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King memorial timely

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — A memorial to the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. couldn't have come at a better time than now, with war erupting in the Persian Gulf, Gov. Jim Martin said.

Martin, at a celebration Friday honoring the civil rights leader, said it was appropriate in a time of war to remember King's visions of peace.

"There is no peace in Iraq today, no," Martin said. "Nor has there been peace in Kuwait since August."

End "Racist" war

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Peace activists demanded an end to what they called the "racist" war in the Gulf during a rally Friday sponsored by black students at Duke University.

The rally, sponsored by the university's Black Student Alliance, was called to promote a peaceful end to the fighting and to show support for U.S. troops and their families.

Several speakers prompted enthusiastic applause from the crowd of about 200 when they said the war was taking an unfair toll on the nation's black community.

Klan jeered

BLACKSBURG, Va. (AP) — Like many Virginia communities in recent years, this college town grappled with the question of how to respond to a Ku Klux Klan march.

Although town, Virginia Tech and NAACP officials urged residents for weeks to boycott Sunday's march, about 500 spectators came. Most just watched or held up flyers printed with "End Racism," but scores of protestors vociferously demonstrated their hatred of the hate group.

Pacifists celebrate King

SAN FRANCISCO, Ca. (AP) — A rally to celebrate pacifist Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday was marred by the death of a young man who was shot while thousands of people gathered inside a civic center.

"It's a sad thing when something like this happens when we're gathered here in the spirit of Martin Luther King for peace," San Francisco Supervisor Doris Ward said of Monday's shooting at Civic Center Auditorium.

David Lee Miller, 24, of East Palo Alto, was pronounced dead upon arrival at Mission Emergency Hospital.

Historian: King would back war

GREENWICH, Conn. (AP) — If the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. were alive today, he would support the U.S.-led war against Iraq, according to a Pulitzer Prize-winning biographer of the famous civil rights leader.

Historian David Garrow, whose book, "Bearing the Cross: Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference," won the Pulitzer Prize in 1987, said King preached non-violence as the best way to win social justice. But he said King was not a rigid pacifist and believed some wars were worth fighting.

Ivy Leaguer busted

NEW YORK (AP) — An Ivy League business student accused of throwing thousands of crack vials into an East Harlem alley before fleeing has been convicted on drug charges.

Christopher Clemente, a student at the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School, was convicted Wednesday of illegal possession of drugs and illegal possession of weapons and drug paraphernalia.

Thousands march on King Day



By RUDY ANDERSON
Chronicle Managing Editor

Thousands of people in Winston-Salem were drawn to a host of activities Monday Jan. 21, to honor the Jan. 15, birth of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. But in light of this country's declared war on Iraq in the Persian Gulf, many of those participating also used the occasion to call for peace.

Hundreds of children and their parents packed the Winston Lake YMCA to learn not only about Dr. King and what he accomplished but also to learn information about their heritage.

A Cash Elementary School student, Bianca Alexander, who participated in a dance performance at the YMCA by Dancer's Unlimited, put her learning experience about Dr. King this way. "He was very important to the black race. Without him, we'd still be eating in the back of restaurants and being treated unfairly," she said. For a student in the fifth grade that's a lot to know.

Younger students learned among things about African Hello songs, slavery and what it

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Hundreds of people joined in the annual march through Winston-Salem to honor Dr. Martin Luther King. The posters posed questions most of us are thinking about.

Photo by Elizabeth Martin

Eastway partners gets \$2.35 million loan

By RUDY ANDERSON
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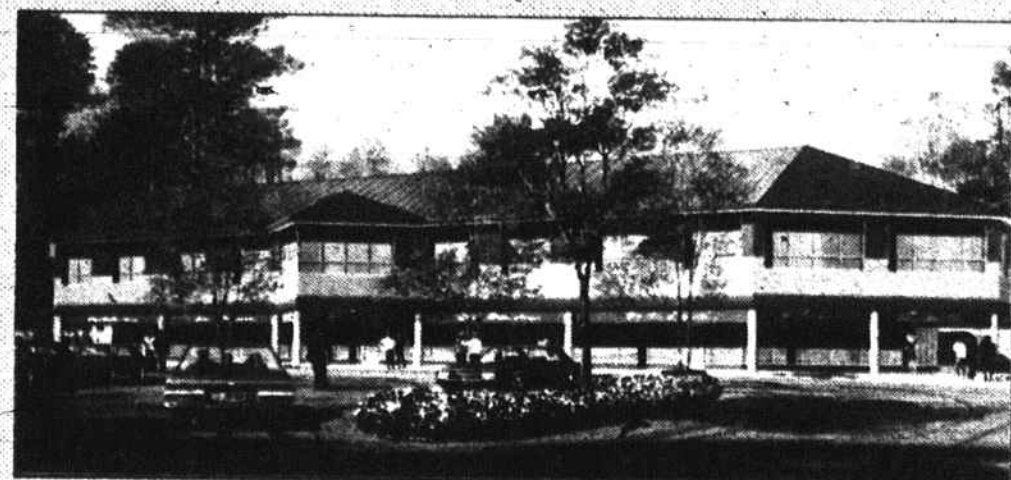
A two-year old dream of a major development project in East Winston is about to become a reality for a

along with Charlotte entrepreneur, John McDonald, said Tuesday that Morgan Crowe & Associates of Columbia, Missouri had agreed to finance the \$2.35 million dollar balance of the \$3.1 million dollar project.

In addition to Morgan Crowe's package, the city has contributed more than \$536,000 to the development along with more than \$400,000 from Eastway Partners.

The property was purchased from the city more than a year ago for

\$297,000. Brandon said that pending closing details on the loan construction could begin within 60 days.



Winston-Salem businessman who has received the commitment of a Missouri mortgage firm to finance his project.

William Brandon, a partner in Eastway Partners



Photo by Elizabeth Martin

Developer William Brandon and real estate consultant Charles Washington proudly display letters of commitment to fund Eastway Plaza project. At left is artist rendering of the proposed project.

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Joyner accepts Atlanta 'Y' Job

By RUDY ANDERSON
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The man who has guided the Winston Lake YMCA program the last six years will soon be leaving to assume new duties as the executive director of a new YMCA facility to be built in Atlanta.

The Chronicle has learned that Norman Joyner will assume his post in mid-April or early May.

The 45-year old Joyner has been employed by the YMCA in various capacities for the last 23 years, the last six at the Winston Lake facility.

Joyner said it was a tough decision to make. "You can't imagine how I've agonized over this," Joyner said. "We've made a great deal of progress here in the last three

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"I was beginning to think to myself, 'I could retire here.'"

—Norman Joyner—

Group denounces war, calls for peace

By RUDY ANDERSON
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With the dust still settling on Baghdad, and American bombers continuing their raids on the city, peace activists stepped up the pace in Winston-Salem and around the country calling for an end to the war.

Voices Against Middle East Intervention held a news conference the day after the first attacks on Baghdad, Jan. 16, denouncing the war and calling for a renewed effort to negotiate a peace settlement. In a statement read by the Rev. John

Mendez, one of the organizers, he said he supported the bravery and courageous service of U.S. troops and prayed for their safety. But he said he felt the action initiated by the President was "a bit premature."

He said when he heard the President say the world could no longer wait for sanctions to work he could not buy into that. "France and other countries were trying at that moment to keep the negotiation lines open," he said.

Mendez is of the opinion that U.S. foreign policy is bias. He list-

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Demonstrators converge on Washington

By TEZRA O ELLIS
Special to the Chronicle

The nation's capital had the look of a scene nearly 30 years ago last weekend as tens of thousands of Americans gathered there to protest U.S. involvement in the war in the Middle East.

Demonstrators from across the country rallied Saturday, Jan. 19 on the lawn of Lafayette Park, directly across the street from the White House in Washington, D.C. to prepare for a march. The march, reminiscent of

the famed march on Washington led by Dr. Martin Luther King in 1963, was organized by the National Coalition to Stop U.S. Intervention in the Middle East. The coalition is composed of grassroots organizations from throughout the nation.

One such organization was Voices Against Middle East Intervention. The locally based group is chaired by Southeast Ward Alderman Larry Womble. VAMEI, in conjunction with Emmanuel Baptist Church, organized a bus trip to Washington so that concerned citizens from Winston-Salem and surrounding areas could participate

in the symbolic event.

"I was very proud of VAMEI for taking this bold step," Womble said. "The march reinforced what VAMEI and many people in Winston-Salem have been saying. The speakers (at the march) were all on one accord that we need to be about the business of saving lives and bringing our troops home."

The program featured internationally recognized speakers including Rev. Jesse Jackson and activist/comedian Dick Gregory, as well as prominent national figures

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