



Someone You Should Meet ...

Name: Thomas Richardson Poole
Job Title: Registration Commissioner
Hometown: Winston-Salem
Describe yourself in one word: "Innovative"
Hobbies: Creative art, chess and playing basketball
Favorite Book: "They Came in Chains" by J. Saunders Redding
Favorite Movie: "Lion of the Desert"
Persons admires most: Mother, the late Rachel R. Poole, and father, Ira J. Poole Sr.
Career Goal: "To continue to be of service to my black people."

(photo by James Parker)

NEWS DIGEST

National, state and local news briefs compiled by John Slade

Leonard: Black schools never planned suicide

WASHINGTON -- "We never have intended for the black colleges to commit suicide. ... We expected to fulfill our purpose by preparing all Americans to live in a multi-cultural, multi-racial society," said Dr. Walter J. Leonard, president of Fisk University.

The statement came in Leonard's explanation of the role of predominantly black colleges and universities 30 years after the 1954 Supreme Court public school desegregation decision.

Speaking on the eve of the Ninth Conference on Blacks in Higher Education in Washington last week, Leonard emphasized that desegregation resulted in a greater lack of support of black colleges, the black press and other black institutions, although they still play a vital role in providing leadership in America.

"The problem is not black colleges," said Leonard. "The problem is that whites who control the resources

will not support black-controlled institutions."

Approximately 2,000 educators, business representatives and other officials attended the conference sponsored by the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education (NAFEO), a non-profit organization representing 114 historically and predominantly black colleges and universities across the nation.

"These institutions, which annually enroll more than a quarter of a million students and yearly graduate in excess of 30,000 young Americans with baccalaureate, graduate and/or professional degrees, are proud that, through self-determination, we ourselves are ensuring the continued greatness of our institutions," said Dr. Samuel L. Myers, president of NAFEO.

More than 70 percent of all black college graduates earn their degrees at black institutions, despite desegregation, he said.

Gaye Sr. says he didn't mean to shoot his son

LOS ANGELES -- Sixty-nine-year-old Marvin Gaye Sr., who was charged April 1 with the fatal shooting of his son, Marvin Gaye Jr., said earlier this week that he did not mean to shoot his son.

According to wire reports, Gaye, 45, was shot several times in the chest following an altercation with his father at his parents' home in Los Angeles.

Marvin Gaye Sr., a retired minister, appeared in Los Angeles Municipal Court April 4 and was ordered to undergo psychiatric examination at the request of his lawyer, who said his client was not competent to stand trial. Results are expected in the next week.

The judge also ordered the elder Gaye put into a maximum security section of the Los Angeles County jail because of death threats by other inmates.

The Rev. Gaye said early this week in an interview that he did not mean to shoot his son and said he was at least 20 feet away when he fired the handgun into his son's chest. But his wife, Alberta Gaye, 71, said her husband intentionally shot his son.

Gaye, whose music career spanned three decades, won two Grammy Awards last year for his hit single "Sexual Healing."

Bill called back-door approach to school prayer

RALEIGH -- A congressional bill that would allow student religious groups access to public school facilities has produced a new side to the school prayer debate.

Supporters of school prayer say religious groups are being discriminated against by not being allowed access to facilities other student groups can freely use. But opponents argue that the bill, passed by a U.S. House committee a week ago, amounts to a back-door approach to allowing prayer in schools.

The U.S. Senate recently failed to garner the two-thirds vote needed to send the school prayer amendment to the House.

"If a group of like-minded people want to share a religious event, I see nothing wrong with it," said the

Rev. Joseph B. Bethea, administrative assistant to the bishop of the N.C. Conference of the United Methodist Church.

"Equal access is the best solution to a very complex problem," said the Rev. R.G. Puckett, the editor of the N.C. Baptist Convention's *Biblical Recorder* and an opponent of school prayer.

But Rabbi Martin B. Beifield Jr. charges that supporters of the bill are not really interested in equal access. "They're interested in prayer in school," said Beifield. "If they can, they'll arrange to do it 10 minutes before school begins."

Sens. John East, R-N.C., and Jesse Helms, R-N.C., who sponsored the Senate version of the equal-access bill, said it is a step toward restoring religion to the schools.

Fire Prevention

Prepare for summer emergencies

By THOMAS FLYNN
 Syndicated Columnist

Look out your windows, folks -- that's summer on the way. This week I'd like to share with you some first aid tips for little emergencies that come our way each summer, along with tips for some emergencies that aren't so little.

Summer means more outdoor athletics, more boisterous play and more cuts and bruises. Minor cuts are easily treated by cleaning with soap and water and bandaging. Slightly larger cuts require that you apply pressure directly over the wound: This reduces the flow of blood near the cut and makes for quicker clotting. Sterile gauze may be preferred to adhesive bandages for a larger cut.

Very large cuts, deep, jagged cuts, or cuts inflicted by metal objects require professional medical treatment. Use pressure to control bleeding and summon a doctor or emergency medical technician (EMT).

Two common effects of overexertion on very hot days are heat stroke and heat exhaustion. Though their causes

are similar, the symptoms and treatment for heat stroke are very different from those for heat exhaustion.

Heat stroke is identified by a very high body temperature, hot, reddened skin, and a strong and rapid pulse. Do not treat heat stroke with any type of stimulant. Try to reduce the victim's body temperature with cool water, alcohol rubs or cold packs. Don't over-chill, for example, by covering the victim with ice.

Heat exhaustion is very, very different. The victim will have a normal temperature with pale, clammy skin and profuse sweating. He will report weakness and nausea. Where heat stroke is a failure of the body's temperature-regulating mechanisms, heat exhaustion often results from depletion of electrolytes such as salt from the metabolism. Help the victim lay down and apply cool, wet cloths. Administer salt water (one teaspoon of salt per six-ounce glass) for about an hour, in sips.

Here's what to do about one summer injury that's never minor: drowning. The potential drowning victim will be listless and comatose with bluish skin, lips and nail

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Crime Prevention

Cab driver 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

•1600 block, Argonne Boulevard
 After responding to a call, the driver of a Blue Bird cab was approached by two subjects, one of whom pulled out a silver .38-caliber pistol and demanded all the money the cab driver had. The suspects, described as two black males in their late 20s, also took the driver's watch. The suspects are said to be 5-9 to 6-foot medium-built men weighing 150 to 160 pounds.

•1400 block, Jackson Avenue
 The complainant was robbed of his money and then shot. No description is available.

•1000 block, Chestnut Street
 The complainant was standing behind his vehicle when a black female approached him and began a conversation. Then a black male came up behind the complainant, pulled out a handgun and told the female suspect to "get his wallet." After removing the complainant's wallet and keys, both suspects ran toward Patterson Avenue. The female has been identified and a warrant for her arrest has been issued.

Strong-Armed Robbery

•300 block, Waughtown Street
 The complainant was leaving a store to enter her car

when a slender black male grabbed her pocketbook, pushed her down and ran off.

Storebreaking

•600 block, North Liberty Street
 Snap-On hand tools, all in tool boxes, were taken.
 •4100 block, Patterson Avenue
 A 19-inch RCA color television was taken.

•1500 block, East Fifth Street
 A 19-inch color television was taken.

Housebreaking

•4200 block, Brownsboro Road
 A pocketbook and money were taken.
 •800 block, West Seventh Street
 A 19-inch MGA color television was taken.

Larceny of Vehicle

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

•700 block, Highland Avenue
 A 1983 Ford Fairmont, license number BYJ-959, was taken.

Larceny

•1300 block, Jackson Avenue
 Money was taken.
 •1100 block, East 24th Street
 A pocketbook and money were taken.
 •1000 block, East 17th Street
 Money was taken.

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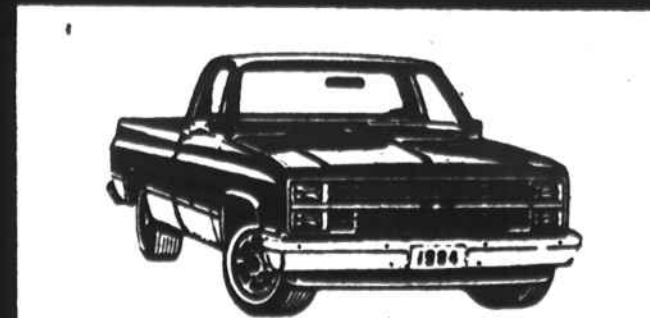
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