#### Caller claims teachers' kidnappings

From Associated Press reports

BEIRUT, Lebanon — An anonymous caller Sunday claimed the weekend abduction of three American teachers and an Indian professor in the name of an underground group linked to Iran and threatened to kill them if the United States helps Iran

An earlier caller, also claiming to speak for the Organization of the Oppressed on Earth, said the educators were grabbed on Saturday to prevent the extradition from West Germany to the United States of Mohammed Ali Hamadi, a Lebanese man sought in a 1985 TWA hijacking.

Twenty-three reporters now are reported missing and believed kidnapped in Lebanon, including eight seized since Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite arrived in Beirut on Jan. 12 on a mission to seek the release of hostages.

The Christian Voice of Lebanon radio station said it received the two calls Sunday, but it was not clear if they were made by the same man.

The calls could not be authenticated. The extremist Shiite Moslem group usually delivers statements to local newspapers or Western news agencies when it wants to publicize a claim, and the Voice of Lebanon has been known to be inaccurate on Moslem-related affairs.

The first caller said the group would kill a hostage if Hamadi, 22, was extradited to the United States, where he is wanted on charges of air piracy and murder in the June 1985 TWA hijacking to Beirut.

1985 TWA hijacking to Beirut. In the second call, a man said a hostage would be killed if Hamadi was not released by midnight (5 p.m. EST). It was not clear if the caller referred to an American or to the other hostages.

The second call also said the hostages would be killed if the United States provided support for Iraq, who has been at war with Iran since September 1980.

"We ask U.S. President Reagan not to intervene in the Gulf War and not to provide assistance to the Iraqi authorities," the man said in Lebanese-accented Arabic. "The (American) hostages will be wasted if he fails to do so."

The three Americans kidnapped from Beirut University College on Saturday night by gunmen disguised as police were Alann Steen, 48, a journalism professor who formerly taught at three northern California colleges; Jesse Turner, an Idaho native, assistant instructor of mathematics and computer sciences; and Robert Polhill, 53, assistant professor of business studies.

The Indian was identified as Mithileshwar Singh, chairman of the business studies division and a legal resident alien of the United States.

On Sunday, U.S. Ambassador John Kelly held crisis talks with senior aides in Christian east Beirut. Also, he had met with them late Saturday after the abductions.

Waite, personal emissary of Archbishop of Canterbury Robert Runccie, remained out of sight for a sixth day Sunday. He was negotiating with Islamic Jihad, captors of two Americans held in Lebanon since 1985.

#### Chances for snow chilled by rain; storm warning ends

From Associated Press reports

The second major snowstorm predicted in less than a week for North Carolina never materialized Sunday as warmer than expected temperatures pelted the state with freezing rain instead of the forecasted 8 inches of snow.

A winter storm warning in effect over most of the state late Saturday night and early Sunday was canceled by noon as temperatures near 35 degrees in the mountains and the foothills produced some rain and sleet, said Richard Jones, a meteorologist with the weather service in Raleigh.

Chinese arrest U.S. reporter

PEKING — Authorities arrested a student accused of giving intelligence to an American reporter, the official news agency said Sunday, in what appeared to

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be the first move against the press in China's anti-Westernization campaign.

The official Xinhua News Agency said in a two-paragraph report that Lin Jie, a student of Tianjin University, was arrested for "his secret collusion with and providing intelligence to" Lawrence MacDonald, reporter for the France-Presse.

Judge refuses Britt recount

RALEIGH — A Superior Court judge Friday refused to order a recount in the 6th District congressional race, upholding the State Board of Elections' decision to declare Rep. Howard Coble, R-N.C., the winner by 79 votes.

#### Buchanan disappoints conservatives

By MATTHEW J. BIVENS

White House Communications
Director Pat Buchanan announced
Tuesday that he would not run in
the 1988 presidential elections,
disappointing members of the Congressional Club and other conserva-

"Buchanan would have been the candidate to get in there and get things done," said Calvin Kirven, a spokesman for the Congressional Club. "Jesse Helms would be our

"Does it improve with age? I kept

a quart jar of it for a week one time,

and I couldn't tell if it was one bit

better than if it was fresh from the

After talking of moonshine Sat-

"One feature of North Carolina is

urday nights, Kuralt later talked of

the old white church," Kuralt said,

"standing there looking like it has

"William Byrd, the old Virginia

traveler in North Carolina in 1728,

effort. The current chancellor's

committee doesn't meet student's

needs, he said. "It's Housing advising

At least half the new committee

members would be students; the

other half would be prominent

faculty members, he said. This would

create an atmosphere where students

always been there. It hasn't been.

the church-going mornings.

Kuralt

Clark

housing."

still."

tive groups who had hoped to

first choice, but of course he's not interested in running."

Kirven said the Congressional Club supported Buchanan because he has been one of the few political figures who has not distanced himself from President Reagan during the Iran-Contra scandal.

"(Buchanan) is the kind of conservative candidate who's not afraid to speak up for what he believes in,"

to speak up for what he believes in," Kirven said, He said Buchanan's overall con-

wrote: 'One of the things that might

be said of the inhabitants of this

province is that they are not troubled

with any religious view. They do not

know Sunday any more than any

other day . . . 'When he reached the

capital, Edenton, he said: 'I believe

this is the only metropolis in the

Christian or Mohammedan world

where there is neither church, chapel,

mosque, synagogue or any other

place of holy worship of religion

"That was North Carolina, before

could make serious contributions

with faculty members to create

academic and socially oriented dorm

Clark is the governor of Morrison

Residence Hall and chairman of

RHA's finance committee. In his

freshman year Clark was the fourth

floor president of Morrison.

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whatever.'

the Baptists got here."

programs, he said.

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that of the Congressional Club, and his ability to deal with the press has also impressed members.

The Congressional Club is not sure who it will support but has other candidates in mind and will decide soon, Kirvin said.

"Right now, we're just waiting for

the dust to settle," he said.

Kirven said no one could say why Buchanan chose not to run, and he declined to speculate on Buchanan's reasons.

Keith Poston, chairman of Stu-

dents For America at UNC, said he wasn't surprised by Buchanan's decision. The investigations into the Iran-Contra affair and the political climate in Washington probably caused Buchanan to reconsider, he said.

Poston said that, while he wasn't defending the Iran-Contra affair, he thought Buchanan's defense of the president was admirable.

"Buchanan has been a true friend of conservatism and the president," he said.

#### Airline ironing out problems of People-N.Y. Air takeover

By SABRINA BOSWELL DARLEY

Continental Airlines' takeover of People Express and New York Air will be complete by February, according to Mike Farrell, campus representative for Continental-Eastern.

And on Feb. 1, Continental will make its first flight out of Raleigh-Durham Airport.

Officials at RDU feel the takeover has been good for the them, said Eddy Pegram, assistant director of operations.

"It's really helping us because we're getting an extra flight out of it," said Pegram.

Flights are also scheduled to begin from Charlotte-Douglas International and Greensboro Regional Airports sometime next month.

Continental and Eastern Airlines were purchased last year by Texas Air Corp. of Houston. Continental later bought the two smaller airlines People Express and New York

Air, Farrell said.

Although Continental and Eastern will function as separate entities, combined they will offer more flights

than any other airline in the U.S., Farrell said.

"Eastern will continue to carry the luxury passengers while Continental will be more moderately priced overall," he said. "(Continental) will

be less expensive than others but not bargain basement."

Eastern had a few takeover problems last year, including computer errors, overbooking and excessive layovers, according to Stana Knez Dewhirst of AAA World Travel Agency in Durham. Some of her clients swore they would never fly

Eastern again, she said.

But since the holidays, most of those problems seem to have been

"Eastern is being very helpful,"
Dewhirst said. "They are really bending over backwards for us. (The problems) have leveled off since the buy-out and we hope that Continental will deal better with us," she

Continental is having some problems of its own, according to Janet Whitehead, group coordinator with Travel World of Sanford. While Continental is busy painting planes and ticket terminals at the airports, flights will continue under the name of New York Air and People Express, Whitehead said.

"Continental is integrating the computer systems of People Express and New York Air with theirs," she said. "That's causing trouble for us because sometimes we pull up a blank (on the computer).

"We can't quote the fares, and you can't get through on the phone to Continental for comfirmation," she said.

During the takeover, some of New York Air's and People Express' old fares were honored by Continental, but sometimes a new fare had to be given, Whitehead said.

"For example, New York Air had a flight from Ft. Lauderdale to RDU with a change in Washington for \$149," she said. "We tried to book it and no fare came up."

"We had to quote a fare from Ft. Lauderdale to Dulles, and then a fare from Dulles to RDU," Whitehead said. "It cost as much as Delta or Piedmont, but there was nothing else we could do."

Problems with overbooking and re-routing of flights have also been common, Dewhirst said.

Travel agencies are hoping Continental will learn from the past experiences of Eastern and have the problems under control soon, said Dewhirst.

Eastern—Continental, American and United are the three largest airlines in the nation.

American Airlines is equipped to compete with Continental, according to area sales manager Rich Kruszka.

"They (Continental) will be very formidable competitors, but our company (American) is ready to take them on."

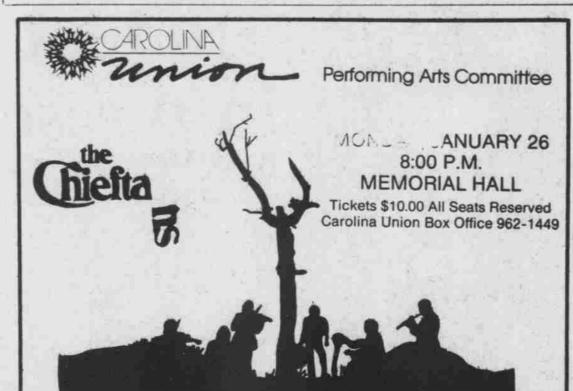
American has done some counteradvertising and matched the Continental two-for-one flight deal offered in the New York area, Kruszka said, and they will do more as necessary.

"Frank Lorenzo, Continental's chief executive officer, is very creative," said Kruszka, "but American intends to be just as creative."

United Airlines representatives were unavailable for comment.



John Turner, dean of the School of Social Work, at the benefit



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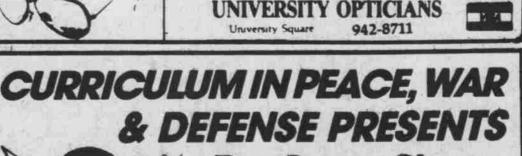
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