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James Beckwourth, born into slavery in 1779, settled with the Crow Indians and rose through the ranks to become chief. He is credited with having discovered a pass through the Sierra Nevada Mountains, appropriately named Beckwourth Pass.

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HOUSE SPEAKER DAN BLUE

Conference Aims At Quality Of Life In Region

Daniel T. Blue, speaker of the North Carolina House of Representatives, and John L. Atkins, III, president of the architectural firm of O'Brien/Atkins Associates, will co-chair a Dec. 2 conference aimed at raising the quality of life in the Triangle region. To be called World-Class Region/1992: Investing in the Future, the conference, organized by the Triangle J Council of Governments, will focus on the economy, natural environment, education, human resources and cultural amenities.

TJCOG coordinated a similar effort in 1987. The World-Class Region Conference: Putting Vision Into Action resulted in the creation of the World Trade Center, Triangle Transit Authority, the regionwide water-quality monitoring project, the region's first model school, reduced long-distance telephone rates, and other accomplishments.

"The importance of this conference is twofold," said Atkins. "First, it's an opportunity to build on the impressive achievements of the earlier conference. Second, we recognize that new issues have arisen in the region, such as the importance of our place in a global economy, and we want to prepare and deal creatively with them."

The kickoff steering committee meeting for the conference was held last week at the North Carolina Biotechnology Center in Research Triangle Park. About 65 business, government and education leaders

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Judge In BB Gun Case Was A Teacher

BY CASH MICHAELS
Contributing Writer

A District Court judge who sentenced a 16-year-old student to two years in the Youth Correctional Center for bringing a broken BB gun to school was once a teacher in the same school system.

As first reported in The CAROLINIAN last week, 16-year-old Willie Barnes was told by District Court

Judge Anne B. Salisbury that she was making an example of him for bringing a broken BB gun to Enloe High School last November.

The case has caused controversy in Raleigh's African-American community because there was no gun charge entered against the young man. Yet, it was the primary reason he was found guilty on three assault charges and two counts of verbal

threats.

The sentence deeply disturbed Willie's mother, Mattie Barnes, and stepfather, Jim Scales, because they feel he should have been found guilty or innocent on the charges before the court.

After the story appeared in The CAROLINIAN, several sources told us that Judge Salisbury was once a teacher. Lynn Garrison, public in-

formation officer for the Wake County School System, confirmed to The CAROLINIAN that Judge Salisbury was indeed employed by the Wake County School System from 1973 to 1979. According to state records, she taught at Garner High School during that time, and was certified to teach Spanish and Latin.

The CAROLINIAN spoke with several attorneys in the area who

were familiar with the judge. All asked to remain unnamed because they did not want to be perceived as criticizing a judge they may have to appear before.

A consensus of opinion on Judge Salisbury was that she is very tough when it comes to sentences, and at times could be considered harsh.

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NAACP Denounces Flag Day

Plans To Protest At Capitol

NORTH CAROLINA'S Confederate Flag Day on March 4 has drawn the wrath of the N.C. NAACP.

The civil rights organization will sponsor protests in Raleigh. The Charlotte chapter will sponsor a bus trip to Raleigh.

Mary L. Peeler, executive director of the N.C. NAACP, announced the organization's opposition to Confederate Flag Day, which has been proclaimed by N.C. Gov. Jim Martin. In a prepared statement, Peeler noted that the Confederate flag is considered offensive to blacks and has been controversial for years.

The Confederate flag is the target of an NAACP resolution to have the pennant removed from state capital buildings and state flags. Mississippi and Georgia have included the Confederate flags in this century. Mississippi added the rebel pennant in 1984; Georgia adopted it in 1956.

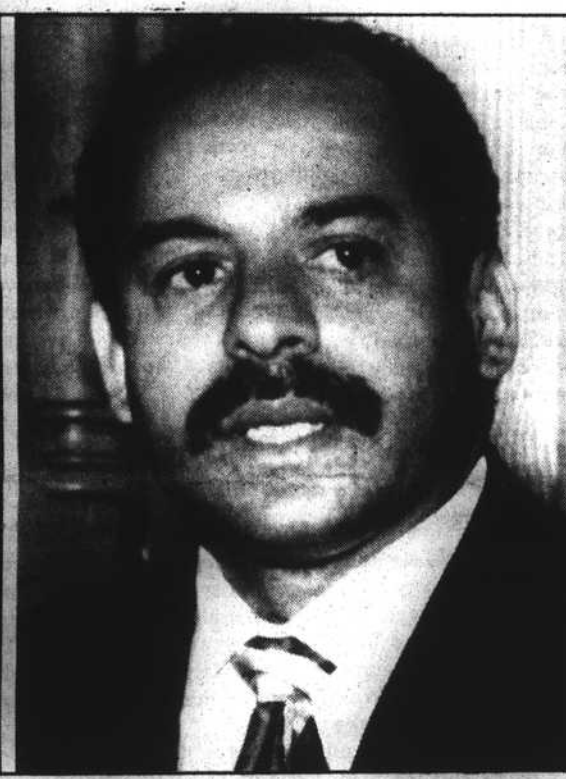
The point of contention is the NAACP's opposition to the flag's racist past. After the Civil War, the Ku Klux Klan adopted the pennant as its standard.

A silent protest will be held Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m. at the state Capitol in Raleigh. Par will assemble at 11:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church, 101 S. Wilmington St., and will proceed to the front of the state Capitol (Wilmington

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A NEW BEGINNING—Memphis Mayor Willie W. Herenton, left, and Mayor Dwight Tilley of Cincinnati spark "A New Beginning" by scoring big victories as the first Black elected mayors of their cities. They are "taking charge" in



their newly elected positions, each by responding to the needs of all of the members of their communities. Herenton vows to change the national image of his racially polarized city and Tilley pledges to unite his community.

Genealogical Symposium Observes Legacy, Wake Black High Schools

BY JOHN T. MOORE, JR.
An Analyst
The symposium held at St. Augustine's College by the North Carolina Historical and Genealogical Society was a huge success. The audience listened for about four

hours on Saturday, Feb. 22, to a speaker, panelists and inquirers and commentators about "The Legacy of Raleigh and the Nine Other Black High Schools of Wake County."

Historically speaking, Raleigh and Wake County youth did not receive "quality" and "equal" educational opportunities like their white counterparts of Wake County and Raleigh until after 1954.

There were no public black high schools in Raleigh wherein hundreds of "poor" African-American boys and girls could obtain a "free education" until 1923. It was then that the George Washington High School was established in Raleigh,

allowing black adolescents of all social classes and sexes to secure a free education as was guaranteed to them under Article I, Section 1 of the Constitution of North Carolina and "separate but equal" education as mandated by the U.S. Supreme Court in the Plessy vs. Ferguson decision of 1895.

Even then, the African-Americans did not receive "quality education" because of inadequate school equipment, facilities, etc.

The state of North Carolina, along with some other Southern states, used the "education test" as an extra-legal method for qualification to

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Rep. Hall Asks For U.S. Aid To Feed Hungry

BY LARRY A. STILL
NNPA News Service

Rep. Tony Hall (D-Ohio), chairman of the House Select Committee on Hunger, scheduled an appearance before a joint hearing of the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittees on Human Rights and International Organizations and Western Hemisphere Affairs to describe the suffering and deprivation gripping the Haitian people.

"So far, 1992 has been the year of living desperately for the people of Haiti. If my colleagues on the Foreign Affairs Committee understand nothing else, I want them to understand that," Hall declared.

"The political situation and the refugee crisis have gotten a lot of attention in the press recently, from [Haitian] President Aristide's exile in Venezuela to the refugees still arriving in Cuba. It's important that we take some time to focus on the plight of the people left behind in the

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5,000 Expected At NAFEO Meet Set For D. C.

Approximately 5,000 educators, community leaders, government officials, legislators, students and alumni are expected to attend the 17th National Conference on Blacks in Higher Education, March 18-22 at the Washington (D.C.) Hilton Hotel and the Howard Inn.

Participants are scheduled to discuss such current issues as the status of minorities in higher education, the Department of Education's latest decisions on "race-based scholarships," federal and state aid for all higher education, legal issues facing historically black colleges and universities, black students on predominantly white college campuses, multi-culturalism, Africa and African-American linkages in higher education and international education.

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Traveling Smithsonian Exhibit Saluting Inventions By Blacks

WINSTON-SALEM (AP)—The invention of an automatic lubricator for locomotives changed the work of many railroad men.

It also may have prompted the

coining of an American saying: "the real McCoy."

An original example of the lubricator, Elijah McCoy's invention, shines behind glass at the Greens-

boro Historical Museum, where it sits as part of a traveling exhibit from the Smithsonian Institution in Washington. The lubricator's nickname is part of the exhibit's name: The Real McCoy: African-American Invention and Innovation, 1619-1930.

Through artifacts, replicas, graphics and videotapes, the exhibit follows the inventions of black Americans from their days in bondage through the 1930s, when inventions were taken over in large part by corporations. Few free blacks received patents before the Civil War, and slave inventors received none.

McCoy was a mechanical engineer who worked as a fireman on the trains of the Michigan Central Railroad. He lived from 1843 to 1929.

Before his invention came along, a locomotive could run only so far before the train had to stop and men, including McCoy, had to jump out and oil the engine to prevent overheating, said Linda Evans, the museum's publicity and special-events coordinator.

McCoy developed a better system with which the train no longer had

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Community Calendar

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PUBLIC HEARING

The Raleigh City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday to discuss community development block grants activities for the 1992-93 fiscal year.

The hearing will be held during the regular City Council meeting beginning at 7 p.m. The meeting is held in the City Council Chambers, Raleigh Municipal Building, 222 W. Hargett St.

The City of Raleigh anticipates receiving about \$1.7 million in community development block grant funds for the period of July 1 of this year through June 30, 1993. In addition, the city expects to receive about \$400,000 in income generated from existing programs.

BUSINESS ADVISORY COUNCIL TO MEET

The Triangle Area Business Advisory Council will hold its quarterly meeting on Thursday at 9 a.m. at Burroughs Wellcome Co. on Cornwallis Road in Research Triangle Park. The program is titled "Breaking Down Barriers" and will involve discussion on the hiring and supervising of persons with disabilities. TABAC is composed of area employers and vocational rehabilitation specialists networking to discuss opportunities for employment of persons with disabilities.

For more information about the group or meeting, call Sue Spicer at 248-2299 or Vicki Winston at 677-8000.

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OIC Directors Plan Annual Convention For First Time Here

The Executive Directors Association (EDA) of Opportunities Industrialization Centers of America (OICA) will hold their annual meeting March 6-10, at the Raleigh Marriott at Crabtree Valley, Raleigh, North Carolina. This is the first year the EDA will be convening in North Carolina. Nearly 100 executives, including chairmen of the boards of directors of OICA affiliates, from across the United States have pre-registered so far.

OICA was founded by Rev. Dr. Leon H. Sullivan, 1964 in Philadelphia, Pa., to provide training in vocational and educational areas and to provide self-esteem and motivational skills to the unemployed, low skilled and disadvantaged population.

From its modest beginning in a dilapidated jailhouse, OICA has grown to an international organization of local community programs offering: Pro-Vocational Skills Training, Food Bank Programs, Home Ownership Programs, "At-Risk" Youth Programs, Homeless Shelters, and Traditional Curricula such as Basic Education and Vocational Skills Training.

Co-hosts for this event will be Howard Jones of Wilson OIC, Convenor OICA Region III; Willie Powell of Rocky Mount OIC and Mrs. Evelyn Jervay, of The Triangle Area OIC interest group.

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