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NEWS BRIEFS

BOSTON INTEGRATES

Bystanders and media were kept at a distance as two black families moved into their new apartments in a formerly all-white housing project without incident.

Movers carried furniture and belongings into the three-story brick buildings Monday morning at the Mary Ellen McCormack housing project in the city's South Boston section.

Uniformed and plainclothes Boston police officers watched as the two families became the first black tenants at the project in more than 10 years.

The families, granted three-bedroom apartments as part of an emergency Boston Housing Authority program, are not connected to an ongoing integration plan affecting 31 of 69 BHA projects, including the 1,000-tenant McCormack.

RAIL TASK FORCE

Gov. Jim Martin addressed the first meeting of his Rail Task Force July 13 in the Highway Building. The 15-member task force will study the role of rail passenger transportation in North Carolina's future. Such issues as preservation of rail right of way and improvement of Amtrak service were discussed.

PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Chuck Davis, founder and artistic director of the African-American Dance Ensemble, received the 1988 NCAAC President's Award during the annual conference in Winston-Salem. This award is given annually to recognize those who have done meritorious work toward fostering the arts in North Carolina.

Correction!!!

In an article published Thursday, July 7, The CAROLINIAN incorrectly identified Jennifer Taylor as the author of "Politics Shift To Atlanta." Ms. Taylor did not write the article. The newspaper regrets the error and apologizes to Ms. Taylor.

WEATHER

Variable cloudiness Thursday and Friday with scattered afternoon thunderstorms through Saturday. Hot and humid through the period with highs in the 80s in the west and near 90 in the east. Cloudy Sunday with highs near 90.



ALL SMILES—These children were all smiles during the Freedom Street Jam sponsored by Drug Action of Wake County, Inc. According to Susan Amey, community relations specialist for the agency, the event was a successful, drug-free celebration.

BY BILL PEACE
Special To The CAROLINIAN
An Analysis

Tuesday, July 12, was a "white day" for black America. Mike Dukakis finally answered the number one question in this country since the 1988 presidential race began late last year, "Can the Democrats stand up to Jesse Jackson?"

There was a time not too long ago, people could spit in our black faces and all we could do was to get mad, but only inside. We could not even

dare let our being mad show. I remember those days and so do a lot of you. Those were our "nigger days." That's what the degradation and humiliation of being a nigger in America was all about, people spitting in our faces and us being powerless to do anything about it.

Thank God Almighty, our nigger days in America are a thing of the past. Nobody can spit in our face any more and get away with it. Nobody, right? Well, you tell me, you go and tell our Rev. Jesse Jackson, better

still go tell your children, especially when they ask you all-important questions like, "Mama, Daddy, why

in his face?" Be sure you carefully consider your answer. It should be as truthful as

'Don't get mad that Dukakis spit in Rev. Jackson's black face and our collective black faces and don't get mad that Lt. Gov. Bob Jordan patted Dukakis on the back for doing it... Let's get even...'

did they [the white boys who run the Democratic Party] mess over Rev. Jackson so badly? Why did they spit

possible. The one thing we as black people have never done in this country is lie to our children. Let's not

start now. Tell your child the truth about what happened to Jesse Jackson.

"They messed over Rev. Jackson because he is black. They did not even have the courtesy, the decency to tell him to his face that they had decided to pick somebody else to be on the Democratic presidential ticket this fall. And they did it because all Rev. Jackson is to them is just another nigger and one who needed to be put in his place."

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Trafficking Dismissed

Wake Teacher Pleads Guilty

Cocaine Delivery Charges

A Wake County middle school teacher who was arrested on cocaine trafficking charges pleaded guilty this week in Wake Superior Court to a cocaine delivery charge.

Anthony M. Pope, of 205 S. Swain St. had three cocaine trafficking charges dismissed as part of a plea bargaining agreement.

Pope's attorney said in court that he was just providing transportation to a woman associate at the time. Pope and Ms. Emily R. Debnam, 28, of 621 Quarry St., were arrested at the parking lot of Starmount Plaza by agents of the Wake County Sheriff's Department.

Pope had been charged with three counts of trafficking in cocaine. Prosecutors choose the lesser felony of conspiracy to deliver in light of the plea bargain agreement.

A detective testified that Ms. Debnam and an agent had agreed in a telephone conversation to purchase an ounce of cocaine. Ms. Debnam is alleged to have met the agent outside the Hospitality Inn on Brentwood Road. Pope was driving the car.

The two vehicles went to Starmount Plaza where the transaction allegedly occurred.

In lab tests, authorities found the actual weight of the drug was 27.6 grams, just under the 28 grams minimum required by the state for cocaine trafficking. Pope was a teacher and football coach at Whitley Middle School in Wendell and had been under suspension with pay since his arrest.

The sentencing date for Pope has not yet been designated and he could face up to 10 years in prison for the felony.



'ELECTION 1988—Rep. Dan Blue, state legislator from Representative from New York, Blue, Carolyn Coleman, North Carolina (second from right) makes a point while NAACP Southern Regional Voter Action director, Basil panelists listen at Martin Street Baptist Church. The group Patterson, attorney from New York and Charles Hayes, U. S. assembled to discuss "Election '88: A Black Perspective" for Congressman from Illinois. (Photo by Talib Sabir-Calloway) WUNC-TV. Others pictured are from left, Ed Towns, U.S.

Dukakis Quick-Fix For VP Could Bring About New Jackson Stargedy

BY R.P. CORNWALL CHUNN
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The mostly Democratic black community across America now awaits a signal out of the Democratic National Convention in Atlanta next week—from Rev. Jesse Jackson—to determine black voter enthusiasm for the newly announced Michael S. Dukakis-Lloyd Bentsen Democratic ticket.

Following Dukakis' selection of the Texas senator as his running mate, the Jackson forces began shaping their response to the announcement which came as a surprise even to Rev. Jackson.

In a written statement issued Tuesday afternoon, Bruce Lightner, director of the North Carolina Jackson effort, said, "Rev. Jackson has sent the appropriate message to his leadership and supporters throughout the nation. In essence, we choose to reserve judgment on whether or not a Dukakis-Bentsen ticket will be wholeheartedly received until we gather in Atlanta. We will allow the national convention to take its course."

The statement continued, "We go to Atlanta determined to deliberate and debate about our party's platform and direction, to arrive at a democratic decision and get a man-

date to win in November and govern thereafter." "This convention is the place the party assembles to define itself and

for the black community." Lightner said he was "certainly" going to the Democratic convention, and "I'm going to do everything I can

Jackson Delegates Urge Wait And See Attitude Toward V. P. Selection.

its vision of the future—the Jackson campaign and its delegates intend to fully participate in this process," the statement read.

Clarence Lightner, a former Democratic Party national committeeman and a Jackson delegate, stated in an interview on the vice presidential selection, "That's up to the nominee."

On the possible reaction to the selection of Bentsen from the black supporters of Rev. Jackson across the country, he said, "I can't speak

do to support him [Rev. Jackson]... [to] get those things the Jackson campaign will be interested in..."

A top state Democratic Party official, Everett Ward, said he agreed with many of Rev. Jackson's comments at the press conference following the Dukakis-Bentsen announcement.

"As Rev. Jackson stated, we still have to develop our national platform. It is incumbent with us as Democrats to make sure they are

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"Golden Rule" Is Manager's Guide

BY R.P. CORNWALL CHUNN
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For Robert "Bob" Rogers, July 18 of this year definitely will be the day that "the rubber meets the road."

Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. will open its newest service center at Beacon Plaza, 3901 New Bern Avenue, on that date, and Rogers will be the new store's manager, the only black manager of a Firestone store in the area.

For the Raleigh native and 1971 Enloe High School graduate, sales have been his avenue to professional achievement.

"As people manufacture products, it takes someone to get that over to the public," Rogers said. "You just take the golden rule with you and go from there."

The "golden rule" has apparently worked for Rogers. He previously was with J.C. Penney Co. in their automotive center, and subsequently managed the New Hope Road Firestone service center for four years.

"I'm very excited about my position as manager. I have put a lot into it," he said. "Our greatest message at the present time is that we're not just a tire store,

but that we offer service—Firestone MasterCare Car Service.



ROBERT "BOB" ROGERS

"It's more than just a program. We do things different from any other automotive services. We

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March Planned To Pay Homage To Dr. King

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. (AP)—Martin Luther King, III, son of the slain civil rights movement leader, is seeking support for a national march on Washington next month, on the 25th anniversary of the demonstration led by his father.

King, 30, a member of the Fulton County Commission in Georgia, received the backing of Mayor W. Wilson Goode of Philadelphia.

"We should recommit ourselves to the dream. A lot has been done since 1963, but still more needs to be done," Goode said. He urged Philadelphians to "lead the way" in organizing and supporting the march.

The Aug. 27 march to the Lincoln Memorial would commemorate the famous "I Have a Dream" speech by Dr. King. The slain civil rights leader's son said he hopes to see hundreds of thousands of patriotic Americans join.

He said his mother, Coretta Scott King, decided to bring several issues to the front of the national agenda—the increased number of people living in poverty, the burgeoning homeless population and national inattention to the needs of children.

King and Dr. Joseph Lowery of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference said they mounted the rally to

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Judges' Bench

SHOOTING SUSPECTS

A search for two men suspected of firing a handgun into a police station is under way in Wilson County. Officials at the Stantonburg Police Station think the incident may be related to another shooting spree outside the town (Wilson) earlier in the evening. The attacks may have been provoked because of the police department's raids on illegal liquor houses.

Stantonburg Mayor Seth P. Hunt commented that a single bullet had passed through the front window of the police station, passing over the main desk and striking a filing cabinet in the back of the building around 12:30 a.m. Sunday. At the time no one was in the building. An alert employee at the rescue squad in another building heard the shots and chased a dark-colored Chevrolet pickup truck westward onto Hwy. 222 into Wayne County.

According to an official of the Wilson County Sheriff's Department, the truck was driven down a side road in Eureka, two men jumped out and hit the woods.

In another incident a resident of a house on Hwy. 58 south of Stantonburg also reported to police that he heard gunfire around 9 p.m. Saturday; three bullet holes were found below a window section. The bullets appeared to have been fired from a .25-caliber automatic.

POLICE GET NEW GUNS

The days of the .357 magnum Smith and Wesson revolver are fading from the scene as the official weapon for state troopers. State law enforcement officials and Alcohol Law Enforcement agents will showcase the powerful Beretta semiautomatic 9 mm pistol.

Law enforcement officials say the move is an effort to stay in step with criminals who are better armed

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