

Fifteen Teens to Participate in

Fashionetta Pageant

Fifteen Young ladies will be formally presented to the Greenville Community on Friday evening, December 7 during the ninth Miss Fashionetta scholarship pageant sponsored by the Pitt-

Greenville Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

The cotillion which begins at 8 p.m. will be held at the Hilton Ballroom on Greenville Boulevard

The biennial affair is designed to help young girls financially

ALETA HARPER

Cornerstone, dinner Annabelle's, and a slumber party. Bernita Demery and Gloria Hines serve as chairpersons. Jennifer Congleton is chapter presi-

dent. The 1990 Fashionetta contestants are Teedra Brown, Kimberly

Omara Carmon, at Bunch, Keishonna Carter, Tiffin Daniels, Christy Dickens, Selena Dixon, Crystal Gorham, Aleta Harper, Kemberly Lee, Candice Smith, Shanean Spencer, Kenasha Vines, Tamara Waller, Sakeya Wilkins. Apha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc.

is the first Black Sorority founded and developed on the campus of Howard University in 1908. It's major purpose is to be of...

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Election day Numbers: Serious Business

Historically African Americans have led every progressive movement and struggle in this country. My challenge to our people as we approach the dawn of the 21st stirring in America against the two-party political monopoly is to reflect our progressive agenda, then the Black community must come forward to lead it.

On Election Day, 1990 the Black electorate did take yet another step towards independent politics - and away from the Democratic Party which has taken us for granted for far too long. The white corporate-owned media covered up what happened, but the numbers tell the story

In new York State Mario Cuomo was reelected governor, but the 53% of the vote he received was an embarrassment. If Mr. Cuomo is to attain his goal of becoming the Presidential candidate of the Democratic party in 1992, he must be able to count on the black vote while pursuing white moderates. But last Tuesday he got only 80% of the Black vote, as compared with 86% four years ago.

By contrast, my vote total - although considerably lower than his in absolute numbers - jumped by 40% since 1986, the first time I ran for governor of New York. And while my results in particular Black districts

showed increased of between 15% and 200%, in those same districts his showed decreases from between 5% to 20%

prepare for college as well as de-

velop characteristics of finer wom-

anhood. Activities leading up to the

event included a tour of North

Carolina Central University and

Proctor and Gamble, a nutrition

and etiquette workshop, an ice

cream sundae social, worship at

Some examples. In Brooklyn (which has the largest Black population in the country), my vote rose by 55% overall while the Cuomo vote declined by over 15%. In the 40th Assembly District, the Brownsville and East New York vote increased from 444 in 1986 to 763 in 1990, a 70% gain. Cuomo's vote stayed the same. In the 56th A.D., Bedford-Stuyvesant, my vote jumped from 614 in 1986 to 1502 in 1990, a gain of almost 150%. Cuomo lost 5%. In the 57th A.D., Fort Greene, I got nearly 600 more votes than I had in 1986 for a 100% increase, while Cuomo's figures remained roughly the same.

In the predominantly Black and Puerto Rican borough of the Bronx, the 82nd Assembly District, my 1990 vote rose by 20% over 1986, while Cuomo's vote fell off by the same amount. In the 74th A.D., in South Bronx, my vote nearly doubled while Cuomo lost 5% of his 1986 vote.

In the 29th A.D. of Queens, St. Albans and Cambria Heights, I had an 80% gain over four years ago while Cuomo lost 20% of his 1986 total. The other Black district of Queens showed similar

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Your Christmas Seal Money

Before you rush off to purchase Christmas Seals, you might ponder this inside-the-Washington-Beltway update. Several months ago, I reported on a Capital Research Center study about the agenda and high living style of America's most prominent health charities, the American Lung Association (ALA), American Cancer Society (ACS), and American Heart Association (AHA). the study's author, George Mason University Economics Professor James Bennett, concluded that these non-profit groups had misrepresented themselves to the American people by claiming that health research was a major part of their mission. The ALA spent a paltry 4 percent of its budget on research; the ACS and AHA spent 26 percent and 30 percent respectively. Prof. Bennett says they appeared to be more concerned with fundraising, lobbying, asset accumulation, and high executive salaries and perks.

When the Captial Research Center (CRC) study, "Health Research Charities: Image and Reality," hit the streets, the health charities issued press releases in an attempt to denounce it, and Congress weighed in on the attack. Benjamin Cohen, legislative aide to Rep. Thomas Luken, D-Ohio, tried to intimidate CRC President Willa Johnson didn't cringe. In fact, I, also, received several terse letters from the health charity establishments condemning the study and yours truly for reporting on it.

The Capital Research Center marches on. It has just released a follow-up by Bennett, focusing on the American Lung Association, the Christmas Seal people, who are probably already soliciting your donation. The update, "Christmas Seals: What Are Donors Buying", complied from ALA tax returns, supports the conclusions of the earlier study.

IRS Schedule A Form 990 asks,

By Walter E. Williams "During the year, have you attempted to influence national,

state, or local legislation. . .?" The ALA checked "Yes." They reported \$11,100 was spent on such activities. But something is funny. ALA's second highest paid employee, earning over \$91,000, reports 100 percent of his time as ALA's director of government relations, a fancy name fore lobbyist. In a personal letter to Bennett, he said 30 percent of his time is spent lobbying. Thirty percent of his salary is \$30,00, not \$11,100 as reported to the IRS.

That discrepancy is peanuts in ALA's attempts to conceal its lobbying. IRS Schedule A also asks, "Is the organization related through common membership, governing bodies, trustees, officers, etc., to any other exempt or nonexempt organization?" The ALA responded, "No." However, the Coalition on Smoking and Health and Tobacco-Free America do considerable lobbying. Bennett

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Your Christmas Seal Money

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reports that those two organizations are not separate entities which obtain their own funding. They are financed entirely by health charities such as the American Lung Association. Bennett asks, "should not the ALA's contributions (to these groups), therefore be reported to the IRS?"

Prof. Bennett's uncovering of the ALA's IRS deception, in its efforts

to conceal it political activity, i of trivial consequences. The larger issue is ALA's deception of generous Americans who fork over their hard earnings as contributions to ALA's general funding and its Christmas seal drive. Here's their agenda: Health charities, like the ALA, ACS, AHA, take your donations. Much of it goes to fund their political efforts to get Congress to

tax us more to underwrite increased federal spending on health. Then they use a large portion of the rest of our donations for fat salaries, perks, and to buy office buildings, stocks, and bonds. This is a disgrace and insult to American generosity. ("Christmas Seals: What Are Donors Buying," can be obtained from Capital Research Center, 1612 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006.)

Election day Numbers: Serious Business

campaign clearly attracted sub-

stantial numbers of votes to the

Black-led, multi-racial, "people

instead of profits" New Alliance

party campaign. Our condemna-

tion of Cuomo and his brand of

liberal racism no doubt also dis-

couraged many Black voters from

participating in the election at all.

It is likely that the 6% drop in the

Black vote which went to Cuomo

and the drop of 11% in his share of

the overall vote — not to mention

the record low turnout at the polls

signment with Democratic party

politics-as-usual. And that senti-

ment was no doubt strengthened

by the explicit turning away of

America's most significant Black

leaders from the Democratic Party

as well as by evolving support for

- is due largely to black disillu-

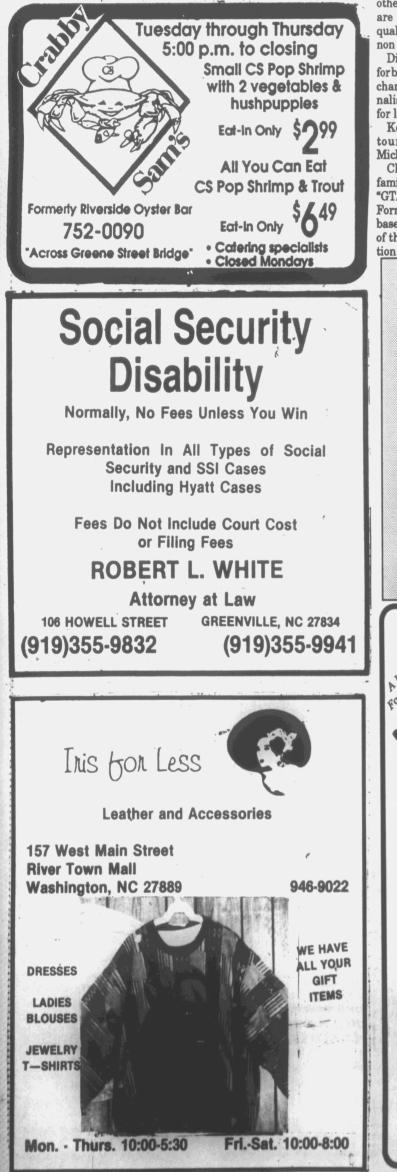
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patterns. In the 32nd A.D. Ijumped Fulani alliance in the New York from 503 votes in 1986 to 970 votes in 1990, nearly a 100% gain. Cuomo's vote was down by 15%. In the 33rd A.D. my vote showed another 100% increase, while Cuomo dropped by 10%. My overall Queens vote put me up 200% above my 1986 run, while Cuomo lost 25% in his home borough.

These numbers are serious; they indicate that the Africa American electorate is moving - very possibly on a collision course with the two-party political monopoly that either openly represents interests antagonistic to ours (the republican Party) or pretends to represent us while ignoring our agenda and insulting our leaders (the Democrats).

The endorsement of my independent gubernatorial campaign by the Reverend Al Sharpton and Minister Louis Farrakhan helped clear the way for a future mass exodus by Black voters from the Democratic Party. The support of these independent Black leaders for my campaign also reflected their own analysis, which is that our people are becoming increasingly fed up with democratic party racism and that they had to point the way to a new direction.

The Sharpton/Farrakhan/



Black-led independent politics.

These developments in New York were repeated in the crucial states of Illinois, where the question of Black-led independent politics preoccupied Black political leaders (and where the Black vote cost the Democrats the gubernatorial election), and California, where the independent Peace and Freedom party (which retained its permanent ballot status) is being given new life by the state's Black and Chicano voters.

Dr. Lenora Fulani is the chairperson of the New Alliance Party and a practicing social therapist in Harlem. She can be contacted at the New Alliance Party, 2032 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10035 and at (212) 996-4700.

"GTA"S" ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

The Greenville Tennis Association held its 13th Annual Awards Banquet Saturday at Wellcome Middle School. The guest speaker was Michael Morgan of Raleigh. Michael is an administrative law judge for the State of North Caro-

The theme of the banquet was -"GTA: Making a Difference." Judge Morgan emphasized how "GTA" members are not only making a difference in tennis in their community but also in tennis clubs of other areas. "GTA" members also are making a difference in the quality of life in the community in

non tennis related activities. Diane Wilson received awards for being singles champion, doubles champion and mixed doubles finalist. She also received an award for ladder play matches.

Ken Hilton was the novice tournament champion and Michael Clark was the finalist.

Chester and Mary Hicks and family received a special plaque as "GTA'S" family of the year for 1990. Former members of The Bombers baseball team were special guests of the Greenville Tennis Associa-



If North Carolinians hoped for 6 more years of Jesse Helms, they got what they wanted

Tuesday night.

Republican incumbent Sen. Jesse Helms easily defeated Democrat Harvey Gantt in an unpredictable race Tuesday. Voter turnout for this election broke state records, reported the Orange County Board of Elections.

In this morning's ballot totals, with 88 percent of the precincts reporting, Helms led 54 percent to Gantt's 46 percent. The unofficial total gives Helms 893,882 votes to 776,339 in favor of Gantt.

Helms received 65 percent of the white vote, and 7 percent of the black vote, exit polls show.

The three-term incumbent victory at 11:35 p.m. in the Brownestone Hotel is Raleigh. "Liberal politicians and editors and commentators and columnists have struck out again," Helms said.

Republican faithfuls listened to Helms attack "liberals" in his victory speech. "If liberal politicians think I was a thorn in their side in the past, now they are really going to see something," Helms said.

Gantt won decisively over Helms in Orange County, as expected. He received 26,697 votes, or 71 percent, to helms 10,752 votes, or 29 percent. The precinct that supported Gantt the most was Owasa; Caldwell supported him the least

Despite the small battle won in Orange County, Gantt lost the major war in North Carolina. Gantt, former mayor of Charlotte, was vying to be the first black Democrat elected to the U.S. Senate.

At the Hilton North Raleigh Convention Center, Gantt gave his concession speech to a large crowd of supporters at 11:50 p.m. He told them that the problems this state faces are worth standing up for.

"I still think that we strive to move life to a higher plane, to continue to be positive," Gantt said. "I want you to know Harvey Gantt's going to be positive."

Negative campaigning was prevalent in this election. According to Susan Jetton, Gannt's press secretary, the negative ads probably damaged Gantt's image more than Helm's.

"I didn't think so many North Carolinians would be fright-



JEWEL FOX OR BOX ... These ladies are shown at the recent Chapter 74 Annual Fashion Show at the Hilton Hotel in Greenville. This annual affair is an event that takes place each year and many of our African-American brothers and sisters gather here. Shown left to right are Latoya Freeman, Poochie Chandler, Gladys Tyson and Niya Sañchez. Photo by Jim Rouse

49th Anniversary of Pear Harbor

The North Carolina Chapter No. 1 of the Pearl Harbor Survivor's Association will meet in Greenville at the Holiday Inn on December 7. This marks the 49th anniversary celebration. William Lincoln, organizer of the event and vice president of the association says, "We want everybody to remember Pearl Harbor. We feel that it is important not to drop the defense because we don't want it to happen again."

A color guard ceremony at 8am will begin the event. Greenville Mayor Nancy Jenkins will be present to issue the welcome and retired Brigadier General James K. Durham from Smithfield will be held at 7pm in the Holidome.

All members are encouraged to attend the event. For more information call William Lincoln at 746-3314.

Black Woman favored for Labor post in Bush Admin.

By JESSE H. WALKER Special to the AmNews The Washington grapevine has Constance B. Newman, director of the Office of Personnel Management as the front-runner to replace Elizabeth Hanford Dole as secretary of labor. If it happens, she would become the second Black in the President's Cabinet. Her appointment could also take some of the heat off President Bush over his veto of the Civil Rights Bill, say Washington observers. Newman, 54, who began her government service as a clerktypist 28 years ago, would also be the highest-ranking Black woman in the Bush administration. Administration sources were reported in The Washing-

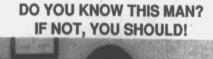
ton Post as saying that President

Bush has not "focused" on the cabinet vacancy, but that Newman was certainly on the "short list."

After the president's veto of the Civil Rights Bill, the source said, "a number of people at the White House think she would be a good fit." Another source familiar with the selection process was quoted as saving: "Politically. she gives them a lot."

Dole, who will become president of the American Red Cross early next year, left the Cabinet November 23.

Another name on the short list is reported to be Rep. Lynn Martin (R., Ill.), who was defeated in her recent bid to unseat Sen. Paul Simon (D., Ill.).





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Media Watch

By ABIOLA SINCLAIR

Arsenio Hall sues his manager

Arsenio Hall has dumped his manager and alleged partner Bob Wachs. Hall maintained Bob Wachs and his partner Mark Lipsky were eating more than their fair share. Wachs, who also discovered and still manages Eddie Murphy, is sueing Hall for 25 million big ones! Wachs who filed papers in Los Angeles Superior Court, maintained that he and his partner were responsible for "making Arsenio Hall a wealthy man." He claimed he was terminated in August of this year.

According to Wachs, Paramount Pictures, who grabbed up the Arsenio Hall Show while Fox Network was dragging its feet, paid Hall a flat fee of \$2 million. plus \$500,000 a year to serve as executive producer of his own show. In addition, Hall gets a portion of the show's profits.

Hall was a stand-up comedian who opened for many headliners and played the comedy circuit traveling by bus from gig to gig. He was a friend of Eddie Murphy and eventually joined Eddie Murphy Productions, which was managed by Bob Wachs. Through **Eddie Murphy Productions Hall** was selected to stand in for the Fox late night show which had bombed out unable to stand up against Johnny Carson. The last person to have it was Joan Rivers. The Hall show caused quite a stir in the industry and there was great demand to keep it on the air. But the contract called for only 13 weeks. Hall took the loss with grace and charm. The network replaced his show with two white guys trying hard to be funny and innovative but generally getting notice for how bad

Angela Gantt; daughter of **Harvey Gantt**

The professor takes roll and when he calls out one particular name everyone turns and looks at the student. "Are you related to Harvey Gantt?", asks the profes sor.



ARSENIO HALL

they were. Critics like yours truly commented on how network heads could even find the new show TV worthy?

Anyway, Hall signed with Paramount and the rest is history. Hall did two movies with Eddie Murphy: "Coming To America" and "Harlem Nights." And Paramount has signed Hall to do his own movie. In fact he reportedly has a three picture deal. Plus his talk show is still riding high with respectable ratings and just enough controversy, such as the Madonna visit, to be interesting.

The problem seems to be Hall is too far along now, and has the head to manage his own affairs. He doesn't see the need to give Bob Wachs "half" of his earnings, which is what Wachs reportedly claims he is due. As a manager he is entitled to 10 to 15 percent

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tops. Those old one third and half contracts are no longer valid and will not stand up in court. Plus Wachs reportedly does not have such an agreement in writing, he claims Hall made him a verbal promise.

The question is why would Wachs expect half of Halls earn-



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ings under any circumstances? He must be living back in the 50s when managers were ripping off Black performers with those kinds of deals. Things have changed Bob!

Bob Wachs, who hails from New York was owner of a comedy club in the City. Eddie Murphy would come around asking for a spot on the bill only to be repeatedly denied. Finally Murphy made such a fuss outside the club one night that Wachs told him,"Okay, you think you've got what it takes, go for it!"

But to Wachs surprise the audience liked Murphy. It was Wachs who recommended

Murphy for "Saturday Night Live," and has been his "handler"/ manager ever since. For Wachs Murphy is the goose that laid the golden egg, and one of those golden eggs was Arsenio Hall, whom Murphy brought to Wachs.

In the spirit of Black independence many folks have been critical of the Wachs-Murphy relationship, citing Oprah Winfrey and Bill Cosby as the only truly independent megastars with Spike Lee and Keenan Ivory Wayans holding up the rear. Murphy's answer to critics is if it works, don't fix it. Evidently Arsenio doesn't share that sentiment.

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She has his eyes, and her smile looks just like his. The student answers, "Yes, Harvey Gantt's my father.

Angela Gantt, 18, is the daughter of Harvey Gantt, North Carolina's Democratic candidate for the U.S. Senate. She is a freshman at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, where she majors in political science. She ultimately wants to be a pediatrician

Harvey Gantt, came up short Tuesday against U.S. Sen. Jesse Helms, the Republican incumbent. The campaign was filled with negative ads and controversial issues that damaged Gantt's image, and probably cost him the election

"It would be a disappointment to know that this state has gone to the senator who campaigned for seven days, and who has done 18 years of bad work," said Angela Gantt on Monday. She said that since it is her father she can laugh about the negative comments because she knows that they are not true

Gantt doe shave her own opinions about Helms, and feels his ideas are completely wrong. "He is completely closed-minded," she said, "He thinks that everybody is a white Anglo-Saxon protestant male." According to Gantt, being a liberal is being completely opposite of Helms.

She said that she agrees with all her father's political views, but she is not pressured by the fact that he is a politician. "I don't foresee me being a politician," she said. Gantt said she felt it was interesting, but not in her future plans.

Gantt said that she was very active in the campaign. She did volunteer work at the Democratic headquarters this summer. She also helped in organizing her university's Students For Gantt committee.

"I've been in politics the majority of my life. Every time I read a newspaper it makes me nervous. I'm sort of happy it is going to be over tomorrow because we have been campaigning since January, she said.

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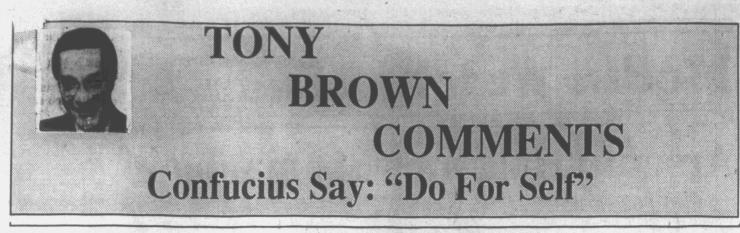
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Civil Rights Alone Misses the Point

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cohorts have taken legal action to eliminate Black colleges (where most Blacks graduate) by "merg-ing Black and White colleges, resulting in more White schools and fewer Black ones which results in more uneducated Blacks which results in a lower standard of living for the Black community.

White liberals and their Black

All civil rights means to these misguided advocates is a numerical minority of Blacks being under the control of a numerical majority of Whites in a subservient position. It goes with out saying that we are being done-in by these so-called "civil rights."

In this alleged effort at racial equality, economic rights and the broader issue of individual rights are conspicuously absent.

The fight for civil rights exclusively demonstrates an ignorance of what it takes to have equality -or individual rights — because it ignores economic rights. In fact, civil and economic rights both comprise individual rights.

One without the other is meaningless. Which is why when a Black was finally admitted to the racist country club in Alabama he didn't have the money to pay the membership fee. Being with Whites who hate us and paying them for the honor will make us

Instead of this shameful act of demanding that they give White segregationists \$50,000 to be with them, these Black civil-rights leaders should have sued them for punitive and compensatory damages, using the common-law principle of "vicarious liability."

During all of the years these White people gathered in their racially-segregated club, this civil conspiracy inflicted tremendous psychological damage on the persecuted Blacks. The resulting low self-esteem led to the low achievement of the Black population in education, family stability, health status, etc., it can be argued in a common-law course of

This Alabama "civil conspiracy" for 50 years deprived the Black population of, let us say, \$10 billion a year in income, health care, mental illness, etc. Therefore, the bers of this hate group split a Black man's head open with a bat while killing him. Two WAR members have been convicted and imprisoned.

On behalf of his family, however, Dees is asking for \$10 million damage award in a civil lawsuit. These combined punitive and compensatory claims represent the damages caused by the words of the WAR leaders, Dees argues.

Those considered "mud people" and "scum" by the Grand Kook of WAR might get deeds to his home and headquarters if Dees persuades the jury to see the "vicarious liability" connection.

Morris Dees is one White liberal with some common sense. He also seems to understand that one cannot define individual rights exclusively as civil rights and have equal rights.

Tony Brown's Journal TV series can be seen on public television in Greenville on Channel 2 (WUND). Please consult TV listings on phone station for air time.

In the service news

PETTEWAY

Eric Thomas Petteway, 18, of Bethel enlisted in the U.S. Army on November 17.

He will be graduating from North Pitt High School in June, 1991.

Activities that are important to Petteway is Auto Mechanics and traveling. He is a member of the "For the Future of Agriculture" Club at North Pitt High School. He also enjoys playing basketball and football.

Petteway's parents are Chester and Vera Petteway of Bethel.

"Ijoined the Army so I could better my skills and have a good job opportunity waiting after the Army.

HOLLIS

Johnathan Shawn Hollis, 21, enlisted in the U.S. Army on November 1.

He graduated from Eastern Wayne High School in Goldsboro in June, 1987 and attended North Carolina A & T University in

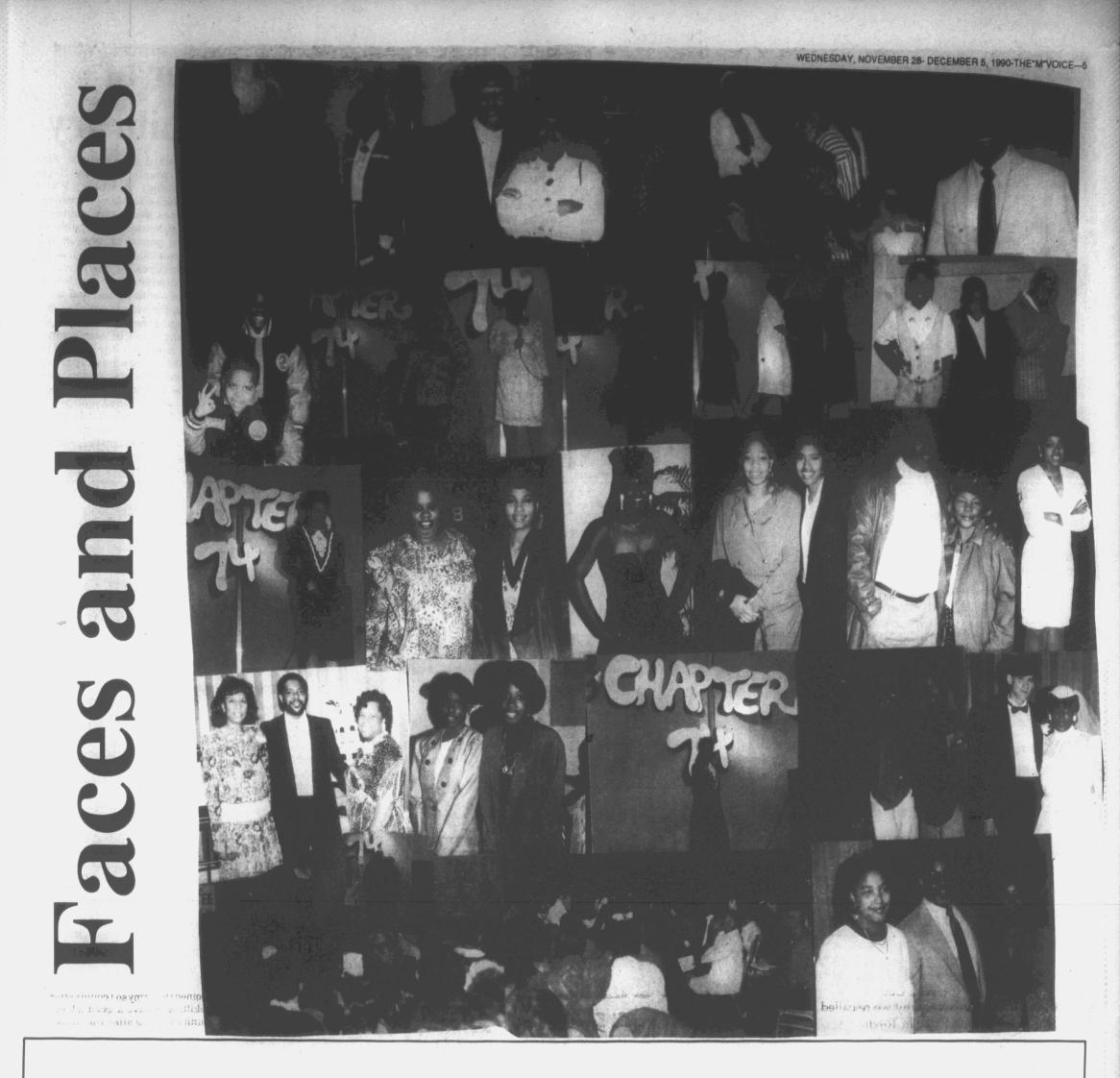


Greensboro for two years for completion of science major. He has been in the North Carolina National Guard in Greensboro for two years.

He was a member of the National Beta Club, National Honor Society, and played varsity basketball for three years.

Hollis stated that he joined the army to receive good training and to travel, and the money also played a part in his decision.

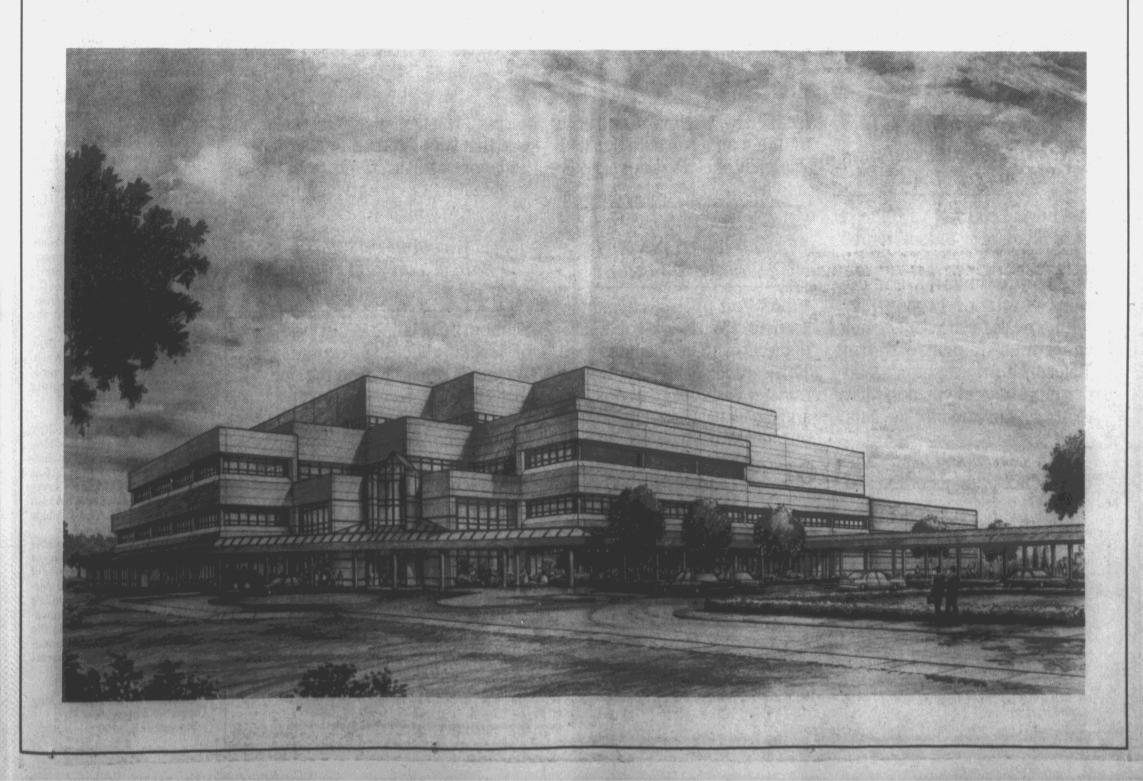




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(?1900-1972) was born in Greenville, North Carolina to the Reverend Doctor Joseph May, Sr. and Mrs. Mamie Donaldson May. The second oldest of twelve children, Mrs. Belle May Atkinson spent her formative years in a close-knit, religious family where her parents taught her to value good books, education and community service. Throughout the twentieth century, while living as an adult in Greenville, North Carolina she was to become loved, respected, and widely known as "Miss Belle, The Coloured Librarian."

Mrs. Belle May Atkinson's parents held high aspirations for their children. All of the May children completed high school and the May children became knownfor their achievements and accomplishments in higher education.

Mrs. Belle May Atkinson's first career was that of a Pitt County teacher. While teaching, she became interest in exposing her children to a wide range of good books and literature. But, because the children's families' lacked financial resources to purchase books and because the children did not have access to a public library, they asked Mrs. Belle May Atkinson could they borrow books from the Sheppard Memorial Library. The Negro children could not. Libraries were segregated in those days. Mrs. Belle May Atkinson promised the children to try to get them a reading room and some books.

True to her word, Mrs. Belle May Atkinson advanced an idea of a "Book Room for Negro Children" to friends and others in the community. Mrs. Belle May Atkinson first approached Mrs. Elizabeth Kearney, a wealthy Negro woman, known for her philanthropic efforts on behalf of education and children. Mrs. Belle May Atkinson also asked assistance from another prosperous Negro woman, Mrs. Portia Dudley



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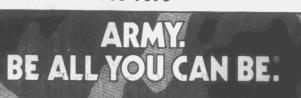
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Mrs. Belle May Atkinson, Mrs. Kearney and Mrs. Jones contacted white women on the board of the Sheppard Memorial Library to arrange a meeting about the needs for public library services for Negro children. A historic conference was held. The white women on the board thought Mrs. Belle May Atkinson, Mrs. Kearney and Mrs. Jones proposed a good idea. But, where could a library be located?

To get the library started, Mrs. Kearney, who owned a large and spacious home on Clark Street, said that she would allow one of the many rooms in her house to be used until a permanent "Book Room" could be found. Mrs. Jones offered help in collecting reading materials. Mrs. Belle May Atkinson volunteered to coordinate this challenging project. Everybody was pleased. This conference of white women and black women was a success. A library service would be developed. Mrs. Belle May Atkinson's idea of a "Book Room for Negro children" in Greenville was to become a reality!

In recent interviews with one of Mrs. Belle May Atkinson's sisters, Mrs. Mamie G. Garrett who has a teacher in Pitt County for about forty-three years, we were able to ascertain an eyewitness account about the early development of this particular library.

"I recall my sister Belle's dedication to establishing a library for children and adults. It was after the Great depression in the late 1930s. resources were limited. We were a nation and a southern community trying to recover from great losses. During those days, my sister became known as "Ms. Belle: The Coloured Librarian" as she toured the Greenville community discussing the values of public libraries, soliciting materials and supplies to furnish the book room at the Kearney House, and encouraging everybody to donate books, magazines, and interests.

She talked to everybody. Rich white people. Wealthy Negro community members. White churches and African-American churches. Community members. My sister was an ideal public relations person to advance this important idea. Ms. Belle, as she was fondly called, was a gracious person who always greeted ev-erybody with abroad and warm smile. She had a special flair. She was quite fashion-conscious. Often she would be seen wearing furs, beautiful jewelry, and elegant clothing - dressing always in good taste and appropriately for the occasion. She was a beautiful, well polished, and perfect lady. Everybody loved Ms. Belle."

Through the efforts of Mrs. Belle May Atkinson, various businesses gave books and magazines to build up the library room. And, so did the white and black communities of Greenville. Mrs. Belle May Atkinson's original concept of a public library for Negro children transformed into a larger notion of a place of study and community activities for everybody.

Yet, another challenge was to be faced in the early days of the library. What should the library be called? Mrs. Belle May Atkinson likened the development of the library to the Negro challenge of making something worthy out of little things. In this, Mrs. Belle May Atkinson told how the works and scientific enterprises of the Negro scientist, Dr. George Washington Carver were symbolically to their struggle. Dr. Carver discovered hundred of valuable products through his experimentations with the little peanut. Great things came from the tiny peanut. Perhaps some day, from their little "Book Room" a large complex library might develop, circulating thousands and thousands of books and literary materials. With this parallel in mind, Mrs. Belle May Atkinson named the new library, The George Washington Carver Library.

Shortly thereafter, around the beginning of the 1940s, more progress was made. A permanent home for the George Washington Carver Library was located in the heart of the Negro Community. The tiny committee discovered a three room house, for rent, owned by a Mr. Nelson Hopkins who allowed his property to be used as a library. Thus, a tiny library was opened for the Negro citizens of Greenville.

With the concurrence and good wished of many citizens of Greenville, Mrs. Belle May Atkinson was appointed the first coloured librarian in the city. Everybody agreed that Mrs. Belle May Atkinson deserved the position. Mrs. Belle Maye Atkinson was prepared for this great challenge. Mrs. Belle May Atkinson was educated at a private school in Greenville, the Tar River Institute. She attended Kinston College in Kinston, North Carolina, Mrs. Atkinson was trained, too, at Fayetteville Teachers College. Through many government special programs and workshops, Mrs. Belle May Atkinson acquired educational skills in library science and library administration. The solidifying of the foundation for this new library took time and energy. Mrs. Belle May Atkinson worked endlessly to assure its survival as a worthy community institution. With a coalition of concerned citizens, composed mainly of black and white women, she helped to oversee the firm establishment of this institution. Therefore, today in the 1990s, through the efforts of many, most especially Mrs. Belle May Atkinson, the George Washington Carver Library is one of Greenville's finest community institution.

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Additionally, the unveiling ceremony for the portrait of Mrs. Belle May Atkinson will be Sunday, December 2, 1990 at 3:15 at the George Washington Carver Library, located at 618 West 14th Street, Greenville. The public is invited.

"Mrs. Atkinson was a notable and outstanding citizen of Greenville. Her portrait is one of the collections of historical personages, who made Greenville's city libraries great and innovative in their contribution to the intellectual life of this community," states Dr. Ann Garrett Robinson, niece.

Compiled by Mrs. Mamie May Garrett and daughters November 5, 1990

Member FDIC

Criticisms mount against F.D.I.C.

By J. ZAMGDA BROWNE Amsterdam News Staff

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The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) continued this week to come under sharp criticism over its handling of the Freedom National Bank affair.

The 500-member Baptist Ministers Conference of Greater New York has joined a chorus of community leaders and grassroots people in calling for the agency to reclassify those social service providers affected by Freedom's demise as "charitable trust."

Also joining the chorus of criticisms are Rep. Floyd Flake and State Attorney General Robert Abrams. They, too, want the FDIC to spare charities with funds over \$100,000 in the defunct Freedom Bank.

The ministers, in a letter to FDIC Chairman L. William Seidman, agreed with Abrams that without access to their money it would be virtually impossible for most of these charitable groups to carry out their humanitarian work.

Abrams also appealed to Seidman not to treat funds from these groups as individual accounts but as charitable trusts. But an FDIC spokesman, David M. Barr said this was highly unlikely.

At present, Barr said all depositors are being treated equally and in keeping with FDIC rules. "It wouldn't be fair to other customers if we were to engage in such preferential treatment,"

Barr said.

Hardest hit by the collapse of Freedom Bank are such charitable agencies as Bedford-Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation, the Bedford Day Care Center, Central Brooklyn Coordinating Council and Fort Greene Senior Citizens Council.

Also singing the blues as a result of the bank's closing are Rev. Wyatt Tee Walker and his congregation at Canaan Baptist Church in Harlem. They reportedly have over \$500,000 on deposit.

Others include the Harlembased Black United Fund, Bridge Street A.M.E. Church in Brooklyn and several Black-owned groups some of whom had been doing business with Freedom

National since it was established in 1964. The FDIC padlocked the bank

on Nov. 9 due to growing defaults on bad loans. Many community residents called the action a "terrible blow" because Freedom represented a symbol to them.

As of Tuesday, the FDIC had issued refunds to some 7,277 depositors totalling\$27.6 million, with Manhattan accounts totalling \$13 million and 4,516 Brooklyn accounts totalling \$14.6 million.

Cong. Flake said he was surprised that when the National Bank of Washington was on the verge of closing, the FDIC made extra efforts to cover \$37 million of foreign deposits in order to protect the integrity of the banking system.

"I believe the same efforts should be made to protect the accounts at Freedom National," said Flake.

He said these funds represent the honest labors of parishioners who have limited resources and accounts for new church buildings, schools, or community projects.

The FDIC said it expects to complete paying out refunds to the bank's 22,000 depositors by the end of this month or early December. Those who do not come to claim their money will have their funds turned over to the State for future payments.

Meanwhile, the FDIC announced this week that those who

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have safe deposit boxes at the bank's headquarters on West 125th Street and its branches in Brooklyn should come forward and claim them as quickly as possible.

Failure to do so, Barr said, the boxes will be treated as abandoned property. They will be opened to inventory the assets, he added.

Customers who did not use up the time of their contract for rental of the boxes, will be reimbursed, said Barr from his office in Washington, D.C.

Meanwhile, about two blocks away from Freedom National is Carver Federal Savings and Loan Association, another African-American owned bank. Many in Harlem feared that Carver will meet similar fate as its neighbor, Freedom.

But the bank's president and chief executive officer, Richard T. Green said Tuesday there is no need to panic. "We operate our business in a very efficient and conservative fashion, being mindful of risk," said Green.

He said since Carver was established in 1949, "we have stuck to the basics; efficiency of operation, interest in the community we serve and dealing with risk."

While Green said he was not familiar with all of the ramifications involved in the demise of Freedom National, "I think it is unfortunate, particularly from the community standpoint."

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Gordon To Head Pitt Memorial's Cardiology Services

Greenville... Mark Gordon has been appointed assistant vice president of cardiology services at Pitt County Memorial Hospital.

Gordon will oversee the electro-

Gordon completed a three-month administrative internship at Pitt Memorial. He earned a masters

degree in health services administration from the University of Michigan in 1988.





physiology, cardiac catherization, graphics and exercise and EKG labs. He will also serve as a liaison for employees, physicians and hospital administration.

A native of Southern Pines, Gordon has been a member of the administrative staff at Pitt Memorial since 1989.

Gordon earned a bachelor of science degree in health administration in 1986 from the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. While a student at Chapel Hill,

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And the apples themselves can be be decorated to add a beautiful and fragrant touch to any home,

gift or Christmas tree. Sunny O'Neil, recognized authority on Victorian Christmas traditions and decorations, uses apples in many of her designs. One personal favorite is the pomander ball, fragrant with cloves and cinnamon. To make the pomander ball, insert whole cloves into any apple, but remember to protect your

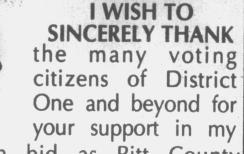
thumb with adhesive tape. When the apple is completely covered (do it all at once-unfinished pomanders spoil in a day!), place it in a paper bag containing three teaspoons of ground cinnamon and shake. When covered with cinnamon, place it in a warm dry place. The pomander should be dry and ready to give (or keep!) in about two weeks. After drying, you may choose to decorate with lace, ribbon, faux jewels, etc. Hang the pomander ball in your kitchen for a wonderful seasonal aroma of apples, cloves and cinnamon.

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Editor's Note: This story appeared in the NEWS & OB-SERVER on 11-30-90. Attorney Dan Blue is a member of the House of Representatives and has been a candidate for Speaker of the House prior to the November 6, 1990 election. Mr. Blue was the guest speaker at the Carolina Grill Cafe in October 1990 in support of Mr. Charles McLawhorn. For his bid as a candidate for House of Representative against Randy Doub, the margin of victory for Mr. Charles McLawhorn on election November 6, 1990, indicated that precincts 1, 3, and 4 which are mainly Black precincts, was the key for Mr. McLawhorn. Black voters need to ask themselves why is Mr. McLawhorn not supporting Dan Blue in his bid for Speaker of the House. When will Black folks in Pitt County realize that something is

wrong when a candidate says one thing and then does another thing.

Mr. Charles McLawhorn needs to be told that at the Carolina Grill he told everyone he would support Dan Blue and now he is not. Dan Blue can help eastern North Carolina more than Mr. Hunter who is from the western part of the state. Who are those Blacks who campaigned for Mr. Charles McLawhorn? Why aren't they asking the same questions? Mr. Charles McLawhorn will have to run for office again, it is time for Black voters in Pitt. County to wake up and smell the coffee. On a local level it is not about Republican vs. Democrat, but the person.

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Blue claims victory.

State Representative Daniel T. Blue, Jr., sought to remove any doubt that he would become North Carolina's first black House speaker by making public Thursday a list of House Democrats who he said had pledged their support.

Mr. Blue, a Democrat from Raleigh, released the names of 41 of the 81 House Democrats he said had committed to vote for him in a Democratic caucus December 7 in Raleigh. That would give him a majority for the Democratic nomination for speaker.

I'm as confident of becoming speaker as I was of being re-elected," said Mr. Blue, who was unopposed this year in his bid for a sixth term

But his chief rival for the Democratic nomination, Representative Robert C. Hunter of McDowell County, refused to concede.

Mr. Hunter declined to say whether he thought Mr. Blue's 41 announced votes were solid. But he predicted that he would have enough votes to win in the caucus.

"I still believe the race is open," Mr. Hunter said. "I will have the votes on December 7. There are some uncommitted votes. There may be some people committed to more than one candidate."

Because Democrats hold 81 of the 120 House seats, the Democratic nominee is almost certain to be elected speaker when the General Assembly reconvenes in January.

Mr. Blue's release of the list of his supporters came amid backstage maneuvering for the right to succeed Speaker Josephus L. Mavretic, D.-Edgecombe.

Mr. Hunter was pressing for a secret ballot in the speaker's contest, saying the Democratic caucus has traditionally voted that way in contested races. It would be easier for him to peel away some of Mr. Blue's supporters if the vote were secret. But Mr. Blue said he planned to ask for an open ballot.

He said he had released the list "in order to dispel rumors that no candidate for speaker of the House currently has the necessary 41 votes.'

All 41 people agreed to have their names made public, Mr. Blue said, adding "several other House Democrats" not on the list have said privately that they plan to vote for him.

The release of the names shed light on the coalition that Mr. Blue has assembled.

He claims the support of all of the House's black members, most of the dissident Democrats who helped elect Mr. Mavretic last year and most of the Democratic legislators from urban counties, including every Democrat from the Triangle.

Mr. Blue said he had made no deals for committee appointments, chairmanships or special assignments in lining up his support.

"As I have campaigned for the position of speaker, I have approached the members with only one promise: if elected speaker, it is my intention to treat all members equally," he said. "I have made no other promises."

He won some of his support on the basis of momentum.

"Dan Blue is going to take the gavel," said Representative Edd Nye of Bladen County, a conservative rural Democrat who is supporting Mr. Blue.

"I can count," Mr. Nye said. "That is what I have been doing after the election. I have conferred with many members . . . and realized that Dan Blue could put the speakership together.'

House Democrats have been divided since early last year, when a group of 20 dissident Democrats joined with 45 Republicans to oust former Speaker Liston B. Ramsey, D-Madison, and elect Mr. Mavretic as speaker.

In showing that he could bridge divisions among his supporters, Mr. Blue listed among his supporters Mr. Mavretic, who has dropped his bid for another term as speaker, and House Majority Leader Dennis A. Wicker of Sanford, who has been one of the speaker's chief rivals

Mr. Blue also has received the support of two other men who had sought the speakership - Rep. David H. Diamont of Surry County and Rep. Joe Hackney of Chapel Hill.

"The overriding concern at this point is the realization that the next speaker of the House is going to spend a lot of time and energy trying to build trust, especially in the Democratic caucus," Mr. Diamont said.

The following is the list of House Democrats who Mr. Blue said had committed to support him:

Anne C. Barnes, D-Orange; Howard C. Barnhill, D-Mecklenburg; R.D. "Don" Beard, D-Cumberland; James B. Black, D-Mecklenburg; Edward C. Barnes, D-Orange; Howard C. Barnini, D-Mecklenburg; R.D. Don Beard, D-Cumberland; James B. Black, D-Mecklenburg; Edward C. Bowen, D-Sampson; J. Fred Bowman, D-Alamance; Roy A. Cooper, III, D-Nash; W. Pete Cunningham, D-Mecklenburg; Donald M. Dawkins, D-Richmond; Daniel H. DeVane, D-Hoke; Adolph Dial, D-Robeson; David H. Diamont, D-Surry; Ruth M. Easterling, D-Mecklenburg; Milton F. "Toby" Fitch, Jr., D. -Wilson; Aaron E. Fussell, D-Wake; Herman C. Gist, D-Guilford; Karen E. Gottovi, D-New Hanover; James P. Green, D-Vance; Joe Hackney, D-Orange; Thomas C. Hardaway, D-Halifax; John C. "Pete" Heaty, D. Robeson; Robert Horstein; D. Wake, P. Sonual Hunt, III, D. Alemanary

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William L. Wainwright, D-Craven; E. Alexander Warner, Jr., D-Cumberland; Dennis A Wicker, D-Lee.

The 'M' Voice endorses Dan Blue for Speaker of the House

Dissent mounts

By JIM LOBE

To cap a bad week for President George Bush's policy in the gulf, the Los Angeles Times published a new poll showing that a majority of public opinion disapprove of last week's decision to send up to 200,000 more U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia over the next two months.

The poll also found overwhelming support for congressional and international efforts to restrain Bush's freedom of action in gulf — a 3-to-1 majority said Bush should ask congress for a declaration of war against Iraq before taking offensive action.

An even more striking 80 percent of those polled said Bush should also seek the approval of the U.N. Security Council before committing the country to war.

At the same time, the most important U.S. Protestant and Catholic organizations issued strong statements questioning the president's course in the gulf and calling unequivocally for greater efforts and patience to reach a peaceful solution to the 106-plus-day-old crisis.

Those appeals followed a series of charges by top Democratic leaders and some influential Republicans that Bush has not consulted enough on his plans and intentions with the congress, nor has he explained adequately to the U.S. public the reasons for going to war to evict Iraq troops from Kuwait.

over Bush's Gulf Policy

By all accounts, Bush is clearly on the defensive. Any unilateral move by him to launch a war at this point would be deeply unpopular, according to analysts here.

This sudden erosion of support for Bush's actions in the gulf was sparked by last week's announcement of plans to double the number of U.S. military personnel in the gulf—already the largest and most intensive buildup of U.S. military power since World War II—to some 400,000 by mid-January.

For the first time since the crisis began August 2, Bush talked of ensuring an "offensive military option which would be employed to evict Iraq from Kuwait if the U.N. economic embargo fails to persuade Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw.

The announcement followed a tour of allied capitals by Secretary of State James Baker who made no secret that he was preparing the ground for a new U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing military force against Iraq.

At the same time, the Penta-



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gon let it be known that it had dropped plans to "rotate" its troops in and out of Saudi Arabia at six-month intervals.

All of these moves suggested that, barring an Iraqi retreat in January, Washington was planning to take offensive action some time between the end of January and mid-March, when the onset of Muslim holidays and summer heat and sandstorms would make fighting both politically and militarily more difficult.

It has become clear that Bush feels increasingly anxious about waiting. In a televised interview last night, he stressed that "there is a ticking of the clock" against international and domestic support for confrontation with Iraq.

"I think holding public opinion forever in a country is very difficult to do," he said.

Bush has also made clear that he is worried about the fate of Kuwait itself—that waiting too long for the embargo to take its toll against Iraq may result in the virtual destruction of the emirate

by the Iraqi occupation authorities—and that Saudi Arabia and the Kuwaiti Emir himself, who are providing billions of dollars in support of the U.S. deployment, are even more concerned about the effects of time on the coalition than is Bush himself. But Bush has clearly not yet persuaded the U.S. public that time is working against U.S. interests in the gulf, that it is necessary to move to war sooner rather than later, or that it is worth going to war at all, according to the latest polls.

"The case has not been made why Americans should die for this thing," democratic pollster John Marttila told the *Times*.

It does not help that senior administration officials themselves have used different and sometimes contradictory reasons for justifying the policy.

Thus, shortly after the crisis began, Bush talked of the "American way of life" — presumably its large consumption of fossil fuels — being at stake, but this explanation went down very poorly in opinion surveys. As a result, he changed the rhetoric to stress that the situation represented the first "postcold war crisis" which would determine whether a more just and peaceful "new world order" could be created.

Butjust this past week, Baker told reporters that U.S. stakes in the crisis could be "sum(med) up in one word, it's jobs," adding that the longer the stalemate continues, the deeper the anticipated economic recession will be.

But, according to the *Times* poll, only one in six respondents believe that Washington should fight for economic reasons—a political base on which it would be very difficult to launch and sustain what could be a major war. (IPS)



Discipline Helps Child To Learn Self-Control

What is the difference between discipline and punishment? What is the best way to teach your child self-discipline?

"In the long run, discipline should help your child to take responsibility for his or her own behavior. Children have to learn to rely on themselves rather than on you or other adults to tell them what to do," says Dr. Cynthia Johnson, extension human development specialist, North Carolina State University.

While a child is learning selfcontrol, he needs to be protected from hurting himself and other people. He has to be shown how to behave in appropriate ways.

"There is no one right way to discipline. There are a variety of techniques that can stop misbehavior and encourage self discipline," Dr. Johnson says. She suggests the following:

- Let your child make some decisions.

- Give reasons for your rules. - Take the child away from trouble.

- Redirect the child.

- Let the child learn from the

results of misbehavior. - Punish the child with a "time out" or by taking away privileges. "Remember that punishment

can lost its effectiveness and may even have bad side effects if it is used too often. It can make the child forget why he was punished

HELPFUL HINTS

Baked white bread or plain rolls can be frozen, but should be used within 3 months.

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Wool blended with nylon is lighter in weight and has greater durability than wool alone. A 10 to 15 percent nylon improves elasticity, resilience and shape retention.

Most nuts can be left out in the nut bowl for long periods of time, but chestnuts dry out and become hard and bony.

Shelled, roasted chestnuts may be kept in freezer wrap in the freezer for up to 12 months at zero degrees. They also keep in the refrigerator for several months if they are stored in an airtight container.

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in the first place," Dr. Johnson says.

"Discipline takes time. Don't be surprised if a child keeps repeating misbehavior. Just keep trying," Dr. Johnson says.

ICE CREAM

American ice cream is a hot sales item in many foreign countries, but the United States is still its own best customer and the largest single market for ice cream worldwide, according to the USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service.

In 1989, overseas customers lick their way through \$9.4 million worth of U.S. ice cream exports. Americans ate the rest of the \$1.4 billion gallons produced in this country. The average American eats 45 pints of ice cream each year.

Some of America's best overseas ice cream customers are Hong Kong, Singapore, Taiwan, Mexico and island nations in the Caribean. Ice cream export figures were based on both hard and soft ice cream, ice milk, sherbet and water ices.

Are you looking for care for your child? Options vary by community, but many have child day care homes. "Often parents choose a day care home because the setting is familiar to the child. Parents also hope that their child will be able to develop a close relationship with his caregiver," says Dr.

Cynthia Johnson, extension human development specialist at North Carolina State University. Here are some other possible

benefits: ---Most child day care homes are

less structured than day care centers and offer more time for the child to relax and play.

—A young child is less likely to

Child care options

be overstimulated by a large group of children.

—Child day care homes often cost less than a day care center, and the hours are more flexible. A day care home is more likely to offer second and third shift care.

FOREST FIBER

What makes up more than 40 percent of wood and is used to produce football helmets, luggage and computer casings? Cellulose fiber, a substance found in the cell walls of trees and other plants, according to Georgia-Pacific Cor-

poration, the world's largest forest

"Before you decide, take your

time and look around. Children

benefit from a consistent, stable

arrangement. It is upsetting to the

child to be moved from one situa-

tion to another," Johnson says.

products company. Cellulose, a carbohydrate produced during photosynthesis, also is used to manufacture paper, irrigation system piping, tool handles and dentifrices.



Perfumes and colognes may contain an acid that breaks down the dye used in some fabrics. Don't spray scents directly onto fabric. * * *

In 1987, 55 percent of women with preschoolers worked outside the home, up from 35 percent in 1977. Most of their children are still cared for in a home setting, but the percentage in organized child-care facilities has increased from 13 to 24 percent.

About 2 percent of American children under the age of 18 go through a divorce in a given year.

Is it easier to raise a boy or a girl? Forty-three percent of adults surveyed said that boys were easier, 27 percent said girls were easier, and 23 percent said there was no difference.

Lemon juice, flavored vinegar, herbs and spices all add flavor to dishes without adding fat.

Thaw foods in the refrigerator, in the microwave or in cold water that is changed every 30 minutes. Never thaw foods on the kitchen counter.

