

NEWS BRIEFS

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DURHAM CITY SCHOOLS UNDER WATER

An avalanche of bad news has parents, educators and political leaders saying that the Durham City School System has hit rock bottom. More and more people are pointing to a merger with the county system as the only alternative.

ISRAEL BOMBS LEBANON

Israeli warplanes pounded Palestinian guerrilla bases in southern Lebanon for three hours in the biggest air attack on Lebanon in nine years. At least 15 people were killed and 62 wounded. The injured included 12 children, most of them ages 3-5, hit by flying shrapnel and glass when the jets struck guerrilla bases near a Roman Catholic school.

SCAMS

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their belongings and be suspicious of everyone they meet.

Women must do as many that I see who are taking precautions—that is, walking with their pocketbooks in front of their chest so as not to have it taken by purse-snatchers or robbers.

And then there are the women who carry smaller purses that cannot be readily detected. Although women would like to complement their dress with a nice-looking pocket book, they may have to sacrifice the good looks for something less simple for the sake of not having their belongings taken by the criminal element.

GEN. POWELL

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Gen. Powell will be the recipient and will join a distinguished roster of African-Americans who have received the award including last year's winner, Virginia Gov. L. Douglas Wilder, and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Jackie Robinson, Edward Kennedy (Duke) Ellington, Tom Bradley, Bill Cosby and Leontyne Price.

"Gen. Powell in every way reflects the high standards of achievement and integrity that have always been applied in selecting the Spingarn medalist. His service to the nation has been truly outstanding. He is living proof of the heights to which African-Americans can rise, if given the opportunity," Dr. Hooks said.

Gen. Powell was appointed the 12th chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Department of Defense, by President George Bush on Oct. 1, 1989. In this capacity, he serves as the principal military advisor to the president, the secretary of Defense, and the National Security Council. Prior to his current assignment, Gen. Powell served as commander in chief, Forces Command, and he also served as assistant to the president for National Security Affairs from December 1987 to January 1989.

Gen. Powell was born in New York City in 1937 and graduated from the City College of New York in 1958 and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the regular Army through the ROTC program. After finishing Infantry Officer's Basic Training and Airborne and Ranger schools, he was assigned to Germany, where he served as a platoon leader, executive officer and rifle company commander. He went to Vietnam in late 1962 and served as an advisor to a Vietnamese infantry battalion.

Gen. Powell returned to Vietnam in 1968, serving as an infantry battalion executive officer and assistant chief of staff, 23rd U.S. Infantry Division. In 1971, he earned a master of business administration degree from George Washington University and in 1972, he was selected to be a White House Fellow and served as special assistant to the deputy director of the Office of the President for his year.

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His military awards and decorations include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Distinguished Service Medal (Army), the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Clusters, the Soldier's Medal, the Bronze Star, the Air Medal, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters and the Purple Heart. Gen. Powell is also the recipient of the President's Citizens Medal, the Secretary of State Distinguished Medal and the Secretary of Energy Distinguished Service Medal.

REP. FORD

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The criminal investigation took place in Memphis, which comprises about half of Rep. Ford's district and his predominantly black. The Memphis court district is 41 percent black. The newly proposed venue for jury selection is only 17 percent black, according to the congressman.

Rep. Ford has fought the venue fight before. "They investigated me in Memphis. They traveled 400 miles across the state to an all-white area, an all-white grand jury sat for 30 minutes to indict me after a four-year investigation," said Rep. Ford, charging the investigation is racial and political harassment.

Rep. Ford contends Republican prosecutors have been after him since his election in 1974.

"They are saying the Ford machinery has been too powerful and that's what the personal attack has been on all along," said the only black congressman from Tennessee. The popular congressman was re-elected with 69 percent of the vote in 1990.

Top House Republican and Democratic leaders and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund filed friend-of-the-court briefs May 8 stating that busing in jurors would violate Rep. Ford's constitutional right to a fair trial.

"A fair trial for the government would mean a conviction," said the 46-year-old congressman, who has spent \$2.8 million in legal fees.

A Cuyahoga County grand jury returned indictments recently against Mayor Michael R. White. The indictments stem from a probe into two housing renovation projects in which Mayor White was an investor. The grand jury is investigating two partnerships in which the mayor was involved for possible theft, theft in office, forgery, unlawful interest in a public contract and bribery, according to search warrants issued in December 1990.

At the time the partnerships were developed, Mayor White was a city councilman. The partnerships also involved real estate developer Walter A. Burks, Mary Forbes, the wife of City Council President George Forbes, and Kathleen Patton, a former Burks employee, who invoked the Fifth Amendment rights against self-incrimination when called before the grand jury.

Mayor White testified before the grand jury on May 3, after being subpoenaed during a convention of black mayors which he was hosting.

REDISTRICTING

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Republicans, would have a total population of 552,375 under the Republican plan, of which the minority percentage would be 58.69 percent. The district would be 57.46 percent black. Registration in the district is 86.26 percent Democratic. Under the Republican plan, this district would include all or parts of 23 counties. One important difference in the Democratic plan is that it would not include precincts from Southeast Raleigh.

On Wednesday, the Democratic majority of the committee voted to submit only the Democratic plan to county boards of election throughout the state for review prior to additional public hearings. Republicans have said that in the event they cannot pressure the Democrats to consider their plan, they might bring suit under the Voting Rights Act.

Democrats note that adding the precincts from Raleigh to the Durham district, while not increasing representation for blacks, who would almost surely get a seat in Congress in the district, would serve Republican purposes by removing a heavily Democratic section of Raleigh voters and giving Republicans a chance to win several seats.

RIGHTS BILL

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Independent Business, will not consider the White House's alternative civil rights bill and "keep changing theirs to attract different blocs of voters," a tactic he denounced as "plain, pure politics, a politics of selective inclusion and exclusion."

The escalation of rhetoric came as Democratic leaders in the House and Bush's Republican allies continued their final vote counts. The full House takes up the legally complex issue today, but might postpone a final vote until next week.

DR. BRIDGES

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college to do some different and personal things in the coming months, namely, to get more involved in the public school reform movement in the state; to do some writing and have more personal time with my family.

"It has been a privilege to serve under the supervision of Dr. Prezell Robinson, president of Saint Augustine's College. He has been a personal model for me since leaving Saint Augustine's 30 years ago. I have learned much from him about college administration and about the governing principles of higher education. I hope to stay close to the college and to continue to contribute where possible. Finally, I look forward to a little time off which I didn't take following my retirement from the Wake County Public School system. It will be good not to do very much at all for a few months."

Dr. Robinson in a telephone interview with The CAROLINIAN said "Dr. Bridges' separation from the college is a great loss to us. He had and continues to be a very valuable member of our administrative team. It is with regret to see him leave us but the consolation comes in knowing that he will still be available to work with us and to counsel with us on special projects."

"Bob Bridges is a rare individual and brought some new insights that will leave an indelible mark on this institution. Over and beyond our professional relationships he is a close and personal friend. I do understand, however, his desire to get involved in some new activities. And I certainly wish him the best during the months and the years that lie ahead," Dr. Robinson said.

Bridges, a graduate of St. Augustine's College, received a B.A. in elementary education 1961 and an M.A. in guidance and counseling from North Carolina State University in 1970. He received an Ed. D. in school administration from Duke University in Durham in 1979.

He was employed by the Wake County School System in a variety of positions, ranging from sixth-grade teacher at Lucille Hunter from 1961-65 to deputy superintendent and superintendent of Wake schools.

Bridges is a member of the American Association of School Administrators, the Board of Directors of United WEAY, the National Association of Black School Educators, Kappa Alpha Psi and Phi Delta Kappa fraternities.

THE FACE OF THE CENTURY

This is the face that took a century to appear and then promptly became an underground classic. Last year, on the eve of the 100th birthday of the Original Swiss Army Knife, its exclusive U.S. importer created the Original Swiss Army Knife. In less than a year consumers have made it "an underground classic." And, if history truly does repeat itself, this new time-piece may well become a traditional and beloved keepsake passed on from father to son, much as the popular Original Swiss Army Knife has been for almost 100 years.

The watch is available with inlaid red (the same distinctive material used in the original knife); black or nickel bezel; and X-size also with red. Shock and water resistant (to 166 feet) with sweep second hand and tritium hands and markers, this understated work horse goes with assurance from board room to locker room. With all the clean, straightforward design and fairly-priced (\$100) value that the versatile Original Swiss Army Knife has come to symbolize, the original Swiss Army Brand Watch has a face a father could love to receive on his special day. FD910144



The life of a garment depends upon the care it receives. Fabrics need to be protected from dust, sunlight, heat and moisture.

Most people have limited closet space. Space stretchers may include stackable clear plastic boxes, metal or fabric shoe hangers for the door, plastic or ceramic hooks, open kitchen bins for folded items, peg board with hooks and covered wicker baskets.

The soft contact lens boom



IN 1971, industry leader Bausch & Lomb launched the soft contact lens in the United States, and immediately there were 10,000 wearers. In 1991, after 20 years of technological innovation, the number has soared to 38.5 million worldwide.

More options for lens wearers

Tossing contact lenses away regularly isn't only for disposable lens wearers anymore. There is a new lens wearing option that provides the benefits of having fresh contact lenses on a regular basis.

This spring marks the 20th anniversary of the soft contact lens, and the spotlight is on a growing trend among contact lens wearers who know that fresh lenses provide comfortable, crisp vision.

To support this vision care trend toward routine planned lens replacement, industry leader Bausch & Lomb has launched a new soft contact lens system called Medalist. Medalist is individually-packaged for convenient portability.

The new lens system provides prescriptions for correction of near and farsighted vision, astigmatism, and will also include tinted lenses. Available for daily or overnight wear, Medalist is intended to be thrown away regularly, as prescribed by an eye care practitioner—but not as often as a disposable lens.

"Many contact lens wearers love the idea of disposables, but don't need to

replace their lenses every week," explains Peggy Ross, of Bausch & Lomb. "Medalist bridges the replacement schedule between disposable and traditional soft contact lenses," she says.

Increasingly, eye care practitioners encourage periodic replacement schedules for soft contact lenses, commonly called Planned Replacement Programs (PRP), to maintain the best vision for millions of contact lens wearers. Bausch & Lomb's Fresh Lens program was pioneered in 1985 as the industry's first, and Medalist is the newest option within this popular program.

Studies show that proper use of Planned Replacement Programs minimize the time that the eye is exposed to protein buildup on contact lenses.

Protein, found naturally in everyone's tears, accumulates on contact lenses over time. Although proper cleaning will remove most protein deposits and a lens may appear to be in good condition, the vision correction may not be as sharp as it was originally. 5043602

Blacks' Attitudes Towards Japanese Found Favorable

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Despite recent strains in the relationship between black Americans and the Japanese, blacks hold generally favorable attitudes toward the Japanese in this country and Japan. This was one of the major findings of a nationwide opinion survey of black Americans conducted by the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies released this week.

The survey, conducted by telephone in September 1990 among a national sample of black and white respondents, examined general attitudes toward the Japanese; perceptions of the effects of Japan's economic power on the United States and, a related issue, support for trade sanctions against Japanese imports; and prospects for improving black-Japanese relations.

While the survey found that blacks and whites hold similar overall views of the Japanese, the findings uncovered a number of differences, as well. Among the key findings are:

•Blacks' views of Japanese are generally positive, although less so than whites' (66 percent to 81 percent).

•Blacks' attitudes tend to be stronger, both positive and negative, than whites'. At the "very favorable" end of the spectrum were 21 percent of blacks and 18 percent of whites, while 10 percent of blacks and five percent of whites hold "very favorable" views.

•The vast majority of blacks and whites see the Japanese as creative (76 percent) and hardworking (89 percent), but substantial numbers also see them as unscrupulous (39 percent).

•Blacks are more likely than whites (47 percent to 39 percent) to believe that Japanese companies are more likely than other companies to discriminate against blacks.

•Both groups surveyed see the Japanese as a threat to the U.S. economy, but blacks see a lesser threat than whites (75 percent to 84 percent) and are less inclined to attribute Japanese economic advantage to unfair trade practices. Thus, black respondents were less supportive than whites (51 percent to 63 percent) of imposing trade restrictions against Japanese goods.

•Finally, to a greater extent than whites, blacks express both an interest in learning more about the Japanese and a belief that Japanese attitudes toward them would improve.

In releasing these findings, the Joint Center's president, Eddie N. Williams, said, "This survey shows us that there is a foundation on which to build a better relationship between black Americans and the Japanese. Despite the much publicized racist

pronouncements by Japanese officials, black Americans remain open to more information, to increased contact, and to forging a better relationship."

The survey, part of the Joint Center's annual national poll, was conducted by telephone among a random sample of 884 black Americans and 881 white Americans. The survey was conducted by Princeton Survey Research Associates in the fall of 1990, just before the most recent racially offensive remark by a Japanese government official. The margin of error for the survey results is five percent.

The Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies, a non-partisan, non-profit institution founded in 1970, uses research and information dissemination to accomplish three objectives: to improve the socio-economic status of black Americans, to increase their influence in the political and public policy areas, and to facilitate the building of coalitions across racial lines.

The Joint Center's U.S.-Japan Project seeks to strengthen communications between black Americans and the Japanese people.

Drawers and shelves should be smooth to prevent knits from snagging. To protect knits and other delicate items, use shelving paper or white tissue paper.

Put a half-empty, de-fizzed bottle of ginger ale or lemon-lime flavored soda to good use. Pour it into an ice-cube tray and freeze. Use the ice cubes to add flavor to party punch.

TAKE ONE: BALL GAMES! COOKOUTS! IT'S DAD'S DAY ON STAGE!

The camera angles may be different. The scripts might vary a bit. But our actions on Father's Day are pretty well defined by the rules of the day.

Father's Day is different from any other day because it is dad's very own day, of all 365 days of the year. As a nation, we've found our own ways of toasting him and making him feel like king for a day.

A favorite way to remind dad that we love him dearly is to shower him with gifts — 2½ gifts is the median per papa. Of course some get fewer, but some get many more. Research established that some very lucky dads get as many as ten gifts, but it's likely that they're the ones with extended families, maybe scattered far and wide across the country.

Jamaicans Bring Their Music To America

HOUSTON, Texas (AP)—The sun probably is shining in the islands, but the weather in Houston is dark and drizzly. Not only that, but world-famous Blue Mountain coffee is \$26 a pound, too expensive to serve in local Caribbean cafes.

Jamaica seems far, far away. To bring their beloved island closer to home, expatriates sip soursop at the Caribbean Cuisine, where owner Iya Foster speaks with a lovely lilt.

Or they visit with Iya at Marcus Garvey Records and Tapes at 4635 Bellfort. His waist-length dreadlocks contained in a rainbow-crocheted snood, Iya (the only name he goes by) minds a brood of small children, sells reggae records and runs a Caribbean grocery from the back of the store.

Familiar and comforting to Jamaicans in Houston, such places keep the culture alive.

They also are stops on a delivery route for Lesli Singer and Kathy Todd, editor and publisher, respectively, of Cool Runnings, a local publication with about 10,000 readers that focuses on reggae, a form of popular music of Jamaican origin, characterized by a strong, syncopated rhythm and influenced by rock and roll and calypso.

Many of the readers and contributors are Jamaican, members of a loose-knit, geographically dispersed community that numbers in the thousands. Most follow the local reggae scene and want to keep up with groups that play at such nightspots as Jamaica Jamaica, Rockefeller's and Fitzgerald's.

The audience at Jamaica Jamaica is predominantly black, though a number of white college students show up on weekends.

Ms. Singer and Ms. Todd stand out at Marcus Garvey Records and Tapes, two white North American women attached to a lively musical culture remote from their own. Yet the graft has taken, and they are at ease with the dreadlocks, the music and the patois that characterize the reggae scene.

And Jamaicans, they say, have no problem with the growing number of whites who are interested in their music and culture.

"Jamaicans are a very self-possessed people," Ms. Singer says. "They aren't surprised when people ask about their hair or how they live."

The music is an obsession for both Ms. Todd and Ms. Singer. They listen to it, write about it, travel to Jamaica for concerts.

Ms. Todd has written editorials deploring some of the problems that plague the business, such as concerts running late and shady promoters. The two women have been active in supporting the local reggae music scene.

"I started listening to reggae in 1975," Ms. Singer says. "After I heard Jimmy Cliff's 'Harder They Come,' I set aside jazz and blues, and reggae became my music."

Rhamkatte

BY LUCILLE ALSTON

RHAMKATTE—Sunday School began at 9:30 a.m. with all classes reporting. Superintendent Albertine Sanders presided. The Adult Class was taught by Rev. Otho Kearney. Classes had a 45-minute study period. The lesson was reviewed by Barbara Bert. After a few words from Rev. Terrell, the school closed.

At 11 a.m., Rev. A.D. Terrell, pastor, spoke from Numbers 11:23. Music was furnished by the Senior Choir, with Emanuel McNeil at the organ. Rev. Terrell used for his topic, "Who Can? God Can!" Morning prayer was offered by Carla Malonda.

Mini-church was led by Celestine Jeffers. Altar call was led by Rev. Terrell. After the call, Rev. Terrell left the congregation with a message on who can supply our needs. Be thankful to God, he said, for all things. We have been blessed. God is able to heal the sick. You must have faith. God can solve your problems. Thank God for what you have. God can put you back together.

Invitation to Christian discipleship was extended by Rev. Terrell and Rev. Otho Kearney served the Communion.

Apostles' Creed and benediction ended the service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bible study is held every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

On June 24-28, Vacation Bible School will meet, with Betty Duell in charge.

On July 4, a barbecue sale will be held, with Thomas Burt in charge.

The sick and shut-in are Kathleen Hemy, Mary Utley, John Singletary, Lola McClain, William Raeford, Hoyie Johnson, James Hanks, Walter Rogers, Jr., Lovie Jones, Ella Fletcher, Margaret Kearney. Let us keep praying for the sick everywhere. God still sits on the throne and He does take care of His own.

Drive safely!