

Dahmer faces 3 new serial killing charges

MILWAUKEE - Prosecutors filed charges against Jeffrey Dahmer in three more dismemberment slayings Thursday, raising to 15 the number of people he is formally accused of killing.

No charges have been filed in two other slayings, one in Wisconsin and one in Ohio, that authorities say Dahmer has admitted. A prosecutor here said he did not plan any more charges.

One of the new charges alleges Dahmer had sex with a 14-year-old boy, then drugged and strangled him at the suburban West Allis home of Dahmer's grandmother.

The complaint said Dahmer dismensbered the boy, identified as James Doxtator, "and smashed the bones with a sledgehammer and disposed of them."

Dahmer, 31, spoke only briefly at the hearing, saying he understood the charges against him and understood that he could now be liable to 15 life terms, plus a total of 150 years as a habitual criminal.

Dahmer's attorney, Gerald Boyle, said while his client is competent to stand trial, that does not mean he could

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Yugoslavian jets bomb Croatian targets

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia - Air Force jets bombed targets Thursday in Croatia, and the Croatian president gave federal leaders until the end of the month to cease with the hostilities against his secessionist republic.

Up to eight people were reported dead in the latest fighting, which is undermining efforts by Yugoslavia's feuding leaders to impose a truce in

Ethnic fighting between Serbians and Croats has killed at least 250 people since the republic declared independence June 25 together with its northern neighbor Slovenia.

Croatia's President Franjo Tudjman warned Thursday his government would hold the Yugoslav presidency accountable if the federal army does not return to the barracks by Aug. 31.

In a letter sent to the collective presidency, republican leaders and the federal government, Tudjman demanded the presidency order an end to hostilities against Croatia within nine days.

- The Associated Press

STATE AND NATIONAL

WORLD BRIEFS Troubled council member begins divorce trial

By Lauren Chesnut

Amida whirlwind of accusations that now leak into the private as well as public side of his life, Durham City Council member Clarence Brown must produce telephone, tax and credit-card records today at his first divorce-related

court hearing. The Durham County District Court hearing is scheduled to determine whether to continue a temporary protective order that prevents Brown from contacting his wife, Ossie Prattsie Cunningham-Brown.

Cunningham-Brown requested the order when she filed for divorce last week, alleging extramarital activities and drug use on the part of her husband.

Brown has been the subject of intense public attention since he admitted earlier this month to double-billing the city of Durham and N.C. Central University for business-related travel expenses. Brown has since reimbursed the city \$527.78, which he referred to as 'not a bad margin of error.'

The allegations made by his wife have heightened interest in the propriety of Brown's remaining an elected official. News reports last week said Durham Mayor Chester Jenkins requested that Council member Howard Clement III meet with Brown and ask him to resign.

The mayor denied the reports, saying he himself would have asked Brown to resign if it had been necessary. Clement agreed that the reports were false.

In the end, the Durham City Council did not endorse Brown's resignation at the council's Monday night meeting. Instead, the council voted to remove Brown as chairman of the council's Finance Committee and as the representative to the N.C. Museum of Life and Science.

It also voted to rescind his annual city travel allowance.

Last Friday, Clement met with Brown and told him he thought Brown ought to resign. After expressing this to Brown, the accused council member threatened to take others down with him if he were

forced to resign, Clement said. At the Monday meeting, Brown angrily denied having made such a threat and accused Clement of lying to the press about what had happened.

"It is not my style, contrary to what is reported, to address my issues of concern by trying to bring down someone else," Brown said. "I don't do that because that's not the way I was brought up by my mama.

"Certainly, Mr. Clement is one of those individuals I wanted to candidly and honestly talk to, and I met with him in his office thinking it was one of those nice, friendly chats, and we were going to talk about the issues and see how we could get this thing behind us and move on," Brown said. "When I saw the paper the next day, I thought I was at another

meeting. That's not the kind of leader ship, and that's not the way things should be done. You don't exercise leadership by telling false stories or lying on another ... That hurt me dearly, because I

trusted him, and he betrayed me.' Despite his avid denial that he is interested in soiling others' reputations, Brown mentioned an alleged impropri-

ety on the part of a prominent commu-

nity leader during Monday's meeting. During a break in the meeting, Brown was quick to tell reporters he was referring to Floyd McKissick Jr., co-chairman of the Durham Committee of the Affairs of Black People's political committee. Brown claims McKissick acted improperly by helping his wife to get a brochure-printing contract with Durham's Hayti Development Corporation when McKissick was chairman of the organization.

McKissick has denied any conflict of

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Beltline road work not slowing down Kaleigh traffic



Beltline drivers are being warned of construction with signs

By Eric Lusk

Despite their efforts to slow down traffic on Raleigh's expanding Beltline while it is under construction, city planners say drivers are not heeding the warnings posted on orange caution signs

along the highway.

Although the N.C. Department of
Transportation has positioned several signs in the work zone cautioning of hazards, motorists still average 65 mph through the area designated 55 mph, said Ed Johnson, a Raleigh transportation services engineer. The DOT has used humorous signs such as "This is no place to pick up the pace" to slow motorists in a hurry, Johnson said.

"As people do on freeways, they do tend to drive faster than the speed limit," Johnson said. "I'm not aware of us having any accident problems because of the construction."

In June, city planners began upgrading the heavily congested roadway from a four-lane to a six-lane highway in efforts to make existing acceleration and deceleration lanes safer for entries to and exits from the Beltline.

"The Beltline is one of the most imortant arterials in Raleigh," said Louis Yates, Raleigh's assistant city manager for planning and development. "It is severely over capacity at this time, especially on the north side. The widen-

ng is necessary to relieve that." The Beltline is a 25-mile loop of North Carolina's capital. Presently, the highway's northern section that runs past Raleigh's Crabtree Valley Mall and N.C. State University is under construction.

Existing median's and seven bridges between Old Wake Forest Road and Glen Eden Drive are being widened during this first phase for a cost esti-mated at \$21.5 million, said Steve DeWitt, resident engineer with the DOT.

During evening hours, construction on the northern section will close one lane of traffic along northbound and southbound directions until the first phase is completed in February of 1993. DeWittsaid. Although construction will take place 24 hours a day, the lane closing will occur only between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m., he said.

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