

# Black College Day Deemed A Dud

## Analysis

By Marion McKinney  
 Lack of student participation, breakdown in communications and bad weather plagued North Carolina Central University's participation in the Black College Day rally on Monday in Raleigh. Approximately 25 out of the 159 Central students had signed up for the rally braved the raw weather to participate in the march and rally. Of the four buses that Central had reserved for the event, three had to be returned. When the Central delegation arrived at St. Augustine's College, the

designated meeting place, instructions were to wait in the student union while Duane Howell, student government president at NCCU, and others went to check on the other schools. The other schools' delegations were in the auditorium. When transportation was finally arranged to take the Central to the march site, the march was already in progress. Only one Central student, Lori Grier, Miss NCCU, was able to participate in the march to the Capitol. "Pam Young (Miss



NEWARK—Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson grins and applauds as he is driven away from Essex County Court where a jury found him innocent of conspiracy charges. The jury, however, was unable to reach a verdict on a second charge of misconduct in office. UPI Photo

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Johnson C. Smith) and I were at McDonald's when we saw the marchers lining up," said Miss Grier. "We ran out of the place and joined the march."

While only one student participated in the march, only five students were able to attend most of the rally. Most of the NCCU students were at the march site while the rally was taking place.

Only those students who were in automobiles were able to attend the rally. The Central students who were in the van finally arrived at the end of the rally.

Some of the officials sponsoring the event blamed the weather for creating the confusion.

However, Duane Howell blames the North Carolina Association of Black Student Govern-

ments (NCABSG) for what he termed "an underplanned and chaotic Black College Day."

Howell said the postponement from September to October of Black College Day this year was an indication of the NCABSG's inability to coordinate the event competently.

Howell said, "Due to the nonchalant attitudes of the (NCABSG), Black College Day was a failure. However, with the restructuring of communications, this will never happen again."

James Webb echoed Howell's comments. He also criticized the keynote speaker of the event, Terry Bellamy, a magistrate and local political figure in Charlotte.

"I felt that Bellamy's speech was contrary to our purpose in being there. His selection was the result of the communication problem we have had in organizing Black College Day. I saw no other purpose for the gathering except as a ritual."

Webb also said that he was determined to see that next year's Black College Day is a success.

Though disappointed with the number of Cen-

# Hooks Blasts Reagan

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 10.1 per cent of the nation's unemployed, including more than 20 per cent of jobless blacks and 50 per cent jobless black teenagers, the least Reagan can do in these times is to offer constructive alternatives to Reaganomics even while playing politics as usual.

"For example, he is yet to offer a realistic plan to help U.S. industry regain its competitive edge at home and abroad.

"It is also now an accepted reality that the nation is rapidly moving toward a service-oriented, high-tech industrial base. Yet the Reagan administration, while speeding the demise of the nation's outdated manufacturing industries, is yet to offer any realistic plan to train jobless workers to meet present and future needs.

"Even now, despite the unemployment crisis, the administration's priority remains the fight against inflation at the expense of jobs.

"The high cost of this unemployment-inflation strategy has cost about \$280 billion in lost production this year alone and another \$280 billion since its inception in 1978, while making a small contribution to reducing inflation. For the unemployed, there is no difficulty in choosing between employment and inflation even though that is not a valid choice.

It's a tribute to the Great Communicator's skill that the public continues to value the economic statements of an administration that has demonstrated gross incompetence in interpreting economic events. There is no disguising the Administration's inability to understand the economy and the effect of its policies since they have mistakenly identified the danger signs of

trial students who did come, Howell said, "The 25 students who went to Black College Day should be commended for their patience and endurance."

less than 0.5 per cent economic growth as robust 4.2 per cent growth.

"Do we need a child to remind us that the emperor has no clothes?"

"It is hard to avoid the reality that the euphoric victory speech of only a few months ago on what has proven to be an imprudent, radical approach of massive tax cuts and huge defense increases is, in fact, fiscally irresponsible and a mistake which this Congress has had to take steps to correct. The Administration's economic game plan has not produced its promised results.

"While everyone wants economic recovery, it is not time to put on rose-colored glasses when faced with a serious economic crisis. The Stock Market's improvement is in part a reaction to the Federal Reserve Board's boosting the money supply in response to a sick economy.

"While a positive sign, the economic plan must recognize that most of the other economic indicators are negative; such as, inventory-to-sales ratio, initial unemployment claims, and unused plant capacity.

"It is clear that the

President and the Federal Reserve have recently been forced to take initial steps to a changed position on unemployment.

"It is no secret that the Administration is now trying to claim some credit for an inadequate but much needed job training bill that it fought earlier.

"It is no secret that the Fed has recently relaxed its tight money policy.

"Is this new emphasis an election eve ploy? Has the pain of 9.0 per cent white unemployment finally reached the threshold of political action? Is it cynical to point out that minorities currently have a 20.0 per cent unemployment rate and have had unemployment above 9.0 per cent since 1973 without special attention or relief?"

"Is high unemployment only a national problem when the white unemployment rates begin to approach conditions that minority communities are expected to live with, without complaint?"

Americans desperately need sound, realistic alternatives to Reaganomics. It is time Reagan awakens to this need before the bottom falls completely out of the economy."

## Foot Notes

**Q.: What is a corn and what are some of its common causes?**

A.: The common corn or heloma durum can be described as thickness of the skin composed of impacted dead cells of the epidermis localized at a site of great pressure or friction. The most common cause is shoe pressure from ill-fitting shoes and irritations from seams and irregularities in the shoes or hose. Intrinsic abnormalities such as bony prominences or irregularities and enlarged bursae within the toe itself may also be contributing factors.

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