



DR. LAVONIA ALLISON



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although women delegates ruled out their support of the walkout.

The action to delete the controversial section from the language of the charter was led by a number of Democratic governors. Their action provoked a storm of protests from state party chairman, labor delegates and some members of Congress who labeled it a set out to blacks.

Black delegates were particularly incensed at the party's present affirmative action programs, which resulted in fewer of their numbers at the Kansas City convention than were in attendance at the 1972 Miami Beach Convention. There was a drop in black delegate participation from 15 per cent at Miami Beach in 1972 to 9 per cent at the Kansas City conference. Stersing his objection to the burden-of-proof language in the new charter, Gary, Ind. mayor Richard Hatcher said "we have learned that affirmative action does not guarantee access to blacks."

Although North Carolina was represented by the chairman of the charter commission, Duke University president Terry Sanford and two minority members of the commission, the state's minority representation at the mini-convention had fallen to 11 per cent, compared to a 20 per cent minority delegation in attendance at the 1972

Dr. Allison Had Key Role At Kansas City Conference

Dr. E. Lavonia Allison of Durham was one of a number of blacks who played key roles in the formulation of the charter adopted by the Democratic Party at its Mid-term Convention last week in Kansas City. Dr. Allison was a member of the Mikulski Commission that developed the rules for the delegates selection process. She played an active role in getting the draft unanimously approved, and was one of ten blacks on the 72-member commission.

Other blacks who were instrumental at the convention included:

- *Mayor Howard Lee of Chapel Hill, a member of the Democratic National Committee.
- *Rep. Yvonne B. Burke, vice chairman of the Charter

Blacks Need Own Land Bank, Researcher Tells Duke Panel

Applications are being sought in the Durham area by the National Urban Fellows, a nationwide program now in its seventh year of recruiting and training young people for careers as urban administrators. Frank Logue, NUF Director, announced that applications are now being accepted for the seventh Fellowship year, which begins in July 1975 and ends in August 1976.

The program is supported by grants from the Lilly Endowment, the Ford Foundation, Aetna Life and Casualty Co. and by payments from governmental agencies to which Fellows are assigned. NUF assigns Fellows to cities throughout the country where they serve as special assistants to top-level administrators.

The National Urban Fellowship are people in their twenties and thirties, mainly women and members of minority groups, who are selected competitively on the basis of their leadership potential. During the first six years of the program, Fellowships were awarded to 153 men and women, primarily blacks, Mexican Americans and Puerto Ricans. Graduate Fellows are now employed in key positions, in city county

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At the State level he serves on a council that is charting the long-range policies and goals for North Carolina, a council that is providing leadership opportunities for our young people and a council seeking to protect and preserve our national resources. Through his active role on the State Board of Education, he has become a leading spokesman for better educational opportunities.

His efforts to make government more responsive to translate the people's hopes and aspirations into positive programs have left him with precious little time to spend with his wife and their four children at their home in Rock Ridge.

When he ran for Lieutenant Governor, Jim Hunt made two promises: to be honest and fair as a public official, and to work as hard as he could.

The Durham Business and Professional Chain is a business development organization and for 36 years has assisted in the development and expansion of the small business community in Durham and other areas of the state.

NCCU Profs Participate History Meet

Two history professor at North Carolina Central were participants in the recent annual meeting of the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History in Philadelphia.

Dr. David W. Bishop presented a paper on "Plessy v. Ferguson: The Rationale of a Legal Tradition." The paper considered the Plessy case, which was a turn of the century Supreme Court decision upholding legal segregation (finally overturned with Brown v. Board of Education in 1954.) as part of the American judicial system.

Dr. George W. Reid presided over a session on "The Many Faces of Slavery." Panelists at that session represented the University of Virginia and the University of Toledo.

Participating in the conference was noted historians in the fields of African and Afro-American history from throughout the world.

urban executives and Kenneth Gibson of Newark and City Managers Dale Carter of Scottsdale, Arizona, Ted Tedesco of San Jose, and George Schrader of Dallas.

The 1975-76 Fellowship year will begin in July 1975 with an intensive course in public management at Yale University. From September, 1975 to June, 1976, Fellows gain nine months experience in urban administration performing staff assignments for the mayors and city managers with whom they will be working. Fellows will then attend a ten week residential semester at Occidental College in Los Angeles, completing the requirements for Occidental's Master of Arts in Urban Studies in August, 1976.

Mr. Logue said that although the deadline for receipt of completed applications is March 1, 1975, applications should be submitted as far in advance of that date as possible.

Additional information on the program may be obtained by writing to National Urban Fellows, P.O. Box 1475, New Haven, Connecticut, 06506.

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Graduation ceremonies were held Dec. 8 for the Attendant Corps for the Elderly, members of a two-month program sponsored by Durham Technical Institute and the Coordinating Council for Senior Citizens. This was the tenth graduating class of the Attendant Corps since the program was started in 1970.

The speaker for the occasion was Lt. Colonel Frances Turner, U.S. Army, Ret., the Red Cross Home Nursing instructor for the course. Lt. Colonel Turner commended the class for its dedicated patient care while performing on-the-job training and challenged them to continue to serve the Durham Community.

The ceremony was prefaced by the presentation of a poem written for the occasion by Mrs. Blanche Williams, one of the thirteen graduates who received certificates. Capturing the mood of the occasion, the poem read:

DEDICATION

I am a servant from my heart
Being an ACE entirely—not in part.
Dedication is my destination
Being good and kind to all creation.

I dedicate myself to serve
Hoping that I'll have the nerve
To administer to all my elders
That live within their shelters.

Presiding at the service was Mrs. Sadie Washington, a member of the Board of Directors of the Coordinating Council for Senior Citizens. Music was presented by the McCullough Family Gospel Singers and Mrs. Mary Hunt, one of the graduates who sang at the conclusion of the candle lighting service.

Dr. L.W. Reid of the New Bethel Baptist Church, gave the invocation and Rev. Larry Gill

of the Liberty Free Will Baptist Church closed with the benediction.

New graduates of this program are Mrs. Rosetta Bouknight, Mrs. Catherine Cates, Mrs. Nola Mae Hamm, Mrs. Ethel Y. Harris, Mrs. Mary Hunt, Mrs. Rosa Marie Hunter, Mrs. Joyce M. Johnson, Mrs. Willie Marie McKiver, Mrs. Doretha Miller, Mrs. Martha

Mitchell, Mrs. Elizabeth Reid, Mrs. Linda Whitt, Mrs. Blanche H. Williams.

A free placement service is provided by the Coordinating Council for Senior Citizens for those who have completed the course. Persons in the community who need help in their homes should call 682-8104, and an aide will be referred for employment.

Wm. D. Peerman, Long Time Coach And Educator Succumbs

William Donald Peerman, known by many of his close associates and friends as "Huck," died Dec. 5 at the North Carolina Memorial Hospital following an extended illness.

A son of R. Berry Peerman and the late Martha Susan Peerman, he was born April 23, 1917 in Monessen, Pennsylvania. He came to Durham under the tutelage of former football Coach William Burghardt at North Carolina Central University. He will be remembered by those familiar with Eagle Football and basketball for his outstanding powers on the field and courts during the late 1930's and early 1940's. He was a graduate of Hillside High School and North Carolina Central University.

From 1941 through 1945 he served in the armed forces. He worked for many years as Coach and Physical Education teacher in Harnett County before assuming a similar position at Chapel Hill's Lincoln High School. He ft Chapel Hill for a year and coached at Morgan State College in Baltimore, then returned to coach football and basketball at Lincoln High School and Chapel-Hill Senior High School.

He was married to the former Miss Otelia Cook and



PEERMAN

three daughters were born to this union.

Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 9, at the St. Paul A.M.E. Church. Rev. T.L. Coble officiated.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Otelia C. Peerman, three daughters, Miss Joanne Peerman, a student at Morgan State College, Misses Danne and Donna Jean Peerman, of the home, his father, R. Berry Peerman, a sister, Miss Ernestine Peerman of Lynchburg, Va., one brother, Michael Peerman, a stepfather, E. Sandifer and other relatives.

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various commercial and federal loan programs to buy land for farming and other purposes.

Some blacks, Morris said, simply don't know how to buy land because they do not receive technical assistance in making applications, often a long and complex process.

In opening remarks to the workshop, Emergency Land Fund director Joseph Brooks said blacks cannot continue to lose their holdings without "irreversible political, social and economic consequences" to the South.

Brooks said blacks won't consider themselves truly free until they "have a representative share in the wealth of this nation and the benefits that accrue from it."

The workshops was sponsored by Duke's Institute of Policy Sciences, the Emergency Land Fund, and the Office of Minority Business Enterprise, U.S. Department of Commerce.

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