

KGB gets bad press in U.S.S.R.

From Associated Press reports

MOSCOW — In an unprecedented public rebuke of a KGB officer, secret police chief Viktor Chebrikov on Thursday announced the firing of one of his field commanders for arranging the false arrest of a journalist.

The announcement, shocking for the average Soviet reader in its criticism of the powerful Committee for State Security, was carried on the front page of the Communist Party newspaper Pravda.

It said that in response to earlier Pravda articles, a man identified only as A. Dichenko was fired as head of the KGB in the Ukrainian region of the Voroshilovgrad and

that the Ukrainian KGB chief, Stepan Mukha, was ordered to take disciplinary action against other security officers.

The KGB, one of the three centers of Soviet power along with the party and the military, has always been considered virtually immune to public accountability. Except for changes in its top leadership, KGB personnel shifts and disciplinary action are conducted in secret.

There is no known precedent for a KGB field officer being denounced in the official press for misuse of power or illegal activity.

Security chiefs have been executed, including Genrykh Yagoda, Lavrenti Beria and Nikolai Yezhov.

but they were shot in secret or accused in show trials of counter-revolution or spying.

The Pravda article also marked an extremely unusual admission that KGB officials violate the law to punish individuals who fight officialdom. Pravda said the reporter, Viktor Berkhin, had been writing critical articles in the newspaper Sovetsky Shakhtyor (Soviet Miner).

The Pravda report appeared connected to the publicity campaign being conducted by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, making an example of the Ukrainian KGB officer to convey the impression that no one is exempt from discipline and that the political leadership is in

control of the security organs.

There has been debate among Western analysts about Gorbachev's relationship with the KGB, especially since the arrest last year of American journalist Nicholas Daniloff touched off a superpower crisis.

Gorbachev's policies of "glasnost" (publicity on selected issues) and "perestroika" (reconstruction) have hit ministers and even members of the Politburo. But they hadn't touched the KGB.

It wasn't clear if the article signaled an adoption by Cherkhov of Gorbachev's personnel policies, or if the KGB chairman came under pressure to take personal responsibility for cleaning up the Dichenko case.

Shearon Harris gets license, prevailing over opposition

From Associated Press reports

WASHINGTON — The Nuclear Regulatory Commission on Thursday voted 5-0 to authorize a full-power license for the Shearon Harris nuclear plant in New Hill, N.C., near Raleigh.

The 900-megawatt plant of Carolina Power & Light Co. has been running tests under a low-power license since last Saturday.

Low power testing will continue for most of January, CP&L spokesman Wayne Ennis said. Thursday's decision means that when low-power testing is finished, technicians can then begin to slowly increase the power.

More than 100 opponents crowded the commission's hearing room.

Report refutes Reagan's claim

WASHINGTON — Contrary to President Reagan's assertion that he was not swapping arms for hostages, a Senate committee report said Reagan authorized resumption of arms shipments to Iran last January with the understanding all U.S. hostages would be released, NBC News reported Thursday.

The report by the Senate Intelligence Committee said the president gave his approval in January 1986 with the understanding that if the hostages were not released, there would be no more shipments, the network reported.

While the report found no evidence the president knew

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about the diversion of money from Iran arms sales to Nicaragua's Contra rebels, it raised questions about the roles of key administration officials.

The report portrayed former National Security Adviser Vice Adm. John Poindexter and Lt. Col. Oliver North as frequently acting on their own and misleading or ignoring their White House superiors.

Flu epidemic hits U.S.

ATLANTA — The Taiwan flu has spread to at least 38 states and the District of Columbia, and some health departments, clinics and doctors have run out of the new vaccine designed to combat it, the national Centers for Disease Control said Thursday.

The Taiwan flu, which strikes most often among people under 35, has now been found in every corner of the mainland United States, with eight states reporting widespread outbreaks last week, the CDC said.

Spread of the new flu strain comes as some physicians find themselves running out of Taiwan flu vaccine, which was rushed to the market in November after federal researchers cautioned that the standard three-component vaccine made for this winter's flu season would not guard against the new strain.

Man sentenced for fraudulent checks

By PHYLLIS A. FAIR Staff Writer

A former UNC employee pleaded guilty to false pretense this week, receiving five years imprisonment and a six-year suspended sentence for embezzlement.

Charged with depositing \$21,550 in business school contribution checks to his own account, Ralph G. Hines, 34, of Greensboro, pleaded guilty Monday in Orange Superior Court as part of a plea bargain.

Hines was ordered to pay \$20,904 restitution. The difference represents

the amount recovered by investigators. He was also ordered to undergo immediate mental health counseling.

Superior Court Judge Anthony M. Brannon handed down the sentence for Hines' money diversion and the embezzlement of a University computer, said University Police Sgt. Bob Porreca, the investigating officer.

"He was originally charged with embezzlement all the way," Porreca said. "It was amended to false pretense." Both charges are in the same class of felonies.

The first five years are an active sentence, which means he will work during the day to repay the University, and he will serve time in prison on nights and weekends, said William Massengale, the prosecuting attorney.

After that his six years suspended sentence begins.

Brannon granted Hines immediate eligibility for work release. He will work as a record keeper in the Greensboro law firm of Michael A. Schlosser, a former Guilford County district attorney.

The investigation began when someone saw Hines' name in a newspaper list of donors and suspected that Hines wouldn't have been able to donate the \$500 he was credited with donating.

Hines first began working at the University as a temporary secretary in 1985, and then advanced to permanent employee in May as a computer services coordinator — a position he stayed at until he got dismissed in July for falsifying his employment application.

Events to commemorate of King's ideals

By NANCY HARRINGTON Staff Writer

A week of celebration is in the works for Jan. 11-20 that will commemorate the birthday of a man who helped change the course of history — Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

And each event will capture some aspect of the slain civil rights leader's ideals. Those ideals made King a talented speaker with a message that all people listened to, said Merle Black, associate professor of political science and an expert on Southern history.

"He was the most visible leader of civil rights in the 1960s," Black said of King. "He put civil rights on

the course of non-violence with white officials, which helped over the years to bring about civil rights legislation.

"No one could have replaced him because he was a unique individual," Black said. Others could have helped the legislation, he said, but they might not have had the same impact as King. Some civil rights speakers could speak only to certain audiences, he said.

But King could talk to both blacks and whites, and explain the civil rights movement in terms that both groups could support, Black said.

The King week is sponsored by the University's Afro-American Studies curriculum, Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, the Black Student Movement, Campus Y, Carolina

Union Activities Board, Office of University Affairs, Division of Student Affairs, Student Government and the Anti-Apartheid Support Group.

The week's events will begin Jan. 11 with a fashion show at 4 p.m. in Hargraves Recreation Center. Proceeds from the event will be donated to UNC's Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship fund.

Reverend Floyd McKissick, who sued UNC to gain admission for blacks to the School of Law and became one of the first black students to attend UNC, will give a lecture Jan. 19 at 8 p.m. in Memorial Hall.

McKissick is a former national director of the Congress on Racial Equality. The King scholarship will be presented at his lecture.

A short movie, "Martin Luther King, Jr.: From Montgomery to Memphis," will be shown Jan. 15 at 3:30 p.m. in the Student Union

auditorium. Admission is free. A presentation by Czerni Brasuell, director of the Durham YWCA, will follow the movie.

Brasuell, one of 19 people invited by the South African YWCA to participate in a study tour of South Africa, will compare the American civil rights movement in the 1960s with the South African struggle today.

A banquet Jan. 16 at 7 p.m. at the Carolina Inn is also part of the week's events, with Charles E. Daye, UNC professor of law, as the keynote speaker.

The Kuumba Theater of Chicago will present a musical drama celebrating the heritage of blues music 8 p.m. Jan. 17 in Memorial Hall.

The show will include portrayals of the greatest blues singers, from Bessie Smith to Billie Holiday. Reserved seats, available at the Union Box office, are \$5 for the general public and \$3 for students and senior citizens.

An oratorical contest, sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, which King belonged to, will be held Jan. 18 at 5 p.m. in the Student Union's Great Hall. Admission is free.

Also Jan. 18, UNC's Anti-Apartheid Support Group and the Rainbow Coalition of Conscience will sponsor a rally and march at 1:30 p.m. The march will begin at the Franklin Street post office, and end at First Baptist Church of Chapel Hill, where at 3 p.m. pastor J. R. Manley will conduct a community church service.

The week will end Jan. 20 with a film documentary, "King: A Filmed Record . . . Montgomery to Memphis," shown in the Student Union film auditorium at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public.

The film, which traces King's civil rights activities from the beginning of the movement in 1955 to his assassination in 1968, will be presented by the Carolina Union Film Committee.

Sanford picks team of twenty to help with Senate workload

By SHARON KEBSCHULL Staff Writer

Freshman Sen. Terry Sanford, D-N.C., has finished choosing his assistants out of "well over 2000 applicants," said press secretary Tom Lawton.

Sanford, who was inaugurated a second time Tuesday after serving out the unexpired term of the late Sen. John East, made some appointments in late November after taking over the seat from former Sen. Jim Broyhill, R-N.C.

The 20 appointments include Lawton, who was Sanford's campaign press secretary, administrative assistant Ed Turlington, former executive director of the N.C. Democratic Party, and legislative research assistant Ann Hubbard, who was the director of research and press secretary for the Democratic Party.

Sanford worked through the

stacks of applications with Paul Vick, his new administrative assistant, and new senior assistant Bill Green. Green and Vick, as well as new personal secretary Jennifer Duffy, formerly worked at Duke University, where Sanford was president. Kevin Monroe, Sanford's legislative assistant, was UNC student body president in 1983-84.

Sanford hired Emmett Clark as the head of computer services, and Alicia Wright as a staff assistant. Clark had worked for Sen. Sam Nunn of Georgia, and Wright worked for Democrat Robin Britt, who ran for the U.S. House of Representatives in November.

Lawton said Sanford used a variety of criteria in choosing among the applicants. He said that because Sanford received so many applications, they were able to fill all the available positions quickly.

Probe into Klan nets 5 arrests

From Associated Press reports

CHARLOTTE — Charges against five men accused in federal indictments of conspiring to obtain weapons and explosives stolen from a national guard armory grew from a continuing probe of white supremacist groups, a U.S. attorney said Thursday.

The five, identified as members of the Ku Klux Klan and its successor group, the White Patriot Party, were indicted Wednesday by a federal grand jury in Raleigh. The indictments were sealed until Thursday when arrests were made.

"We are charging them in a conspiracy to engage in illegal activities, getting weapons from military bases, and also attempting to blow up the Southern Poverty Law Center in Montgomery, Ala., and to murder Morris Dees (exec-

utive director of the center)," U.S. Attorney Sam Currin said in a telephone interview.

Dees assisted last summer in the prosecution of White Patriot Party founder Glenn Miller and chaplain Stephen Miller, who was named in the current indictment. Glenn Miller was convicted of disobeying a judge's order banning participation in paramilitary organizations and has since moved to Virginia while he awaits the end of his legal appeals.

Also charged in the case are Robert Jackson, Anthony Wydra, Wendell Lane and Simeon Davis. Jackson and Wydra are members of both the Klan and the White Patriot Party, the Justice Department said. Lane is a White Patriot Party leader while Davis is an intelligence officer of the White Patriot Party, the department said.

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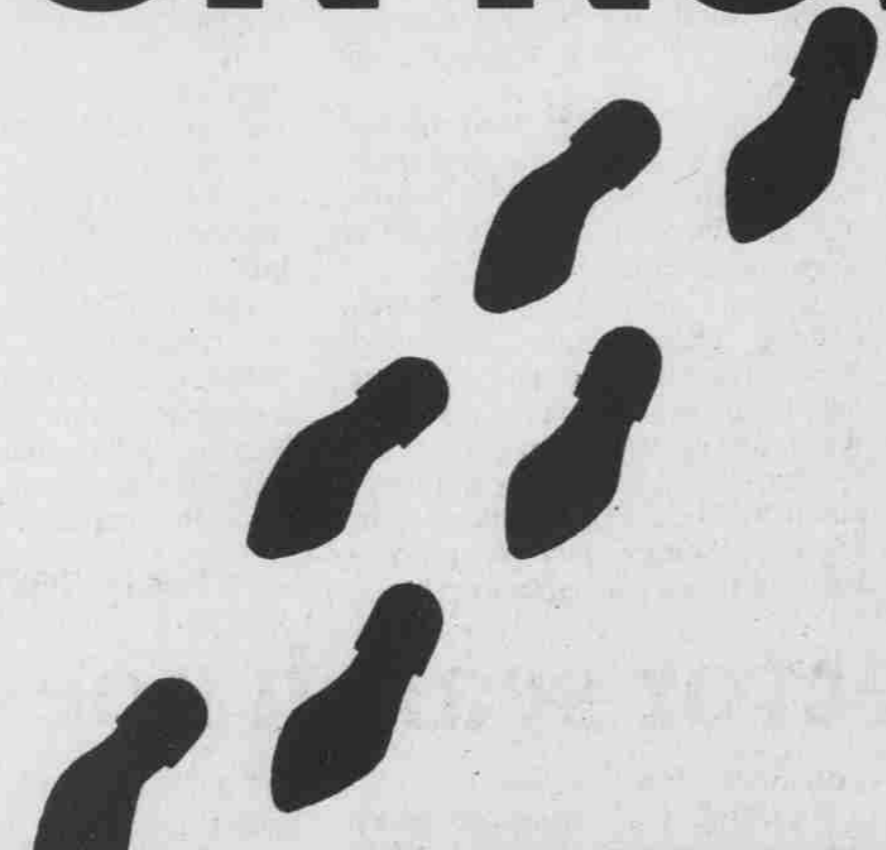
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