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He who thinks by an inch and talks by a yard  
ought to be moved by a foot.  
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Hitting the bull's eye is seldom accomplished by  
shooting the bull.

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## Enrollment Still Growing in Durham Schools

### Hammonds Reports To School Board

By Trelle L. Jeffers  
Durham City Schools Superintendent, Dr. Cleveland Hammonds, reported Monday night, September 8, at the regular school board meeting, that this year's school enrollment is up and is continually increasing. He said that studies on the source for pupil gain are presently inconclusive and will be released at the next regular board meeting. "We are very happy; it has been reported that this is the first time in ten years that the membership in the City Schools has increased," said Dr. Hammonds.

Durham City Schools officials have previously been under considerable pressure to explain the drastic decrease in enrollment during the past few years, and middle class flight to the suburbs has been the common explanation given for the dwindling number of pupils. The sudden change in pupil enrollment, however, may be reflected in the fact that the Durham City Schools test scores have increased; that discipline problems, which were often exploited by various media, are now minimal; that parents who visit their children's schools are often struck by the order and organization; that personnel morale is high, and that many parents are expressing satisfaction over a return to the neighborhood school concept that was again implemented in August of this year.

Dr. Hammonds said that the greatest pupil loss was in the ninth grade. "We will be looking at that loss to determine the cause," he said. Figures released on enrollment show that the greatest pupil gain is in the fifth grade.

On action taken by the board at Monday night's meeting was a unanimous vote on the recommendation by Dr. Hammonds to create a seventeen-member committee of parents, citizens and city school personnel to seek out, examine and review all available information on the junior high and middle school concept from interviews, expert scholars, practitioners, review of literature and on-site inspection.

A seventeen-member committee, appointed last spring to study the (Continued on Page 18)

### Jordan Urges Black Political Strength At End Of Conference

NEW YORK — "We listened to the candidates, and now we have to make sure they listen to us. The way to do that is to flex the muscles of black political power by getting out the black vote.

"Let's not just talk black political strength — let's show it, let's demonstrate it. Let's prove it . . . so that come Election Day, black political power will be the decisive factor in the political leadership of this country for the next four years."

This was the advice given to conferees in a recorded message by Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., president of the National Urban League, and heard at the Conference Dinner on Wednesday, August 6, which concluded the NUL's seventieth Annual Conference at the New York Hilton Hotel in New

York City. An unprecedented 16,000 persons attended the four-day conference which began on Sunday, August 3.

Jordan said that the major candidates that addressed the conference, "had no choice but to come by here, because the Urban League and America's black people cannot and will not be ignored," and that Urban Leaguers must mount voter registration programs and citizenship education programs in black and poor neighborhoods, "to maximize our political clout."

Jordan is still recovering from gunshot wounds he received on May 29, by an unknown assailant, after an appearance before the NUL's affiliate in Forsy County, Ind.

Prior to the official opening of the Conference on Sunday, a report of the

initial findings of the NUL's Black Pulse Survey was released on Saturday, August 2, by Dr. Robert B. Hill, Director of NUL Research.

The report revealed that "Contrary to popular belief that the black unemployment crisis is primarily among black youth, joblessness among black heads of household was at depression levels even before the current recession! The actual unemployment rate for black household heads during the last quarter of 1979 was 24 per cent — three times the U.S. Labor Department jobless rate of eight per cent."

The Black Pulse Survey is a nationwide needs assessment survey of 3,000 black heads of households conducted by the National Urban League and its affiliates during the fall and winter of 1979 in central

cities, suburbs and rural areas.

Included in the report's findings was information revealing that "inflation is having a devastating impact on blacks," with two-thirds indicating that their incomes had fallen behind the cost of living over the past two years. "The overwhelming majority of blacks today, regardless of their economic status, feel that racial discrimination continues to be widespread," with seventy per cent of blacks with income of \$20,000 or more feeling that there is a "great deal of discrimination," compared to 61 per cent of blacks with incomes under \$6,000.

At the Conference's opening event, the annual Council of Urban League Guilds Luncheon, on Sunday, August 3, Congresswoman Shirley A. Chisolm told 1,700 persons that black America is "at a significant and dangerous crossroads." She criticized calls for a balanced budget and proposed tax cuts — as "snake-oil . . . sold by these economic medicine shows," which provide no real evidence of being able to reduce the inflation rate or stimulate the economy.

The Conference officially opened with the Keynote Address on Sunday night with a twelve-minute recorded message from Vernon E. Jordan, president of the League, in which he said he had made good on his promise that "those pursuing the White House would have to come by here."

"In case you haven't seen the program, Kennedy is coming by here. Anderson is coming by here. Reagan is coming by here.

"And they're coming because black people were decisive in 1976, and will be more decisive in 1980, if we turn out in recorded numbers.

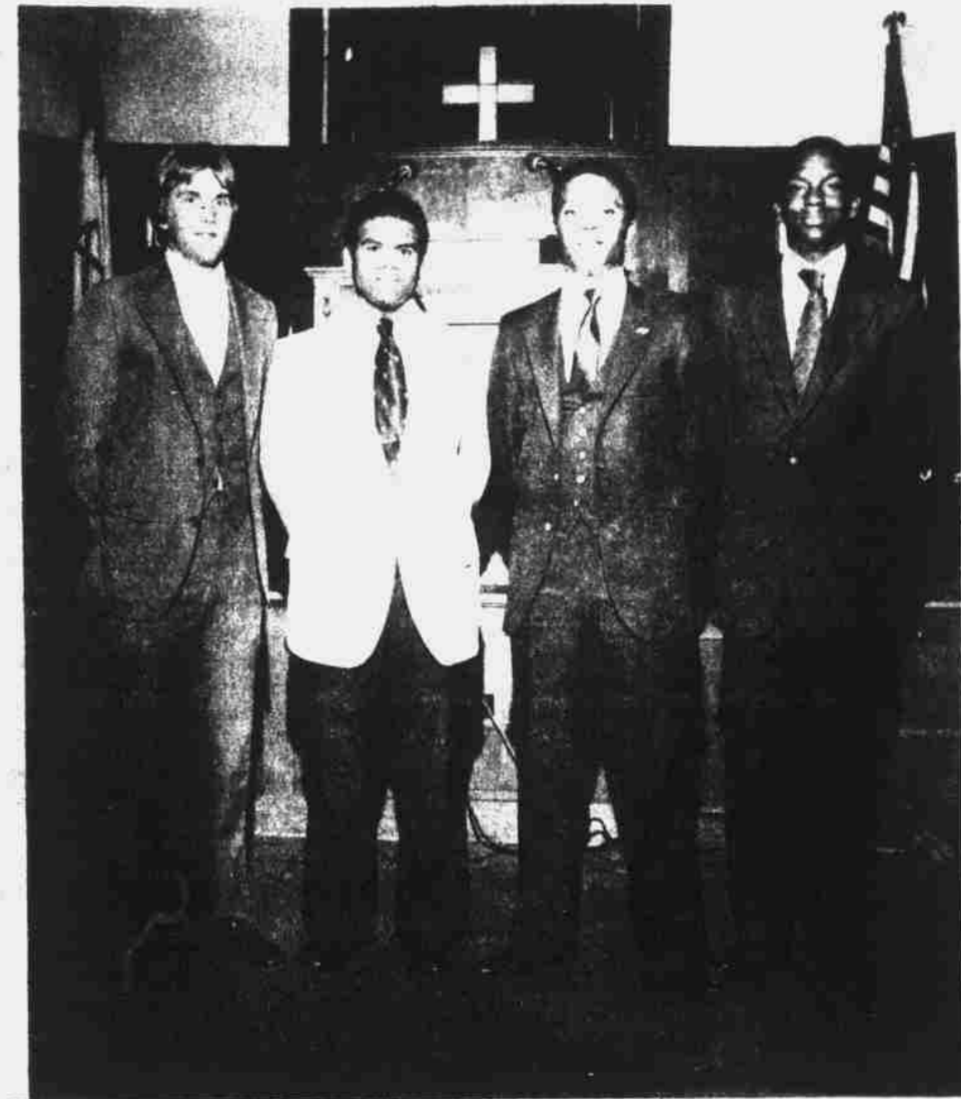
"Hear the candidates out' listen to their views — and then spread the news on where they stand and what they say."

John E. Jacob, executive vice president, NUL, concluded the Keynote Address by declaring, that the presidential candidates will have to hear the message that black America is sending and that "They know black people, like white people, are unhappy with the choices this November. And they ought to know that America's future depends on a just resolution of its racial problems."

On Monday morning, Shirley Hufstetter, the first Secretary of the newly established U.S. Department of Education addressed the conference's first plenary session.

She characterized the Youth Act of 1980 as " . . . the largest new educational initiative in this country in fifteen years," and urged the Urban League to assist its passage through Congress.

Later, on Monday morning, the NUL's Research Department released the report, "The Myth of Income Cushions of Blacks." Dr. Robert B. Hill, director of NUL Research called the report one of the most significant (Continued On Page 2)



Boys State Selectees

These young men were selected from their respective high schools as being outstanding and among the best all-around scholars and were sponsored by the Weaver McLean American Legion Post No. 175 to the 1980 Boys State Seminar held recently at Wake Forest University. They are (from left) Vance Brown, Northern; Kenneth Washington, Hillside; Franklin D. Boone, Jordan; and, James R. Dempson, Jr., Southern.

### Black Caucus Announces 10th Annual Legislative Weekend

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Congressional Black Caucus has announced plans for its Tenth Annual Legislative Weekend. The Legislative Weekend is scheduled for September 26-28, in Washington, D.C.

In outlining the focus and theme of this historic Legislative Weekend, Congresswoman Cardiss Collins (D-Ill.), chairman of the CBC said that "The Black Family, long the dominant force in the survival of black America, is in serious trouble. In recent years the harsh realities of contemporary American society have attacked the very underpinnings of the concept as practiced by our parents and their parents before them."

Ms. Collins further stated that, "Since the times of slavery when entire black families were sold and separated, often for economic reasons, the black nation within America's boundaries has been under attack where it least needed it. . . inside the family unit. And yet we HAVE SURVIVED."

"Now the time has come," continued Congresswoman Collins, "for us to address issues that affect the family and further to focus this country's attentions on the often extreme plight of the black family. Since this is the 'International Year of the Family' and further because 1980 marks the Tenth Anniversary of the Congressional Black Caucus, it is only fitting that we dedicate this year's activities to the nuclear and extended black family that has served us so well over hundreds of years of social and economic deprivation in America. We must nurture and increase the feeling that WE ARE FAMILY among all black people if we are to achieve equality in America."

Dr. Andrew Billingsley, noted author and president of Morgan State University, who serves this year as a member of the Honorary Dinner Committee said that, "The black family is both

delicate and vulnerable."

Dr. and Mrs. Billingsley write of their book *Black Families in White America* (1968), "we pointed to the close interconnection between the black family and those forces which surround the family, the neighborhood, the community and the larger society. The 1980's promise to intensify that interconnection. What happens in Washington, by way of national legislation and executive actions will have enormous influence on the ability of black families to be strong and stable."

Congressman Julian Dixon (D-Calif.), chairman of the Tenth Annual Legislative Weekend recalled that "The Caucus came into existence to serve as a liaison for facilitating the development of and the articulating of a consensus on legislation that comes before Congress which is of major concern to our national and international black constituency. The Caucus is one of the few legislative organizations existing solely in support of black and under-represented people. Through our Tenth An-

nuual Legislative Weekend, we now seek to broaden the participation of black America in the political and civic process. If everyone who attends the weekend activities leaves with a sense of being part of a collective family, then we will have begun to realize our goal of full participation for all Americans in our society as we celebrate our Tenth Anniversary."

"The Tenth Annual Legislative Weekend, through the National Black Leadership Roundtable meetings, the Brain-trust workshops and Congressional hearings, will seek to clarify the issues that evolved during the Black Agenda for the 80's Conference held in Richmond, Virginia in February and March," Congresswoman Collins stated. "We invite wide and diverse participation during the legislative workshops and Congressional hearings as a way of beginning a vital dialogue between diverse segments of our community on these key issues while at the same time relating them to our concern for the black family."

### NCCU UNDERGRADS TO COMPETE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

North Carolina Central University's undergraduate students will compete with one another, by class, to determine the most enthusiastic class: freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior. The occasion will be NCCU's opening football game, against Virginia State, at 1:30 Saturday afternoon, September 13.

In an effort to increase student attendance at athletic events, NCCU's Athletic Committee has declared September 13 to be "Student Day" as well as the "Gathering of the Eagles."

The two celebrations will mix NCCU's young students with a host of relative old-timers. The First Annual Gathering of the Eagles, scheduled September 12-14, will bring back to the campus former athletes who played during the school's first three-plus decades of collegiate competition, 1929-1960.

"Student Day" will see the undergraduates seated by class. A panel of judges will watch the classes and declare at the end of the game its decision as to the most enthusiastic class. Each student seated in that class section will receive a token prize.

"Student Day" activities were planned by the Promotions Sub-committee, headed by Ms. Nancy Pinckney. The Sub-committee was appointed by the Athletic Committee.

### Dr. Koontz Keynoter At Duke University on Tuesday

By Felicia M. Cassels  
Dr. Elizabeth Koontz spoke on the concerns of working women and the importance of organization to fifty Duke University students and workers on September 9.

Dr. Koontz is the Assistant Superintendent of N.C. Public Schools and co-vice-chairman of the President's Advisory Committee on Women. She is also the recipient of 29 honorary degrees, with one being from Duke.

Eighty per cent of the 42,000,000 women in the work force are below the managerial level, Mrs. Koontz said. These women are often stereotyped as being untrained for any other job, she said, without people realizing that many teachers work as waitresses at night and many college graduates are working as secretaries while waiting for other job openings.

Recently the National Commission on Working Women, which Dr.



DR. KOONTZ

Koontz chairs, conducted a national survey of working women. They reached these women through advertisements in magazines, journals and publications commonly read by women such as *Family Circle* and *Redbook*. The survey received 150,000 returns identifying five concerns working women have. Mrs. Koontz said respondents wanted more respect from the

public, decent pay and working conditions, care for dependents and education and training to move up, out or change their jobs.

Traditionally, Mrs. Koontz said, women were perceived as working to find a husband or supplement a husband's income. As long as this myth was perpetuated, she said, wages were depressed and promotions non-existent. She added, women were therefore satisfied with "a bonus at Christmas, flowers on Secretaries' Day and tokens from business trips."

Today's economic conditions, she said, have caused women to become more concerned about receiving higher wages equal with the value of the job. "If a groundsworker makes more than a Dean's secretary," she said, or "a paperboy earns more than a worker in the child care system, then something is wrong."

Dr. Koontz said male and female support staff (Continued on Page 11)



WDU ALL-STARS

The 1980 WDU All-Stars finished the regular season in second place with a 3-1 record. They entered another league but through lack of appearances by their opponents, they withdrew. They dropped their tournament contest to the W. D. Hill team by three points.

The players of WDU All-Stars are (left to right): Cecil Johnson, James Green, Andre Johnson, Johnathan Parker (presenting a plaque to their coach Mike Green, Clifton Powell, Demetrius McClain and Ellis Flowers. Not shown: Darrin Davis, Sheldon Daye, Clifton Daye, Johnny Poole, Merv Upchurch, Dwight Upchurch, Queen Reid, and Kelvin Smith.