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THIS WEEK

James Carroll Napier, of Nashville, Tenn., became one of the most successful blacks in postbellum South. By the 1890s, Napier was a municipal office holder, active in the temperance (See THIS WEEK, P. 10)

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Large-Scale Invasion Students, Pacifists Demand End To War

around the country are demanding an end to what they describe as a "racist" war while President George Bush vows to destroy Iraq's mobile missile launchers and prepare ground troops for a large-scale inva-

sion with many casualties. A protest rally at Duke University,

Students and peace activists from Durham, was sponsored Friday by the university's Black Student Alliance to promote a peaceful end to the fighting in the Persian Gulf and to show support for U.S. troops and their

> Afriye Amerson, 19, a Duke junior said the war was something personal

was racist. "It is a racist war, and what I face with this war is different from what white America faces with this war.'

Protesters claim that 65 percent of front-line forces in Operation Desert Storm are black and that a generation is being threatened with death, However, defense department officials contend about 30 percent of U.S. troops in the gulf are black.

Leaders of the burgeoning anti-war movement also believe that Bush's decision to attack Iraq could galvanize a broad coalition of people long disenchanted with government policies regarding civil rights, education, health care and other social

Although opinion polls show that a strong majority of Americans now favor the military campaign authorized by the U.S. Security Council, thousands of anti-war protesters are holding demonstrations in major cities and venting anger at the more than \$1 billion the government ex-

Protesters including black, Hispanic and religious groups approach the issue from different angles but are bridging a wide range of political views and causes represented by an emerging national movement against the U.S.-led war

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NSIDE

AFRICA

Struggle Grows With Apartheid

BY GWEN MCKINNEY NNPA News Service Nelson Mandela's release is not an

end. It's the beginning of a new

chapter in the struggle to free not on-

ly South Africa, but the entire region.

So says Simba Makoni, chief ex-

ecutive of the Southern Africa

Development Coordination Con-

ference, the economic organization of

the 10 black-ruled countries in

southern Africa, founded in 1980 to

lessen their dependency on South

Since then, a free South Africa

looms closer. Namibia, the group's

newest member, is no longer South

Africa's colony. The U.S.-Soviet cold

war is over. The two Germanys are

united and a United States of Europe

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ed by a racist system.

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Cheney, Powell Urging Caution

BY DANIEL A. YOUNG, SR.

Contributing Writer
Defense Secretary Richard Cheney and Joint Chiefs of Staff Commander Colin Powell urged members of the press to be "cautious in your comments" after the start of hostilities last week.

"I don't mean to be critical of our friends in the press corps," Cheney said, "but I think it's very, very important for people to remember a number of key things. That this is a very serious business, that we are in the very early stages of an operation that may run for a considerable period of time. There are casualties, and there are likely to be more casualties, so while we feel very good about the progress to date, it is important, I think, for everyone to be careful about claiming victory, or making assumptions about the ultimate cost of this operation in terms of casualties."

Gen. Powell, responding to reporters' questions at the earlymorning White House briefing "I only have a report of one other U.S. aircraft damaged. There may be others, but those reports have not come to me yet. There has been no counter-offensive from the Iraqis from the ground or on the air," says Powell. "The only Iraqi action that I am aware of was an air artillery strike across the border... one oil

petroleum storage facility." In response to questions as to whether the relative lack of Iraqi resistance had surprised him, Powell said, "You'll have to ask them that. I'm rather pleased that we appear to have achieved tactical surprise. We should not, however, rule out the possibility of Iraqi action in the air or on the ground and I can assure you that we are on the lookout

for African-Americans because it

Growing Pains, Challenges

State Prison Programs Expand

Community **Punishment Alternative**

The director of the Division of Adult Probation and Parole says the expansion of North Carolina's communitybased punishment programs is proceeding on schedule, but not without some anticipated growing pains.

Although the division has been able to meet its timetables for staffing and equipping expansions approved by the General Assembly last summer, director John Patseavouras said it will take some time before these programs are filled to capacity with probationers and parolees.

Community-based punishment programs are designed, in part, to ease the problem of prison overcrowding by providing alternatives to incarceration. In North Carolina, these alternatives are regular probation and parole, intensive supervision, electronic house arrest, the DWI Parole Treatment Facility and the IMPACT boot camp facility for youthful offenders.

"We have addressed the logistical requirements for these programs,' Patseavouras said. "Now our objective is to make judges aware of the advantages of these alternatives."

In support of these efforts, state Correction Secretary Aaron Johnson recently wrote each of the state's Superior Court judges, urging them to utilize these programs. "The resources directed by the Legislature toward community-based programs will only be cost-effective if these programs are fully utilized by the courts," Secretary Johnson wrote.

Patseavouras notes that the statewide expansion of programs like intensive supervision and electronic (See CRIME, P. 2)



JOINING BOARD - Lou Beicher, supervisor of sports marketing and a St. Augustine's College graduate, cohosted a reception for college president Prezell Robinson marketing relations, during

a recent visit at the Miller Brewing Company. Belcher recently joined the board of trustees of St. Augustine's

Rep. Dan Blue Plans Changes As First Black Speaker Of House

State Rep. Daniel T. Blue, Jr., plans to make committe changes after he takes a post as the first black speaker of the North Carolina House later this month.

In the nation's 10th biggest state, which was a Confederate stalwart, and still rigidly enforced a ceiling on black political aspirations, the emergence of Blue is a victory for a new breed of young black and white politicians.

Powerful elements from rural and suburban areas have controlled the legislative leadership and virtually dominated statewide elections, but

the picture is slowly changing. Tested by time and experience, Blue has earned both national and statewide reputations. Serving as chair of the Justice and Law Committee of the National Conference of State Legislators, he has tesfified before both House and Senate hearings in Washington.

Blue's six-lawyer firm in downtown Raleigh is considered the largest minority legal operation in the state.

ing in a 5 and 10 cent store in

Washington, D.C. A mother came and

violently pulled her young daughter

away screaming and crying. I stored

this memory in my brain until I was

When I became a member of a

group of women called the Panel of

American Women, a group that went

to schools and churches discussing experiences of racism and prejudice,

consisting of a Catholic, Jewish female, a WASP (white Anglo-Saxon

Protestant) and a black, a school-age

child asked me if I remembered ex-

periencing racism when I was a child.

The memory flashed in my con-

sciousness and I could see the child

and her mother clearly-I then

understood perfectly-they were

My earliest memory of racism.

It was interesting to me that as a

panel member, I was confronted

after a presentation that my presen-

tation had been too strong when I

presented racism as an ignorant and

unhealthy belief system. It was sug-

gested that it had been found that the

panel worked better when members

told "sad" stories that provoked

guilt. The idea was that if children

felt badly about their prejudice they

able to understand it.

white, I was black.

And he strides the three blocks from the law office to the state Capitol. "It's walking distance and I miss few meetings," said the son of a rural tobacco farmer, recalling that his setting up shop in the state capital was one of his wisest decisions.

Blue plans to redesign the committee structure of the House and in the process put emphasis on such issues as science and technology and public transportation.

Blue also confirmed that he planned to hire an entirely new staff when he becomes speaker later this month, retaining none of the seven employees who work for Speaker Josephus L. Mavretic.

Under Blue's proposed committee structure, the House would have 24 committees and 34 subcommittees. Currently, the House has 13 committees and 50 subcommittees.

His plan includes a new Science and Technology Committee, a new public transportation subcommittee under the Transportation Committee, and a hazardous waste subcommittee

(See PLANS CHANGES, P. 2)

Apartheid is still firmly in place. Makoni, during a recent interview. opined that the world's new realities present special challenges to SADCC This group of fragile but potentially rich states-endowed with vast mineral and natural resources in

Africa's economic dominance. 'I sense a premature conclusion—a feeling of achievement that because of Mandela's release, the struggle is over," offered Makoni. "Maintain the struggle. Don't relent until there is a new, democratic dispensation in South Africa.'

short supply in the developed

world-must intensify its integration

movement to counter the imbalances

and injustices caused by South

Apartheid is still firmly in place, he issued. Mandela is free in a country still oppressed by a racist system. The region still suffers from gross in-(See INSIDE AFRICA, P. 2)

Foster Parents Can Help Make **Big Difference**

Anita Weatherspoon was single and childless. At 25, as a full-time teacher of preschool-age children, Anita was kept busy with her demanding career. Her many friends and sports activities (she is a skilled sportswoman who was asked to try out for the 1992 Olympic Volleyball Team) made for a busy social life as well. Then in the fall of 1989, Ms. Weatherspoon heard a radio announcement about the need for foster parents. This announcement touched her heart, and got her thinking about how she could help children in need.

Foster parents are people willing to take in a child who cannot live at

(See FOSTER PARENT, P. 2)



MS. ANITA WEATHERSPOON

(See IRAQ, P. 2) Martin Luther, Malcolm And Me under the age of five years and play-

BY DOROTHY SHAW-THOMPSON

I recently was asked to speak to a class of second graders about Kwanzaa. After some thought, I agreed. Later I was asked to talk to some preschool students about Martin

Eric McLeod

Takes NCAE

J. Eric McLeod, an eighth

grade student at Carnage Middle

School in Raleigh, is the winner of

a North Carolina Association of

Educators Minority Arts Award.

McLeod's entry, a sculpture titl-

ed "The Carnival," placed first in

the category of models or

McLeod's entry went through

three rounds of judging by NCAE

committees. All entries are judg-ed locally, then submitted to the

district level for consideration,

with the final round of judging be-

ing conducted by the state

Minority Affairs Commission.

McLeod's entry was sponsored by his teacher, Ms. Judith

(See ARTS AWARD, P. 2)

sculptures for grades 5-8.

Art Honors

Luther King, Jr. I refused. Both questions were answered because of the same force yet the answer to both was at the opposite end of one spec-

My young son Evan recently told me that he wanted to go to a different

school next year. When I asked him

why, he said that "he wanted to go to a school where there were more black people." At the tender age of six, he feels the difference not because of looks but because of attitude. I remember an incident when I was



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