

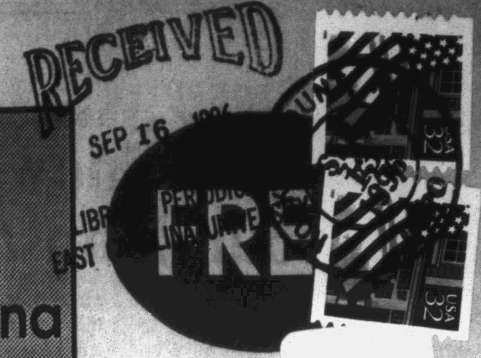


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MEMBERS OF THE PITT COUNTY CHAPTER OF SCLC . . . Pictured above are some of the members of the Pitt County Chapter of the SCLC at the 1996 National Convention which was held in Detroit, Michigan, during the week of August 12-16. This year's convention theme: "Stop the killing, end the violence", geared towards the youth, the future of tomorrow, to stop the killing and start embracing love and hope for all mankind.

SCLC, North Carolina State Chapter holds convention

Mr. Melvin McLawhorn, Pitt County Vice President and North Carolina State Chairman of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) along with his family attended the National 1996 Convention and reports that during the week of August 12-16, 1996, the SCLC held its national convention in Detroit,

Michigan with over 50 members attending from the Greenville chapter. This year's convention theme: "Stop the Killing, End the Violence", is an effort geared toward the youth, the future of tomorrow, to stop the killing and start embracing love and hope for all man kind. McLawhorn also reports that

Mr. Bennie Roundtree, President of the Greenville chapter, and North Carolina State President, was appointed to serve on the National Board of Directors of Southern Christian Leadership Conference by the Rev. Dr. Joseph Lowery, National President of SCLC.

Fuhrman to write a book, O.J. blasts Hollywood morals

Using the term "O.J. Update," at this point in time seems totally incredulous, but here we go again.

Former Los Angeles police detective Mark Fuhrman has surfaced and wants to join almost everyone else who was ever involved in the O.J. Simpson trial by writing a book of his own, his New York literary agent said Monday.

Literary agent Lucianne Goldberg said a book outline and sample chapter by Fuhrman, whose account of finding a bloody glove on Simpson's estate was severely challenged during the trial, has been submitted to several publishers. Goldberg maintained the book "will be sold to the highest bidder," but declined to state an asking price. She also

declined to reveal details of what Fuhrman plans to say.

However, New York Post media columnist Maureen O'Brien reported that Fuhrman wants to apologize for making insulting remarks about Blacks and "blow the whistle" on screenwriter Laura Hart McKinney, who testified that he made racially disparaging remarks.

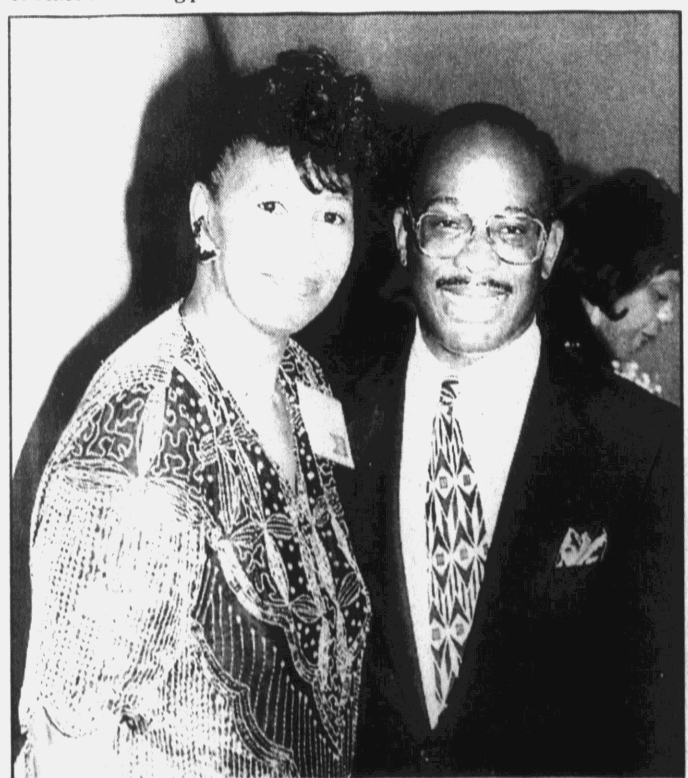
O'Brien who claims she has seen a copy of the book proposal, said Fuhrman "will discuss his oft-rumored but never confirmed 'relationship' with Hart McKinney." She said he referred to the now infamous tapes as "a combination of macho bravado, stupid pillow talk and character development for a fictional screenplay."

Simpson, as we well know, was

found not guilty of murdering his wife Nicole and her friend Ron Goldman after the defense effectively cast doubt about Fuhrman's reliability as a witness. Since the trial, many key figures in the trial have written books, with several of them becoming bestsellers.

Panties over the gate

Finally, an indignant O.J. Simpson took issue with today's women, complaining, "do you know what it's like having panties with phone numbers on them thrown over your gate?" Whew! In the immortal words of Porky Pig, That's all folks!



A BLAST FROM THE 'M' VOICE NEWSPAPER ARCHIVES . . . Council Woman Mildred Council and most distinguished attorney from Miami, Florida, Mr. Willie Gray.

By FRANK PAUL JONES

Like they say, you give them a inch and they take a mile. I say this because I confronted you with an issue that will affect a lot of Black people. Take the government practice of housing discrimination, for example. I guess you feel felons don't deserve fair housing or affordable housing. Because after we get out of prison, those great jobs are waiting for us so we can just go buy a house. No, I don't think so. Just what is the percent of Black males who have been in prison, are in prison, or under some type of court supervision?

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De Klerk, others testify at the Truth Commission

**By Abiola Sinclair
Media Editor**

South Africa's former president F.W. de Klerk, testifying at the Truth Commission Monday, August 19, acknowledged apartheid crimes committed by the government under white-minority rule. And one of his generals acknowledged there had been "gross violation of human rights."

Gen. Constand Viljoen, former chief of the apartheid defense force and now leader of the right-wing Freedom Front party, told Archbishop Desmond Tutu's Truth and Reconciliation Commission: "We certainly made a grave mistake (with Blacks)...so we take collective responsibility for the situation that developed."

Viljoen, saying he represented "ethnic Africaners" (whites) pressing for self determination within South Africa, said the refusal of the then-ruling National Party to address the demands of Blacks "invited" the African National Congress to take up arms and forge an alliance with Communists.

"I will not attempt to rationalize what is generally called gross violation of human rights...they were wrong," he said.

Viljoen's presentation to the

"Truth Commission" was the first of a series due to be made this week by political parties seeking to explain their actions during the apartheid years.

De Klerk, current leader of the National Party, said in a television interview Monday, "I'm looking forward to the opportunity to make a submission to put what happened from our vantage point in the proper context."

"Part of that will also be to accept overall responsibility for many things which went wrong."

The National Party implemented apartheid as an official national policy when it took office in 1948.

President Nelson Mandela set up the Truth Commission to attempt to heal the wounds of apartheid by exposing the dirty tricks and suffering during the struggle between liberation movements and the white-minority government.

But many see the Truth and Reconciliation Commission as merely a vanity display with no teeth nor desire to right government inspired wrongs including the murder of Steven Biko. Biko's widow feels too many apartheid monsters are getting off.

Viljoen was accompanied Mon-

day by Gen. Tienie Groenwald, a former military intelligence chief, who was acquitted earlier this year on murder charges arising from the 1987 massacre of 13 Blacks in the Kwazulu-Natal hamlet of KwaMakutha.

Former Defense Minister Magnus Malan is still on trial on the same charges. The state alleges the defense force helped members of the Inkatha Freedom Party to carry out the attack, purportedly on supporters of the ANC.

Viljoen told the commission he could not be completely frank because of fears that he might incriminate himself or his supporters.

He cited the case of former security policeman Dirk Coetzee who was charged with murder this month after he voluntarily lifted the lid on the killing of Black activists by a police hit squad.

The Truth Commission, which has powers to recommend amnesty for perpetrators of human rights abuses who confess, has said that in view of the charges against Coetzee it will expedite consideration of his application for indemnity from prosecution.

WSSU professor writes history of high school

Dr. Lenwood G. Davis, Professor of History at Winston-Salem State University recently published A History of Beaufort/Queen Street High School. Dr. Davis, a graduate of Queen Street High School, stated "This book is more than a history of a high school, it is also a model of how a high school history should be written. Therefore, anyone interested in writing a high school history may want to read this book."

This book not only discusses the history of the school, but also the early education of Blacks in Beaufort: 1863-1926. A special chapter is devoted to the building of Beaufort High School: 1926-1927. There are also chapters on both the Black and White communities support for the

school. The history professor pointed out the school received support not only from the Black community, but the White community as well. Dr. Davis mentioned the following White individuals and businesses that supported the school over the years: Joseph House, F.R. Bell, Guthrie Jones, J.H. Dill, C.D. Jones, J.O. Baxter, Jr., Will Arrington, G.W. Duncan, Wiley Taylor, G.W. Hundley, Claude Wheatley, Adair Funeral Home, Beaufort Hardware Co., Carteret County News Times, Paul Motor Co., City Appliance Co., Beaufort Department Store, Beaufort Florist and Potter's Sinclair.

Several appendices are in this work. Some include "Significant Events in the History of Beaufort/Queen Street High School,"

"Faculty and Principals of Beaufort/Queen Street High School," and "Graduates of Beaufort/Queen Street High School Who Attended or Graduated from College of Professional School."

This 217 page book is the first and only written history of Beaufort/Queen Street High School and is one of only a few written histories of high school in the United States. The author of this book has written twenty other books. His latest and most popular book is A Travel Guide to Black Historical Sites and Landmarks in North Carolina.

Anyone interested in purchasing A History of Beaufort/Queen Street High School can order it directly from Dr. Davis at P.O. Box 13035 (WSSU), Winston-Salem, NC 27110 for \$14.95 plus \$2.50 for postage.

President Clinton was right for signing welfare bill

By FRANK PAUL JONES

Like they say, you give them a inch and they take a mile. I say this because I confronted you with an issue that will affect a lot of Black people. Take the government practice of housing discrimination, for example. I guess you feel felons don't deserve fair housing or affordable housing. Because after we get out of prison, those great jobs are waiting for us so we can just go buy a house. No, I don't think so. Just what is the percent of Black males who have been in prison, are in prison, or under some type of court supervision?

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to change welfare as we know it, so this puts him in a hell of a position. Yes, he will win more votes then he will lose by signing this bill.

The worst thing we can do is divide our vote or leadership over this issue; we need to use vision to figure out a way to make this work. We need to come together on Election Day even more so now and vote in not only a Democratic president, but also a Democratic House and Senate if possible so we can pass legislation not included in this bill that will make this truly welfare reform.

You say, "Billy, we hardly knew ya" ... now! I say he is not the one who changed. It's us, because of our lack of vision and faith and our burden of fear. Sometimes you got to walk by faith and not by sight and hope for the best.

Half the people are crying over welfare reform. I wrote concerning housing discrimination against felons and they ignored me. But two or three years from now, the same

people will be begging the same felons to feed and take care of those women and children in those projects, the same projects we are not welcome to live in.

These same Black leaders, on the other hand, are crying out for immigrants, poor whites and Latinos. When I was a little kid (I'm 37 years old), it was our position to fight the Jewish battles, vote them into office, and now we can't get along well enough to eat at the same table. Now every Black leader is anti-Semitic. If anybody is anti-Semitic, it's the so-called Jews, but that's another story.

When are we going ever learn to fight our own battles and let others fight theirs? There are some people who give less than a damn about us. We are just a permanent group of underclass people for them to use to pass by. Those Latinos don't give a damn about us, and I'm not a gambler, but I'm willing to bet that it's poor ignorant whites burning down the churches. So

why are we fighting their battles? I say we have been in America too long and now we are adopting the white man's ways of sticking our noses in other people's business. While we fight their battles they stab us in the back.

To tell you the truth, I faxed President Clinton and told him I think he should sign the bill. If it doesn't work out, we can always go back to the drawing board, provided he is re-elected, which is why he must sign the bill.

In any case, for too long, too many Black women chose welfare over a Black man, with the attitude: "I can do bad by myself." Well, that's no longer the fact. I believe it takes two to make a child and it should take two to raise one. I think welfare reform will bring the Black family closer in hard times. Black women won't be so fast to put brothers out on the streets, because they are going to need them to help pay the rent or, as sad as it may sound, to babysit!

Canadian Snowbirds to be at Seymour Johnson on October 2nd

The Royal Canadian Air Force Snowbirds will highlight the annual community day at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base in Goldsboro., Wednesday, October 2. This will be the first appearance of the Snowbirds at Seymour Johnson.

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The Snowbirds will perform at 1 p.m. to allow students to see the show and return to school in time

to catch their bus home.

All three base gates will be open to the public from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The show is free. Food and beverages will be available for purchase in the show area.

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For more information, contact Samuel L. "Le" Church at 758-2811.



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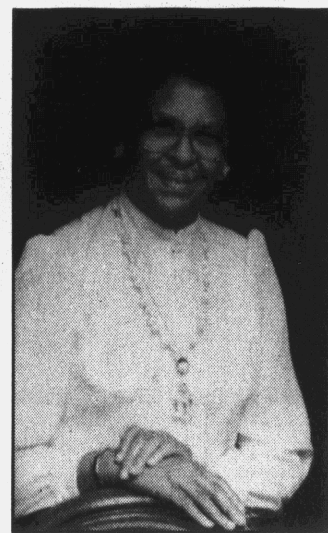
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- E-Enlist Your Teachers
- F-Fathers Are Important Too
- G-Goals Are A Good Start
- H-Head the objects of PTA
- I-Interest new people
- J-Join your council
- K-Keep accurate records
- L-Learn by doing
- M-Membership is a year-round job
- N-Notice new families
- O-Organize to be effective
- P-Publicize your goals
- Q-Question lost members
- R-Reward your students
- S-Sell on the values of PTA
- T-Telephone non-members
- U-Use your school newspaper
- V-Value your room mothers
- W-Win support for PTA
- X-X-ray your plans of work
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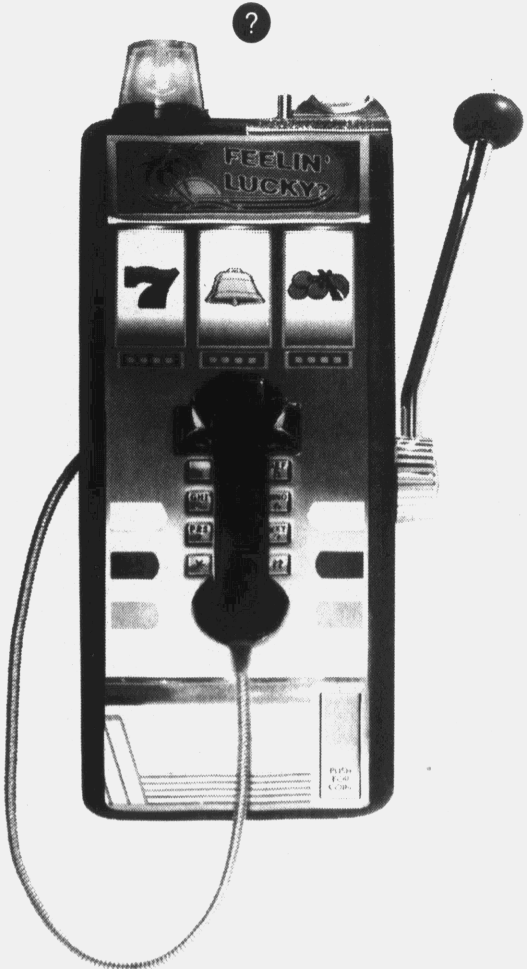
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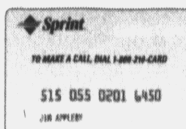
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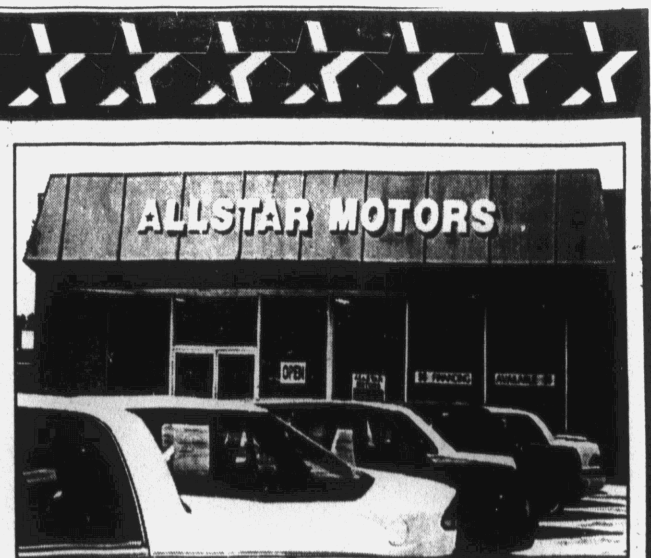


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Community News

An Open Letter to the Black Citizens of Pitt County and Surrounding Areas:

On October 16, 1996, in Greenville, NC, the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) of the Million Man March of Pitt County will be hosting this area's World Day of Atonement. Some will call this day the Million Man March (Part 2), however, this day will be different in format from the Million Man March, but having the same goal of reconciliation and atonement. Last year, we were asked to forsake the comfort of our homes and families and to travel to Washington, DC. We answered that call and it was a beautiful day of peace and enlightenment. Over one million black men showed up. It was a day of unity unmatched in history. Today, that unity is all but evaporated. This was predicted by all the naysayers of the Million Man March, but it took much longer than they expected. Facts, however, it has happened. Only a small core of men remains of that great mass who went to or supported the goals of the Million Man March. This year, the LOC is asking for all the brothers and the sisters to come out in unity to once again pledge to help our community become a better place for us all.

This letter will attempt to make everyone understand why this day is necessary and why your participation is critical. First of all let me say that I am a Christian, in fact, I am a fervent Christian. I believe, however, that we must stand with our black Islamic brothers in our support of black people. Their God is our God, but my Lord and Savior is Jesus Christ. No one can change that. I don't follow Louis Farrakhan, I follow Jesus Christ. I do support the work that Louis Farrakhan has done for black people. He helped to show white America that black people do have integrity and love for each other. He brought a million brothers together in our place and there was no riot, no murder, no robbery, no drugs, and no hatred. Amongst the million brothers walked white people, tourists, and even moonies, but no one was touched. If any other black man could do that I would support him too, but I follow Jesus Christ. My Muslim brothers do not make me question my religious resolve, therefore, I can work with them for the upliftment of black people. The question to you is whether or not, you are willing to help your own people. Yes, there's work to do right here in our

surrounding areas and we are obligated, no, we are required by Almighty God, Himself to be the ones to do it.

Minister Farrakhan has asked that we keep this day as our Day of Atonement, and I agree. We must not desert our brother in this very important junction in our history. In his own words, "Our focus, however, will be in New York City at the United Nations to call the nations of the earth to Divine Order, Atonement, Reconciliation, Responsibility and Divine Unity. We also feel that October 16, 1996 should be observed as a Day of Absence and preparation in this political year to let America and her political parties know that we are not pleased with her direction; with Welfare Reform; Affirmative Action; the Education System, the Crime Bill, the desecration and

burning of religious institutions and the overall injustice of oppressed people. The question is, who can be against that? Some folks accuse us of ignoring Farrakhans faults but I don't ignore them, I weigh them in the balance. Remember, folks hated Muhammad Ali, folks hated Malcolm X, folks even hated Martin Luther King, now they love them. How will they feel about Farrakhan 10 years from now? I will not wait to find out, I will support his goals for black people now. We are asked this year to show our support in our own community. The question is will you stand up in support of black peoples, or will fear keep you at work or at home. Think about it. More information on October 16th will be forthcoming.

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1ST CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS MEETS IN GREENVILLE . . . They have changed their name to the 1st district civic organization which consists of 21 counties in the 1st congressional district, where in attendance at York Memorial AME Church. Pictured in bottom photo is Ms. Nellie Fennell-Roanoke Chowan Community College and Ms. Ernestine C. Hannon-Town Councilwoman for the town of Roper. Who were also in attendance at the 1st congressional district meeting.



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Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth L. Eubanks, commander, U.S. Army Recruiting Battalion Raleigh, said that through the second quarter (ending March 31), 254 enlistees had opted for the Army College Fund which equates to more than \$6.5 million in education benefits.

"This is quite impressive when you consider that 279 enlistees received college money in all of fiscal year 1994," he said. "In fact, we're on track to surpass last year's total of 439 enlistees and \$11.7 million."

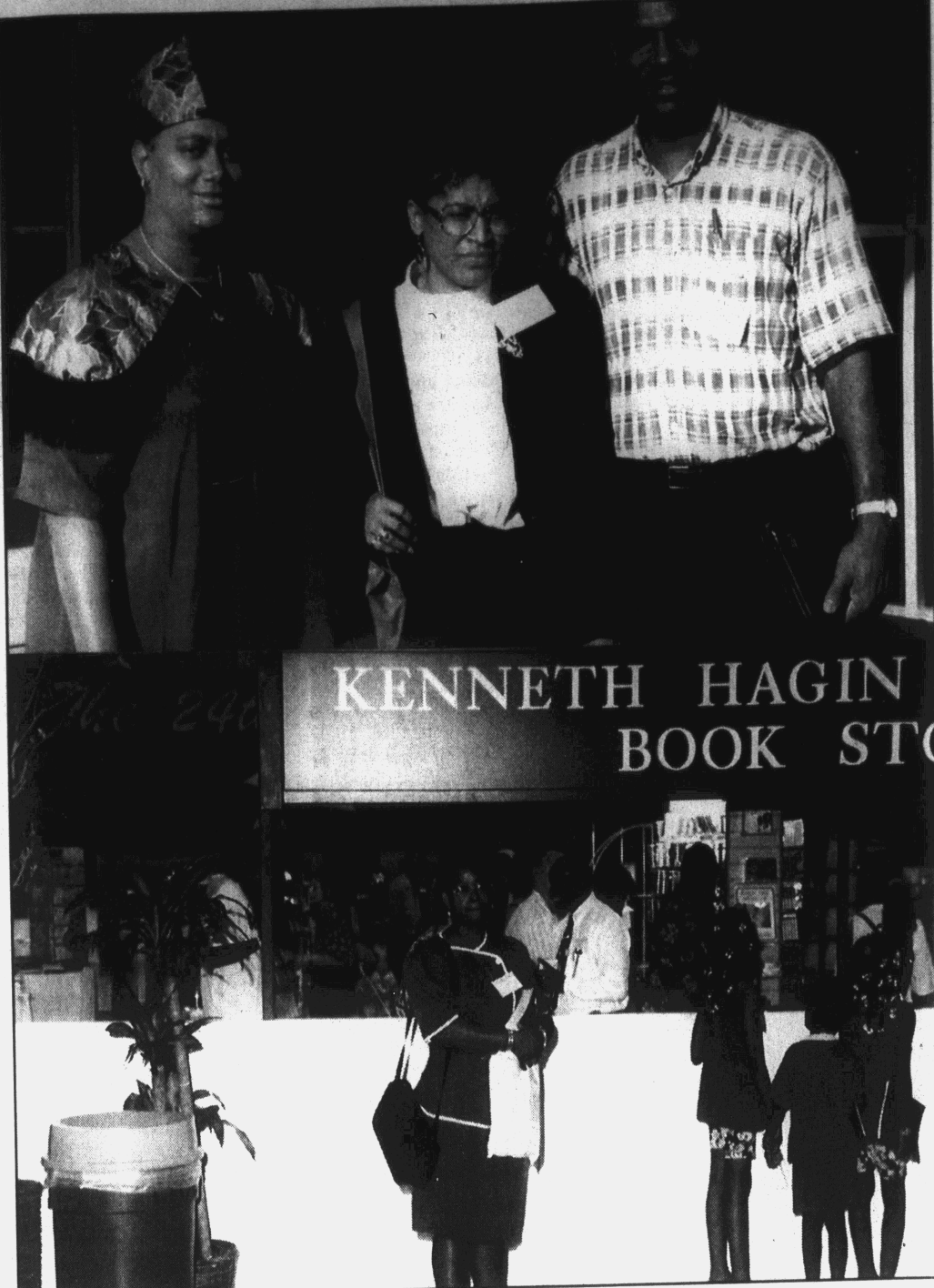
Any qualified person can earn up to \$30,000 in college money depending on the length of the enlistment, Eubanks said.

A two-year enlistment nets \$20,000, three years, \$25,000 and four years, \$30,000.

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Travel office/FBI files depositions on the internet

Government Reform and Oversight Chairman William F. Clinger, Jr. announced that depo-

sitions dealing with the White House Travel Office Investigation and the FBI files Investigation can

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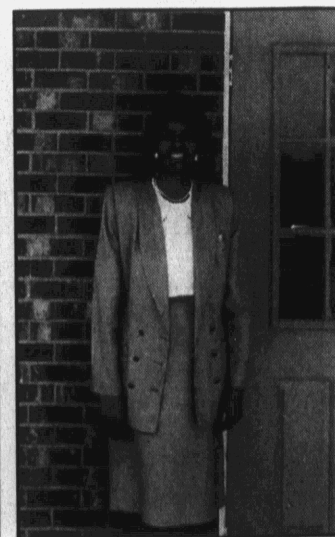
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Obituaries

SARAH C. FISHER

Mrs. Sarah Cassie Fisher, 76, of 212 Dogwood Lane, Mt. Olive, died Sunday, August 18 in Wayne Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services Saturday at 3 p.m. at Piney Green FWB Church, Mt. Olive. Rev. Blake Phillips officiated. Interment followed in Carver Memorial Cemetery.

Mrs. Fisher was a native of Mt. Olive where she was a retired farmer.

She is survived by two daughters, Elnora Hamilton of the home and Evelyn Shabazz of Mt. Olive; one son, Ray Williams of Camden NJ; four sisters, Ella Davis of Camden NJ, Agusta Turner of Raleigh, Marylyn Shannon of Mt. Vernon, NJ and Naomi Williams of Philadelphia, PA; three brothers, Squaw Allen, Rev. Wesley Allen and Leslie Allen, all of Camden, NJ; five grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Professional arrangements by Rountree and Associates Funeral Home, Greenville.

LOSSIE B. COWARD

Mrs. Lossie B. Coward, 88, of 301 Allen Dr., Ayden, died Monday, August 19, at Pitt County Memorial Hospital, Greenville. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, 3:00 p.m. at Grifton Chapel Church of Christ Disciple of Christ Church. Interment followed in Evergreen Memorial Gardens, Grifton.

Mrs. Coward was born and reared in Lenoir County where she attended the area schools. She was a member of Grifton Chapel Church and a member of the mother board.

Survivors include: two sons, Cliff Coward, Kinston and Sam Coward, Ayden; seven daughters, Johnnie B. Nelson and Gladys Hardy both of Grifton, Sallie C. Wilson and Joan C. Hines, both of Ayden, Alice C. Peterson, Kinston, Annie L. Branch, Brooklyn, NY and Mary E. Coward, Far Rockaway, NY; two brothers, Richard Edwards and Grant Edwards, both of Baltimore, MD; one sister, Marjorie Liles, Baltimore MD; thirty-eight grandchildren, sixty-five great-grandchildren, thirty-five great-great-grandchildren, fifty adopted children, other relatives and friends.

WILLIAM M. ROUSE

Mr. William "Boone" M. Rouse, 46, of 1809-A Kennedy Circle, Greenville, died Sunday, August 18 at Pitt County Memorial Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Saturday at 3 p.m. at Phillip Church of Christ Disciples of Christ Church. Interment followed in Greenwood Cemetery.

Mr. Rouse was born and reared in Pitt County where he attended the area schools.

Survivors include: his mother, Dallas Davis of the home; three brothers, Donald Lee Rouse, New Bern, William Earl Matthews and

Egypt's crackdown on female circumcision

The Egyptian government has cracked down on the practice of female genital mutilation, calling it an "un-Islamic custom" and forbidding it under pain of prosecution.

The custom is to be banned in all government and private clinics, just days after a 10-year-old died from the procedure, Health Ministry officials maintained recently.

The government has prohibited the procedure at clinics and hospitals tied to the government, Health Minister Ismail Sallam told Cairo's government-run *al-Akhar* daily newspaper.

In addition, medical workers of all kind are barred from carrying out the mutilations at private health clinics, the ministry's undersecretary, Mushira el-Shafee, told the state's *al-Ahram* newspaper. "All doctors and nurses ... are forbidden to practice this un-Islamic custom," Sallam said.

Many world health and women rights groups hailed this as a major breakthrough and see it as a first step in modifying or eliminating the practice altogether in other countries.

The Egyptian government maintains it will apply stiff legal procedures and penalties against barbers and others who also perform the procedures privately, el-Shafee said.

According to Egyptian government statistics, up to 70 percent of women in urban areas and 95 percent in rural areas are subjected to some form of the procedure, usually consisting of the removal of the clitoris, but often also more extensive genital mutilations.

Types of mutilations

Circumcision or Sunna, is the

removal of the prepuce or hood of the clitoris, with the body of the clitoris remaining intact. Excision or clitoridectomy, the most common, is the removal of the entire clitoris gland and surrounding tissue, and the labia minora (inner lips). Infibulation or Pharaonic is cutting off the entire female genitalia, including inner and outer labia and removal of the clitoris. The remaining sides of the vulva are stitched together to close up the vagina except for a small opening. The opening is preserved with a small piece of wood. The opening is cut open on the girl's wedding night.

According to writer Merlin Stone, author of "When God was a Woman," these practices were instituted around the same time that the gender of God was changed from female or dual - male and female rulership, in Dahomy, to male only, as in the Judaic, Judeo Christian and Judeo-Islamic religions. So far no mummy has been found thus mutilated, and no references have been made of it in ancient Egyptian text.

The Egyptian Organization for Human Rights, or EOHR, has reported about 3,600 young Egyptian girls are subjected to the mutilation every day.

Harmful

"It causes great physical and psychological harms to young girls who are subjected to it," said el-Shafee. The government had allowed the mutilations to continue by doctors in hospitals to reduce dangers associated with girls being subjected to barbers and other villagers, who usually use a razor during religious ceremonies or work in un-

hygienic conditions at home.

But according to el-Shafee, the government decided to declare the mutilations to be "immoral" and "inconsistent with all principles of the medical profession" after a girl died five days ago while being mutilated by a barber in the Nile Delta province of Sharqueya, about 50 miles northeast of Cairo. Another 10-year-old died shortly after she was mutilated in another Nile Delta province last year, he said.

Rights activists have long accused Egyptian authorities of being passive about what they called a barbaric practice, but the secular government replied that while it did not encourage the mutilations, it could not put an end to the custom.

However, a barber and his wife were sentenced last year to two years in jail for performing the mutilation of a 14-year-old girl on a street in view of passers-by.

The ancient practice, common in other African and Middle East countries, has been under increasing public scrutiny since CNN broadcast a disturbing report on the mutilations in Egypt during a U.N. conference on population held in October 1994 in Cairo.

Islamic or African

El-Shafee said historians have shown that the practice is neither a Muslim nor a Pharaonic (ancient Egyptian) custom but is of African (Sub Saharan) origin.

However, the EOHR, one of the most prominent groups fighting to end genital mutilations in Egypt, sued the grand imam of al-Azhar, Sheikh Gadel-Haqin 1994. Egypt's foremost Muslim author-

ity had issued a religious decree approving - even requiring - the mutilations, which he insisted protect a girl's purity and make her a more likely marriage prospect. The pope of Egypt's Christian Coptic Church has refused to condemn the mutilations.

Shortly after the controversy, in 1995, El-Haq died and was replaced as Egypt's highest Muslim authority by a more liberal appointment made by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Another girl dead

Update: CAIRO, Aug. 26, 1996, Egyptian police have arrested and charged with negligence a doctor who circumcised a 14-year-old girl who later died, security sources said on Monday. Police picked up Dr. Rabie Ibrahim Mahgoub on Sunday at a friend's house where he had been hiding since "circumcising" Amina Abdelhamid Mohammed on Saturday. Government newspapers said the girl died of haemorrhage.

Why the girl's father was not also arrested attests to the soft handling by the government on this issue. The father, who earlier told police he took his daughter to a private hospital, now says the doctor circumcised Amina at home for a fee of 20 pounds (\$6), the sources said.

Amina's father told police that after his daughter did not wake up from the procedure he twice went to seek the doctor's advice. The doctor told him Amina was still under the effects of the anaesthetic he had given her, the sources said.

Police have already released the doctor on bail of 500 pounds (\$147). And it is not clear if or when he will be tried.



N.O.I. charges police harassment

The Nation of Islam has charged the Indianapolis, Ind. police department with harassment maintaining that their members selling the Final Call newspaper are fined, jailed and intimidated.

Greg Muhammad, who sells 1,000 copies of the Final Call each week, was recently sentenced to 30 days in jail in Indianapolis. Unable to pay \$11,000 in fines in six months, the married father of nine was jailed. According to Muhammad, the judge said to him "What can we do to stop you from selling that newspaper?"

Another N.O.I. member, Derrick Muhammad, who sells 1,200 copies each week, faces \$3,000 in fines or jail if he is unable to pay.

Many members are fined for obstructing traffic, a common charge, but N.O.I. officials see this as a violation of free speech that America prides herself for.

N.O.I. members maintain a small group of white officers are responsible for most of the harassment in Indianapolis. Other religious groups are not targeted.

Muslims in Cleveland recently won a lawsuit against police for discriminatory treatment. In Columbus, GA., the N.O.I. were hassled because they did not have permits to operate. Minister Henry Muhammad researched Georgia laws and discovered a permit was not required for any religious or charitable group. Muslims have also had problems in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Patrick Matthews, both of Greenville; two sisters, Sandra K. Davis and Dorothy Jean Matthews, both of Greenville; five aunts, Ollie Little, Bessie C. Lee, Hazel Shepard, Marshell Dawson and Lila Shepard, all of Greenville; two uncles, John F. Cox and Gary Shepard, both of Greenville, other relatives and friends.

Robinson completes six-month deployment

Navy Seaman Felix Q. Robinson, whose wife, Arketa, is the daughter of Mary A. Brown of 107 Lakeview Terrace and Charles Gray of 1800 McClellan St., Greenville, has returned to Norfolk, Va., after completing a six-month overseas deployment aboard the amphibious transport dock USS Shreveport, which included duty in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia.

Robinson is one of more than 800 Sailors and Marines aboard the ship who completed the 27,000-mile voyage. Robinson's hip was part of the three-ship USS Wasp Amphibious Ready Group (ARG), which also included the amphibious assault ship USS Wasp, the dock landing ship USS Whidbey Island and the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit.

While in the Adriatic Sea, Robinson and fellow Sailors and Marines provided ready support for the peace implementation forces in Bosnia. Robinson's ship also used an unmanned remote controlled small aircraft to conduct reconnaissance missions. The aircraft can be used for surveillance, over-the-horizon targeting, sparring gunfire and battle damage assessment. The remote controlled plane also can operate more than 100 miles from the ship at altitudes of 12,000 feet, and is equipped with video and infrared cameras.

While on deployment, Robinson and fellow Sailors and Marines participated in several multinational amphibious landing exercises with forces from Albania, Bulgaria, Greece, Italy, Turkey and Ukraine. Equipped with a Marine landing force, helicopters, Harrier attack aircraft, high-speed assault hovercraft, armored vehicles and landing craft, the USS Wasp ARG provided area commanders with a wide range of capabilities, which included the abil-

ity to evacuate civilians, rescue downed pilots, conduct reconnaissance, and serve as the leading force in amphibious landings.

Robinson's ship conducted more than 2,300 helicopter takeoffs and landings on its flight deck and launched landing craft from its flooded well deck. While off the coast of Bulgaria, the crew coordinated a civilian evacuation exercise.

While spending 149 days at sea, Robinson also visited Bulgaria,

Italy, Sicily, Spain and Turkey, and had an opportunity to visit local sites. Sailors and Marines from Robinson's ship also volunteered their time to help local charities.

Robinson's involvement in the deployment is an example of how U.S. men and women are serving in the Navy and Marine Corps forward deployed in support of U.S. interests.

The 1990 graduate of J.H. Rose High School joined the Navy in December 1994.

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Cummings recently promoted

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Cummings was promoted based on sustained superior job performance and proficiency in his designated specialty.

The 1995 graduate of Southwest Senior High School of Baltimore, joined the Marine Corps in June 1995.

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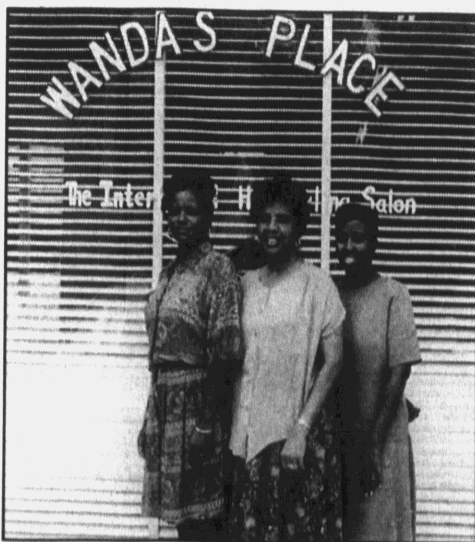
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Letters to the Editor

Who will rule America? Who else?

There are many rewards from having the privilege of expressing opinions about the most controversial issues of any day. The one I enjoy most is the interaction with my readers and those who listen on radio and TV.

Every week I get dozens of the meanest hate letters bearing some of the foulest epithets that you can imagine. I get a few more letters of appreciation, respect and even love. But what I remember longest are the messages that make me think—about my role, about the state of my country, about the worth and survivability of mankind.

I'm thinking now of just three handwritten paragraphs on lined tablet paper from John Cassella of Durango, Colo.

"Carl Rowan," he writes, "there is one and only one issue that has any real importance for the American people and that is:

"Who is going to own and control the vast wealth that the working class alone produces? Who will rule? The working class or the capitalist fat-cats?"

"All other issues (i.e. affirmative action, welfare reform, budget deficits, etc.) are simply an intentional distraction away from the main question, and

therefore meaning less dribble."

I have read and reread that letter with the realization that it says succinctly what the apostles of socialism, capitalism, communism, anarchy, dictatorship, democracy, totalitarianism and many other "isms" have taken a million books, edicts, sermons and screeds to say.

Cassella states correctly that in America the political wars over control of the White House, the Congress and, yes, the Supreme Court are fundamentally over who will control the nation's wealth and how it is divided up and ultimately used.

My first thought upon reading his remarks was to say that his question marks were wasted. There is no question but that no matter which political party gains power the people who already have money will control the wealth of America.

We have had a million debates in America—some laced in claims of great fear by the privileged—about the "redistribution of wealth." The enduring truth is that the wealthy stay affluent (and for long periods get richer), but the poor stay pitifully impecunious. "Redistribution of

wealth" isn't even a hollow dream.

The debate in these years of Republican primacy is over nothing more than how many crumbs the rich will allow to drop to "the working class," especially the workign poor.

Who will rule? Mr. Cassella, please note that throughout all the generations of debate about whether the unpropertied, women or ex-slaves should vote, no change took away power from the monied. In the current clamor for congressmen, governors and even presidents that "money can't buy," we see still that money no only talks in America, it rules.

Them as has gets; them as has-not begets. That is no just the rule of capitalism. It is the rule in socialist societies in Scandinavia and Africa; monarchies from Britain to Brunei; Communist countries including China and North Korea.

Political systems don't determine who controls a nation's wealth; those who control the wealth determine what the political system will be. And that, Mr. Cassella, may be an immutable fact of human life.

Carl Rowan

Dear Editor:

All we want is the truth!

The "money God" of the wealthy capitalist upper class and their new world order, is destroying christianity, democracy, families, jobs and communities, and is disrupting the moral foundation of everyone in The United States and around the world.

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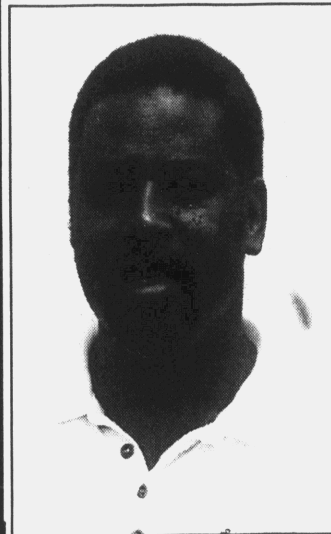
Developing a business plan: your roadmap to success

Submitted by Tony D. Warren, Business Loan Officer
Economic Development Department,
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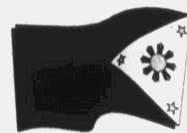


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term. Also seek the counseling available to you through all local sources. The Mid-East Commission's Economic Development Department offers both technical business and loan assistance to anyone who can not obtain these services through commercial sources. All area community colleges offer detailed business planning services through their Small Business Centers. Also small business courses are regularly offered by the Community College Continuing Education Division. East Carolina University's Small Business and Technology Development Center offers similar services. Before gathering data and sitting down to write, be aware that the depth of detail and length of your business plan depends on your goals and the specifics of your business. Business plans normally run 10 to 50 pages depending upon the amount of detail and documentation required to satisfy you, as well as any financial supporters you are seeking.

There is no question that a business plan requires a tremendous investment of time and energy. A business plan helps you raise money, and the lack of money is the greatest reason for failure of a fledgling business. It helps you decide whether to proceed with your idea or look for a new one. A business plan also helps you improve your concept and fine tunes your details. And once your enterprise is up and running, your plan helps you stay on track. Many business owners spend countless hours handling emergencies simply because they failed to look ahead to the future. In other words, a business plan helps you get where you want to go, both as the founder of a new venture and as an established entrepreneur. If you have a business idea and want to get started, call Tony Warren, Economic Development Department, Mid-East Commission, at (919) 946-8043 for an appointment. Our staff can help you with your business plan as well as provide financing to worthy businesses from \$500 to over a \$1,000,000.

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Some Blacks give Reform Party a chance

Are unhappy with the two traditional parties African-Americans unhappy with both the Democrats and Republicans should take a turn with the Reform Party on the political dance floor, according to Dr. Lenora Fulani.

Fulani, the first African-American woman to run for president in all 50 states as an independent candidate, and over a dozen other prominent African-American activists from across the country have signed off on a letter urging Blacks to use the new party as a vehicle for their interests.

About 50,000 African Americans or more demonstrated interest in the Reform Party over the past six months signing off on petitions across the country to get their candidate on the presidential ballot.

"The formation of this new party is an opportunity for us to help create a more just economic playing field and for ordinary people to have a more active role in impacting on their local political environment," said Fulani.

More political leverage is the most important benefit that Fulani said African Americans would get out of casting a ballot for Perot. Because the Democrats have left us in the dust and are taking us for granted she argues.

"Unless America improves economically and politically in terms of the necessary reforms that over 66% of the American people are demanding by their call for a new political party. Black America doesn't have a shot at any kind of serious improvement."

"And the candidate making that demand is Mr. Perot. If one million Black Americans vote for Ross Perot, the Black community automatically becomes the most important political players in the country in local races in

1997 and beyond, and people hear that."

Despite the fact that the Reform Party doesn't have any stated ideological beliefs or party principles, except for economic and political reform, Fulani said people should rely more on the fact that they are creating an infrastructure which allow diverse and different opinion to govern what actions of change will occur.

In town over the weekend to watch Perot accept the Reform Party nomination, Fulani said she'll be campaigning for the latest candidate in the presidential race and she'll be working to get more people to join the party, which she thinks is just as important, if not more important, than supporting Perot.

"This is our first time in history to really be on the ground floor when a party is taking off," said Fulani. "We were not part of the Democrats or Republicans when they started, so we had nothing really to do with setting their agenda."

Whether or not Perot becomes the next president, Fulani said the more important thing is to get at least 5% of the vote. It will qualify the party to be recognized third party and be able to tap into the \$30 million of convention funding for the year 2000, something that will help invoke even more change.

All too often Fulani said political beliefs on specific issues such as abortion or affirmative action are used to divide people from what is important in terms of economics, so as not to have whatever problems are really important in a community addressed.

"Sure I'd want to see people vote for Perot, but it's the party mechanism and not the candidate that is the most important thing," said Fulani.

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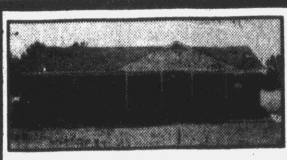
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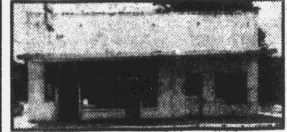
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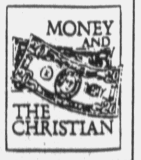
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Bone marrow transplant drive

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Cornelia Anderson
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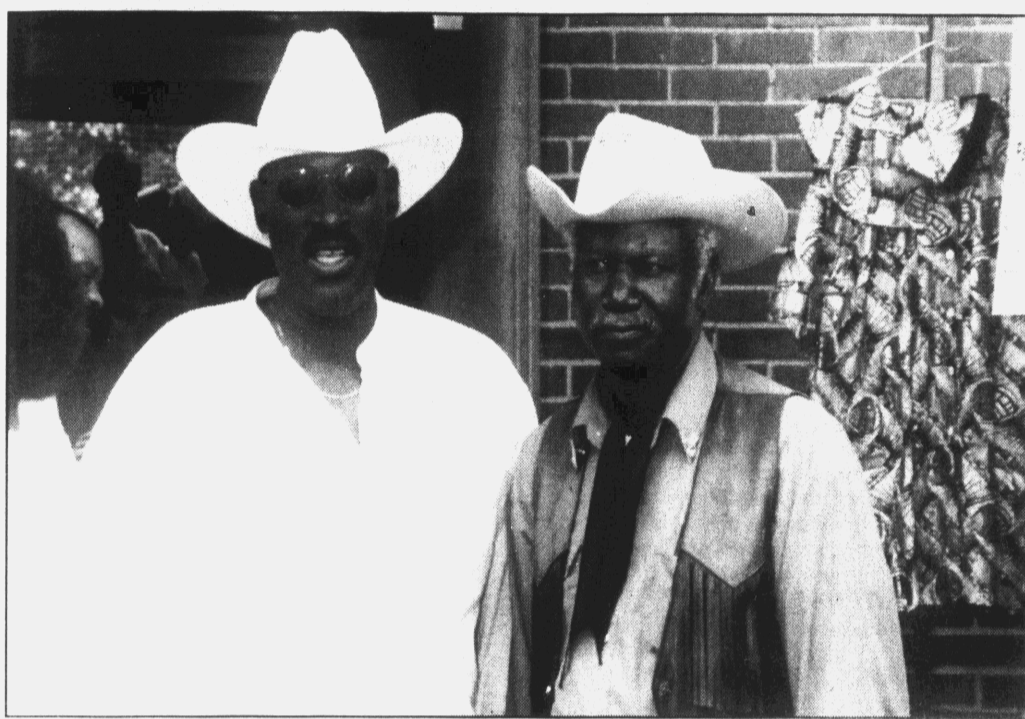
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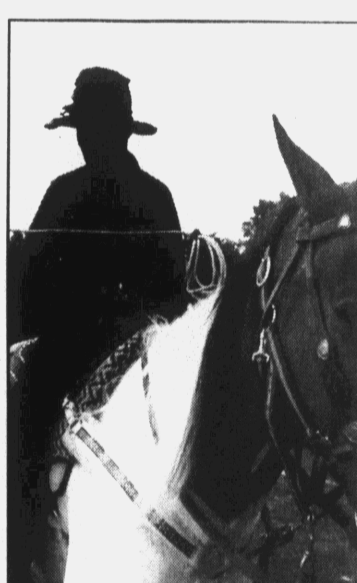
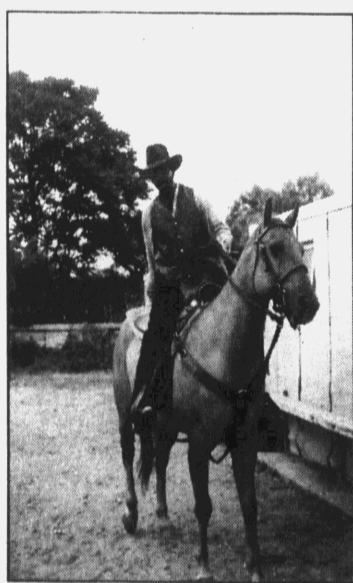


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