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Ministerial Alliance Calls For Protest

Similar to other groups around the world, the Durham Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance was very critical of Judge Dupree's decision not to grant a new trial for the Wilmington Ten. In a statement released shortly after Dupree's decision was announced, the ministers called for citizens to become engaged in active protests.

Dupree's decision, the statement read, "proves beyond the shadow of a doubt that in North Carolina the federal courts are just as racist as the state courts."

"We do hereby serve notice that 1 million Black citizens of North Carolina will not tolerate the continued imprisonment of the Reverend Benjamin F. Chavis, Jr. If we can not get justice in the courts, then we shall certainly get justice in the streets."

"We call upon all black ministers of the state of North Carolina to join with the Durham Interdenominational Alliance in actively protesting against this blatant denial of fundamental human rights. A threat to justice and freedom anywhere is a threat to justice and freedom everywhere. As long as our innocent black leaders are not free then we are not free."

DOD Charged Charged With Seeking To Cover Up Recruiter Fraud

In a letter to the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, CCCO, a national military counseling agency, charged today at the DOD is perpetuating a fraud on the American people by promoting legislation that will effectively overrule Court of Military Appeals decisions designed to curb recruiter abuse. The proposed amendment to the Uniform Code of Military Justice was passed by the Senate without debate on June 13th as part of the giant military authorization bill. According to CCCO, the House Armed Services Committee apparently has no intention of adding this provision to their authorization bill, but instead will be content to rely on the Joint Committee to slip this measure into law, without House consideration.

According to Jon Landau, attorney for CCCO, "the Court of Military Appeals decisions, which have voided enlistments where recruiter abuse was shown, have only now begun to expose the extent of fraudulent recruiter practices. The Court of Military Appeals, the highest military court which is composed entirely of civilians, ruled in the 'Catlow-Russo' decisions that public policy demands that recruiter abuse be curtailed by voiding the enlistments of young Americans charged with military crimes where it could be shown that

their recruiters and acted fraudulently."

According to Landau, "for each member of the military who was able to prove a defective enlistment under these rulings, there are dozens who cannot prove fraud since they have no evidence or witnesses. Still, these court rulings were leading to censure and even prosecution of some recruiters for their fraudulent practices. Prior to these Court of Military Appeals rulings, there were less than a dozen reported military cases involving prosecutions for fraudulent recruiting in the history of American military justice."

"Rather than seeking to end recruiter abuse, by its action in pushing to amend the Uniform Code of Military Justice, the DOD has demonstrated that it intends to cover up recruiting scandals once and for all. This DOD proposed amendment in effect declares open season for recruiters on disadvantaged American youth. Once this bill becomes law, the major restraint will be removed which had acted to force recruiters to follow the law despite intense pressure from their superiors to meet recruiting quotas at almost any cost."

CCCO is the largest civilian military counseling organization in the country with offices in Philadelphia and San Francisco.



SPENT WEEK AT SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL—Fifteen members of Grey Culbreth Junior High School (Chapel Hill) Great Books Club and their advisor, Mrs. Zora Rashkis, spent a week last month at the Shakespeare Festival in Stratford, Ontario, Canada. From top to bottom, left to right, they are: Kellogg Schwab, James Folds, Brandt Blyler, Brooks Lester, Jennifer Uhl, Erin Butler, Cheryl Parker, Sean Campbell, Tom Dingfelder, Will Campbell, Yolana Murrell, Jennifer Vickery, Brent Smith, Rena Schoenfeld, Dinish Jain, and Mrs. Rashkis.

Chapel Hill Students Spend Week At Shakespeare Festival

Fifteen ninth grade students who are members of the Great Books Club at Grey Culbreth Junior High School in Chapel Hill, and their advisor, Mrs. Zora Rashkis, spent the week of May 24-30 at the Stratford, Ontario, Canada famous Shakespeare Festival.

Members attending the festival were: Cheryl Parker, Yolana Murrell, Erin Butler, Jennifer Vickery, Jennifer Uhl, Rena Schoenfeld, Sean Campbell, Brooks Lester, Tom Dingfelder, Brandt Blyler, Brent Smith, Will Campbell, James Folds, Dinn Jain, and Kellogg Schwab.

The group left Raleigh-Durham Airport on May 24 as the sun was beginning to rise, for Toronto. The trip offered varied experiences for the young people as they toured and 'tasted' along the way.

Mrs. Rashkis noted that "Once you've seen excellent productions of Shakespeare plays, you will really learn to understand and enjoy his works." These young people not only saw some of the plays, but had a chance to talk with an actor and a director from the Avon Theatre Company.

Sean Campbell wrote in his summary of the trip that "... the people there

really took an interest in us. Everywhere, people went out of their way to help us and show us around. We got to visit the high school, the City Hall, and other public places. Tuesday, we got to play basketball with one of their teams. Although we won, they were real sportsmen." Sean further reported that everything about the theatres "was quality."

The group returned to Raleigh-Durham the night of May 30.

HIGHER INTEREST RATE ANNOUNCED

The Northwestern Bank today announced an increase in its passbook interest rate from 5% to 5 1/4% and will issue a new 4-year certificate and reduce to \$500 the minimum denomination on all existing savings certificates where authorized. The one exception to this will be the six-month Money Market Certificate which will retain a \$10,000 minimum deposit. The changes in the Bank's savings plans stem from new rules on savings accounts and certificates of deposit announced last week by the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Home Loan Bank Board.

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