

WORDS OF WISDOM

The best education in the world is that got by struggling to get a living.  
—Wendell Phillips

One may walk over the highest mountain one step at a time.  
—John Wanamaker

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## Prince George County Schools Desegregation: Peaceful, Quiet

WASHINGTON —(NBNS)— Desegregation of public schools in the nation's 10th largest school system — Prince Georges County — was noticeably peaceful and smooth as attendance got back to normal on the second day of enforced integrated classes.

Attendance on the first day of classes for the new semester was down to 82.5 per cent of the 161,000 students in the system, but it got back to normal — 91.5 per cent — on the second day of classes.

School officials blamed the lower attendance on several factors including the fear by some parents for the safety of their children and a planned "Day of Mourning" to protest the increasing busing by the Citizens for Community Schools.

The desegregation order, which transferred 33,000 students, most of them black, to new schools and bused 12,300 for the first time was the most massive for a Washington suburban system.

Freezing, gray skies greeted the youngsters on the first day of this "new experience" but most of them viewed it as a routine.

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MRS. BEATRICE WILLIAMS, 26, of Memphis, isn't angry about being awakened at 4:20 a.m., Jan. 28th. The call was to tell her that her husband, Air Force Capt. James Williams was among the POWs to be released from Vietnam. An ear-her call, at 12:30 a.m., had informed her that his name was not on the list.

## Congressional Black Caucus Raps Richard Nixon Budget Cuts

WASHINGTON — The Congressional Black Caucus continued to act as a thorn in President Nixon's side last week when it lambasted the Administration's cutback on federal domestic programs in such areas as civil rights, housing, employment, education and drug abuse.

In a series of speeches before the house of Representatives, the 15-member Caucus said it intended to "present an alternative to what the President has to offer" by delivering what it termed a "true state of the union" message as it re-

lates to the destiny of poor, black and disadvantaged Americans.

The Caucus was especially critical of Mr. Nixon's Inaugural Address in which he urged the American People to be more self-reliant by asking "Not just what will government do for me, but what can I do for myself?" — an exhortation which the black Congressmen called a "perverted twist on the message of John F. Kennedy."

Self-reliance, they contended it a "goal," not a "means" as

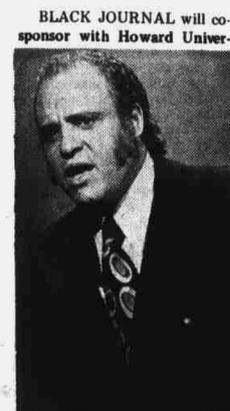
Mr. Nixon perceives it.

"Over the past four years we have learned that self-reliance is a virtue which is demanded only from minorities the poor and the disadvantaged," Rep. Louis Stokes (D-Ohio), the caucus chairman, declared in his opening statement before a nearly empty House chamber.

"No one told Lockheed and Penn Central to pull themselves up by their bootstraps. That is the central fallacy in Mr. Nixon's exhortation. It is one

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## Communications Confab to Hear Federal Communication Official



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city the second annual Black Careers in Communications conference in Washington, D. C. on March 5, 6 and 7.

The Conference will feature

Benjamin L. Hooks, the first and only Black FCC Commissioner, as guest speaker. Mr. Hooks has also lent his support to the Conference in a "Non-commercial" seen on public television which urges viewers to attend the three-day session.

According to Tony Brown, executive producer of BLACK JOURNAL and dean of Howard's School of Communications, the event is a demonstration of "two Black institutions joining in the name of self-help to end the rhetoric and begin the action of hiring qualified Blacks in the communications field."

The Conference will provide extensive contact between Black aspirants and representatives from various media organizations. Brown points out the "intelligent qualified Blacks do exist. They are eager, ready

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## Did Essex Seek Revenge For Southern University Murders?

WASHINGTON — The contents of a note presumed by the New Orleans police to have been written by Mark Essex or someone associated with him links the January 7 battle between Essex and 700 New Orleans policemen with the Nov. 16 murders of two Southern University students by law officers.

Meanwhile, here a leading Pan Africanist organizer in a speech before a college student body commented on the implications of the New Orleans "sniper" seige.

Essex, who was killed by gunfire the night of Jan. 7 atop the Downtown Howard Johnson Hotel, had held the police at bay for 27 hours before his body was riddled with bullets by officers in a helicopter.

The note in question, according to police officials, was received at a New Orleans television station with a January postmark. According to New Orleans newsmen Bill Elder the letter warned of an attack on police headquarters on New Year's Eve, but that holiday mail delivery had caused the letter to not be received until after the attack had taken place.

The letter apparently referred to a Dec. 31 attack on the Central lockup (police station) in which a police cadet was killed and another policeman standing near him was wounded.

Police said the same .44 magnum Ruger carbine found beside Essex's body was the one which fired the bullets that killed the police cadet.

The letter received by

WWT-TV said:

"Africa greets you. On December 31, 1972 appt. (approximately) 11 p.m. the downtown New Orleans police department will be attacked.

"Reason — many. But the death of two innocent brothers will be avenged and many others. Tell pig (Police Superintendent Clarence) Giarusso the felony squad ain't (obscenity)."

The letter was signed "Mata" a Swahili work meaning "instrument to kill." The word "Mata" was also found on the walls of Essex's New Orleans apartment.

According to New Orleans police officials, however, the investigating officers are not pursuing any attempt to link

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## ... SO DOES WILKINS

WASHINGTON — Noting that there cannot be "true justice in this country until we have eradicated all vestiges of discrimination," civil rights leader Roy Wilkins lambasted President Nixon and his recent cutbacks in federal programs which enable blacks and other minorities "the opportunity to realize themselves fully."

Speaking before the annual board dinner of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, Wilkins recalled the President's oath of "preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States." However, he added, "our experiences with the way in which he (the President) discharged that oath in the past are a disquieting preview of what we may expect in the next four years."

Wilkins, who serves as chairman of the Conference and whose remarks came on the same day that Mr. Nixon's budget was released also de-

nounced the Administration's substantial cutbacks in education, housing, employment, health, and welfare programs.

Referring to Constitutional provisions of insuring domestic tranquility and promoting the general welfare, Wilkins said; "There can be no domestic tranquility unless the general welfare is advanced. . . We, the most powerful nation, the wealthiest nation in the world, are on the verge of turning our backs upon those among us who are most disadvantaged.

"We are embarked upon a course that must alarm all of us concerned with the nation's well-being," Wilkins added. "Even before Inauguration Day, the process was underway of cutting back and weakening and even abolishing programs designed to promote the general welfare."

In addition, Wilkins said, the Nixon Administration "both excites and panders to the cur-

rent hysteria over busing," thus hampering school desegregation and equal educational opportunity; destroys the work ethic by eliminating or reducing manpower and job training programs and by not supporting an increased federal minimum wage level; weakens the judicial system by appointing judges who "in the main show themselves unresponsive to the needs of those who suffer the greatest injustices"; and dilutes the efficacy of federal civil rights acts through budgetary cutbacks or lax enforcement.

These factors, Wilkins explained, create a "vicious circle" which entraps blacks and other minorities and prevents them from achieving full equality of opportunity.

This circle could be broken however, he added, were it not for the fact that "our system of checks and balances has never seemed in greater jeopardy

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## --NEWS BRIEFS--

**NIXON TO CURB BLACK BUSINESS PROGRAM**

WASHINGTON —(NBNS)— President Nixon will sharply cutback his program of aid to black businesses with possible emphasis shifting to other minority groups, Fairchild Publications, Inc. reported this week.

The news service said John Jenkins, black director of the Commerce Department's Office of Minority Business Enterprise (OMBE) may be replaced by a Chicano, thus leading to speculation that the program will be geared to Mexican-Americans, Indians, and Puerto Ricans.

OMBE was begun in 1969 to encourage development of black-owned businesses with federal and private aid. In 1971, the agency was given authority to award contracts and grants and last year its budget totaled \$43.6 million. Fairchild said existing programs will continue until present financing expires, but chances of renewal are slim.

system through a scientific and systematic program. We must be preoccupied with building, not destroying," the head of the African Peoples' Revolutionary Party said.

**MISS. BLACKS IN VOTING SUIT**

WASHINGTON —(NBNS)— The Justice Department has filed a civil suit in U.S. District Court in Oxford, Miss. charging that blacks were prevented from voting in Marshall County in the 1971 elections, thus, violating the 1965 Voting Rights Act. The suit said the County Board of Election Commissioners and Circuit Clerk Edwin Callicott Jr. transferred at least 104 registered voters — two-thirds of whom were black — to election districts in which they were not qualified to vote in the 1971 primary in general elections. In addition, the suit contends at least 258 whites and 31 blacks were registered to vote just before the 1971 elections even though their registrations did not conform to legal requirements.

**VOLUNTEER POLICE SUSPENDED 'AMBUSHES' BLAMED**

WASHINGTON —(NBNS)— Citing recent ambush attacks in which four policemen were shot and wounded, Police Commissioner Patrick Murphy has indefinitely suspended 5,200 auxiliary police from street patrol duty. The civilian force carries night sticks but is usually without firearms when it patrols city streets and performs such functions as traffic control and park patrol. Without backup protection for its members, a police spokesman said, "they'd be sitting ducks."

**MALCOLM X HEAD TO LEAVE IN JUNE**

CHICAGO —(NBNS)— Dr. Charles Hurst Jr., charged with mismanaging \$1.3 million in federal funds given to Malcolm X College, said this week that

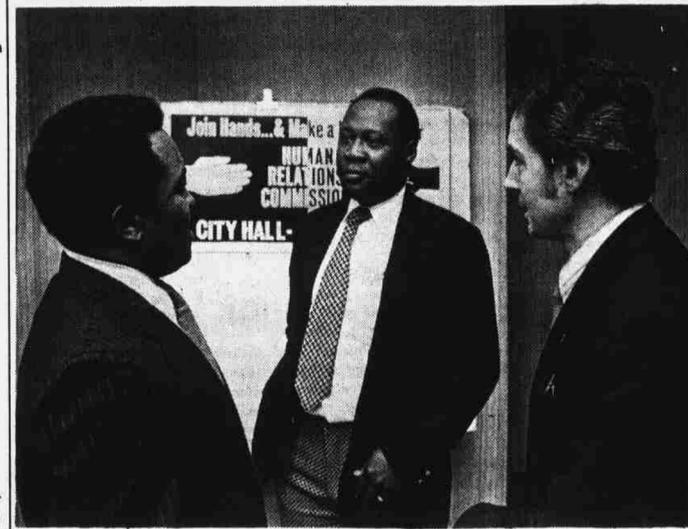
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**NAACP OFFICIAL CALLS NIXON A RACIST**

ST. LOUIS, Mo. —(NBNS)— Bishop Stephen G. Spottswood, chairman of the board of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, was quoted last week as saying that President Nixon "is a racist of the worst kind" whose first term in office demonstrated that he is "anti-black." Spottswood also said the NAACP would attempt to block anti-busing legislation in Congress, calling it unconstitutional.

**CARMICHAEL CALLS FOR BUILDING, NOT DESTROYING**

OAKLAND, Calif. —(NBNS)— Stokely Carmichael, who formerly told blacks to "go out and kill them (whites)," preached a different sermon this week when he urged a gathering at North Peralta Community College to "seek and create a new



STEERING COMMITTEE

## Plans Set For Durham Human Relations Week February 11-18

A special steering committee appointed by the Durham Human Relations Commission is making preparations for special events for Human Relations Week, February 11-18. The committee is co-chaired by Thack Brown and Ervin Hester. Brown is public relations manager for Burroughs Welcome and Hester is a newsmen for a local TV station.

According to Joe Becton the commission's executive di-

rector, the week will be observed statewide for the first time and will be jointly handled by the North Carolina Human Relations Commission and the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

The theme this year will be "People Helping People." The theme for the week's programs being held in Durham is "Let's Get Us All Together." Billboards and bus posters reflecting the theme are now be-

ing prepared.

Serving as coordinator between the Commission and the steering committee is Mrs. Dorothy Brock, commission member.

Planned activities for the week include: an essay and poster contest, special observances in local churches, a reception honoring Mrs. Estelle Hillman and numerous radio and television shows.

## Budget Overview Bad News For Black Community: Trims Domestic Programs

WASHINGTON — In general we got the stuffing knocked out of us— thanks to the new proposed budget submitted to the Congress by President Nixon.

Although the President increased substantially the amount of money spent by federal government on enforcement of the civil rights laws, he trimmed by hundreds of millions of dollars most domestic programs including the Justice Department's Community Relations Service, Office of Economic Opportunity, Office of Minority Business Enterprise, Health, Education and Welfare Department and Hou-

sing and Urban Development Department.

And these were just a few of the programs— aimed at helping the poor and the black —that were literally gutted in the President's new budget for the fiscal year 1974.

As an example of what lies ahead, the President has proposed a reduction of \$158 million in the public assistance programs administered by HEW at a time when welfare costs are spiraling. He plans on penalizing the states in order to effect the cutback.

The President has recommended the complete abolition of the federal Office of Eco-

nomc Opportunity, the anti-poverty agency, which has served as a moral rallying cry since its creation nearly 10 years ago for the poor of the nation.

Its functions, under the President's proposal, would be transferred to other agencies within the federal structure. The move had been anticipated for some time now.

In addition, the President wants to limit the special milk subsidy to institution not receiving subsidized milk through free and reduced price child feeding programs which would mean a \$59 million "savings"

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## Black Catholic Bishop Joseph Howze Ordained In Jackson Mississippi

JACKSON — In a ceremony featuring traditional church music combined with a touch of "soul," the Most Rev. Joseph Lawson Howze was ordained last Sunday as the Auxiliary Bishop of Mississippi's 90,000 Roman Catholics — only 9,000 of them black.

Bishop Howze, who was born 49 years ago in Daphne, Ala., and who served as a parish priest in North Carolina for the past 12 years, is the third black bishop ever consecrated by the Roman Catholic Church in the United States. However only one other black bishop — the Most Rev. Harold R. Perry, auxiliary bishop of the archdiocese of New Orleans — is alive. Bishop Perry was one of the principal co-consecrators at the ordination.

The ceremony, which brought together Catholics and non-Catholics, blacks and whites centered on Bishop Howze's official motto, "Unky of God's People," and music directed by the Rev. Clarence Rivers, a black priest who is also a

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FATHER JOSEPH LAWSON HOWZE, (c) was ordained Jan. 28th as auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Matcheg, Jackson, Miss. He became the third black bishop in the history of the Roman Catholic Church in the U.S. Others are unidentified.