

**N.C. PRISON**

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ties, through less costly non-prison punishments.

Aaron Johnson, secretary of the North Carolina Department of Correction, expressed his support for Just Common Sense.

"As secretary of the Department of Correction, every day I see a revolving door that shuttles human beings in and out of prison and wastes their lives. I am moved by that," said Johnson. "I want to do everything I can to add another dimension to our corrections system, something that will deal with the heart as well as the mind."

**DAN BLUE**

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thing that we have to work on because that's about a relationship between the police department and this community.

"It's about better communication between that department and our community, and the kind of communication that restores the faith in that department. So that regardless of what the facts are, we at least try to get those facts, and they have some credibility when we get them," Blue added.

To illustrate his point, Blue drew more applause when he remarked how proud he was of the Wake County Sheriff's Department under the leadership of Sheriff John H. Baker, Jr. Referring to problems that abounded before Sheriff Baker took over, Blue said, "You know that because of communication, and because of the belief that we have in the person that sets the direction of that department, that even if there's an honest mistake by that department, we're sure that that's what it is. And that's the kind of communication and the kind of belief that we have to develop in all government institutions, and it's not our sole responsibility to develop that kind of communication."

Blue made it clear that the community must continue to support law enforcement's efforts to safeguard their neighborhoods and streets, but not at the expense of "needless deaths" or the "suspension of constitutional rights."

"The lack of communication between our community and the police department is something we have to work hard to cure," he said.

**SLAYINGS**

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crack in Raleigh.

In other news: Lester Torain, 44, of 1705 Boyer St., has been charged with driving while impaired in connection with a wreck Friday on U.S. 70 that killed a young Durham woman.

Police authorities had spoken to Torain at Rex Hospital Saturday and determined he had been drinking.

Killed in the accident was Dale Stone, 21. She was turning left onto Lynn Road from the eastbound lane of U.S. 70 when her car was struck by Torain. She was pronounced dead at the scene.

Other traffic charges are also pending. Torain was allegedly driving with his headlights off and was traveling about 70 mph in a 55-mph zone. Torain and two passengers in his car were taken to Rex Hospital after the accident for treatment of minor injuries.

**WLE TAPES**

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shortly after Raleigh police raided the house and detained four men who were standing outside, a shot rang out and they saw Ingram lying on his back with his hands outstretched, "as if he had them up in the air." Witnesses said they did not know Ingram, and that he was not one of the four men that the police

were after.

However, according to a report to the Raleigh City Council's Police Affairs Committee by Police Chief Frederick K. Heineman, Officer Kerr said that Ingram was one of the four, walked away when ordered to stop, then was shot once in the chest with a 12-gauge pump shotgun when he seemed to reach into his left jacket pocket with his left hand, pulling it out quickly while stepping toward the officer.

The discrepancy in the two versions has left the total community baffled, and Raleigh's African-American community hurt, and even more disillusioned about the city police department.

The radio station has complied with the request for the interviews, first of all because they are a matter of public record, and secondly in the hope that they can be used to help the District Attorney determine what really happened that night last month.

**LEGAL COSTS**

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cost-saving effort. The plan established a 9 a.m. calendar call in Juvenile Court and provided for an advance list in the court clerk's office to inform prosecutors, attorneys, court counselors and others of continuances, trials scheduled, and related matters.

Judge Smith called these changes "a very good move" and attorney Tise, who has a substantial Juvenile Court practice, said that many of the legal fees paid court-appointed attorneys in that court "have been cut in half."

The plan spells out in detail what's required of lawyers in their representation of indigents. It says that the Tise committee "may recommend to the Senior Resident Superior Court Judge the removal of an attorney from the indigent list if the attorney fails to diligently represent clients."

The AOC has estimated that legal fees for indigent representation in the Fifth District must average \$150 a case in District Court and \$262 per case in Superior Court, capital cases excepted, if the courts are to stay within their fund allocations of \$396,960 and \$75,940 for this year.

**NEWS BRIEFS**

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newborns to children aged 5 years.

**BANK SEEKS PERMIT TO DEMOLISH STORE**

First Citizens Bank has filed with the City of Raleigh to demolish its building at 132 E. Martin St. that was formerly occupied by Kimbrell's Furniture.

Demolition is expected to take about 90 days.

The three-story, approximately 15,000-square-foot building is located at the corner of Martin and Blount in the same block of First Citizens' parking lot bounded by Wilmington, Martin and Blount streets. The lot is leased to and operated by McLauren Parking.

Following demolition, the site will be landscaped with trees, shrubbery and wrought-iron fencing and possibly paved to serve as an extension of the existing parking lot.

**NASW BUYS HOME FOR OFFICES**

On Friday at 4 p.m. at 412 Morson St., Mayor Avery Upchurch and National Association of Social Workers N.C. Chapter President Elaine Cummings will cut a ribbon officially opening the new NASW chapter office. The ceremony will climax a four-year effort by NASW to purchase their own office space in downtown Raleigh and marks the continuation of city efforts to improve the east side.

With assistance from the City of Raleigh Community Development Department, NASW purchased their office from the city last summer. With design assistance from the city's facade grant program, the exterior and interior of the two-story house were remodeled into unique office space.

**FREE HOLIDAY HELPING GUIDE**

A free holiday helping guide was released this week by Charity Research Services of Raleigh. The guide has

**FOCUS ON WAKE FOREST**  
BY ELIZABETH ARCHER

**RALEIGH-WAKE FOREST CONNECTION**

Ms. Annie Belle Bullock is the lady that I mistakenly called Ms. Booth the time that I wrote about the 100 Women in Hats. She got a big charge out of my mistake, and said, "Since you described where I lived I'm sure that everyone knew just who you meant."

Ms. Bullock is a very active lady, and the other week she was telling me about what a pleasant surprise she'd gotten when her daughter Geraldine Hall and her granddaughters, Juanita, Janet and Edna, along with great-grandson, Charles and great-granddaughter Treva had gotten their heads together, and pretended that they were staying home after "I'd been invited by Ms. Martha Murrell to ride with her to take her mother, Ms. Mary Crenshaw, and aunt, who is twin sister to Ms. Crenshaw, Martha Martin, to Durham where we were to visit a friend and cousin, Robert Massenburg, who was in the hospital. On the return trip, the group pretended to be stopping to have a meal, and of course I was in agreement."

"Once we arrived at the Golden Corral, and were entering the door, I looked up to be confronted with my granddaughter, and I asked her what on earth was she doing there, and at the same time I asked her was her mother there, too, and she said, 'Yes, she may be somewhere around here.' And don't you know, those rascals had planned a surprise for me."

"That was on the 11th of November, and I hadn't even thought about having another birthday surprise, because on the 4th of November, which is actually the date I was born, my pastor, Ron Taylor, preached a sermon at the First Metropolitan Baptist Church in Raleigh, and they'd given me a lot of consideration there, which was wonderful. So this old lady really got treated royally, twice, for just one birthday."

Ms. Bullock laughed heartily as she told me of her treats, for which she was so grateful.

I, too, had a surprise this Thanksgiving weekend, as I, along with some friends from Franklinton, Ms. Maureen Perry, her sister Ruby, and Ruby's daughter Veronica Aikens, 15, as sponsors of Ms. Carla Renee Monroe, attended the 54th annual Debutante Ball, which was held at the Raleigh Civic Center on Friday, Nov. 29. It was the very first time for each of us, and the formal affair of the Alpha Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., was truly enjoyable, especially after Wayne Peppers, a friend of the family of the 1991 queen, Ms. Brooke Asheley Gartrell of Raleigh, invited the three of us to accompany him to a suite of rooms on the 16th floor of the Radisson Plaza Hotel (apparently the official lodging for the out-of-towners who attended the annual Deb Ball).

Mr. and Mrs. George Allen Gartrell, sponsors, and friends gave an "after the ball was over" party, and with 50 or 60 persons, none of whom I knew, my surprise came about while in conversation with the queen's aunt, Ms. Gwendolyn Farrar, when she asked me if I knew Geraldine Hall, who is her half-sister.

I told her yes, indeed, Geraldine is well known to me. Nothing more was said about the Wake Forest connection, but Ms. Farrar continued by telling me of her two-year return to Raleigh from New York, where she'd spent many years, and of her two daughters, Dr. Adrienne Farrar and Nedra Farrar Luten, both of whom she pointed out to me as they stood talking with others.

We both remarked "What a small world we live in," as I walked away to chat with a very beautifully clad Ms. George Gartrell, who appeared as

suggestions for residents of Wake County who want to share their good fortune this holiday season but don't know where to start.

Eleven Wake County programs are highlighted—from Family Services Center's "Drop Your Drawers" underwear collection project, to "Warmth for Wake," sponsored by the N.C. Alliance of Financial Institutions. Descriptions of the programs and the types of donations or volunteers needed are given.

Also included are ways to find information on many other helping programs in Wake County. The guide is available free in any Wake

exhausted as she looked great in her special gown, for her daughter's coronation day.

"I am indeed tired," she admitted. "We got started preparing for this day back in July, and it's been almost non-stop. There's been just so many things to do." And she told me that Brooke's first choice for her college education is Spelman, with Hampton and Howard universities second.

Their other two children are 22-year-old Daymeon, who is on his second tour of duty in the Persian Gulf, and Carlin, 19, who is a Shaw University student.

She talked a bit of her work at Shaw University, and that of her husband as a research assistant at N.C. State University. Their guests came from New York, New Jersey, California, Maryland, Elizabeth City and other areas.

Tending bar, Mr. Gartrell told me, were Maj. Marvin Whetstone, U.S. Air National Guard; Lt. Col. Michael Parker and Dr. Tom Luten.

"I was happy that my daughter won," he said. "But I'm just as happy that it's all over."

"There is a long tradition of debts in this family," Nedra F. Luten said. "In 1972, I was out-of-town maid of honor, Almetta Parker was queen in 1976, Brooke's mother was a deb in 1964, and her aunt Brenda was one in 1962." It had been a pleasant evening of food and conversation, and seeing beautiful young ladies, as well as young gentlemen, at their very best. I only saw beautiful Carla Monroe from a distance, a lofty one that is, with our late arrival, and aching feet of the entire company, except 15-year-old Veronica's, we were quite content to sit it out and watch the dancers.

I cannot brag too much about the waltzing ability of one Henry Green Monroe, Jr., as he glided his daughter around the floor, but he seemed to have a pretty fancy bit of cha-cha-cha footwork there.

It was good to see our very own Joyce Hunter of Louisburg as she was leaving the hotel, all decked out in evening finery. At the party, I got to speak to the father of Queen's Court Deb Davida Charlene Alston of Raleigh. The tuxedo-clad gentleman was tucked out as well.

"I sold The CAROLINIAN as a child," he told me, "and I would spend most of the money that I was supposed to turn in and would have to sell more papers and turn all of it in to make up," he laughed.

"I used to work at The CAROLINIAN," the queen's father said. But what is so strange to this writer, is why it is that so few of the former workers still read and support the work of the black press. I got Wayne Peppers to get me a piece of written material from the front desk of the Radisson Hotel, which turned out to be an announcement for their New Year's Eve celebration. They are offering a package deal for couples, for \$160 for overnight and what is more, they are extending the check-out time until 4 p.m. and the announcement says, to help you start the New Year out on a "soft note," there will be a first aid station with fruit juices, aspirin, Alka-Seltzer, Tylenol, and other aids. Is that a joke or what? Wanna bet it's not?

This is the season of the "deal," you know, and black folk are known to seek the best. Will Tony Brown's message of "pool resources and buying your own hotels" ever be heeded?

If you were one of those who attended the worthwhile affair, just take a minute to count special sponsors, under the names of the top winners, and you will readily realize how easily Tony Brown's suggestion could be carried out if there ever would be a desire to have it done.

I'll get around to you special Wake Forestites later, but it is good to see what the other parts of our world are doing every now and then, isn't it?

Am I a spoilsport or what? The truth is the light, people.

**Group Pickets Stores**

CHARLOTTE (AP)—Blacks picketed Family Dollar Stores in North Carolina and South Carolina on Friday, urging the discount retailer to match its owner's recent \$10 million donation to Duke University with a similar amount to black colleges.

Members of the group Citizens Advancing Reconciliation and Reciprocity criticized the company's owner, Leon Levine, for sending his donation outside the communities that support his stores.

"Of the company's \$874 million

gross revenues last year, a predominant amount of that came from poor, black people," group member Charles Jones said. "We are urging customers to shop somewhere else until Family Dollar reinvests comparable profits directly into the people who have made them wealthy."

Johnson C. Smith University, a traditionally black college, only blocks from a Family Dollar Store, "surely should be offered something comparable to the \$10 million that was given to Duke," he said.

**NCCU**

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in debt, and six athletes have sued the school for allegedly reneging on scholarship promises.

To free her hand to institute reforms, Benson said she would not seek the chancellorship on a permanent basis.

"It gives me the freedom to do some positive things without worrying that it might jeopardize your chances to get the job," she said.

Spangler said he hopes Benson will be able to finish her term by July. But it could take longer to find a permanent successor.

The chancellor search committee, consisting of trustees, students, faculty and alumni, will hold its first meeting Thursday, nearly three months after Richmond resigned.

Spangler declined to address the trustees' concerns. But he said Benson is well-prepared to overcome resistance to reform from within NCCU, once again likening her to the medieval French heroine, Joan of Arc.

**OFFENDING**

When anyone has offended you try to raise your soul so high that the offense cannot reach it.

Rene Descartes

County library or by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Charity Research Services, P.O. Box 32348, Raleigh 27622.

**NCSU GALLERY EXHIBITS WORKS**

The work of internationally acclaimed artist John Thomas Biggers will be a focal point at North Carolina State University's African-American Cultural Center Gallery through May 18.

The art gallery, on the second floor of the University Student Center Annex at Dan Allen Drive and Cates Avenue, is accessible by appointment Mondays through Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Entry to the gallery may be arranged by calling 515-5210.

Biggers is a native of North Carolina who portrays the black experience in murals, paintings, lithographs and drawings. He recently completed a commissioned mural for Winston-Salem State University.

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