

This not the time for Blacks to remain depressed about the continuing pros and cons about impeachment.

As more and more investigative Watergate hatchets fall on former Nixon top administrators, blacks and other minorities cannot afford to remain depressed about the sad state of affairs in this nation. We must continue the struggle to hold on to past victories as a people and seek continously to make those victories a reality in our time for all minorities and any individuals that have been denied the right of human dignity and worth.

All localities and communities must continue to more politically to elect strong principled leaders. Even though it does seem to appear a most difficult task these days as more and more revelations of fraud and dishonesty continue to surface about and among political figures.

Support should be rendered to those who will continue to work

for the general urban development in all communities to make individuals more self-reliant, self-sustaining and self-determined, make coalitions and alliances with those who support our same ultimate goals, seek out those who are truly more concerned with leading us as groups rather than those who are gilding their pockets as individuals, and above all, we must make every effort to consolidate our fragmented people, rather than contributing to further divisiveness among us.

It takes real leaders and real people to bring about changes. Remember, it is up to us all of us, REAL PEOPLE, all kinds, to continue to work and ensure that our needs, desires and aspirations are heard, felt and acted upon in every corner of our government from the smallest village to the Oval Office.

America must continue to progress whether - Republicans or Democrats are in power in Washington, D.C.

WE ARE HERE TO CELEBRATE YOU BECAUSE YOU SAVED OUR NATION-AND PEOPLE HAVE A WAY OF FORGETTING THOSE WHO SAVE THEM AND HELP THEM - SO SPOKE BLACK ANDREW YOUNG -CONGRESS-MAN FROM GEORGIA, IN A RECENT WASHINGTON D.C.MEETING.

A NEW BLACK FIRST

We thought perhaps the time had passed for columnists to continue to illustrate a first in the annals of history where blacks invaded the cloistered inner sanctum of higher education. Not too long ago, we reported John Hope Franklin's elevation to Phi Beta Kappa's leadership and there have been many others. Last week, this writer received an invitation to a reception to honor the Chancellor of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. The reception was sponsored by Dr. George Hyatt, Director of the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service.

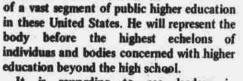
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HIS NAME HEADS THE WATERGATE HONOR ROLL

Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy was recently installed as president of the prestigious National Association of Land Grant Colleges and State Universities. In this new role, he is the first man of color from a predominantly black college to be elected to head this august body. He will preside over the organizational, political and social activities



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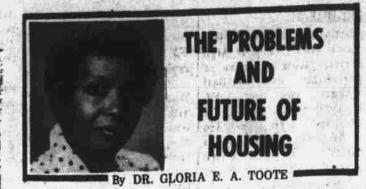
It is rewarding to see leaders in predominantly black schools take their rightful places in the scheme of American higher education. In his first visit to the meeting of the National Association of Land Grant Colleges and State Universities, this writer was awed at such figures as the president of Michigan State, who is black, and Iowa State and other institutional presidents who held this position in past years. We seldom, if ever, got to know them. It is indeed a fitting tribute to Chancellor Dowdy who during the latter stages of his first decade in office is elevated to this high position.

We congratulate Dr. Dowdy and wish him well in this new and challenging role.





Responding to the could exist between much unlike other future will depend on how well we utilize the economic commentary and or administrators and Black organizations this is observation made by Radio inmates and inmates alike, apparently the most rational considering the possible Station WAFR regarding the approach if the urge for disproportionate distribution plaque presented to Lee reform is in fact a reality. of miscellaneous items which Bounds upon his appearance This is where professioanlism could undoubtedly result in as a guest speaker on the takes preferance over ill feelings a mark on the NCCU campus under the non-professionalism the auspice of the Criminal club. layman's concept. We direct our attention As a tip for caution, let Justice Club on February toward another possible 26, 1974, whose topic was it be remembered that a danger for black inmates the "The Role of Corrections in prison setting or corrections discriminate contribution the State of North institution is entirely an Carolina," I do undertake to which could result in even worse differential treatment respond not in defense nor toward Blacks on the part to jusify said presentation, neither is it an endeavor to of prison guards, with the refute WAFR's position a administrators as no cry for Black awareness and exception. Considering the attributing worth where and givings and misgivings that to he who is deservant of already exist, we prefer not to create another causative such worth. To assume a factor for harsher treatment negativistic approach to the issure pro or con would be despite the necessity for like a cat reaching for the such an appealing contribution. I must say, it tail of another's. SNETTER takes one who has worked The members of the administrative agency and with or has been closely Criminal Justice Club has all exlusive right for the affiliated with such endorse WAFR's concern for formulation of administrative institutions to make such an Blacks, the representative anology, and I have. And policies, rules, regulations news media for the Black I'm fully aware of what and guidelines as may deem population. In like manner, goes on within those walls. necessary for a peaceful we can not diesregard her Considering what can be prison atmosphere, with the insertion that the State of deduced from the anology sanction of the Department North Carolina has done of Corrections. Until said mentioned above, it is our little or nothing in terms of thinking that the Criminal institution infringes upon or corrections and rehabilitation Justice Club has initiated a violates an inmates's civil over the past decade when rights as guaranteed by the professional approach to the corrections and rehabilitation Federal Constitution and problems confronting prison became a nation-wide does not abridge the state's institutions in the State of undertaking with particular law, all such other powers North Carolina compared to emphasis on Black treatment are inherent in the other states a call for in prisons, as exemplified in institution throughout the state re-evaluation and Lee Bounds' speech to his With the awareness of the revitalization of the predominantly Black shield behind which these institutions and a more overt audience. Her critiques are approach to corrections in instlutitions stand, it is only well taken and hopefully appropriate and I repeat, theory, philosophy and will serve as a warning that the implementation of a practice with rehabilitations device for this and other reform in these institutions as its end result. similar organizations. It is my professional be approached from a stand Speaking objectively from point of professionalism a observation that the failure a criminal justice perspective. gradual and evolutionary on the part of law however, we assure WAFR process if this dream must enforcement personnel and and our Black population the Criminal Justice System come through. that it was with no Finally, the Criminal to succeed in the deterrance intention to contribute Justice Club applauds of crime can, in part, be consciously to an unworthy attributed to their failure to WAFR's concern for Black cause. While the equivalence inmates and has not deal with the source or the of the award might have disregarded the need for machinery of crime. Instead, served a worthy donation to contribution to these all attention is focused on the Black inmate population individuals, which she has in the peddlers on the street it does not insure any fact made to the inmates corner. degree of modification in within the confines of the With the hope initiating the treatment orientation Guest Road prison during the imprementation of a towards the inmates. We her visitation in October of change in the system she address ourselves with the 1973. We are grateful and thought it wise to begin question, how long and welcome any such with the power structure, under what conditions could comments. I'm sorry, but I though Lee Bounds isn't any the club afford such was the least consulted prior longer but the influence contribution and the to the decision for the said does exist. In prison unpredictable or presentation. institutions which are very unforeseeable barrier that



From my vantage point in the Department of HUD, I see a great opportunity for a consortium of organizational talents. Almost in every major city in America there are vast tracts of land for development. This land is in the so-called minority community, and in many cases the land is owned by government. The business opportunities in the ghetto are tremendous, but to capture and mine the economic fruits of this land calls for a collection of courage, skills, hard work, and sacrifice. New York is amy home, and is a city with which I have great familiarity. It has avenues and expressways, four subway lines, and an artery for railroad and maritime shipping. Harlem, geographically in the heart of the city has more potential for growth than any place in New York.

An analysis of each major city will show similar advantages which include large labor markets, proximity to business, technical centers such as financial and engineering, and access to distribution centers and markets. There is subtle opposition to rebuilding or to industrial development in the ghettos of America, where generally the real estate values are lower than downtown or suburban industrial property.

The planners architects, builders, and bankers of minority America, must design a strategy for rebuilding and relocating American business in what is now called the ghetto. As Calvin Coolidge said, "the business of America is business." I believe OMBE, SBA, and my department, as well as all other appropriate government agencies, should be challenged by a bold approach to turn the waste lands of urban America into a productive oasis for industry, commerce, and for safe and decent family living. The time is ripe!

I also feel compelled to urge increased, conscious, political involvement. This is all relevant and related to government action, and politics is the life blood of government. There is strong feeling for the Federal government to return major programs to the people at the local and state levels. Revenue sharing is just the beginning. Therefore, monies and programs are going to be closely tied to City Hall and the State House. The issues we must face is whether or not we can master the dedication and ambition to become actively involved in the recruitment or minority workers and candidates to represent our interests.

We can guarantee our programs by having our own community representatives, local, state or federal. Public and private building, and the jobs that go with them, are much easier to construct with more blacks, chicano, Puerto Rican, and other minority representation in City Hall, the State House, or Congress. I firmly believe our future economic progress is inextricably tied to our political access to policy making levels of government. This will particulary be true if the Federal government relinquishes many of its present controls on site selection and urban development to cities, states and local entities. If we do, not work to gain representation and a voice in planning, program justification, and funding, it is doubtful whether minorities will survive as competitive business and professional men and women.

During the coming years, the test of our Nation's strength will be her economic and political viability. A major contribution of minorities in the past has been the expansion of justice and freedom. Our contribution of the

JAMES H. BREWER, BLACK-HISTORIAN

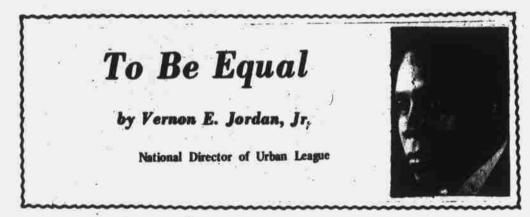
The sudden demise of James H. Brewer, Ph.D. noted historian, specialist in Afro-American Studies and N.C. Mayflower Cup Awardee, will be felt not only in the nation at large, but by this state in particular.

His scholarly research and expertise in the field of history . and his later interest in Afro-American Studies will add much to the mutual understanding between the races of this state and the nation.

Although the full fruition of this mutual understanding, together with the true contributions of minority people to our history and heritage will reach its zenith and be fully realized in the years to come, the mark has been made.

There is an old adage that the mills of the gods grind slowly, but they grind exceedingly fine.

Dr. James H. Brewer has made his mark and has left his footprints on the sands of time.



LEGALIZED GAMBLING?

The Puritans said gambling was a sin and ever since people have passed laws outlawing gambling while placing a bet or two on the side. Today, the gambling laws are usually enforced against the kinds of betting games poor people and black people favor.

Even state and local governments are using gambling proceeds by running state lotteries. And the absurdity of making betting on a horse race legal if it's done at the track and illegal if it's done on the street has given way, in New York City, to a string of city-run horse racing betting parlors.

Now that the take from some state-run lotteries is slipping, a few states, notably New York and New Jersey, are giving some thought to setting up state-run numbers lotteries, with small, frequent pay-offs to bettors who pick the right three-digit number.

Such a step would go a long way toward correcting the absurdity of making numbers illegal, since you can't stop people from betting any more than you can stop them from drinking - and we tried that one, too.

But it also has enormous implications for black people, among whose favorite betting game is the numbers and who, at present, are faced with discriminatory law enforcement as police tend to arrest numbers runners while ignoring high-stake predominately white betting forms like football or baseball

The question of whether or not to legalize any form of gambling is something local governments will have to decide for governments will have to decide for themselves, based on the feelings of their citizens. Whether a government should be in the gambling business is debatable, but it is also clear that money that often finds its way into the coffers of organized crime can also be used to support city schools and hospitals. And making basic human impulses like gambling, criminal offenses only results in contempt for the law, police corruption in contempt for the law, ponce

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When all the pros and cons are considered, if a community decides to go ahead and legalize some form of numbers lottery it must design a system that takes into account the impact of the numbers game on the black community and its importance to it.

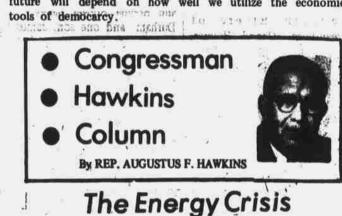
In many economically deprived ghetto areas, numbers account for a significant economic activity in salaries to runners and other local costs. Right now most of those economic benefits go outside the community, to whichever group controls the illegal game. But a legalized numbers lottery will have to insure that the money stays in the community and that profits are used to benefit it.

I'm not at all sure that proponents of legalizing state-wise numbers lotteries will take this factor into account. They may be thinking of cutting the state in on some of the ghetto's action to spend on paving upstate roads, in which case decriminalizing an activity favored by many blacks will just amount to another form of exploitation.

The Washington Lawyers' Committee has produced an excellent study called "Legalized Numbers in Washington" that analyzes local gambling patterns, discusses all sides of the issue, and concludes that a numbers operation could be successfully run by a public corporation employing many of the present numbers runners and plowing profits back into the community.

It is clear that there is widespread interest about the numbers game today, and whatever decisions are made, black people have a strong stake in the outcome. If the laws are not changed, then the courts ought to throw out cases .. that reflect discriminatory arrest patterns that make gambling effectively legal for whites and illegal for blacks. And if some form of state-run numbers lottery is introduced, it must not be allowed to become another rip-off of the black community but must be used to enhance its economic prospects.





WITHOUT A DOUBT there is an energy crisis. This is obvious for those of us who have been waiting in long lines for gas recently.

What is not so obvious is why the crisis exists and what events have led the nation into this national (and international) disaster

In the middle of this unprecedented catastrophe, standa, the innocent consumer, caught between the charges and counter-charges of the Administration, the Congress, the oil companies, and the oil producing Arab World. THERE ARE SOME solid facts however, which all the

actors in this drama interpret according to their stake in the issues

The oil industry, for example, is hard-put to explain its enormous profits for 1973, twenty-one elite American oilcorporations experienced an average rise in profits in 1973. of about 60 per cent above 1972. Fifteen of these corporations expect to earn an approximate total of \$9 billion for 1973. as against \$5.8 billion they earned in 1972.

One of these giants, Exxon Corporation, rather em-barassed by its "windfall" revealed that in 1973 its profit gain in the United States was 16 per cent and that its foreign earnings jumped 8.3 per cent.

Exxon explains that it didn't do well in 1972 and that: dollar devaluations ballooned their actual foreign earnings:

A LARGE NUMBER of lawmakers in the Congress find Exxon's explanation unsatisfactory. The Congress is also not satisfied with related responses given by the oil industry in general.

Serious questions are therefore being raised by key congressional leadership concerning the oil industry's excess profits, depletion allowances, tax credits and substantial subsidies granted by law to the industry.

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