

OPINION

BY RALPH WILLIAMS

Our present educational system has left the black child unable to perform in this society and stripped the child of his/her cultural roots. As Malcolm X stated, "Just as a tree without roots is dead, a people without a history or cultural roots also becomes a dead people." We sacrificed the black child in order to implement school integration - we failed to involve black children in the learning process, we failed to address ourselves to the social, political and economic issues which deeply affected black youth and we failed to get the school to guide them out of poverty.

Unless black parents and black teachers take a stand to change the relationship between school and community by

dealing with people as intelligent adults in their own right, the black child is denied an opening to the economic productivity and a share in the American Dream.

"Ignorance of each other is what has made unity impossible in the past. Therefore, we need enlightenment. We need more light about each other. Light creates understanding, understanding creates love, love creates patience and patience creates unity. Once we have more knowledge (light) about each other, we will stop condemning each other and a United Front will be brought about." Those were the words of Malcolm X.

Black teachers and black parents need to take stock in ourselves and give meaning to the words of Marcus Garvey who said "The time has come for those of us who have the vision of the future to inspire our people to a closer kinship, to a closer love of self, because it is only through this appreciation of self will we be able to rise to that higher life that will make us not an extinct race in the future, but a race of men fit to survive."

News of N.C. Central University

NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY'S Touring Choir begins its annual spring tour this weekend. The choir leaves Durham Thursday and performs Thursday night in Washington, D.C. Other performances are set for Baltimore, Md.; Brooklyn, N.Y.; Philadelphia, Pa.; Wilmington, Del.; New Haven, Conn.; Morristown, N.J.; and Detroit, Mich., all sponsored by NCCU alumni chapters in those cities and areas. A final performance is scheduled March 25 at the University of Wisconsin at Madison, Ms. Naomi Taylor, a senior from Blanch, N.C., is serving as tour manager, and Warren McNair of Wagram is president of the choir.

NCCU LIBRARY SCIENCE STUDENTS have begun practicums in school librarianship in three Durham schools in Shelby, N.C., and in Florence, S.C.

Miss Gloria L. Banks is at Burton Elementary School in Durham. Miss Margaret Thompson is at Durham High School. Mrs. Elizabeth J. Turner is at Lowe's Grove Elementary School in Durham County. Mrs. Tropzie Whit McCluney is at Washington Elementary School in Shelby Ms. Minnie Rose Gales McKinney is at Savannah Grov Elementary School in Florence.

E. T. MALONE, JR., visiting lecturer in English at NCCU, spoke in February to the Little River Historical Society in Zebulon on "The Dromgoole Legend in North Carolina Literature."

APPLICATIONS for Mary Morrow Scholarships, offered by the North Carolina Association of Classroom Teachers are available from the Office of Student Teaching at NCCU. The scholarships will be given to students who will be seniors in 1979-80 and who plan to teach for at least two years in North Carolina.

NCCU HAS 73 STUDENT TEACHERS doing the internships in public schools this semester, according to reports from the NCCU Office of Student Teaching. The number includes four special students: Frederick McEchern, Ada Fields, Debra Harris, and Jerri Riche.

Other students teachers are as follows:

Kent Ahmad, Health Education, Ligon Junior High Raleigh; Karel Beranek, German/Social Studies, Sanders School, Raleigh; Wanda Knight Bridges, Art, Lowe's Grove Holt Elementary, Durham; Barbara Brown, Geography Rogers Herr, Durham; Loretta Bryant, Home Economic: Northern, Durham; Janet Campbell, history, Chewing Durham; Alvin Cauthom, Physical Education, Lowe Grove Junior High, Durham; Gwendolyn Clifton, English Hillside, Durham; Vertina Cooper, Home Economic: Orange High, Hillsborough; Wanda Green, History, Lowe Grove Junior High, Durham; Stephanie Hardin, Home Economics, Durham High, Durham; Veronica Holloway Art, Goldsboro High-East, Goldsboro; Linda Johnson, Business Education, Orange High, Hillsborough; Theres Khubile, Garner Senior High, Garner;

Charlene Powell Lipscomb, Art, Jordan, Durham; Oveta McIntosh, Biology, Hillside, Durham; Velm: (Ellerbe) Malachi, Physical Education, Rogers Herr Durham; Loretta Manago, English, Durham High, Durham; Wanda Marsh, Art, Shepard, Durham; Ethel Matthews Home Economics, Hillside, Durham; Jocelyn Mitchell, Art Durham High, Durham; Judieth Mitchell, Music, Jordan, Durham; Allen Overton, Physical Education, Holton, Durham; Peggy Patterson, Home Economics, Orange High Hillsborough; Joyce Peguese, Math, Durham High, Durham; Joyce (Jordan) Poole, Art, Culbreth Junior High, Chape Hill; Beverly Saddler, Art, Brogden, Durham; Miltor Satterwhite, Art, Sanderson, Raleigh; Amelia Saunders, Home Economics, Guy B. Phillips, Chapel Hill; Alisa Sessoms, Home Economics, Souther, Durham; Charles Smith, Physical Education, Garner Senior High, Garner; Evonne Stewart, Art Pearsons town/Parkwood, Durham; Patricia Taylor, English, Hillside, Durham; Alexander Williams, Music, Holton/Shepard, Durham; Cicero Williams, Physical Education, Wake Forest-Rolesville, Wake Forest.

The following students are all elementary education majors: Audrey Barner, Ephesus, Chapel Hill; Brenda Benson, Estes Hills, Chapel Hill; Denise Boyd, Merrick-Moore, Durham; Patricia Brodie, East End, Durham; Yulean Cannady, Lynn Road, Raleigh; Jeanette Dickens, East End, Durham; Danielle DuBose, Burton, Durham; Sandra Edwards, Estes Hills, Chapel Hill;

Deborah Farmer, Ephesus, Chapel Hill; Mable Fulton, Lakewood, Durham; Karen Hunter, Lynn Road, Raleigh; Joanne Jones, Burton, Durham; Anita McLaughlin, Merrick-Moore, Durham; Karen McDowell, Burton, Durham; Catherine McWilliams, Bethesda, Durham; Theotis Sellers, Hope Valley, Durham; Kimberley Sloan, Fayetteville Street, Durham; Kathy Springfield, Ephesus, Chapel Hill; Theresa Strickland, Estes Hills, Chapel Hill;

Sheree Tilford, Mangunt, Durham; Brenda Tyson, Lakewood, Durham; Margo Garrett, Hope Valley, Durham; Dorine Allen, Credle, Oxford; Janice Barnes, Fayetteville Street, Durham; Hazel Blount, Spaulding, Durham; Debra Boddy, Parkwood, Durham; Arvis Bridges, Lowe's Grove Junior High, Durham; Doris Cordell, Merrick-Moore, Durham; Lora Davis, Carrboro, Carrboro; Deborah James, Spaulding, Durham;

Alicia Obee, Bethesda, Durham; Karen Ricks, Ephesus, Chapel Hill; Valerie Gilmore, Carrboro, Carrboro; Anastasia White, Little River, Bahama.

Durham Cablevision Reaches To 10,000 Subscriber Level

Durham Cablevision, the cable company serving the Durham Community since August of 1977 announced this week that it has reached the 10,000 subscriber level.

According to Rich Weigand, manager of Durham Cablevision, the company reached the mark this week. "Its great to know we're now at the 10,000 subscriber level. We're all excited that in only twenty months,

Durham Cablevision is serving in excess of one-third of the residents in the city", stated Weigand.

Durham Cablevision started service in August of 1977 providing expanding programming as well as improved cable reception. Fall of 1978 saw the introduction of Ted Turner's "super station" WTCC out of Atlanta. "I suppose it all boils down to an improved product," Weigand stated,

going on to add that "the addition of Home Box Office, the movie and entertainment channel, Madison Square Garden Sports and the communities great reaction to public access programming such as the school board, city council and some of the city school activities, have con-

tributed to our growth. I feel our improved product mix has made cablevision an important communication medium here in Durham."

Durham Cablevision is a subsidiary of Denver based American Television and Communications, a Time, Inc., Company.

Mary Potter Alums Gearing Up For All Class Reunion

Alumni of Mary Potter High School (1890-1970) are preparing for the General Reunion to be held August 3-5 in New York City.

"Even though there is no longer a Mary Potter High School," the spirit, love and memories linger on," says a letter sent out early this year by Cornell C. Powell, chairman, and Phoen Gill Hicks, corresponding secretary.

Approximately 1500 former students, teachers, administrators and staff members have been contacted. If you had any connection with Mary Potter High School, you are urged to contact: C. C. Powell, 620 Lenox Av., New York, NY 10037 or Phoen Gill Hicks, 206 Pershing Place, Freeport, NY, as soon as possible. The 1979 Reunion will honor two outstanding

senior members of the Mary Potter family. They are Dr. L.S. Cozart, President Emeritus of Barber-Scottia College, and Mrs. Georgianna (Mom) Hester, an outstanding religious and community leader in Oxford.

Miss Hattie Elston who was matron of Wells and Pittsburgh Halls for 16 years will be honored as the mother of the Reunion. The Reunion will also

pay tribute to Dr. James Vance McIver, retired pastor of the Union Baptist Church, Orange, New Jersey and Dr. Frank Wilson, retired Dean of the School of Religion, Howard University, Washington, D.C. Dr. Wilson will also be the guest speaker for the Farewell Breakfast and Inspirational Service on Sunday morning, August 5.

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