

**'Punkin'**

The basketball Rookie of the Year in, of all places, Canada, is from, of all places, Winston-Salem. Sports, B3.



**Spirited Spiritualism**

"I don't believe in a dead church," says the Rev. Arthur Robinson. "I believe in a live-wire church." Religion, B8.



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**It's Not Just For The Boys**

Though weightlifting isn't exclusively a man's sport anymore, as this patron of the Patterson Avenue Y can attest, a group of local men still carry on the tradition of

regularly working out with the "fellas" and building camaraderie as well as muscles. Their story appears on Page A6 (photo by James Parker).

**Between NAACP, Food Lion**

## The 'cold war' quietly rages

By ROBIN ADAMS  
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Battles quietly rage on in what has appeared to become an economic cold war — at least for now.

On one front, the NAACP voted to boycott all Food Lion Inc. grocery stores at its national convention on July 5. On the other, Food Lion started an "I Love Food Lion" campaign on July 23 with winners receiving from \$5 to \$1,000 worth of groceries each week.

Eugene McKinley, vice presi-

dent of human resources for Food Lion, said the grocery giveaway did not happen as a result of the NAACP's call for a national boycott of the chain.

Pat Hairston, president of the local chapter of the NAACP, said Food Lion began the grocery giveaway to counteract the boycott.

"If you tell poor people they have a chance to win free groceries, they are gonna shop there no matter what we tell them," Hairston said. "But I have no doubt that we have made a difference in their sales. They must be scared of what we can

"If you tell poor people they have a chance to win free groceries, they are gonna shop there no matter what we tell them."

—The NAACP's Pat Hairston

"This is not a counter measure. This was started way before the boycott was called."

—Food Lion's Eugene McKinley

## Whatever happened to Knox's black supporters?

By ROBIN ADAMS  
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The skirt Ricky Wilson wore on the day of the Democratic runoff election between Attorney General Rufus Edmisten and former Charlotte Mayor Eddie Knox has been packed away.

Say some, the outfit with Knox's name boldly embroidered on it has gone the way of the rest of Knox's local supporters.

Since Knox lost the runoff election to Ed-

misten, black Knox supporters have been conspicuously absent from Democratic political functions. For example, at a "unity party" held for Edmisten at black businessman Jim Conrad's house, none of the black Knox supporters who helped spearhead his local campaign attended. Neither did many of them appear at a Democratic Party Unity Rally held here that featured statewide Democratic candidates.

Despite their obvious absence, the Knox supporters say that they, unlike Knox's own

wife and brother, who have endorsed Republican Jesse Helms for the U.S. Senate, are loyal Democrats and will support the Democratic ticket in November.

"The Knox people are going with the Democratic ticket," said East Ward Alderman and Knox supporter Virginia Newell. "We are going with the candidate (the term Newell uses when referring to Edmisten)."

Victor Johnson, one of Knox's local campaign coordinators, said he worked hard for

do." Although the NAACP executive committee voted to begin the boycott on July 5, the local chapter spent the first two weeks of the boycott passing out fliers discouraging the public from shopping at Food Lion.

On Thursday, July 26, the local chapter started a picket line at the Woughtown Food Lion store. But three days after the pickets began, Earl Shinhoster, the NAACP's regional director from Atlanta, called them off, citing threats of violence to the picketers as the reason.

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## A tangled web

*Unraveling the city's housing ills won't be easy*

By AUDREY L. WILLIAMS  
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This article is the fourth in a series.

If Betty Jean McFadden could get a hold of a bulldozer, she says, Winston-Salem's housing woes would be over.

City officials hope, however, that other measures less drastic than tearing things down and starting over might solve the Twin City's substandard housing problems.

"They did that (bulldozing) way back when

"Subsidized housing on the federal level is drying up, but we've begged, borrowed and stolen to get every unit we could."

— Mayor Wayne Corpening

redevelopment first started," says Mayor Wayne Corpening. "but now the cost of building is so expensive. It's cheaper to make what you already have better. Where are the people going to live if you tear down everything?"

McFadden lives on 20th Street, where many of the houses like hers have been classified as unfit to live in — and where drug and liquor houses cause her and others to stay inside after dark. Many who live there can't imagine anything better, she says.

**No place like home**

"I work three days a week" McFadden says. "I can't buy a house and I don't want to live in an apartment. What I was born in was better than this one."

Lettie Taylor lives on Cameron Avenue in a sparsely-equipped home. She has one closet, one electrical socket in each room and plastered walls that are peeling.

"I'm doing better now," Taylor says. "The house I used to live in, the landlord wouldn't fix it up, so I moved, instead of having hard feelings."

Gary Brown, director of Winston-Salem's Community Development Department, says residents in substandard housing should voice their concerns openly, rather than overlook the problems of uncaring landlords and high crime rates.

"It's not going to be easy but it's going to take the neighborhoods working together to voice their concerns and learn how to deal with it," Brown says.

Brown also recommends that tenants bring their problems before the Human Relations Commission and the Fair Housing Task Force, form neighborhood associations and attend Board of Aldermen meetings.

Meanwhile, Winston-Salem's mayor remains Please see page A11



**Defender**

Algenon Cash takes a break from his quest to defend the earth from Martian invaders, to cuddle his cape (bath towel) and reflect (photo by James Parker).

**Regarding city raises**

## Aldermen request study of policy

By GREG BROWN  
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Reacting to complaints about a new personnel policy linking city employee pay raises to performance evaluations, the Winston-Salem Board of Aldermen called for a study of the policy's fairness Monday night.

Alderman Vivian Burke asked for a statistical review of salary changes and performance evaluations resulting from the policy, adopted earlier this year, after reporting complaints from city employees that the policy was not being fairly implemented.

"I believe the new personnel policy is now in use," Burke told the aldermen, "and I want a tabulation of the people who have been evaluated so far in each of the four categories — that is, exceptional, above standard, standard and below standard."

The Northeast Ward alderman also asked that figures be broken down further to show the percentage of black males, white males, black females and white females in each category.

During discussion of the policy at a June 28 public hearing on the 1984-85 city budget, Burke opposed linking raises with performance evalua-

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