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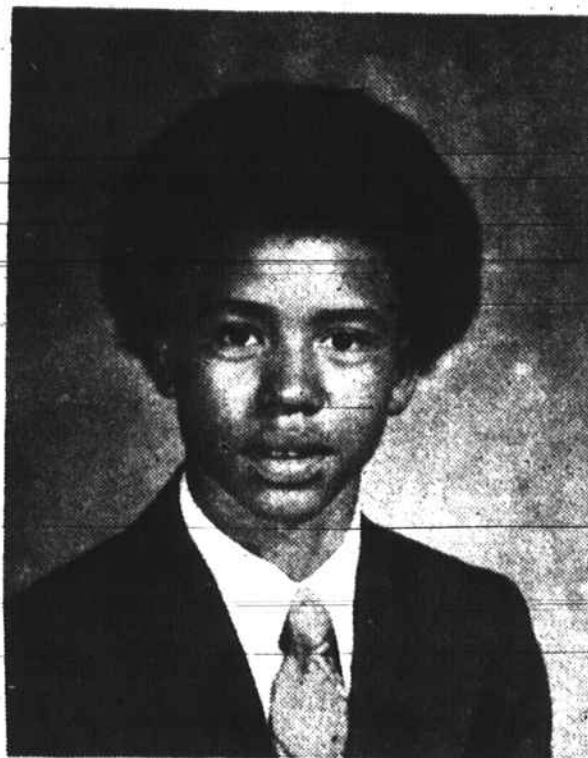
Meeting Called Snowjob

Reverend Douglas W. Gilbert, chairman of the Northwest Child Development Corporation executive board, addressed Tuesday's meeting of the Baptist Ministers' Conference at their invitation to present Northwest's side of the recent controversy concerning that organization.

Mrs. Lee Fay Mack, whose Concerned Citizens group has been picketing Northwest, was present at the meeting, which she called a "snow job". "They are just reacting to statistics," she declared. Mrs. Mack feels that the ministers did not receive adequate information on which to base their judgment.

At the previous meeting of the Baptist Ministers' Conference, according to minutes read by Rev. Gilliam, the

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Lennie Foy

Foy Makes State Band

Leonard "Lennie" Foy, eleventh grade student at Reynolds Senior High School was one of four local students to qualify for membership in the North Carolina All-State Honors Band. This selected group aims at drawing the cream from the crop of students who have previously auditioned and performed in their respective All-District Bands.

The 44-piece honors band
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Northwest Responds To NAACP Charges

by Sharyn Bratcher
Staff Reporter

Northwest Child Development Council board chairman Douglas W. Gilbert refuted charges of discrimination and abuse of employees on the basis of race and charges of fiscal improprieties in a press conference Tuesday morning.

Concerning racial discrimination, Gilbert stated that 54% of Northwest's 160 employees are black, including half of the upper level administrators, and that of the fifteen promotions made in the past two years, eleven went to blacks.

Of the charge that Northwest employees are afraid to express grievances through normal channels, Rev. Gilbert stated that in two years twelve employees had entered into the grievance procedure, and

that ten of the cases were resolved in the employee's favor. He was unable to state the nature of any of these grievances, but said that he believed most of them had been handled at the supervisory level, and not by director Susan Law. So far, said Gilbert, Northwest has been notified by the Equal Employment Opportunity

Commission of only four complaints.

Anonymous letters signed "Some Employees of the Northwest Staff" made certain charges against the corporation which were subsequently investigated by the Office for Children of the State Department of Human Resources in Raleigh. Ac-

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Felmet Says, Death No Deterrent To Crime

Winston-Salem - Joe Felmet, a Democratic candidate for the U.S. Senate, said recently that he would give criminals convicted of capital crimes an option of volunteering their bodies for scientific research.

"In affirming my opposition to capital punishment," Felmet said, "I say that

neither the adamant supporters nor the humanitarian opponents of capital punishment have an adequate solution to the problem of the so-called cold-blooded killer.

"The supporter wants the state to take the criminal's life-- which does not deter

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Rape Victims Can Get Help

by Sharyn Bratcher
Staff Reporter

"A sizeable number of rape cases come from the black community, and we want to get the message across to black women that there is help available," says Karen Pennington, monitor of the rape-line for Winston Women Against Rape.

This organization answers calls 24 hours a day, providing free assistance for women who have been attacked. Volunteers tell women how to report the crime, or assist them in getting medical treatment. They will accompany the victim to the police or to a hospital if she wishes, or just listen, depending on the needs of the individual.

"Whether or not you report the rape to the police is your decision to make," stresses Ms. Pennington. The services of Winston Women Against Rape is confidential, and covers many forms of aid, including providing rape victims with clothing, a place to stay, someone to listen -- whatever she needs.

Besides handling crisis calls, Karen Pennington also does public speaking to any interested organization on the problems of rape, and conducts training sessions with the professional people who may be involved with rape victims, such as doctors, nurses, hospitals, police, etc.

One problem that she is
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Hanes Insures \$15 Million With Winston Mutual

Winston-Salem -- John McKinnon, president-finance of Hanes Corporation, signs an insurance agreement between Hanes and Winston Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Winston-Salem. Winston Mutual reinsured part of Hanes' group insurance with Aetna for \$15 million. George Hill, (r) president of Winston Mutual, and James E. Mack, president of B&C Associates, Inc., and a Hanes consultant, witness the signing of the agreement.

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