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Greek police disarm terrorist time bomb

ATHENS, Greece — Police on Monday dismantled a faulty time-bomb hidden in a plastic shopping bag which was placed outside a Citibank office in the seaside suburb of Paleo Faliro.

A police spokesman said anti-terrorism units and the Athens bomb squad dismantled the device at noon. The officer, who spoke on condition of anonymity, would not say if the bomb outside the American bank was linked to recent terrorist attacks in and around the capital.

The bomb was composed of eight sticks of TNT connected to a wristwatch and was set to go off at 12 o'clock. Police said it was unclear whether the bombers wanted the device to explode at noon or midnight — but in any case the timer apparently was faulty and stopped by itself at 10 o'clock.

Police dismantled the device by cutting off its battery-powered fuse. They said that although the timer had stopped, the bomb still could have exploded.

Iran offers to help in negotiating gulf war

NICOSIA, Cyprus — Iranian President Hashemi Rafsanjani offered on Monday to help negotiate an end to the Persian Gulf War — a move that reflects Tehran's growing anxiety about its role in the war and the postwar Middle East.

Rafsanjani said he was prepared to meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and also to talk to U.S. officials about undisclosed proposals for peace. He added that "creating security in the region, without securing Iran's views, is not possible."

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said he saw little hope for such talks. The United States has said it would stop fighting only when Iraq actually began pulling out of Kuwait.

Allied bombing raids condemned by U.N.

UNITED NATIONS — Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar on Monday condemned the allied bombing raids that Jordan says have injured and killed Jordanian truck drivers on Iraq's highway from Baghdad to Amman.

"Jordan is an innocent victim of what is happening," Perez de Cuellar said as he entered U.N. headquarters. "This is something inadmissible, why Jordan has to suffer in a war in which it is not a party."

"I do deplore these acts. Anything which affects Jordan is something that I strongly deplore," he said.

Pot grower faces tax evasion charges

NEW ORLEANS — A man accused of growing marijuana in his house and in a nearby cargo container could be among the first in Louisiana to be prosecuted on charges of selling drugs without paying a drug tax, police say.

State police detectives and special operations officers were working Saturday with vice and narcotics detectives when a woman offered one of the undercover officers some marijuana, state police Sgt. Hamilton Mixon said.

Under the new drug law, approved last year, authorities can seize dealers' assets if they don't pay taxes on their drug deals. Failure to pay the tax also is a criminal offense separate from laws dealing with drug sales.

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Marriott employee arrested for assault

From staff reports

An employee of Marriott Corp. was arrested and charged with attempted second-degree sexual assault Saturday evening, according to police reports.

Michael Anthony Allen, a cook at Lenoir Dining Hall, was arrested Saturday night at 6:20 p.m., the police report stated.

Allen was charged with attempted

second-degree sexual assault on a female employee, according to police reports.

The alleged attempted assault on a woman Allen worked with took place at 5:15 p.m. in Lenoir Dining Hall, police said.

The woman, whose name has not been released, also had been identified as an employee of Marriott Corp., according to police.

Allen, 32, of 16 Riggsbee Mobile Home Court, was released on \$3,000 secured bond, police said.

Allen was unavailable for comment.

Lt. Marcus Perry, crime prevention officer for University Police, said the woman was not hospitalized and she suffered no physical harm from the alleged attempted assault.

"To me, it is an isolated incident,"

said Chris Derby, director of Carolina Dining Service.

The incident was employee-related, Derby said.

"To my knowledge, it is the first time in five or six years that an incident like this has occurred," he said.

Students should not be concerned about their safety in the dining hall, Derby said.

The matter had been turned over to the proper authorities, he said. "At this point, I consider it a police matter," Derby said.

Kathleen Benzaquin, assistant dean of students, said she did not know of any other reports of sexual assaults this semester on campus. She said she was unaware of any other sexual assault incidents involving employees.

SBP candidates discuss platforms at forum

By JENNIFER DUNLAP
Assistant University Editor

Student Body President candidates Ruffin Hall, David Henderson, Matt Heyd and Jonathan Martin spoke to the audience and fielded questions at the first candidates' forum Monday night, sponsored by the Dialectic and Philanthropic Societies.

Martin, who was randomly chosen to speak first, said one of his goals as SBP was to start a student investment plan that would set up a committee to find sources for endowments to UNC.

Some of the funding would go to help student services, such as the University Career Planning and Placement Service, he said. The remaining money could be invested for further use, he said.

Student government should support campus environmental groups such as the Tar Heel Recycling Program by helping communicate their needs to administrators, he said. "I think that's going to be the most effective plan."

His plan to visit residence halls weekly would improve student government, Martin said. "It's the student body president's responsibility to go out there and talk to students."

Martin will set up an advisory board composed of two students, two teaching assistants and two professors in each University department. The board will help students work out problems in the departments, he said.

Matt Heyd, the second candidate to speak, said many University officials have claimed budget problems are be-

yond their control. Although problems exist, students can raise money and set priorities for needy areas, he said.

Students need a central information source, Heyd said. "There's no simple source for information on campus."

The Caroline registration system needs improvement, he said. Thirty-two telephone lines for 22,000 students is insufficient, and student fees that fund the system could pay for more lines, he said.

All students should have to take a multicultural studies course, Heyd said.

Student disenfranchisement can be reduced through communication with each other and with legislators and administrators, Heyd said.

The University is facing many tough problems, but the problems can be countered, Heyd said. "We can be depressed or re-evaluate our role on how to create educational excellence."

SBP candidate David Henderson said he wanted to make academic improvements at the University with a computer advising program so students can find out their status with respect to fulfilling requirements, he said.

He also wants to return full professors to the classroom. "Certain professors at this University make over \$100,000 a year and teach three hours. That's a problem."

Henderson said he wanted to bring back the Forest Theatre as a source of cultural diversity on campus by holding

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SBP candidates Ruffin Hall, Matt Heyd, David Henderson and Jonathan Martin answer questions at a forum

DTH/Jim Holm

USS Missouri enters front line

From Associated Press reports

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia — Marine "jump jets" hammered Iraqi tanks in the northern sands Monday, while the USS Missouri held down a new front line deep in the Persian Gulf — the battleship that ended one war unleashing its big guns to help win another.

The Iraqis warned they would fight the Americans in the desert with "the hit-and-run tactic formulated by our ancestors," the Arab raiders of old.

But once again the U.S. military machine relied on the weapons of tomorrow, waking up Baghdad with "smart" bombs and missiles that sent Iraqis scurrying down to basement shelters.

The situation on the ground at the northern front remained essentially static Monday. No new Iraqi probes were reported six days after Iraqi troops punched into Saudi territory and were repulsed in a series of bloody clashes.

But the U.S. command said front-line Marines did trade fire with the Iraqis across the border Monday, and Marine pilots reported scoring a major hit against Iraqi armor.

Four AV-8 Harriers, the Marines' vertical-takeoff "jump jets," found and attacked 25 to 30 Iraqi tanks across the border, unloading Rockeye anti-tank bombs.

"The results, from the initial pilot reports, were 25 Iraqi tanks destroyed,

or at least burning," said Marine Maj. Gen. Robert Johnston, chief of staff for Operation Desert Storm.

Marine officers earlier reported that two of their Hornet fighter-bombers knocked out an Iraqi rocket site that had fired on allied positions.

The Marines also said a battalion-size Marine task force opened up with 155mm artillery fire on Iraqi ground radar and infantry positions near the Umm Gudair oil field in southwestern Kuwait, and Marine light armored vehicles exchanged cannon and small-arms fire with Iraqi troops in Kuwait.

No U.S. casualties were reported in

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Committee undecided about pressing charges

By STEVE POLITI
Staff Writer

Members of the Committee for Peace in the Middle East said Monday they had not decided if they would take legal action against the College Republicans for Saturday night's water balloon attack.

Pressing charges against the College Republicans would be the responsibility of the people present in the Pit at the time of the attack, committee member Holly Flood said.

Holly Pierson, student attorney

general, said she could not comment on whether the Honor Court would take action against the College Republicans for throwing water balloons at the Peace Village in which students were camping Saturday night. The students had been sleeping in the village since Tuesday night.

The Honor Code states that if a group of students have a fear of imminent danger from another group, it can be considered an assault and a case

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Residents may have to pay for vandalism

By NATARSHA WITHERSPOON
Staff Writer

Students living on the fourth floor of Hinton James Residence Hall may have to pay for vandalism that damaged a fourth floor smoking lounge.

On Jan. 16, the day the Persian Gulf War began, unknown vandals burned furniture and carpet with cigarettes, causing an estimated \$1,000 in damage in the lounge.

The lounge, one of two in the residence hall where smoking was permitted, has been closed to residents since Jan. 31.

If no one admits to the vandalism by Wednesday, the fourth-floor residents will have to pay for the restoration costs, said Terrence Garrison, a fourth-floor resident assistant.

At a floor meeting last week residents

were told they could pay as much as \$15 to \$20 if the vandals weren't found.

Some fourth-floor residents said they should not be forced to pay for the repairs since students from throughout the residence hall used the smoking lounge.

Rubin Patel, a fourth-floor freshman from Baton Rouge, La., said, "I'm upset about the situation, but I don't feel it's my responsibility to pay for it."

"First of all, the lounge is one of two smoking lounges in the building. It could have been any smoker in the building," he said. "Secondly, my roommate and I never go to the lounge. Why pay for damages when you don't use the room?"

The area director and assistant area directors did not return telephone calls. According to the housing contract book for undergraduates, Hallways and

Highrises, "when individual responsibility cannot be established, the residents of the floor, suite, wing or entire hall become collectively responsible for restoration costs when such collective responsibility is supported by the area director, in consultation with the building president, the area governor or their government designee."

Wayne Kuncel, director of University housing, and Al Calarco, associate director of University housing, said they had not been informed of the incident.

Lisa McLamb, a junior from Goldsboro and a fourth-floor resident, said, "I think it's unfair, and who knows if someone on this floor did it?"

"It irritates me. It's ridiculous for people to vandalize, and it's punishment

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Students draft resolution for budget woes

By BRIAN GOLSON
Staff Writer

Members of the student governments of UNC-CH and N.C. State University met Thursday to draft a resolution to send to the N.C. General Assembly offering solutions to university problems caused by state budget cuts.

Four UNC students and 14 N.C. State students attended the two-hour meeting in Raleigh.

"The purpose was to create a joint statement from the two student bodies to let the General Assembly know how students feel about the budget cuts and to make a resolution of suggestions to alleviate some of these problems," said Spence Wright, UNC Student Congress Dist. 10 representative.

The resolution proposes five ways the General Assembly can aid state

universities suffering from a lack of funds:

- greater flexibility in the budget at the university level
- reallocation of funds within the state budget

- a referendum for a statewide lottery with earnings going to education
- creation of an education trust fund
- and re-evaluation of the current levels of taxation.

Tonya Alford, UNC Student Congress Dist. 12 representative, said she organized the meeting after Donald Boulton, UNC vice chancellor of student affairs, suggested that Student Congress members voice their concerns about budget cuts to North Carolina legislators.

Alford said after her suggestion of a joint meeting with N.C. State student leaders achieved widespread support in

Student Congress, she and Leslie Powell, speaker of N.C. State's Student Senate, organized the meeting.

General Assembly members were invited to Thursday's meeting but none attended, Alford said. She was disappointed, but was not surprised because Thursday was the first day of the General Assembly's 1991 session, Alford said.

UNC Student Congress members said the resolution would be sent to Gov. Jim Martin, U.S. Sens. Terry Sanford and Jesse Helms, and leaders in the General Assembly.

"One thing everyone (at the meeting) seemed to like was the idea of a state lottery to support education," Alford said.

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Prized talk

Horace Carter, a Pulitzer Prize winner for running editorials against the Ku Klux Klan, talks with Chancellor Paul Hardin in Howell Hall Monday morning.

Life is what happens while you are making other plans. — John Lennon