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"A man who has work that suits him and a wife whom he loves has squared his accounts with life."
Hegel

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**Founder's
Day at NCCU**

Members of the family of the late Dr. James E. Shepard, founder and first president of North Carolina Central University, officials and attendees are shown in front of his statue in the Circle last Friday morning. Inset (left) is Mrs. Wanda Garrett and Kenneth Steed (right) who were narrators for that portion of the Founder's Day program held in B.N. Duke Auditorium (background).

Executives Participate In Urban League Program

Visiting Profs At N.C. Central University

Matti Jo Lewter, Marketing Research Analyst for Merck Sharpe and Dohme International in Rahway, New Jersey and Curtis Jones, Manager of Government Service Marketing with the Dow Corning Corporation in Midland, Michigan served as Visiting Professors at North Carolina Central University last week.



Curtis J. Jones



Ms. Mattie Jo Lewter

BEEP is entering its eleventh year of service to traditionally black colleges and universities. This 1979-80 careers will be lecturing to students in a variety of credit-bearing business and technical courses. Through the generosity of their 200 corporate and government employers, these Visiting Professors will be supplementing academic theory with their own pragmatic working world know-how, enhancing the preparation of black college graduates for entry into the professional work force.

Since 1969, close to 2,000 managers, scientists, and engineers from over 300 firms have shared their expertise with thousands of students at 65 schools.

At Dow Corning, Jones is responsible for sales of Dow Corning products to prime government customers, such as the U.S. Armed Forces, the Department of Transportation, HUD, and others. His staff of five persons handles the specific needs of the federal government and aids the Washington office in monitoring legislation.

International African-American Diplomacy Conference To Be Held At NCCU Nov. 18-20

North Carolina Central University will host an international near-summit conference on "Developing an African-American Diplomacy," November 18, 19 and 20.

Dr. George Reid, program director and organizer, indicated that this conference is a first for the South; for North Carolina; and for North Carolina Central University's campus — or any other constituent member of the University of North Carolina system — when a large contingent of ambassador State Department personnel and other

high-level officials from federal agencies have assembled to discuss international diplomacy.

The conference will start at 9:30 each morning and end at 5:15 in the afternoon. The public is invited to attend the symposium. Most of the sessions will be held in the Fine Arts Building Auditorium at NCCU.

Dr. Reid rebuffed the recent allegation from a group of Durham citizens by stating that "the Ambassadors of South Africa and Zimbabwe-Rhodesia were invited in order that the persons attending this conference might have first-hand knowledge of the positions of those representing governments in those areas." He said that "NCCU is where ideas on all issues are to cross-fertilize, and when that happens, intelligent people can decide for themselves that which is good and that which is [Continued On Page 3]

At Merck Sharpe & Dohme, Lewter analyzes data and provides reports on market share, industry trends, and product and competitive business status. These reports support marketing management and the activities of the strategic planning group in the International Division.

HUD-Soul City Negotiate To Continue Development

Representatives of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Soul City and Warren County met this past week in an effort to assure that water, sewer, fire protection, and recreational facilities in Soul City will continue to operate after HUD withdraws its funding from the Soul City project.

It is anticipated that final agreements between the parties will be entered into prior to January 1980. Warren County has tentatively agreed to accept the contractual obligations and liabilities of the Soul City Sanitary District including its contract to buy two million gallons of water per day from the Kerr Lake Regional Water System. The Regional Water System is currently being extended with a HUD grant to serve Norlina and Warrenton in Warren County. [Continued On Page 11]

Durham Educators Lean Toward "No Spanking"

By TRELLE L. JEFFERS
PART II

A majority of Durham City educators, picked at random and interviewed by telephone regarding their views on spanking in the city schools, expressed disapproval of spanking while a minority expressed approval.

The survey was prompted by the recent action taken by the local Board of Education on policy to strengthen the N.C. law on spanking. The policy was presented by City Schools Superintendent, Dr. Cleveland Hammonds to the board at its regular meeting, on October 22.

Mrs. Blondola Lucas, Dean of Girls of Shepard Junior High School said "I don't believe in spanking. In my eighteen years as dean of girls, I have never spanked a student. I have never seen a hard-core, mean child; I have seen children with problems of growing up." Mrs. Lucas said that "there must be a high level of trust and sincerity which must be expressed and the student will pick this up and trust you in return."

Mrs. Beth Upchurch, newly elected member of the Durham City Board of Education said that "I hate to see someone other than the parent spank a child." She added that "perhaps if we look, we may find ways to lessen the necessity of spanking as we increase the joys of learning." Mrs. Upchurch said that she is a member of a child abuse preven-

tion program and she hears a lot of talk about child abuse.

Fayetteville Street Elementary School, according to Frederick Fuller, acting principal, does not use spanking as a disciplinary method. Children with serious behavior problems are sent home and asked to return with their parent(s) in an attempt to involve the parent(s) in altering the undesirable behavior. Fuller added, however, that "a spanking for some children does not hurt."

John A. Hunter, principal of Y.E. Smith Elementary School replied to the question of spanking to achieve discipline, "I don't believe in spanking. At Y.E. Smith, we are looking for disciplinary methods that will become a part of the child." Hunter said that the school is now trying to implement William Glasser's ten steps to discipline. Glasser is the author of "Schools Without Failure", and his ten steps to discipline involve both the teacher and student in a process which the teacher assists the child in learning to become responsible for himself or herself, sometimes with the aid of the parent(s). Glasser stipulates in his ten steps that there are times when a child may need to go home because of his/her conduct, but he stresses that the child should be allowed to return the next day without punitive

measures. Mrs. Josephine D. Clement, chairman of the Durham City Board of Education, stated that she "would rather not use it (spanking), but the state has given the right." She added that the superintendent's new policy will prevent abuse by both the student and the teacher.

John D. Lennon, member of the City Board of Education, stated that "the law gives the teacher a right to spank in the presence of the principal and we have no right to change it until the law changes."

Emmett Gills, Dean of Boys at Hillside High School said that he "sees nothing wrong with spanking if it is done in the right place and at the right time." It seems that a majority of Durham City educators are now utilizing alternatives to spanking to achieve discipline. Some say that they now practice the N.C. law on spanking, but they are searching for other disciplinary methods. They seem to realize, as one educator commented, that "some children have serious mental problems, and spanking will not solve these problems. Spanking may make the child behave in the presence of the teacher, but it will not give the child anything to use in his/her daily life."

Next week: Counselors, psychologists and social workers views on spanking.

Four U.S. black health institutions will receive \$5 million in grants from the Agency for International Development to start or expand programs and to help Africans solve public health problems in Africa. The institutions: Howard University, Washington, DC; Meharry Medical College, Nashville, TN; Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala.; and Charles R. Drew Postgraduate Medical School, Los Angeles, Ca., each will receive \$1.25 million over the next five years.

Howard will expand its program to provide improved research and advisory services to African countries and help solve public health problems such as malnutrition and health care for rural communities by working closely with African health specialists. Howard also will establish a health library and expand its curricula and training program for U.S. and African students specializing in health.

Meharry will focus on maternal and child health and applied nutrition. It will offer training and

counseling to African countries. Drew will expand its programs in health planning and management

in rural and community development. It will exchange information with African health institutions and provide a

faculty exchange program with developing countries. Tuskegee will concentrate on programs of environmental health,

endemic disease control and rural health care. It also will begin exchange training programs for [Continued On Page 7]

4 Black Health Institutions to Get \$5 Million Aid Grants

Lance Jeffers Makes Full Professor at NCS

Lance Jeffers of 2608 E. Weaver Street has been informed by his department chairman, Dr. Larry Champion, that the executive committee of the Department of English of North Carolina State University, Raleigh, has recommended him for the full professorship of English.

Jeffers received the B.S. degree cum laude and the M.A. from Columbia University, New York. He did work toward the Ph.D. at the University of Denver, Colorado, and the University of Toronto, Canada. He is the author of four books of poetry, and a number of articles. In addition to his individual books of poetry, he is included in 28 major anthologies in American and Afro-American literature. His poem "Trellie" is translated in-

to Spanish and is published in the Cuban magazine, *Union*. He is scheduled to be included in a major anthology of Cuban literature. He is a member of Kappa Delta Pi and Pi Delta Kappa, and he is

listed in Who's Who in International Poetry of 1977.

In addition to receiving outstanding reviews, his poetry has been both sung and danced in off-Broadway and regional theatres. He has twice

been nominated by his students for the outstanding Teacher Award since joining the Department of English in 1974.

Jeffers is married to the former Trelle James. They have three daughters.

Dr. Willa C. Bryant Elected To Head NCACTE For 1980

SALISBURY — Dr. Willa C. Bryant, chairman of the Division of Education and Psychology and Director of Teacher Education at Livingstone College, has been elected President of the North Carolina Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (NCACTE) for 1980.

The organization is composed of representatives from 43 of North Carolina's public and private institutions of higher education that prepare teachers.

This association acts as a voice for teacher education institutions in North Carolina in a united articulation of positions with respect to strengthening and developing educa-

tion and teacher preparation in North Carolina. Dr. Bryant is a graduate of North Carolina Central University and earned a Master of Education degree majoring in Reading Psychology from Temple University. She earned the Ed.D. from Duke University and has been employed in her current position at Livingstone since 1970.