

WORDS OF WISDOM

Talk with your employees—but listen more than you talk. —Charles S. Weber

No man ever succeeded by waiting for the breaks. —Ralph Hites

He climbs highest who helps another up. —Anonymous

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DURHAM HOUSING AUTHORITY CONFLICT RAGES



Ben Ruffin presents \$100.00 UDI church award to Mr. McKinley Cates

UDI Awards \$100 To Union Baptist Church In Final Week Of Celebration

United Durham, Inc. (UDI) awarded \$100 to Union Baptist Church last week terminating the month long anniversary celebration in which UDI gave away am-fm radios, toasters, irons, baskets of food and other items to customers on a weekly basis.

The church contest awarded the grant to the church having

the largest number of customers attending the supermarket. Shoppers were asked to drop ballots in the church

presentation of the gift to Union Baptist was made by Ben Ruffin, an official of UDI at a special reception offering refreshments. Osofo McDonald

was the speaker.

The anniversary celebration closed out a successful year for UDI establishing a first venture of Black community owned and operated businesses.

Bearing the slogan "people before profits," UDI has weathered the first year storm and is looking forward to a prosperous future.

By JAMES VAUGHAN For several weeks Durham has been the scene of an escalated Housing Authority Conflict which carried the threat of a paralysis of administrative functioning. However, the Housing Authority Commission, headed by J. J. Henderson felt assured this week that "the D.H.A.'s functions are being carried on."

The continuing operation of the D.H.A. has been maintained despite resignations of five key members of the administrative staff last week. In addition, Carvie Oldham, executive director laid claim to a 36-week sick leave.

It is believed that the controversy began to mount a few weeks ago following the DHA Commissioners' approval of a

new policy empowering itself to hire and fire personnel with the DHA in positions paying annual salaries of \$10 thousand or more, of course, limiting the authorities of the executive director. Also, the Commission abolished the position of Director of Management.

"But, in actuality," according to several officials of the Durham Black community, "this is not an isolated incident; we've had some 20-years of trouble with the DHA."

Mrs. Nellie White, president of the Tenant Steering Committee said, "This seems to me to be an initial effort to straighten out a backlog of conflicts within the DHA."

Mrs. White heads the tenant group made-up of 1,600

families living in public housing in the city.

She explained further that, "we view the latest development as part of a long hard struggle of many of us to gain respect and concern for the DHA."

She listed many of the past problems with the Oldham administration as being: A total lack of communication, and a disregard for the well-being of tenants

Mrs. White stated, however, "that the tenant group has confidence in the commission and they are optimistic that the developments will produce positive results."

Another noted figure stated, "maybe we can begin to unravel the 'Carvey Oldham Synasty.'"

Oldham currently remains with the DHA "cooperating fully "with a transition, according to Attorney Dan K. Edwards, legal DHA counselor. Atty. Edwards has been dubbed acting executive director in the anticipated absence of Oldham.

According to Edwards, "things are going along well at the DHA. Everyone is cooperating." Continued on page 6A

\$25,000 Granted To Find Safe Birth Control Methods

Ala.—Researchers at Tuskegee Institute have received a federal grant to pursue a project concerned with finding a safer method of birth control.

The \$25,000 grant from the National Science Foundation will support the initial phases of research on "In Vivo Studies on the Avian Oviduct Motility." Dr. O. P. Verma, an assistant professor in the School of Veterinary Medicine, is the principal investigator. Two other veterinary professors, Dr. C. A. Walker and Dr. W. C. Bowie, are co-principal investigators in the project.

While the popular birth control "pill" is said to be an effective method of birth control, researchers are concerned over the potentially dangerous side effects the pill also causes its human takers. The birth control pill alters the reproductive process by varying the levels of reproductive hormones. But at the same time, "the pill" can influence other physiology systems in the body. Emotional disturbances and thromboembolisms are common side effects of "the pill."

The Tuskegee research project will use the chicken as the principal laboratory because of its large and easily identifiable reproductive tract. Small monitoring devices are being inserted in the chicken's oviduct (reproductive tract) to study the difference in oviduct activity upon the administration of certain drugs and foreign intrauterus devices.

In addition to learning more about the changes in activity in the oviduct system, the re-

searchers hope to find a compound that will relate more directly to the reproductive process and without the potentially hazardous effects of "the pill."



ATTACK—A top loader devours the first of four houses which fell this week on the site of North Carolina Central University's planned Communications Building. The \$2.2 million building, at the corner of Fayetteville and Law-

son Streets, will provide facilities for instruction in English, German, Romance languages, reading, writing, speech, and an audio-visual television center. Construction should begin sometime during the fall semester.

A Statement By NAACP Director Roy Wilkins

It is difficult for millions of Americans to understand the reasoning of the Court's majority when the plain fact exists that but for state action in granting a liquor license, the Moose Lodge in Harrisburg, Pa., would not be able to refuse service at its bar to a black citizen. This is state action in support of racial discrimination which is forbidden by the Constitution.

To argue otherwise, as has Mr. Justice Rehnquist, is smelly hair-splitting which one seldom gets this late in the century, from the highest court in the land.

This strange ruling leaves the door open for many places of public accommodations to claim to be private. It could mangle some sections of the 1964 Civil Rights law into an unrecognizable mess.

Before today's decision we would have said it was unlikely that the Court would reaffirm the notorious inequality in the 1896 Plessy case's "separate but equal" doctrine.

But today's opinion makes anything possible—even the period, 1896-1915, when Negro civil rights were non-existent and the U.S. Supreme Court was deaf to the plea that the U. S. Constitution included Blacks as well as whites.

The majority of the Court may even be on its way back to the Dred Scott decision of 1857 when it held that a black man had no rights which a white man was bound to respect.

The whole Black World has

VEP Reports

Blacks Show Voter Registration Gains

Over 53,000 Blacks registered to vote from January 1, 1972 until the registration books closed on April 7, before the May primary elections according to a survey released by the North Carolina Voter Edu-

cation Project. In December 1971, 46 per cent of the 675,000 Blacks 18 years of age and over were registered. The gains in the first few months have boosted this percentage to 54 per cent. (The total registration figure includes 14,000 Indians who are registered. Over 10,000 of the 14,000 Indians who are registered are in Robeson County.)

There were sixteen counties in which over 1,000 Blacks registered in the first few months of 1972. Most of these gains were made in counties in which the state's major cities are located and in counties located in the Second Congressional District. In fact, of these sixteen counties, seven are located in the largely rural and sparsely populated Second District.

John Edwards, Director of the North Carolina Voter Education Project (N. C. VEP), said that Blacks should continue to work to increase Black registration and that N. C. VEP will assist community groups and organizations in this work as it has done in the past.

Black Youths Urged To Visit State Employment Office For Summer Jobs

WASHINGTON—Thinking about a job for the summer? Black young people who want jobs this summer are urged to visit their local State Employment Service office and register as soon as possible.

This is the advice of the U.S. Department of Labor which points out that well over one million jobs are expected to be available to youngsters through the State Employment Service this summer.

Available jobs include 740,222 slots in the summer Neighborhood Youth Corps Program for disadvantaged young people under 22. The jobs will pay a minimum of \$1.60 an hour for nine weeks work in community service activities.

The National Alliance of

Businessmen (NAB) has pledged to hire 175,000 disadvantaged youngsters in 126 metropolitan areas this summer. NAB job orders will be filled by the local State Employment Service.

Other job slots that the State Employment Service (ES) will help fill include 63,000 positions with the Federal Summer Employment Program for Youth; up to 59,100 positions in the Public Employment Program; and 161,000 jobs in the ES Youth Summer Placement program. In addition, they will have job listings from members of the local community.

Young people eligible for jobs on the Employment Service Registry will be notified by post card of an available opportunity.

There are over 2300 local

offices of the Federal-State Employment Service system throughout the country. Most cities have more than one office and large cities may have as many as a dozen. To find the nearest office, look in the telephone book under the name of the state, then look under the name of the State Government agency that runs the Public Employment Service Offices for the local phone number and address.

Last Rites Held For Former Durham Health Educator Joseph Beebe

Funeral rites were held on June 19 in Lansing, Michigan for Joseph A. Beebe III, a former resident of Durham, Mr. Beebe 50, died of a heart attack while speaking to the Ministerial Economic Development Corporation of Detroit, Michigan, a part of the Model Cities Division of HUD.

The former Durham Health Educator was a native of Washington, North Carolina. He attended Pain College of Augusta, Georgia and received his B. S. degree from Johnson C. Smith University. Following further graduate training at Howard University he earned a Master's Degree in Public Health was earned at North Carolina Central University.

He then worked without pay at the Durham County Health Department at a health educator to demonstrate the need in public health for such a position. In 1956, he joined the Durham United Fund's Better Health Foundation as a health educator. From 1957 to 1960, he served as executive director of the Durham Social Planning Council, earning wide recognition at the time for being the first Black to head a community welfare agency in the nation. While in Durham, Beebe was program

director for the Durham Business and Professional Chain and participated in numerous other civic activities.



JOSEPH BEEBE

He left Durham in 1960 for Dayton, Ohio, where he was research director of the Community Welfare Council.

In 1965 Beebe moved to Washington, D. C. where he became a research program specialist with the National Urban League. Later that year he joined the Michigan Economic Opportunity Office under then Governor George. Continued on page 6A

Mrs. Scarborough Elected Head Of N.C. Morticians

Mrs. Ernestine Scarborough Bynum, daughter of the late J. C. Scarborough and the late Daisy E. Scarborough, founders of the Scarborough and Hargett Funeral Home in 1888, was elected as the first woman president of the Funeral Directors and Morticians Assn. of N. C.

The 45th annual convention was held at the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, N. C. June 13, 14, 15. Mrs. Bynum is the sister of J. C. Scarborough, Jr. and the aunt of J. C. Scarborough, III, who are also affiliated with the Scarborough and Hargett Funeral Home.

Woman power was shown by the election of Mrs. Bynum as State President as well as Mrs. Catherine Payne of New York, who is also the first National president of the Association.

The educational back-



ERNESTINE SCARBOROUGH

ground of Mrs. Bynum includes diplomas from St. Augustine's College, Rhodes Business School of New York City, Atlanta College of Mortuary Science and N. C. Central University.

Additional studies towards the M. A. degree has been pursued at NCCU.

Work experiences have been varied, and include service as Continued on page 6A