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Picketers bare the frigid weather at entrance of Northside near

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Blacks Boycott Center

by Rudy Anderson Staff Reporter

Blacks, angered over the prospect of losing the only black operated business in Northside Shopping Center, implemented Tuesday morning a boycott of the center.

The boycott was called for by leaders of a group calling itself the Black Concerned Citizens Committee in ga meeting at Shiloh Baptist Church last Thursday to discuss the plight of black citizens in the community whom they felt had been treated unjustly.

More than 150 blacks business community.

prietor of Staley's Northside Restaurant since 1973, told his story to the group.

Wiseman has been refused a new lease and told to vacate by the end of January by Mrs. Gail Citron, president of the Nybor Corporation which runs the shopping center.

Wiseman a new lease was that he could not pay the \$1,000.00 a month rent. She said he owed several thousand dollars in back rent, at least \$6,000.

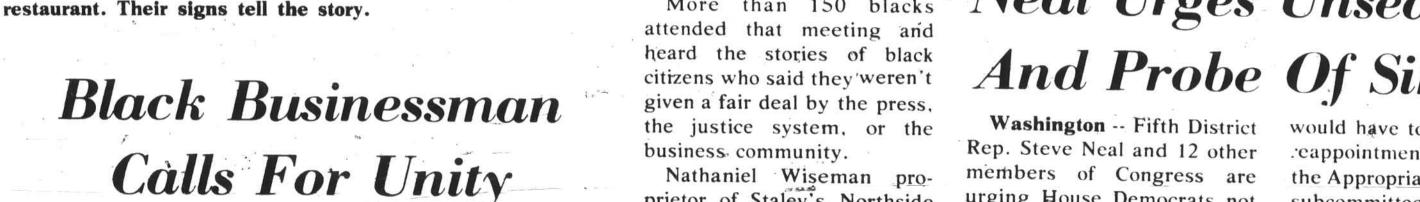
Wiseman contends that he had the money and the reason for her not giving him a lease was because he was black and about to do a very profitable business particularly when the new corporate headquarters for Reynolds opens up later in the year.

Picketers were out early Tuesday morning asking

perspective customers, particularly blacks, not to patronize any of the stores in Northside except the restaurant until Wiseman is given a lease.

Most store managers said that it was too early to tell whether the boycott would have any real effect. They said the cold weather and the fact that it was a slow time of the year accounted for sparse crowds at the center. Few ventured to make any statements however on what

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Nathaniel Wiseman pro-

Her reason for not giving

Neal Urges Unseating And Probe Of Sikes

Rep. Steve Neal and 12 other members of Congress are urging House Democrats not to permit Rep. Robert L.F. Sikes, D-Fla., to keep his chairmanship of a military construction subcommittee because of financial misconduct.

Neal and the others criticized Sikes in a letter being circulated in advance of a Democratic caucus, which would have to approve Sikes' eappointment as chairman of the Appropriations Committee subcommittee.

Last year, the House of Representatives voted to reprimand Sikes for violating the House ethics code. He was accused of failing to disclose personal financial information, as required by House rules, and of sponsoring legislation to enhance the value of his property in Florida.

Neal said he thinks Sikes be denied the should subcommittee chairmanship "because the subcommittee has great power and prestige. Congressman Sikes has abused that power, in my opinion, and in order to maintain public confidence, I believe we should not entrust the chairmanship to him."

Specifically, Neal and the others were critical of Sikes for using his official position to establish a bank at the Pensacola Naval Air Station in Sikes' congressional district. After the bank was established. Sikes became its third largest shareholder, owning 2,500 shares. He also failed to report ownership of 1,000 shares of stock in Fairchild Industries, a major defense contractor affected by House appropriations legislation.

To Replace Coleman Freeman

Urban Arts Administrator Named

The Arts Council announced today the appointment of Dorothy C. Graham as the new Urban Arts Administrator Ms. Graham, a native of Winston-Salem, comes to the Arts Council with outstanding credentials. She has been very active in Arts Council activities, having served as a Trustee and Secretary of the Board of Trustees. Ms. Graham, therefore, is familiar with all components of the Arts Council programs and member groups.

Williamson said he was sure

the boycott would keep

Wiseman in the shopping

center. His optimistic view

however was not shared by

some employees at various

stores in the center who said

that they believed the position

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Educated at A&T State University and Winston-Salem State, Ms. Graham has also received certificates of training from Emory, Brown University and the Babcock



Dorothy Graham

School of Management.

Ms. Graham has had a great deal of career training in Urban agencies. She has Forsyth County Mental Health served in the past as an Associate Director with the Forsyth County Anti-Poverty Ağency, Urban Coalition, and Citizens Coalition. Most

recently, she has served as Executive Director for the Forsyth County Early Childhood Development Planning Association.

Ms. Graham's business and civic activities have been many and varied. She has participated in the North Carolina Association for Edugation of Young Children, Winston-Salem/Forsyth

County Bicentennial Commission, Manpower Council, and Council for Status of Women. In addition, Ms. Graham has served as an officer in the Association, National Council of Negro Women, Business and Professional Women's

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he said the business commun ity will try to close down Northside "until we ge justice" in this matter. "The only blacks in the shopping center will be those that work there," he said.

by Rudy Anderson

Staff Reporter

Business Action League here

said Tuesday that recent

events happening in the black

community and to aspiring

black leaders "have clear

Johnny X Williamson,

president of the league, said

that in light of these events

the black community, espe-

cially the black business

community should now more

than eyer before be prepared

to stand behind its leaders and

support its black businesses.

He pointed out some areas

that his organization is trying

to emphasize to secure what

he called "power" in

Winston-Salem. They were

politics, economics, improving

the black self-image, the

development of black leader-

ship and the mobilization of

Of the boycott at Northside,

the black consumer.

racial overtones."

The president of the Black