Area Weddings And Engagements

Knight-Brown

Phyllis Denise Knight and Jessie Junior Brown II were married Saturday, 'Aug. 30, in a 2 p.m. ceremony at Union Baptist Church.

The bride is the daughter of Frances W. Knight and the late William H. Knight Sr.

The groom is the son of Jessie Junior Brown and Patricia Ann Lash Brown.

The Rev. B.F. Daniels officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, William H. Knight Jr.

Serving as matron of honor was Wanda Adams of Raleigh. Bridesmaids were Tanja



Phyllis Knight Brown

Brown, Tessie Brown and Gasometha Hueston, all of Winston-Salem, and Melissa Williard of Abilene, Texas.

Best men were Kenneth Burris
and Marvin Carter, both of
Winston-Salem.

Ushers were Alvin Austin of Charlotte, Benjamin Foster, Tyronne Thompson and Thomas Walker, all of Winston-Salem.

The bride is a graduate of Reynolds High School and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She is employed in the burn unit of North Carolina Baptist Hospital.

The groom is a graduate of West Forsyth High School. He is employed by Mr. Steak Restaurant.

The couple will live in Winston-Salem.

Close-Up

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Thomas also pens the music for the songs he performs. He participated in the songwriters' festival held two weeks ago in Winston Square.

"Sometimes I just get a feeling, and I want to write a song," he says, describing himself as a "very sensitive person."

"Sometimes it takes me five or 15 minutes and sometimes all day," he says, "but I just get the

feeling to write."

Thomas says his favorite pieces are love ballads and other romantic music.

The pieces of his dream appear to be falling into place for Thomas. In December he will return to Detroit, where he says he will complete his studies at Marygrove College. He is pleased with his progress and hopeful about the future.

"The most important quality a musician can have, in my opinion, is sensitivity," he says. "You can become involved with your environment, and that inspires you. Sometimes before a show my nerves do a little jostling, but when I get up on the stage I can sometimes really feel like a master. After the first note I'm on my way."

Military Notes

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military exercise called "TRIDENTE 1986."

During the exercise, Burton participated with his Italian counterparts of the San Marco Group in a one-day tactical amphibious training exercise and a three-day cross training period at the Capo Teulada Training Area on the southern tip of the island of Sardina.

The cross training consisted of live-firing of every type of weapon in the unit's arsenal, including tanks, howitzers and service rifles.

Burton is currently stationed with the 24th Marine Amphibious Unit at Camp Lejuene.

The son of Earl L. and Becky J. Burton of Winston-Salem, he

joined the Marine Corps in July

Navy Seaman Apprentice tries.

Richard A. Necessary recently The returned from an 11-month Audre deployment.

Salen

The deployment was conducted aboard the miscellaneous command ship USS Coronado. The ship's home port is Norfolk,

During the deployment, the Coronado was the Sixth Fleet flagship in the Mediterranean.

During the 11 months, the Coronado participated in the Achille Lauro incident, Gulf of Sidra freedom of navigation operations and the air strike against the terrorist support facilities in Libya.

Besides those missions, the

Coronado conducted routine battle group operations and visited 12 different ports in eight countries.

The son of Richard A. and Audrey J. Necessary of Winston-Salem, Necessary is a 1984 graduate of North Forsyth High School.

He joined the Navy in September 1984. ...

Marine Cpl. Dwayne L. Stover recently reported for duty with Detachment C, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, at Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni in Japan.

The son of Willie L. and Nancy Stover of Winston-Salem, Stover is a 1980 graduate of Parkland High School. ...

Marable

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historically by Martin Delany, Marcus Garvey and Malcolm X.

However, when this language of self-assertion is combined with a political alliance with conservative Republicans and a blind faith in the power of American capitalism, it becomes essentially the anachronistic program of Booker T. Washington.

Washington's political and educational achievements, including the establishment of Tuskegee Institute and the National Negro Business League, cannot be minimized. Yet Washington's political strategy of alliances with conservative white capitalists and Republicans was fundamentally flawed.

He retreated from the political arena, tacitly accepted political disfranchisement of black folk and acknowledged the unequal status quo. Black families would simply have to learn to survive on their own, without government support.

Washington never understood that the road of accommodation and black self-help -- without a concomitant movement for equal rights and a struggle for social justice -- led to a dead end.

When Loury and other black conservatives today declare that "our work is not to change the minds of whites," they contribute directly to the destruction of civil rights and affirmative-action programs, and ultimately, they accelerate the economic and social crisis which affects black people as a whole.

Black self-help, by itself, is no substitute for an aggressive continuation of the civil rights agenda, which seeks ultimately to uproot racism and not to accommodate it. The oppression of black communities deepens every time housing, health-care and jobs programs are reduced or eliminated by the Reaganites of both political parties.

When black women and men

When black women and men are forced into jobs at subminimum wage rates, how can they sustain healthy families?

When welfare and education benefits are reduced to provide more funds for the Pentagon budget, how are the basic interests of the black community served?

How can a poor black family ty.

pull itself up by its own proverbial bootstraps, according to the black conservatives' prescriptions, when it has no boots at all?

By the false juxtaposition of black self-initiative versus progressive social and political protest, the Lourys and others repeat the mistake of Booker T. Washington and reinforce the chains of racism and economic oppression.

Loury and Williams have forgotten the warning of Frederick Douglass: "Power concedes nothing without Demand."

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Niblock

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per child per year, or \$151 million. On the other hand, not to create the program costs the state more than \$1 billion a year.

Not surprisingly, the business community in North Carolina, which previously lobbied successfully for a state kindergarten program, backs preschool. Indeed, the real question being asked is not whether to have one, but how to structure a preschool program.

We have several options. Head Start now serves about 20 percent of eligible children. It could be expanded with state funds. There are private day-care centers that provide quality child care; they could operate under contract.

There is the public school system, a ready-made vehicle that could be realigned and restaffed to meet the needs of 4-year-olds.

Thus, for North Carolina, the choice is clear: We must begin now with a variety of pilot projects to determine the best way to offer public preschool programs of high quality to all 4-year-olds.

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