



PARALLEL PURSUIT—William Lupton, front, of Morgan State University was one of 15 faculty members from minority and women's colleges who studied parallel computing at Argonne National Laboratory in January to learn to teach the advanced technology to their classes. Parallel computers are faster than conventional computers, because they break large problems into small segments and work on them all at the same time. Campus classes will be linked to a parallel computer at Argonne.

Shooting At "Juice"

LANSING, Mich. (AP)—A teenager was wounded last Friday night when shooting erupted at a Lansing theater where the movie *Juice* opened.

Shooting started between two groups of teens shortly before 10 p.m. in the lobby of the Lansing Mall west Cinemas in Eaton County's delta Township, said Bob Robison, a supervisor for the county's emergency dispatch.

Jamarc Roberts-Ricardo Randall, 17, of Lansing, was shot twice in the leg, Robison said. Randall was taken by friends to St. Lawrence Hospital, where nursing supervisor Donna Corbett said he was in stable condition early Saturday.

No other injuries were reported. It was undetermined whether Randall was a bystander or was involved in the fight, Robison said.

The movie, which depicts inner-city life in Harlem, was just letting out when the shooting started with one person firing shots at the lobby's ceiling.

The fight spilled outside, and several shots were fired back into the theater, shattering two windows and striking the ticket booth.

At least nine shots were fired from at least two handguns, and a third gun was found at the scene, Robison said.

Theater managers declined to comment on the shootings, referring questions to a national headquarters where calls were unanswered early Saturday.

Like *Boyz n the Hood* and *New Jack City*, *Juice* is a portrayal of inner-city life directed by a black filmmaker. Ernest Dickerson, who

has worked in the past as Spike Lee's cinematographer, directed and co-wrote *Juice*.

Many theater owners, reacting to crowd violence that plagued *Boyz* and *New Jack City*, beefed up security as the movie opened nationwide Friday.

Army Hold Mass Battalion Meet

On Saturday, Jan. 25, at 11 a.m., the U.S. Army Recruiting Battalion-Raleigh will hold a special promotion ceremony at the North Carolina National Guard Armory, 4105 Reedy Creek Road. More than 40 young Tarheels will receive accelerated promotions, prior to leaving for basic training. Christopher Cline, Douglas Kearns, and Leston Parker of Raleigh are among the promotees.

In addition, Lt. Col. Douglas M. Boyd, North Carolina native and N.C. A&T State University graduate, will assume command of the Raleigh Recruiting Battalion. He replaces Lt. Col. Ronald E. Deaver, who has been promoted to colonel and assigned to the Recruiting Command Headquarters in Fort Sheridan, Ill.

Brig. Gen. Alfonso Lenhardt, deputy commanding general at the Recruiting Command Headquarters, will be in Raleigh to preside over the activities. Dr. Richard Moore, assistant vice chancellor, University Relations, North Carolina A&T State University, will be the featured speaker.

Punching Affair Gets 14 Ousted

MILWAUKEE (AP)—Fourteen seventh and eighth grade black students were suspended from a Milwaukee middle school after they punched several white classmates amid a rumor that it was "White Kill Day," school officials said.

"They hear about the racial inequities of the past and interpret this as a time to act," said Bell Middle School principal Dennis Schumacher.

Schumacher also linked the attacks to a vow by Milwaukee Alderman Micheal McGee this week to launch a guerilla war against the city if conditions for minorities don't improve by 1995.

"City officials who fuel the fire... with their militant rhetoric don't help," Schumacher said.

Schumacher described the suspended students as chronic troublemakers. He said about seven white male students reported that as they went to first-period class, the black male students, in groups of two or three, ran up to them and punched them.

None of the students were seriously injured, he said. The perpetrators were identified by teachers and safety aides who witnessed the attacks.

Schumacher said teachers heard rumors that Thursday and Friday were designed as "White Kill Days" at Bell and that some students said they were afraid to come to school on those days.

But Florence Johnson, director of human relations for Milwaukee Public Schools, said she believed the "White Kill Days" were blown out of proportion.

"It may have been nothing more than a hoax by one student," she said.

School district administrator, Denise Calloway said Friday that no other schools had reported race-related problems this week.



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Revives Performance

DURHAM—The North Carolina Central University Department of Dramatic Art will revive, through a command performance, one of the national winners of the 1991 American College Theatre Festival, "Of Mules and Men" adapted by Dr. Randolph UMBERGER.

Critics have called the play an "artistic, entertaining and enlightening experience that celebrates and affirms the common origins of mankind."

The award-winning cast will take you on a visit to Eatonville, Fla., with Zora Neale Hurston, the most prominent writer of the Harlem

Renaissance, for an evening of humor and reflection with rural African-American folklore.

Showtimes are Feb. 12-14 at 8:15 p.m. and Feb. 15-16 at 8:15 p.m. in the University Theatre of the Farrison-Newton Communications Building on the corner of Fayetteville and Lawson streets.

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