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us one more thing—a grateful heart.  
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## JUDGE DENIES BAIL IN DOUBLE MURDER TRIAL

### 2 Johnston County Men Being Held

SMITHFIELD (CCNS) — The preliminary hearing of two Johnston County black men charged with the double murder of a Four Oaks policeman and a truck driver has been postponed to July 21. There is some question whether a hearing will be held at all. Court-appointed attorneys for the two defendants have been discharged, and civil rights attorneys Charles Becton of Chapel Hill, representing Henry Smith, and Jerry Paul of Durham, representing David Ezra Stewart, have been hired by the families. The case is the first death penalty case since North Carolina's capital punishment law was rewritten and reinstated as of June 1 by the N. C. legislature. North Carolina's previous statute, under which 124 persons were on death row in the state, was struck down by the U. S. Supreme Court last July 3.



ATTORNEYS JERRY PAUL AND CHARLES BECTON (left) take notes from comments of a potential witness and relatives of Henry Smith and David Stewart. Both men are charged with the double murder of Four Oaks policeman Dennis Wilbert Allen and truck driver Lenwood 'Big Boy' Johnson. The victims are white and Smith and Stewart are black. They are the first to face death since a revised capital punishment law was made effective on June 1. (CCNS).

Henry Smith, 29 and David Ezra Stewart, 25, of Benson, were denied bond by, timid but adamant, Judge Woodrow Hill. Hill, not a trained attorney, but formerly a newspaper carrier for the "News and Observer" ruled against all but three motions argued by Jerry Paul, except one for postponement of the hearing which was granted, and one to transfer Stewart to the state prison system, which Hill had no jurisdiction to rule upon.

Besides the bond motion, Hill denied several others argued by Paul. The sometimes confused Hill, who often was coached by Prosecutor John Twisdale, denied an effort of Paul to restrict law enforcement officers and their agents from communicating with Stewart. Hill agreed with Twisdale that law enforcement officers "understand this as a matter of policy" and there was no need to make such an order. However, Paul said that

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## Urban Renewal Close-Out Postponed Until July 11

(CCNS) — The Durham City Council postponed closing the controversial Hayti Urban Renewal project, until plans for more than fifty black businesses that have been moved from the area and three still remaining in the area can be developed. A special committee to study the issue was appointed to make recommendations to the council at its July 11th meeting.

Mrs. Vivian A. Edmonds, representing The Carolina Times and Nat White, representing Service Printing Company, spoke on problems of relocation and renewal of businesses once and still in the area and on deviations from the initial transportation plan for the area.

Eyebrows were raised in the audience when Mrs. Edmonds told the Council of the irony of not knowing whether her newspaper would be renewed or relocated and of rumors circulating that a majority firm has already purchased the land upon which The Carolina Times, E. N. Toole and Sons, and Service Printing Co. are located.

The Durham Morning Herald recently published a news story that negotiation may be going on for the property.

Nat White questioned the Council about deviations from the initial plans for the

transportation route for the area. Extensions of Fayetteville Street to Elizabeth St. and Pettigrew St. would be needed to avoid slow moving traffic from congesting traffic on the freeway.

Mrs. Edmonds gave statistics that showed black businesses have decreased since the urban renewal program began. Less than half of the businesses existing in the area in 1965 when the project began, she said, are in business now. Most of those still in business are now located in temporary buildings commonly referred to as "tin city".

Referring to the urban renewal process, Mrs. Edmonds said "we have been manipulated and misused". Continuing she said, "we prefer to call it (the urban renewal program) urban destruction."

Federal guidelines for the urban renewal program require that businesses which are displaced, get moving expenses and other relocation costs along with first preference in moving back into the area.

White said inflated purchase prices of the land would prohibit many of the former Hayti businesses from moving back into the area.

The closeout agreement indicated that the total land from the project will net a little more than \$600,000.

## Rev. Ben Chavis Restricted From Talking With Press

RALEIGH (CCNS) — Wilmington 10 defendant Rev. Ben Chavis has been restricted from talking with members of the press.

Ralph Edwards, Director of the N. C. Divisions of Prisons, said there has been no change in policy regarding letting Rev. Chavis hold interviews with the press. But recently, Edwards says, there has been an influx of press people requesting interviews with Chavis. According to Edwards there have been so many interviews that a new procedure is being developed. One idea under consideration he says, is to group several

reporters together for one interview.

Edwards says the problem for the prison department is too much staff time for Chavis' interviews.

Edwards' assistant, 'Kip' Kautsky, stated on Friday, June 24, that the policy was being worked out and the change was effective as of that date. Kautsky further said that telephone interviews for Chavis would no longer be allowed, because "Chavis was monopolizing the 'phone'."

Asked which inmates were being interviewed to

cause the heavy usage of staff time, a secretary at McCain Prison United replied that only Rev. Chavis was being interviewed.

North Carolina Alliance coordinator Anne Mitchell, charged this was harassment of Rev. Chavis, a member of the board of the Alliance. She stated, "This attempt to cut off Rev. Chavis' access to the people of North Carolina and the nation will fail. We demand the authorities immediately cease the harassment of Rev. Chavis and allow him complete access to the media, as he is allowed under prison regulations."

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## Durham Council Balks On Minority Hiring

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(CCNS) — Despite a packed meeting of supporters of an affirmative action plan to hire minorities in Durham City Government, the City Council again balked, and put off the adoption of a plan to end discrimination in hiring and to correct past discrimination based on race, sex and religion.

Instead, the Council adopted a resolution that would not correct past and present discrimination, but simply said to officials of the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in Greensboro that the City would document its hiring through adequate record keeping.

Councilmen Ralph Hunt and Dr. C. E. Bouleware, the only blacks on the Council, along with Mayor Wade Cavin, opposed the resolution. But Councilmember Mrs. Margaret Keller and City Manager I. Harding Hughes maintained that unless the resolution of the Council's intent was adopted that evening or before June 29, the HUD officials would only conditionally approve \$3.2 million in community development funds. Otherwise, the City would have to adopt an affirmative action plan within 45 days.

Jarvis Martin, representing the Durham Committee on the Affairs of Black People, said the position of the Committee was that the resolution should not be adopted and that before the 45-day deadline, the Council could develop and adopt an affirmative action plan. That position was supported by only Mayor Cavin, Dr. Bouleware and Ralph Hunt.

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which could be construed to prove anything. Hunt later responded saying if anyone could construe the figures to prove anything, he'd like to see it done. He got no takers.

Mayor Cavin took the opportunity to point a finger at City Manager Hughes, saying the administration had been asked by the Council to adopt an affirmative action plan for Council approval last December and that the N. C. League of Municipalities and the N. C. Institute of Government should be used as resources. Cavin later referred to the December 6 Council minutes to document his point.

Hughes responded that the responsibility was not on his shoulders alone because, when HUD officials were in Durham in April of this year to meet with City Officials, none of the Council members were present, or, according to Hughes, did Council members inquire what HUD officials desired from the City.

The Finance Committee of the Council has been considering the matter since December. Hughes' staff and the City's Personnel Department are supposedly working the Finance Committee to develop an affirmative action plan. But according to Hughes and the Director of Personnel, they were delayed by other items that the Council thought more important.

The only semblance of a plan that was discussed was presented by a black Durham resident, J. Elwood Carter. Carter's plan called for 1) All City job vacancies listed with the personnel office and any vacancies filled without being listed be considered invalid; 2) areas of under-utilization of blacks and minorities be studied and given "special attention"; 3) job specifications be reviewed twice a year "to ensure that the job requirements are realistic in terms of need as related to each classification and that actual work experience be considered "on the same basis as formal education."

The Council did not respond to Carter's proposal in any way.

Carter said the resolution passed by the City Council would require it to do nothing.

## EDUCATION: PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

By TRELLE L. JEFFERS

Educators must utilize all of their resources if they wish to secure the parental involvement that they so desperately need. Parent interest has stagnated and parents are confused as to what type of assistance educators are searching for. Parents are confused about the question of whether PTA meetings and parent advisory committees really contribute anything to their children's test scores. Thus PTA's, community workshops, parent-teacher conferences, pamphlets, etc., must be effectively used if educators want to generate parent interest in the schools. In addition, educators must create policy explaining exactly what type of involvement they expect from parents. Do they wish parents to serve as para-professionals, volunteer teacher aides, hall, cafeteria and playground monitors, and teacher consultants or advisors? There are parents who are able to serve in all of these capacities. Or do educators merely wish for parent involvement to be limited to making sure that children turn off the tv's, do their homework, get a good night's sleep, eat breakfast and get to school on time? These are questions that must be answered if parent involvement is to serve a meaningful purpose.

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## SREB Predicts Fewer Resources, New Kind Of Student

ATLANTA — Southern higher education may be faced in 1985 with greater demands for more diversity but with fewer resources as enrollments decline.

These, among other predictions for the coming decade, are conclusions drawn by researchers at the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) in a recently released report, "A Profile of Higher Education in the South in 1985."

In addition to the expected drop in total student enrollment, new kinds of students with widely varying needs will emerge on campus, including substantial increases of career-conscious black, older, and women students

headed for the region's public two-year colleges. This new pattern of enrollment will bring about major academic and institutional changes in regional post-secondary education.

The SREB report lists the following directions Southern higher education will likely take by the mid-eighties:

\* Student enrollment will slow, then decline from 1980 to 1985.

\* Non-degree enrollment will increase, and bachelor's degree-oriented enrollment will decrease as a proportion of the total enrollment.

\* More students will be older than 24, will be part

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## EEO Enforcement Reaches Highest Point Since 1965

WASHINGTON — The U. S. Labor Department's enforcement of federal law prohibiting employment discrimination by government contractors against minorities and women has reached the highest point since Executive Order 11246 was issued in 1965. Donald Ellisburg, assistant secretary of labor for employment standards said.

Currently, six companies have debarment actions pending. They are Kerr Glass Manufacturing Corp.; Owens-Illinois, Inc.; Uniroyal, Inc.; Honeywell, Inc.; the National Bank of Commerce of San Antonio, Tex.; and Warner and Swasey Co., a Pennsylvania manufacturer.

Four contractors are now awaiting debarment decisions: Loffland Brothers, Oklahoma; Hahn and Clay, Machine and Boilerworks, Inc., of Houston; Ingersoll Milling Machine Co., Rockford, Ill.; and Anastasi Brothers, Philadelphia.

To date, 13 companies have been debarred from federal contract work. And several contractors may soon face debarment proceedings.

Two suits filed under the executive order are currently pending in district courts in Pittsburgh, Pa., and Lexington, Ky., and three cases are awaiting decision in courts of appeal in the Fourth and Fifth Circuits. At

least twelve cases are now under review by the Labor Department for possible litigation.

In addition, since 1969 over \$195 million has been paid to workers who suffered the monetary effects of employment discrimination. During the period between July 1, 1975 and August 31, 1976, alone, over 5,000 employees working for nearly 130 government contractors received more than \$2.5 million in back pay under the executive order.

"Equal employment opportunity programs are a high priority of this department," Ellisburg said. "At a time when President Carter is battling to turn our economy around, it makes no sense for an employer to discriminate against any qualified worker. The executive order we administer is designed not only to prevent job discrimination but also to provide employment for our nation's workers."

Executive Order 11246, as amended, prohibits employment discrimination by federal contractors and subcontractors on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, or national origin. It is administered by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs in the Department of Employment Standards Administration.

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LABOR OF LOVE — RETIREMENT AFTER 69 CHILDREN — Mrs. Gertrude Stubbs (second from left) and Mrs. Gladys Faucette (second from right) were honored Tuesday by the Durham County Department of Social Services for outstanding service to the agency for a total of 63 years as foster parents to 69 children. At left is Rod Campbell, president of the Foster Parents Association and at right is Mrs. Cora McFadden, director of foster child placement. (Photo by Kelvin Bell) [Related story and picture on page 3]