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The divinity school has held classes at the new facility since January. They also started holding regular Sunday services in the new Shaw Divinity School Church on Feb. 28. Sunday services include, for now, Sunday School at 9:45 a.m., a praise service from 9:45-11 a.m., and the morning worship service at 11 a.m. Dr. Gregory T. Headen, president of the school, will teach a Bible study class and lead prayer service on Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

As of press time, the divinity school offices have not been relocated to the new facility, even though, according to earlier reports, they had planned to vacate the delapidated and sometimes hazardous Meserve Hall facility on the Shaw University campus, by the end of February. Neither Dr. Headen nor Dr. Paige would comment on the proposed move.

As reported in earlier editions of The CAROLINIAN, there is widespread support by Raleigh-Wake business, religious and civic communities for the Shaw Divinity School move to the Southeast Raleigh facility.

"The divinity school seems to me more caring and they seem to be more deeply committed to doing theology," one businessman said, adding, "I think they will make a real difference."

The area residents seem to be excited about their new neighbors.

"They are all so friendly and nice," said Beverly Ford. "They have been out here for only a short time, and we have gotten to know many of them. They are good neighbors. They care. They relate to all of us."

In previous discussions with The CAROLINIAN, Dr. Headen has emphasized that the school perceives the pending acquisition of the new facility as a major boost to the General Baptist State Convention.

"God has led us to this facility, and He intends for us to possess the land," Headen stated several months ago in an earlier interview.

Headen stated at the time that he was humbled and encouraged by the greater Raleigh-Wake community.

"For the first time in the divinity school's history, we will be free to simply let God lead us," he said.

Just a few weeks ago Headen described the pending purchase of the Southern Baptist Church property as a "step out in faith," describing it as "providential," and apparently assured that the purchase would be made.

SUPER TUESDAY

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Returns from the recent Maine and Vermont primaries in which Jackson placed a strong second are causing the media and voters to notice the candidate's appeal to non-black voters. Other candidates reportedly are beginning to react to this development.

"In a presidential election, there is no such thing as territory," said Lightner on candidates who consider certain voting blocs as being their own. "It is the American territory. We're not playing racial politics, we're playing democratic politics."

"Anybody that thinks they have a lock on a certain bloc of votes is missing the boat," he said.

Of approximately 3,500 volunteers in the Jackson campaign across the state, one-third of them are non-black, according to Lightner, who coordinates the Jackson effort with 89 campaign committees and 26 campaign offices across North Carolina.

"Our volunteer base is very strong. We're expecting a 60 percent turnout of blacks. Super Tuesday should place [Jackson] in the strongest position to go on to New York, Illinois and California, where he is also strong. It gives him momentum, money and volunteers," said Lightner.

Other key politicians involved in the area Jackson campaign include Raleigh City Councilman Ralph Campbell, Councilwoman Mary Nooe and Ann Franklin, former Raleigh Mayor Clarence Lightner, and former state Sen. John Winters.

JUDGES' BENCH

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funds between June 4 and Aug. 28 while she was employed as deputy town clerk, the indictment said. Assistant District Attorney R. Thomas Ford declined to comment on the case, allowing only that Ms. Dickerson "had been entrusted to receive the \$12,000, and in that capacity she had received and taken the property into her care and possession." The grand jury returned the one-count indictment Monday in Wake Superior Court against Ms. Dickerson.

COUPLE FINED FOR BURNING TRASH

William I. and Sharon Greene of 1400 Rock Drive, Raleigh, find it hard to believe that North Carolina state laws prohibit the open burning of trash. The Greens have asked for an administrative review of their case, in which they were fined \$579. Not only is the fine excessive, they said, but it resulted from an overzealous neighbor who happens to work for the Division of Environmental Management in Raleigh.

DMV TIGHTENS RULES

On Tuesday, a sweeping new program went into effect, introduced by Motor Vehicles Commissioner William S. Hiatt. The restoration for driver's licenses to those convicted of multiple drunken driving offenses requires repeat offenders to provide documentation that they do not have a drinking problem before licenses can be considered for restoration. Licenses will be restored on a conditional basis, limiting repeat offenders to driving during daylight hours or commuting to a night job, Hiatt said. Those drivers will face annual hearings to determine whether they are complying with the rules.

WIFE-RAPE CHARGE APPEALED

The state appeals panel on Tuesday dismissed a charge against a man accused of raping his estranged wife, saying that a 1987 change in the marital rape law would preclude similar ruling in the future. The North Carolina Court of Appeals reversed the conviction of Samuel Leon Getward, charged with kidnapping and raping his wife Feb. 25, 1985, because the couple was not legally separated when the alleged crimes occurred.

According to the court opinion, Getward was accused of confronting his wife in a Wilmington parking lot and forcing her at gunpoint to leave with him. Driving to an isolated area where he allegedly raped and beat her. At that time under state law, a man could not be charged with raping his wife if they had not signed an agreement of separation. The General Assembly revised the law in 1987 after strenuous lobbying by female lawmakers of both parties. As amended, the law requires only that the man and woman be "living separate and apart." Spousal rape cannot be filed if the couple lives together.

REV. CRIDER

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France; London, England; Frankfurt, Germany; Warsaw, Poland; the United Arab Emirates; Kuwait; Qatar; Abu Dhabi; and in November 1984 preached at the Moscow Baptist Church in the Soviet Union.

He is listed in the 1984 edition of "Outstanding Young Men of America" and was cited by Ebony Magazine as one of the outstanding leaders of the future under 30.

Rev. Crider serves as a national board member of Operation PUSH, is president of the Ohio Council for the Advancement of Black Students in Education, and is also national president of Young Adults for a Better World. Rev. Crider is currently on leave of absence as the director of admissions at Central State University in Wilberforce, Ohio and is assistant pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Columbus, Ohio. Currently, Rev. Crider serves on the national campaign staff of the Jackson committee.

DOWNTOWN

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thinking to on the one hand extol the virtues of living and working in the downtown area—and then with the opposite hand to reinforce an antiquated impression that the area is rife with hoodlums and undesirables.

Third reason: The three-blocks distance from Fayetteville Street Mall to the City Market in a large measure removes that project from mainstream downtown.

The City Market is perceived more as an island of would-be development than as an integral part of the bustling downtown business district. The fact is that shoppers must go out of their way to wander into the market area—rather than by natural design visiting the area.

Suggestions for these problems may include: adequate parking nearby in a parking deck. Most parking decks are on the west side of the mall. We assume the city and the developers do have plans underway to place parking facilities in the eastern sector.

A corridor connecting the Fayetteville Street Mall and the City Market project would eliminate the set-apart appearance of the new development. Such a corridor may be highly expensive and possibly not feasible at this time, but a connecting thoroughfare with conceivably tram cars could be used to commute between the downtown areas, thus relieving some parking concerns.

Because many young people are finding it difficult to place themselves in good jobs, a business incubator may be an answer to their problem, and also filling the empty space in the project. With some creativity by would-be entrepreneurs, some finance and additional financial help from the city, the market area could blossom with innovative businesses.

The need for restaurants, i.e., Italian, Mexican, Chinese, Greek, etc., could be fostered with extra effort on the part of the city.

Clothing stores, specialty shops, computer stores and a host of other new-type businesses could find the downtown area ideal for their entry into the business world. These businesses would be mutually supporting and would attract clientele from throughout the Triangle area.

A major reason for the slow development of the downtown area is that the section has little or no traffic after 6 p.m. However, should the area generally extend its hours beyond the

baking and state Capitol complex, and be promoted as a commercial, entertainment, and recreational area, there would be a different atmosphere during the evening hours which would encourage shopping.

Not until the overall image of downtown Raleigh is changed can we expect there to be significant commercial growth. As a ghost town, the area serves the city little good.

As an exciting, lively and economically prosperous community, downtown Raleigh would be extremely beneficial to the entire Raleigh community.

APPRECIATION

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After coming into The CAROLINIAN office at 518 E. Martin St. and properly identifying themselves, winners were awarded \$10 checks.

The Appreciation Money Feature can be found on the front page of The CAROLINIAN's Thursday edition.

Each reader of this newspaper is a potential winner in the feature. Each week the names of three readers are hidden on the Appreciation Page.

When readers spot their names they should report to this office no later than noon Monday following publication and claim the \$10 checks awaiting them. Employees of this newspaper and their immediate families are ineligible to participate.

SCHOOL BUSES

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sighted, unreasonable, and poorly timed."

"Certainly, all of us in North Carolina share Secretary McLaughlin's concern for the safety of our children," Price said. "No one wants reckless or unqualified drivers behind the wheel of our school buses. But the drivers who violate the conditions of the Labor Department's waiver surely constitute only a small fraction of the number of 17-year-old drivers in this state."

Price suggested that the Labor Department should have handled differently the discovery of the waiver violations. "Rather than taking this shocking and drastic step, the department should instead work with North Carolina to better monitor and enforce compliance of the conditions of the waiver," he said.

"This decision will leave state and local school officials badly strapped for bus drivers," Price said. "At the very least, the Labor Department should have extended the waiver through the end of this school year. Just how does the department propose that North Carolina hire and safely train the almost 2,000 drivers needed to replace the 17-year-olds, almost all of whom are careful and safe drivers, who are being summarily fired?"

"The Labor Department's decision places an intolerable burden on local school districts, and by disqualifying thousands of safe and fully trained drivers, it will actually, I believe, work contrary to the interests of safety for our children," Price said.

Price said he has already taken action on the matter. "I have written a letter of protest to Secretary McLaughlin, and I will continue to work to reverse this unfortunate action by the federal government."

Surplus Food Distributed In Zebulon Area

Because the Wake County Department of Social Services has moved its outpost office from Wendell to Zebulon, eastern Wake residents will now have to pick up their supplies of surplus federal food commodities in Zebulon.

The next quarterly distribution of foods was Wednesday, Feb. 17, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the CCO building located at the corner of Arendell Avenue and Barbee Street in Zebulon.

Households must either receive food stamps or special certification to



HOMELSSS DEMONSTRATE — Atlanta: A portion of an estimated 5,000-10,000 of America's homeless march of homeless people, was bused in from more than 50 cities in downtown Feb. 27 demanding more help from the government. The crowd, splintered by several militant groups, joined Atlanta's homeless. (UPI)

be eligible for free cheese, dry milk, flour, rice, honey, butter and cornmeal.

For information, call the social services office at 821-1746.

Hardee's Food Systems, Inc., received a state human relations award recently for its minority business efforts.

Gov. Jim Martin presented the award from the N. C. Human Relations Council during a ceremony at the N.C. Governor's Mansion.

Hardee's received the state's business and industry award. State officials said the company participates in a fair-share agreement with the National Association of Colored People (NAACP) has expanded its minority franchise program and has established a purchasing policy to increase its volume of business with black and minority-owned firms.

The N.C. Human Relations Council operates under the N. C. Department of Administration. It was created in 1963.

Minute AIDS Test May Soon Be Introduced

BOSTON (AP) — A minute AIDS test using a patented protein, presently being tested in Zaire and Mexico, may be introduced for domestic use this year by a Worcester biotechnology firm funding ground-breaking research into rapid AIDS diagnostics, a company official says.

Cambridge Bioscience Corp. Vice President Rod Raynovich said the test may be available for commercial use, such as in laboratories and clinics, by the end of the year pending approval by the U. S. Federal Drug Administration.

The test, marketed under the trademark Recombigen, uses a glycoprotein discovered by Harvard University researchers under funding by Bioscience between 1983 and 1986. Harvard received a patent for the gp120 protein Feb. 16.

"With all the talk about mandatory testing, there is definitely a need for a quick and reliable test," he said.

The test, seen as the "second generation" of AIDS screening, is conducted on a credit card-sized surface using a small blood sample and the gp120 protein, which causes AIDS-infected blood to clump.

Raynovich said the Recombigen test can use whole blood, rather than the blood serum needed on the present two-hour AIDS screenings.



POLITICAL TENSION — Panama Canal, Panama: Panama Canal security officer talks on his radio Feb. 28 as ship traveling to the Pacific enters a lock at the Miraflores Locks near Panama City. Panama operations have remained normal during the last few days of political tension, but workers at the Canal said a work slowdown is possible to protest military strongman Manuel Antonio Noriega. (UPI)



WELCOMING GUESTS—Ms. Ella Harris, chairperson of C. M. Eppes Cultural Heritage Open House welcomes Ms. Shelia Latham to the center at Fourth and Nash Streets in Greenville. The event was held in observance of Afro-American History Month. (Photo by Bijy Walls)



ON THE MOVE—Atlanta—Jesse Jackson greets supporters as he leaves the Georgia State Capitol with Amy Carter, the activist daughter of former President Jimmy Carter. Jackson was visiting with Jimmy Carter after addressing the Georgia state legislature. (UPI)

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