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"Power concedes nothing without a struggle." — Frederick Douglass

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CDC Audit Shows Financial Discrepancies

▲ Report cites turnover in accounting staff and inefficient computer system as causes

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An audit of the East Winston Community Development Corporation shows discrepancies in accounting procedures, including at least 98 checks that were either not recorded or done so incorrectly. The audit reveals also that the organiza-

tion's expenses in 1993 were \$49,000 more than its revenues. In 1993, the CDC's grant income increased 7 percent, from \$157,700 to \$169,200. Meanwhile, during the same period, salaries increased 38 percent, from \$124,000 to \$171,400.

In addition, the report shows that the 1993 financial statements prepared inter-

nally were inaccurate, forcing the auditor to re-enter all of the transactions in order to successfully complete the audit.

The Chronicle has obtained a copy of the audit, which was prepared by David C. Hinton, a certified public accountant, and presented to the CDC finance committee in August.

It cites personnel turnover and inefficient computer software as the main reasons for the problems and says the organization has taken steps to remedy them.

However, some of the same problems were also noted in the 1992 audit, the report says.

James Grace, executive director of the

CDC, said this week that it is difficult to run a smooth operation without adequate funding. However, over 60 percent of the CDC's 1993 total revenue of \$281,000 goes toward salaries.

Grace said that the audit report "wasn't bad." "Ain't no money misappropriated," he

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GOSPEL FEST



Photos by Melissa Vaquera

A fan hugs a member of the C.R. Wall Ensemble of the Elon Baptist Church following Monday night's performance at the Chronicle's Second Annual Gospel Fest held through tonight at the Dixie Classic Fairgrounds.

Music Warms Chilly Air at Dixie Classic

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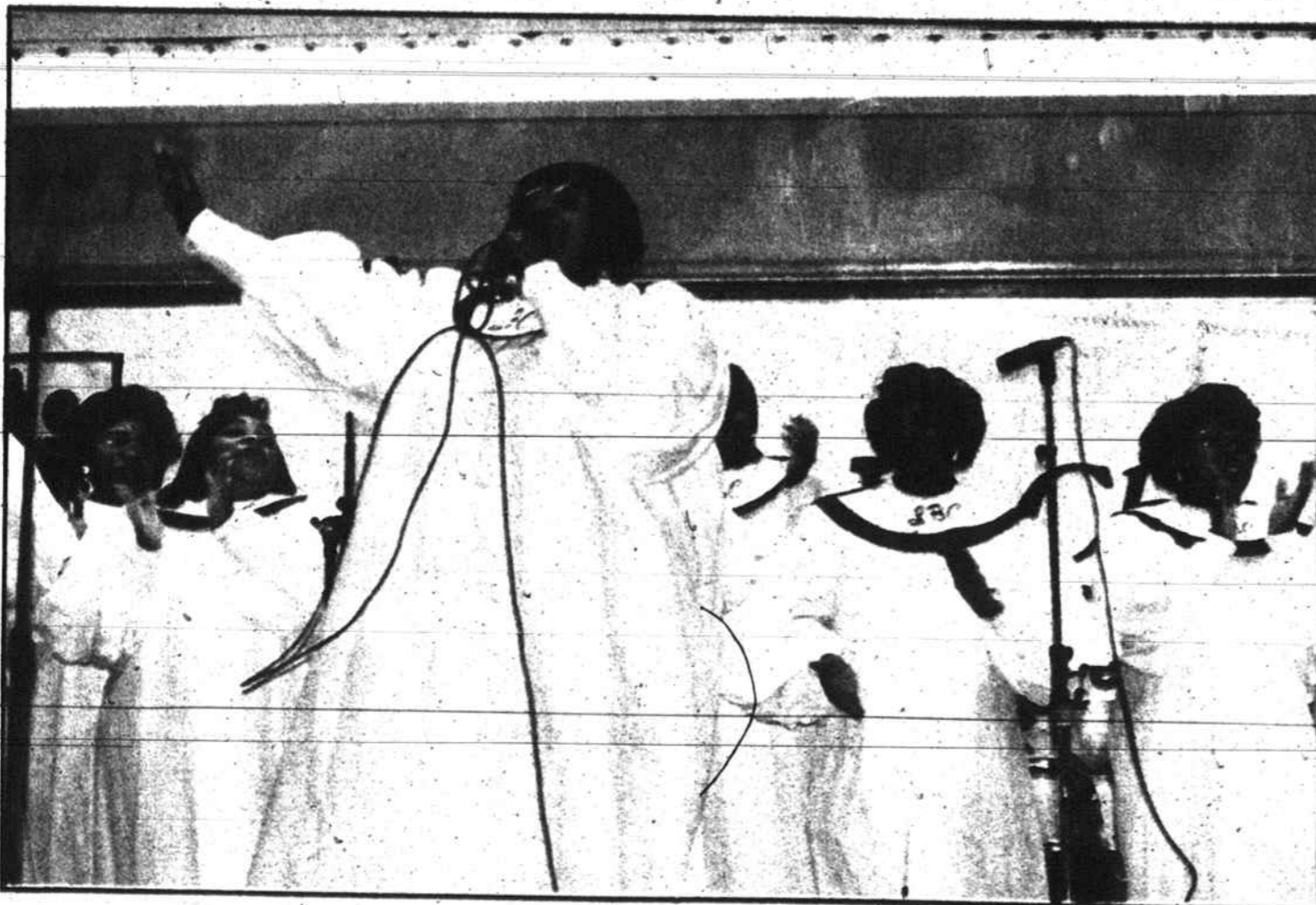
Edna Hughes sat with one hand in the pocket of her coat and the other holding a steaming cup of hot chocolate.

The October air was nippy and she was a little worried about its effects on her arthritis. But after seeing last year's Gospel Fest, she wouldn't have missed this year's for the world.

"I just love gospel music," she said. "I won't sit out here to hear nothing else, but I'll sit out here to hear the gospel."

Hughes wasn't alone in her willingness to bear chilling temperatures as the Winston-Salem

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The Shiloh Baptist Church Choir gave the audience foot-stoppin gospel music Monday night at the Gospel Fest at the Fairgrounds.

White Firm Files Suit To Control Ethnic Marketing

Can a company own African-American styles, attributes and culture?

A battle for control of the ethnic hair care market continues in Georgia's Southern District Federal Court in Savannah later this week and examines this very issue.

The high profile civil case is entitled: Carson Products Co. vs.

Pro-Line Corp., The Wellington Group.

The white-owned Carson Products, makers of Dark & Lovely hair care products, is alleging in its suit, that two black-owned companies, Pro-Line Corp. and a leading market research company, The

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Aldermen Hear Noise Complaints Against Hair Salon

▲ Complaint later withdrawn

By DAVID L. DILLARD
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Stephanie Carter, a beautician since 1969, says she's getting mighty sick and tired of having to relocate business.

The owner of Cleopatra's Beauty & Nail Salon moved three years ago from Liberty Street because of redevelopment in the area. This week, she was nearly forced to move again after some residents complained to the board of aldermen Monday night about noise and traffic generated from businesses along Green Street.

Norman L. Nifong of 207 N. Poplar St. said a taxi dispatch service and Carter's beauty salon in an

office building at the corner of Albert and Green streets violated special zoning for the building issued in 1988. He complained to the board of aldermen that the property owners, John and Mary Stevens, misled residents who thought businesses that generated low traffic only would be in the area.

"They have created almost a downtown-type situation here in a residential neighborhood," Nifong said. "The taxi is still there and the beauty salon shouldn't be there. What has happened is the neighborhood lost confidence in a business owner for what he did with the

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Supreme Court.

King For A Day

Carver High Student Enjoys Trip to Capitol Hill

By VERONICA CLEMONS
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Last week, Carver High School student Alicia Boozer's life changed from being student body president to being a U.S. Congressman for two days during a visit to Washington, D.C.

Boozer was selected to be the representative of the 12th Congressional District for the youth congress, held during the 24th Annual Legislative Black Caucus. It was the first time for the youth congress, which involves students aged 14-18.

Lawmakers wanted to involve youths in a program that will allow them an opportunity to gain knowledge on the process of making and passing laws.

Although Boozer does not have politics in her career plans, she said this was a valuable learning experience she hopes to use in the future.

"I plan to keep abreast of issues so that I can write my congressman and have some say on what's being decided in Congress," she said.

Boozer was recommended as a

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Carver High School senior Alicia Boozer is shown with Congressman Mel Watt and Dorothy Graham-Wheeler on Capitol Hill.