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When you hire people who are smarter than you are, you prove you are smarter than they are.
—R. H. Grant

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JORDAN URGES

Kissinger To Seek Release Of Imprisoned Blacks

Demands Apartheid Concessions

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., executive director of the National Urban League, has called on Secretary of State Henry Kissinger to demand that South Africa's minority white government release black political and labor leaders and journalists now imprisoned.

Secretary Kissinger is currently on an African trip to negotiate with South Africa's Prime Minister Vorster and with leaders of black nations for independence to Namibia, currently being illegally held by South Africa, and for resumption of Rhodesian negotiations, was also urged to "visit the black township of Soweto, to only to demonstrate America's concern with the plight of South Africa's blacks."

Jordan praised Secretary Kissinger "for the political risks he's taking in trying to turn America's African policy around."

But he warned that black support for America's diplomatic initiatives depends on taking steps to overcome suspicions that the current negotiations have "the ulterior motive of preserving minority white rule" in South Africa.

John Wheeler Sparks NAACP Fund Campaign

Even though the full committee held its first meeting Wednesday night, at White Rock Baptist Church, launching a city wide drive to raise \$10,000 to aid the NAACP in appealing a decision of a Mississippi court, that awarded some white merchants more than one million dollars in a suit motivated by the fact that John H. Wheeler, local banker, was the first to respond.

He gave \$400 as the final payment on a third life membership. The committee is composed of more than 75 persons and is expected to make its first appeal Sunday, when the drive will be announced in the churches of the city.

The matter took on more seriousness when it was announced that Roy Wilkins, national executive director, named Gloster Current to take over his duties, as the head of the organization.

The Durham Branch has been one of the most successful fund raisers in the nation. It contributed \$52,000.00 in May. Persons close to the organization feel that a concerted drive will net the \$10,000 goal.

He said Blacks will "need guarantees that America's African policy is genuinely based on friendship toward the emerging black nations, is designed to assist them to economic self-sufficiency, is geared to achieving majority rule in Southern Africa, and is aimed at ultimate undermining of apartheid."

"Blacks aren't going to like such proposals as having their tax dollars go to Rhodesian whites in compensation for losing control of a government they never had a right to run in the first place. Why wave money at exploiters when

it should be used to help the exploited?"

"And black support for foreign policy initiatives is directly dependent on how fast the State Department opens its ranks to black personnel. This most elitist of our federal institutions needs to hire many more blacks at all levels -- and fast -- if it expects black support for a policy we haven't been allowed to help formulate."

Jordan's view of Kissinger negotiations are presented this week in his weekly column "To Be Equal," appearing in 120 newspapers.

Black Landowners To Meet In Greensboro

Black landowners from the 100 counties of North Carolina will meet in the Harrison Auditorium on the campus of A&T State University in Greensboro, on Saturday, October 2 to organize the North Carolina Association of Black Landowners.

The free registration and coffee hour will be held from ten until eleven a.m. The morning session beginning at eleven will include a statement of the seriousness of the problems of black land loss by Dr. Lester Salomon of Duke University, Institute of Policy Science and Public Affairs who has discovered through statistical approach that if land continues to disappear from black people during the next decade, there will be no black-owned lands in the south by 1987. Also addressing the group will be Joseph F. Brooks, Executive Director of the Emergency Land Fund, Atlanta, Georgia.

For the first hour of the afternoon session, beginning at 2:30 p.m., landowners of the 100 counties of North Carolina will be divided into ten Districts and will caucus to select members to serve on the State Steering Committee, and state committees on Finance, Political Activity, Education, Ways & Means, Membership, Public Relations, Legal Research and Representation, Community Development and Social Planning and Agriculture (including crops, livestock, and forestry). State officers will be elected by the

main body, and membership qualifications and dues will be decided.

The North Carolina organization will affiliate with the National Association of Black Landowners which will hold its first national meeting at Baton Rouge, La., on Dec. 3-4. This association had its genesis in a meeting held at Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama on June 11-12, sponsored by the Emergency Land Fund. Serving on the North Carolina Planning Committee are Dr. E. Lavonia Allison, Earl Brown, LeMarquis DeJarmon, Rev. F. J. Hawley, J. H. Hawkins, Gonion W. Herring, Mrs. Uva R. Holland, Mrs. Marie Johnson, Mrs. M. H. Perkins, I. C. Rogers, Rev. William H. Thomas, and Rev. Leon White.

Plaques will be awarded to the county having the largest number of landowners attending the conference, and to the county accumulating the greatest total mileage computing from the county seat. Persons or groups desiring lunch in the University cafeteria must send notice a week in advance to Dr. B. W. Harris, Director of Continuing Education, A&T State University or to the Committee Chairperson, Attorney Mildred B. Payton. Attorney Payton an associate professor at North Carolina Central University Law School, also serves as secretary of the Steering Committee of the National Association of Black Landowners.

**Register
and
Vote**

Asa Spaulding, Jr. Kicks Off General Election Campaign

With designs to retire Thad Eure and expand the services of the Secretary of State's office, Asa T. Spaulding, Jr., kicked off a general election campaign which he contends will capture the voting population of North Carolina.

Last Tuesday, the Republican party standardbearer for Secretary of State launched his campaign which he hopes will spark the voters to give the 76 year old Eure the "opportunity to enjoy the



NEW MAN AT THE NAACP — Gloster Current, a 63 year old former director of branches of the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People), is shown in his office in New York. He was appointed administrator of the 67 year old civil rights organization and will take over most of the duties of Roy Wilkins, 75, who remains as executive director of the NAACP through July 31, 1977. In rear, (top row, second from right) is a portrait of Wilkins. (UPI).

Jimmy Carter Commends Rhodesian Black Bishop

ATLANTA—Jimmy Carter cabled his personal expression of "concern and sympathy" to a black bishop imprisoned by Rhodesian authorities and has received a warm response from the cleric.

The Most Rev. Donal R. Lamont, Bishop of Umtali, Rhodesia, was jailed and faced trial in Salisbury for ministering to the religious needs of both blacks and whites.

This past week, Gov. Carter cabled the following message: "Dear Bishop Lamont. Your efforts to minister and communicate with all factions in Rhodesia exemplify our Christian belief that human

worth transcends race of political or economic condition. Now that you face prosecution for practicing your convictions, I want you to know of my concern and sympathy. Jimmy Carter."

The response from Bishop Lamont, just received by Carter, is as follows: "My people and I are much comforted by your courageous concern for the dignity of the human person and are deeply touched by your generous interest in my trial. Kindly accept my thanks for your message, so opportunely received and my best wishes for yourself and your family. Bishop Donal Lamont."

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Charlotte Three Judge Dismisses Self From Appeal Without Notice

Judge James B. McMillan of the Western Federal District Court in a surprise move dismissed himself without explanation from hearing the appeal of the Charlotte Three on Tuesday, September 14. The case is now referred to U. S. District Chief Judge Woodrow Wilson Jones, to either hear himself or assign to another judge.

Speaking for the North Carolina Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression, coordinator Anne Mitchell said, "This ominous development is yet another in a series of attempts by the repressive forces in this state to re-incarcerate Dr. James Grant, T. J. Reddy and Charles Parker of the Charlotte 3."

Convicted in 1972 of burning a stable in Charlotte,

in a case fraught with inconsistencies and the testimony of paid informers, T. J. Reddy and Dr. Jim Grant were only released from long prison terms on June 22 and June 24 of this year, pending federal review of the consistent violation of their Constitutional rights by the State of North Carolina. Dr. Grant is currently out on \$50,000 bond, T. J. Reddy on \$10,000 bond and Charles Parker is on parole.

Dr. Grant, a member of the executive board of the National Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression stated "The court system is not going to free political activists. The only element that freed us temporarily was pressure by the people both within the state of North Carolina and

outside. Ultimately it will be the people who will bring about the release of the Wilmington 10 and the Charlotte 3 and not the court system...."

The North Carolina Alliance called attention to the fact that the civil rights of the 3 have been violated for 4 years now, since their 1972 frameup conviction and subsequent imprisonment, and called upon Attorney General Rufus Edmisten to join the defense in asking the conviction of the Charlotte 3 be reversed. Ms. Mitchell said, "The sacrifice of the Charlotte 3 increases our determination to ensure they receive justice in the state of North Carolina and not returned to this state's prison system."

Federal Bureau of Investigation Asked To Stop Spying on Socialist Workers

NEW YORK — The following statement was released by Peter Camejo, Socialist Workers Party candidate for president:

"Attorney General Edward Levi's order to FBI Director Kelley to terminate all investigations of the Socialist Workers Party is a historic victory for the democratic rights of all Americans. This decision paves the way for the American people to learn the truth about the FBI's forty-year war against the SWP. It removes the last barrier to the release of the files the FBI has maintained on its investigation.

DECISION OPENS DEEPEN DOOR

"The Levi decision opens the door to every organization that has been the victim of political harassment or illegal surveillance by the FBI to take steps to obtain the same ruling from the Attorney General. "The Levi ruling clearly makes illegal the continuing use of any informers against the SWP. My running mate Willie Mae Reid and I have demanded that the government immediately remove all 66 informers from our party and our campaign committees. We are also insisting that the government simultaneously turn over to us the names and files on all informers.

"This ruling is a vindication of the struggle by the SWP and other organizations against the government's use of informers, burglaries, bugging,

"These files were compiled as part of an investigation that has now been determined by the Attorney General to have

no legal basis. Any maintenance of these files, which are part of the vast arsenal of repression against the SWP, would be clearly illegal. We are demanding that the files be turned over to us, rather wiretapping, kidnapping, physical assaults, and even assassinations.

"This decision obviously has far-reaching ramifications for the SWP's ongoing suit against the government spying and harassment. Our attorneys are taking immediate steps to compel the FBI to turn over to the SWP the more than 8 million pages of files the FBI has admitted that it maintains on the SWP. We insist that these documents be turned over intact and unaltered. So that the American people can learn the full truth about this sordid chapter in American history, and so that legal redress, including damages, can be obtained.

"We are also requesting a copy of the communication

that is reportedly being prepared by Clarence Kelley detailing the instructions to FBI field offices to terminate their operations against the SWP.

"The Attorney General's decision clearly places outside the law any investigation -- including the maintenance of files and the use of informers -- of the SWP by other political agencies, including the CIA, Military Intelligence, the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Division, the Immigration and Naturalization Service, the Secret Service, as well as all state, county and city police intelligence squads. We insist on an immediate extension of the Levi decision to all of these agencies.

"We are moving full speed ahead with our suit in federal court to obtain a permanent injunction to outlaw all of the techniques of spying and disruption used against us by the FBI and other government agencies, the immediate transfer of all files on the SWP to our hands, as well as \$40 million in damages."



UNITED FUND KICKOFF—Lloyd Gurley (L), this year's chairman of the Durham United Fund drive, confers with Dr. Leroy Walker (C) and Rev. Robert Young (R) on plans for meeting the goal. Below: W. A. Clement (CL) and George Quiett (CR) enjoy the UF kickoff luncheon held Tuesday at the Durham Civic Center. (The Carolina Times photos by William Covington)

NAACP Board Chairman Blasts TV Networks On Mississippi Black-Out

ST. LOUIS, MO. — Mrs. Margaret Bush Wilson, recently charged that the national television networks had staged a black-out of news about the NAACP and its fight for life in Mississippi as a result of a \$1.2 million judgement leveled against the Association a month ago. She was especially critical of the networks for what she described as a "black-out of bigotry" by the net-

works. At a press conference in St. Louis last week, Mrs. Wilson stated, "I have reluctantly concluded that the NAACP is the victim of a 'black-out of bigotry' by the national T. V. networks at a time of the Association's greatest peril."

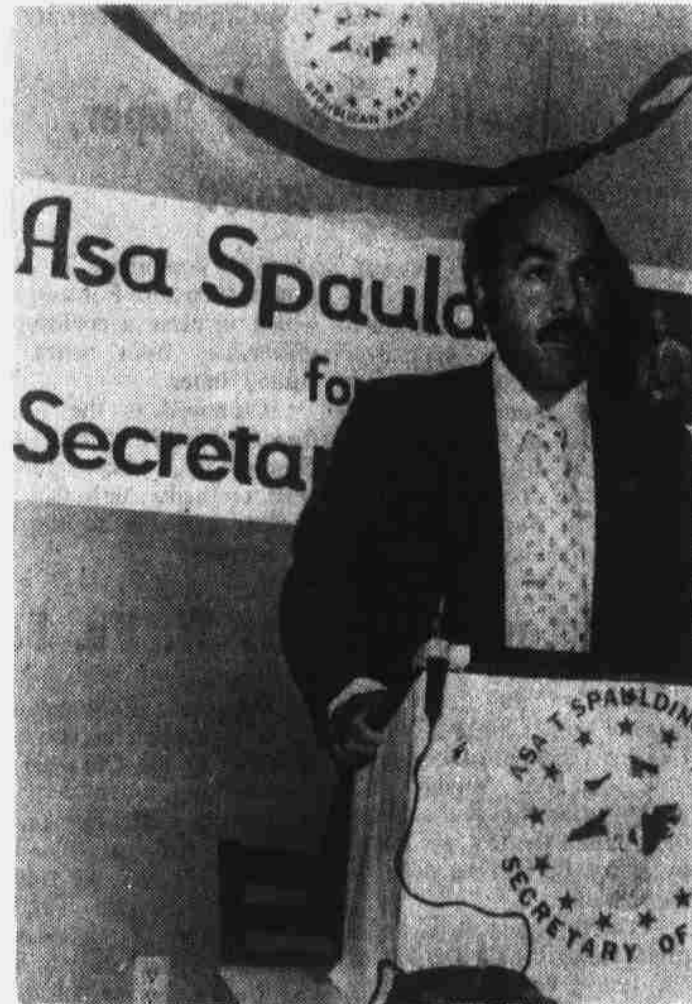
"Despite the fact that within a matter of days the

NAACP may be forced into bankruptcy by court judgments in Mississippi, not a single one of the national T. V. networks has responded to our pleas for national coverage on this crucial issue on any of their feature news programs," said Mrs. Wilson.

This callous indifference to the plight of an organization that has singlehandedly forged sinews for undergird-

ing this nation's ideals is appalling, she said.

Consequently, she said, "I call upon all units of the NAACP and our friends to flood the national T. V. networks with protests over the critical omission of programming and to wire the members of the Federal Communication Commission of our dismay and dissatisfaction at such indifference."



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