

## School shooting investigation continues

JONESBORO, Ark. (AP) — At 100 yards, their seven handguns wouldn't be terribly effective. Too hard to hit their moving targets.

But the two boys at the center of the Jonesboro schoolyard massacre, no strangers to firearms, had other options at hand, officials say.

Evidence indicates most of the bullets that felled 15 classmates and teachers, killing five of them, were fired from two powerful rifles, stolen from the younger boy's grandfather the morning of the attack.

Fifteen shots came from a replica of the M-1 carbine, a famous weapon carried by U.S. troops in World War II, Korea and Vietnam.

Five more were fired from a Remington .30-06 hunting rifle, able to take down a 200-pound deer with a single shot from a quarter mile away.

Both are semiautomatic; the only limit on firing speed is how fast a shooter can pull the trigger, which ejects the spent shell and chambers a new one in an instant.

Crime lab specialists poring over the guns expect to determine which weapons killed

### Jonesboro arsenal

The weapons police say Mitchell Johnson and Andrew Golden had following the school shooting in Jonesboro, Ark., included hunting rifles and hundreds of rounds of ammunition. A look at some of the weapons:

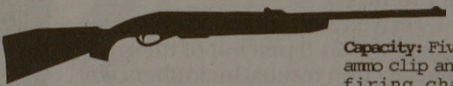
#### Main weapons

##### Universal .30-caliber M-1 carbine semiautomatic



Capacity: Ammo clips of various sizes. Sold with five-shot clip and typically used with a 15 or 30 shot ammo clip. Range: Approximately 150 yards

##### Remington 742, .30-06 caliber semiautomatic



Capacity: Five-shots, using a four-shot ammo clip and one-shot loaded in the firing chamber. Range: Up to 1,000 yards

which victims at Westside Middle School, helping investigators to make their cases against 13-year-old Mitchell Johnson and 11-year-old Andrew Golden.

Yet by one measure, the guns have already been examined —

and found innocent.

With their considerable firepower and the carbine's battlefield origins, such firearms were considered — but rejected — for the 1994 federal ban on assault weapons.

## Back to school



Dr. Ray Bowen attends a finance class on Thursday. Bowen switched places with raffle winner Gloria Chavis for a day as part of a United Way fundraiser.

## FORUM

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"Much of the body work and repair is done in-house to save money," Jackson said. "This type of ingenuity is one reason our buses are still on the road. However, this will not always be the case. We cannot continue to keep these buses together with bailing wire and chewing gum. We must replace the buses."

Bus Operations is considering several options for funding new buses. Capital replacement, putting spare funds aside annually, is one of the proposals for funding a

portion of the new bus fleet. Jackson said Bus Operations has not had spare money in the budget for more than four years.

In fiscal year 1998, Bus Operations shows a difference of \$950,000 between budgeted income and budgeted expenses.

"If everything goes right for the last six months, we'll still be about \$30,000 in the red," Jackson said. "The deficit is made up with Student Service fees allocated to us and from revenue from parking facilities that is transferred to bus operations."

A second proposal to pay for new buses includes a possible increase in the student service fee between \$35 and \$55 for a semester.

Bus Operations reported Fish Camp, Hul-

labaloo-North, Center pole and Reveille as the routes losing the most money each semester.

Tommy Muras, a junior business analysis major, rides the Hullabaloo-North to the main campus.

He said he hopes his stop is not taken off the bus route.

"I heard a rumor that Bus Operations is considering getting rid of the route," Muras said. "There are not many people that use the route but I think that they could possibly alter the route."

Jackson said Bus Operations is still taking suggestions from students for changes in the routes beginning next semester.

## WHAT'S UP

Friday

**Alpha Phi Omega:** Meet to go visit Crestview Retirement Home at 6:30 p.m. at Crestview.

**Horsemen's Association:** We will be hosting our annual Aggie Mini Circuit Quarter Horse Show all at the Freeman Arena. Call Shannon at 696-1363 for details.

**United Way:** There will be a jitterbug

contest and performance by the Aggie Wranglers at 10 p.m. at 2000.

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**Mathematics Contest**

Annual Freshmen and Sophomore Mathematics Contest

Wednesday, April 8, 1998  
 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
 Room 317 Milner Hall

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It is intended to award at least six prizes:

- \$150 for paper judged best overall
- \$125 for second place
- \$100 for third place
- \$80 for fourth place
- \$60 for fifth place
- \$50 for sixth place

Contest problems will cover topics through **Math 152 (Engineering Calculus II)** for Freshmen contestants, and through **Math 308 (Differential Equations)** for Sophomore contestants.

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