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The man who trusts men will make fewer mistakes than the man who distrusts them.  
—Count Cavour

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## Johnson Found Guilty, Given Life Sentence

CHARLOTTE (CCNS) — Despite the testimony of a psychiatrist that he is schizophrenic and legally insane, a jury of twelve persons, ten of them white, found Leroy Johnson guilty of first-degree murder in the death of Vicki McKinley. Johnson was given a sentence of life imprisonment.

Prior to his arrest on April 21, a few hours after Vicki McKinley had been abducted from the parking lot at Central Piedmont College where she had been a student, Johnson, 32, had been in and out of prisons and mental institutions, since the age of twelve. Defense attorneys, relying on the defense of innocent by reason of insanity, have not denied that Johnson killed the young woman. Her mutilated body was found about 6 1/2 hours after she was forced into her car by a man bearing Johnson's description. About two hours later Johnson was arrested driving Ms. McKinley's car on East Independence Blvd., one of the most heavily traveled and policed thoroughfares in the city.

According to Dr. Charles Smith, a professor of psychiatry at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine who examined him, Johnson was absorbed in a delusionary fantasy when he killed and mutilated the 19-year old Central College co-ed. Smith stated that Johnson was unable to understand the nature of his actions or distinguish between right and wrong. The ability to determine the difference between right and wrong is the basis upon which people are judged sane or insane for legal purposes.

Smith further testified that Johnson, "transported this atrocious killing into something that was in the nature of fantasy which had some — to him, at any rate — pleasurable kind of attributes to it." In Johnson's fantasy the crime was like, "ritualistic slaughter," Smith stated. During a pre-trial psychiatric examination, Johnson had told Smith that Ms. McKinley was scared to death and tried to bargain for her life. Johnson had stated that three other persons had knocked Ms. McKinley down, shot her and beat her. One of them cut her throat, according to Johnson, "so she wouldn't tell nobody. I could tell that the big gun killed her." According to Smith, "He Continued on Page 10



GETTING THE ORDER STRAIGHT EARLY — Two young hopefuls make sure Santa's Helper at South Square gets their complete orders.

## KKK Marines Back On Duty, Blacks Stand Trial

### Corporal Re-Assigned To N.C. Base

CHERRY POINT (CCNS) — Corporal Daniel Bailey, a marine organizer for the Ku Klux Klan of America was transferred December 3, 1976, from Camp Pendleton California to Cherry Point Marine Air Station in eastern North Carolina in the midst of racial turmoil at the California base.

A U. S. Marine Corporal and organizer for the Ku Klux Klan has been re-assigned from racially-torn Camp Pendleton, California, to Cherry Point Marine Air Station. Cpl. Daniel Bailey was transferred under heavy guard to Cherry Point where, according to Captain J. M. Pendergrast, Bailey is "carrying out his duties just like any other marine". Meanwhile at Camp Pendleton, Black Marines face trial for attacks on KKK members.

An alleged raid on a November 13 beer party sponsored by Camp Pendleton KKK's brought to the public's attention the level of racial tension in the Marines. White Marines were reportedly clubbed and beaten in the incident which polarized much of the huge military base.

The strategy of Marine command was to break-up the KKK trouble-makers. Two Marines were reported discharged as undesirable by the San Diego Tribune. However, one of the main organizers, Cpl. Bailey was transferred to Cherry Point.

Captain Pendergrast commander of the Cherry Point installation, said Bailey is not restricted and is to "carry out his duties just like any Marine and is certainly not in the brig." Before leaving Camp Pendleton Bailey was detained in jail and was flown to North Carolina under military guard. At Cherry Point, Pendergrast said Bailey has assumed the position of ground safety non-commissioned officer.

Asked about race relations at Cherry Point, Pendergrast said, "It's outstanding everywhere you go around here; you see white and Black and Mexican Americans eating together and doing other things."

Race relations in the region surrounded by Cherry Point were made worse by the actions of a para-military organization of Marines and former Marines headed by

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Plaques were given recently to attorneys who have paid a major portion of their pledges to the annual fund campaign of the North Carolina Central University School of Law. Shown holding their plaques are, from left, W. G. Pearson III of Durham, Joseph Williams of Greensboro, J. Kenneth Lee of Greensboro, William Marsh of Durham, Harry E. Groves of Durham, and Michael E. Lee of Greensboro. Among the Durham attorneys who were unable to attend the presentation ceremonies but have made contributions were C. C. Malone and John H. Wheeler. The plaques were presented by President William C. Friday of the University of North Carolina.

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## EEOC Ruling Awaited On Discrimination Case

RALEIGH (CCNS) — Paul Keller, retiring Executive Director of the Johnston and Lee County Community Action Agency, and Mrs. Gloria Bryant, a former employee, are both awaiting the results of an investigation by the Equal Employment Opportunities Commission (EEOC). But each hopes for a different outcome. The investigation stems from events leading up to and including Mrs. Bryant's dismissal last December as Director of Community Development for the Agency, a post the young black woman has held for seven years.

Specifically, Mrs. Bryant charges Keller and the Agency with having fired her, "in retaliation for my attempts to get a salary adjustment, which violates Section 704 (a) of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964." Section 704 (a) of Title VII makes it illegal to discriminate against any person because he or she has made a charge, testified, or participated in any manner in an investigation under Title VII. "I am seeking reinstatement with full back pay, damages and attorney's fees," said Mrs. Bryant, contacted at her home in Raleigh.

The story, as Gloria Bryant tells it, began back in

April, 1975 when she learned quite by chance that several employees in her department including herself, were being paid substantially less than "white males at the same rank and with the same experience." She wrote a confidential memo to her immediate superior, De-

puty Director of the Agency Leon Penny, requesting "that the situation of the salary be looked into."

At this point, Mrs. Bryant charges, a series of actions began, "intended to harass me, including one incident in which

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## Black-Owned Land In South More Profitable

Land owned by blacks in the South could form the equity base for greater minority participation in the growing southern economy says a new study published by the U.S. Department of Commerce Office of Minority Business Enterprise (OMBE).

Entitled "Land and Minority Enterprise: The Crisis and The Opportunity," the three-part report was prepared by Dr. Lester M. Salamon, assistant professor of political science at Duke University, Durham, North Carolina.

It analyzes patterns of black land ownership in 14 southern states, examines the long-term effects of land ownership on rural black fam-

ilies, and suggests a low-cost Government policy designed to stabilize black land losses in the South and strengthen black agricultural enterprises.

Approximately 65,000 southern black landowners controlled close to 6 million acres worth about \$1 billion at the time of the 1969 Agricultural Census.

But the Commerce Department study notes that the volume of black-held land, while substantial, is far less than the amount owned by blacks 15 or 20 years ago. In the interim, blacks have been losing land at the rate of 333,000 acres per year.

Slowing this trend is critical to the preservation of

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## KINSTON CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER IS HARASSED

KINSTON (CCNS) — Robert B. Brown, a disabled army veteran, moved to Kinston, in rural eastern North Carolina two years ago to help Blacks in the community organize themselves to solve problems in housing, inadequate education and of the elderly.

"Right from the beginning the police started to harass me and asking people who I was telling them I was a militant,"

Brown said. But, according to Brown, he wasn't stopped by the harassment. He rented a house and began to recruit members into the Lincoln Community Service Society, whose immediate goal was to get federal funds to carry on some activities such as programs to feed senior citizens.

When asked about the response from local businessmen, Brown said that they "thought that because we were trying to help poor Blacks that we were a communist group or militants, but that's not so."

Brown, 39 years old and a native of Kinston, described the small tobacco community as about 25 years behind the rest of the state in race relations and in living and work conditions. The community is, "changing a small bit due to large factories moving South but even those treat Blacks as if we have no rights," Brown said. He cites several examples of Blacks who work for DuPont, a multi-national corporation, as "helpless." "They can't do anything or they get fired." He said that a young Black man in his thirties was slapped and fired last week

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NROTIC SCHOLARS — Four North Carolina Central University students have been awarded Navy Scholarship by the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps at North Carolina Central University. The scholarships are awarded through a national selection process. Shown receiving congratulations from Commander Howard Petty professor of naval science, are, from left, Kenneth D. Wilson, of Greensboro; Anthony A. Murphy of Greensboro; Anthony D. Harrison of Greensboro, and Timothy C. McMillian of Sanford. The NROTIC unit at NCCU now enrolls 45 students. Nineteen hold Navy Scholarships.

## Tax Cut Opposed By Congress' Black Caucus

### BITS AND PIECES

By Jesse H. Walker

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Congressional Black Caucus Friday voiced its strong opposition to a tax cut, now being considered by President-Elect Jimmy Carter. Speaking for the Caucus, Congressman Charles B. Rangel (D-N.Y.), a member of the House Ways and Means Committee, said that the "illogic of a tax cut as a means of stimulating the economy defies description".

"To suggest", he continued, "that by providing relatively small amounts of money to the more prosperous in the nation will stimulate their individual spending is wrong not only by reason, but also by experience."

Congressman John Conyers (D-Mich.), who was instrumental in initiating a letter to President-Elect Carter signed by a broad spectrum of House Members, pointed out that according to economist John Kenneth Galbraith, the 25 percent of the nation with the lowest income would receive no tax return under the proposal

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NEW YORK — Rep. Barbara Jordan of Texas and Mrs. Patricia Roberts Harris, former Ambassador to Luxemburg and former dean of the Howard U. Law School are two persons mentioned prominently as being considered for President-elect Jimmy Carter's cabinet. Being women and black, they could stand good chances.

Manhattan Borough President Percy Sutton has asked Secretary of State Kissinger to reassess American policy on granting visas to South Africans. Also Secretary-designee Cyrus L. Vance, Sutton, who attended a conference on Africa in Lesotho, was refused a visa to visit South Africa. Senator Dick Clark, who attended same conference, was allowed in, Sutton reported on his trip on Dec. 12 when the World Mutual Service Committee of the New Harlem YWCA held its Tribute to the South Africa Quest for Freedom.

Tsitsi Mashini, the leader of the student uprising in Soweto, South Africa, is now in the United States where he says he will be "moving around, speaking, educating and agitating." Mashini, who escaped from South Africa in August, is now a student in London. He sees an armed struggle between blacks and whites in South Africa within five years and says the Indians and coloreds who once looked down on the blacks, are now "coming together" on the black side.

The selection by Jimmy Carter of Dr. June Jackson Christmas of New York to head the 12-member group that is planning the transfer of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare from Republican to Democratic hands pointed up the dearth of women in NYC in top policy-making spots. Dr. Christmas is Commissioner of Mental Health and Mental Retardation Services in NYC. Other top women are Eleanor Holmes Norton, Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights and Lucille Rose, NYC Employment Commissioner.

Captain Robert R. Turner, a veteran of 21 years in the NYC Fire Department is the new president of the Vulcan Society, Inc., the fraternal organization of the city's black firemen. He and other officers elected will be installed by Borough President Percy E. Sutton on Dec. 19, at the organization's 18th Annual Christmas Party. The affair also provides gifts for the shut-in patients at Harlem, Cumberland and Kings County municipal hospitals.

Arthur A. Fletcher, a member of President Ford's staff and former Assistant Secretary of Labor, says he is a candidate for the chairmanship of the Republican National Committee. He once worked as an assistant chairman of the committee.

Some black leaders are warning blacks not to expect too much too soon in the Carter Administration. The National Urban League's Vernon Jordan has already issued a warning. The latest comes from Mrs. Coretta Scott King who warns that Jimmy Carter will need some time to make good his promise to create more jobs. Said she, "I feel realistically you can't bring about changes that are so far-reaching in a short

### HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

In order that we may better serve our readers and advertisers, THE CAROLINA TIMES will move the local news deadline to Monday and the advertising deadline to Tuesday noon for the issue of December 25 and January 1, 1977. We appreciate your cooperation for it will allow us some time off for the holidays, too.

## Joanne Little Attorney Jerry Paul In Court

(CCNS) — Motions are to be filed this week in the disbarment proceedings initiated by the N. C. Bar Association against civil rights attorney Jerry Paul of Durham. Judge Edwin Preston heard argument supporting dismissal of the case from Paul's attorneys on December 7 and 8 in the Durham Superior Court. Preston said he would make a ruling on the motion after giving attorneys on both sides a chance to argue them in court.

Paul is charged with making critical statements about the judicial system in North Carolina and the United States which Eugene Boyce, attorney for the N. C. Bar, said Paul and other attorneys are forbidden to do by the canons of ethics that govern lawyers' conduct. Paul is also charged with having financial interests in a movie and publication rights in the Joanne Little trial which the Bar claims was improper and, again, is governed by the code

of conduct.

The essence of the matter before Preston is whether Paul has the right to criticize the bar and the judicial system as he did when he said that, given enough money, he could influence the outcome of a trial of any defendant. This, his attorneys say, was done in the trial of Joanne Little, where funds made possible extensive use of research staff, professional consultants, investigators, and others to present the defense case. Marvin Miller, one of Paul's attorneys defended the statement in arguments to Preston saying that they were true and that to deny Paul the right to make the criticisms would be to deny him freedom of speech guaranteed by the First Amendment to the U. S. Constitution.

The State Bar also charges Paul with making statements that would attract clients to him which violates the canons

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