cooperate.

With a show-of-hands vote, the 15 council members passed a resolution that also appeals to Iran and the United States "to exercise the utmost restraint" in the crisis.

U.S. Ambassador Donald F. McHenry, speaking with reporters after the vote, said, "We hope that this call of the Security Council will be heeded and carried out by the government of Iran in a matter of hours."

Iran, which refused to send an ambassador to the emergency council sessions, announced last week it would ignore any council action on the hostage issue.

Pentagon officials meanwhile, said that a six-ship Navy force led by the aircraft carrie Kitty Hawk had reached the Arabian Sea area, joining another U.S. carrier force. This put the ships, carrying more than 135 planes, within reach of the entrance of the Persian Gulf.

President Carter has warned Iran of extremely grave consequences if the hostages are harmed, and U.S. officials say a trial of the diplomats would be an even more grievous violation of international law than the hostage seizure itself.

The report of threats to shoot hostages came from a White House official in Washington.

The official, who asked not to be named, said the

hostages "have been threatened with execution if they failed to cooperate with their captors." He said it could be assumed "I don't mean cooperation just ... in routine matters."

The warning of an upcoming trial of the hostages as spies came from Iran's acting foreign minister,

Sadegh Ghotbzadeh. Iranian television said he told a French interviewer that the American captives would be tried for sure.

Whether the hostages will be punished according to the verdict-they could be sentenced to deathwould depend on Iran's leader, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, who could overrule the sentence if the United States extradites the shah, Ghotbzadeh

reportedly said. The Iranian account of the interview with the French newspaper Le Figaro differed slightly from the version published by Le Figaro. In that, Ghotbzadeh says such halfway measures as an international investigation of ousted Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi's regime would not settle

It was evident from the minister's remarks as reported by Iranian television, which closely follows the official line, that Ghotbzadeh meant the hostages would be tried in any event.

Previously, Iran threatened to try the hostages on espionage charges only if Carter stuck to his refusal to send back the shah. It appeared Tuesday from Ghotbzadeh's remarks that the ruling Revolutionary Council was stepping up pressure by offering a Khomeini pardon instead of no trial in exchange for the shah's return.

Khomeini's ruling Revolutionary Council announced plans to strip him of his powerful post as head of the state radio and television service, replacing him with a council of which he would be a

Council takes office; Herzenberg to fill vacant seat

By ANNE-MARIE DOWNEY Staff Writer

The new Chapel Hill Town Council took office Monday night and in its first action unanimously voted to appoint Joe Herzenberg to the vacancy on the council created by the resignation of Gerry Cohen.

Herzenberg, chairman of the Chapel Hill Historic District Commission ran fifth in the Nov. 6 race for four council seats. Cohen came in third in the balloting for mayor. In September he said he would resign from the council if his mayoral bid failed. Herzenberg will finish the two years remaining in Cohen's term.

The new council also selected Jonathan Howes as mayor pro tem. Howes was elected to a second four-year term in November.

The appointments came after new Mayor Joe Nassif and the council members elected in November were sworn in. Nassif officially became the top elected town official after taking the oath of office from James Wallace, who has switched from the mayor's post to a

seat on the council. Nassif swore in Council members Joe Straley, the only new member of the council, Wallace, Howes and R.D. Smith.

Before the new council took over, the outgoing council members finished some remaining business, including approval of a 25 percent fare increase for the Carolina Cab Co. The increase was prompted by a complaint from David Hinds, the owner of the cab company, that rising fuel costs made higher rates necessary. Fare increases require a change in town ordinances.

The departing members of the council-Cohen, Robert Epting and Ed Vickery-also made parting

Cohen, who has served on the council since 1973, said he planned to remain active in town government and expressed interest in a future opening on the town transportation board. Cohen, who has been a longtime advocate of the town's bus service, urged the new council to raise bus fares if necessary rather than cut back bus service in the upcoming budget process. Later in the

meeting, during the new council's work session on the town's quarterly report, Town Manager Gene Shipman said a bus fare increase was likely next spring. The rising costs of fuel will make an increase necessary, he said.

Epting, who ran second to Nassif in the November mayoral election, said, "The town will continue to be in at least as good hands as it has been in the past four

Vickery said he had grown to respect the democratic process during his one term on the council, despite numerous disagreements among council members. Vickery did not seek re-election.

Each member of the outgoing council was presented with a key to the town by Wallace. Wallace, in turn, was given his gavel by the newly installed mayor.

But Nassif, referring to Wallace's move from the center seat at the council table, joked "When he's sitting over there, he's not supposed to use that (the gavel)." After the ceremonies ended, the new council began

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Mayor Pro Tem Jonathan Hawes and mayor-elect Joe Nassif ...at meeting of incoming and outgoing town councils Monday

Initiation incident

Judge refuses to rule on student case

By THOMAS JESSIMAN Staff Writer

A Chatham County district judge decided Friday not to proffer judgment in the case of a University student charged with a misdemeanor in connection with his initiation into a secret fraternal society on campus.

William D. Smith Jr., a UNC junior from Marietta, Ga., was charged by Chatham County authorities with unauthorized use of a vehicle and tried in criminal District Court in Siler City. Smith was arrested by two police officers at 2:30 a.m. Oct. 26 and charged with driving a Chatham County school bus without authorization on U.S. 15-501 just north of Pittsboro, Pittsboro Police Chief Larry Hipp said.

The incident was the result of an

initiation rite into a secret organization on campus called the Gorgon's Head Lodge, Hipp said. As part of the ritual, Smith was driven by a number of the society's members to a church just north of Pittsboro and told to find his way back to campus, Hipp said.

Pittsboro's school buses are rarely locked at night, Hipp said. A witness called police when a neighbor saw someone driving the bus away, he said. Initially, Smith was charged with felonious larceny, but the charge was reduced to a misdemeanor because there was no intent to deprive the owner of the bus permanently, an assistant district attorney said.

When arrested, Smith told police about the two members of the Gorgon's Head Lodge who had taken him to Pittshoro, Hipp said. Police subsequently arrested Bradley Feiman, a senior from Atlanta, and John Woodard Jr. and charged them with misdemeanor hazing, Hipp said. Feiman and Woodard are scheduled to be tried Dec. 19 in Chatham County District Court.

Because Smith will be a witness at the Dec. 19 trial, his defense lawyer, Benjamin Atwater of Siler City, advised him not to discuss his case.

"It was not as serious an event as it has been blown up to be, and until all this has been resolved I can't let him (Smith) say anything," Atwater said.

Smith's case was the result of an unfortunate chain of circumstances but did not involve any criminal intent, Atwater said. "He (Smith) found himself in an unusual situation and thought it (theft of the bus) was all part of it. I think

the court and even the DA understood

that," Atwater said.

If the bus driver had not left the keys in the ignition the whole situation never would have occurred and Smith would have just hitchhiked back to Chapel Hill, Atwater said.

District Judge Donald Paschal decided Friday to keep Smith's case on the court calendar, but did not issue a final verdict. Thomas A. Fulton, the assistant

district attorney who prosecuted the case, said the judge's decision meant that Smith was found guilty of the misdemeanor but was not technically convicted. Smith will not have a conviction entered on his record, Fulton

According to sources who asked not to be identified, the Gorgon's Head Lodge is primarily a social organization comprised of selected male students.

Barry Clark with his invention, "Gridiron Action Football" ...game simulates football action of Tar Heels in Kenan Stadium Game lengthens season

for Carolina football fans

By MOLLY MANNING Staff Writer

They've closed the gates on Kenan Stadium for another year.

For any avid Tar Heel fan who has basked in the beauty of a Saturday afternoon ball game, this time of year is always touched by a sad nostalgia, still warm from fresh memories of football Saturdays past.

But if you're avid enough a fan to spend \$22, football in Kenan Stadium can be yours 365 days a year, says Barry Clark of Washington, D.C., the inventor of a new game featuring a large serial photograph

of Kenan as its playing board. A writer and film producer who has invented 77 toys, games and other products, Clark was on campus this week to promote his game which, he says, "is

"Gridiron Acuon Football" is not like all the other tabletop football games,

according to its creator.

"I tried to create a game that would make a real football fan say 'That's realistic'." Clark explained "I wanted it to be fun, but not deadly serious, a combination of chance and skill."

Rather than using dice or computers, Gridiron Action comes with three boards, called playmakers, displaying seven different spinners that determine the action for each play.

There are running and passing spinners for both offense and defense. The offensive player spins to put the ball in motion and the defense spins to determine how the play is handled.

"Computer games are mostly offense," Clark said. "You are always playing against a programmed defense. With this game, every time the offense spins a gain, there is a defensive play. If there is no gain; the defense does not spin." Dials also dictate fumble recovery yardage and

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Mental patients

New laws change criteria for involuntary commitment

By DINITA JAMES Weekender Editor

Wendy was severely depressed. She was having problems at work; her mother was ill. She was overweight, and her marriage life was, at best, less than exiciting.

One day last spring, she decided to do something about it. Her husband was out and in the medicine cabinet was a bottle of sleeping pills. She took all of them.

Her husband came in and found her and called an ambulance. After three days in N.C. Memorial Hospital, Wendy was escorted to Dorothea Dix Mental Hospital.

Before she could be committed to the hospital against her will, Wendy had to have a hearing. She appeared before a judge with her counsel, and the judge decided that according to law, Wendy was not an "imminent danger to herself or others" and released her from the hospital.

Wendy (not her real name) made some frantic phone calls after she was released from the hospital, complaining about the way she was treated and that she was kept in an institution against her will.

"I don't know why they would want to put me away," she said. "I wasn't going to hurt anybody, and there's no hope for me anyway. Nobody can do anything to help me."

Two weeks after her release, Wendy tried suicide again. She succeeded.

Since Wendy's death, the General Statutes of the State of North Carolina have been changed in an effort to prevent such incidents from happening again.

State senate Bill 324, which went into effect Oct. 1, further defined the reasons for which a person could be committed, struck the word "imminent" from the statute, and inserted that if there is a "reasonable probability" of "serious physical debilitation" to him within the "near future" unless he receives "adequate treatment," a patient may be committed.

Rud Turnbull, professor of public law and government with the Institute of Government, said he believed the revisions to the law would help prevent the recurrence of cases like Wendy's.

"The problem we've had recently in this state is that not enough people who needed to be committed were," Turnbull said. "The law was not serving its purpose, so the General Assembly enacted another statue which

changed the standard by which someone could be committed."

Turnbull said he was not sure the new law would bring all the desired changes, but he said he believed it would be generally more effective. "The old law was designed to prevent people from

being committed, but the real problem with it was that it asked psychologists and psychiatrists to predict what people will do based on past history," he said. "The new law was drafted by a physician who

believed the standard for commitment should be set at the standard physicians are accustomed to working with and shouldn't ask them to make judgments they are unaccustomed to making."

Although the director of mental health services at NCMH said that the new law has caused few changes because of the hospital's small number of mental patients, officials at the state-owned Dorothea Dix Mental Hospital, where 52 percent of the patients are committed against their will, said the new law would

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