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## **NEWS DIGEST**

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## Black Registration Up Since Jackson Visit

RALEIGH -- Black voter registration is up in at least four of the 10 North Carolina counties that the Rev. Jesse Jackson visited during his voter registration drive in May, reported the Raleigh Nes and Observer last week.

But state officials and black leaders aren't giving all the credit to Jackson.

Black registration in Mecklenburg County, one the counties Jackson visited, "would have been just as great if Jesse Jackson never came to Charlotte," said William

B.A. Culp Jr., an election supervisor in the county. But others disagree with Jackson's critics and say that he is the principal catalyst in increased voter registration among blacks.

Since Jackson's visit to the state in May, black voter registration has risen 3 percent in Wilson County, 6.8 percent in Wake County, 12 percent in Nash County and 20 percent in Mecklenburg County.

### **Fire Prevention**

# **Teach Your Child Fire Safety Early**

#### By THOMAS FLYNN Syndicated Columnist

"If something bad happens, come straight to Mommy or Daddy and we'll make it better." Children learn this advice very early; but when the "something bad" is fire, such advice can be a prescription for tragedy.

Sometimes children must act first and look for help afterward. Fortunately, it's easy to teach a young child how to save his own life from two common fire emergenices: clothing fires and fire in the home.

When clothing catches fire, a child's instinct is to run for help. But running fans the flames. And since fire burns up, staying upright endangers the face and eyes. Teach your child instead to learn a life-saving game: "Stop, drop and roll." Teach the child that, if his clothing catches fire, he should stop where he is, drop to the ground and roll back and forth until the fire is out.

Start teaching stop, drop and roll by performing the technique with the child. Emphasize that, if clothes catch fire, the child must stop, drop and roll before calling for help or doing anything else.

Since young attention spans are short, teach with fre- don't already. quent sessions -- perhaps once or twice a day -- and keep each session under 10 minutes.

Once the behavior is learned, reinforce it with frequent own lives, so start today.

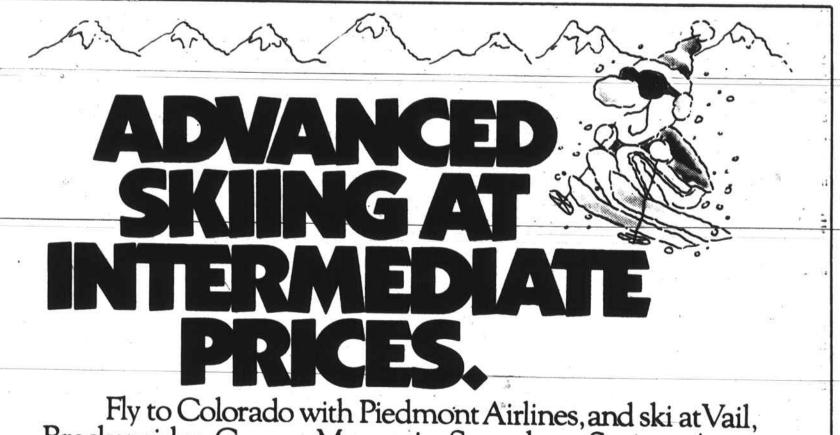
"pop quizzes" at various times and places. Ask your child, "What would you do if your clothes caught fire?" and watch the little one go. Those acrobatics could save a young life.

Another game can teach tots how to escape from fires. It's called "Stay low and go." Since smoke and toxic gases rise, leaving the best air at the floor, this game teaches children to roll out of bed, crawl out of the house and wait at a specified point outside when the smoke detector sounds.

Explain that the rest of the family will hear the smoke detector and "stay low and go" themselves, so the child should concentrate on simply getting out. This exercise, too, should be taught with frequent, short sessions and a schedule of drills. Make sure to set off the smoke detector at least once, using the test button, so the child will know what is sounds like.

By age five, the child is ready to learn advanced escape techniques: feeling the bedroom door, for instance, and exiting through the window if the door feels hot. Now is the time to install escape ladders on second-story windows and to hold regular home-fire escape drills, if you

No child should wait until school to learn fire safety techniques. It's easy and fun to teach kids to save their



## Exploratory' Fund For Jackson Bid Started

GARY, Ind. - Mayor Richard G. Hatcher of Gary, Ind., chairman of the Jackson Presidential Advisory Committee, recently began a drive to raise funds for a possible 1984 Democratic presidential bid by the Rev. Jesse Jackson, head of Operation PUSH.

The initial exploratory fund-raising effort is a campaign with the theme "Give A Jackson (a \$20 bill) For Jackson." President Andrew Jackson's picture appears on the \$20 bill.

possibility of seeking the Democratic nomination for portionately to the contributors, said Hatch.

president in the 1984 primaries. He has said that three things are necessary before he will say, 'Yes, I am a Democratic presidential candidate': masses (national and black opinion polls show strong support for Jackson), machinery (a national group of supporters that reflects the 'Rainbow Coalition' and will organize and sponsor his candidacy) and money (one cannot run a credible campaign without money)."

If Jackson does not become a candidate, monies left Mayor Hatch said: "Jesse Jackson is exploring the over from the exploratory process will be returned pro-

# 'Dollar Days' A Success, According To Survey

ATLANTA - A survey of 37 communities in seven developing a greater awareness of their worth and value states in the Southeast revealed that more than \$4 million in Susan B. Anthony silver dollars and \$2 bills was spent during the NAACP Black Dollar Days Campaign Labor Day weekend. The four-day campaign was designed to show the economic strength of blacks across the country. The results of this demonstration, said a recent

to the economies in their local communities.

Blacks in Charlotte spent \$285,000 in the two denominations during the demonstration, Fayetteville blacks \$50,000, and black citizens in Wilmington \$35,000.

The total spent in the 37 Southeastern communities NAACP press release, indicate that black consumers are that reported was \$4,076,400.

### **Crime Prevention**

# Night Clerk Robbed At Gunpoint

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.

Armed Robbery

•100 block, South Cherry Street

A black male wearing a long, blue trench coat and sunglasses entered a business, pulled a blue, steel revolver on the night clerk and demanded and received money. The suspect is described as a 5-8, approximately 28-yearold black male who is dark-skinned and weighs 165 pounds. The suspect fled on foot. Strong-Armed Robbery

•300 block, Northwest Boulevard

The complainant was assaulted and robbed of his wallet and money. The complainant refused to give of-

ficers any information on the incident.

•1400 block, Gray Avenue

The complainant was walking along the sidewalk when he was approached from the rear by three or four /suspects. The complainant was hit in the head and knock- taken. ed to the ground. The suspects took money from the Larceny From Auto complainant while he was semi-conscious. Storebreaking

•700 block, East 14th Street

A Smith-Corona typewriter, Black and Decker drill, AM/FM radio and a battery charger were taken. •1400 block, East 14th Street

•800 block, Price Street

A large amount of frozen food was taken from a school cafeteria.

#### Housebreaking

•4200 block, Brownsboro Road

The suspect entered a house while the complainant was in the bathroom getting dressed. The complainant told the suspect to leave, which he did. Nothing was missing. •1400 block, East 19th Street

A Sony stereo component set, two speakers, three men's suits and a leather jacket were taken.

•700 block, Motor Road

Fisher stereo equipment, a Pioneer amplifier, two speakers and a 12-inch black-and-white television were taken.

Autobreakings

•2000 block, Harrison Avenue

A pocketbook and its contents were taken.

•4000 block, Brownsboro Road

A C.B. radio and a Fuzzbuster radar detector were

•1400 block, Dellabrook Drive Four wheel covers were taken.

- •1300 block, Wallace Street
- A rear-window shade cover was taken. 1200 block, Cherry-Marshall Street
- A battery was taken.

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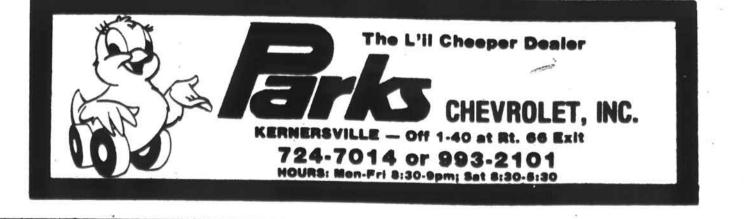
## **MONTE CARLO** MALIBU

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Abe Russell



Money was taken from video games. Child Abuse 700 block, East 27th Street Children can be abused physically, verbally, emo-A small fire was set inside a storage warehouse. Several tionally and sexually. Child abuse can sometimes be idenstorage crates were pried open. tified by repeated injuries, neglected appearance, disrup-•500 block, North Claremont Avenue tive behavior, passive or withdrawn behavior and overly Officers responded to an alarm and observed the critical parents. suspect fleeing from the scene. The suspect was ap-•Use caution and common sense to identify child abuse. prehended and charged with storebreaking and larceny. Please see page A3