

## Regional Women's Club Association To Convene

Beginning July 25 and continuing through July 29, at the Royal Villa Hotel and Convention Center in Raleigh, the North Carolina Federation of Negro Women's Clubs, Inc., will host the Southeastern Association of Colored Women's Clubs, Inc. This association represents women from the states of Florida, South Carolina, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina and Virginia.

Some of the persons scheduled to appear on the program of the convention are Dr. Helen G. Edmonds, Judge Karen Galloway, Mrs. Mamie B. Reese, Mrs. Goldie T. Wells, Mrs. C.D. Debnam, W.J. Kennedy, III, Benjamin Ruffin, Rev. Charles Ward and Mrs. Lillie J. Kelly.

The Inter-Faith Vesper Service on Sunday, July 26, at 5 p.m., is open to the public. Father Calloway, St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Very Rev. Thomas P. Hadden, Rector, Sacred Heart Cathedral and Dr. Paul H. Johnson, pastor, Martin Street Baptist Church,

are among the speakers. Mrs. T. Prescott will be in charge of the music.

The NCFNWC has presented a check in the amount of \$1,000 to the Merrick-Washington Braille Magazine. The NCFNWC has been a contributor to the Braille Magazine since the 1950's. The magazine brings news of the achievement of black people to sightless people across the United States and parts of Europe, Asia, Africa and South America.

Mrs. Lyda M. Merrick, founder of the magazine, is now a honorary member of the Board of Directors of the NCFNWC. She recalls that the late Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown was the organization's founder and that her mother, Mrs. Cottie Moore, was associated with the NCFNWC along with the late Mrs. Minnie C. Pearson who served as third president; Miss Ruth G. Rush, fifth president; Mrs. Julia Warren, Mrs. Annie D. Shepard and Miss Connie Young — among those who were devoted to the club work in the Durham area.

## CWP Statement Condemns Trial and Justice System

By Donald Alderman

The Communist Workers Party has released a statement predicting the acquittal of the six Nazis who are on trial in Asheville. The six allegedly conspired to bomb selected downtown Greensboro government and business buildings had Klansmen and Nazis been convicted of murdering five CWP member in Greensboro nearly two years ago.

The CWP said that the government will not bring forth the necessary evidence to convict the Nazis because "both the Nazis and government were deeply involved" in the November, 1979 killings. The group said it is mounting a political offensive that will expose the "consistent government role in the Greensboro incident."

The CWP expressed distrust of the U.S. judicial system and said the six Nazis were brought to trial "only because of widespread public disgust in the court system."

"The reason the government must go through the charade of indicting and trying the Nazis is that the credibility of the entire justice system and various government agencies is lower than ever before," the group said.

The CWP said the government condemns groups that fight for justice, against racism, for the poor and unemployed while assisting groups that are willing to wage war

against those who support unions, workers and minorities.

Besides predicting acquittals in the Nazi trial, the CWP condemned the policies of President Reagan.

They cited "revolutionary policies of the Reagan administration" to show the increased non-government support of the average citizen.

"The Reagan budget cuts are condemning the poor to greater economic poverty. The administration's linkage attempts with South Africa clearly show their concerns for minorities and human rights," they cited.

The CWP said the government, in an attempt to confuse issues and wedge the public, will label "terrorist" those who act in accordance with the principle of building a more just society. "Only the most united and militant rank and file organizations will be able to withstand forthcoming inhuman government tactics."

### Honoree Jeffers Published

Miss Honoree Jeffers, the 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lance Jeffers of 2608 E. Weaver St., Durham, has been notified by Pantheon Books of New York that an excerpt from her 27-page short story, "How Can You Tell", has been published in an anthology entitled *Growing*



American Legion Post No. 175

The Weaver McLean American Legion Post No. 175, along with the Ladies Auxiliary, is on the move. A community organization that reaches out to help humanity in many areas — aid to the elderly and infirm, motivational youth program, veteran (and family) benefit information. Three young men and six young ladies were sponsored to the 1981 Boys and Girls State seminars at Wake Forest University and UNC-Greensboro in June.

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NCFNWC Contributes \$1,000

Mrs. June Bess (right), president of the North Carolina Federation of Negro Women's Club, Inc., presents \$1,000 donation from that organization to the Mrs. Lyda M. Merrick for the Merrick-Washington Braille Magazine (formerly Negro Braille Magazine). Mrs. Helen R. Jones, president of the Central District and state president-elect, looks on.

## Iranian Socialist Wins Postponement Of Deportation Hearing

BALTIMORE — Immigration Judge Joan Arrowsmith has postponed until the fall the deportation hearing of Mojgan Hariri-Vijeh. The action was taken during a July 6 conference call between the judge, Immigration and Naturalization Service trial attorney Bruce Barrett, and Shelly Davis, attorney for Hariri-Vijeh. It assures ample time for the presentation of her case.

The postponement is a victory in the fight of Hariri-Vijeh, a nineteen

year old Iranian student at Morgan State University, to stay in this country. It has fueled hope that the INS will reconsider its denial of Hariri-Vijeh's request for the reinstatement of her student visa, which expired in 1978.

Hariri-Vijeh explains that she didn't renew her student visa in 1979 or 1980 "due to the anti-Iranian hysteria whipped up in this country after the fall of the U.S.-backed Shah." Hariri-Vijeh was never contacted by the

INS until February 23, 1981, just two weeks after she joined the Young Socialist Alliance.

Hariri-Vijeh, who is also a member of the Socialist Workers Party, says: "I am being singled out because of my political ideas. I will fight for my right to stay in this country. The U.S. government found room for the Shah, who is responsible for the torture and murder of tens of thousands of my people. Why can't I stay here to finish my education?"

Hariri-Vijeh has pledged to "appeal any deportation order within the INS and through the courts if necessary. I am confident that many, many people will come to my support."

Ms. Etta Ettliger, who is coordinating support for her case, commented: "We plan to use this postponement to gather even more support for Hariri-Vijeh. This is an important civil liberties case, not just for her but for thousands of other non-citizens who live under threat of deportation. We not rest until Morjgan Hariri-Vijeh's right to stay in this country is secure."

According to Attorney Shelley Davis, documents disclosed through a \$40 million lawsuit by the YSA and SWP against the INS and other government agencies reveal an INS program aimed at deporting foreign-born persons because of their ideas and activities, while using other pretexts for deportation. Attorney Shelley Davis plans to use these documents in the Hariri-Vijeh's defense.

Already, Hariri-Vijeh's battle to stay in the U.S. has won wide support, including backing from Representative John Conyers, British Member of Parliament Tony Benn, journalist I.F. Stone, Camille Bell of the Committee to Stop Child Murders in Atlanta, Morgan State Student Government Association President Alvin Alston, Morgan State Philosophy Department Chairman Dr. Clifford DuRand, and many others.

Hariri-Vijeh had been seeking postponement pending the outcome of the YSA and SWP suit against government spying, harassment and other disruption of the socialists' activities. She had also been seeking the postponement pending a review of the SWP and

— a building and three acres of picnic and recreational grounds. The Annual Anniversary Program will be held on Saturday, August 8, at 3 p.m. All members will bring a basket of food. All non-member veterans are invited for a free meal. They need only to bring their Honorable Discharge and a good appetite. Many awards will be made. The Boy Scouts of White Rock Baptist Church and Mount Gilead Baptist Church will play each other in a softball game.

## Durham Group To Join Protest Against Reagan Cuts

By Donald Alderman

A massive demonstration protesting the foreign and domestic policies of the Reagan administration is being organized nationwide.

The protest, to be held in Atlanta July 29, will deplore "Reagan's policies of cutbacks, racism and war," according to the organizers. President Reagan is scheduled to address the National Association of State Legislators the same day. He reportedly will be pushing to gain more support for his budget and tax cuts. The demonstration is to take place at the Atlanta Hilton where the President is to speak.

Durham groups planning to participate in the protest include NCCU Harambi Student Union and the Pan-African Coalition of Durham. They are chartering a bus to Atlanta and will offer

low cost, round-trip fares to interested persons.

Ms. Grace Marsh of Harmabi said, "Because of the Atlanta murders, the administration's insensitivity to the situation, and the administration's decision to further support oppression in Third World countries, it is only fitting that Reagan be met with opposition. His policies will ultimately cause thousands to suffer in the U.S. and abroad."

The demonstration is an effort planned by some 55 national and regional organizations. The diverse group will include welfare advocates, tenants, labor unions and church activists. Anti-draft, anti-war and anti-nuclear representatives will be present.

Representative Parren Mitchell, D-Md., is the occasion's keynote speaker. Rev. Joseph Lowery of the Southern Christian

Leadership Conference and Ms. Ethel Matthews of the Atlanta Welfare Rights Council will also address the crowd. Several local grassroots leaders are also scheduled to speak.

The SCLC will hold a rally July 28 at Atlanta's Ebenezer Baptist Church to warm-up for the mass demonstration the following day.

Organizers of the demonstration include the same groups that were instrumental in drawing 100,000 persons to Washington, May 3, for a march and rally — the People's Anti-War Mobilization, National Black United Front, SCLC and AFL-CIO, among others.

For additional information concerning transportation to Atlanta and the protest itself, contact Ms. Grace Marsh, 544-4003.

### Precious Memories

On Saturday, August 8, a group of blacks people will celebrate an annual affair at the Civic Center to commemorate a precious heritage.

"The purpose of the occasion is to keep alive in the minds of the adults and to inform the youth of the Godly heritage that was ours to enjoy in this community that no longer exists because of the East-West Expressway," said Mrs. Mary T. Horton. At the time the community was active, it was located on the land that now divides the East and West campuses of Duke University.

Among the people and events which impacted upon the Brookstown community, two churches and two influential ministers who remained longer than any others were West Durham Baptist, pastored by the late Dr. T.C. Graham for 43 years and Mount Olive AME Zion Church, pastored by the late Rev. J.Z. Siler for eighteen years. West Durham Baptist is now located at 1901 Athens Street and Mount Olive at 1515 West Club Boulevard.

All people who lived in the Brookstown Community are invited to attend the affair. The afternoon dinner and fellowship hour will begin at 2 p.m. A late evening disco will also be held. Persons interested in additional information may call 489-1652, 688-1700 or 682-3472.

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(Continued From Front) will actually lose ground in their freedom struggle.

However, the committee adopted resolutions requesting the church to intensify its effort of improving the economic state of blacks. The committee passed resolutions requesting the church to step up its effort on nearly all economic fronts.

The church is being asked to provide day care facilities, sponsor recreational activities, organize food cooperatives, among other economic concerns. Programs are being explored to help the unemployed, the elderly, poor and others who will be affected by the Reagan budget slash.

All Carolina Conference CME churches are affected by the resolutions.



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