

### European Adventure

Should a young black woman consider traveling through Western Europe alone? Indeed, says one who made the journey and plans to go back.

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### Football Mania

The Chronicle introduces its monthly "Black College Sports Review" with an in-depth look at what's in store in the CIAA and MEAC this football season, including photos, interviews, schedules and predictions.

Special Section.



### No Neglect?

A Winston-Salem woman charged with manslaughter in the death of her father says negligence on her part was not the cause and questions the manner in which ambulance attendants and police handled the situation.

Front Page.



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### For School Superintendent

## Local Black A Finalist

By Ruthell Howard Staff Writer

The number of applicants for the superintendent's post of the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System has been narrowed to seven, among them a local black man. In an executive session meeting Friday evening, the school board's screening committee met and reviewed applications from 60 candidates and eliminated all but five.

The other finalists are Ernest A. Husarik, superintendent of the Euclid, Ohio, school system; James Fox, superintendent of the Sarasota, Fla., school system; Zane E. Eargle, superintendent of the Gastonia-Gaston County school system, and Norman Mullins, associate superintendent for educational development in Greenville, S.C. The local NAACP expressed opposition in June

"Our concern is still a legitimate one that points to the fact that there isn't someone black on the committee and there should be."

The Rev. Michael Curry NAACP Education Chairman

During a school board meeting Monday night, the five finalists were discussed for approval and two more names were added to the list. One of the finalists, Palmer G. Friende, is associate superintendent of the system and the only black candidate. Others finalists with North Carolina ties are Jerome H. Melton, North Carolina's deputy state superintendent, and Raymond L. Sarbaugh Jr., former associate superintendent for the local school system.

## Ah, Those Football Saturdays...

Football season is upon us and promises not only fast action among the players, but spirited maneuvers as well by a supporting cast of thousands, including bands, cheerleaders, rabid fans, and majorettes like this A&T beauty, who proved her mettle with a baton during a past A&T/Winston-Salem State clash. The Chronicle's gotten a little caught

up with football fever, too, and includes in this edition a preview of the first weekend of CIAA play (complete with predictions) on Page 14, an editorial look at the Aggie-Ram rivalry on Page 4 and "Black College Sports Review," a 28-page sports monthly that offers the most complete CIAA/MEAC coverage anywhere (photos by Joe Daniels).

## Smith: Father Not Neglected

By Ruthell Howard Staff Writer

For Avis Smith and her family, there are too many unanswered questions.

Smith was indicted and arrested on a manslaughter charge for the death of her 75-year-old father, Grover Smith, but she says she doesn't understand why and is baffled by events leading up to her arrest.

Police first came to her home at 1938 N. Trade St., saying there was a reported stabbing and wanting to investigate.

"I told them there hadn't been a stabbing and one

had a nasty attitude so I told them to leave," she says.

She says the officers

"Somebody is out to get this girl and I don't know who it is. I don't want to see her railroaded and charged for something she didn't do. I want to see justice."

Mrs. Sarah Ephraim Avis Smith's cousin

returned later, saying they had a search warrant and had received word of another stabbing. Though the officers showed no warrant, she says, one went in-

to each room in her house while the other waited downstairs.

When the officer found

her father lying on his bed in fecal waste, one called an ambulance, saying, "I can't let this man live here like this. I'm going to call the ambulance," she says.

Smith, 34, says her father often had bowel movements and she hadn't had a chance to clean him before the officers came.

She says she bathed and dressed her father and brought him downstairs for the ambulance.

"The ambulance man came and checked his blood pressure and said he didn't see any reason why he should go to the hospital," she says. She added that the attendants asked her father if he wanted to go and he said no.

She says one officer warned her that if another



### Explaining Her Side

Mrs. Sarah Ephraim, at the left, sits with her cousin, Avis Smith, who was recently charged with manslaughter in the death of her 75-year-old father. Mrs. Ephraim says her cousin is being "railroaded" and she wants justice (photo by Tony Smart).

## Worried: Winston Man Suspects That Industry Is Dumping Waste

By Ruthell Howard Staff Writer

Allen Miller is worried.

When the sand in the stream behind his home turned dark, the tadpoles and minnows in the stream died, and Miller noticed the water foaming more frequently, he suspected foul play.

"Last year, even the first part of the year, the sand was clear," Miller says. "but recently, it looks dark. And we used to have plenty birds, even last year, but now the bird population has decreased."

His children and neighborhood children normally play in the stream, but Miller says he stopped them and is con-

sidering putting up a sign to keep the children away.

Miller, a resident of Whitfield Acres in East Winston for 15 years, fears someone may be dumping chemical waste into the stream.

After reporting his suspicions to the Division of Environmental Management Water Quality section of the Environmental Protection Agency, Miller took a sample of the water, and mailed it in for testing.

A written report on the water revealed that a foreign product was being dumped into the water, Miller says.

But despite the findings, Miller says he hasn't heard from the office since, and is concerned nothing will be done.

"If it's enough to take the oxygen out of the water so

the fish can't live," Miller says. "it could be destructive to wild animal life and could be a health hazard to the community because it leaves a lot of fungus and the fungus could probably give off germs."

"Before the hazard gets any greater, we would like to put a check to it. We'd like to see the matter cleared up because this dumping could lead to greater dumping of chemicals that could be detrimental to the community."

James C. Watson, a representative from the EPA's water quality section, says Miller's sample was inadequate to determine if chemical waste is being poured into the stream because he kept the water sample unpreserved for too long.

"Personally I have not seen the stream," Watson says.

"He (Miller) could have a bad situation there, but he kept the sample a pretty good length of time."

Watson adds that the organization has limited staff and usually does not go out into the community to take samples unless it receives formal complaints from residents.

"It's not enough that somebody might be doing it or appears to be to be dumping into the stream," he says. "In this particular case, there is nothing I can do. I can't speak to the concern he has."

Watson says the problem could be caused by several things, including a storm water drainage ditch or a car wash or even somebody's driveway.

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