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THE TRUTH UNDISGUISED

WORDS OF WISDOM

Most of us wait until we're in trouble, and then we pray like the dickens. Wonder what would happen if, some morning we'd wake up and say, "Anything I can do for you today, Lord?"

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EVANGELIST SHIRLEY CAESAR

Durham's Grammy Award Winner

It's not every day that a city can claim to have a Grammy Award winner among its citizens. The city of Durham can.

Evangelist Shirley Caesar, the nation's Number One black female gospel singer, was the recipient of one of the music world's highest honors in New York City on Wednesday, February 25.

Miss Caesar's award was presented to her at the program's beginning, prior to the nationwide telecast. Viewers, however, could see her sitting in the front row applauding other recipients as cameras panned the audience during the telecast.

This is Miss Caesar's second "Grammy". In 1971, she received the "Grammy" from the Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences.

When Evangelist Caesar returned to Durham on Saturday morning, she was met at Raleigh-Durham airport by her family, pastor and church family, the Caesar Singers, and well-wishers from all over Durham. She was presented an award from the City of Durham by the mayor's representative. The surprise homecoming reception was planned by C. Warren Massenburg of WSRG Radio Station and her pastor, Bishop Frizzelle Yelverton of Mount Calvary Holy Church.

Director Nat'l Farm Workers Ministry To Visit Area

The Rev. Wayne C. (Chris) Hartmire, Jr. will be attending a reception held Sunday March 8, by the Triangle Friends of the United Farmworkers.

Rev. Hartmire, director of the National Farm Workers Ministry (NFWM) from its incep-

tion, will soon begin work in a new position at United Farm Worker Union headquarters in La Paz. He has long been an active supporter of the UFW in its efforts to achieve equality and justice for migrant farm workers.

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NBIPP-NC Lists Agenda At Mass Meet

Relates Objectives To City's Black Community

By Trelle L. Jeffers
The National Black Independent Political Party of North Carolina (NBIPP-NC) held a mass meeting at Union Baptist Church Sunday, March 1, for the purpose of relating the objectives of the group to Durham's black community and to lay the foundation for a local chapter.

A fact sheet distributed at the meeting listed the following goals and objectives for NBIPP:

- to insure that black interests are represented within the political arena;
- to organize around issues considered important to the black community;
- to insure that blacks are represented in elected positions in accordance with their numbers;
- to formulate a comprehensive black agenda and realistic implementation processes;
- to educate black people about issues affecting the black community; and
- to build black institutions which will serve needs of the black community.

Rev. Grady Davis, pastor of Union Baptist Church, addressing the meeting, told the crowd of approximately 150 persons, "Blacks are not together. Even the NAACP is not together. This may be what we need, for if we are to be saved, we must stick together."

Rev. Davis outlined what he called three functions of the black church in "the liberation of blacks": to inform, to inspire and to get involved. "Every minister must get involved. If we stick together, we can change this thing. We want to free ourselves; we want a party determined by blacks. We know what we need," said Rev. Davis.

Party organizers at the meeting reported that

North Carolina has been divided into an eight-region structure and that Durham is in Region 5, along with Wake, Harnett, Lee, Orange, Chatham and Johnston counties and that NBIPP branches are now being organized in each of the eight regions.

Called upon to answer a question as to whether or not membership in the Democratic or Republican parties would be cancelled by membership in NBIPP, Ms. Barbara Arnwine, co-convenor of NBIPP-NC, assured those present that it would not; that NBIPP would play a role in election politics and that it would run its own candidates when those seeking office did not address the concerns of blacks.

NBIPP was created on August 23, 1980 at the National Black Political Convention as a result of a resolution introduced by Rev. Ben Chavis, a member of the Wilmington Ten. In November, 1980, 1500 representatives from 27 states — 41 from North Carolina — met in Philadelphia, Pa., to draw up a charter for a National Black Independent Political Party.

In June, 1981, a state convention of NBIPP will be held in Rocky Mount; on August 21-23, a national convention will be held in Chicago, Illinois.

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Last Installment
Black Music and Entertainers

Cabletronics Fight Said Not Over

All but three employees at Cabletronics electronics manufacturing firm have been laid off ending for the time being a drive for better working conditions and human treatment of workers.

Following a meeting Monday night in which workers told their story to board members of United Durham Inc., a drive was launched to solicit financial support from churches, clubs, fraternities, individuals and local businesses to tide workers over until they are able to get other jobs.

The news of the massive layoff came as little surprise to workers and community leaders who have been endeavoring for two months to end conditions they described as racial discrimination, low pay, health hazards and production speedups.

Several workers who told their stories to the UDI board said they felt "relieved" and "happy" that their struggle to make the company treat them better was over.

However, the fight with Cabletronics company is probably long from being over. Leading the fight for the workers is Local 465 of the International Union of Operating Engineers.

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Helen G. Edmonds History Colloquium Scheduled at NCCU

The fifth annual meeting of the Helen G. Edmonds History Colloquium will be held at North Carolina Central University Friday and Saturday, March 6-7. Thirteen nationally recognized scholars and sponsors of the Colloquium will present lectures on black mayors, founders and presidents of black colleges, black politicians, newspaper editors and physicians.

Thirteen of the Edmonds Scholars are scheduled to make presentations in sessions beginning at 9:45 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Friday, and 9 a.m., Saturday.

Under this year's theme, "Black Leadership and the Shaping of 20th Century America," the Colloquium will be divided into four sessions: "Black Professional and Political Leadership," "Black Personalities and Group Leadership," "Historians and What Faces Black America for the 1980's" and "The Genesis of 20th Century Black Leadership."

Special features of the Colloquium will include two keynote speakers: Dr. Blyden Jackson, associate dean, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, who will address a luncheon on Friday, March 6, and Dr. William Clement, chairman of the Board of Trustees, NCCU, who will speak at a banquet at the Ramada Inn, downtown Durham, March 7 at 7 p.m.

Edmonds Scholars who will make presentations during the colloquium include Dr. Donnie D. Bellamy of Fort Valley State College, Dr. Chester D. Gregory of Coppin State College, Dr. Theodore Hemingway of Florida A&M University, Dr. Gossie H. Hudson of Morgan State University,

Dr. Sherman Jackson of Miami University of Ohio, Dr. J. Ranaldo Lawson of Case Western Reserve University, Dr. Melvin Murphy of Elizabeth City State University, Dr. Percy E. Murray and Dr. George W. Reid of NCCU, Dr. Betty J. Verbal of the District of Columbia, and Dr. Oscar R. Williams of Virginia State University.

Dr. Sherman Jackson, associate professor of Black and Legal History, Miami University, Ohio, and chairman of this year's Colloquium, said, "One of the goals of the 1981 annual meeting is to focus attention on black leadership in North Carolina and the nation in historical perspective."

Teachers who attend and participate in the 1981 Colloquium may receive 1½ hours of credit through the North

Carolina Central University, Department of Continuing Education. Dr. Jackson has also announced that free transportation to and from the NCCU campus will be provided for persons and groups in the Research Triangle area who need it. Requests may be made by calling 683-6321, or by writing the Department of History and Social Science at NCCU.

The Helen G. Edmonds History Colloquium was founded by 25 alumni of NCCU who have earned doctorates in history, and who, in recognition of the outstanding contribution to education and historical scholarship of Dr. Helen G. Edmonds, founded the Colloquium in honor of her retirement in 1977.

This year's Colloquium is partially funded by a matching grant from the North Carolina Humanities Committee.

Spaulding Sponsors Resolution To Study Agency and Compliance in State

State Representative Kenneth B. Spaulding will sponsor a Joint Resolution authorizing the legislative Research Commission to study agencies and programs receiving state funds in this week's session of the General Assembly.

The resolution reads as follows: "Whereas, the 14th Amendment to the United States Constitution, Article 1 and 19 of the North Carolina Constitution, the Civil Rights Acts of 1964, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and related United States Supreme Court decisions prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, and handicapping condition; and

"Whereas, the General Assembly in its budgetary process appropriates State funds to many agencies and programs throughout the state; and

"Whereas, State funds should not be used to promulgate discriminatory practices; and

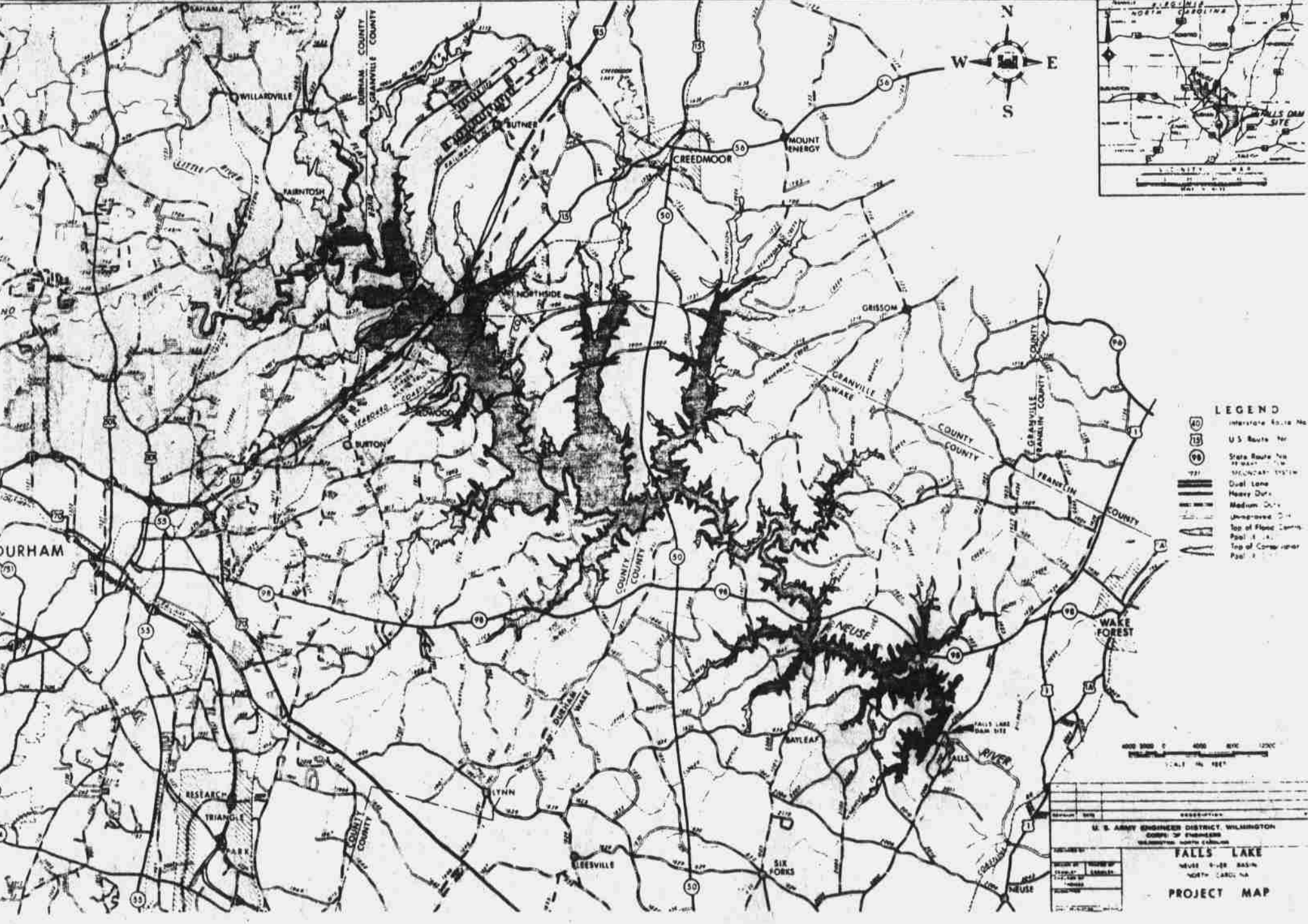
"Whereas, the General Assembly should be aware of any agencies and programs receiving state funds which fail to comply with the United States and North Carolina Constitutions, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the related Supreme Court decisions; and

"Whereas, the General Assembly needs to gather information concerning the practices of agencies and programs receiving state funds to determine if such practices violate the United States and North Carolina Constitutions, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the related Supreme Court decisions;

"now, therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission shall review and study programs and agen-

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FALLS LAKE PROJECT MAP

Falls Lake Dam Nearing Completion

By Donald Marable
In 1956, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Cary, conducted a comprehensive study of the water resource needs in the Neuse River Basin. Nine years later in 1965, Congress acted on the Corps' study and authorized the construction of a dam to serve a number of purposes.

The Falls Lake (see map) will serve as a source of water supply for Raleigh and surrounding communities, although a great deal of the lake is located in Durham County. A Durham County planning technician said, "we are losing good residential acreage."

The lake will cover 12,490 acres, is to be 22 miles long, and have a 175-mile shoreline. The dam will be capable of storing almost twice its amount of water during a flood event.

What effects will the dam have on Durham? The dam was built for purposes other than supplying drinking water to Raleigh. "There will be approximately nine access areas for camping, boating, fishing, beaches, and anything else you can imagine, to be located there," a planning technician said. The planning technician's job is to calculate and draft plans and assist in the preparation of the master plan.

At present, the dam is in the final stages of completion, and small technicalities are being sorted out. Water is soon to be poured in. Billions of dollars are being quietly spent in our environs on that project. Interested investors, including the poor, should start planning now for expected prosperity surrounding the dam's completion.