

# Politics Blocks \$900,000 Grant For Durham Black Citizens

## Black Militants Are Denounced By Marshall

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## James Forman "Modern Day Prophet" At New York Meet



HOUSING CONFERENCE — HUD Secretary Romney is shown with William A. Morris (L), chairman of the National

Housing Producers Association conference, and Ralph Greene, planning chairman, as he met with 300 Negro housing figures

from all parts of the country in Washington Friday. The conference was sponsored by the NAACP.

### \$500 Million Demanded In Reparations

NEW YORK—The National Committee of Black Churchmen today released the text of a statement calling James Forman "a modern-day prophet" and backing the demands of the "Black Manifesto" which Forman presented to Riverside Church last Sunday and to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York today.

The manifesto, adopted by the National Black Economic Development Conference meeting in Detroit two weeks ago, includes a demand for \$500,000,000 in reparations to be paid by the churches and synagogues of America for their part in centuries of economic exploitation of black people.

The NBC Board of Directors' statement urges "black caucuses (within predominantly white denominations) and the black denominations to play the justness, humaneness, and theological soundness of the black manifesto," and calls on them to "accept the responsibility to develop the strategies necessary to obtain the funds which are demanded."

It also instructs its executive director, the Rev. J. Metz Rollins, to begin immediately to coordinate these "efforts of advocacy and implementation."

The black churchmen went beyond the demands of the

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### MRS. LAURA BURNETT NAMED ST. JOSEPH'S "MOTHER OF THE YEAR"

Mrs. Laura Burnett, widow of the late Henry Burnett was honored here Sunday, May 11 during the 11:00 a.m. worship services of St. Joseph's A.M.E. Church as the "Mother of the Year."

Mrs. Burnett resides at 1208 Fayetteville Street. She is the mother of five children; three of whom survive. They are a daughter, Mrs. Nannie Ruth Smith, teacher in the city schools of Denver, Colorado; two sons, Henry, supervisor in the Welfare Department of Greensboro; and Frank, Principal of the W. G. Pearson of Durham. Mrs. Burnett has six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

In her church she is a member of the Carolina Barnes Missionary Society and a char-



MRS. BURNETT

ter member of the Moxahala Class. Her civic affiliations include, membership in the Utopia Club, Golden Ageds and the Daughters of Isis.

### Hunter College Head Resigns to Accept Swarthmore Presidency

NEW YORK—Dr. Robert D. Cross, president of Hunter College of The City University of New York since October, 1967, has submitted his resignation and has accepted an invitation from the Board of Managers of Swarthmore College to become president of that institution.

In a letter to Dr. Albert H. Bowker, chancellor of the City University, and to members of the Board of Higher Education, Dr. Cross said that he is "grateful for the support that has been generously granted me at the City University, and I shall miss the many friends I have made here."

In a message to Hunter College students, faculty and staff members, Dr. Cross outlined the problems of Hunter College and of higher education generally as pertaining to finances, and the quest of faculty and students for increased involvement in college and university governance. He said:

"These problems, though differing in specific detail, constitute the nonnegotiable agenda of all colleges. I do not think they are insoluble. I am choosing to tackle them in a different location where I can do so with greater personal satisfaction."

### Charlotte Firm Named in Wage Hour Labor Suit

CHARLOTTE — Bob Star, individually, and doing business as Federated Tax Service, has been named defendant in a Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) suit filed in U. S. District Court by Secretary of Labor George P. Shultz.

The complaint alleges the defendant is in violation of the minimum-wage overtime-pay and record-keeping provisions of the Act, and as a result of these violations minimum wages and overtime pay have been unlawfully withheld by defendant from his employees.

The action asserts defendant's employees are covered by the Act because they are engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce within the meaning of the Act.

The suit seeks a judgment

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MRS. INGRAM AND MRS. HELEN JONES

### Rho Chapter Of Iota Sorority Honors Local Business Woman

### Nilas Thompson Named Pres. Durham New Supermarket Chain

Nilas Thompson of 314 Gray Street has been elected president of the United Durham, Inc., the new supermarket chain designed to serve the needs of low-income black people in Durham.

Thompson, a semi-retired employee of Duke Power Co., was selected at the May 7 meeting of the UDI board of directors. Also elected were: Walter Umstead, Mrs. Fannie Hedgepeth and Harry Richter, vice-presidents; Mrs. Lillian Conrad, secretary; Leander Medlin, treasurer; and Stewart Fulbright, assistant treasurer.

The board heard a report on the special conditions of the \$900,000 grant from the Office of Economic Opportunity. The report was given by Nathan T. Garrett, executive director of the Foundation for Community Development, which will receive the grant.

The special conditions dis-



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cussed concerned such things as restrictions on investment of grant money, transfer of funds, financial records, definition of target area for spending the grant, etc.

Garrett emphasized that the UDI board is the decision-

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Mrs. Bernice H. Ingram, President and Manager of Dunbar Realty and Insurance Company was honored by Rho Chapter, Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, here Sunday, May 11, at a special Mother's Day program and reception held at the Alphonso Elder Student Union Building of North Carolina College at 3:30 p.m. She was presented the gift from the Sorority by the President, Mrs. Helen R. Jones.

Appearing on the program were Dr. James T. Taylor, Vice Chairman of the North Carolina Good Neighbor Council, who spoke on "An Outstanding Mother"; a special tribute, "A Successful Businesswoman" was given by W. J. Kennedy, Jr. retired President and Chairman of the Board, North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company; music was by Mrs. Elizabeth Frasier, soloist, and Mrs. L. Lavina Parker, accompanist. The invocation and benediction were by Reverend Lorenzo A. Lynch, Pastor, White Rock Baptist Church.

Mrs. Ingram, mother of three daughters, has exhibited

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### Supreme Court Member Blasts U. S. Anarchy

NEW ORLEANS — Black militants have been soundly denounced by the first Negro member of the U. S. Supreme Court, who says that "anarchy is anarchy is anarchy." It makes no difference who practices it, it is bad; it is punishable and it should be punished. "It is time for the good thinking people to realize that black separatism breeds nothing," Associate Justice Thurgood Marshall told an overflow audience attending the official Centennial Celebration of Dillard University in New Orleans, Sunday, May 4.

Some of us old folks here can remember when a proposal was made to give the Negroes a state," he said. "And who proposed it? The communist party that's who. So that's nothing new."

Referring to himself as a Negro and not a "black man," Justice Marshall said that while he believes black is indeed the only color that is beautiful "I think that we Negro Americans have just as many beautiful people in mind and body, as well as skin, as any other group and we have just as

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DR. OWENS

### Black Dentist Is Elected To Roxb'o Council

ROXBORO —History was made in Roxboro last Saturday May 8 when Dr. J. C. Owens, a dentist became the first black person ever to be elected to a public office in Roxboro.

Dr. Owens polled a total of 481 votes to take fifth place in the City Council Election. Out of the 12 candidates in the race there were two other black candidates, Rev. V. R. Booker and Sylvester Gentry.

Dr. Owens was born and reared in Person County and has practiced dentistry in Roxboro since 1950. The new black councilman is married to the former Miss Mary Lou Johnson, also a native of Person County. The couple are parents of a son, Phillip.

Swearing in of the newly elected member of the council was held Tuesday.

### Career Session Held At Union

RICHMOND — Dr. Julius A. Thomas, vice-president of the College Placement Service and staff member of the National Urban League, was the keynote speaker at a two-day "Career Conference" on Virginia Union University's campus.



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### GOP Officials and Galifianakis Charged With Conspiracy Against Assistance For Black People

A \$900,000 grant for low-income black citizens in Durham is being complicated because of local and state political pressure.

The money has been set aside for new businesses owned and operated by black people here. The Office of Economic

Opportunity announced April 23 that it has awarded the grant to the Foundation for Community Development (FCD).

Criticism came at once from several sources, including Durham County Republicans and Rep. Nick Galifianakis. Because

of this opposition, OEO was reported to have said that it might have to delay the grant while a "study" is made.

Nathan T. Garrett, executive director of FCD, says he is confident the grant will be

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