

# VIKINGS ARE CHAMPS

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## SGA Takes A Stand: The Image of the Black University

Black Monday in North Carolina, the day of solidarity to save Black schools was highly supported and endorsed by the Student Government Association. The 15 buses that travelled to Raleigh carried many aware and concerned black sisters and brothers to one of the most cooperative black events in the history of black institutions of higher education in North Carolina. Considering the fact that North Carolina leads the nation in the total number of black institutions, the 5,000 blacks that marched on Raleigh was highly representative.

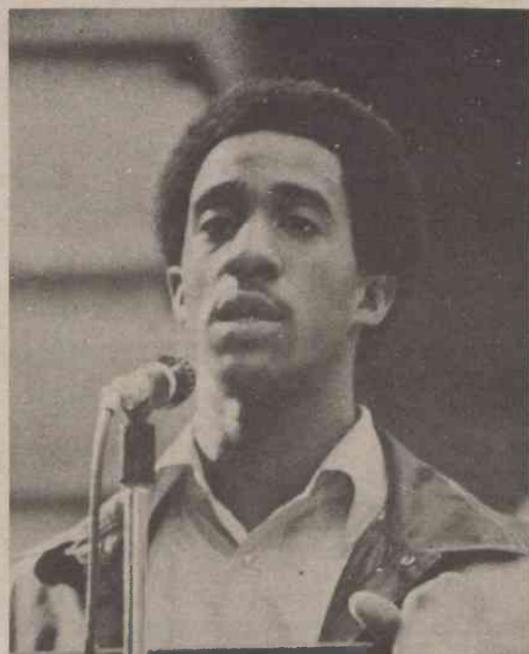
The sentiments as expressed by SGA prexy, Darryl Morris, conveyed the idea of the desire and necessity of the continuation of our Black institutions of higher education.

Morris went on to say that, "In the essence of all contributions and donations made on behalf of this project, I can say without reservation or hesitation that this is the sentiment of our locality."

While some viewed Black Monday as little more than a huge protest march, it was to many serious observers, a landmark display of po-

litical concern on the part of Black youth in North Carolina. The political implications of that effort far exceed the time spent, the words spoken or even the issue at hand not since the Civil Rights activities of the early sixties in the state gathered to voice opinion about a political question, and not even in the sixties was there another single effort which involved students from so many places.

Morris asserts that "Now the question of weight is on those who allegedly act in our behalf. It is my opinion that this legislation



threatens and more emphatically, will phase out Black identity in our now predominantly Black institutions. I ask if we can afford to sit by and let this happen. Our request for the amendments is but

for subsistence. Without our predominantly Black institutions of higher learning, I assert that we will become mere jesters of an ethnic tie. And

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## DR. THORPE STRESSES "COMMUNIVERSITY" AT ANNUAL PRE-THANKSGIVING VESPER

The gathering of individuals devoted to human interest and welfare and of concerned educators, students and staff members of Elizabeth City State University marked the opening of the Annual Pre-Thanksgiving Vesper Hour held in Moore Hall Auditorium on November 21, 1971. The occasion merits the participation of many campus organizations - being a

campus-wide event - the vesper is usually very decorative and colorful and participation is given high regard.

The theme of the Pre-Thanksgiving Vesperis always evolved around the idea of Community-relations, thus this idealism received its highlight from President Marion D. Thorpe's address on University - community relationship.

Dr. Thorpe, Chairman of the Education Committees of the local Growth Center's Positive Action Program and of the United Fund Campaign, is also affiliated with other local organizations and associations in efforts to broaden educational opportunities and assist in community development programs. President Thorpe's address placed a great deal of emphasis on University - Community Relations, asserting that the university can do a great deal to help improve the community by involving itself in more community - geared affairs, he went on to say that the "Baskets for the Needy" as only one example of community involvement and interest. He said that at the same time the community can do wonders for the University. He did not hesitate to say that this need should be first realized and then perpetuated. "We cannot afford the termination of 'communi-

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## International Week Reflects on Personalities

The International Week at Elizabeth City State University was a great success for the University Center. With emphasis on International Personalities the week of activities included a great deal of international diversity this year.

Following the annual format the activities for the week started on Sunday, November 14, with a Foreign Film and Discussion by Mr. Mohinder S. Gill, Instructor in Art and Dr. Naginder S. Dhillon, Professor of Political Science both of India. On Monday night, Dr. Carlton R. Deonanan of the West Indies presented a speech on Freedom and Educational Trends in the West Indies. This event was followed by the annual International Dinner on Tuesday night. The highlight of this event was the presentation of International dishes, another annual affair. During the dinner, Dr. Louis Nadeau presented a speech on United State and African Relationship. Dr. Nadeau is a native American who

has spent 25 years teaching in Africa. He taught in Lagos, Sokoto and Ibadan in Nigeria between 1954 and 1969 and now teaches philosophy at the University. The foreign foods, prepared by the instructors and their families, was served buffet style. The foods represented three African nations, the Carribean Islands, West Indies, Pakistan, China, Korea and India.

On Wednesday night at 8:00 p.m. Dr. Melvin Murphy, Ph. D. in History, accompanied by a Student Panel presented a panel discussion on Separation, Integration, Liberation -- Black Students, Black studies, Black Power -- Which Way Black America? A highly intellectual discussion, the panel consisted mainly of Junior and Senior History Majors. Perhaps the highlight of the entire week was the Assembly Program on Thursday at 10:00 a.m. The Univer-

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