

Farm Town 1st In Totals

From CAROLINIAN Staff Reports
Holly Springs has more registered black voters than any other Wake County community outside of Raleigh, according to county voter statistics.

As of Feb. 29, 804 blacks were registered to vote in Holly Springs, a farming community southwest of Raleigh. There are 16,225 blacks registered to vote in Raleigh. Figures for determining the strongest black precincts in Raleigh were unavailable Wednesday at press time.

Garner comes in second with 653 blacks registered and Wake Forest was fifth with 458. The county has

24,745 black voters registered in its 88 precincts which include Raleigh's 45 voting stations.

Margaret Muarry, the host of "Traces, Faces and Places," a Saturday talk show on WLE, said many older blacks are reluctant to

register. "They were brought up during the Jim Crow era when it was hard for blacks to vote."

Many blacks have myths about voting. "During Jim Crow, a tax was levied on blacks who voted," Ms. Muarry said. "That's not

done any more." But one elderly black lady who would not reveal her name said she is not registered to vote because it will make her taxes go up.

"If she voted, maybe her taxes would go down," Ms. Muarry said.

Many black organizations in Wake County are planning voter registration drives to draw more blacks to the polls in November.

Planners will target communities such as Apex where only 137 blacks are registered to vote.

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Police Breaks Up Drug Deal

Man Caught Giving Pot

Cole Warns Teachers

Both Now In Jail



YOUNGEST TRANSPLANT—Charleston, S.C.—Helen McCants of Goose Creek holds her son Frankie, 3½, in a rocking chair at the Medical University of South Carolina Hospital where he became the youngest person ever to receive a kidney transplant in South Carolina. The donor is his father, and both are doing well. (UPI)

NAACP Official Speaks To Educators Recently

BY LARRY STILL
Capital News Service
WASHINGTON, D.C. — There is an "ominous mood of conservatism, spearheaded by the federal government, which is returning the nation to a separate but equal philosophy," Dr. Beverly Cole, NAACP education director,

warned public school teachers and administrators attending a recent civil rights conference here. Speaking at the National Education Association's 22nd annual conference on human and civil rights in education, Dr. Cole emphasized that the "equity gap" is still widening under the

current Reagan administration. There is an exempt of affirmative action, refusal to implement desegregation guidelines and an attempt to extend tax-exempt status to segregated school districts, the NAACP official declared in cautioning against government retrenchment programs against civil rights.

NAACP Investigates Wake School Principal

From CAROLINIAN Staff Reports
The Wendell-Wake Chapter of the NAACP is investigating several alleged incidents of mistreatment of black students at Wake Forest Elementary School. One parent claimed that the principal, C. William Fisher, kicked her seven-year-old niece in October. NAACP members also say a black child was slapped by a teacher while another one was locked out of the classroom by a teacher who was angry at the child. Fisher has denied kicking the child and said he was unaware of the two incidents until black parents informed her at a meeting last week.

It was reported the girl had knocked another student's lunch box to the floor. Fisher was approaching to help the student pick up the lunch when the girl kicked it.

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Although the conference was held to discuss progress in equal opportunities 20 years after the 1964 Civil Rights Act and 30 years after the 1954 Supreme Court desegregation decision, most of the vocal NEA delegates expressed pessimism about the current implementation of the laws and court decisions enacted during the past three decades.

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Appreciation Check Won By Three

Three readers were awarded \$10 each in last week's Appreciation Money Feature sponsored by the CAROLINIAN and participating businesses.

Last week's winners began with Paula F. Bowens of 107 Cardinal Gibbons Drive. Her name was hidden in an ad sponsored by Raleigh Harley Davidson.

Bill McNeil of 1125 Nottingham Circle found his name hidden in an ad sponsored by Raleigh FCX Service. Mc Almerdia

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Inquiring Reporter



MS. RATLIFF HAIGLER

BY JOHN HINTON
Staff Writer

Question: Who do you think will win the NCAA tournament?

Rayvon Dunn, 22, Raleigh, an employee at Hilton Inn: "Maryland. It seems like they are the team to beat. They just won the ACC and they are hot. They have the best team in the country. Carolina will not make it."

George Haigler, 24, Raleigh, a clerk at Hilton Inn on Hillsborough St.: "North Carolina. Sam Perkins and Michael Jordan will be too much for the opposition. Dean Smith has had great success with that program. They have a strong bench and a starting five, and they will just dominate the teams."

Elaine Ratliff, 23, Raleigh, employee at Red Lobster on Wake Forest Road: "I want Carolina to win. It's my favorite team. I like Michael Jordan and he is my favorite player. They deserve to win it. They should have won the ACC."

Sophia Lawrence, 17, Raleigh, student at Broughton High School: "It's my favorite team because they play good ball. The other teams don't have a chance when they come against North Carolina because they have Michael Jordan."

WEATHER

Partly cloudy skies with possible widely scattered showers will prevail over North Carolina Friday through Sunday. However, warmer weather will be the rule along with clear skies Thursday. Highs are expected to range from 70 in the north to around 70 in the south. Lows should be in the 30s except for some 40s along the coast. Overnight lows are expected to be in the 40s and 50s during the weekend. A high pressure system from the Midwest is responsible for the warmer weather.

After a long, hard winter and some strange weather, it finally seems as if "Spring has Sprung" in the Triangle area.



PAYING THE TAB—Atlanta, Ga.—Sen. Gary Hart pays his tab to cashier Angela Spencer at a local Atlanta restaurant, as he hit the last day of campaigning before the three southern primaries March 13. Hart and his main opponent, Walter Mondale, exchanged barbs March 11 at the League of Women Voters debate; with Mondale asking him "where's the beef?" (UPI)

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SUPER TACTICS—The Democratic candidates for the presidential nomination are, from left, Gary Hart, Jesse Jackson, Walter Mondale, George McGovern and John Glenn. Jackson performed well during "Super Tuesday." Jackson came in third in Florida, Georgia and Rhode Island. He came in fourth in Alabama and Oklahoma. Jackson will stay in the race until the convention and is in a good position to go into the big state primaries.

Jesse Jackson Makes Solid Showing In Race

From CAROLINIAN Staff Reports
The "Super Tuesday" primaries netted presidential candidate Jesse Jackson a third place finish in Georgia, Florida and Rhode Island while coming in fourth and fifth in two other states.

"We are very elated over Jackson's showing in the Georgia primary," said Bruce Lightner, campaign manager for Jackson. "With this momentum, we feel strongly the Jackson candidacy will have a profound effect on the North Carolina primary."

"It's going to be a three-man race,"

Lightner predicted, alluding to Sen. Gary Hart and former Vice President Walter Mondale. "We are picking up George McGovern's votes which will strengthen the Rainbow Coalition."

In the Georgia primary, Jackson collected 135,393 or 20 percent of the vote. In Florida, Jackson picked up 121,439 or 12 percent of the vote. In Alabama where the black presidential candidate was expected to do well, Jackson finished fourth with 75,410 or 21 percent of the vote.

Walter Mondale recovered some of his (See JACKSON, P. 2)



JACKSON HEADQUARTERS OPENS HERE—The Wake County Jesse Jackson for President Committee this week opened campaign headquarters at 1000 E. Martin St. Pictured above at the opening are Bruce Lightner, center, Fourth Congressional District Jackson campaign director; the Rev. J.P. Johnson, bottom right, pastor emeritus of Martin Street Baptist Church; and unidentified onlookers. Lightner said he expects the Wake County campaign to be crucial to Jackson's efforts in North Carolina.

Committee Offices Open For Jackson's Campaign

Citing encouragement from the results of "Super Tuesday" this week, the Wake County Jesse Jackson for President Campaign Committee this week opened offices at 1000 E. Martin St. across from Martin Street Baptist Church.

"We anticipate a tremendous level of activity and a highly visible campaign," said Bruce Lightner, campaign director for the Jackson bid in the Fourth Congressional District, at the opening of the office.

"We feel encouraged by Rev. Jackson's showing in Georgia, Alabama and

Florida. The delegate selection process is taking shape. Our goal is to continue to strengthen the campaign efforts here in Wake County and North Carolina," Lightner said.

Local Jackson spokespersons noted that the Wake County committee has

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Blacks Choose Corps To Begin Their Career

From CAROLINIAN Staff Reports

Many black men and women are enlisting in the U.S. Marine Corps after they graduate from North Carolina high schools, according to a Marine spokesman in Raleigh.

Most come from the cities although this state is 52 percent rural, Sgt. Dan McFerrin said in an interview Tuesday. "They are looking for something that makes them stand out, and they see the Marine Corps as a vehicle that makes them stand out."

The Marine uniforms appeal to several of the recruits, McFerrin said. "More than anything else, we sell them on the idea that we are the toughest outfit around. We believe in that, and we want them to think it is true also."

Currently, 214 blacks are among the recruits who will go to the Marine base at Parris Island, S.C., for training. Figures were unavailable Tuesday about how many blacks who are scheduled to go to boot camp are from Wake County.

"We find that blacks do very well in the Marine Corps," McFerrin said. "They do well as sergeants in the leadership positions. They seek that position because they have 10 to 15 men under them and they have to do what they tell them to do."

similar to the SAT, and be physically fit. "Many of our applicants are high school athletes," McFerrin added.

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STANDING BY—Here stands a U. S. Marine Corp Color Guard at Camp LeJeune. These are among the many blacks who call the Corps their home. (U. S. Marine Corps Photo)

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