



**Miss America Back**

Ms. Marjorie Vincent visits promising to be back at next year.

**Whitney Scores Again**

Whitney Houston continues to stand as the best-selling debut album of all times.

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**THIS WEEK**  
Entertainer Lena Horne began her singing career at the Cotton Club in 1932. She had appeared in all-black films, and was thrilled to be selected to play the mulatto "Julie" in the mass-appeal (See THIS WEEK, P. 2)

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**SHAW UNIVERSITY CELEBRATES 125th YEAR**

Historic Shaw University celebrates Founder's Day and Homecoming with a flurry of activities and a visit by celebrities including Gladys Knight and the Rev. Jesse Jackson and the crowning of Princess Leshawn Whitaker of Raleigh.

The week-long activities are centered on the theme of praise to God for this historically African-American institution, which is

Baptist-related and the oldest of the African-American colleges and universities in the South.

Henry Martin Tupper and his bride, Sarah of Monson, Mass. set out from their home October 1, 1865 destined for Raleigh, N. C. to establish a mission to freedmen for the American Baptist Home Mission Society of New York. When they reached Portsmouth, Va., they discovered that the Seaboard

Railroad Company had just reopened for business after being partially destroyed during the Civil War. They bought the first two tickets to Raleigh and reached their destination October 10, 1865. Six months earlier, the 16th President of the United States had been assassinated at the Ford Theater in Washington, D. C.

Upon his arrival, Dr. Tupper educated at Amherst and Newton Theological Seminary before serving

for 2 years with the Union Army, called the minister of the First Baptist Church on Salisbury Street in Raleigh to inform him of his mission: to select talented freedmen for literacy and religious instruction in the Bible "in order that they might become leaders and establish churches, association and conventions." Meeting the first classes at Raleigh's old Guion Hotel, male and female, taught by Sarah

Tupper, classes were begun by March 1866, and Tupper was writing the Home Mission Board for funds to construct a building for educational and religious instruction. With a "go forward" reply from the mission board of \$3,800, a grant of \$2,400 from the Freedman's Bureau, and a sum of \$300 contributed by Raleigh Negroes, the institution opened its doors with an enrollment of 15 students which, by 1870 grew to 125. Shaw University

as born. Originally called The Raleigh Institute, then The Shaw Collegiate Institute, following a substantial gift from Elijah Shaw, of Wales, Mass., Shaw University rose amid the corn fields of South Raleigh. In 1881, the North Carolina State Legislature granted the University an acre of ground along South Wilmington (See SHAW UNIV. P. 2)

**Grandmothers Forced To Care For Generations**

NEW YORK, N.Y. (AP)—Shirley Caesar is 27 years old and He's expecting her 10th child. But another baby won't be a burden for her. Like the rest of her kids, the child will be taken care of by its grandmother.

Shirley, a crack addict for the last four years, lives in Harlem with her boyfriend, the father of all her children. Her mother, Sarah Mae Caesar, lives a 15-minute subway ride away, in a housing project in lower Manhattan.

There, in a cramped, three-bedroom apartment, Ms. Caesar takes care of five of her grandchildren, including 11-year-old Waliq, who was born deaf and mentally retarded. Shirley's other children are cared for by their paternal grandmother.

"I used to go up and see them and there was nothing in the refrigerator to eat, no clothes for them to wear, they weren't even going to school," said Ms. Caesar, who is hoping to adopt the children. "I'd bring them clothes. Their father would sell the clothes for drugs."

Ms. Caesar, 57, belongs to a fading generation in large metropolitan areas such as New York City where grandmothers are the glue holding together many poor black families overwhelmed by drugs.

In the past five years, the crack epidemic has made addicts of more young minority women than any other drug in history. In particular, the drug has threatened the tradition of black women who often hold their families together, experts said.

"There's a quality in crack that is so quickly addictive that people don't get away with experimenting with

it," said Richard Johnson, director of the Jewish Child Care Association of New York. "Women who would normally retain some responsibility and some conscience about their children don't have the chance. They're addicted so quickly. They're just lost."

Since 1985, the number of children in the city kinship foster care program, which allows grandmothers and other relatives to receive aid for taking care of dependents, has jumped from 150 to 17,000.

Seventy percent of the placements of children within kinship foster care are the result of mothers' crack addiction, Johnson said.

"Certainly the absence of a father is bad but now the mother is missing," said Melba Hamilton, director of the Harlem Dowling Children's Services. "These children are facing a very bleak future."

And as a result, grandmothers such as Ms. Caesar have been called upon to assume enormous family burdens.

They are mostly Southern women, tied to a rural past while mired in the harsh economic realities of the inner city, according to social workers. Many came to New York as newlyweds, hoping for a better life. The majority have outlived their husbands, and lost some of their children to drugs and the streets.

Now they must become mothers again, sometimes caring for children born toxic and mentally handicapped because of their mothers' addictions.

To a slightly lesser extent, Hispanic families have also succumbed to the (See GRANDMOTHERS, P. 2)

**TEENAGER SHOT AT PARLOR**



**ANNUAL FUND RAISER** — The Capital City Sertoma Club, a club of approximately 45 African-American male professionals, will kick off its annual fruitcake sale the month of November. All proceeds from the sale of fruitcakes will be used to fund the following service projects: woodcutting for the needy, community youth development activities, send youth to Camp Sertoma, cub scouts, mentoring programs, tutorial programs, United Negro College Fund, drug and alcohol education, and

hearing aid assistance. The Capital City Sertoma's motto of Service To Mankind is manifested in the numerous service commitments it has made to the black community. The club is committed to providing even greater service to the Wake County Community generally and the African-American community specifically. Left to right: Leon Herndon, president; Pedro McKoy, chairman of sponsorship committee and Everett Miles, chairman of the board of directors.

**Small Caliber Handgun**

According to police records, an unidentified teenager was shot at the Third Ward Billiard Parlor located at 128 East Cabarrus Street. Police authorities found the teen lying on the floor of the parlor near the back of the building. He was shot in the chest.

The victim was taken to Wake Medical Center, where he underwent surgery and was listed in critical, but stable condition about 11 p.m.

Police said that the weapon used was a small-caliber handgun.

According to records, police did not know the name of the victim or any suspects, but officers questioned about 50 persons who were at the location at the time of the shooting.

In other news: Superior Court Judge I. Beverly Lake, Jr. entered a judgment requiring the State of North Carolina to refund taxes on retirement benefits which were unconstitutionally collected from state and local government retired employees since 1989. This could result in refunds to thousands of state and local government retirees.

Judge Lake issued this judgment in a class action lawsuit entitled Bailey vs. The State of North Carolina. The suit was filed earlier this year by the law firm of Womble Carlyle Sandridge and Rice, Raleigh and Charles H. Taylor of Winston-Salem. Judge Lake had previously ruled in open court on October 29 that the case be certified as a class action so that the interests of all state and local government retirees could be protected.

Lawyers for the retirees stated that they anticipate the Department of Revenue to appeal the decision. Pending appeal or further action in the matter, plaintiffs' attorneys indicated that they will ask the court to approve procedures to administer the refunds. In connection with such procedures, state and local government retirees will be (See HANDGUN, P. 2)

**Condemned Homes Become 16 Thriving Duplexes For Families**

GOLDSBORO—Just a few years ago city officials wanted to raze the site. But on Thursday they gathered with county and state officials in the 400 block of North Carolina Street to

praise the people who had preserved it.

The Little People Development Corp., headed by James Dawson, celebrated the transformation of

eight homes in the neighborhood into thriving duplexes that are now called home by 16 families, according to the News-Argus.

Mayor Hal K. Plonk told the crowd of about 60 people the name "Little People" is a misnomer because of the incredible task accomplished by the organization.

"You ought to be called big people because you've done so much for our city," Plonk said.

Rep. John Kerr added that the project showed what can be accomplished when the private sector and government work toward a common goal.

The North Carolina Housing Finance Agency provided a \$105,000 grant for the \$250,000 renovation project. Additional financing came from the Self Help Credit Union.

Robert Schall, with the Self Help Credit Union said his firm was happy to be part of the project and could appreciate such a vision.

City Manager Richard Slozak agreed with Schall that Dawson and the other members of the corporation were visionaries in pursuing the project.

"This shows that a lot can be accomplished by people if they are interested and motivated," he said.

Rev. J.L. Melvin, a member of the corporation and master of ceremonies, pointed out that Dawson, like Martin Luther King, had a dream which he "would not turn loose."

Dawson admitted the project was a struggle. However, now that the condemned buildings have been turned into a thriving neighborhood, the organization hopes to turn its efforts to further renovation projects.

James Bell, also one of the key members of the organization, said residents shouldn't be surprised if (See HOMES, P. 2)

**Japanese Remarks NAACP Survey Finds Massive Concern**

More than 71 percent of African-Americans are aware of the recent remarks of a highly placed Japanese government official comparing them to prostitutes, and of that number 92 percent have expressed extreme

disapproval, according to a telephone and in-person survey of some 1,000 respondents from across the country conducted by the NAACP.

The survey results were released by Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, executive

director, NAACP, at the conclusion of the association's fall board meeting.

The survey was undertaken by the NAACP in an effort to gauge the feelings in the African-American community over the statement made

by the Japanese minister of justice, Seiroku Kajiyama, that has been condemned by black leadership.

The NAACP has been in the forefront of the protest, mounting daily demonstrations since Sept. 28 before the Japanese embassy in Washington, D.C.

The NAACP has also met with the Japanese ambassador to the United States, Ryohei Murata; sent an official letter of protest to Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu; and received a letter in response.

"It was our feeling that at this stage we needed to go out in the black community and determine whether it shares our opinion that this is a matter of grave consequence. The survey results provide a clear indication that we are on the right track," Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, NAACP executive director, said.

Some of the major findings of the survey follow:

•To the question of whether an apology from the Minister of Justice should end the matter 65 percent said no; 30 percent said, yes; and four percent had no opinion.

•To the question of what other steps should be taken to indicate the feeling in the black community over the recent incident, 66 percent suggested withdrawal of patronage from Japanese products; 16 percent called for further demonstrations against



**PAYING A VISIT** — St. Augustine's College and WAUG radio welcomed the publisher of Essence Communications, Inc., Edward Lewis, last week. In photo from left to right: WAUG's Charles Harrison, St. Augustine's College board member John Winters; Robert

Bridges, provost of the college; Lewis; Frank Gourey, chairman division of business; Robert Williams, IBM executive; Jay Holloway, general manager of WAUG/TV. (Photo by J. D. Hinton Studio)



**TO BE CROWNED**—Miss Leshawn Whitaker of Raleigh will be crowned Miss Shaw University during the week-long celebration of the University's Founder's Day and Homecoming.