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Malloy pleads 'Not Guilty' to Fed indictment

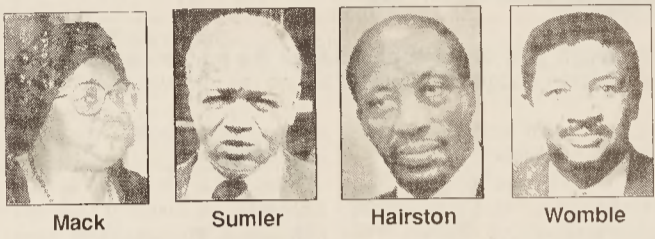
Malloy charges it's a government conspiracy

Burke not mentioned; arraignment set July 1

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Faye Mack, one of those facing federal charges. She also attended the meeting. Rodney Sumler and Patrick Hairston, who also face charges were not present. Alderman Larry Womble, who faces charges, as well, is on a trip in Kenya, Africa.



Mack Sumler Hairston Womble

An estimated crowd of more than 200 people came to the auditorium in the new wing of Mt. Zion Baptist Church. One of those attending the meeting was Greensboro city councilman Earl Jones. Asked why he was there, he said, "Injustice anywhere is injustice everywhere," just before going into the closed meeting.



A supporter of the Rev. Lee Faye Mack (left) solicits funds for her legal defense. Alderman Malloy (right) convenes meeting.

A Winston-Salem alderman has pleaded not guilty to the federal charges filed against him growing out of a federal investigation called Operation Mushroom Cloud. Arraignments for three other people facing charges are set for July 1.

Late last week, the African-American community in particular, and the general community at large, was shocked by the news that Alderman Larry Womble, former Alderman Patrick Hairston, political consultant Rodney Sumler and the Rev. Lee Faye Mack, had all been indicted by a federal grand jury on charges that included racketeering, extortion, mail fraud, money laun-

dering, conspiracy to obstruct justice, filing false income tax returns, and perjury.

If convicted on the charges in the 28 count indictment, the defendants would face prison sentences on each count from five to 20 years and fines up to \$250,000.

The naming of those indicted brought an immediate call from Alderman Nelson Malloy for the government to clear the names of Alderman Vivian Burke and Greensboro city councilman Earl Jones who had also been the subjects of probes by the Internal Revenue Service and the Federal Bureau of Investigation during the nearly four-year investigation that

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Gray will head UNCF effort

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in Congress.

Top African-American politician is stepping from the political arena and the possibility of losing his position as the nation's highest-ranking African-American in Congress.

He said, "I recognize that no matter how powerful Bill Gray may become individually, that power means nothing unless it is translated to that black community from which I came."

William H. Gray III has accepted the position of president of the United Negro College Fund, and his new job will be worth giving up the chance to become the first African-American Speaker of the House.

Although Gray believes he will be helping the African-American community better through UNCF, he says some have accused him of failing the African-American community by stepping down at the height of his political career.

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Gray had been mentioned as a potential candidate for Speaker. But he told the National Newspaper Publishers Association that he will be able to contribute to the black community at the College Fund than

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Gray defended his decision to leave Congress at the NNPA convention in Atlanta, Ga.

N.A.T.I.O.N.A.L NEWS

Study: blacks more likely to die

Los Angeles (AP) - The first comprehensive study of cancer rates in Los Angeles County shows that blacks and non-Hispanic whites are more likely to die from the disease than members of other racial groups. The study, scheduled for release yesterday, is the first to examine cancer based on sex, race, age and geography.

Push to lift sanctions

Washington (AP) - President Bush told skeptical black members of Congress that he has little leeway under law but to lift sanctions against South Africa once a final condition, the release of all political prisoners, is met. "I don't have much flexibility," Bush said at a news-taking session at the start of an hour-long meeting with the Congressional Black Caucus.

Advisors are split

Washington (AP) - Outside advisors called in by a federal court order are split over whether the government should for the first time replace its census with population estimates, members of the advisory panel said Tuesday. Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher has until July 15 to decide whether to correct the 1990 census.

Sanitation workers say City Hall stonewalling demands

By RUDY ANDERSON
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ment they have been getting.

African-American city sanitation workers say that three months after bringing their concerns to the attention of the Board of Aldermen and the city manager, they are still getting a raw deal from their supervisors.

Rev. John Mendez, spokesman for the sanitation workers, said that more than three months after sanitation workers informed the Board of Aldermen and city manager Bill Stuart about inhumane working conditions, arbitrary evaluations, lack of adequate safety precautions, health care, and long collection routes, the problems still persist.

But administrators with the city's Public Works department say they are making improvements in working conditions for sanitation employees as quickly and as feasibly as possible.

"This city manager was given a mandate by the Board of Aldermen to resolve these problems. These men have waited patiently and have continued to carry out their functions in spite of what appears to be worsening conditions," said Mendez.

Fifteen sanitation workers gathered at Emmanuel Baptist Church Monday for a news conference to once again put their concerns to the public about the treatment they have been getting.

He said he and the sanitation workers were led to believe that city officials would come back and meet with them as a group to discuss what was being done. But he said no such meeting has taken place since their initial five-hour meeting with the city manager and his staff just after the workers presentation to the board.

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"They are playing games with us," said Mendez. "This seems to be a trend with Bill Stuart, and I've watched him drag his feet in other situations. I don't think he takes any black people serious, or any black issues." He added, "it just seems to me that the city manager just refuses to do what he has been mandated to do."

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New board named

More foster homes needed

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Foster Homes Service unit of the Forsyth County Department of Social Services. Cynthia Smoot, a news anchor with WGHP in High Point has been named as the honorary chairperson.

A new advisory board has been formed to help recruit and retain more foster homes in the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County area for the 1991-92 Foster Home Recruitment Campaign. The 14-member board will consist of foster parents, school officials, clergy and other community leaders.

According to Minter, Smoot was selected because "she does so much work with children and understands what we're doing, especially because of her work with Wednesday's child."

"It's kind of going to be a community-based advisory board," stated Patricia Minter, recruitment and retention coordinator in the

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Pat Minter (l) hopes the new board will find more families.