

NAACP To Convene 38th Conference In Greenville

GREENSBORO — Prelate of the Second North Carolina Conference of Branches will convene its 38th Annual Convention on October 19-21, 1981, in Greenville.

The United Pitt County Branch, under the leadership of D.D. Garrison, is hosting the Convention. The Ramada Hotel is headquarters for the three-day Convention.

The Convention theme is "Using Effective Action To Win A Duel Society."

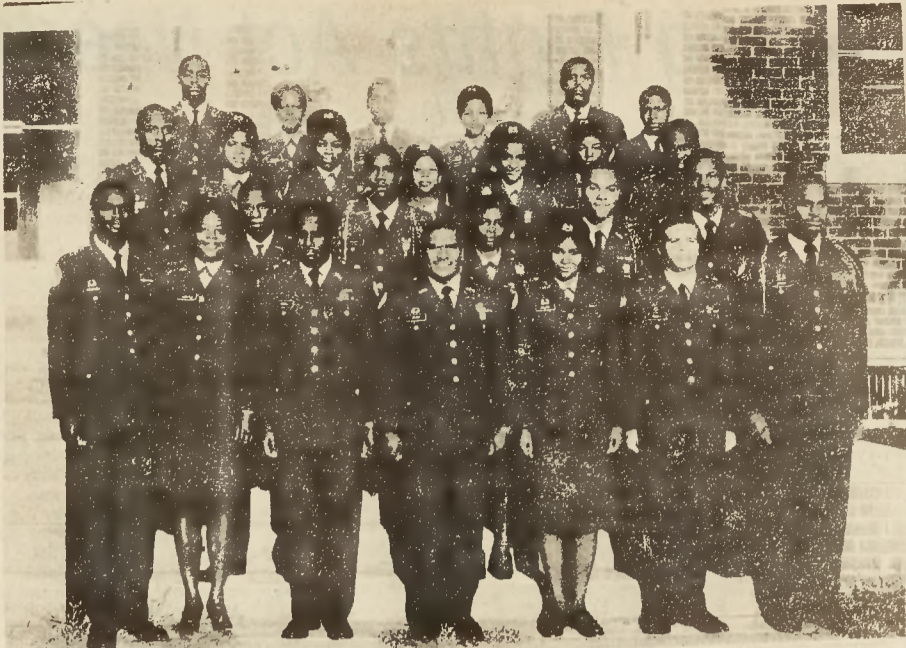
The Convention will be held on Thursday, October 22, with its traditional "Ministers and Emphasis Day" on Friday, October 23. Reverend L.O. Shearin, Pastor of the Chapel A.M.E. Church in Morganton, Chairman of the N.C. State Religious Affairs Committee, says an award will be presented to the Minister of the Year from the Reverend Alfred Dunston, Presiding

Officer of the A.M.E. Zion Church of Philadelphia, Pa. is the featured speaker for the Ministers luncheon on Thursday.

All of the Thursday sessions will be held at the Cornerstone Baptist Church, 13th and Railroad Streets where the Reverend Arlee Griffin is Pastor.

The morning session will feature the Reverend Grady Davis, Pastor of the Union Baptist Church in Durham who will present "The Challenge" to the Convention.

The morning workshop entitled "The Role of the Black Church in Politics" will be led by Dr. Morris Shearin, Pastor, Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Lewiston, N.C. and President, Northhampton County Branch NAACP; The Rev. Ricky Spain, Chrmn., Education Committee of the Asheville Branch and Pastor of the St. James A.M.E. Church in Asheville; and The Rev. Julius Ceasar Hope, Director of the National



Thirty-three ROTC cadets at Saint Augustine's College successfully completed the 1981 ROTC Advanced Camp. This summer training and instructional program was held at Fort Bragg this summer, June 6 — July 24.

St. Aug. ROTC Cadets Complete Advance Camp

Successful completion of ROTC Advance Camp is the goal of every ROTC cadet, as this is one of the requirements of the ROTC program at Saint Augustine's College. Thirty-three ROTC cadets successfully completed this rigorous advance summer camp held June 6 thru July 24 at Fort Bragg.

A cadre of ROTC officers and instructors joined ROTC cadets from across the country for this training camp. The purpose of the camp was to evaluate the performance of cadets in several important military areas. Army readiness skills were tested, job performance evaluations were done in peer ratings, and three phases were evaluated for testing of tactical application.

Classroom instruction combined with practical application of army skills was a focal point of

the camp. Summer camp enables cadets to go to an army camp and demonstrate his learned knowledge as he competes with cadets from all over the country.

Cadet leaders will be chosen from the thirty-three cadets who successfully completed advance camp, the Cadet Battalion Commander and staff.

"Only after a cadet has demonstrated a good academic performance through the end of his junior year will he be eligible for advance summer camp," stated CPT Brad Beasley. CPT Beasley is enrollment officer in the ROTC Division at Saint Augustine's. Successful completion of both the academic program at the College and ROTC Advance Summer Camp are prerequisites for the ROTC Commissioning as 2nd Lieutenants.

NAACP Religious Affairs Department, Detroit, Michigan.

The two afternoon sessions will focus on the Church and the NAACP working together and will include two subjects. The first workshop, entitled "The Church and the NAACP In Another

Time of Crisis" and "Your Church and the NAACP — Partners for Progress." Consultants for these workshops include Father Michael Curry, Education Chairman, Winston-Salem Branch NAACP AND Pastor of the St. Stephens Episcopal Church, Winston-Salem; The Rev. Spencer Williams, Pastor, Mt. Calvary M.B. Church, Goldsboro, N.C.; The Rev. Edward Fleming, President, Halifax County Branch NAACP and Pastor of the Bethlehem Baptist Church, Seaboard, N.C. and the Rev. C.K.

Pridden, Pastor, St. James A.M.E. Church, Kinston, N.C.

Climaxing the Ministers and Church Affairs Day will be a public mass meeting on Thursday afternoon which will be addressed by the Rev. Julius C. Hope.

Reverend Hope presently pastors the Grace Baptist Church in Detroit, Michigan in addition to serving as Director of the NAACP's Religious Affairs Department.

State Director of the NAACP, Mrs. Carolyn O. Coleman, says, the NAACP and the church

have been strong allies across the years and if black people in this Country are to continue making progress, it will take the continued combined efforts of both groups. Meetings such as this serve to strengthen the bonds between the two groups.

Kelly M. Alenander, Sr. of Charlotte, President of the N.C. State Conference of NAACP Branches and Vice Chairman of the NAACP National Board of Directors calls upon ministers across the state to participate in this effort.

TROOPS PROMOTED

Five members of the North Carolina National Guard were promoted in a ceremony recently at the Army on North Duke Street. Thomas Small, a machine operator at Mead Containers, was promoted to Staff Sergeant, E-6, Dental NCO. Harry W. Bost, and employee of Coca-Cola Bottling Company, was promoted to Specialist Five,

Dental Assistant. Ms. Sandra Daughtry, promoted to Specialist Five, Unit Clerk, does administrative work for the UNC School of Dentistry in Chapel Hill. Joseph A. Thorpe, a Durham Public Safety Officer, was promoted to Specialist Five, Wheel Vehicle Mechanic, and works fulltime for the National Guard at the Combined Maintenance Supply Shop.

Massey In White House Ceremony On Black Colleges

Curtis Massey, president of the North Carolina Central University student Government Association, was one of three student presidents from black colleges to participate in ceremonies marking President Ronald Reagan's signing of an executive order for the enhancement of traditionally black institutions.

The executive order, signed September 15, ordered the Secretary of Education to oversee efforts by all Federal agencies to seek ways in which the agencies could assist traditionally black institutions.

Massey was one of 70 persons invited to the signing ceremony, and to a luncheon which followed. President Reagan attended the White House luncheon and signed autographs for the persons in attendance. Other student body presidents in attendance were from Southern University and Grambling University.

Massey, who is chairman of the North Carolina Association of Black Student Governments, had been in contact with Tony Brown, organizer of a September 28 Black College Day observance. He believes his involvement in that program led to his white house invitation.

Black College Day will be observed in 16 states on September 28. It is coordinated nationally

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chronic respiratory disease in those 15 years of age and younger, accounting for about half of all chronic illnesses among children. It is estimated that two million youngsters suffer from the disease.

The Association has 6,000 copies of "Superstuff" educational materials for distribution in North Carolina in 1981-82. 550 packages are available presently from the Research Triangle Region. Granberry stated that anyone requesting a "Superstuff" packet should contact your pediatrician or your local lung association in Raleigh. Telephone no. 834-8235.



Massey

by the Coalition for Black Colleges and in North Carolina by the association headed by Massey.

The September 28 observance in Raleigh will begin at 10 a.m. in the parking lot of Memorial Auditorium. A march on the state capitol will follow. A prominent keynote speaker will be joined at the capitol by presidents of the student bodies at North Carolina's eleven traditionally black institutions, public and private.

Massey said that all of the state's black colleges will participate in the Black College Day program, although the focus of the rallies will be on the institutions affected by Department of Education desegregation activities.

"We feel that all black colleges serve the same purpose, regardless of whether they're public or private. We are all pulling together, fighting for the same cause," Massey said.

He said the purpose of black colleges "is to educate people. By closing or allowing one black institution to close, whether public or private, we have defeated the purpose of black college."

Asked whether he felt that there was a possibility of the closing of a black college in North Carolina in the near future, Massey replied, "Not necessarily of clos-

ing black colleges but of identity loss, especially as a result of the consent decree. It is hard for black colleges to put their faith in the UNC system and consent decree. Black colleges were not one of the priorities of the system, and the consent decree still does not guarantee that our interests will be among the priorities."

Hunter Gets Silver

Second LT Jennifer R. Hunter was promoted to the rank of 1LT in the Army National Guard. Jennifer is a second year dental student at the

University of North Carolina School of Dentistry at Chapel Hill. She is an administrative officer in the National Guard.

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