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**Congratulations**

**FSU**

**on your**

**basketball**

**standings —**

**Keep up the good work!**

**Broncos 9-2 Overall 3-0 Conference**

**Broncoettes 9-1 Overall 4-1 Conference**

## Dr. Black Attends Seminar

Dr. Grace C. Black, Head of the Division of Business and Economics, and Dr. C. Jeanne Lewis, Assistant Professor of Business Education, at Fayetteville State University attended the three-day Invitational Management Seminar for Vocational Education Decision-Makers in the State of North Carolina at Foxfire Inn in Pinehurst.

The Seminar, which had as its theme, "Improving the Management of Vocational Education: A Need and a Responsibility," was sponsored by the Division of Vocational Education and the State Department of Public Instruction in cooperation with the National Academy for Vocational

Education and the National Center for Research in Vocational Education of The Ohio State University.

Participants represented State Department of Public Instruction personnel, principals, local education directors, regional coordinators, and teacher educators.

Highlights of the Seminar included addresses by Bill Cook, President of Colonial Management Company of Montgomery, Ala.; Mr. Bones McKinney, Customer Service and Public Relations of Servomation, Hickory; and Dr. John Tart, Chairman of the North Carolina State Board of Education.

## National Black Independent Political Party Created

On November 21-23, 2,000 people gave birth to a new level of political process and possibility. The National Black Independent Political Party was formally created at the Party's Founding Convention in Philadelphia, Pa. Held at the (Benjamin Franklin) Malcolm X High School over three days, the convention brought together representatives from every major Black Power, Pan Africanist and progressive grouping in the United States.

The historic gathering was set on the 150th anniversary of the first Black political convention — a Black Antislavery meeting held at the Rev. Richard Allen's A.M.E. Church in Philadelphia from September 21-25, 1830. Over 160 newspaper reporters and media representatives covered the convention. After a spirited debate, national representatives were elected to serve on

the new party's Organizing Committee. A Charter Review Commission was selected to draft a permanent constitution. Significantly, many of the veterans and organizers from the Black empowerment movement of the 1960s were an influential force in this historic gathering.

Twenty years ago, 200 Black youth met in Greensboro, to discuss strategies and protest programs to combat Jim Crow. The results of this meeting helped to build the modern Freedom Movement and developed the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) into a major Black Power instrument. This organization of young people helped to lead the long and often bitter struggle to transform the cultural, economic and political relations between Blacks and whites in the Deep South.

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## FSU Student Rescues Wreck Victim

By Lillie Booth

L. Craig Johnson, a senior English and Communications major at Fayetteville State University, was credited with rescuing an unidentified Holsum Bread man from his overturned van on Saturday, Nov. 22. The accident occurred on Murchinson Road across from the Charles Chesnut Library at approximately 10 a.m.

According to reports the

driver hit a man hole top that had been uprooted and left lying in the road. He then lost control of the van and hit a brick abutment before overturning.

Johnson was one of the first ones at the scene and immediately climbed on top of the overturned van in an effort to rescue the victim.

"I was only concerned with saving a man's life," said

Johnson who daringly made the rescue attempt without any thought of the van exploding.

The Fayetteville community recently saw Johnson in the role of Dr. Dudley Stanton in the play "The River Niger." However, on this particular Saturday, the call to save a life was for real and Johnson responded instantaneously and unselfishly. For this he is to be commended.

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## FSU Alumni Named Director

Henry B. Crews Jr., a native of Henderson, was recently named Director of Personnel Services at Chicago State University. He was previously employed as Personnel Director at the Chicago City College Dawson Skills Center and Executive Director of the Eastern North Carolina Opportunities Industrialization Center in Greenville.

Crews, a 1972 graduate of Fayetteville State University, received his B. A. degree in Sociology. He has done further studies at East Carolina University and is currently preparing to complete studies for his Masters degree in Psychology at the University of Chicago.

He has served as Chairman of the Board of North Carolina



Henry B. Crews

Rural Youth and Children Services, member of the North Carolina Federation Child Development, NAACP, and East Carolina Health System

Agency. He was recently appointed to a three-year term as a Commissioner for Chicago's Health System Agency by the Mayor.

## Dr. Thompson Joins Science Department

On September 1, Dr. Albert N. Thompson Jr. from Columbia, S. C., joined the Department of Biological Science and Medical Technology.

Dr. Thompson received his B.S. degree and his master's degree in Chemistry, from Texas Southern University in Houston, Tex. He continued his education at Howard University in Washington, D. C. and received his PHD in Inorganic Chemistry.

He took the position here at Fayetteville State University as

an assistant professor of chemistry. He teaches general chemistry, and Quantitative analysis. This spring he will teach Instrumental Analysis.

Dr. Thompson taught chemistry and physical science for one year at Texas Southern University; he also taught chemistry for two years at Fisk University in Nashville, Tenn.

Dr. Thompson is highly interested in research and was awarded a Minority Biomedical Support grant from Fisk University to study the

synthesis in kinetics of Porphyrins which are structures similar to hemoglobin.

He is one of the few Blacks to receive a doctorate degree in the field of chemistry.

Dr. Thompson has also served two years in the armed forces as a blood bank technician.

He will serve as advisor for the Chemistry club this year. Students will get to participate in field trips, and seminars, in addition to hearing speakers.

Carolyn M. Simmons