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Ever wondered what the life of a pro scout is like? Gary Fitzsimmons of the Kansas City Kings knows. See story on page 5.

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FBI finds bribery in Congress

WASHINGTON (AP)—Eight members of Congress have been implicated in the largest FBI investigation of political corruption ever undertaken, it was learned Sunday.

Code-named Operation Abscam, the investigation used undercover FBI men posing as representatives of an Arab sheik offering bribes to win a casino gambling license and other favors.

At least 20 public officials and 10 lawyers and businessmen were implicated over 14 months, a source familiar with the investigation said.

The source, who asked not to be named, said that FBI agents paid out almost \$500,000 in cash to the officials, although fewer than 10 of them took money. "Some arranged meetings or did other favors," the source said.

In addition to state and local officials in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, the source said those who became subjects of the probe were: U.S. Sen. Harrison A. Williams Jr., D-N.J., and U.S. Reps. John M. Murphy, D-N.Y.; Frank Thompson Jr., D-N.J.; Michael O. Myers, D-Pa.; Raymond F. Lederer, D-Pa.; John W. Jenrette, D-S.C.; John P. Murtha, D-Pa., and Richard Kelly, R-Fla.

"My feelings are, having read the newspapers, that I would be very wise to engage counsel, which I've done," Williams said Sunday. All those contacted denied any wrongdoing.

Some sources questioned the procedures used by the FBI in the

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ZOOT Goofy puppet clowns on air

By SUSAN PRUETT
Staff Writer

As the elevator in Raleigh's Cameron Brown building sped me to the eighth floor I tingled with excitement. In two minutes I would meet WRAL's wizard of wit, king of cool and sultan of the school lunch menu—Zoot.

I walked into the station and a short, pleasant-looking man came out of one of the offices, extended his hand and said, "Hi, I'm Rowell." Assuming he would lead me to the illustrious Zoot, I followed him into one of the production rooms.

We sat down and began to chat. Where was Zoot? I queried. No sooner had the words left my lips than a little bald man with purple skin and bright orange mustache landed on the desk in front of me. The sunglasses propped on his bulbous nose were held together by a rubber band, and he was wearing neither pants nor shoes, due to his distinct lack of legs. But Zoot (a puppet) seemed comfortable as he and his right-hand man, Rowell Gormon, creative director at WRAL, began to relate to me the story of his success.

Zoot made his debut on Channel 5, WRAL-TV's "Time for Uncle Paul" about two-and-a-half years ago when a skit called for a "swinging, beatnik type."

As so many one-shot things seem to do, Zoot caught on. Gormon was also working for Uncle Paul at the time, and the two became regulars on the show. They have since been inseparable.

WRAL's Bob Inskeep also recognized Zoot's talent and asked him to do the school lunch menu each morning on his show. Soon both



Owner Rowell Gormon and zany Zoot at station WRAL... 'wizard of wit' jazzes up daily victuals

children and adults were tuning in to hear the swinging puppet jazz up the daily victuals.

When the public demanded to see as well as hear him, however, Gormon had to create an alter ego since the real Zoot's height is only 10 inches. A costume, usually worn by Gormon, not only makes Zoot more than six feet tall, but it also provides him with jean-clad legs to stand on. And that makes it a lot easier for him to appear in parades and at discos.

Does Gormon mind playing straight man to a grape-headed puppet? "That means I've done my job," Gormon said, pleased that the key to Zoot is his believability. He laughed. "I know it's only one step away from playing with dolls."

A 28-year-old Indiana native, Gormon has worked at WRAL-TV and WRAL FM 101 since 1977. He turned to a career in radio, he said, when he "found out you could get paid for playing records." Besides

Suspect arrested Student slain on Franklin St.

By ANNE-MARIE DOWNEY
Staff Writer

A 24-year-old UNC senior was shot and killed early Sunday morning as he and two friends walked down Franklin Street toward Hector's Restaurant.

Jerry Keith Hodge of Route 4, Box 106, Pittsboro was fatally shot at approximately 2 a.m. in front of the Post Office at Franklin and Henderson streets. The shot was fired from a parked silver and red Chevrolet pick-up truck, Chapel Hill Police Chief Herman Stone said.

Robert Harry Grove Jr., 24, of Roxboro was arrested and charged with the shooting, the first murder in Chapel Hill since May 1978, when UNC research associate Thomas Donnelly, 53, was fatally shot at his home. In that case, Mark Gabriel Wyatt, 16, has entered a guilty plea in Orange County Superior Court.

Grove is an employee of Carolina Power Co. in Roxboro and is not a University student, Stone said.

District Attorney Wade Barber Jr., said Sunday that Grove had been charged with first degree murder and was being held without bond in the Orange County Jail in Hillsborough.

Grove was arrested by Chapel Hill Public Safety Officer Ron Downey, who was across the street at the time of the shooting, police said. After hearing the shot, Downey pursued the pick-up truck, which had sped away from the corner. Grove was arrested immediately.

Dr. John Butts of the state medical examiner's office said Hodge had been shot in the back. The bullet exited

through Hodge's chest. Hodge was taken to N.C. Memorial Hospital, but surgery was unsuccessful. He died approximately an hour after the shooting, Butts said.

Stone said police detectives are still investigating the murder. No motive has been determined, he said. Police have not established a connection between Hodge and Grove.

Hodge was from Waynesville and attended Tuscola High School there. A friend of the Hodge family, who asked not to be identified, said Hodge was an education major who was student teaching in American history at a Moore County school. Hodge apparently was returning home from a basketball game at the school with his cousin, his roommate and his fiancée, whom he planned to marry in May. After dropping his fiancée off at Winston-Dorm, the three men decided to walk downtown to eat. They were on their way to Hector's at the time of the shooting, the friend said.

One of Hodge's friends, a UNC senior said, "I think (Keith) was a great person. He was in education and he wanted to be a teacher. He was studying American history. He was one of the best, I'd say. He had a lot of friends and we were all real close, kind of like a clan. It's just really personal to talk about."

Hodge's family was notified of the shooting at approximately 3:30 a.m. Sunday. His parents and pastor came to Chapel Hill to make arrangements to return the body to Waynesville.

Barber said Grove will have his first appearance before a judge this morning in Hillsborough.

Tuesday vote decides grad funds

By LYNN CASEY
Staff Writer

Although Tuesday's campus referendum to amend the Student Government Constitution will have more impact on graduate and professional students, all students should make the effort to vote, said Scott Simpson, Student Elections Board chairman.

The amendment would guarantee the Graduate and Professional Student Federation 15 percent—approximately \$18,000—of graduate student fees. The federation currently petitions the Campus Governing Council for funds yearly as do several other student organizations.

Simpson said he did not expect a large voter turnout because only the GPSF referendum will be on the ballot and student body general elections are just a week away.

Polls will be open 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Feb. 5. Votes will be counted in room 205 of the Carolina Union.

The federation petitioned for the amendment because it did not believe the present budget procedures were meeting the needs of the organization, said Roy Rocklin, federation president and member of the CGC.

A petitioned amendment must be passed by a two-thirds vote of the student body, according to the student elections bylaws.

David Wright, CGC finance committee chairman, said he opposes the amendment because he believes that student organizations should have to petition for funding, thus forcing them to account for their spending.

"If you give a guaranteed block of money to an organization, you have no say or control on how students spend that money,"

Wright said.

Wright said 37 organizations asked the CGC for funding last spring and 33 received funding.

"I don't think the GPSF is any more constant or stable than the other organizations which asked for funding," Wright said.

The federation is composed of one representative from each of the 65 UNC graduate departments and professional schools. Most of the organization's funding goes directly to the departments.

Because of an incomplete budget last spring, the CGC reduced the federation's budget to \$780 from \$18,000 the year before. After prolonged attempts to get more funding, the CGC awarded the federation \$13,049 in November.

The CGC does not understand the year-to-year needs of graduate and professional students, however, Rocklin said.

Jim Elliott, a journalism graduate student and supporter of the referendum, said he believed that campus politics was based on personality.

"Decisions are made not based on fairness but whether you like or dislike who's seeking the money," Elliott said.

"The present system is not working," he added. "The allocation system has been on a roller coaster ride and that's not fair for the departments."

A meeting has been planned at noon today in Howell Hall for journalism graduate students to discuss the referendum, Elliott said.

Federation senators have been asked to go around and remind graduate and professional students about the referendum, said Charles Pappas, vice president of the federation.



Marchers rally to protest KKK, Nazis... Rev. C.T. Vivian (bottom) speaks

Crowd rallies for civil rights

By JONATHAN RICH
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GREENSBORO—It could have been the '60s. Grim-faced policemen in riot gear lined the streets as thousands of demonstrators, many of them long-haired or black, converged on Greensboro for an anti-Ku Klux Klan demonstration.

They traveled by bus or by thumb from as far as New York and Texas, representing more than 400 organizations. Revolutionary communists marched beside gay-rights activists and school teachers from Cincinnati in the largest civil-rights march since the Vietnam era.

Estimates for the number of participants vary from the police report of 5,000 to the almost 8,000 claimed by the movement's backers.

After organizing at the War Memorial Stadium, the marchers trekked almost four miles through downtown Greensboro in sub-freezing weather before assembling at the Coliseum for a three hour rally.

Waving colorful banners and chanting slogans denouncing the Klan and Nazi racism, the demonstrators marched surrounded by lines of their own marshals and 150 Greensboro city policemen. Highway patrolmen and 300 National Guard troops were held in reserve along the march route.

The demonstration originally was designed to protest the slaying of five members of the Communist Workers Party during a Nov. 3 anti-Klan rally in Greensboro and the resurgence of violent racist activities by the KKK and the Nazi Party.

But the march also heralded the 20th anniversary of the first sit-in in Greensboro by A&T students who requested service at a segregated Woolworth's lunch counter on Feb. 1, 1960. Feb. 2 Mobilization Committee members referred to the march as symbolic of a new decade of unified civil rights activity and progress.

"We're not marching to holler at the Klan, we're here to holler at the nation that controls and protects the Klan," said the Rev. C.T. Vivian, co-chairman of the committee, a coalition of civil rights organizations which planned the march and rally.



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Carolina by 11 Heels find rival at North-South

By REID TUVIM
Sports Editor

CHARLOTTE—Ask any student at Duke University whom the Blue Devils would like to beat more than anyone else, and he would undoubtedly say, "Carolina."

Travel to Raleigh and ask the same thing at N.C. State and you'd probably get the same answer. Ditto for Wake Forest.

Now journey down to Greenville, S.C., and Furman University. If the rest of the students are anything like the couple of hundred at the North-South Doubleheader in Charlotte over the weekend, add Carolina-Furman to the list of rivalries.

The Furman Paladins were by far the noisiest and most vehement of the four schools—Carolina, Furman, State and The Citadel. After a relatively quiet evening Friday as the Wolfpack manhandled the Paladins, the Furman fans more than made up for it Saturday against the Tar Heels.

Carolina and Furman played nip-and-tuck for about the first 27 minutes with the Furman students doing their part to keep it close. One corner of Charlotte Coliseum rocked with cheers of "F.U., F.U."—led at one point by Furman President John E. Johns standing on a chair and waving his arms.

The Paladins had beaten the Tar Heels the past two years in the North-South, and they were in good shape again with the score tied at 42 at the 13:19 mark.

That's when the Heels decided they had seen enough. Rich Yonakor banged home a 15-footer. Al Wood tossed one in from the corner while being fouled, the first of four straight UNC three-point plays. When Jimmy Black stole the ball and drove in for a layup with 8:38 remaining, Carolina had run off an 18-4 spree to put the game out of reach at 60-46.

Reserves for both teams played out the last few minutes with the score ending 75-63 as Mike Pepper hit a layup and drew a foul as the buzzer sounded. Carolina is now 15-4 for the year.

"It takes a lot out of a team when you get three (points)," said Tar Heel John Virgil, who had two of the three-pointers on his way to 12 points. "And we got four in a row."

The big difference for Furman between the first and second halves was the play of Paladin center Jonathan Moore. Moore



Heels' Jimmy Black maneuvers in mid-air...Furman defenders watch his flight

had 16 points in the first half to keep Furman close, down 36-30 after 20 minutes.

In the second half, Carolina switched to man-to-man coverage on Moore while playing zone everywhere else and held him to only three more points. "We were playing our normal zone in the

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