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Begin's bombshell

Israel's Prime Minister Menachem Begin dropped a political bombshell when he announced Sunday that he intended to resign from the post he has held for the past six years. Although he has not yet turned in his formal resignation, the shocking news has prompted reflections on the government of this enigmatic man and predictions about the effect his probable resignation might have upon both peace in the Middle East and relations between Israel and the United States.

Begin has long stood at the forefront of world affairs, commanding respect and even reverence for both his undaunting commitment to the goals of his Jewish state and his political shrewdness. Former President Jimmy Carter once described Israel's highest-ranking official as "courageous, aggressive and unconcerned about world opinion if it conflicted with his own."

But it is Begin's dogmatism, to which Carter politely alluded, which has been largely responsible for the wars plaguing the Middle East. After sharing the Nobel peace prize with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat shortly after his election in 1977, Begin surprised the world with the aggressive actions of his Jewish state. He pursued a visionary course to populate the West Bank of Jordan River with Jews, ordered the bombing of a nuclear reactor in Iraq, annexed Syria's occupied Golan Heights, and, finally, sent Israel's army into Lebanon in June of 1982. His refusal to negotiate with the Palestine Liberation Organization, whose land claims center on the West Bank, has been a primary factor in the perpetuation of Middle Eastern strife.

The Reagan administration frequently has been exasperated by Begin's persistence in building settlements on the West Bank and thus aggravating Arab-Israeli relations, and administration officials believe that a new government, especially one controlled by Israel's Labor Party, might be more flexible and receptive to foreign advice. Israel has also been hit hard by economic troubles, marked by an inflation rate which may soar this year to 160 percent. A new government might display a vigor of which Begin has seemed incapable in the months since his wife's death last November.

Menachem Begin has been a decisive leader, not a great one. Should it become official, his sudden and unexpected resignation at a time of personal sadness may tempt many to glorify his government and character. Yet Begin is largely responsible for the current woes of both the Middle East and Israel, and the prospect of his resignation and the institution of a new government in Israel may prove a welcome change.

Take time for safety

When freshmen flock together during orientation it is often to combat anxiety brought on by an unfamiliar environment. But the "grouping" is a safety benefit to them as well.

Now that the newness is wearing away and they are discovering their separate activities, it is appropriate to stress the security in numbers and that precautions should be taken to avoid attacks. Unfortunately, rape and assault are terrifying realities on the UNC campus.

They do happen. In the past year, the University has been subjected to a wave of sexual and nonsexual assaults. For example, last winter, a South Campus resident was assaulted while she was sleeping in her dorm room with the door unlocked.

To lessen the risks, the following precautions should be taken.

- Lock your doors. Even if it is daytime and your suitemates/hallmates are around, keep the door locked.
- Get to know the people who live around you. Someone needs to know where you are at all times, especially at night.
- Question suspicious-looking people. If someone looks like he doesn't belong on your hall, he may not. Don't be afraid to call your RA or the police if you feel threatened.
- Do not go out alone at night. If you are going to the library and no one else wants to go, call RAPE escort. That's what they are there for. And don't be afraid to ask them for identification as well.

Assaults can be kept to a minimum on campus if women will only take the time to be cautious and consider the seriousness of the matter. A woman may think it will never happen to her, but it can.

The Bottom Line

With her impeccable qualifications, she could have gone for the money — *Good Morning America*, *The Today Show* — but she was always true to her respect for journalism. She wanted to read others' material before a camera, but it had to be hard news. She was a committed professional all the way.

Which makes the most recent news of the exploits of Christine Craft — you know, the pretty blonde from Kansas City who won a court settlement after being fired for not being pretty enough — all the more exciting. It seems Christine, who needed "a sabbatical" from her T.V. post in Santa Barbara, Calif., is going to write a book and commence a lecture tour for all of us who are concerned with her plight.

Lecturing's right up her alley. But can she write? Of course. This former anchorperson — pardon, *journalist* — is not just another pretty face.

Although she'll probably mention her face — you know, about how it's not as pretty as it once was, but that doesn't affect her unquestionable talent as a journalist — in her book. That, however, will come in a late chapter. First, she'll talk about why she was hired. Because she read copy on Congress with deft synecopation and arched her eyebrows perfectly when translating the tricky copy on local heroes.

Well, since her legal victory, Christine is a pretty rich journalist. \$500,000 rich. Not that money or fame matter to her. She's got more noble concerns.

Christine is writing her book, which will unequivocally become a pillar in the movement against the media's exploitation of women as pretty objects, because she has to. It's her calling, just like broadcast journalism was. She will grudgingly toil away in front of a typewriter (does she own one?), go to expensive luncheons with all too eager (and respectful, of course) publishers, and pose coyly for a handsome jacket photo.

And then she'll laugh — all the way to the bank.

Disorientation

After a week of freshman Orientation, Biffy Bradley thought he'd have it made on the first day of classes. With the map safely hidden away in his new Northface backpack, he set out at 7:45, plenty of time to get to his Chem 11 lecture in Venable.

Biffy pulled out the Ray Bans as he strutted across the quad. Time for a quick shot of caffeine at the Pine Room on the way, he thought. Coolly he stopped in and got a Coke, sure that no one could ever confuse him with a . . . freshman.

It's 7:53 now, and Biffy hurries up his pace a fraction. Can't be late, he thinks. Up the steps of Venable he goes and into the corridor. But wait . . . a panic surges through his veins and it's more than a caffeine jolt. He's forgotten the room number. Horrors. The blue sheet will have to come out of the pocket after all.

He darts into a conveniently located men's restroom and digs out the schedule out of his back left pocket. Room 200, now to find the stairwell.

It's 8 a.m. and the hallways are quickly clearing. An anxious Biffy tears his way to the end of the hall and up a flight of stairs. He counts the rooms as he dashes down the second floor hallway. . . 223 . . . 217 . . . 210 . . . 204 . . . There it is, 200. The door is shut.

He rips the comb out of his pocket as he stands a few feet from the door. If he's going to walk in late, he thinks, he's going to look decent.

He puts the comb back, drops the Ray Bans into his backpack and reaches tentatively out for the door handle. He turns the knob, pushes open the door and steps inside.

The room is empty. A note on the blackboard informs the class that they have been changed to 100 Hamilton. Hamilton? Slowly he backs out of the classroom, reaches into his pack for his University map and looks around for the nearest men's restroom.

And that's the bottom line.

Strides toward religious unity

By JOEL KATZENSTEIN

In a community with the size and diversity of the University of North Carolina, religious organizations take on an especially significant function and meaning. In addition to providing the community with a variety of places and environments in which to worship, they serve the community on an individual basis. The groups provide a home away from home; they provide educational, spiritual and emotional support. You might even say that these groups act as second families for those who choose to get involved with them.

Even more significant is the need for the groups to interact with one another as they coexist in the community. In many towns, the coexistence isn't always peaceful, and interaction is limited. Prejudices abound, and misunderstandings between religious communities are as common as steeples on churches.

That is why it is so encouraging to see the UNC campus ministries trying so hard to work together for the good of the community. Instead of competing against one another for membership and recognition, our campus ministries are making a concerted effort to become a more unified group.

A recent gathering of campus ministers, one where energetic discussion and innovative ideas flowed, deserves applause and special recognition.

Representatives of the campus religious organizations set up information booths in the Pit and were on hand to answer questions and invite students to upcoming events. If this program suggests the coming of more unified campus ministries, perhaps the campus can look forward to some big improvements.

There are many things that a unified ministry can accomplish. Ideally, co-sponsorship of campus activities by members of the campus ministries can lead to a more unified campus. There have been discussions of the Newman Catholic Student Center getting together with Hillel (the Jewish student organization) to share in the celebration of Hanukkah in December. There is also discussion concerning the possible involvement of religious organizations in intramural athletics. This too would be a step in the right direction.

It is encouraging to think that this campus can set an example for the community as well as the world. All religions try to stress an urgency for world peace. What better way to head in that direction than by starting at home?

At UNC-Greensboro, the Presbyterian House has set a fine example by integrating itself into the daily life of the students. Events are scheduled frequently to include students without regard to their religious preference, and as a result students aren't hesitant to become involved. Recently, the Neo-Black Society there found a place in the organization by attending the Thursday morning breakfasts held each week by Presbyterian House.

a forum for faculty and staff, the breakfasts have become a campus institution as the only place students can exchange ideas in a structure environment with other students and faculty members.

The Presbyterian House has also sponsored Identity, a race relations group which has captured state-wide attention because of its peaceful attempt to bridge the racial gap on UNC-G's campus. Most pertinent, though, is the Presbyterian House's involvement in the rejuvenation of UNC-G's Hillel. Members of the council and Presbyterian Campus Minister Joe Flora saw the need for Jewish students to have a religious organizational base, and now Hillel has a membership of approximately 40 students.

Inter-religious interaction can work as displayed by the example set at UNC-G. UNC's campus and population is more than twice the size of UNC-G's, and the need for inter-campus communication, needless to say, is substantially greater. The campus ministries can play a significant role here.

Co-sponsorship of non-religious events, participation in inter-religious activities (shared worship services, group discussions, etc.) and a cooperative effort in providing religious enrichment on campus are all things for which the ministries can and should strive.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Draft registration states cooperation

To the editor:

In Minnesota, six young men went to court requesting that their refusal to register for the draft be ruled irrelevant to their application for federal educational loan guarantees. In March of this year, U.S. District Court Judge Donald D. Alsop granted their request, and although the U.S. Supreme Court overturned Alsop's decision, the legal issue has not yet been resolved.

I believe that the United States government has every right to demand compliance with draft registration laws from students seeking federal educational assistance. There are those who claim that such enforcement of the registration laws falls unfairly upon the shoulders of poor students, and this may be a valid claim. However, I believe that the government has the stronger case.

We have a long tradition of compulsory service in this country, and all those who

choose to defy such orders do so at their own risk. Furthermore, I believe that non-compliance with draft registration is not a particularly effective means of communicating dissatisfaction with United States' military policy and/or posture. I believe every young American male ought to be able to say:

"I, _____, do hereby register with the United States of America, my willingness to serve the cause of national well-being and world peace. But in so doing, I reserve the right to refuse to bear arms against humanity."

Moreover, I believe every young woman has the same privilege. Indeed, I am surprised that more women have not demanded the right to register for the draft and to take advantage of a unique opportunity to express their conscience. My conscience and hopes are well summarized by the words of Dwight Eisenhower:

"Every gun that is made, every warship

launched, every rocket fired, signifies in a final sense a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and not clothed."

And, "I like to believe that people in the long run are going to do more to promote peace than are governments. Indeed, I

John Heler
Apex

Encouraging input

To the editor:

The sixty-fifth session of the Campus Governing Council ended its first semester with mixed reviews. This council discovered, as its predecessors have in the past, that pleasing a majority of students on this campus of widely varied opinions is rarely possible. Moreover, the present session faced an ever-growing obstacle that many preceding sessions had never encountered with such magnitude — apathy of students.

Your CGC is as varied as the students it represents. On one end of the spectrum is the competent, caring leader with the best interests of the students in mind. On the other end is the vainglorious politico with only political power in mind. There are CGC members scattered everywhere between these extremes.

Like every organization, the CGC has faults. But regardless of the intentions of your representative, he or she is guided into specific courses of action according to the pressure applied by the constituents.

think that people want peace so much that one of these days government had better get out of their way and let them have it."

John Heler
Apex



BOBBY... HAVE YOU BEEN PLAYING WITH THOSE COMPUTER ACCESS CODES AGAIN?..

America's 400th anniversary

By JEFF HIDAY

There are countless places in the world which afford historical glimpses into the past; in fact, the abundance of such glimpses overwhelms many Americans visiting Europe, Africa, Asia — everywhere but North America.

Less far-reaching peeks into the past are possible in the United States, of course, but they can be just as exhilarating: the Alamo in Texas, St. Augustine in Florida and Williamsburg in Virginia, to name a very few. Closer to home, a step into the Chapel of the Cross is like a step backward into the 19th century. And Old Salem, in Winston-Salem, is only an hour or so away.

So it goes for much of North Carolina, a state mindful of its rich heritage, especially in rural Down East (toward the coast), where things change about as quickly as molasses pours. It's the perfect locale for celebration next year of English America's 400th anniversary.

Depending on your destination, Down East North Carolina is about five hours from Chapel Hill (a town supposedly situated in "eastern" North Carolina: you can get to Myrtle Beach, S.C., more quickly than you can to any beach due east of here, and if you do go east, eventually making your way to Nags Head on the N.C. Outer Banks, you'll find yourself closer to Washington, D.C., than Chapel Hill. This state is big.)

Call it the Boonies, Nowhereville. Water abounds in amounts substantial enough to void any relationship between travel by car and as the crow flies. A North Carolina map reveals that huge chunks of 1st Heel real estate are practically cut off from the mainland by numerous creeks, rivers, lakes and sounds. In such counties as Hyde, Carteret and Pamlico, the joke

goes, youngsters are given three career options — hunt, fish or get out.

Those were the same options given to Sir Walter Raleigh's explorers and colonists when they settled Roanoke Island in 1585 — 400 years ago come next July. Their arrival marked the first contact between the Elizabethan English and native Americans over a sustained period of time. It also marked construction of the first English village in America, a village which later disappeared without a trace.

To celebrate the 400th Anniversary, a committee was created by the 1973 N.C. General Assembly, "to advise . . . on the planning, conducting and direction of the commemoration of the landing of Sir Walter Raleigh's colony on Roanoke Island . . ." That they have done. Activities planned in-

naval atmosphere akin to that of Charleston, S.C., with the quaint solitude expected of a distant, out-of-the-way sea port. Despite the intrusion of Highway 64 and a proximity to tourist attractions like *The Lost Colony* play, Kitty Hawk and Nags Head, Manteo retains a distinctive seafaring air with its secluded back roads, some of which are cobblestone.

Poke about those back roads a bit and any lucky passerby will happen upon the Elizabeth II, a reproduction of a 16th-century ship under construction for the quadricentennial. No drawings exist of Raleigh's vessels; therefore, it was decided to build a reproduction of a ship of the type used by the Sir Walter Raleigh expeditions in their crossing of the Atlantic.

The vessel, 70 feet long and weighing 50 tons, is expected to be finished next spring. Elizabeth II will be fully equipped and will actually sail

visitor a feeling he is in a land far, far away, long, long ago. The sense is heightened with a visit to the Fort Raleigh National Historic Site, home of the outdoor drama *The Lost Colony*, on the north end of Roanoke Island.

Paul Green, world renowned playwright, UNC graduate and author of *The Lost Colony*, often told the story of his first visit to the island. Writing of the sense of awe and awareness of bravery that touched him, Green set down his thoughts about "the band of hardy pioneers who, 334 years before, had come to this spot to build a fort, a bastion, a beachhead for the extension of the English-speaking empire across the sea."

Later he was asked by Dare County leaders to write about Sir Walter Raleigh's attempts to found what was the first English settlement of the New World.



clude a publications program, archaeological activities, a major exhibition of materials from the British Library, films, programs in music, drama and art, and numerous additional activities.

Perhaps it all sounds hyped-up, with the activities too serious, intellectual and even boring — the occasion a bit trite for such a scene. But consider one of the more notable activities, the construction and actual sailing of an Elizabethan-era ship. The historians, officials and concerned citizens of North Carolina are serious about this celebration.

Manteo, a waterfront town set on Roanoke Island, combines a rich

in specified areas of the sounds and nearby rivers. Then the ship, historically accurate in both its construction and in its interpretation, will remain permanently berthed on Roanoke Island.

There are no signs pointing the way to the Elizabeth II. Along the narrow road in Manteo is a boat shop and several fishing boats. There is a restaurant-boat anchored alongside a nearby dock. When I went there were plenty of local kids busy catching and comparing fish. Except for telephone lines, automobiles and fancy fishing rods, the scene is timeless.

All of Down East captures that historical timelessness, giving the

In the United States, 400th Anniversary activities will begin on July 13, 1984, with a special performance of *The Lost Colony*, along with the commissioning of the ship Elizabeth II, the unveiling of a plaque on Roanoke Island, and the issuance of a commemorative stamp. All festivities will contribute to the quadricentennial's goal to make known the fascinating true story of Raleigh's Roanoke Island ventures — and the mystery of the Lost Colony — to the maximum number of people, from every area and every background, whether scholars or lay persons, North Carolinians or outsiders.

As Gov. Jim Hunt said, "It offers us a rare chance to share our state's unique history with the rest of the nation — indeed, with the world."

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