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 No Title: Secret  
 Hometown: King  
 Describe yourself: "I'm a  
 Favorite Book:  
 Hobbies: Sewing  
 Favorite Movie:  
 Persons admired:  
 Luther King Jr.  
 Career Goal: To  
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### NEWS DIGEST

National, state and local news briefs compiled by John Slade

## Farrakhan denies he threatened Post reporter

WASHINGTON -- Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan denied charges last week that he threatened the life of *Washington Post* reporter Milton Coleman, who released information that presidential candidate Jesse Jackson referred to Jews as "Hymies."

Farrakhan said he holds the life of Coleman sacred, but did the accuse the press in general of "wickedness" and said reporters may soon have to face God's judgment.

"This awesomely powerful body -- the American press -- accuses me, tries me, convicts me, then seeks to have my brother, Rev. Jesse Jackson, carry out their sentence based on their wickedness to satisfy their base motives," said Farrakhan last week in his first press conference in 12 years.

Editorials have urged Jackson to disavow Farrakhan's

support, saying the Muslim leader threatened the life of Coleman for revealing Jackson's comments about Jews.

But Farrakhan says it's unfair to say he threatened the black reporter's life and warned other reporters, "The judgment of God is fast approaching the Fourth Estate."

The *Chicago Tribune* reported that the U.S. attorney in Chicago is investigating the allegation that Farrakhan made the threat. Farrakhan said he welcomes the investigation.

"Although my clear statement that no physical harm should come to Milton Coleman was ignored by most of you to further your own purposes, I want the world to know that the lives of Milton Coleman, his wife and his family are sacred to me," said Farrakhan. "For, a living Milton Coleman reformed is an asset to us as well as to America."

## A&T nursing program passes with high marks

GREENSBORO -- Eighty-eight percent of N.C. A&T State University's nursing students passed the most recent state nursing exam, announced Chancellor Edward B. Fort last week in the *Greensboro News & Record*. Three years ago, only 13 percent of A&T's nursing graduates passed the state exam.

Seven of eight students who took the test in February passed, which gives the university an 80 percent passing rate for the past year. The turnaround for A&T is the second victory for the once-ailing program, which recently upgraded a probational accreditation from the National League of Nursing into an unqualified eight-year re-accreditation.

Fort called the program's latest results "dramatic" and attributed the improvement to nursing Dean Marietta Raines, who came to A&T as dean two-and-a-half years ago with a goal of turning the program around.

"This is a tribute to the magnificent leadership of the dean, to the talent of the faculty, the devotion of the students and the supporting dollars we have gotten from the alumni for this program," said Fort.

Raines said many factors contributed to the nursing program's recent success, including tougher admissions standards and more individualized attention for students. "We have done so much that I can't exactly pinpoint the most important factor," she said. "We're making our diagnosis and planning our therapy, but I suspect the major thing would be our assessment of the student all the way through the program."

The program's success should lead to a larger enrollment, said Raines. The maximum number of admissions was cut back three years ago to give students more individual attention.

## Ten found dead in Brooklyn, N.Y., mass murder

NEW YORK -- In what's being called Brooklyn, N.Y.'s largest mass murder ever, the bodies of seven children and three adults were found at an apartment house earlier this week, said Associated Press wire reports. One survivor, a 2-year-old girl, was found crying and unhurt under a blanket, said police.

The bodies of four boys, three girls and three women were found in the East New York section of Brooklyn, said police Inspector Bob Burke. Some of the victims were shot in the head.

No motive for the murders has been found, said Burke, and the first-floor apartment was "not in any great disarray."

Carmine Rossi, the owner of Rossi Bread Bakery, located next door to the house, said he was leaving his establishment when a man came out screaming and asked him if he was a police officer. Rossi said he went into the building with the man, where "there were bodies all over the place."

### Fire Prevention

## Children can save themselves from fire

By THOMAS FLYNN  
 Syndicated Columnist

#### Fire in the house!

It's the one time every member of the family may have to fend for himself.

Yet, often tragically, it's also the time when the little ones may need us most. Accordingly, when teaching very young children about fire, the goal is to teach them behavior that will help them save their own lives.

If your child wakes up and the bedroom is full of smoke, what will he or she do? Most children naturally tend to hide from something that frightens them. Too many firemen vividly recall the tiny, asphyxiated body they only came upon while cleaning up because the terrified child had hidden in a closet or under the bed and died of smoke inhalation.

Other firefighters will tell you about the child who ran from, or even tried to resist the rescuers, more frightened of the fireman than of the fire itself. Safety-conscious parents train their children against dangerous misconceptions like these at an early age. Many children can absorb fire-safety training in game form as early as the age of three.

Most easily taught are behaviors that can be presented as physical movement games. "Stop, Drop and Roll," the defense against clothing fires, and "Stay Low and Go" for smoke escape are good examples. Both are easily absorbed by 3-year-olds if parents will teach in frequent, short sessions in which the child actually performs the behavior. A child who's been taught to "stay low and go" is far less likely to react to fire by hiding in the closet.

Of course, a child's fire training should be part of a home escape plan for the whole family. That means each family member must know two ways out of his or her room. Second-story bedroom windows should be equipped with ropes or ladders for climbing out and every family member must practice with them. Children should sleep behind closed doors to delay the entry of smoke into sleeping rooms. And all family members must know an agreed-upon site to regroup once out of the house.

Around the fifth birthday, most children can absorb training to feel a door for heat and, if it's hot, to escape via the window.

Now, what about the child who runs from the firemen?

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### Crime Prevention

## Argument results in city man's death

The following "Crime Box Score" is designed to keep you abreast of criminal activity in your community during the past week and to help you protect your family and property from crime.

#### Homicide

•1900 block, Maryland Avenue  
 During an argument over a card game, the complainant was shot once in the head and died. One person has been charged in the shooting.

#### Armed Robbery

•600 block, Patterson Avenue  
 The complainant was sitting in his vehicle counting money for his car payment when he was approached by a subject who pulled a small handgun and robbed the complainant of all of his money. The suspect has been identified and a warrant has been issued, though it hasn't been served at this time.

•1500 block, Liberty Street  
 The suspect approached a walk-up window and put a paper bag inside the window with his hand inside, holding a blue, steel revolver. The suspect demanded all the money and ran toward 16th Street. The suspect is described as a 5-8, 25- to 27-year-old, 145-pound black male with a mustache.

#### Strong-Armed Robbery

•1100 block, East 25th Street  
 The complainant was approached from behind and hit over the head with a blunt object. Her pocketbook was taken. No description of the suspect is available.

#### Storebreaking

•3500 block, Patterson Avenue  
 Two cash registers with daily receipts were taken.  
 •400 block, Metropolitan Drive  
 Money was taken from the pastor's office of a church.  
 •1600 block, Vargrave Street  
 A school classroom was vandalized. Nothing was taken.

•400 block, Haverhill Avenue  
 Officers responded to a report of an alarm at a school. One subject was arrested and charged.

#### Housebreaking

•1300 block, East Third Street  
 A black-and-white television, 35mm Minolta camera and a large amount of men's clothing were taken.

•200 block, East Drive  
 A Philco portable 19-inch color television and a complete Hitachi stereo system were taken.

•100 block, Overlook Drive  
 A known suspect was arrested for breaking into a house.


•1200 block, East 18th Street  
 Food stamps and money were taken.

•2600 block, Dudley Street  
 A General Electric, 19-inch color television and a .22-caliber revolver were taken.

#### Larceny of Vehicle

•1300 block, Northwest Boulevard  
 A 1981 Honda Accord, license number TTD-992, was taken.

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