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**Racial Profiling Studied**

Police search blacks, Hispanics more than whites

(AP) — Washington State Patrol troopers pull over white and minority motorists at similar rates, but they search minorities 2½ times as often as whites, a Seattle Times investigation found.

"While they are sensitive to who they stop, what follow-up actions they take is where racism, or some form of discrimination, appears," said Oscar Eason, past president of Seattle's NAACP chapter.

When violations were minor and wouldn't routinely require a search, blacks and Hispanics were searched more than twice as often as whites. Native Americans were searched three times as often. In the Yakima district, Indians were searched five times as often.

The Times analyzed 1.7 million traffic stops over 27 months, interviewed motorists pulled over by the Patrol, spoke with experts on racial profiling, and rode along with troopers on state highways.

The analysis showed the odds of being searched, once pulled over, is one in 37. Whites who were searched were found with contraband 30 percent of the time, compared to 21 percent for minorities.

Since the patrol began tracking searches that drivers consent to only in February, the numbers are too small to draw conclusions about that type of search, The Times said in its report.



**Volcano Menaces Guatemala Town**

A young Guatemalan boy rides his bicycle across a cobblestone street last Wednesday as ash, smoke and fire erupt behind him from a volcano near Antigua City. The volcano is just southwest of Guatemala City. The town, founded in 1527, was almost completely destroyed by a violent volcanic eruption in 1541, leaving only the facade of its cathedral standing. It was rebuilt on a safer site nearby and was partially destroyed again by another eruption.

**NEWS ITEM: BRAZIL'S NEW PRESIDENT CANCELS \$BILLION MILITARY PURCHASE IN FAVOR OF FEEDING THE POOR**



**Disease Prevention Promoted**  
Poder es Salud supports Hispanics and African Americans

According to a report by the Institute of Medicine, people of color in the United States experience more common and more severe health problems than European Americans.

A new program called *Poder es Salud* or Power for Health, will support community groups within Portland's African American and Latino communities to take greater power over their health and narrow the healthcare gap.

"As well as improving health, we hope that this project can create a bridge between the African American and Latino communities," said Chonitia Smith, executive director of the Sankofaa Institute of Cultural Learning.

The project is funded at \$1.5 million for three years by the Cen-

ters for Disease Control and Prevention of the Department of Health and Human Services. Federal funds finance 89 percent of the project and .04 percent of funding is from non-governmental sources. The

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remaining 10.96 percent is funded by Multnomah County.

The goal is to improve health in the Latino and African American communities in Multnomah County by employing Community Health Workers to use popular education to help community groups identify and solve their own most pressing

health issues. "It's time to build upon cultural similarities as opposed to differences," Smith said. "Each group has a gift to bring and each can benefit from learning from the

Partners in the effort include the Urban League of Portland, the Latino Network, the Sankofaa Institute of Cultural Learning, Portland State University, Oregon Health and Sciences University, and the Community Capacitation Center of the Multnomah County Health Department.

**Minority Enrollments Score Some Gains**

(AP) — Minority student enrollment in Oregon's public universities is growing, but not as fast as the growth rate in the general population.

Blacks, Asians, Latinos and American Indians made up 10,068 of the 78,111 student total in the state's seven public universities this fall, according

tonumbers kept by the Oregon University System. That's about 13 percent of the total, up from about 11 percent a decade ago. But minorities are about 15 percent of the Oregon population at large, according to the 2000 Census.

Oregon Health & Science Univer-

sity, which began the decade as a state campus but finished as an independent, public corporation with some state support, had the biggest increase in minority enrollment — 142 percent. This fall, 14 percent of its students in medicine, nursing and other health fields were minorities.