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(AP)-The number of minority sergeants on the city's police force will swell with a federal judge's order in a legal fight over alleged racial discriminatin in promotions.

U.S. District Judge Benjamin F. Gibson ruled that the police department must fill half of all vacant sergeant positions with minority officers pending the outcome of a discrimination lawsuit filed by nine officers.

However, the ruling also bars any vacancies from being filled on a permanent basis.

The seven black, one Hispanic and one American Indian policemen filed suit against the city March 7, alleging they were denied promotions because of their race. At the heart of the case is a written exam and performance evaluation that the officers contend is discriminatory. • The city agreed not to fill any of the

six vacancies for sergeant positions now open pending Thursday's hearing on whether a temporary injunction should be granted.

However, attorneys for the plaintiffs and for the city met behind closed doors most of Thursday and emerged with a plan calling for the appointment of acting sergeants while the lawsuit is pending.

Gibson agreed to the plan, which calls for half of the present vacancies to be filled by minorities. Every alternate position that becomes open also must be filled by a minority officer.

The department now has one minority in its 45 command positions, a Hispanic servennt

ins case could take years, and in the meantime, there will be sergeants on the force and on the streets," said Steven Drew, lawyer for the plaintiffs.

Drew said he was pleased with the ruling, but that he did not consider it an admission of guilt on th epart of the city. Deputy City Attorney Doug Walton,

who spent much of the day meeting with Drew, said he though the agreement was fair.

Almost 70 percent of aerobic gance exercisers work out at least three times a week, according to the Reebok Aerobic Information Bureau. An International Dance-Exercise Association survey of 831 dancers found that 40 percent of them exercised three times a week, 12 percent exercised four times a week and 16 percent exercised five or more times eekly.



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## **Black Legislator Says Use Political Process**

involved in politics to be successful in business

"So few times groups like yours, that ought to be immersed in it, divorce yourselves from the political process," said Rep. Wilhelmina Delco, D-Austin.

She said the perception is, if I'm out there doing my thing and I'm working hard to develop the contacts and the financial base and what I need to do to be a successful business person, 1 can afford to shun that nasty, awful, dirty business that you call politics.

"I'm standing here to tell you that there is no way...that you can be a successful business person, I don't care what your business is, without being involved in the political process. There's just no way," she said.

Ms. Delco, chairman of the House Higher Education Committee and a member of the Business and Commerce Committee, spoke to a predominantly black audience of approximately 50 persons.

She stressed what she called "3 communication, cooperation and coordination

She said she had been told that black chambers are steadily growing, and added, "Can you

AUSTIN (AP)-A black legislator imagine the power that would really on Saturday told the Texas exist if we spanned this country with Association of Black Chambers of a network that says black businesses Commerce its members must get are as close as my telephone? And if I can do anything that will help a brother or a sister someplace, I am willing to do it.

> "Instead of fighting a system that, has been all too obviously resistant to what we are about, we ought to learn to take advantage of that system,' Ms. Delco said

## THE CAROLINIAN-THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 1988-PAGE 9 **AIDS** Vaccine **Expected** Soon From Research

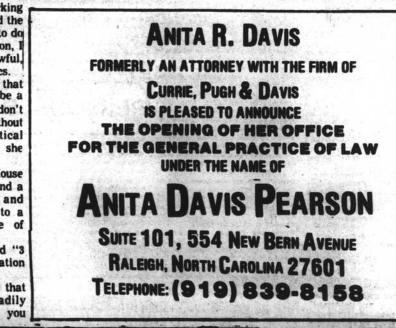
CHAPEL HILL (AP)-Years of cancer research have so advanced scientific knowledge about the AIDS virus that a vaccine for acquired immune deficiency syndrome could come in the next decade, researchers

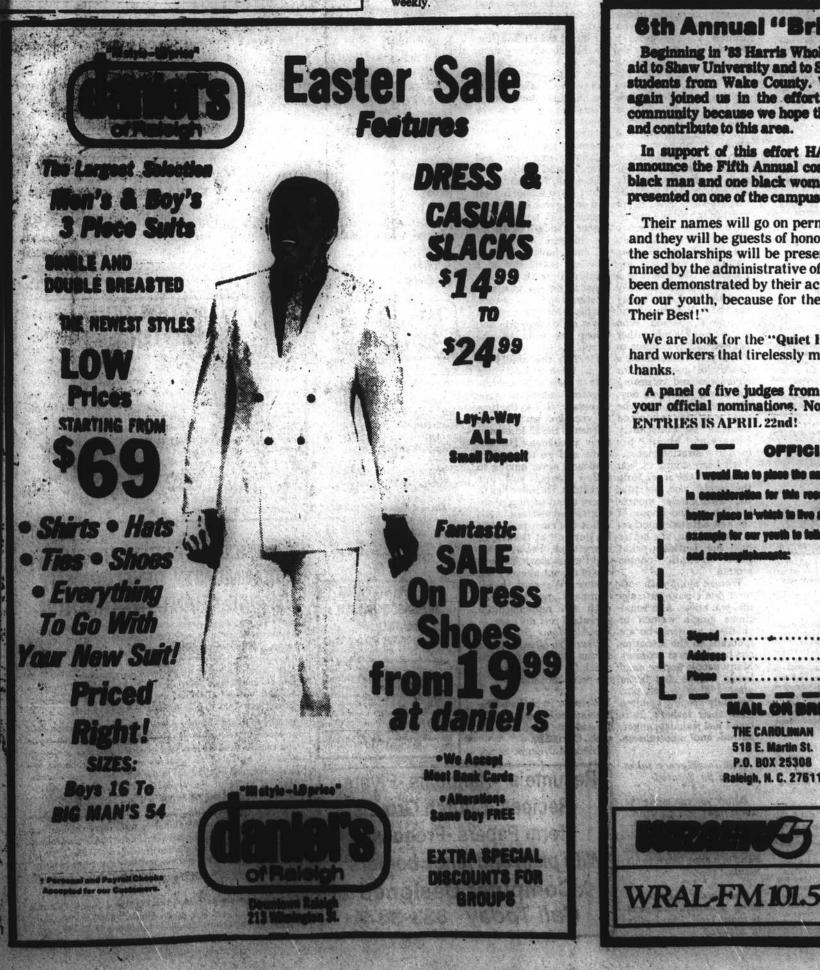
Unlike cancer, which takes many forms, AIDS "is a more discrete disease, we know what causes it, and we know a huge amount about how the virus is working," said Dr. Howard Ozer, director of clinical affairs at the Lineberger Cancer Research Center, where hundreds of researchers gathered last week for a symposium on the immune system. As a result, there is a greater chance for an AIDS vaccine soon, Ozer said.

"I think the implication is we will have one in five to 10 years," he said. For cancer, the outlook is not as good, with no cure expected before the year 2000, scientists said.

Tak Mak, a scientist at the Ontario Cancer Institute, said commonly used cancer treatments like radiation and chemotherapy are not likely to become any more effective. Research is focusing more on manipulating the immune system so such cancer therapies are less destructive.

"You should not expect a magic bullet tomorrow as far as a cancer treatment," Mak said. "I think at this point, 25 years after seeking a therapy, that the drugs we have developed are not going to be any better because of the intrinsic problem of cancer treatment-radiation and chemotherapy-that every time you kill a tumor cell, you kill some normal cells '





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