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Close race

Democratic caucus backs Joy Johnson of Fairmont for seat on UNC Board of Governors.

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ause Lumberton Senior High Prin-Donald Frye is out of town, the or a football coach is on hold.

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5 die in Fort Bragg cargo plane crash

Similar exercise planned for today

ping maneuver 5 feet above a dirt airstrip came in "hard and steep" before it crashed and burned, killing five servicemen and showering 4,000 horrified spectators with soot, witnesses said.

Two servicemen were seriously injured in the C-130 crash Wednesday morning during a military exercise open to the public.

'We could feel the heat where we were sitting," said Ron Diehl, a spectator. "Smoke came over us and particles of soot landed on everybody. At that point, the crowd started to panic. People started running away, crying, screaming.

Four of six Air Force crewmen on the plane were killed along with an Army soldier on the ground, said Capt. Brian Irving of Pope Air Force Base, where the huge four-engine turboprop was based.

The C-130 passed within feet of the bleachers at about 150 mph before it crashed and skidded 1,000 feet into woods, destroying three military vehicles, scattering debris behind it and exploding into flames 100 yards from the stands.

A board of officers was being convened to determine the cause of the crash, said Col. Richard Heinzman, commander at Pope Air Force Base, which is next to

Some people put their heads in their laps. Others hug-

FORT BRAGG (AP) - A cargo plane on a tank-drop- ged people around them. Military authorities pleaded for calm as smoke and debris wafted through the air.

The accident occurred as the plane was dropping a 17-ton Sheridan tank in a routine maneuver in which the craft flies low, the heavy load is dragged out the rear door by parachute and the plane regains altitude.

The dead crewmen were identified as Capt. Garry M. Bardo Jr., 31, the pilot, born in Bloomsburg, Pa.; 1st Lt. John B. Keiser III, 28, the navigator, born at Plattsburg Air Force Base near Clinton, N.Y.; Technical Sgt. Timothy A. Matar, 32, loadmaster, born in Mansura, La., and Airman 1st Class Albert G. Dunse, 22, born in Savannah, Ga., additional loadmaster.

The Army soldier killed on the ground was identified today as SSgt. Douglas L. Hunter, 25, of Charlotte, Tenn. He was assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 73rd Armor Regiment at Fort Bragg.

The airmen were assigned to 40th Tactical Airlift Squadron, 317th Tactical Airlift Wing, at Pope Air Force

The injured, 1st Lt. Marc A. Lenke, co-pilot, and Sgt. Tony T. Holmes, flight engineer, were listed in serious condition at Brooke Army Medical Center at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Their ages and hometowns were not



A stunned crowd walks away from the burning C-130 airplane It crashed Wednesday at Fort Bragg at the Sicily Drop Zone

16 arrested

Ex-government witness among drug suspects

LARRY BLUE Staff writer

A 29-year-old Maxton woman, who was a key govformer Robeson County Sheriff's deputy, was one of 16 people arrested Wednesday night during a drug raid by sheriff's investigators.

Twyla Locklear was one of 25 people indicted in connnection with charges stemming from the third drug raid in six months. She is charged with simple possession of cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Authorities began a crackdown on drug trafficking in the county several months ago.

The search for the nine remaining suspects continued today, according to officials with the department.

Ms. Locklear, along with Johnny Jones, of Shannon, and John Delton Locklear, of Maxton, were key witnesses for the government in the three-week trial of Mitchell Stevens of Fairmont.

Stevens was aquitted of charges in March that he conspired with Jones to sell 18 grams of cocaine discovered missing in August from an evidence locker at the Robeson County Courthouse.

Ms. Locklear, who would have faced more than 30 years in prison and thousands of dollars in fines if she Officer Mike Stogner, suspect

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Rose Allen is one of 16 arrested Wednesday

Bork nominated for court

Reagan assured fight over high court choice

servative Judge Robert H. Bork to the Supreme Court, President Reagan ignored warnings of a political firestorm and a key Senate ally's plea for a Southerner, while assuring himself of an intense confirmation battle, congressional and administration officials say

Future rulings on abortion and affirmative action were at stake when Reagan decided Wednesday to accept the advice of Attorney General Edwin Meese III, and pluck Bork from about a dozen candidates.

The decision unleashed waves of criticism from liberal members of Congress and a pledge from

some 40 groups to spare no Robert Bork expense or resources in creating, as one organizer put it, "more opposition than you've ever seen from the civil rights and civil liberties community."

Reagan led a chorus of supporters by calling the 60-year-old judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington "a premier constitutional authority" with "outstanding intellect."

Sen. Gordon J. Humphrey, R-N.H., a

WASHINGTON (AP) - In nominating con- member of the Judiciary Committee that will consider Bork's nomination, predicted the nominee would withstand the "expected assaults by some Senate Democrats and liberal

lobbying groups." Some political indicators, however, placed

-Senate Majority Leader Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., while uncommitted on Bork, warned, "If the current Republican strategy of delaying the Senate is still in vogue, then I will expect some quid pro quo" on the nomination. He cited GOP stalling on the defense authorization, campaign financing and supplemental appropriation bills.

-Conservative Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., the ranking GOP member of the judiciary panel, expressed only lukewarm praise for Bork and disappointment that Reagan ignored his advice to choose a Southerner for the high

-The prospects for the nomination's initial stop, the 8-6 majority Democratic Judiciary Committee, remained cloudy. There was no commitment either way from the three swing votes on past controversial nominations, Democrats Dennis DeConcini of Arizona and Howell

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Grievance policy set at RCSD

JERALENE GIBBS Staff writer

Robeson County Sheriff Hubert Stone and representatives of Concerned Citizens for

Better Government agreed during a meeting Wednesday on a grievance procedure to screen complaints coming to the sheriff's department. The news media were

xcluded from the Concerned Citizens

or Better Government Hubert Stone Robeson County is a coalition of eight ember organizations and 500 individual embers throughout the county. The group was formed after the shooting death of a Fairmont man by a narcotics agent Nov. 1,

According to the Rev. Mac Legerton, executive director of Robeson County Clergy and Laity Concerned, "It was a very cordial meeting. He listened attentively to our concerns and agreed to our recommendations regarding a grievance procedure and the role of concerned citizens in that pro-

The group will review and analyze grievances and submit them to the sheriff's department.

"The sheriff has established an advisory committee to review the complaints, after which the two committees will meet to discuss the concerns further and make

The first step in setting up this process is to establish a complaint form and train people throughout the county to fill out the forms accurately, Legerton said.

According to John Godwin, chairman of the group, a committee of its organization met with the Robeson County Board of Commissioners in March and asked them "to set up something at the sheriff's department concerning deadly and excessive force used in the law enforcement.

"The sheriff was supposed to get back to us within three months, but he didn't. So we decided to send him a letter requesting a meeting."

Godwin said there is no policy on deadly and excessive force in the department.

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Merger bill gets favorable report

aff writer

dnesday to local bill to merge the five school systems in beson County, according to Rep. Pete Hasty, D-Robeson.

'he bill stipulates that a voter referendum would decide whether not to go through with the merger.

lasty said this morning the bill was voted out of the committee nimously and will come up for a second reading in the House lay. A final vote from the House is expected Monday, where ty said it will probably go through without opposition.

he bill will also have to get concurrence from the Senate ause the bill is a committee substitute, he said. The Senate will pably hear the bill Wednesday, if approved by the House Monand the concurrence would probably "be a matter of proire," Hasty said.

Lawmakers in Raleigh have been complimentary about the bill, which the county's local delegation has been working on since House of Representatives committee gave a favorble report deciding in February to introduce it into the General Assembly, accor g to Hasty.
"Eventhing I've heard up here is that they're glad we've come

up ith a plan "he said.

Se al ch have been made to the original bill passed by the Senate May 25, pasty said, and the delegation has spent months

trying to come up with a comprehensive merger plan. In the original bill, a 15-member interim board that would govern the school system until a permanent board is elected on a staggered basis, was designated but not named.

In the committee substitute, the 15 members are named; six members are white, five are Indian and four are black, according

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John Kevin Hill, 11, of Arlington, Texas, gives thumbs up from outside the cockpit of his single-engine Cessna after landing at Washington's National Airport Wednes-

11-year-old pilot flies across U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) - After seven days of flying over mountains, plains and valleys in all kinds of weather, a blond-haired, 11-year-old Texas boy became the youngest known pilot to traverse the United States

John Kevin Hill was scooped into his father's arms after climbing from the single-engine Cessna 210 at Washington's National Airport just after 3 p.m. Wednesday upon completion of the final leg of his journey with three passengers.

"I'm glad to be back on solid ground," said the boy, who lives with his parents in Arlington,

"I never let go of the controls," he said. "I'd get tired but I'd just stick with it. Sometimes it was just like a roller coaster.

The youngster's trip, which began June 24 in Los Angeles, included stops in Cedar City, Utah, Denver and Cincinnati. He was accompanied by his flight instructor, a newspaper reporter and a National Geographic photographer.

Johnny Hill, Kevin's father, said he hoped the Guinness book would create a new category for his son.

John Kevin's parents have been taking commercial flights to follow

Severe thunderstorms possible

Local weather readings The past 24 hours through 8 a.m. EST. LUMBER TON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT High Termperature Low Temperature Temperature at 8 a.m. FEDERAL PAPER BOARD Sunrise t omorrow6:03 a.m. Sunset tomorrow8:35 p.m.

Radio weather reports are broadcast from Fayetteville at 162.475 mhz and from Wilmington at 162.55 mhz.

Lumber River level7.30 feet

Good evening,

There is a slight chance of severe thunderstorms. with large hail and damaging winds, over central and eastern North Carolina this afternoon and evening, the National Weather Service says.

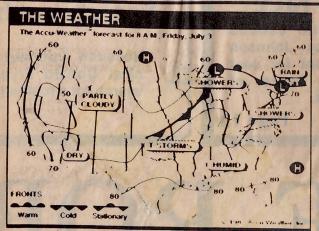
Showers and thunderstorms were widespread across western and central portions of the state overnight. Some of the thunderstorms produced locally heavy rainfall with amounts of one to two inches in the mountains and foothills and up to three inches over parts of the northwest Piedmont.

A funnel cloud was reported by Winston-Salem police early this morning and a tornado warning was issued, but it expired at 2:40 a.m., without further in-

The airmass over North Carolina was moist and unstable early today. The weather service said showers and thunderstorms were likely today, as a series of upper-level disturbances influence Tar Heel

Area weather

Variable cloudiness tonight and Friday with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 70s. Highs around 90. Chance of rain 50 percent tonight and Friday.



The Accu-Weather forecast for Friday indicates thunderstorms or showers for the southeast Plains, Great Lakes and on the Atlantic coast from the Carolinas to New England.

N.C.,S.C. beaches

Variable cloudiness tonight and Friday with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s. Highs in the lower 90s. Chance of rain 50 percent tonight and Friday.

N.C. mountains

Showers and thunderstorms likely tonight. Lows in the lower 60s. Chance of rain 60 percent. Partly cloudy Friday with a chance of showers and



Today's weather satellite picture shows bands of clouds, producing showers and thundershowers from Florida to Canada north of Lake Erie and from Texas through Nebraska with another band producing rain showers across Oregon and into Montana and Wyom-

thunderstorms. Highs near 80. Chance of rain 40 per-

Extended forecast

There is a chance of afternoon and evening showers or thunderstorms the fourth of July and Sunday. Continuing along the coast Monday. Lows in the 60s and lower 70s. Highs each day 85 to 90. Except near 80 in the northern mountains.

AREA DEATHS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Mrs. Monie C. Edwards

Mrs. Momie Collins Edwards, 88, of Charlotte, formerly of Lumberton, died Tuesday at her home. The funeral was this morning at the Pritchard Memorial Baptist Church, the Revs. Dixon Free and Harold Shoemaker officiating. Burial was in the Meadow Brook Cemetery in Lumberton.

Surviving are several nieces and

Memorials should be made to the Pritchard Memorial Baptist Church Building Fund, 1117 South Blvd.,

Charlotte, N.C. 28203. Mrs. Elizabeth Jane Cox

Mrs. Elizabeth Jane Cox, 89, of Raeford, died Tuesday at Kingsdale Manor in Lumberton. Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Friday in Raeford Cemetery with the Rev. Frank Lloyd officiating.

Surviving are a son, Dan Cox of Pembroke Pines, Fla.; three daughters, Mrs. Ruth C. Seamons of Thousand Oaks, Calif., Mrs. Edna E. Vangoitel of Kingston, Wash., and Mrs. Jane Vanoni of Vannuis, Calif.; three sisters, Mrs. Sadie Turlington and Mrs. Margaret Inman, both of Lumberton, and Mrs. Louise Dawkins of Fayetteville; nine grandchildren.

Visitation is 9-10:30 a.m. Friday at Crumpler Funeral Home, Raeford.

Mrs. Lucy J. Richardson

Mrs. Lucy Jane Richardson, 79, of Route 1, Lumber Bridge, died Tuesday at Kingsdale Manor Rest Home. The funeral is Friday at 3 p.m. at the St. Peter Baptist Church, the Rev. Richard Bethea officiating. Burial will be in East Lawn Cemetery.

Surviving are four sons, Sylvester

MOSCOW (AP) - Karl Linnas,

deported from the United States and

facing a 1962 death sentence for Nazi

war crimes in the Soviet Union, died

today of heart failure, the official

Soviet news a gency Tass reported.

Linnas, 67, a

retired draft.

sman and land

surveyor from

Greenla wn,

N.Y., had been

imprisoned in

his native

Estonia since

April. He was

transferred to a

Leningrad hos-

lnesses, Tass said.

pital la st Linnas

Thursday for treatment of a peptic

ulcer and other unspecified il-

"The illness developed and to

render him more qualified medical

Richardson, Heck Richardson, Bobby Richardson and Tommy Richardson, all of Lumber Bridge: 11 daughters, Mrs. Annie Baker and Miss Gertrude Richardson, both of Fayetteville, Mrs. Lillie Burk of Fuquay, Mrs. Alice Thomas, Mrs. Stella Burris, Mrs. Alma Ray, Miss Rosa Richardson and Mrs. Maggie Watkins, all of Charlotte, Mrs. Lucille Handon of Lumber Bridge, Miss Lizzie Richardson and Miss Genevie Richardson, both of Raeford; and a brother, Malachi

Ray of Lumber Bridge. Visitation is tonight, 7-8, at Red Springs Funeral Home.

Mrs. Amy J. Barber

Mrs. Amy J. Barber, 85, of Philadelphia, formerly of Red Springs, died Monday. The funeral is Friday at 2:30 at Panthersford Presbyterian Church, the Rev. G.B. Fiaoo officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Fodie Bothwell of Philadelphia; a brother, Taft Brown of Philadelphia; a granddaughter, Mrs. Joan Lee of Philadelphia, and a great-grandchild.

Mrs. Alice B. Stewart

Mrs. Alice Burns Stewart of Dillon, S.C., died Wednesday. Arrangements will be announced by Blanton-Coddington Funeral Home

Earl R. Barnes Sr.

Earl R. Barnes Sr., 57, of Fayetteville, formerly of Lumberton, died Wednesday in Cape Fear Valley Hospital following a brief illness.

notified his condition had

deteriorated and had come to the

Soviet Union to be with him, Tass

Linnas was convicted in absentia

in 1962 in an Estonian court of taking

part in mass killings of Soviet na-

tionals imprisoned at the Tartu con-

centration camp in Nazi-occupied

Soviet officials have said Linnas

Tass, in a dispatch based on a

report from the Soviet Supreme

Court, said Linnas recently had

undergone two operations. He had

been taken to the Leningrad

regional hospital from the Tallinn

investigatory ward in Estonia's cap-

The U.S. Immigration and Natu-

ralization Service said Linnas pass-

ed himself off as a displaced person

in Germany after World War II. He

later emigrated to the United States

and became a citizen.

Estonia. He was sentenced to death.

was in charge of the camp.

Arrangements will be announced

Accused Nazi criminal

Linnas dies in USSR

Miss America 1985 will marry Monday

SALT LAKE CITY — Miss America 1985, Sharlene Wells, plans to marry a fellow Brigham Young University student Monday at the Mormon Temple.

Wells, 23, will wed Robert Allen Hawkes, a 25-yearold physical therapy student, her family announced Tuesday. The couple met in a Mormon Church con-

gregation at BYU, family members said.
Wells was crowned Miss America in one of the pageant's most controversial years. Miss America 1984, Vanessa Williams, had been dethroned after nude pictures of her appeared in Penthouse.

Some felt Wells' selection was at least partially due to her Mormon background.

Burger judging essay contest

NEW YORK - Former Chief Justice Warren Burger is returning to the bench, this time as a judge in

a student essay contest on the Constitution. "We are particularly flattered by his interest in our program since he has been forced to turn down hundreds of similar requests from across the country," City Councilman Peter Vallone said Wednesday

Burger is head of the Commission on the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution.

A total of \$4,000 in college scholarships will be presented to the six winners in the Council-sponsored contest on Sept. 17, the anniversary of the signing of the

The contest is open to junior high and high school students in the city's public schools.



Warren Burger

Sting

INTHENEWS

FROM AP REPORTS

Sting will miss mother's funeral

LONDON — Rock star Sting planned to be recording on the Caribbean island of Montserrat during his mother's funeral in England today.

The 36-year-old singer and actor was "naturally very upset" over the death of his mother, Audrey Sumner, but he would not say why he was missing the funeral, said spokesman Keith Altham.

Mrs. Sumner, 56, died of cancer at her home in Tyne

and Wear this week.

Sting's real name is Gordon Sumner.

North's 25-minute interview is start of new phase in probe

WASHINGTON (AP) - Congressional investigators are building on a scant 25-minute sworn interview with fired White House aide Oliver L. North to lay the groundwork for a new and crucial phase of the Iran-

Contra probe. Their efforts are bolstered by the evidence of scores of previous witnesses and by leads that may be

hidden in the thousands of pages of subpoenaed documents and notes surrendered by North on Tuesday. But North's nationally televised testimony, scheduled to begin next Tuesday in the Senate Caucus

Room, could lead to surprises. That is the case because North and his lawyers succeeded in their bid to prevent extensive questioning in the private session, the first time North has broken his seven-month

silence about the case. Screening questions are a device committee lawyers use in advance of public testimony to determine the extent of the information a witness can provide and to shape the strate-

So far, North has avoided extensive screening.

gy for questioning him publicly.

Wearing his olive-green Marine Corps uniform and six rows of decorations, North was almost jaunty Wednesday as he appeared for his scheduled interview.

He gave a thumbs-up sign to one bystander in the heavily guarded basement corridor of the Rayburn House Office Building. He shook the

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William Frank Floyd Funeral Plans Incomplete

Lt. Col. Oliver North He salutes to reporters

hand of another.

"What do you plan to tell them?" a reporter asked as North approached the small, green-carpeted room.

"The truth," North replied. "Is there anything you'd like to say to us?"

'Have a nice day," he said with a wink and a smile. On his way out, he tossed a salute

at waiting photographers. He said nothing.

North was in the room for about an nour and forty minutes. But committee aides said much of that was consumed by preliminaries, a break for a Senate vote, and the formal granting of limited immunity from prosecution. He was questioned under oath for

just 25 minutes, they said.

The immunity grant compels North's testimony, ending his persistent refusal over the last seven months to answer all Iran-Contra questions by invoking his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination. He can still be prosecuted on evidence obtained independently of his congressional testimony.

North's questioning was limited to a single subject: What does he know of the extent of President Reagan's involvement in or knowlege of the diversion of the proceeds of secret arms sales?

None of his answers were disclos-

Reagan has said repeatedly he knew nothing of any diversion until shortly before it was disclosed by Attorney General Edwin Meese III on Nov. 25, the same day North was

1 CIA chief got bonus of \$20,000

WASHINGTON (AP) — The CIA's Central American task force chief, who is said to have ordered a field agent to continue arranging weapons drops for the Nicaraguan Contras during the ban on U.S. military aid, received one of the agency's largest pay bonuses, intelligence sources say.

William J. Casey, the late director of central intelligence, awarded the bonus to the covert officer, Alan Fiers, which one source said amounted to \$20,000. It was made last year under a federal program of awards to officials for meritorious and distinguished service.

Casey appointed Fiers to head the agency's Central America task force in September 1984, after he had served as CIA chief of station in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, according to these sources, who spoke only on condition of anonymity.

The CIA would not make Fiers available for comment, and attempts to reach him by telephone were not successful.

CIA spokeswoman Sharon Foster refused to comment when asked about the awards or about Fiers' role. She said the agency does not comment on covert officers and that bonuses in the CIA, unlike those granted by most other government agencies, are not a matter of public

The CIA director determines such bonuses, she said. In Fiers' case, it apparently would

have amounted to a one-time pay increase in the 30 percent range. The agency spokeswoman said someone of his rank and position typically is a senior-level officer making \$54,000 to \$68,000 a year. Fiers' superior and CIA chief of

clandestine operations, deputy director Clair George, received a bonus of a lesser amount, an intelligence source said.

CORRECTION

The Robesonian makes every effort to report the news accurately and fairly each day, but occasionally errors are made. All corrections and clarifications except those on Page 1A will appear in The Robesonian on this page. Those appearing on Page 1A will be corrected on that page. If you have a correction or clarification you wish to be printed, please phone Sheri Chance, Donna Pipes or Bob Horne with the information.

assistance, Karl Linnas was transferred to Leningrad," Tass said. "As a result of a weakening of his heart's activity, he died July 2." Family members had been Career Choices

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