

## IN BRIEF

### Reagan: "a reverse Robin Hood"

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Reagan's bold economic plan—which would change the face of government—is drawing smiles and frowns across the country as well as contrasting predictions of financial relief and social decay.

Reagan said Thursday he expects a tough fight on Capitol Hill, particularly over proposed cuts in personal taxes, but insisted Americans want action now.

Many union, minority and consumer groups, however, are gearing up to oppose the package, which advocates cuts in programs ranging from food stamps to solar energy.

Rep. Gus Savage, D-Ill., a member of the Congressional Black Caucus, seethed. "Reagan is a reverse Robin Hood, robbing the poor and giving to the rich," he said. "Regardless of what they are saying, what they are doing is hacking away at programs that are the lifelines of millions of the poorest families and children who will become hungrier, colder and sicker than they already are."

### Meningitis strikes again

SANFORD (UPI) —The disease which took the life of NCCU student Darryl Lindsey earlier this month has struck again in North Carolina.

Local health authorities say a Lee County High School student suffering from meningitis has been taken to North Carolina Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill.

Weldon McLean, 17, of Sanford was transferred Thursday to Chapel Hill, where he was listed in poor condition.

### Suspect in Jordan shooting on trial for Utah killings

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) — Federal prosecutors say Joseph Paul Franklin had such a "passionate and violent hatred" of blacks he shot two black men jogging with white women. But the defense says the white supremacist's views make him an easy police target.

"Mr. Franklin is a racist, and he makes no bones about it," defense attorney Robert Van Sciver told a U.S. District Court jury of three men and nine women in opening statements Monday at Franklin's civil rights trial.

Van Sciver claims Franklin is an innocent dupe picked by police when they could not solve the Aug. 20 slayings of Ted Fields, 20, and David Martin, 18. He says they turned to local prostitutes in hopes of locating a racist who could be tagged with the killings.

But Justice Department attorneys painted a different picture of the man who has belonged to the Ku Klux Klan and the American Nazi Party.

Franklin, 30, of Mobile, Ala., is charged with violating the civil rights of Fields and Martin by killing them while they used a public facility.

He is also a suspect in the May 1980 wounding of National Urban League President Vernon Jordan in Fort Wayne, Ind. Police in Cincinnati and Indianapolis say they would like to question him about the unsolved killings of several blacks.

### Helms asks for more cuts in food stamp funds

RALEIGH (UPI) — Sen. Jesse Helms says he will file amendments to trim the food stamp program another \$500 million because President Reagan's proposed \$1.8 billion cut in the program doesn't go far enough.

During a \$100-per-couple reception Saturday, Helms said Reagan's proposed 15 percent reduction "is fine, as far as it goes."

"I think you'll see a number of amendments, on both sides of the Capitol—include some from me—to try to reduce spending even further," said the chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee.

### Post Office argues for longer ZIP

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Postmaster General William Bolger today defended the Postal Service's plan to tack four numbers on the current five-digit ZIP code, arguing that it will hold down mail costs.

At a hearing before a Senate subcommittee on postal operations, Bolger said the expansion of the ZIP code, used with automation, is the best way to increase productivity and cut costs.

The Postal Service expects to save \$600 million a year for first class business letter mail alone once the proposed ZIP code is completed.

Sens. Roger Jepsen, R-Iowa, and David Durenberger, R-Minn., Monday called the proposed nine-digit ZIP code a "numerical nightmare" and said they will introduce legislation to prevent it.

### Summer School catalogues ready

Students can pick up the 1981 Summer School catalogue in Room 115 of the Taylor Education Building.

### Nuclear safety hearing opened

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (UPI) — The Nuclear Regulatory Commission reopened hearings Tuesday on the safety of the McGuire nuclear plant at the request of critics who claim an accident similar to the one at Three Mile Island could occur at the Duke Power Co. facility.

The hearings were requested by the Carolina Environmental Study Group and other environmental organizations. Jack Riley of the Carolina Environmental Study Group maintains the potential exists for a major accident at the plant.



**SANTA BARBARA, CALIF: (UPI)—President Ronald Reagan laughs along with Larry Speaks, Deputy Press Secretary (L) Ed Meese, White House Aid (background) and the news media aboard Air Force One from Washington to his ranch in Santa Barbara for a four day vacation. President Reagan was getting a reaction from the newsmen about his February 2 speech on economic programs.**

## Reagan's worth a bundle

WASHINGTON (UPI) President Reagan is estimated to have assets with a net worth of \$4 million more than twice his own disclosure in 1976, it was reported Monday.

The New York Times said it based the estimate on a report Reagan filed last week with the Office of Government Ethics covering 1980 until the day he took office, plus other information on his finances.

In 1976, when running for the Republican presidential nomination, Reagan disclosed his net worth at \$1,455,571.

The newspaper said an increase in the value of his California home accounted for a large portion of his greater financial worth as calculated by the Times. In 1976, Reagan said the Pacific Palisades residence was worth \$200,000. He recently placed his home on the market for \$1.9 million.

At the time of the 1976 disclosure, there were suggestions that the statement undervalued some of Reagan's real estate holdings, the Times said.

In the ethics office report, covering the year 1980 and ending Jan. 20, the day he assumed the presidency, Reagan said his gross income exceeded \$230,000. Exact figures could not be calculated because income, under federal law, is

reported in broad brackets.

But the Times said that his income for the period was far less than his 1979 adjusted gross income listed as \$515,878 in a tax return he released during the 1980 campaign.

The newspaper said his most recent disclosure indicated most of his 1980 income came from interest on cash savings and a mortgage he holds, speech fees and his California pension as a former governor.

The Times said its review of financial records revealed his assets were:

...the Pacific Palisades home, worth \$1.9 million.

...his 688-acre ranch northwest of Santa Barbara, Calif. He bought it in 1974 for \$526,000, but the Santa Barbara assessor estimates the property is now worth \$1 million.

...cash of \$740,000 accumulated from the sale of stocks. The money was placed in a blind trust last month.

...mortgages worth \$600,000, which Reagan holds on a 771-acre ranch in Riverside, Calif., that he sold in 1976.

The newspaper said Reagan's liabilities appear to total \$400,000 to \$500,000, including his debt on his Santa Barbara ranch and life insurance loans.

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### Chancellor's memo criticized

On January 14, Chancellor Whiting issued a memo responding to a Harambi leaflet titled "King's Dream Nightmared as Racist Invited to NCCU Commemoration Service." Although the chancellor's memo recognized Harambi as an "authorized" campus group, it was poorly circulated and was, we feel, a subtle attack on us and our right to protest.

First, the memo states that the chancellor had "no assurance" that it was Harambi's leaflet. We believe that he did have such assurance, since Ervin Baker, Phillip Rosser, James Webb and others met with Dr. Whiting after discussing the leaflet with two Harambi Steering Committee members. Was this "no assurance" tactic used to imply that some outside group did the leaflet? In light of recent rumors, we think so.

Next, it was suggested that our leaflet interfered with the right of campus groups to invite whomever they choose. Again, we differ. Our leaflet simply asserted our own right to protest such invitations. The chancellor's memo was, in our opinion, an attack on that right. Sound far-fetched? Perhaps some examples will show why we make such contentions.

First is the location of the Campus Minister's Office, now several blocks away from the campus. Reliable sources indicate that in the early 1970's the office was "kicked-off" campus because the then campus minister helped the students organize protest actions. Next, in 1972, The Campus Echo was taken away because the students used it as a forum to protest, among other things, entry into the UNC system. Only a lawsuit gave students the right to continue publication. Now, let's recall the events following a mass student demonstration on Nov. 20, 1980. By misleading students, Ervin Baker was able to halt the planned boycott of classes and a rally to protest the compulsory class attendance policy planned for the next day. Then, a memo calling for "no further protests" and disassociating recognition of Harambi was circulated widely among the student population. Let us return now to the leaflet suggesting that students protest the invitation of racists to NCCU on Martin Luther King's birthday.

This leaflet, in addition to urging protest actions, gave students an alternative to the program to which the racists were invited. It's understandable, since any single protest can serve to catalyze others. Protestors would, eventually, pose very probing questions to the chancellor. One such question is why did he, in 1977, concur with the Board of Governors that there was "no differential in the resources or prescribed courses of study" at traditionally black and white universities? If that statement is true, ask yourself why does Carolina have a three-story nursing school building while Central's nursing department is housed in a building with the mathematics and physics departments? Or why do so many of our students use the libraries of Carolina or Duke? We urge students to ponder these questions because they may provide insights into just whose interests our chancellor is acting in and where he's "leading" us.

Yours in Struggle,  
The NCCU Harambi Student Union

### Black political party forming

Dear NCCU Family:  
This letter is to inform you of a very important effort presently in progress in the Durham community. The Durham Organizing Committee of the National Black Independent Political Party-NC (NBIPP-NC) is working to establish a chapter of this mass based party, which is open to all black people. The Party will address the needs of the black community through community organizing, institution building,

and electoral politics. This can only be accomplished through the collective assistance and input of community leaders, businessmen, educators, students, and others working together. We are presently making preparations to inform the community of the NBIPP and also to conduct a membership drive.

Briefly, some of the objectives of the NBIPP-NC are:

- to formulate a comprehensive black agenda and realistic implementation processes;
- to insure black representation in elected positions in accordance with our numbers;
- to lobby for specific public policy enactments and revisions;
- to insure accountability by elected officials to the black community;
- to have strong local chapters of the NBIPP in every community throughout North Carolina.

Our ultimate goal is to bring about sensitive, informed, and accountable leadership and to re-educate black people, so that we may better help ourselves. In the threatening atmosphere of the 80's, we know that foremost in your minds are the continuation of funding sources for education and the very survival of strong black institutions of higher learning.

We are happy to say that some of you are already working to help us in achieving this worthy goal. If you would like further information on the party and its activities, you may contact community organizers at the following numbers: 596-0782 or 596-7444.

We are asking that you join with us to build the Durham chapter, as we join with other communities throughout the country in building a party that will address our interests. Durham Organizing Committee of the National Black Independent Political Party P.S.: Mass Meeting March 1, 1981 Union Baptist Church, 904 Roxboro, Durham, N.C. Speakers: the Rev. Davis, Union Baptist Church, and the Rev. Welcher, Russell Memorial AME Church.

### Greeks get together

Eagle Community,

On February 12, two of Central's biggest Greek fraternity's squared off for a serious showdown. Wait, this wasn't what Central's students and faculty have been accustomed. For weeks Lemeul Umstead (Kappa Alpha Psi) and myself slaved to put together an event that would turn NCCU upside down. We did, and it was a great success. Two purposes enhanced the big event. One was to raise money for Central's athletic fund and the other was to bring about harmony between the Alpha's and Kappa's, to which both were a success. That days events started off with music in the cafe at dinner provided by both fraternities. During dinner there was a Mellow Yellow contest between C.T. (Alpha) and R.J. (Kappa), in which neither won.

Later, that evening started with a brief step show given by both fraternities. Then the serious showdown, the first annual black greek basketball game. The Kappa's won a hard played basketball game. The half time activities included a cheerleading contest between the Ladies of Black and Gold and the Kappa Sweathearts.

February 12 will long be remembered on this campus as a day of greek brotherhood. We, the Alphas and Kappas, can and will get along. For we are greek and most of all we are men. The door for better fellowship has always been there, it took some pull and guts to open it; now we are on our way. Lookout for further programs sponsored by the Alpha Apes and the Kappa Nupes. Thanks to all who helped us pull off this great event.

Stephen A. French  
Coach, Alpha Phi Alpha



**MANILA: (UPI)—Pope John Paul II is surrounded by hundreds of priest's hands as he walks to the altar at a Manila Cathedral. The Pope read a mass upon his arrival to begin his six day visit to the Philippines.**