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Former boxing champ Larry Holmes prepared for a new Federal Courtroom in his bldg.
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In the mid-1920s, during the Harlem Renaissance, Langston Hughes and anthropologist Zora Neale Hurston briefly edited Fire, a journal of literature and social commentary. Hughes published over ten volumes of poetry, short stories and dramas in his lifetime.

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"Waiting For Armageddon" Is Saddam Hussein The Anti-Christ?



BY TONY BROWN
"Waiting for Armageddon" was the title of a huge story in "The New York Times" Book Review section last week. At the same time, Saddam Hussein was dominating the media as the world's new Hitler after his invasion of Kuwait and call for a religious war.

through "a dreadful period of suffering" that fits nuclear holocaust into biblical prophecy. "God alone knows the future, say the fundamentalists, and we can only try to read His signs," the "Times" reported. One person who has done an extraordinary job of reading these "signs" was Nostradamus, a French doctor who lived from 1503 to 1565. He foresaw the atomic bomb, space flights, airplanes, submarines, both world wars and chemical warfare ("false dust").

He also predicted more than 400 years ago that the world would suffer the destruction of three separate antichrists who would bring death and disaster: Napoleon, Hitler and Mabus. We know who Napoleon and Hitler were, but who is Mabus? It may be an anagram. During the sixteenth century, anagrams were as popular as crossword puzzles are today. An anagram is a proper name with its letters re-arranged. For example, Nostradamus, an anagramist who loved to play with

words, called the second antichrist "Hister." Of course, Hister with one letter changed translates to "Hitler." Let us now apply the anagram principle to Mabus, the terminal antichrist, who it is predicted, will start World War III. "Mabus" spelled backwards with a "d" replacing the "b" translates to "Sudam." There is also a repetition of the word "main" in Nostradamus' quatrains in connection with the last antichrist. Relying on phonetics, you

Mideast Crisis Changing World Order, Balance

Greater Need For Resolution Skills

BY DR. ALBERT E. JABS
An Analysis
The Middle East crisis has changed the world. Perhaps never has the world been in greater need for conflict resolution skills. In fact, because of the interlocking nature of such issues as religion (Holy War/infidel), oil, power balances, stereotypes of Arabs/West, history of imperialism/colonialism, arming of Third World as a result of Cold War conflicts, armed might of various nations, Israeli occupation of Gaza/West Bank, Kuwait occupation, and long-term interests of the area, conflict resolution skills are vital. Conflict resolution skills are desperately needed not only in the Persian Gulf crisis, but in other areas of the world, in our cities, our schools, and in our families.

Crash courses in conflict resolution skills are not enough. Coping with conflict skills should be incorporated into every college curriculum in this country. The sooner, the better. The danger of demonization in the Middle East crisis is everpresent; this is slapping each other verbally in the mouth; it means that crude stereotypes are used to influence one side against the other. It can be a time when mountains are made out of molehills, where each weakness or isolated incident is sensationalized or distorted, so that evil is always in the other side and righteousness on our own side.

Let it be clear: every citizen has a constitutional responsibility to safeguard the country by reasonable words and actions. But we must be warriors for peace right down to the bottom line—and conflict resolution skills are crucial.

Shaw University could provide a neutral forum where peacemaking/conflict resolution skills can be honed. In some instances, the hour already is late, but it is never too late to work for world-community reconciliation. With Middle East experts like Dr. Hatem Hussaini and Dr. Urabi Mustafa, a center for conciliation of conflict could easily be established.

With nuclear cleanup, smog alerts, Liberian turmoil, South African unrest, and the domestic agenda of the 1990s concerning the dispossessed, the class/community building must be on the front burner. Conflict resolution skills can be a beginning.

Finally, as a Baptist, church-related institution, Shaw University can have a Christ-Center of Conflict Conciliation (CCCC).

Suspect Escapes With Money Savings And Loan Robbed Here

Tracking Dog Aids In Search



NAACP HONORED—Raleigh-Apex NAACP was cited at the recent NAACP convention in Los Angeles. Pictured above on extreme right is Ms. Portia Brandon, director of life memberships for the North Carolina NAACP, presenting the Benjamin Hooks Life Membership plaque to branch president, Rev. H.B. Pickett, Jr. On extreme left is Ms. Allie M. Peebles, chairman of the life membership committee, and Ms. Lillie B. Scott, co-chairman. This is the fourth consecutive year that the Raleigh-Apex branch has earned the second highest award bestowed by the NAACP.

Witnesses told police that a black man in his early 30s, about 5-foot-8 inches and about 170 to 175 pounds, walked in a S&L bank in downtown Raleigh, demanded money and walked away.

The man gave the teller a note that demanded money and implied that he had a gun, said Raleigh police Lt. B.L. Rigsbee. The teller gave the man an undisclosed amount of money.

Two customers and nine employees were inside the S&L when the robbery occurred at 9:18 a.m. No one actually saw a gun, said Lt. Rigsbee. The man had something in his right hand, covered with a cloth.

After the robbery, police used Paddy, a female Belgian Molinosis tracking dog, to sniff through the First Federal Savings and Loan parking deck, searching every car in it.

The man was last seen walking out of the front door at 300 S. Salisbury St. In other news; a former Mecklenburg Superior judge will spend time behind bars after suffering a relapse into the drug use that cut short his promising career on the bench.

Terry Sherrill, caught with cocaine and marijuana in March but given a chance as a first-time offender to avoid prosecution, was sentenced Monday to a year in jail.

Defense attorney James Ferguson (See CRIME, P. 2)

Going to school for the first time is one of the most important milestones in a child's life.

For many children, starting school is their first chance to be independent of their parents and is also the beginning of the formal process of learning.

"Parents," according to State Superintendent Bob Etheridge, "are key partners to making schools successful for children. I encourage all parents to become involved in their child's school from the start. With supportive

parents, a caring faculty and appropriate tools, schools can meet the needs of all children."

For most North Carolina children, the school adventure begins with kindergarten.

The word "kindergarten" is derived from the German language meaning "a garden of children," a place where children may grow naturally in a child's world. Many times, kindergarten is a child's first introduction to formal schooling. This introduction can be made a little easier

for parents and children by preparing ahead of time.

Parents may fear the first day of school as much as their children. To make this a happy event, the parent should present a positive attitude about school for the child. Many children are afraid of permanent desertion upon being left at the school. Let your child know that you are not leaving them forever, but that after each school day, they will return home.

Be supportive of your new (See SCHOOL, P. 2)

Labor Leaders Support Gantt In Senate Bid

Several Wake County residents recently attended the international convention of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees and met with regional, local and national labor leaders who also pledged to support North Carolina Democrat Harvey Gantt for U.S. Senate.

A delegation of five Durham City Worker Union members attended the 29th convention with 6,000 public service workers from across the country to persuade leaders to bring full-time professional staffs, organizers, resources and lobbyists to aid workers in Durham, Rocky Mount and Raleigh.

Executive board member for Local 1194 Angaza Laughinghouse said public service workers in these areas and the South need aid to become "better organized, unionized and mobilized to get rid of the 'right to work' laws that keep workers powerless and oppressed."

The local civil rights and labor leader said also that the group spoke with influential national labor leaders regarding financial and human resources support for "progressive Senate candidate

(See HARVEY GANTT, P. 2)

Huge Losses Predicted N.C. Farmers Clobbered By Crisis

The foundation of production agriculture in North Carolina is beginning to feel the aftershock of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, and Farm Bureau predicts the resulting

developments of the invasion could lead to huge losses in net income for farmers by year's end.

While motorists have seen gasoline prices increase at the pump, the ef-

fect of increased fuel prices will have a much greater economic impact on farmers. The rippling effect of fuel cost increases could mean a \$3 billion loss in income for the nation's

farmers this year.

The economic rule of thumb says that a \$5 per barrel increase in crude oil results in \$1 billion in increased fuel costs for farmers. This being the case, oil cost increases will already cost farmers \$1.7 to \$1.8 billion more in fuel costs this year.

But Farm Bureau says increased oil prices will also boost the cost of many food production inputs such as agricultural chemicals and fertilizers. Many of these products are petroleum-based.

Tire prices, for example, are also reflecting the increased price of crude, and in North Carolina tractor and implement tires have seen price increases of from one to three percent. North Carolina Farm Bureau President W.B. Jenkins warns that other price increases are expected later in the year.

Doing little to counter from the other side, the price farmers are getting for certain grades of tobacco has slid downward \$10 per hundredweight from last year. Major commodities are also being tested with prices for wheat, soybeans and corn driving lower. In North Carolina, farm prices for food and feed grains have declined almost 10 percent in the past 30 days.

(See FARMERS, P. 2)

Singer Pearl Bailey Dies In PA. Hospital

PHILADELPHIA—Pearl Bailey, the singer and actress with the sexy, throaty drawl and droll sense of humor who once was called America's "ambassador of love," died Friday. She was 72.

A spokesman at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital said Miss Bailey had been rushed to the hospital from a Holiday Inn, where she had been staying with her husband. She died at 6:12 p.m., half an hour after being admitted.

The cause of death was not determined and an autopsy will take two or three days, the spokesman said. Miss Bailey had a history of heart problems.

Miss Bailey, who had been performing 57 of her 72 years, was one of the few entertainers who could still be called a trouper in the classic sense.

"Pearl Bailey was the mother of the world," said Stan Irwin, her manager for 25 years. "she was a very spiritual woman, and she never recognized color. Her ideology was, 'We are humans.'"

Last month, Miss Bailey underwent surgery at Pennsylvania Hospital to replace her arthritic left knee with a metal and plastic joint.

She left the hospital on July 30, intending to continue visiting two sisters for a week while undergoing physical therapy. She then planned to return home to Arizona with her husband, jazz drummer Louis Bellson.

Miss Bailey was born in Newport News, Va., on March 29, 1918, and moved with her family while a child to Washington and later to Philadelphia, where she made her debut at 15, winning an amateur contest by singing "Poor Butterfly."

Perhaps best known for playing Dolly in the black version of the musical "Hello, Dolly!" in the late 1960's she also enjoyed a long film career, with her movies including "Carmen Jones" and "Porgy and Bess."

But Miss Bailey, known as Pearl Mae to the world and Dick to her closest family, considered herself foremost a singer.

"I'm not a comedienne," she once told an interviewer. "I call myself a humorist. I tell stories to music and, thank God, in tune. I laugh at people who call me an actress."

Flipping a feather boa or swathed in chinchilla fur, ablaze with (See PEARL BAILEY, P. 2)



BLACK IN ENERGY—The North Carolina chapter of the American Association of Blacks in Energy elected officers for 1990. The organization provides a channel for communication between energy policy makers and minority employees. From left to right: Wilbert Williams, Donna Punctott, Carl Wilkins, Hilda Pinnix-Ragland and Mascoo DesChamps.