

Reagan calls for strong economy

By AMY WINSLOW
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In his last State of the Union address Monday night, President Ronald Reagan reiterated the same positions he's been taking with Congress all along and stressed that his eight-year term wasn't over yet.

"Put on your work shoes," Reagan told Congress. "We're still on the job."

Building a stronger economy, attacking social problems such as education and poverty, and maintaining peace at home and abroad are main objectives still on the agenda, he said.

Reagan urged Congress to support his Feb. 1 request for financial aid to the Nicaraguan contras, although he did not specify an amount.

He also asked the Senate to ratify

the recent "landmark agreement" with the Soviet Union to eliminate all intermediate-range nuclear missiles. More significantly, he said, the United States should work toward reducing long-range missiles.

In a nostalgic look at educational reform, Reagan called for greater state control over policies such as merit pay and a stronger curriculum in schools.

"In a child's education, money can never take the place of discipline, hard work and homework," he said.

In the official Democratic response, House Speaker Jim Wright, D-Texas, criticized the Reagan administration's education budget for cutting spending 20 percent in 1987.

While Reagan has been in office, the trade gap has risen sharply every

year, weakening America's ability to compete with foreign markets, Wright said.

"We can't build a vital economy by delivering pizzas to one another," he said.

Reagan, however, credited his administration with cutting government spending and slicing tax and inflation rates in the seven years of his presidency. But the government is still spending too much money, he said.

He called for a presidential line-item veto to end the tedious and often chaotic budget process. A line-item veto would allow the president to single out individual measures in a spending package instead of signing or vetoing the entire package.

"The budget process has broken down," he said. "It needs a complete

overhaul."

In the area of international relations, there has been a complete turnabout in his administration, he said.

"Today, America is strong," the president said, "and democracy is everywhere."

Freedom fighters in Nicaragua and Afghanistan are the keys to world peace, he said, and America must support them in their fight for democracy.

The contras should be credited with forcing the Sandinista government to establish some democratic reforms and prompting the release of some political prisoners, Reagan said.

Reagan also urged Congress to confirm the nomination of Judge Anthony Kennedy to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Groups sponsor policy-awareness forum

By CHRISTOPHER SONTCHI
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The UNC Institute of Government and eight other N.C. sites will host a policy-awareness forum for 600 Tar Heels Saturday that will generate tough questions for a possible debate among the presidential candidates, said Tim Noonan, state coordinator for the project.

Participants in the N.C. Citizen Assemblies will attend a crash course in one of six different policy areas, Noonan said. A session to formulate questions for both Republican and Democratic presidential candidates will follow the course, Noonan said.

UNC's Institute of Government is one of 25 non-profit organizations that are co-sponsoring the event, Noonan said. Other groups include the Roosevelt Center for American Policy Studies and the North Caro-

lina Farm Bureau Federation. The organizers hope the forum will lead to a bipartisan presidential "town meeting" in Greensboro Feb. 24, said Steve Allred, associate professor at the Institute of Government and member of the forum's planning committee.

If the presidential candidates agree to attend such a debate, the forum's 600 participants will choose questions to ask the candidates, Allred said.

C-SPAN, a cable television network, expressed interest in broadcasting the debate if all the candidates attended, Allred said.

None of the candidates have officially accepted the debate invitation, but one candidate from each party has expressed interest in attending, Allred said. He could not identify the candidates.

Allred expressed optimism that the debate would take place. "Frankly, I think it's going to happen," he said.

N.C. political leaders, such as Republican Gov. Jim Martin, Sens. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., and Terry Sanford, D-N.C., and the 11 N.C. Congressmen have endorsed the forum, Noonan said.

The 600 participants are volunteers who responded to more than 750,000 applications that project directors sent to members of the co-sponsoring groups, Noonan said. Volunteers range in age from 16 to 83, Noonan said, with males and Democrats slightly over-represented. Minorities represent 20 percent of the participants, he said.

Participants will role-play at the forum, discussing policy options that

presidential candidates might consider, Allred said. Each class will cover a different policy issue, including the federal budget deficit; Central America; the global spread of nuclear weapons; the U.S. and the Third World; work and family; and health care.

The forum will contribute to one of the most issue-oriented presidential campaigns in history, said Thad Beyle, UNC professor of political science.

The N.C. forum is based on similar events held in Iowa and New Hampshire, Noonan said.

The March 8 Super Tuesday primaries increased North Carolina's political clout, Noonan said, attracting the forum's organizers. A similar forum was held Jan. 23 in Georgia, he said.

Pizza delivery man robbed at apartment complex

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A Domino's pizza delivery man was robbed at gunpoint last Thursday evening outside a Carrboro apartment complex by an unidentified man, said Carrboro Police Capt. Ben Callahan.

Callahan said the order was called in and a delivery man took the pizza to an apartment at Tar Heel Manor apartments, near N.C. Highway 54, but found no one was home.

After the delivery man turned to leave the doorway, Callahan said, "Someone came out of the shadows and put a gun to the delivery man's back, said this was a robbery and demanded his wallet and the pizza."

The Domino's employee told the police the robber was a 5-foot 8-inch black man with an average to stocky build. He also said the man was in

his late 20s and was wearing a checkered shirt and a toboggan.

Callahan said the armed robbery was under investigation. "We are pretty sure that the person who made the call to order the pizza was somehow involved in the robbery," he said.

Dave Myers, Domino's regional supervisor for Durham and Chapel Hill, said delivery robberies are unusual, especially in Chapel Hill. "We have more of a problem in Durham with robberies, but never in the Chapel Hill area," he said.

Myers said drivers deliver only one or two orders before returning to the store and depositing the money.

"Drivers do not accept any bills larger than \$20 and they only carry the money collected from those one or two runs," Myers said.

Housing to install air conditioners in residence halls

By LYNNE McCLINTOCK
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Most residents of Scott and Henderson Residence Colleges will return to air-conditioned rooms in the fall, Wayne Kuncel, director of housing, said Monday.

The housing department will install window units in most of the rooms of the six dormitories — Avery, Parker, Teague, Alexander, Conner and Winston — in response to student requests and also because the dormitories are used for summer conference services. Alderman and McIver dormitories will also receive air conditioning units.

Lydia Lewis, assistant director for student family housing and conference services, said, "There has always been a constant cry from students during the year for air conditioning, especially in August, September and October."

Students in the two residence colleges paid \$629 per semester in 1987-1988. Air conditioning would increase the room rates to \$734 per semester. But regular rates will probably change next year, Kuncel said.

Students returning to these residence halls will have first preference for the air-conditioned rooms, Kuncel said. Although some rooms will not have air conditioning, even incoming freshmen should have a chance to be in air-conditioned rooms, he said.

Balcony rooms will not be air-conditioned because condensation from the air units cannot drain onto the balconies.

"If we can come up with a good, affordable design, every room will have air conditioning," he said.

Conference services sponsors educational and recruiting groups. Cheerleading camps are held during the summer, and participants in last summer's U.S. Olympic Festival stayed in UNC dormitories, Lewis said.

Air conditioning will make these rooms more comfortable during the summer months, she said.

The conference services tries to improve the residence halls that it uses, Lewis said.

"I would love to go into Morrison and air-condition it," she said.

Installation will probably begin before the end of the spring semester, so some rooms will be completed before the beginning of the summer.

Installation of the units will be done by the University Physical Plant and will probably take less than two hours for each room, Kuncel said.

Whitehead Residence Hall, which is also in Scott Residence College, will not be air-conditioned because it is not used for the summer programs.

Colombian chief prosecutor abducted, killed by gunmen

From Associated Press reports

BOGOTA, Colombia — Gunmen kidnapped the country's chief prosecutor on Monday and killed him, a Colombia radio chain said.

The government blamed the abduction on the Medellin Cartel, which U.S. officials say controls 80 percent of the cocaine entering the United States.

On Sunday, drug traffickers announced "total war" on officials who try to extradite them to the United States to face criminal charges.

Governor faces recall election

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Gov. Evan Mecham will have to face a recall election or resign after the secretary of state announced Monday that his opponents had collected more than enough signatures to force such a vote.

Mecham, who also faces legislative impeachment hearings and criminal charges in connection with a campaign loan, repeated his assertion that he will not resign, a spokesman said.

Rose Mofford, the Democratic secretary of state, would replace the Republican governor if he resigns or is removed from office.

Peace proposal causes schism

JERUSALEM — Israel's coalition government was split Monday over an Egyptian peace proposal that includes suspending Palestinian riots and a moratorium on Jewish settlement in the occupied territories.

"The current policy of force and beatings as it has been imple-

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mented on the ground is regarded by us as inhumane and simply unacceptable," Theodore Mann, president of the American Jewish Congress, told reporters after meeting with Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin in Tel Aviv.

Rabin said last week soldiers had been told to beat protesters rather than firing at them with live ammunition.

Shooting heightens tension

DALLAS — Hundreds of people rallied to support the beleaguered police department on Monday as authorities said they would try to prosecute bystanders who yelled, "Shoot him, shoot him," before a vagrant killed a police officer.

The shooting of the white officer by the black vagrant Saturday has heightened a growing tension between the mostly white department and the city's minority community, whose leaders have criticized the department for several police shootings of blacks.

The vagrant, Carl Dudley Williams, 34, was later killed by police.

Police officials do not believe the shooting was racially motivated, though there were reports that most of the onlookers were black. The vagrant had a history of mental problems and a lengthy criminal record dating to 1978, including an assault on a police officer last August.

Triangle residents will get new postmark

By LEIGH ANN McDONALD
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Raleigh Postmaster Ross Garulski has decided that area mail will soon carry a new postmark that reads "Research Triangle Area, N.C.," according to Walt Niemyski, the Raleigh postal official in charge of the change.

The postmark, which currently reads "Raleigh, N.C.," will be changed by the beginning of May, Niemyski said. The U.S. Postal Service must purchase the new dyes for the postmark and wait for authorization from postal service officials in Washington before the change will be complete, he said.

"Research Triangle Area" is a good postmark because the name is fairly well-known to people in other parts of the country," Niemyski said.

The new postmark is also similar to Chapel Hill Mayor Jonathan Howes' proposal for a postmark that reads "Research Triangle." Howes' proposal was included in a Jan. 20 letter sent to Garulski.

Niemyski said the postal service

had offered only two proposals for a new postmark; "Raleigh/Durham" and "Raleigh/Durham/RTP." Howes was upset because "Chapel Hill" was left out of the postmark suggestions, Niemyski said.

Howes said he was pleased with Garulski's decision for the new postmark. "The change certainly accomplishes what we hoped for," he said. "They basically adopted what I asked for."

The "Research Triangle Area" postmark would refer to the appropriate region in the state and remove any specific reference to two of the three Triangle communities, Howes said.

"Raleigh/Durham/Chapel Hill" is too long to fit on a postmark, Niemyski said. But "Research Triangle Area" will fit into the same space as the proposed "Raleigh/Durham/RTP" postmark.

The new postmark will also remove opposition from Raleigh citizens about adding "Durham" to the postmark, Niemyski said. "Everyone wants to be part of the postmark."

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and one of the authors of the resolution, said the University community has lost confidence in the athletic department.

"We have no intention to go out and get the athletic department," he said. "My feeling is that the athletic department will benefit greatly from the investigation."

"It could restore confidence in the athletic department. The confidence is not there now, there's no doubt about that."

The resolution states that "recent events involving the Department of Athletics have served to focus longstanding and growing concerns that both the magnitude of the intercollegiate athletics program on this campus, and the manner in which they are managed, controlled, and financed may be compromising the University's purposes and standards of conduct."

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same amount of money will be distributed to the funds next year, Swofford said.

"We feel that this is a helpful way for the athletic department to benefit needy students," Swofford said. "We're really happy to be a part of this."

Tim Goad, senior football player

from Claudville, Va., said he likes the fund-raiser, and thinks that it should be continued in the future.

"I think it's a good idea to help out students who don't have enough money to go to school," Goad said. "I don't think that the increased prices will hurt ticket sales since it's such a big in-state rivalry."

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