

Ginsburg enters national spotlight

By MATT BIVENS
Staff Writer

As the memory of Robert Bork fades, political forces are regrouping for a second joust with President Reagan's second nominee, youthful conservative Douglas Ginsburg.

"I didn't know he existed until two weeks ago," said Daniel Pollitt, a UNC law professor.

Ginsburg may owe his recent nomination in part to Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C.

Helms called the White House to recommend Ginsburg for the nomination, said Barbara Lukans, Helms's press secretary. But only the president knew how much of a difference the call made, she said.

In Ginsburg's first week as a nominee, opposition has been silent. "I think everybody is just kind of

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waiting on this one," said a White House official who declined to give his name. He said it was too early for most groups or politicians to take sides on the nomination.

Unlike Bork, Ginsburg has written little to confirm his views on many controversial issues, making it harder to see what he believes, Pollitt said.

"I would assume everyone is studying him," he said. Opponents of the nomination say the 41-year-old Ginsburg is too young and inexperienced to serve on the Supreme Court.

If confirmed, Ginsburg could remain on the bench for decades, influencing decisions well into the

21st century. But the White House official noted that younger Supreme Court nominees have been confirmed such as Justice William Douglas, who was 40 when confirmed in 1939, and Justice Joseph Story, who was 32 when confirmed in 1811.

Greater opposition to Ginsburg's nomination has grown out of recent conflict of interest charges. Ginsburg directed a Justice Department effort to extend First Amendment privileges to cable television companies while he owned \$140,000 in cable company stock.

"I think he's done for," Pollitt said. "Conflict of interest is very important."

The Office of Government Ethics is investigating the charges, he said. But a Justice Department state-

ment said Ginsburg notified his staff and colleagues of his cable stock, and that no conflict existed because Ginsburg's personal holdings would not be affected by the effort.

"We (the White House) still support the judge and the position he took (in the cable TV case)," the White House official said.

Ginsburg has been a judge for the U.S. Court of Appeals since 1986. Before his appointment to the bench, Ginsburg worked at the Justice Department as an assistant attorney general, where he worked in the anti-trust division, and as an administrator for the Office of Management and Budget.

Ginsburg also clerked for Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall upon his graduation from Chicago University Law School.

Sandinista army deserter may have defected to U.S.

From Associated Press reports

MANAGUA, Nicaragua — The Defense Ministry said Tuesday a highly-placed Sandinista army major had deserted, but it did not know if he had defected to the United States.

In Washington, a Reagan administration official confirmed the defection of Maj. Roger Miranda Bengoechea. The official refused to comment further.

The Defense Ministry reported Friday that Miranda, 34, deserted on Oct. 25 and went to the United States by way of Mexico, taking \$15,000 in government money with him.

New Secretary of Labor named
WASHINGTON — President Reagan on Tuesday nominated former Interior Undersecretary Ann Dore McLaughlin to succeed William Brock as Secretary of Labor and bring a woman back into his Cabinet.

Reagan called McLaughlin, who has held senior roles in the Treasury Department and the Environmental Protection Agency, a woman of "uncommon experience and competence... who has won my full confidence and support."

With only 15 months remaining in the administration, there appeared to be little sentiment among Democrats and labor unions for opposing the nomination.

Gore says he's gaining ground
RALEIGH — Democratic presidential hopeful Albert Gore Jr. said Tuesday his "centrist" views, especially on defense, were

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winning converts in his native South and enhancing his party's prospects for capturing the White House.

The Tennessee senator, on a brief campaign visit to Raleigh, released the names of 28 N.C. legislators supporting him. He said polls suggested he was gaining support more rapidly than any other Democratic contender.

Fishing boat taken for enemy
MANAMA, Bahrain — Persian Gulf shipping sources said Tuesday a U.S. Navy frigate fired on a fishing boat last weekend, not a hostile Iranian craft as the Pentagon believed, and killed an Indian member of its crew.

They quoted another crewman as saying the warship fired machine guns Sunday night even though the fishing boat and two others with it showed lights and were making way for the frigate and a refueling tanker it was escorting out of the Gulf. The Pentagon identified the Navy ship as the USS Carr.

In Kuwait, a small bomb ripped the side off a police van parked near the Interior Ministry on Tuesday, heightening fears of Iranian sabotage in the rich Persian Gulf sheikdom but causing no casualties.

It was the 10th bombing reported this year in Kuwait, all blamed on Shiite Moslem militants who back the fundamentalist Shiite regime of Iran in the 7-year-old war with Iraq.

N.C. lawmakers begin legislative studies

By CARRIE DOVE
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While the North Carolina General Assembly is in recess, lawmakers will begin 34 legislative studies and hearings in Raleigh this month to prepare for the upcoming session.

The studies, allocated \$15,000 each, will embrace legislation including the Safe Roads Act, water quality, animal welfare and AIDS in North Carolina.

In September, the 12-member Legislative Research Commission (LRC) authorized the money for the studies, which the commission divided into 10 categories.

Each member of the LRC will head one of the 10 categories, except Sen. J.J. Harrington, President Pro Tempore, and Rep. Liston Ramsey, Speaker of the House, co-chairs of the LRC.

More than 100 separate commissions are included under the studies, said Margaret Webb, spokeswoman for the LRC.

Each study has a chairman who acts as a committee member and a liaison between the committee and the LRC chairmen. The committees evaluate legislation and recommend whether it should be considered and passed, Webb said.

Out of 90 pieces of legislation recommended by the commissions last year, lawmakers passed 53.

"I think it's a good ratio," said Rep. John Church, D-Vance, chairman of the buildings and disadvantaged businesses study.

New drunk driving regulations, hazardous waste disposal guidelines and AIDS legislation could spark controversy, Webb said.

The water quality committee,

headed by Bruce Ethridge, D-Onslow, begins hearings today.

"The study committees are really effective," Ethridge said, "but there were problems with this past study."

The water quality commission plans to re-verify existing water classifications and study regulations to improve water purity, he said.

"We weren't able to come to a strong consensus (last year), even though recommendations were made," Ethridge said. "These studies carry a lot of weight."

The human resources study, overseen by Sen. James Richardson, D-Mecklenburg, will include research on AIDS, children with special needs and aging. The committee begins hearings Friday.

Sen. Henson Barnes, D-Vance, heads the state regulation study, which will evaluate the Safe Roads

Act. The highway committee, a subcommittee of the state regulation committee, starts hearings Friday.

Several environmental studies have already started, Webb said. These include commissions on hazardous waste and underground storage tank leakage headed by Sen. Lura Tally, D-Cumberland.

A committee headed by Sen. Robert Martin, D-Pitt, will consider the Animal Welfare Act, hunting safety and pest control.

Edgcombe Rep. Josephus Mavretic's study targets unruly students, income taxes and revenue laws.

Sen. A.D. Guy, D-Onslow, is chairman of the economic development study, which plans specific studies on recruiting businesses to North Carolina and encouraging the tourism growth.

Candidates' spouses can affect campaigns, experts say

By AMY WINSLOW
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The traditional image of wives standing quietly beside their husbands has faded. In the 1988 presidential campaign, spouses of presidential hopefuls pack their bags, hop on planes and hit the campaign trail as often as their husbands.

"There is no way to separate the candidate from the spouse in most people's minds," said Stephen Leon-

ard, assistant professor of political science at UNC.

Since the public scrutinizes a candidate's values, morals and family relationship, how the spouse presents herself is crucial, said Jane Gephardt, wife of Rep. Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., a presidential hopeful.

"People also expect you to be as well-versed in the issues as your husband," said Gephardt, who just completed a campaign swing through

the South.

A candidate's wife must also understand the sacrifices inherent in life on the campaign trail, said Frankie Miller, executive assistant to Elise du Pont, wife of Republican candidate Pete du Pont, former governor of Delaware.

Since du Pont campaigned in 1984 for her own congressional seat, Miller said she understands the long hours and dedication needed for a presiden-

tial campaign.

Tipper Gore, wife of Democratic candidate Albert Gore, a senator from Tennessee, also earned her own political reputation. As the author of "Raising PG Kids in an X-Rated Society," Gore has received equal, if not more, media attention than her husband on the issues she espouses, said Page Crosland, deputy campaign manager for Albert Gore's campaign.

"Voters are indeed interested in the candidate's family," she said. The role the wives play depends on the type of campaign the candidate

is running and the marital relationship, Leonard said.

Elizabeth Dole, who left her position as head of the Department of Transportation to campaign for her husband Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kan., plays a central role, he said.

Dole, who has received criticism from women's groups for leaving her DOT post, should be perfectly free to resign and support the candidate of her choice, said William Keech, UNC professor of political science.

Spouses may also have an embarrassing effect, Keech said, as in

Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis's campaign. Early in the campaign, Kitty Dukakis publicly admitted a past drug problem.

Husbands can be damaging as well, said Leonard, citing the financial disclosure problems of John Zaccaro, husband of 1984 vice presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro.

"Anything the spouse does is going to have some bearing on how people think," he said.

The candidate's spouse must try to maintain the family unit, said Pamela Conover, UNC associate professor of political science.

"The function of a candidate's wife is to keep the family running so the candidate doesn't have to," Conover said.

Gephardt said separation during the campaign puts strain on relationships. She said she travels about four days a week while her husband campaigns constantly, so the children are often left with a baby sitter.

Joanne Kemp, who calls herself an activist, full-time mother and homemaker, said she serves as family coordinator.

"I always keep the home fires burning," said Kemp, whose husband Rep. Jack Kemp of New York is a Republican presidential hopeful.

Du Pont makes an effort to set aside free time for her husband and four children, Miller said.

In past presidential campaigns, spouses such as Lady Bird Johnson and Rosalynn Carter gave speeches which contributed to their husband's campaigns, and Nancy Reagan often advised her husband, Keech said.

For the Record

In Tuesday's story "Four students report fraudulent CGLA calls," Mark Donahue was incorrectly identified as CGLA co-chairman. Donahue is editor of CGLA's newsletter, Lambda.

The Daily Tar Heel regrets the reporting error.

Howes

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UNC romance languages department, said Howes has a good background in mediating between the University and the town. "He certainly would have the inside track on the potential areas in the town-gown (Chapel Hill-University) relationship," he said.

Howes has said he supports increasing the decibel level allowed by the noise ordinance. He has also said he opposes a six-lane Pittsboro Street extension.

David Nash, a contributor to the campaign, said, "Howes can bridge the gap between the town community and the academic community. He is the right man at the right time in the right place."

Howes' victory represents a "changing of the guard," Nash said. "I don't think Jonathan sees the world in the same frame of reference as Wallace. He has maintained a rational point of view about Rosemary Square."

Rosemary Square developer Walter Daniels said, "Independent of the Rosemary Square project, any city in

the country should be happy to have Jonathan Howes as its mayor. Julie is also a very fine public servant and will be around to serve the people of Chapel Hill regardless of the outcome of this one race."

Howes also took 58 percent of the vote in the Lincoln precinct, which has a high percentage of black voters. He had the endorsement of the Southern Orange Black Caucus.

Caucus member Rebecca Clark said she voted for the man rather than the platform. "I think he's seasoned and mature," she said. "He knows Chapel Hill and would better serve Chapel Hill."

Howes' campaign manager, Bev Kawalec, said Howes had many black supporters because he consistently responded to their concerns. "He supports moderate-income housing," she said.

Andresen, who will retain her town council seat, said she did not foresee any problems in working with Howes. "I think what was working in Howes' favor is that he's been in politics for 12 years," she said.

Howes has served on the town council for the past 12 years.

Lineberger said, "I figured I had three chances; slim, none and miracle. I guess miracle wasn't in the cards tonight."

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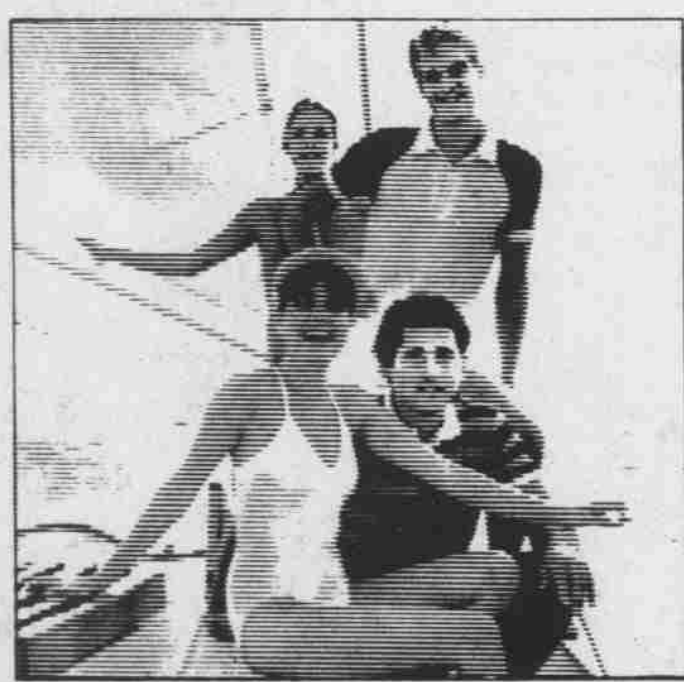
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