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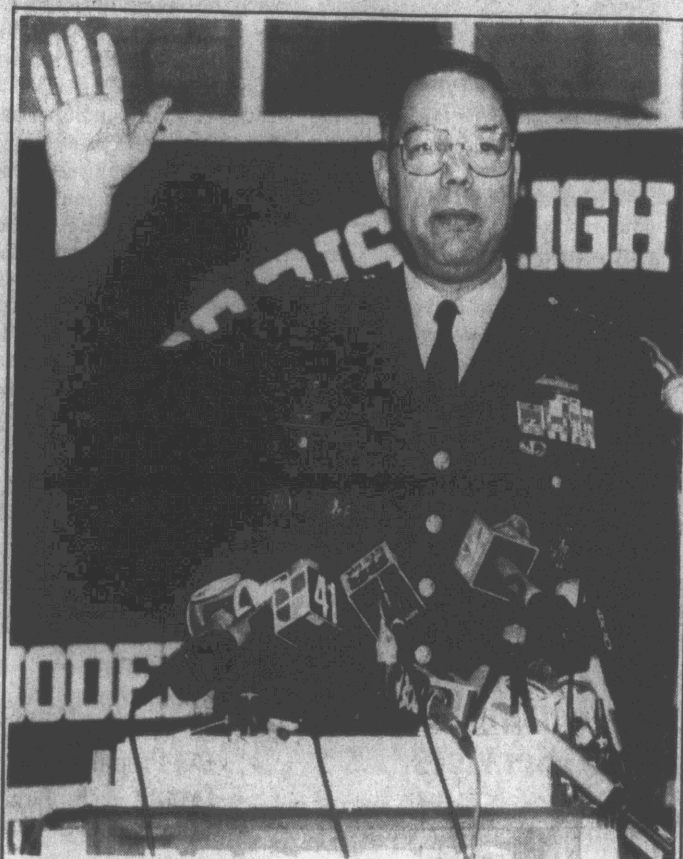
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## Gen. Colin Powell comes home to his native Bronx



**MR. DESERT STORM** — Gen. Colin Powell acknowledges cheers from students at Morris High School, his alma mater in the Bronx that he visited last Monday. (Bill Moore Photo)

In the Army, General Powell explained, "We don't tolerate drugs, we instill discipline and tell the troops about responsibility which leads to self-motivation." These procedures, the Bronx native insisted, could be transferred to our young people outside the military.

"I knew schools can't be run like an infantry platoon," he said, "but it certainly seemed like one when I was in school. We must impose discipline on our children and make them measure up to our standards. We must have high

expectations for them, because you get back what you expect."

General Powell's speech was often interrupted by lusty applause as he recounted the "fierce sense of pride" from Americans that was so instrumental in helping the soldiers on the front line to achieve victory in the Persian Gulf. "The letters pouring in from Americans from all walks of life," he said, "offering their support and encouragement, helped to keep the soldiers' spirits high."

The general, who on Monday visited his old neighborhood in

## He urges discipline among Black, Hispanic youngsters

By HERB BOYD

**F**ocusing his speech on a theme of "We are family," General Colin Powell, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told an enthusiastic gathering of some 800 Association For a Better New York members and friends at a Tuesday breakfast meeting at the Waldorf Astoria that the discipline and training used so successfully in the armed forces could be used to eradicate the problems troubling the cities of America.

the Bronx and addressed students at Morris High School from which he graduated in 1954, also extolled the all-around capability of America's war machine, which, he added, was going to be scaled down considerably in the coming weeks. "However," he noted, "this downsizing should not be confused with breaking up. We plan to keep a watchful eye on developments in Europe and the Soviet Union." Some of the reductions he discussed will include a 25 percent decrease in defense spending and a 25 percent reduction in the number of generals and admirals, as well as the closing of several military bases.

Some of the most moving moments of General Powell's presentation centered around the heroic (and heroic) role of soldiers during Operation Desert Storm. He told the audience of Frank Bradish's unselfish bravery in the heat of battle. The Idaho soldier, himself badly wounded, nonetheless risked his life to rescue several of his fellow soldiers from the brink of death. General Powell also spoke admirably of Captain Manny Rivera's bravery in the face of danger. Rivera, a

marine aviator, was the first casualty of the war from the Bronx.

There were also some warm words of commendation for the many women who served in the Gulf. "The women GI's performed superbly, they were magnificent." They demonstrated, he said, the value of having a fully integrated fighting force. He did, however, feel that our armed forces' sea-lift program and the delivery of equipment could have been better.

On the war itself, General Powell was particularly effusive, declaring that we met all of our objectives there "and wisely stopped when we had accomplished our mission." He said he did not believe a further commitment in the area would have affected the developments that have recently captured the headlines, especially the conflict that left so many Kurds homeless and destitute. "The Iraqi people must resolve their own situation," the general said. He did not point out, though, that the U.S. will be increasing its efforts to assist the beleaguered people in the Gulf region.

General Powell said very little about his personal background at

the breakfast, but at other stops on Monday he stressed the fact that his roots were in New York City. He was born in Harlem in 1937 and while still a toddler his family moved to Hunts Point section of the Bronx. After graduating from Morris High School, he attended City College where he majored in geology. While he was only an average student in most of his classes, he graduated at the top of the college ROTC class with the rank of cadet colonel. By 1962 he was in Vietnam and began his move up through the ranks. President Reagan appointed him to office of National Security and President Bush made him Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

At the end of his speech at the Waldorf, General Powell made a strong plea for a reaffirmation of values and with Desert Storm behind us he recommended that we get our fiscal house together. He emphasized the need to focus on cleaning up our cities, ridding them of drugs, and restoring our crumbling infrastructure. "Our transportation and educational systems are in need of repair," he said, "they need to be fixed up if our cities are to regain their former viability."

During his introduction of General Powell, ABNY chairman Lou Rudin alluded to a "Powell Plan" that would be like a Marshall Plan for reviving our cities. In his riveting speech, overflowing with patriotism and the concern to keep "hope alive," General Powell offered at least the first phase of such a far-reaching plan.

## Sutton asks for time to turn the Apollo around financially

By HERB BOYD

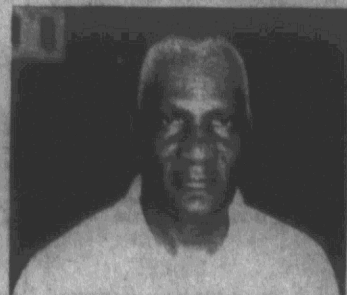
Stressing a concern not to negotiate the Apollo's imperiled situation through the media, Percy Sutton, the former chairman of Inner City Broadcasting, nonetheless called on the press to help clarify circumstances surrounding the landmark entertainment palace. "Unless we can rearrange the loan," Sutton told a throng of reporters and photographers on the stage at the Apollo last Thursday morning, "the Apollo will close June 1. It is cheaper to close the facility than to keep it open and to continue losing money."

As we reported last week, the Apollo Theatre Investors Group, of whom Sutton is the spokesperson, is seeking to have its loan package with the State Urban Development Corporation, the Harlem Urban Development Corporation and Manufacturers Hanover Trust restructured, including an extended period of deferment of payments on the loan's principal and interest. Two weeks ago the group made a payment of \$36,000 on the \$12-million debt. Currently the group, which leases the Apollo from the state, is in the process of negotiating a new payment plan.

Sutton noted that in 1990 the Apollo lost \$2.4 million and the projected loss for 1991 will amount to \$2.1 million. "What we need is breathing space," Sutton explained. He would also like to have a reduction in the electrical cost which, when compared with theaters downtown, are prohibitively high. "Each time we cut on the lights at the Apollo," Sutton explained, "if only for a few hours, we have to pay at the highest level. He also observed that the insurance rates were exorbitantly high.

Although the Apollo possesses a veritable "Rolls Royce" audio-visual facility, Sutton said, the studio has only sporadic occupancy. "One of the reasons for this," he said, "is that the producers and agents for too many of our artists steer them away from us to studios elsewhere." Nor does the Apollo except for its famed Wednesday Amateur Night, consistently fill the 1500 seat auditorium.

Joining Sutton at the press conference were state assemblyman David Paterson, who pledged his support for the Apollo, Ralph Cooper, founder and emcee of the Amateur Night, Inner City vice-president Hal Jackson and Rev. Herb Daughtry of the House of the Lord Church in Brooklyn. At a later interview Rev. Daughtry said it was his contention that "we could not allow two major institutions to fail Percy Sutton."



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY...** Brother Willie Sloan is shown outside of Mrs. Rosa Bradley Home for Adults where he was employed for 24 years. Mr. Sloan is a member of Sycamore Hill Church in Greenville and his pastor is Dr. Howard Parker. We wish you many more birthdays Brother Sloan.

Photo by Jim Rouse



**PHARMACIST RETURN BACK TO HERBS...** Shown outside of his new business is Brother Gary Taylor, registered Pharmacist. Some of the products available at Back To Herbs, groceries (organic) vitamins, fruit juices, bottled water, skin care products, cosmetics, spices, food supplements, health foods to reduce weight. Drop by Back To Herbs at #8 Bells Fark Square shopping center next to Harris Supermarket on Highway 43, called 919-321-2225.

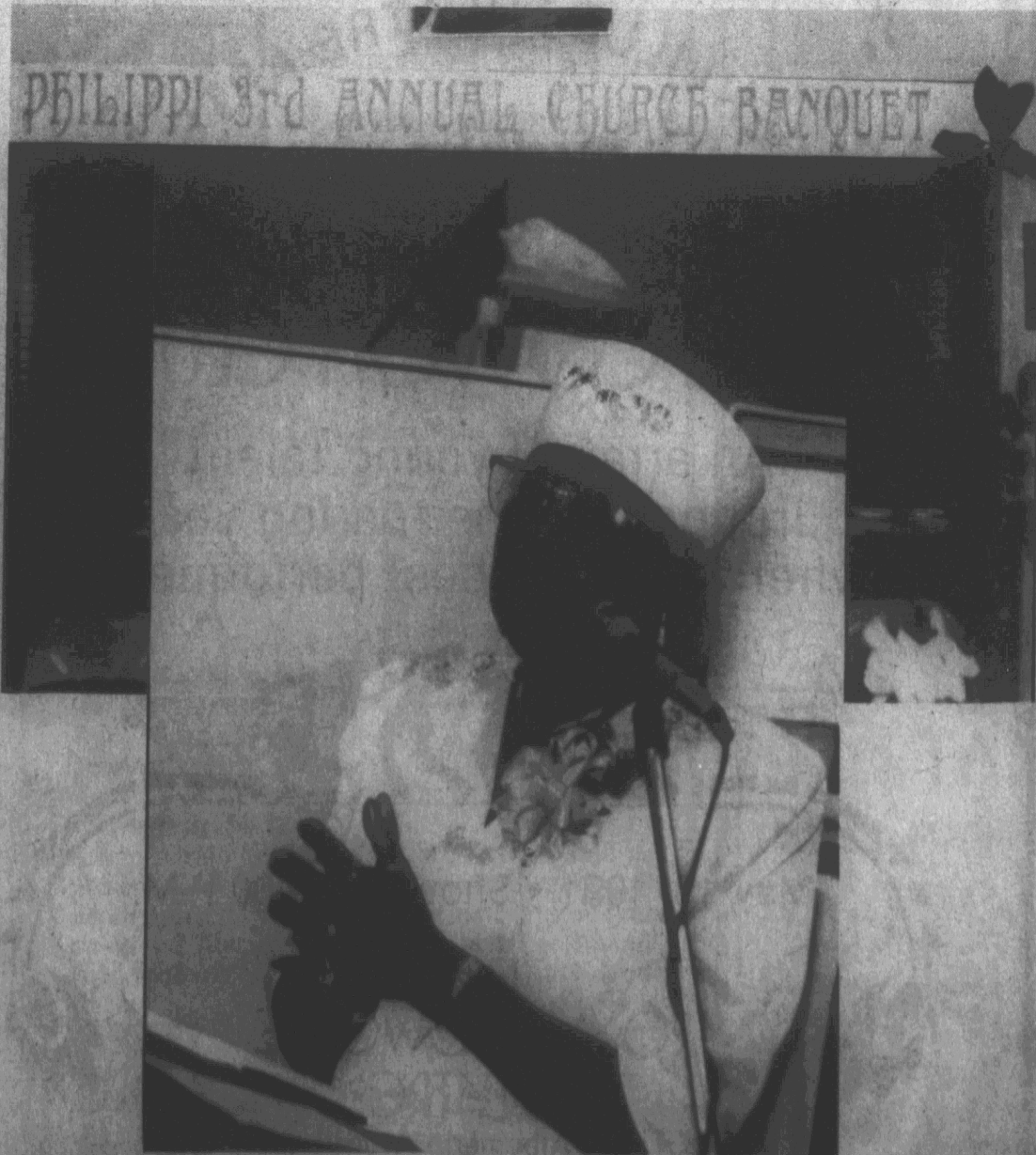
## A Pitt County Store has received the maximum penalty for food stamp violations

A Pitt County store has received the maximum penalty for food stamp violations, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service reports.

Hannah's Convenient Mart, 1203 W. 5th Street, Greenville, owned by Mohammad Zeida and Ahamad Raham, was permanently disqualified from participating on the food stamp program based on evidence showing that store personnel purchased food stamps for cash.

Gerald D. Holt, of the Food and Nutrition Service's Raleigh office, said food stamps can be used legally only to buy food or seeds and plants to be used in gardens to grow food.

Holt explained that before being authorized to accept food stamps from customers, store owners must agree to abide by food stamp program rules. Violations of the rules result in stores being disqualified from the program for periods of time ranging from six months to permanently.



**ANNUAL CHURCH BANQUET...** Last night at Philip Christian Church of Disciples of Christ held their annual banquet at the fellowship hall. The "M" Voice Newspaper would like to congratulate Pastor Randy Royal and the church fathers and mothers and congregation for their strong leadership in the African-American community. Shown above introducer, the speaker is mother Ellison, mistress of ceremony. Keep up the good work Philippe Church.

Photo by Daniel Blount





## Tony Brown's Comments

In the Black community, the most constructive and the most productive organizations are the women's groups.

For example, the kind of community service and self-help programs that most of us are waking up to have been operated for decades by the Black Greek-letter sororities: homes for unwed mothers; scholarships and counseling for poor youths; assistance to the aged; etc.

My mind moved in the direction of the longstanding, but little noted, leadership that Black women have and do provide. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority's recent campaign to focus Black people on the use of our most wasted resource is a prime example.

Alpha Kappa Alpha (AKA) recently conducted a national campaign designed to get Black Americans into the habit of "buying Black," thereby developing a thriving Black entrepreneurial class, explained AKA International President Mary Shy Scott of Atlanta.

Although AKA is targeting Black-owned firms immedi-

ate benefactors of the Black Dollar Day campaign, it is the total Black community that it hopes to improve.

The AKAs hope the new "habit" of making our dollars make some sense can help close the 56% disparity in incomes between Blacks and Whites. And, of course, the largest part of that gap is among the Black poor and young.

That's why, for example, college scholarships (which infuse the young with the necessary human capital, i.e., education and on-the-job experience) are crucial to community development.

Helping Blacks in business is fine, as long as Blacks in business help the needy and vulnerable in our community. Essentially, we are using a capitalist system and a free market to elevate the standing of all segments of the Black community and it necessitates a careful balancing of responsibilities and rewards.

"Buy Black" campaigns have historically failed because Black entrepreneurs failed to understand that reciprocity, i.e., fair prices, courtesy, discounts, philanthropy and new jobs, is essential to a

viable community-development program.

"With total income of \$250 billion today, we have the resources to make Black capitalism a reality when we make a conscious effort to buy Black," Mrs. Scott said.

Black-owned firms have grown by more than 77% since 1972, but they still generate less than 1% of the total business receipts and employment in the nation, AKA Economic Coordinator Jacquelyn C. Shropshire explains.

That point is directly related to the fact that Blacks spend only 6.6% of their income with a Black business or professional. In other words, with our current retrograde consumption pattern (95% to non-Blacks), there could be no result other than 1% of total business receipts for Blacks.

The Black Dollar Day campaign is part of AKA's Economic Empowerment program and it is being supported by other Black Greek-letter organizations, churches and civic groups.

By adding economic empowerment to the many advances we have made in civil rights and politics, Blacks would have, for the first time, individual rights—or freedom.

Little by little, our community is moving in the right direction. And thanks to the Black women of AKA, the movement is on course.

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

## Fellowship Banquet

Fellowship Banquet is sponsored by Pitt County Chapter of A & T Alumni on Saturday, April 27 at 6:00 p.m.

It will be held in the J.H. Rose School Cafeteria on Corner 14th and Elm Streets in Greenville. A donation of \$10.00 is requested.



**NUMBER ONE INVITATION.**...Shown above is the ones Social Club and they invite you to join them on May 25 at the American Legion Building for their Annual Cabaret. Time is 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. There will be plenty of music and dress to impress. Cover charge is \$7.00. Don't miss it.

## Police Department announce promotion of police officers

The Greenville Police Department has announced the promotion of three police officers to Lieutenant. Receiving promotions are Patsy Scheutzow, K.R. Evans, and John R. Teel.

Lt. Scheutzow will be the Lieutenant in charge of the newly formed Support and Special Services Division of the Police Department. This division includes crime analysis, crime prevention, communications, and Crime Stoppers.

Scheutzow has a B.S.P. in Social Work and a Master of Public Administration degree from East Carolina University. She began her career in law enforcement with the Greenville Police Department in 1984. She is a native of Wash-

ington, N.C.

Lt. K.R. Evans, a native of Greenville, has been in law enforcement for 25 years. Fifteen of those years have been with the Greenville Police Department. Lt. Evans is a Platoon Supervisor.

"We have the personnel and the potential to be the best Police Department in eastern North Carolina, if not the entire state," said Evans. "I will do everything possible to see that we live up to our potential."

Lt. John R. Teel has 15 years

with the Greenville Police Department. Teel is currently a Vice Officer in the Investigations Division, but will soon take on the duties of a Platoon Supervisor. He began his career as a communications civilian employee and became a sworn officer a year and a half later. Lt. Teel has a A.A.S. degree in Police Science from Pitt Community College and is a Pitt County native.

Receiving promotions to Sergeant were Byron Highland and Joe Bartlett.

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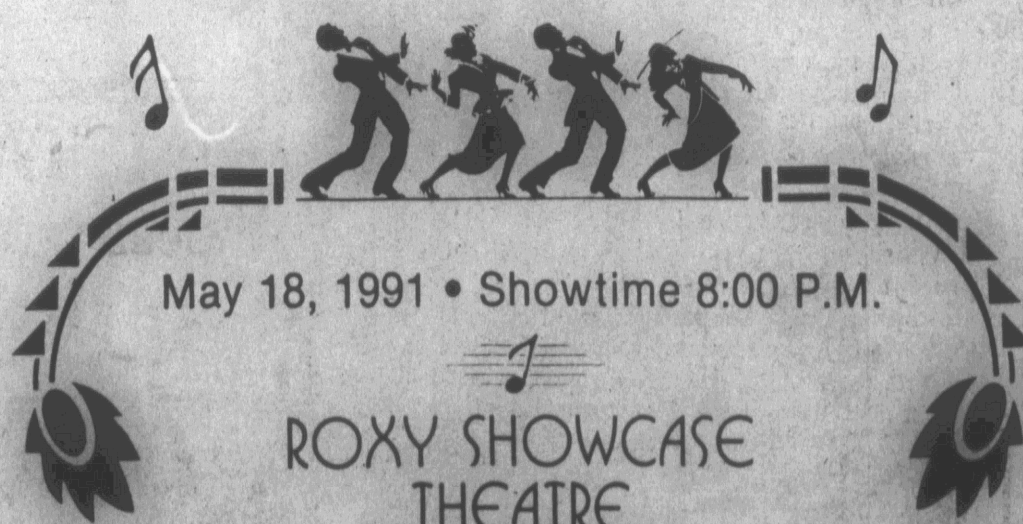
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# The awakening of protest

As I stood with student leaders on the portable stage, facing hundreds of City College students at protest rallies, my mind drifted to several areas as I looked at faces of hope, of protest — and of disappointment.

My mind went back to when I was a child going to schools in east Flatbush and Brownsville, Brooklyn, how we were always prompted to stay in school, get an education, and be somebody. Probably the greatest influence in that tradition, the one who was able to transmit that message more powerfully than most, was our greatest cultural hero, the godfather of soul, James Brown. Later in life I became very close with him.

He made a hit when I was young called "Don't Be a Drop Out." That message went down through generations and continues to this day. The sad irony in standing before these students is that they took the advice of the wise — they stayed in school, they didn't drop out, they sought to be somebody — and now the bottom is being dropped out on them, as they are being priced out of school, economically discriminated against. And where Jim Crow suffered a legal death. Mr. Banker James Crow has reinstated segregation in a quite legal way by just financially serving the Black, the Latino and the poor white from the middle class wealthy white in terms of education.

So these students — who, when I visited them two months ago, questioned my tactics of civil disobedience — were now engaged in civil disobedience. Where they could not understand my use of it in response to the murder of innocent children like Yusuf Hawkins, or Phillip Pannell, or the violation of innocent children like Tawana Brawley, they could understand it when their personal tuition was going to be raised beyond their means. Funny how in-

tellect can be cast to the winds when the issue becomes personal.

But despite that they're all right. They may be late, but they're right. Because they are fulfilling the promise made to them, not knowing the promise was made by a morally bankrupt state with a morally degenerate state leadership.

What type of nation is being built when we can bail out savings and loans banks after swindlers have had multi-billion dollar parties? When we can consistently bail out Donald Trump? When we can find a billion dollar a day to fight in the Persian Gulf? But where we can find money to close the education gap of our children, and then arrogantly turn to them and charge them for the imbalance of our fiscal priorities and the incompetence of our political leadership.

It is a sad day, but a day that was sure to come when the liberal governors of this nation such as Mario Cuomo are confronted now not with the activists, not with the agitators, but with the children they lectured in commencement addresses. The children who they told to stay away from the Al Sharptons of the world. The children who they claimed to dedicate the year to. The children who they told to keep hope and not hope. Now these children have to confront them and ask, "Why would you charge me for your crimes? Why would you raise tuition and save billionaire swindlers? Why would you raise the cost of education, while you had no problem covering the cost of SCUD missiles?"

Ultimately I always knew that Reinhold Niebuhr was right when we said "truth crushed to earth would rise again," which is why despite the turbulence, I remain in flight, because I am assured that we will land in a place called freedom and justice. Because ultimately, the child will prove that

we are right, and right will overpower might because if the children now see the hypocrisy of the state, it won't take long for the wicked walls to come tumbling down.

What we must do in addition to supporting the students' protest is enlighten the students that they must be able to democratize their outrage, and become just as indignant when someone else's child is killed, and some else is brutalized and someone else is violated, as they are when their tuition fees are increased. And if we can get them to stretch their sense of indignation, it will stretch the movement across the victory line, and not only will we have affordable tuition in the state, we will have sane policemen and sane citizens of the state. The bookie says the odds are on the governor's side, but I'd put my bet on history, and history tells me that the masses will always beat the

## Rabies Vaccination Clinics to be held

Rabies Vaccination Clinics will be held Saturday, May 4, 1991, from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon at all veterinarians' offices in Pitt County. The fee is \$4.00 per cat or dog vaccinated which is a substantial savings.

The General Statutes of North Carolina require that all dogs and cats four (4) months and older be vaccinated and that dogs display the vaccination tag at all times. This tag can also be used to identify a dog if lost or strayed. Dogs and cats receiving their first vaccination this year will need to be vaccinated again in 1992. For dogs and cats that have been previously vaccinated, the vaccination is good for three (3) years.

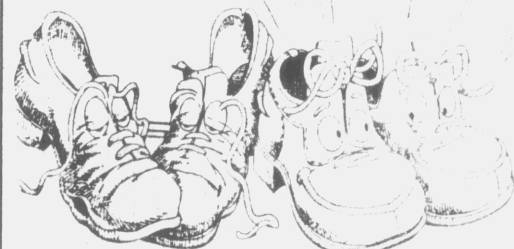
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY GRANDMOM.** .Contest of the Week. Shown above is a grandmother who still works in her garden. She was born in 1891. She used to roll newspapers for The "M" Voice Newspaper. She used to live in Winterville. She is shown with her daughter, grandson and grand-daughter. Name our grandmother and other daughter in the above photo and win dinner for two at the Carolina Grill. Photo by William Clark

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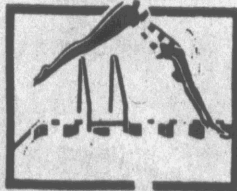
### Summer Programs

Brochure Available April 22.

Can Be Picked Up At Various Recreation Facilities, Libraries and City Hall.

#### \*\*\*REGISTRATION PROCEDURES\*\*\*

1. Youth Summer Program registration begins May 7 at 6:00 PM at various facilities. Residents of Greenville (must reside inside city limits) will be able to sign up for any program on Tuesday, May 7, 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM and on Wednesday, May 8, 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. On May 9 and daily thereafter (Monday thru Friday) from 9:00 AM until 4:30 PM residents, as well as non-residents, can sign up for programs as long as vacancies are available.



2. NO registration by phone.

3. Registration is for you and your family. No registration is permitted for friends or neighbors.

4. Programs offered at South Greenville and Eppes Recreation Centers will have registration at those facilities, beginning May 7 as stated in #1. Aquatics & Fitness Center programs register at the Aquatics & Fitness Center. ALL OTHER PROGRAMS REGISTER AT JAYCEE PARK. After May 8, tennis programs register at the River Birch Tennis Center.

5. Should a waiting line develop, you will not be permitted to hold or save a place in line for others. Recreation staff will monitor.

6. If a fee is involved, it must be paid in full the day of registration. As of April 11, 1991, non-resident's fees will be double that of a city residence program fee.

7. Any program fee listed in brochure should not prevent someone from participating. Economically disadvantaged participants may have fees reduced or waived. Recreation and Parks Staff will handle your requests for fee reductions in a confidential manner. This policy is for residents of Greenville only.

8. Call **830-4567** for additional registration information. Also call respective Centers for program descriptions.

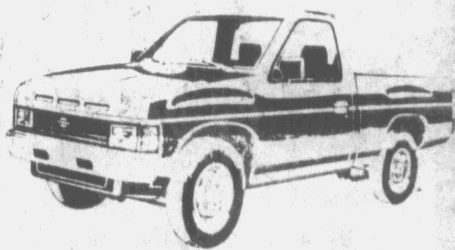
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# Ten lessons for children in the 1990s

**By MARSHA MERCER**  
WASHINGTON—In the rural, segregated South of the 1940s and '50s, a little girl named for Black opera singer Marian Anderson heard a powerful message from her preacher father and other Black adults. She was important, they told her time and again. She could be and do anything she wanted.

The child grew up, went to college, earned a law degree from Yale. She became president of the Children's Defense Fund, the nation's preeminent child advocacy group. Today Marian Wright Edelman's goal is nothing less than to eliminate child poverty in this decade.

To that end, her group lobbies Congress. It is organizing a crusade for Black children that will enlist Black leaders from various fields. It is building a network of advocates to speak out for policies favorable to children on the state and local levels.

Marian Wright Edelman believes more is needed. She wants to spark

a spiritual revival and is sharing the lessons of her youth with a new generation of Black children.

"Ten Lessons to Help Us Through the 1990s" is part of the introduction Mrs. Edelman wrote to "The State of America's Children 1991," a report issued by the Children's Defense Fund.

"While our children can take or leave these lessons, parents and other elders must make sure children can never say they were not told or reminded," she writes. Here they are in brief.

• **Lesson 1: There is no free lunch.** "Don't feel entitled to anything you don't sweat and struggle for. Our young people have got to work their way up — hard and continuously. So we need to teach them by example not to be lazy, to do their homework, to pay attention to detail, to take care and pride in work and to be reliable. Each of us must take the initiative in creating opportunity and not wait around for a favor. We must not assume a door is closed but must push on it."

• **Lesson 2: Set goals and work quietly and systematically toward them.** "We must all try to resist quick-fix, simplistic answers and easy gains, which often disappear just as quickly as they come. We must not feel compelled to talk if we do have anything to say that matters."

• **Lesson 3: Assign yourself.** "My daddy used to ask us whether the teacher gave us any homework. If we said no, he'd say, 'Well, assign yourself.' Don't wait around for your boss or your friend or spouse to direct you. Don't be a political bystander. Democracy is not a spectator sport. Run for political office, especially school boards."

• **Lesson 4: Never work just for money.** "Money alone won't save your soul or build a decent family or help you sleep at night...Don't confuse wealth or fame with character. And don't tolerate or condone moral corruption whether it's found in high or low places, whatever its color."

• **Lesson 5: Don't be afraid of taking risks or of being**

criticized. "An anonymous sage said, 'If you don't want to be criticized, don't say anything, do anything, or be anything.' Don't be afraid of failing. It's the way you learn to do things right. It doesn't matter how many times you fall down. What matters is how many times you get up."

• **Lesson 6: Take parenting and family life seriously.** "And insist that those you work for and who represent you do so. Our leaders' mouth family values we do not practice...We must stress family rituals and be moral examples for our children. If we cut corners, they will too."

• **Lesson 7: Remember and help America remember that the fellowship of human beings is more important than the fellowship of race and class and gender in a democratic society.** "Be decent and fair and insist that others be so in your presence...Let's face up to, rather than ignore, our growing racial problems, which are America's historic and future

Achilles' heel."

• **Lesson 8: Don't confuse style with substance or political charm with decency or sound policy.** "It's wonderful to go to the White House or Congress or State House for a chat, but words alone will not meet children's or the nation's needs. Political leadership and different budget priorities will. Speak truth to power."

• **Lesson 9: Listen for the sound of the genuine within yourself.** "Small," Einstein said, "is the number of them that see with their own eyes and feel with their own hearts." Try to be one of them.

• **Lesson 10: Never think that life is not worth living or that you cannot make a difference.** "Never give up. I don't care how hard it gets. I know how discouraging it is to struggle to help the needy year after year with too few people and too little money and community support. And don't think you have to 'win' immediately or even at all to make a difference. Sometimes it's important to lose for things that matter."

## Run, Wilder, run?

Virginia Governor L. Douglas Wilder launched an exploratory committee on March 27 to test the political waters for a possible presidential run in 1992.

Simultaneously, he flipped on his position of the handling of the Persian Gulf war, siding now with President George Bush.

Once vocal in his opposition to the use of force to oust Iraqi troops from Kuwait, Gov. Wilder said he would have "done what the President did" when questioned about his position on the war during a Today Show telecast.

Gov. Wilder said that his earlier statement that "restoring the Emir of Kuwait to his throne isn't worth one American life" was taken out of context.

"It's obvious I did not have the information, and looking back, in retrospect, I would have done what the President did," the governor clarified.

Fighting a less than 50 percent approval rating by Virginia voters at the time of the announcement of an exploratory committee, Gov. Wilder emphasized he plans to serve the remaining three-years of his term as governor.

His popularity has swayed in recent months because of his effort to erase a \$2 billion state budget deficit by laying off state workers and cutting spending for education, transportation and other services.



## Minorities to get share of Kuwaiti contracts

The government of Kuwait has formally expressed its commitment to ensure that minority business enterprises in the United States will be able to actively participate in the rebuilding of war-torn Kuwait, the Commerce Department's Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) said.

MBDA director Joe Lira said the action represents "the first giant step to ensure that U.S. minority businesses have a fair and equitable opportunity to assist in the reconstruction of Kuwait. This level of commitment by Kuwait indicates that the efforts of MBDA's Gulf Reconstruction Task Force are generating positive results," Lira said.

MBDA's Gulf Reconstruction Task Force was established to promote business opportunities for American minority firms in the Persian Gulf.

The Gulf Reconstruction Task Force provides minority firms with regular updates on key business contacts and Gulf reconstruction opportunities. This information is then forwarded to MBDA's regional and district offices as well as the agency's nationwide network of more than 107 Minority Business Development Centers to facilitate minority business participation in Gulf reconstruction efforts. MBDA's Gulf Reconstruction Task Force phone is (202) 377-1962.

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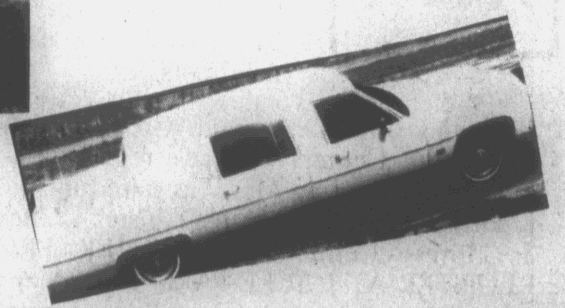
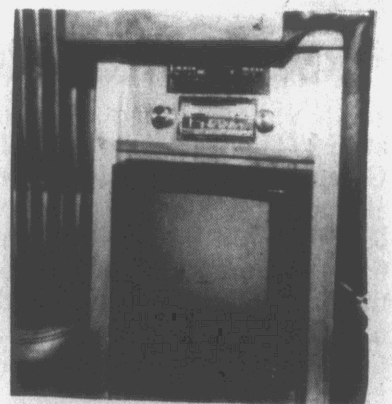
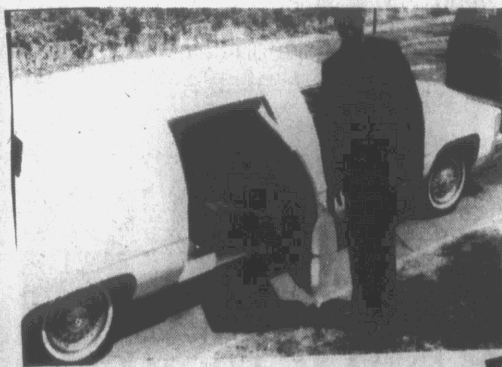


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**FACT:** Your utility bill will not go up as a result of the charter amendments.

**FACT:** The City favors well-planned water and sewer extensions as part of an overall growth management plan. The City is not anti-growth.

**FACT:** The City will not "raid the coffers" of Greenville Utilities.

**FACT:** Joint cooperative operations between the City and Greenville Utilities will help save money and hold your utility rates down in the future.

**FACT:** These amendments were unanimously approved by the City and Greenville Utilities.

**FACT:** The City did not make a decision on this issue behind closed doors.

**FACT:** The City is not taking over the operations of Greenville Utilities.

**FACT:** The proposed amendments are intended to give citizens direct representation on growth issues.

#### The Proposed Greenville Utilities Commission Charter Amendments

- 1) Changes the term of office for Greenville Utilities Commissioners from one 5-year term to one 3-year term with possible reappointment for a 2-year term. (Council serves 2-year terms. Most board and commission members serve 3-year terms.)
- 2) Contracts in excess of one-half million dollars will be jointly approved by Greenville Utilities and the City.
- 3) The City and Greenville Utilities will continue to pursue joint opportunities to help save money and improve efficiency.
- 4) New extensions of water, sewer, and gas lines outside of the city limits will be jointly approved by the Greenville Utilities and the City.
- 5) Electricity for streetlighting and utilities for city facilities will be sold to the City at wholesale or manufactured cost, rather than the previously charged retail rate.
- 6) There will be one pay plan, one personnel policy, and one benefits policy for both Greenville Utilities and the City (effective July 1, 1992).
- 7) Greenville Utilities will use a more efficient and predictable formula for figuring the turnover funds to the City. This will not result in more money being transferred to the City.



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# Miss Nikki Dunn placed in the top Ten in the 1991 North Carolina National Teenager Pageant.



Miss Nikki Dunn

The N.C. National Teenager Pageant was held at the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium on Saturday, March 30. The weekend began on Friday, March 29, with registrations beginning at 11:30 a.m. Orientation and rehearsal followed at 2:00 p.m. All contestants learned the dance routine for the opening production number "There's No Stopping Us" and sign language for "America, America." Later, everyone prepared themselves for dinner at 5:30 p.m. and the talent/essay program at 8 p.m. Nikki and other contestants decided to practice their routine down in the lobby. It was an exciting night and everyone deserved a good night's sleep!

Saturday morning started at 9 a.m. with the senior division's interview with the judges. The pageant photographer took a group photo of all the contestants at 10:30 a.m. Senior interviews continued, then junior interviews began. These sessions were 2 minutes with each of the 6 judges. Interview questions were from the application sent in by the contestants and the judges were nice, which made it fun and easy. Lunch was served at 1 p.m. Delicious foods were served, along with beverages and desserts. At 2:30 p.m. all contestants reported to the auditorium for closed rehearsal. Parents dropped their daughters off at the auditorium with all necessary materials needed for the pageant. The au-

ditorium doors opened to the public at 6:30 p.m. Everyone was dressed in red, white, and blue for the opening production number. The pageant began at exactly 7:30 p.m. Introduction of the Mistress of Ceremonies, special guests, judges and the contestants followed.

Participants with escorts followed. All evening gowns were gorgeous. Everyone complimented everyone else on how beautiful they looked. Nikki's escort was her father, Erwin. She wore a royal blue floor-length gown with puffy sleeves, a stripe of sequins flowing into a big sequin bow, and royal blue pumps. Pearl earrings and a pearl necklace accented the attire. "America, America" was performed in the formal attire.

Presentation of awards came next. The big moment was close at hand. Numerous awards were presented for essay/talent winners, citizenship and volunteer community service. Scholarships were also presented. By the time this was over with, Nikki had received a trophy for program participation and a partial scholarship for a John Robert Powers modeling course.

Finally, the big moment had arrived and the ten finalists for the Jr. Division Miss N.C. Nation Teenager was announced out of twenty-seven girls. Nikki Dunn was among them. It was also a thrill to share dressing

rooms with one of the girls who also made into the top ten and the girl who was crowned Miss N.C. National teenager 1991.

After the pageant, a pizza party was held for all of the contestants and staff.

The entire weekend was filled with fun, excitement, and more excitement. Nikki had a wonderful experience and made

friends that will last a life time.

Nikki is the daughter of Ms. Priscilla Briggs and Mr. Erwin Dunn of Route 1, Hookerton. Maternal granparent is Connie Stewart.

Paternal grandparents are Mrs. LaForest Dunn of Ayden and the late A.D. Dunn.

Thanks to family and friends for your support.

## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Since the opening of D.H. Conley High School, "minority students", especially the black athletes, have been denied the opportunity to excel in higher education. This letter is primarily focused on the Basketball Team.

Coach Cobby Deans has denied all African-American players the opportunity to obtain more athletic achievement in colleges and universities. The white basketball players get more playing time than blacks, although some of them are not the best players.

They are going to a college or university due to the fact that Coach Deans forced them on the front lines of the game so college scouts could see them, while black players stayed in the background. Black players do not get looked at by universities. Most college scouts know that the best players are the black ones and that is what they are looking for. But what good is it for the black athletes when they don't get much playing time. The black athletes are only being used for the school advantages. The black athletes should be pushed to excel in school academics, as white athletes are doing, other than to excel in sports.

The Booster Club has too much influence on Coach Deans. They have influenced whom should get the most playing time. It seems as though the Booster Club members are primarily the parents of the white basketball players that can't

play basketball at all. We need more black role models, male and female, in our Athletic Department at D.H. Conley.

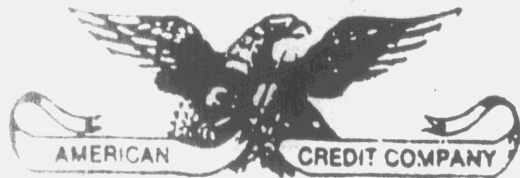
Coach Keith Gould plays to win and keep the team happy. Each player under his own system, knows their role and fits in perfectly on the team. And all of them get playing time. He does an outstanding job on and off the court. He deserved credit for the success of D.H. Conley's Girl Basketball and Volleyball teams. Coach Gould doesn't show racism towards any of the players. All players get the same kind of treatment.

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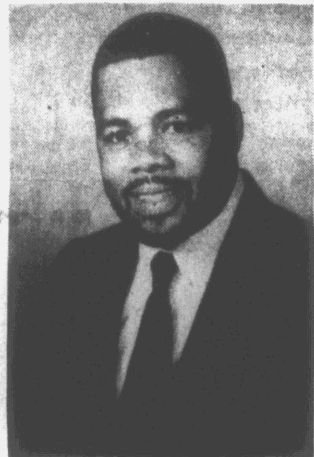
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The American Red Cross announced today that the First Wachovia Corporation of Winston-Salem and Atlanta has donated \$100,000 to the Red Cross Gulf Crisis Fund. The Fund has been established to enable the Red Cross to assist members of the military, their families, and civilians affected by the conflict in the Persian Gulf.

John G. Medlin Jr., chief executive of the First Wachovia Corporation, is also an active member of the Red Cross Gulf Crisis Campaign Cabinet, chaired by President Reagan. As a cabinet member Medlin serves as a volunteer, raising funds from other corporations for the Red Cross.

"We are delighted to have John Medlin on board for this campaign," said Red Cross President Elizabeth Dole, "and I am personally gratified to have a fellow North Carolinian helping us raise funds from corporations."

There are presently 91 American Red Cross workers in the Gulf

aiding U.S. troop members. Their primary responsibility is to relay emergency messages between members of the armed forces and their families. Since August 1990, more than 150,000 emergency messages had been sent, including 9,000 birth announcements.

In addition, 50 Red Cross medical volunteers have just arrived in Kuwait to provide critically needed care for handicapped children at the Kuwaiti Institute. During the war more than 200 medical personnel either fled or were killed; more than 100 children died from lack of care.

As of April 15, about \$15 million had been donated or pledged to the Gulf Crisis Fund, including more than \$5 million from major corporations.

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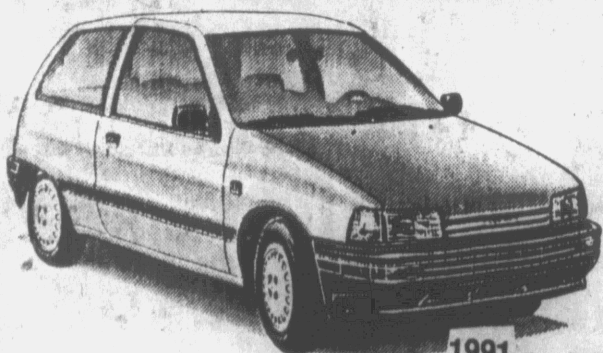
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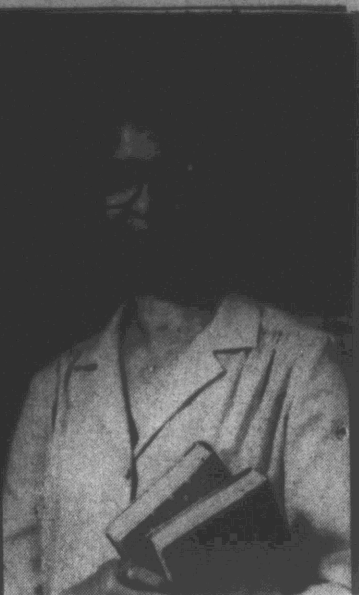
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## The Mrs. Beatrice Maye Column



### National Teacher Day, May 7

"You can tell all you need to know about a man by listening to the words he uses most. For example, do you hear 'I, me, mine' or 'You, yours, ours?' by Ann Landers.

The seven laws of success are

- Fix the right goal, not just any goal. Successful men have goals.

- Education or preparation to give you the know-how to achieve your goal.

- Good health. Man is what he eats. 90 to 95 percent of all sicknesses are in some way affected by faulty diet, state some of the most famous physicians and surgeons. There are other laws of health - sufficient sleep, exercise, plenty of fresh air, cleanliness and proper elimination, right thinking and clean living.

- Drive, without drive, energy constant propulsion, a person need never expect to become truly successful.

- Resourcefulness. When complications, obstacles, unexpected circumstance appear to block your path, you must be equipped with resourcefulness to solve the problem, overcome the obstacle, and continue on your course.

- Perseverance - stick-to-it-iveness.

- The All-Important seventh law of success is having contact with, and prudence and continuance help of God.

Dr. Patricia Brewer, principal, Agnes Fullilove School, who received her Ph.D. degree from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois in 1986, was Woman's Days speaker at Sycamore Hill Baptist Church, Sunday, April 14, at the 11:00 service. She spoke from the theme, "Christian Women Moving Forward to New Challenges". Scriptural reference 1 Corinthians 3:9-13.

Some highlights and challenges were work on self by praying and loving God, sisterhood is important, cooperation is required, we must become mentors, sisters, surrogate mother, have the ability to get along with people, focus on objectives into positives, a spiritual foundation is needed, and stay focused and move forward.

Some statistics are among blacks in schools, the drop out rate is 50%; one to three black youth are killed by a counterpart; and blacks make up the prison population. She was an inspirational, dynamic, though-provoking and challenging speaker.

Mesdames Brenda Teel and Betty James, co-chaired the program.

Surely Governor Martin and legislation are experiencing frustrations and embarrassment over the state's crisis in education, that President Bush wants to "reinvent education", everyone is pleading, "let's not gut education", and right here in our Pitt County School System, racial balance and/or redistricting concern us greatly. I, too, see a much needed concern: Children suffering from lack of moral values. The menace to our youth is personal behavior: excessive drinking, drug use, teenage pregnancy, and crime/rape/violence - cultural breakdown. We must establish in our homes and schools, the development of sound character in our children. We need to teach the tough-minded, resilient virtues, like self-discipline and self-control, individual and civic responsibility.

Families, churches, schools and

## PHARMACIST GOES ..."BACK TO HERBS"

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Today, some seventy million Americans have inadequate or no health insurance. According to the Today Show, the U.S. rates 12th in life expectancy and 22nd in infant mortality of all countries in the world. CNN states that between the years 2010 and 2020, over 1/2 trillion dollars will be spent on medicare due to the retirement of the baby boomers (people born between 1946 and 1964); and this could possibly bankrupt the economy. So, as you can see, it's no wonder many people have decided to go... "BACK TO HERBS", HWY 43 SOUTH #8 BELLS FORK SQUARE

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individuals are the primary agents and means of instilling values in our children. Let's invest in their moral development as well as their education.

Question: As a teenager today, my friends seem to have trouble saying no to peer pressure. We know it's not cool to go along with something that's wrong, but it is so hard to be yourself in today's society. Can you give us teens some encouraging words?

Answer: There are ways to reverse the pressure friends may put on you. The best thing to do is to be prepared. Think about the many pressures you could face - cheating, vandalism, shoplifting, substance abuse, lying, skipping and much more.

Then ask yourself "What is the best for me?" And how can I avoid these pressures?" Prepare yourself by thinking about various ways to say no or avoid certain situations.

Sharon Scott, author of the book How to Say No and Keep Your Friends, mentions 10 ways to get yourself away from trouble.

Say no with confidence, leave, change the subject, return the challenge, offer a better idea, joke your way out, show it if you're shocked or act shocked for effect, ignore the suggestion, show your disappointment, and give an honest excuse.

Remember that you can say no to trouble and still be liked by your friends. The important thing is to learn to think on your own and not let your friends sway you into a negative way.

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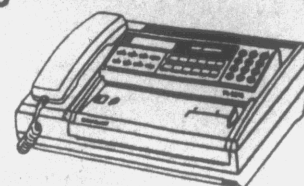
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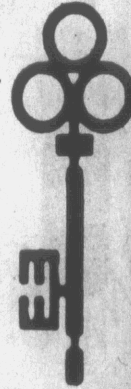
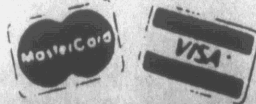
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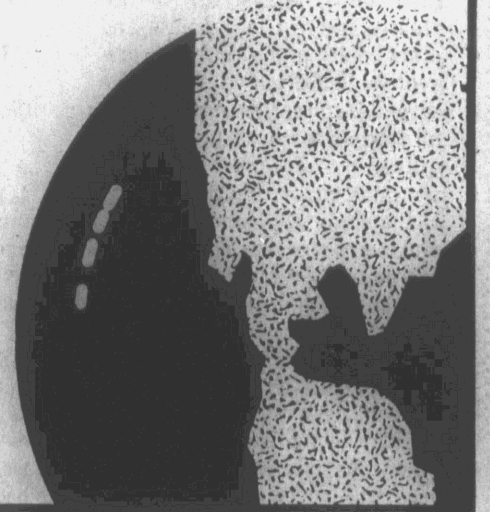
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