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## NEWS BRIEFS

### TOXINS MOVED

Administration officials said this week that they thought that Libya had moved chemicals needed for the production of poison gas away from storage sites near a major chemical plant. An official said the Libyans had cleaned up the plant in Rabta, 40 miles south of Tripoli, which the Reagan administration asserts is being built for chemical weapons production.

### RACIAL UNREST

China's racial unrest spread to Beijing this week with a march by Chinese students to protest what they said were assaults by African students on Chinese women. Protesters carried banners with such slogans as "Hooligans Go Home," "Protect Women's Rights," and "We Demand a Safe Campus." The demonstration began Dec. 24, 1988 with an interracial brawl in the eastern city of Nanjing.

### EMERGENCY APPEAL

The City of Raleigh has formally appealed the Federal Emergency Management Agency's denial of public assistance to the City of Raleigh. The city has documented its tornado recovery costs through Dec. 26, 1988 at approximately \$914,000. The total cost of the tornado to the city will be approximately \$1.5 million.

### LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

The North Carolina Association of Educators will ask legislators during the 1989 General Assembly to make major expenditures to attract, and to keep, excellent professionals in the classrooms, to give classroom teachers a greater voice in curriculum and administrative decisions, and to pilot an experimental preschool program.

### NEW APPOINTMENT

Secretary of Transportation James E. Harrington announced the appointment of S. Thomas Rhodes of Wilmington as deputy secretary of transportation. Rhodes, 44, who formerly served as secretary of the Department of Natural Resources and Community Development, joined the department Tuesday. He replaces William W. Cobey, Jr., who has assumed Rhodes' former post at NRCD.

### ETHANOL PLANT

A North Carolina firm plans to build an ethanol plant near Faison as part of a \$200 million complex that will be the largest industrial development ever built in Duplin County, the county's director of economic development, W.W. Brinson, Jr., said. Ethanol, Ltd.'s proposed operation will feature a co-generation plant, a facility that generates and sells electricity and steam. (See NEWS BRIEFS, P. 2)

## Ethnic Intimidation

# NAACP Urges New Crimes Code

BY DENNIS SCHATZMAN  
Special To The CAROLINIAN  
An Analysis

Incidents of racial and ethnic intimidation and hazing are on the rise in North Carolina. We in the NAACP feel that the escalation of these acts of harassment warrants strong language in the criminal code making racial and ethnic intimidation a misdemeanor offense with minimum and maximum fines and jail sentences.

Four highly charged incidents in 1988 dramatize the need for such specific offenses in the criminal code.

• In February 1988, a Lenoir black civil rights leader and the local president of the NAACP found a note stuck

to a Jesse Jackson campaign poster saying, "Watch out, the Klan is watching you."

• In April, three men wearing white Ku Klux Klan-like hoods chased four black youths on their way to school in Winston-Salem.

• From February through July, the state office and the Greensboro Branch office of the NAACP received hundreds of racist and vulgar telephone calls, mostly between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. each day. On some days, there were as many as 25 calls, sometimes less than one minute apart. When the phone company was contacted, they traced the calls to a service station in Pleasant Grove.

The Greensboro Police investigated the situation and charged a part-time service station attendant and a fender, was sentenced to perform 100 hours of public service work.

• On Easter day, two black

trouble and the men were under the hood when several white male students, led by a freshman from Wilson, began to yell racial slurs at them.

According to witnesses, the white students were drinking alcoholic beverages and calling the black students "monkeys" and "niggers," "bitches," telling them to "go back to Africa," and finally inviting them to come up to the room and fight.

The black male students did, witnesses say, and went to the room and fought the white students. Two white students were sent to the hospital.

Later, a student judicial board (See NAACP, P. 2)

students and their dates were parked outside Garrett Hall at East Carolina University. They were having car

Racial and ethnic intimidation are acts so counterproductive to maintaining a peaceful society that they warrant special notation in the criminal code.

## Women Attacked

# Assailants Elude Local Police

Police See Difference In Attacks

From CAROLINIAN Staff Reports

Over the past few weeks there has been a rash of rapes in the area. Earlier this week, an N.C. State University student was raped in her apartment off Avent Ferry Road. The young woman told police officials that she was sleeping when the attacker entered her apartment and she awoke to find the man on top of her. The incident took place between 2 and 2:30 a.m. The assailant entered the second-floor apartment through a sliding glass door. The victim was taken to Rex Hospital following the incident.



TAKING OATH—Newly elected Superior Court Judge George Greene was sworn in Tuesday, as his wife Ruby Greene looked on, by N. C. Supreme Court Justice, J. C. Exum, Jr. in the Wake County Courthouse building. The swearing in ceremony was attended by dozens of well-wishers who were crowded in the courtroom to see Greene become one of nine black Superior Court Judges assume their duties. (Photo by Talib Sabir-Calloway)

Almost three weeks ago, a woman was raped in her home on East Martin Street when she returned from a local market. She went outside to feed her dog and when she went back inside, she was grabbed from behind and overpowered. In that incident, the attacker used a sharp object against the victim's neck. The suspect was described as a black male 5'11" and about 26 years old. The woman said she did not know the attacker, but had seen him before.

A week later, another woman was raped in her apartment on Tall Timber Drive near Crabtree Valley Mall. This time, the attacker scaled the building from the outside terraces to break into the third-floor apartment. The woman was not home at the time of the break-in.

Upon arriving home, the woman noticed that her belongings were out of order and was about to leave when she was grabbed, forced to disrobe and blindfolded. The attacker then took the woman to the bedroom and raped her. In this incident, again, the man entered the apartment through a sliding glass door.

In all three cases, the rapist somehow managed to slip into the victims' residences unnoticed. The only weapon reported was in the Martin Street attack. So far, authorities

## Major Problems Continue To Face Multiracial Groups Around Globe

BY JOHN THOMPSON MOORE, JR.  
Special To The CAROLINIAN  
An Analysis

There are many Afro-American youth of today who are still confused over the misunderstanding that each of the three other racial groups have of them.

First, religiously speaking, our youths must understand that God had created four dominant races of mankind and the physical anthropologists had classified them and their origins as Europeans (Caucasians or white), Asians (Mongoloid or yellow), Indians (or red) and Africans (Negroids or blacks).

Secondly, that for centuries until the 15th century that each of these dominant races resided mainly in their respective continents. Can't one see that there was no racial animosity among these men and women when

they were isolated from each other? Sociologically speaking, prejudice and discrimination, which are nothing but attitudes derived from inter-mingling of the races on such factors as competition for jobs, marriages, social status, etc. Our youths must consider those factors in order to solve these problems. Do you agree?

Historically speaking, it was in the 15th century (1400-1500) that the Caucasians began to colonize and explore the world and began to import the Africans into the New World to be slaves. What a day! The slave masters, then, considered themselves to be superior to the slaves. Then, in the 19th century, American businessmen had thousands of Asians imported into America for the sole purpose of building the railroads. Also, they

later had most of the American Indians confined into reservations as many of them are living today. Can't one see why these problems still exist today?

Labor unions lobbied to have the U.S. Congress pass the Chinese Exclusion Act in the 19th century to prohibit any further Asians from coming to America because they were considered to be cheap workers and competing with the white workers on the West Coast, but it was not until World War II that this act was repealed and now Asians can become citizens and also American Indians who, theoretically, have all the privileges of the other races in America.

In short, the Asian or yellow race and the other non-white races are definitely trying to achieve a higher socio-economic-political status in the United States or the world at the expense of ridiculing the blacks. Do you agree? Can't our black youths see that?

## Gen. Powell To Vacate Office; Highly Praised

BY CHESTER A. HIGGINS, SR.  
NNPA News Editor

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Colin Luther Powell recounts this anecdote with a relish: "I had been in the job for one week: two blacks—two Afro-Americans, I think that's what we're calling ourselves now—were in the Roosevelt Room [in the White House] with a chain of newspapers that had their various editors and publishers asking questions. One of the blacks said, 'Gen. Powell, you're black and no black has ever held this position. Come on, now, don't you think that people are going to go around you or essentially not take you serious when the heavy blitzing starts because you're black?'"

"Well, you know what I wanted to say but couldn't. I was on my best behavior so I couldn't get down with him."

"No," I said. "I don't believe that for a couple of reasons. One, it is not the way the president is and it's not the way my associates in the White House are. I don't expect them to treat me that way and they haven't so far. And secondly, if the president and Sen. Baker [who was the chief of staff at the time] and others didn't think I was able to handle it and stop people from doing that, then they probably made a mistake in giving me the job. And I don't think they intended to make that mistake."

"That wasn't a bad answer at the time," he chuckled. "A few weeks later I saw the guy again in a spot where I could talk to him in a manner in which he could understand. I ask—"

(See GEN. POWELL, P. 2)

## Judges' Bench

### ASSAULT CHARGES

A Raleigh woman, Juanita M. Garcia, is being held on \$30,000 bond in connection with the stabbing of a Raleigh man and breaking and entering his apartment. Brooks Neal Young of D-28 Washington Terrace said he was attacked by the woman in his apartment and suffered stab wounds. Young was taken to Wake Medical Center where he was listed in fair condition Tuesday night. Police have charged the 31-year-old Garcia, of 600-G Candor Lane, with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, inflicting serious injury. Garcia was also charged with burglary.

### SNACK BAR ROBBED

The Federal Building, located at 310 New Bern Avenue in Raleigh, was robbed by a man claiming to have a gun Tuesday. The man entered the building and told the clerk at the snack bar that he had a gun. The robber then took money from the register and fled on foot. The man left the scene with an undetermined amount of cash. The incident took place around 2:45 p.m. When police arrived the clerk told them she did not see a gun.

### LARCENY OF AUTO

Henry Lawrence Smith, 39, of 416 Colleton Road, Raleigh, allegedly led police on a chase Tuesday before being charged with stealing a 1988 Chevrolet van belonging to the state that was being loaded at 116 W. Edenton St. around 1 p.m. Tuesday.

Following the theft, a police officer noticed the van weaving and tried to pull it over, but the driver wouldn't stop. The chase continued down two one-way streets the wrong way. Eventually, the suspect crashed the (See JUDGES' BENCH, P. 2)

## New Buses Expand CAT System Fleet; More On Way

From CAROLINIAN Staff Reports

Ten new buses rolled into the city's Capital Area Transit Co. for immediate distribution to the city's bus routes recently. The purchase of the buses was made possible by several grants which helped the city defray their \$1.6 million total cost. Under the terms of the grant, 80 percent of the cost was paid by the U.S. Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration, 10 percent was funded by the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and the remaining 10 percent was covered by the City of Raleigh.

The 10 new buses will be immediately pressed into service with some of them replacing older buses of CAT's fleet and a few augmenting the fleet's number. The buses have specifications similar to those already being used by the public, such as seating capacity, bus length, gas mileage, etc. However, each of the new buses is wheelchair equipped for the handicapped. Despite that feature, the capacity is 43, roughly four more than other buses already in use.

According to city and CAT officials, 14 more new buses are expected soon with the money for them having already been approved. These 14 new buses have been paid for, according to these officials, under the same arrangements as the first 10, are from the same manufacturer, Transportation Manufacturing Corp. of New Mexico, and will be additions to Raleigh's fleet of approximately 58 buses.

TMC began building this model after General Motors ceased its bus operations. After this, TMC moved its plant to New Mexico and picked up GM's orders and contracts. The transmission of the new TMC buses is engineered to guarantee a smoother, more comfortable ride for passengers as well as drivers. Gas mileage is rated at or about the same as other buses in the city fleet.

At least some of the new buses were in service before the dedication. They feature electronic destination signs on the front and side of the vehicle, instead of the "piano roll" type long familiar to bus patrons. The seats are also easier to sit in and more comfortable.



ALL ABOARD—The City of Raleigh added 10 new buses to its CAT system during a dedication ceremony Tuesday. Pictured are City Councilwoman Mary Nee and Mayor Avery Upchurch aboard one of the new buses which will be pressed into service immediately. (Photo by Talib Sabir-Calloway)