

Local stores may carry poisoned drugs

By HELENE COOPER
Staff Writer

Local pharmacists have not removed certain A.H. Robins products from their shelves, although two incidents of contaminated bottles of the company's cough syrup were reported last week.

A 2-year-old Stony Point boy was rushed to the hospital last Saturday after drinking some Dimetapp Elixir cough medicine laced with turpentine.

"We haven't moved the cough syrup yet," said Wally Close, Revco pharmacist. He said he expected to receive notice to remove the Dimetapp soon, however.

In another incident, a Richmond, Va. man took two teaspoons of Robitussin PE apparently laced with kerosene last Monday.

Both Robitussin PE and Dimetapp Elixir are manufactured by A.H. Robins. Company officials say the two incidents are isolated.

Researchers at the N.C. Food and Drug Protection Division of the Department of Agriculture have tested samples of Dimetapp Elixir, but have not found any contaminated bottles yet.

Robert Gordon, head of the division, said the division collected some Dimetapp from the Statesville area. He said

he was fairly sure the tampering had not occurred at the manufacturing level.

"The tampering probably occurred afterwards," Gordon said. "People will figure out ways to do it."

He said the best protection for consumers was to check containers when purchasing them to make sure the safety seal was intact. "You can usually tell if something's been tampered with," Gordon said.

Close said Revco has also removed Contac, Dietac and Telgrin from shelves, after traces of rat poisoning were found in five capsules in Houston, Texas and Orlando, Fla. The FDA has

warned consumers not to use any of the SmithKline Beckman products purchased since mid-March, because the capsules may have been tampered with.

Capsules are easier to tamper with than tablets, because capsules can be opened easily. Pharmacists said they expected people to move away from capsules as a whole, as a result of the recent tamperings, Close said.

Gordon said the state had not tested any of the SmithKline Beckman products, because the company removed them from the market soon after the contamination incidents occurred.

South African blacks defy ban to attend memorial for leader

From Associated Press reports

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — About 20,000 blacks defied a ban Monday to attend a memorial for a Communist Party leader who died in exile, and an activist announced resumption of a regional boycott of white business.

The memorial for Moses Mabhida, a black nationalist who died March 8 in Mozambique, was held at a soccer stadium in Zwijndrecht, a black township outside the Indian Ocean city of Port Elizabeth.

Mkhulesi Jack, a prominent anti-apartheid activist, announced during the four-hour service that a black boycott of white-owned businesses in Port Elizabeth would resume April 7.

A boycott last year, which severely affected white businesses, was suspended after four months.

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More than 1,250 people have been killed, nearly all of them black, during the 19 months of violence against apartheid.

Third quake hits California
FREMONT, Calif. — Skyscrapers swayed Monday as a strong earthquake, the third trembler in three days, hit Northern California.

Damage was not serious, and only a few minor injuries were reported. The University of California estimated the strength of the trembler, which hit at 3:56 a.m., at 5.3 on the Richter scale.

Pacific Gas & Electric Co. said outages caused by the earthquake affected about 7,500 people in San Jose and about 1,800 in Fremont.

Southern Bell to upgrade area facilities

By LAURIE MARTIN
Staff Writer

Southern Bell will spend \$289 million this year to improve and expand its facilities in North Carolina, according to the vice president of the phone company. Of that, \$64 million has been allocated to the Raleigh district, which includes Chapel Hill and UNC.

Gene Upchurch, manager of community relations for Southern Bell's Raleigh district, said that the 22 percent of the state budget given to the district will be used for modernizing or replacing present facilities, or building new ones. These facilities include switching equipment and new cable.

"Chapel Hill's equipment is fairly modern, so this year more will be spent in other areas of the district," Upchurch said. Most of the funds will go toward work in Raleigh, Garner, and Apex.

Southern Bell vice president Jere A. Drummond reported that the company's North Carolina budget is up about 2 percent from last year. State expenditures

will cover central office equipment, outside plant facilities, station equipment and a portion for general equipment to improve operations.

Drummond said the company also plans to install \$7.2 million worth of fiber optic cable this year — a 74 percent increase over the amount used last year. Fiber optics offers better transmission and greater capacity than copper with lower maintenance costs, Drummond said.

Since federal deregulation, "Southern Bell has been forced to take a new perspective with revenue," Upchurch said. "Our business has changed dramatically." Because of this customers might receive notice of a rate hike in the near future, Upchurch said.

"Since Southern Bell no longer sells equipment or deals with interstate long distance, we have lost a large chunk of subsidies," Upchurch said. "This could mean that the trend will be for Bell rates to increase."

In related news, Southern Bell said bills for its Chapel

Hill customers will now have fewer pages and be easier to understand.

Most of the new bills will have four parts:

- A "payment page" (showing total amount due) that should be returned with the customer's check or money order.

- A "summary page" which lists separately the current charges of Southern Bell and other companies for which it does billing. This page also lists telephone numbers to call if there are questions about the bill.

- A "current charges" section itemizing Southern Bell charges.

- An "other company charges" section that itemizes on separate pages the charges of any other long distance company the customer uses and for which Southern Bell handles billing.

Southern Bell customers in Chapel Hill should see the redesigned bill in their March or April telephone bill.

Marcos denigrates Aquino, threatens to return

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Ferdinand E. Marcos said Monday that he was not corrupt, but that President Corason Aquino was, and he might return from exile to rescue Filipinos

from a "monster" bent on enslaving them.

The former president, who fled Feb. 26, commented in a telephone message and handwritten letter, calling himself a victim of the "blackest of propaganda." He accused "elements of the American government" of helping out him.

He said Aquino was the "No. 1 looter," a charge that has been made against Marcos. A source close to Marcos made a tape of the message and a copy of the letter available to the Associated Press.

Presidential spokesman Rene Saguisag said Aquino greeted the comments "with typical calm and equanimity." He said Marcos, 68, may be allowed to return "in the distant future, but not just now."

"The greatest service Marcos has done to the Filipino nation is to leave it," Saguisag said. "He should not negate it by threatening to come back."

In a telephone statement from Honolulu, which the source said was taped Monday, Marcos said: "We must war against the monster who imposes slavery." The voice was clearly his, the

source said.

A postscript to an eight-page letter dated March 21 and addressed to "My beloved Filipino countrymen," in his home province, Ilocos Norte, said: "Death, yes, we will accept perhaps, but slavery never, never, never."

Marcos told reporters in Honolulu on Sunday that he still considered himself president.

The letter was written on stationery of Malacanang Palace, which has become a museum to preserve what Aquino's government calls the excesses of Marcos and is wife, Imelda.

Fire destroys Henry VIII palace south wing, kills general's widow

LONDON (AP) — Fire raged through the magnificent 16th-century Hampton Court Palace of Henry VIII Monday, burning out its south wing, damaging priceless royal art treasures and killing one person, believed to be the widow of a top British general.

The four-hour blaze sent the leaded roof of the three-story south wing crashing through into art galleries on the two lower floors, causing millions of dollars worth of damage.

Hampton Court, which contains hundreds of rooms, is Britain's second most popular tourist attraction after the Tower of London.

Among the works damaged by smoke and water were two renowned Tudor paintings, the 1520 "Field of the Cloth of Gold" showing Henry VIII meeting with the King of France and the "Family Group" depicting the king and his family.

Officials said the blaze probably started in a top-floor apartment in the

south wing occupied by Lady Daphne Gale, the 86-year-old widow of Gen. Sir Richard Gale. She was thought to have died in the fire.

The local member of Parliament, Conservative Toby Jessel, said Gale was incapable of taking care of herself and also "used candles to obtain light."

The south wing was rebuilt by the famed 17th century architect Sir Christopher Wren at the palace constructed in 1515 by Cardinal Thomas Wolsey and presented to Henry VIII.

Queen Elizabeth II, who owns the palace set amid 50 acres of lawns overlooking the River Thames 12 miles west of London, later picked her way through the charred timbers to inspect what aides described as "a disaster."

The queen was accompanied by her heir, Prince Charles, and her sister, Princess Margaret. She called the damage "dreadful," officials escorting her reported.

Voter-registration drive planned

By RACHEL ORR
Staff Writer

A voter-registration drive will be held today through Thursday by the executive branch of student government between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Union.

Individuals must register to vote by April 7 to be eligible to vote in the May 6 primaries.

Joe Herzenberg, a special registration commissioner, said only those who consider themselves Orange County residents can register.

If a person registered to vote in the Orange County elections, their registration at any other location would be invalidated, Herzenberg said.

He added that registering to vote in Orange County had no effect on a person's tax status.

Kim McCombs, a Student Government executive assistant, said individuals must provide an ID and something showing their local address, like a check or letter, to register.

McCombs said information about how to file an absentee vote and the addresses of election boards throughout North Carolina would be available as

part of the campaign.

Executive assistant Terence Healy said it would take about five minutes to register.

"Our goal is to register as many people as we can," Healy said. "Students spend most of the year here. This is where issues affect them the most."

He said he thought the Chapel Hill Town Council and the Carrboro Board of Aldermen would be more receptive to student needs if more students voted in Orange County elections.

Herzenberg said very few students were registered to vote in Orange County, and South Campus residents generally showed more interest in voting in the county than North Campus residents.

For the Record

Friday's story "Martin recommends executive veto" incorrectly identified N.C. Student Legislature Gov. Billy Miller's first name as "Danny." The Daily Tar Heel regrets the reporting error.

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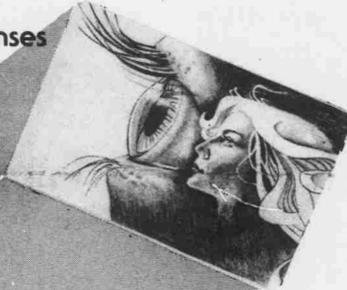


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WMST 190*	Supervised Internship	TBA	Staff
WMST 199*	Independent Study	TBA	Staff

CROSS LISTED COURSES

ANTH 141 (WMST 141)	The Anthropology of Gender, Health, and Illness	12:30-1:45 TTh	Finkley
ENGL 50 (WMST 150)	Topics in Gender and Literature	9:30-10:45 TTh	Davis
HEED 160 (WMST 161)	Intro. to Women's Health & Health Ed.	2:00-3:15 TTh	Earp
HIST 67 (WMST 67)	Women in Europe II (since 1750)	9:30-10:45 TTh	Bennett
HIST 222 (WMST 222)	Readings in Women's History (Graduate Students Only)	2:00-4:50 Th	Hall/Bennett
MHCH 103 (WMST 103)	Reproductive Physiology and Conception Control	1:00-2:50 M	Hulka
PHIL 46 (WMST 46)	Philosophical Issues in Feminism	2:00-4:30 W	Staff
SOCI 24 (WMST 24)	Sex and Gender in Society	7:30-8:45 pm TTh	Staff

DEPARTMENTAL LISTINGS

CMPL 95	Women and Work (1850-1900)	2:00-3:15 TTh	Furst
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ALLIED COURSE—partial focus on women and/or gender

MHCH 200	Issues in Maternal and Child Health Today	10:00-11:50 M	Howze
PLAN 124	Urbanization & Planning in the Third World (strong component on women & the development process—for juniors & seniors)	7:00-9:30 pm W	Lacey
RELI 84	Psychology of Religion	2:00-3:15 TTh	Peck
SOCI 30	Family and Society	(1) 8:00-9:15 TTh (2) 12-12:50 MWF (3) 9:30-10:45 TTh	Rindfuss Staff Entwisle
SOCI 125	Family and Society (Seniors and juniors)	11-12:15 TTh	Rindfuss

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