

Words of Wisdom

It helps us to walk among little things down here when we think of big things up there.
—Dr. Ralph W. Sockman

Grandpa says that psychiatry is simply the art of analyzing ouches on couches.
—S. Omar Barker

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SEVEN MINORITY-OWNED BANKS DESIGNATED

Former Director of Voter Educ. Project To Be Honored



TALENTED ACCOMPANIST—Miss Paula D. Harrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Harrell of Durham, served as accompanist to the Touring and Concert Chorus of North Carolina Central University when the two choirs presented their annual Christmas Concert Sunday, Dec. 8. Miss Harrell is a junior music major. She attended Hillside High School, where she was accompanist to the concert choir. She is pianist of the Sunday School and organist and director of the Youth Choir at White Rock Baptist Church, and has served as guest accompanist at Carr Junior High. She is a candidate for Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society at North Carolina Central University.

She is the fourth accompanist to work with the NCCU choirs during the tenure of Charles Gilchrist as director of the choirs. Previous accompanists have been Fred Mason Jr., now organist at St. Joseph's A.M.E. Church, George E. Hatcher, Jr., instructor of music at Shaw University, and Grover Wilson, Jr., a music instructor in the Durham County School system.

At Party Convention

Black Delegates Unhappy With State Delegation

Black and minority delegates to the Democratic Party's mid-term convention in Kansas City last week were successful in their fight to have a controversial section removed from the party's proposed new charter, but minority gains made in the party since the 1972 nominating convention seem to have retrogressed.

The controversial clause, contained in the charter's section on affirmative action, would have placed the burden of proof of discrimination in delegate selection on those who filed the challenges to the delegation rather than on the party unit that put the delegation together.

The section also contained language that said a delegation's composition, its number of blacks and women, cannot be used as proof of discrimination in the delegate selection process.

The issue had provoked threats of a black delegate walkout, similar to one led by California Assemblyman Willie Brown last August. The blacks were supported in their bid to have the burden of proof language removed by women and Chicano caucuses, (See DELEGATES Page 8A)

WAFR-FM To Present A Kwanza Premiere Dec. 22

WAFR-FM presents a "Kwanza Premiere," Sunday, Dec. 22, at 6:30 p.m., at David Paynes, Champagne Club in Hillsborough. The event will feature a live presentation of the widely acclaimed "Heritage of Hope" series. The presentation marks WAFR's kickoff of the traditional African holy week which is celebrated Dec. 26 thru Jan. 1.

Heritage of Hope is an original production researched, written and performed by Evangeline Grant Redding and her brother, Gary Grant. The idea of the series was conceived out of a yearning the grants had to know more about themselves. The idea came in 1969, at a time when the "Black is Beautiful Revolution" was at its peak.

After what they term as their own cultural revival, they said they felt a responsibility to teach other Blacks what they had discovered. Blacks, who like them had been denied an acceptable image of themselves, and who were in desperate need of a spiritual revival of a forgotten tradition of faith and cohesiveness.

The public is invited to participate in this occasion. Persons interested in attending may contact WAFR-FM, P.O. Box 1166, Durham.

Banks Now Total Sixty-Eight In U.S.

Seven new minority owned banks have been chartered recently, bringing the total of minority owned banks in the United States to 68, according to Alex Armendaris, Director of the U.S. Commerce Department's Office of Minority Business Enterprise.

Armendaris said the new banks represent a "significant improvement in the picture of minority owned banking in the United States."

When the Office of Minority Business Enterprise was formed to offer technical and management expertise to minority business in 1969, Armendaris said, only 31 minority banks existed. Deposits in 1969 totaled \$396.5 million.

Today, minority owned bank deposits are estimated at almost \$1.2 billion, Armendaris said.

"We certainly feel that the formation of these new minority banks is a healthy development," Armendaris said. "In keeping with our charter to assist minority business, we will continue to encourage formation of new minority banks."

Following is a list of the new minority owned banks, with more than 50 percent of stock owned by members of minority groups:

- Brownsville (Tex.) National Bank, Pan American National Bank of Dallas (Tex.)
- Continental National Bank (El Paso, Tex.), Plaza National Bank (Harlingen, Tex.), Union National Bank, (Austin Tex.), American Indian National Bank (Washington, D.C.), and First Prudential Bank (West Palm Beach, Fla.)



TEAMMATES—Silas McGee, San Francisco longshoreman and teammate of Pres. Ford on the Grand Rapids, Mich. South High School football team in 1930, poses with the President in the White House recently. Ford gathered the members of the undefeated team for brunch at the White House.

Lt. Gov. Hunt to Address Durham Business-Professional Chain

The Durham Business and Professional Chain will hold its Annual Awards Banquet Friday, February 14 in the North Carolina Central University dining hall.

Guest speaker for the occasion will be James B. Hunt, Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina.

Hunt has a broad background in agriculture, education, economics, and the law.

He received his Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Education from North Carolina State University, was certified to teach, and then went on to receive a Master's Degree in Economics. After that came a law degree from the University of North Carolina.

In each of these areas, he has put his formal training to work.

Brought up on a tobacco and dairy farm in the Rock Ridge Community of Wilson County, he has for many years been active in activities relating

to agriculture and its impact on North Carolina's economy.

In 1964, he went to Nepal, a tiny kingdom between India and China, and served for two years as an economic advisor helping that country work out a development plan based on the free enterprise system.

Here in North Carolina he served as President of the Coastal Plains Development Association.

His personal interest in and commitment to his state is shown by his involvement in

many other areas: The Civic Organizations and activities of his community, the Alumni Affairs of his University, the (See HUNT Page 8A)

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John Edwards To Be Feted Sunday At Hill Rec. Center

John Edwards former director of the North Carolina Voter Education Project and long-time civic leader in Durham, will be honored at a reception given by the Committee on People Who Appreciate John Edwards, Sunday, Dec. 15, at 5 p.m., at the W.D. Hill Recreation Center.

In announcing the reception, committee chairman Joe Green noted that Edwards "deserves recognition for the fine work he has done for Black citizens of the State of North Carolina."

The North Carolina Voter Education Project which Edwards directed ceased operations last month as a result of lack of funding. The organization was founded in 1967 as a non-partisan educational organization dedicated to bringing the poor and disadvantaged into active and effective involvement in the democratic process. As director, Edwards worked strenuously to increase Black voter registration and voter turn-out, provided citizenship education and leadership, training to local community leaders throughout the State, and served as consultant to Black elected officials. Many of the recent gains in Black registration and election of Black officials in North Carolina can be traced to the work of the Voter Education Project.

A native of Durham, Edwards is active in community organization and civic affairs, and holds positions on boards of directors of a number of local and state foundations and community organizations.

He is a member of the Board of Trustees of Durham College, his alma mater. He is also National President of the Durham College National Alumni Association.

Both Edwards and other supporters of the work of the



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Voter Education Project have expressed interest in continuing efforts to increase Black voter registration in North Carolina and creation of a vehicle to interpret and explain to local communities the issues affecting Black citizens. Committee leaders Greene, Philip Cousin, J.S. Stewart, and John Wheeler have pointed out that "a vital resource in our community, which John administered with a great deal of success, will no longer be available to us. John has given of himself to insure that Black elected officials in North Carolina are a reality rather than a dream, as they were some short years ago."

Leaders across the State will be meeting in the coming months to develop a program to continue the work begun by the North Carolina Voter Education Project over the past seven years. The reception is open to the public.

National Urban Fellows Seek Applicants for 75-76 In Durham

By BOB WILSON

Creation of a black-oriented mortgage bank that would help blacks buy land in the South offers a solution to the continuing loss of minority land holding in the region, a researcher for the Atlanta-based Emergency Land Fund has suggested.

Jess Morris, in a paper prepared for a Duke University workshop on the economic potential of black-owned land, said there is virtually no lending source "that will advance moderate-income blacks and whites money to buy undeveloped land in amounts less than 500 acres."

A black-oriented mortgage bank, Morris said, could reverse the role of blacks in today's marketplace where they are primarily sellers of land and rarely buyers of it.

Morris said the proposed institution would double as a land bank, buying land for blacks and holding title to it until the debt is paid off. The title would then be transferred to the new owner.

Morris's proposal was submitted in response to the estimated loss of 330,000 acres of black owned land a year in the South, much of it being bought for agribusiness farms, developments or industrial purposes.

The mortgage bank, Morris said, would contract with a real estate broker or development

to dispose of a black owner's land, upon his or her decision to sell it, in a way that would keep it in black hands.

And, he continued, the bank would enable blacks presently unable to qualify for (See URBAN Page 8A)



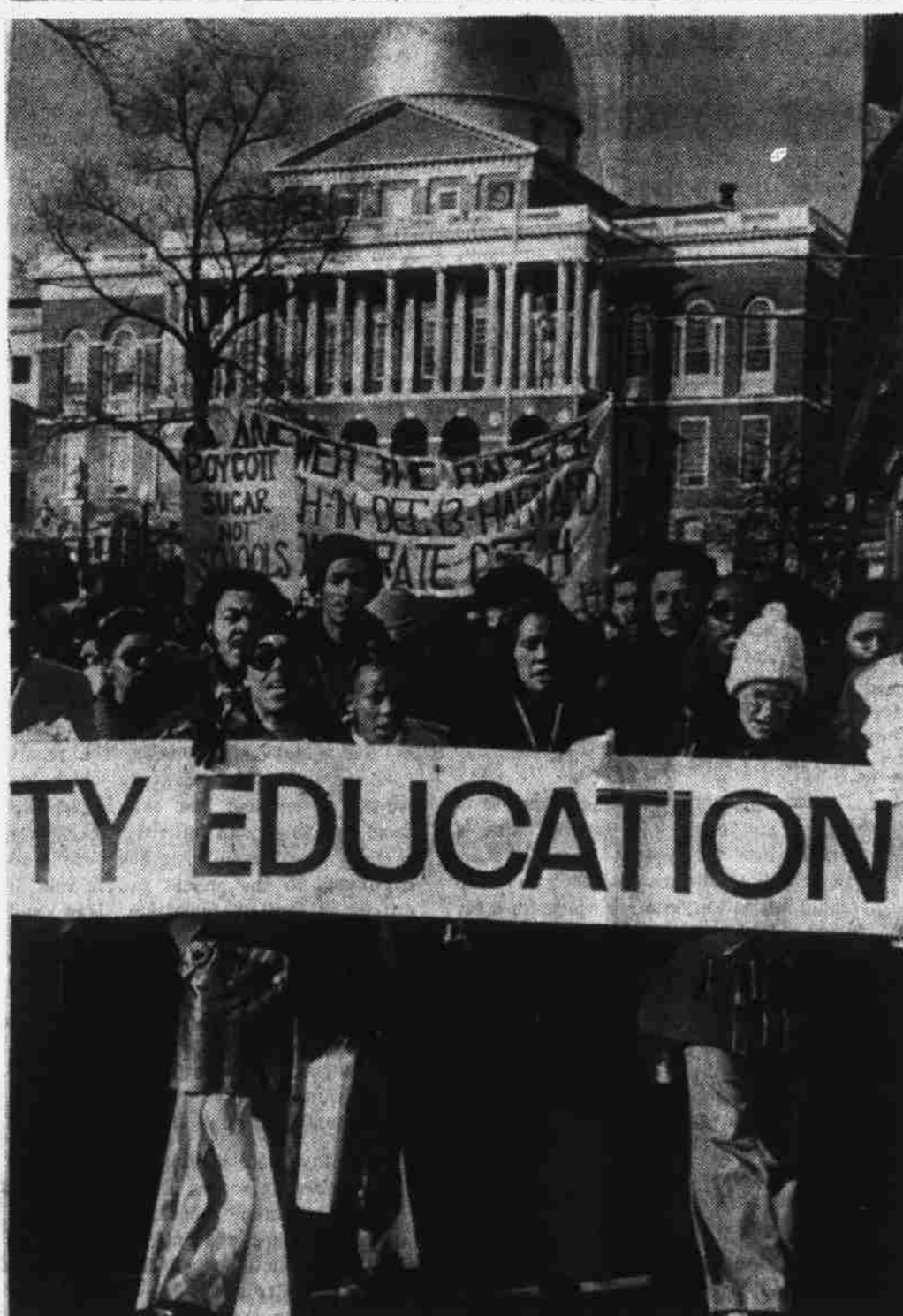
ANOTHER FIRST—Mrs. Elma B. Spaulding, first woman elected to the Durham County Commissioners Board, listens intently as Dewey Scarborough briefs her in her new role. Mrs. Spaulding is well known for her leadership in the founding of Women-In-Action for the Prevention of Violence and Its Causes which now has chapters in Wilmington, Raleigh and Indianapolis, Ind.

Women In Political News

Many women won political offices during the recent November elections throughout the nation and North Carolina.

In North Carolina, three black women were elected County Commissioners. Among the winners were Mrs. Elma B. Spaulding who became the first woman elected a Durham County

Commissioner, while in neighboring Raleigh, Mrs. Elizabeth Cofield was re-elected to a wake county commissioners post and recently was elected Vice Chairman of the County Commissioners Board. Mrs. Zoe Barbee, of Greensboro, was elected to a spot as a Guilford County Commissioner.



LEADING THE MARCH—Mrs. Coretta King (C), widow of civil rights leader Martin Luther King, as she led march through Boston streets recently in support of court-ordered school integration. Shown in background is the State House. UPI.