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North Carolina fugitive charged in 1996 Olympic park bombing

WASHINGTON — Eric Robert Rudolph, one of the FBI's 10 most wanted fugitives, was charged with the 1996 bombing at the Olympics and two other attacks in Atlanta. Rudolph is also a suspect in an Alabama abortion clinic bombing, federal officials said.

A criminal complaint was ready to be filed Oct. 13, charging Rudolph with the Olympic Park bombing and the 1997 bombing of an abortion clinic and gay bar, also in Atlanta. Attorney General Janet Reno announced in a news conference Oct. 14 that Rudolph was to be charged with these three incidents, and with the bombing he was previously charged with.

Following the Jan. 29 bombing of a Birmingham, Ala., abortion clinic, Rudolph disappeared and has not been seen since Jan. 30 at his home in western North Carolina. In May he was placed on the FBI's most-wanted list with a \$1 million reward for information on his whereabouts. Rudolph has spent the last several months on the run hiding out in the mountains of North Carolina. FBI, state and local agents have been searching for Rudolph in vain since the first charges were brought against him.

Evidence surrounding the Olympic bombing has linked Rudolph to be an integral part officials say. Rudolph has been found to have bought 50 pounds of smokeless powder four years ago in Tennessee, and the composition of the bombs used in all of the Atlanta and Birmingham bombings has been almost identical. Letters written by the bomber have been analyzed to contain similar distinguishing features, which can be attributed to Rudolph.

Yugoslavia reaches agreement with NATO to avert air strikes

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — An agreement was reached Oct. 13 that averted the immediate threat of NATO air strikes against Serbia and could lead to a form of autonomy in Kosovo Province, according to American special envoy Richard Holbrooke.

Holbrooke was sent into Yugoslavia to compromise with President Slobodan Milosevic about conflicts in

the former Yugoslav republic.

The accord calls for 2,000 international observers and NATO reconnaissance flights to monitor police and troop withdrawals in Kosovo, where Serbian forces have mounted a crackdown against the mainly ethnic Albanian population.

Milosevic had protested the composition of an observer force because he did not want foreign troops posted on his nation's soil.

Milosevic has also agreed to commit himself to elections in Kosovo and grant amnesty for those accused of taking part in the fighting on behalf of the ethnic Albanians.

In the wake of the accord, NATO and Washington on one side and Milosevic on the other are both declaring victory. NATO officials are quick to stress that the approval Oct. 12 of an activation order authorizing air strikes in the Kosovo Province against the Serbs was the only reason Milosevic appears eager to reach a compromise.

The agreement is laid out in a three-part format. The accord had to meet the conditions presented in the Sept. 23 Security Council Resolution, which said that there must be verification, from the ground and the air, of the withdrawal of military forces and the setting up of a political system in Kosovo Province. Talks are scheduled in the near future to finalize details of the accord.

Foster mom charged with having intercourse with 13-year-old son

PALMYRA, Pa. — Esther Boyle, a 33-year-old Pennsylvania woman was arraigned Oct. 12 after confessing to a sexual relationship with her 13-year-old foster son. Boyle confessed the relationship to her doctor after he told her she was pregnant. Blood tests on the now two-month-old baby confirm that the baby is the teenager's son.

Lebanon county authorities charged Boyle on several counts, including statutory rape and corruption of minors.

Boyle's lawyer, William Sturm, had no comment on the incident. Boyle was released on \$25,000 bail after her preliminary hearing, and she is now in a psychiatric facility.

Compiled from news services.

Westboro to protest funeral of gay student

By Kevin Darst
U-Wire

FORT COLLINS, Colo. — Saying he "abhors the strength of the homosexual lobby," a reverend from Westboro Baptist Church in Topeka, Kan., will lead members of his congregation in a picket of Matthew Shepard's funeral, which will be held Oct. 16 in Casper, Wyo.

"We're going to inject some sanity into the insane orgy of their homosexual lives," the Rev. Fred Phelps said from his Topeka office Oct. 13.

Shepard, a 21-year-old openly gay student at the University of Wyoming, died early Oct. 12 at Poudre Valley Hospital in Fort Collins after being severely beaten and left to die outside of Laramie last week.

His funeral is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Oct. 16 at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Casper.

"We think there should be a little bit of God's side," Phelps said. "Homosexuality damns the soul and dooms the nation that tolerates it."

Phelps said he received seven death threats from Wyoming yesterday, more than he has received from anywhere except San Francisco. He petitioned the United States attorney general and the Denver and Cheyenne, Wyo., bureaus of the FBI for protection Oct. 9, saying they had a constitutional duty to protect him and his group.

Phelps, 67, said Westboro members picket around

40 funerals of homosexuals a week and have picketed nearly 15,000 since he started the protests.

Terry Summers, the executive director of the Lambda Community Center, said he is appalled by the group's intentions.

"They have no respect for human life or people," Summers said. "Matthew died because of people like that."

Responding to Phelps' statement that the homosexual lobby is too strong, Summers said his organization is lobbying so that hate crimes like this do not happen again.

Gary Hans, an outreach minister at Mountain View Baptist Church in Casper, said he is opposed to the picket.

"There's nothing scriptural about what they're doing," Hans said. "There's a hurting family in the background here, and they'll need a lot of support. Bashing them isn't what the scripture says."

Joe Zenk, the UW campus minister at St. Paul's Newman's Center in Laramie, which led a candlelight vigil for Shepard Oct. 11, said he didn't see the need for Westboro Baptist to go to Casper.

"They're taking advantage of a situation they aren't really a part of," Zenk said. "It saddens me. The funeral should be a time to celebrate Matthew's life."

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Dartmouth fund hit hard

Stock-market woes mean a \$100 million endowment cut

By Brad Russo
U-Wire

HANOVER, N.H. — Dartmouth College's endowment has dropped nearly \$100 million in the last three months, mainly due to a bearish and volatile stock market.

The drop of approximately 6.5 percent from its last publicly released size of \$1.52 billion June 30 would have been enough to fund the Berry Library and the Moore Psychology Hall projects combined.

The endowment is money the college invests for the purpose of earning interest, and these generated revenues finance expenditures without cutting into the endowment.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average, Wall Street's best known indicator, has performed even worse than the college's endowment however, declining by approximately 12.4 percent since the end of June.

Despite the large decrease in funds, director of investments Jonathon King said the college has little to be concerned about.

"We are a long-term investor. We've had an incredibly powerful run up, earning returns long in excess of our expectations," King said. "This is correcting some of the excess."

The college has earned a 16 percent return on its investments over the three-year period ending Sept. 30, down from over 20 percent in the three years ending June 30.

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King said the college's spending levels will not be immediately affected because of the endowment drop.

Endowment spending is determined using an average three-year endowment value so momentary fluctuations do not drastically affect spending rates.

"In the short run it has no impact," King said. The college did not match the endowment's previous growth with correspondingly high spending, "building a cushion," King said, so even with the current downturn it can still afford to increase spending.

Despite the prospect of continued downturns in the stock market, King said, the college has no plans to reduce its equity investments.

Approximately half of the endowment is currently invested in publicly traded stocks. Twenty percent is invested in publicly traded

bonds, and the remaining 30 percent is invested elsewhere, including venture capital firms that are ultimately tied to market success or failure.

"We don't feel we can time markets," he said. "We try to keep the asset allocation within its ranges. You don't want to fool with the allocation."

King said the goal of the disbursement is to see a 10 percent rate of return.

He said continued market troubles could lead to more dire consequences for the college. "I think we'd have to have a year or two of flat or marginally down markets before we'd have to think of anything," he said.

King said market downturns also lead to less endowment giving.

"I think a logical person would have to infer it can't help," King said.

"People don't feel as wealthy as they did months ago, and giving is tied to how wealthy people feel."

At the end of the 1997 fiscal year, Dartmouth's endowment ranked 20th in the nation and seventh in the Ivy League. In this category Dartmouth ranks ahead of only Brown University.

Its endowment per student ranked 29th in the nation.

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Heather Seely/Old Gold and Black

Nice catch

A student plays frisbee in between Bostwick and Johnson residence halls Oct. 14. Students took advantage of the last few days of warm weather to play frisbee, soccer, baseball and basketball.

POLICE BEAT

Polo pictures pilfered

Several framed pictures were stolen from Polo Residence Hall.

In the first incident, five pictures were taken from a study room between 7 p.m. Sept. 29 and 2 p.m. Oct. 4.

In the second incident, six framed pictures were taken from various rooms in the residence hall between 2 a.m. and 5 p.m. Oct. 10.

Damage

A student kicked and damaged

the driver's side door of another student's car parked in Lot B, between Taylor and Davis houses.

The incident was forwarded to Harold Holmes, an associate vice president and the dean of student services.

The windowpane of a suite door in Taylor was broken between 2 a.m. and 3 a.m. Oct. 10.

Theft

A \$500 wheelchair was taken from a gate at Groves Stadium between 8 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. Oct. 3. The wheelchair's owner left it by

the gate during the football game.

Several items belonging to a student were taken from the Benson University Center food court area between 9:15 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. Oct. 6.

The value of the items, which consisted of an identification card, a driver's license, stamps and a wallet, totaled \$106.40.

Another student reported that several items worth \$53 were taken from her bag, which was left in a Luther Residence Hall lounge around 5 a.m. Oct. 8.

The items included a wallet, an identification card, a driver's license, money and a key.

Miscellaneous

A vehicle belonging to a campus visitor was hit and damaged in Lot C, next to Reynolda Hall, between 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Oct. 6.

Two students living in Bostwick Residence Hall received harassing phone calls Oct. 7. In the first incident, the student received a call around 7 p.m. The second incident occurred around 9:30 p.m.

University Police handled 48 calls from Oct. 6 to Oct. 11, including 11 incidents and investigations and 37 requests for service.

Calls

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and Babcock residence halls, some upper-class women in Babcock have also received calls.

"Freshman girls are new to this and they know that," Rae said.

He said he has called a department to see how someone could get a list of freshman girls. Although he was told there was no way someone from off campus could do this, Rae said he wonders if the person could get the information through a computer.

Rae said the Duke University Police said a similar incident occurred last year when a man also used the school as a front. Duke Police said because it is a large research institute, it is not uncommon for callers to say they represent the university when they really do not.

Rae advised against giving personal information over the telephone to anyone who does not identify himself.

He said to ask for a name and a call-back number and ask to call them back. Rae said even if the caller provides this information, it does not mean the call is legitimate and one should still not provide personal information.

"This does not mean everything he says is gospel," Rae said. "You should not give out any personal information over the phone." If the caller asks if someone is, Rae said to hang up immediately.

Anyone who receives a harassing or obscene phone call, is asked to call University Police at Ext. 5591 or Rae at Ext. 5590.