



President Carter, flanked by Rep. Steve Neal and Governor James B. Hunt, Jr., fields tough questions from the press about Califano's anti-smoking campaign and the Wilmington 10 issue.

Pickets Confront Carter

By Sharyn Bratcher and Yvette McCullough Staff Reporter

President Carter's stay in North Carolina lasted less than two hours, but even in that brief time, he was bombarded with the remains of the Wilmington Ten Case.

While the president made a speech on foreign policy in Wait Chapel at Wake Forest University, last Friday morning, a crowd of demonstrators kept vigil outside, displaying signs calling Carter's human rights policy "a sham." When the president came outside to shake hands with members of the crowd, the protesters chanted: "Free

the Wilmington Ten! loudly enough to drown out the applause.

The group of demonstrators, which included Alerman Larry Little, were led by Reverend Howard Wiley. Rev. Wiley stated that his group were not bothered by police or court actions.

Inside the chapel, another Wilmington Ten advocate, Joe Felmet, interrupted Carter's opening remarks by saying: "Mr. President, exercising my First Amendment right, I would like to give you some petitions to free

the Wilmington Ten...

The president hastily thanked Felmet, and sent an aide to retrieve the petitions, after which he continued his speech.

Carter visited Winston-Salem en route to Savannah, Georgia where he inspected the new nuclear

Eisenhower. He arrived at Smith Reynolds Airport around 8:30 a.m. Friday morning, where he was greeted by Major Wayne Corpening and Governor James Hunt, Jr.

A limousine took the presidential party to the Wake Forest campus, where Carter was met by WFU president James Ralph Scales, James Masoh, chairman of the university's board of

trustees; Wilbur Hobby, president of the N.C. AFL-CIO; Colin Stokes, chairman of the board of Reynolds Industries, and Secretary of Commerce Juanita Kreps, who was later the featured speaker at the opening of Reynolds World Headquarters.

Accompanying the president from Washington were First Lady Rosalynn Carter; Chip and Carol Carter; Defense Secretary Harold Brown; the National Security Advisor, Zbigniew Brzezinski; and Georgia senator Herman Talmadge.

Rep. Steve Neal, one of several N.C. Congressmen present, issued a release prior to the president's visit: "I am fully aware



Wilmington Ten protestors were boxed in by crowds waiting for a glimpse of the President. Although only their signs could be seen from the Chapel, their chanting attracted attention for quite a distance.

School Board Approves Plan

By Yvette McCullough Staff Reporter

A motion by Beaufort Bailey to delay voting on the proposed pupil assignment plan until April 17, so that he could review the feasibility of converting Fairview and Cook intermediates into K-6 schools, was defeated Monday night at the Winston-Salem School Board.

"If we are serious about K-6 schools, how much are we willing to sacrifice to get it?" Bailey asked. Chairman Marvin Calloway supported the motion made by Bailey.

Although the board didn't pass Bailey's motion, the board did pass the proposed pupil assignment plan by a 5-3 margin. Bailey, Calloway, Betsy Sawyer, Rev. Tom Womble and Dr. William Sheppard voted for the plan and Nancy Wooten, Omeda Brewer and Dr. Davey Stallings voted against it.

The pupil assignment plan is part of a five year assignment plan of Superintendent James A. Adams. The plan would reduce overcrowding in two elementary schools, improve the racial balance in at least 20 schools and reduce cross busing.

These changes are fo-

cusated at the elementary level and involve concerting three more schools to K-6 schools, bringing the total number of K-6 schools to eleven. The three schools being converted are Konnoak, Oak Summit, and Old Town.

Bailey said that he voted for the plan because it would be a stab in back to Dr. Adams if he didn't vote for the plan because he had led Dr. Adams to believe that he was for the 6-3-3 plan. The 6-3-3 plan would be a system in which students attended only three schools in their 13 year school career.

Dr. Stallings and Nancy Wooten voted against the plan because they wanted to see the proposed secondary plan before casting their vote.

"We need to see the total picture," Dr. Stallings said. "We'll make mistakes but I would like to see something to make mistakes on."

Mrs. Brewer also wanted to see the secondary plan (which should go to the board in August) before she cast her vote but she also voted against the plan because she is concerned over the adjustments made in student

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Westinghouse/Fraternity Co-Sponsor Conference

At a joint press conference of Charlotte Westinghouse officials and officers of a Black fraternity, Omega Psi Phi, plans were finalized for a co-sponsored career education conference for students of 23 area junior high schools. It will be held at Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte on Saturday, May 6. This will be first of its kind any place in the country.

John Garcia, manager of personnel at Westinghouse, said, "We are very excited to be working with the Omegas in a program which will be mutually beneficial. More important, it will be beneficial to the community and the young people who will attend."

Walter A. Byers, chairman of the fraternity's education and scholarship committee, is a retired school principal. He said, "We would like to begin

early to point out to the students some of the opportunities that exist. If we can get to them early and get them to take some definite stand, then hopefully we can get a commitment from them before they drop out."

Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, a predominantly Black institution, is providing the space and the lunchroom and some of its faculty for the May event.

Ronald Hare, a Black, and the manager of Westinghouse plant production in Charlotte, is also a member of the Omega fraternity. He will serve as liaison between Westinghouse and the fraternity. Hare said, "There is even another dimension to this conference. Black professionals need to work with minority children and see minority children need to see and be led by minority professionals."



Mazie Woodruff



Rowe Motley



Howard Lee



Patrick Hairston

Black Leaders Show Mixed Reactions

By Sharyn Bratcher and Yvette McCullough

This episode of "Man in the Street" is more like a page from "Who's Who." President Carter came to town, and so did a host of others, including black leaders representing their groups or constituents, and some folks who just came to watch.

We caught up with a few of the notables after the President's departure to get their reaction to the occasion.

County Commissioner Mazie Woodruff, like many of the others present at Carter's speech, had to hurry over to Reynolds World Headquarters for the dedication ceremony. "I don't have time to talk now!" She called. A quarter of an hour later, she sank gratefully into her front row seat in the new auditorium, and discovered that we were sitting right beside her. "I

thought I just left you two," she smiled. "What did I think of the president's visit? Well, I met Rosalynn Carter this time, but I didn't get to speak to the president. Of course I met him last spring when he was campaigning to become president... But once you become president, it's hard to get to talk to people..."

Wake Forest All-American Rod Griffin was standing on the quad patiently signing autographs for a gaggle of kids who didn't get to meet the president, but were willing to settle for a basketball star.

"I ought to be teaching a P.E. class right now," signed Griffin, scribbling his name on another scrap of paper. In response to our question about Carter's visit, he answered: "He shook my hand. No, I don't think he knew who I was. He was just shaking everyone's hand. What do you mean, how did it feel? It was just a hand."

We learned that the distinguished looking gentleman with the name of white hair was Rowe Motley, chairman of the Democratic Party's Black Caucus. He had been moving freely about in the president's entourage, so we knew he was important.

The Charlotte politician remarked: "I thank the president for coming to Winston-Salem, and I'm glad to know that we are still part of the fifty states."

H.M. (Mickey) Michaux, U.S. Attorney for the N.C. Middle District was heading for his car when we stopped to chat with him. He told us that the president's visit was nice,

but that he didn't see much hope for the Wilmington 10 as a result of the demonstrators' appeal to Carter. "It has to be dealt with on the state level first," he explained. "The only way the federal government would be involved would be to file a friend-of-the-court brief."

Local NAACP president Patrick Hairston attended the dedication of Reynolds World Headquarters, but missed the president because he had another meeting. "If I had gone, I wouldn't have been inside," he declared. "I would have been out there with the demonstrators."

N.C. Attorney-General

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RJR Hosts Kreps, Hunt In Dedication Service

Secretary of Commerce Juanita Kreps and Governor Jim Hunt were featured speakers at the dedication of the new World Headquarters of R.J. Reynolds Industries, Inc.

The ceremony took place in the auditorium of the new super-structure, before some 350 invited dignitaries. Black representatives at the event included Howard Lee; and local community leaders, such as Patrick Hairston of the NAACP, Thomas Elijah of the Urban League Guild, Dr. Jerry Drayton, and Dr. H. Douglas Covington of Winston-Salem State University.

The RJR World Headquarters is an ultra-modern building, designed by Odell Associates, Inc. of Charlotte, and costing about \$40 million to build.

It is five stories high, and contains work space for about 1,000 RJR employees. The building is located in RJR's Whitaker



Secretary of Commerce Juanita Kreps helps dedicate the new World Headquarters of R.J. Reynolds Industries, a company she formerly served, as a member of its Board of Directors. Her fellow speakers Gov. James B. Hunt, Jr. and Board President Colin Stokes are seated behind her.

Park Complex, on Reynolds Boulevard. The half-million square foot World Headquarters is covered with reflective silver Solarban glass, that is efficient in reflecting 82% of the solar heat and

light reaching it. "I'm glad that Reynolds likes calling North Carolina home," remarked Governor Hunt in his address. Colin Stokes, chairman of the board, called the

building a symbol of the company's worldwide growth and progress.

In introducing the keynote speaker, Secretary of Commerce Juanita Kreps, RJR president Paul Sticht

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