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cial and gender stresses in a laboratory setting.

In an attempt to examine the relationship between cardiovascular and emotional responses caused by discrimination, the Duke researchers asked 60 women from 18 to 34 years old—30 white and 30 black—to discuss their own past experiences with both racial and gender discrimination. Half of the white subjects and half of the black subjects were interviewed by a researcher of their own race, while half were interviewed by a researcher of the other race.

Overall, researchers found, when black subjects discussed racial discrimination in the presence of a white researcher, the less anger the black subjects reported experiencing while talking about past racial discrimination, the more likely they were to experience a greater increase in heart rate. McNeilly said this pattern was consistent with other research indicating that blacks may suppress anger in the presence of whites and that this tendency has been historically adaptive for survival.

Blacks paired with a black interviewer, however, exhibited no correlation between anger and cardiovascular activity when discussing past experiences with racial discrimination. Although most sub-

jects reported increases in anger while recounting these past experiences, no relationship was apparent between the subjects' anger and cardiovascular responses.

For white subjects, however, regardless of the race of the interviewer, the more anger the white subjects reported experiencing as they talked about past incidents of "reverse" racial discrimination, the more likely they were to experience a larger increase in blood pressure.

In discussing gender discrimination, black women showed no significant correlations between emotions, personality and cardiovascular reactivity, regardless of whether paired with a white or a black experimenter. But, white women paired with a white experimenter showed greater increases in blood pressure and heart rate as their anger and resentment increased. No correlation was seen when white women were paired with a black researcher.

McNeilly said she and other researchers were somewhat surprised by the strong correlations between increases in all cardiovascular measures and increases in anger and resentment when white subjects discussed gender discrimination.

"The experiment wasn't originally designed to examine anger regarding gender discrimination," McNeilly said. "The gender discrimination task was included as a 'control' task against which to compare the responses to the racial task. The very strong response from white females, however, calls for further investigation."

WARS

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Following that war, the Afro-Americans served courageously in World War I and II from a regimental level to a division level. A regiment is usually commanded by a full colonel with about 1,600 men and a division commander is a major general with three times that number.

In World War I, white officers commanded the 92nd and 93rd Afro-American divisions and when they arrived in France to fight the Germans, these Afro-Americans were assigned to French officers. Several members won the Croix de Guerre. The all-black 369th Infantry Regiment stayed in the trenches for 191 days continuously in action against the Germans. They never lost a man through capture or a foot of ground. The Germans called them "Hell Fighters."

Also, black women volunteered in the WACs (Army), WAVEs (Navy), SPARs (Coast Guard) and WAAF (Air Force), and for the first time in American history, the Defense Department permitted the Afro-Americans into the Marine Corps and the Air Force. Afro-American women served in the nurse corps.

Furthermore, in World War II, the highest-ranking black officer was only a brigadier general and his name was Benjamin O. Davis, Sr. He didn't command a brigade but visited various forts as an inspector to observe the morale of Afro-Americans.

B.B. King To Annual Medgar Evers' Event

VICKSBURG, Miss. (AP)—Blues legend B.B. King will lend his voice to the annual Medgar Evers Homecoming Celebration next month.

King will perform at the Vicksburg Auditorium on June 6 and other events will be held in Fayette, which is 40 miles south of Vicksburg.

"You know Medgar was the state field secretary for the NAACP," said Charles Evers, his brother. "We like to spread the events out because we don't think it's fair to keep everything in Fayette when the work he did was for everybody."

King played guitar and sang in church when he was a child in the Mississippi Delta. He moved to Memphis, Tenn., in 1946 and became known as the "Beale Street Blues Boy" after he landed a job as a disc jockey.

The name was later shortened to "Blues Boy" and then "B.B."

Over the years King, 66, has become well known for his vocal performances and his playing of the guitar he named "Lucille."

Others scheduled to perform include Grammy Award-winner Dorothy Moore, Little Milton and Chick Willis.



ELABORATE PLANS—New York City Mayor David N. Dinkins (left) and Democratic National Party chairman, Ronald H. Brown, (right) both expressed "excitement and happiness" over elaborate plans for the Democratic National Convention during a walk through of Madison Square Gardens, the convention site.

Trash Tally Tops 212 Tons In Last Fall's First Citizens Bank Big Sweep

The list could be an inventory of the county landfill: tires and car parts, a rusted gas can, a refrigerator, a stove, a toilet bowl. Unfortunately, it's not.

These items are only a sampling of the 212 tons of litter volunteers picked up from North Carolina waterways in last fall's First Citizens Bank Big Sweep '91.

Enough trash, collected in the course of four hours, to fill a fleet of 21 garbage trucks to capacity.

Organizers say the bulk of discarded appliances and furniture were hauled off inland lakes and waterways, where the cleanup hit full stride last year. There, volunteers found an electric motor, shopping carts, a mattress and rusted box springs, a desk, safe door, car seat and carpets.

But there's more to the annual statewide cleanup than peculiar finds.

Bottles and cans left behind are no less of an eyesore. And plastic and discarded fishing line are deadly to aquatic wildlife that mis-

take them for food or become entangled.

It's this type of everyday garbage that continues to hold rank in the state's "dirty dozen," the 12 items most cited in the cleanup. On the coast, cigarette butts head the 1991 dirty dozen; inland, glass bottles.

The volume of trash collected statewide—47 tons more than 1990—is a rare measure of the hazards of our throwaway society.

But it's also a measure of the North Carolina effort, which rivaled cleanups in Texas, California and Florida in participation and shoreline miles scoured.

Close to 12,500 volunteers scoured 400 miles of Tar Heel shoreline, from the southern mountains to the coastal plains to the beaches.

The inland and coastal cleanups combined netted 420,000 pounds of litter, more than any other state. The heavy appliances and car parts played a role in driving up the reported weight of North

Carolina's garbage, says Susan Bartholomew, First Citizens Bank Big Sweep executive director.

The jump in inland participation was also a factor.

"When we have more tons of garbage than anyone else, it's partly because our cleanup covers more area than just the beach," Bartholomew says. "And to me, it's incredible that there are volunteers out there who are willing to pull up refrigerators, car parts and tires for four hours."

Survey Finds Local Businesses To Add Employees

The Raleigh area is expected to head into summer with a robust job market, according to hiring intentions just released for the third quarter by Manpower, Inc., the world's largest temporary help firm.

"The Employment Outlook Survey findings for July, August and September show that 40 percent of the local businesses interviewed intend to add more staff, 10 percent plan labor reductions and another 50 percent foresee no changes," said Raleigh area spokesperson Bill Williams.

Williams said that in general employers are usually quite upbeat during the summer months. "Current results are even more optimistic than those of a quarter ago, when 30 percent anticipated adding personnel while seven percent predicted staff cuts. Last year at this time, 27 percent planned increases and seven percent expected to trim employment rolls."

For the next three months job opportunities are most likely in construction, non-durable goods manufacturing, finance/insurance/real estate, education and public administration. Workforce reductions are seen in transportation/public utilities.

Nationwide, employers express an optimism not seen in the past two years. Of more than 15,000 companies interviewed, 25 percent expected to increase employment rolls. Only eight percent anticipated staff cutbacks and 64 percent said they would remain at present levels. An additional three percent were not yet certain. The improvement over recent quarters substantially exceeds the normal seasonal increases and the favorable outlook extends to all geographic regions.

WORD WISE

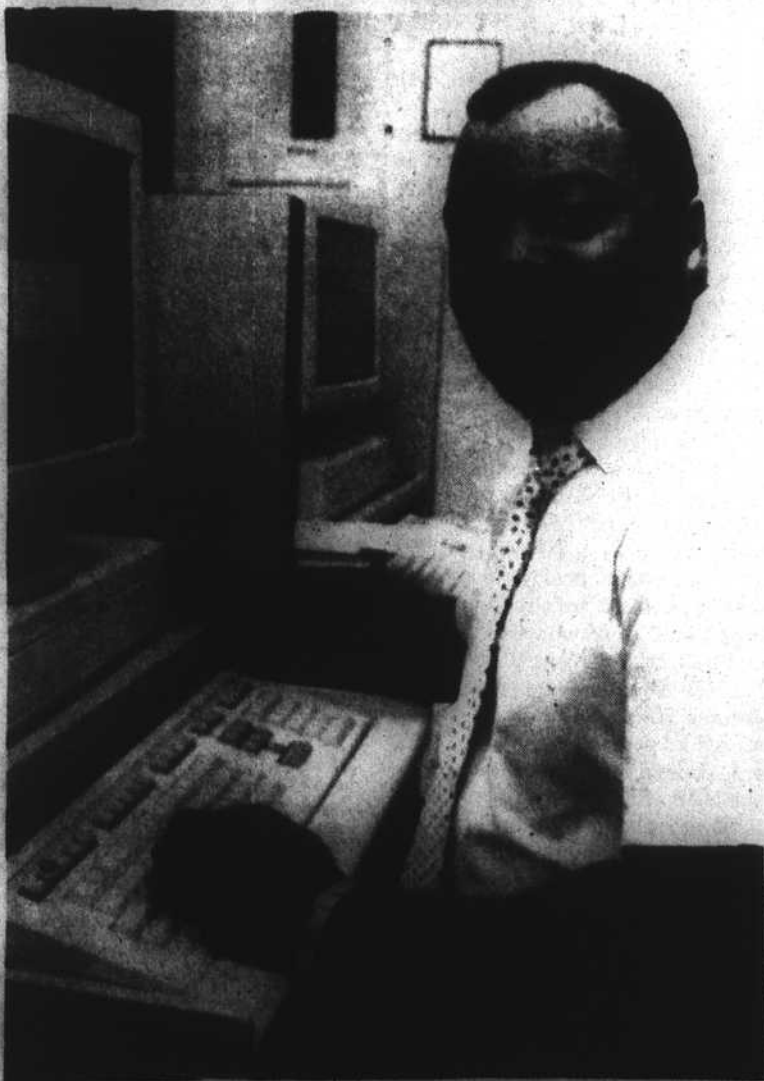
Q. Pool seems to be back in style, but now they're called billiards parlors. Isn't that just a snobby way to make this game more upscale?

A. Billiards is the generic term for any game played with from two to 15 balls and a cueball on a rectangular table with a raised, cushioned edge.

Pool, which also is called pocket billiards, is the name for billiards games which use 15 balls. The object of the game is to drive the balls into pockets using a cueball which the player hits with a cue stick.

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Drive Safely



COMPUTER MAJOR—While many other graduating students are finding it tough to get a job, N.C. A&T State University graduate John Gerald Woodard is having his pick of them. The computer science major received a record 14 job offers, one of them for \$51,000. His potential employment list includes a number of top firms and governmental agencies.

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