

## Jail Rapes Rumored-Not Reported

How safe is the Forsyth County Jail?

Despite guards on every floor and other security measures, law enforcement officials do not seem surprised at the report that a recently released

### Hearings Bring Recreation-Housing Ideas

by Sharyn Bratcher Staff Writer

The public hearings, held by the Board of Alermen's finance committee in city hall last Monday and Tuesday, drew responses from about 50 people, who were taking advantage of the city's offer to make suggestions regarding the city budget.

Suggestions on how the city should spend its federal community development money next year centered around recreation, enforcement of housing codes, and community development.

The finance committee, which listened to a variety of citizen proposals, consisted of aldermen Richard Davis, Eugene Groce, C.C. Ross, and Ernestine Wilson. Several aldermen-elect also attended the meetings to hear what their new constituents had to say.

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### Newell Calls Meeting Of Constituents

Newly-elected alderman Virgina K. Newell has called for a meeting of her constituents to discuss the problems of the East Ward.

The meeting, which is set for Monday November 21st, will take place in the Bethlehem Holiness Apostolic Church at 1217 E. Fifteenth Street, off Cleveland Avenue.

Mrs. Newell, who ran unopposed in the general election after defeating incumbent C.C. Ross in the primary, stated that she would like all the citizens of the East Ward to attend the meeting so that she and they could define the community's problems and discuss some solutions.

Some of the areas in which Mrs. Newell expressed concern in her campaign included the conditions at Winston Lake, and the enforcement and creation of environmental ordinances to improve housing, medical, and recreational facilities.

Next Monday's meeting is the first of a series of citizen-get-togethers - see Newell page 2

few years ago," Sheriff Manly Lancaster recalls, "and the man was prosecuted and convicted."

No case has been reported to him recently, he said.

"We hear rumors about things like that from time to time," said acting head jailer Lt. John Westmoreland. "But when we ask the man to file a complaint, he won't do it."

Westmoreland explained that the county's position is that nothing can be done unless the victim wishes to make a formal complaint. However, if a man requested to be moved to a single cell, he would be permitted to, he said.

One possible source of trouble is the fact that the jail is over-crowded, usually containing over 100 prisoners, in some areas packed four to a cell.

Also, a prisoner coming from the penitentiary, housed in the county jail while being tried on different charges, is treated like any other prisoner, and may be assigned to a cell with someone just in off the street.

A survey of local attorneys showed that the majority of them had heard reports of homosexual incidents taking place in the county jail. The victims were not willing to press charges.

As one attorney explained: "If the man is already in jail anyway, he may not want to report it for several reasons. One, he may be afraid that 'making waves' will hurt his chances of being released. Second, he may be afraid of reprisals, if he is put back in the jail to serve the rest of his term. And third, the man may be ashamed to report it. He might feel that the stigma would stay with him for life. People might forget that he had been a victim, and label him homosexual."

"We take precautions to prevent that sort of thing," said Sheriff Lancaster. "But it's always going to happen some time or other, no matter how careful you are."



Rep. John Conyers

## Human Relations Council Opposes Bakke

In two resolutions certified by chairman Dr. Jerry Drayton, the North Carolina Human Relations Council announced its support of the Affirmative Action program, and any other measures taken to er-

ated November 12th,

stated that since black Americans have disproportionately greater needs for medical and other professional services, while constituting only 2% of the nation's lawyers and less than 5% of its physicians, the N.C. Human Relations Council would support all efforts, including

Affirmative Action, and calls on the President of the United States, Congress, and all fair-minded citizens to do the

"Whereas the Bakke case currently before the United States Supreme Court does not recognize the necessity for remedial action to overcome the cumula-

tive effect of centuries of discrimination and unequal opportunity for American minority citizens," said the Resolution, "the North Carolina Human Relations Council hereby expresses its unequivocal support for the undiminished implementation of Affirmative Action Program as a vehi-

cle to enhance justice and equality for all citizens."

The Human Relations Council thus seems to be joining the congressional Black Caucus and other civil rights organizations who oppose the Bakke case.

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Dr. Jerry Drayton



### Omegas Celebrate Achievement Week...

Carl H. Russell, Sr. [1] was named Citizen of the Year and Robert E. Harrison was named Omega Man of The Year at a celebration held last Wednesday night at the La terre XXI Club. Both men were presented plaques. Several other members of the fraternity were recognized for their achievements and service to the community.

### Applications Increase

## Beaty Promises More Minority Jobs

New personnel director Al Beaty has only been on the job about two weeks, but already he has definite plans for upgrading the city's Affirmative Action program.

"Our goal is 19.1% minority employees in every classification by 1980," Beaty explained.

In most areas that means increasing the

number of blacks employed; for example as of June 1977, only 4 of the 582 blacks employed by the city of Winston-Salem were classified in administrative/official positions, representing 10% of the total number of employees. The addition of Mr. Beaty, presumably raises the figure to 12.5% black in the top category.

In the lowest ranking on the scale, Service Maintenance, the ratio is too slanted toward blacks, who hold 78% of the jobs. Beaty's proposed solution to this dilemma is to eliminate people from this category by promotion.

The city recently conducted an adult education program for the x service maintenance personnel.

## Conyers To Address Confab On Criminal Justice System

On Thursday, December 1 and Friday December 2, a Conference on 'Blacks and the Criminal Justice System' will be held at Shaw University in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Congressman John Conyers (D-Michigan) will keynote the Conference. Congressman Conyers is a member of the House Judiciary Committee and Chairs its Sub-Committee

on Crime. He is also a member of the Congressional Black Caucus and Chairs its Criminal Justice Braintrust. Congressman Conyers has been one of the lone voices in the U.S. Congress seeking freedom for the Wilmington 10.

Reginald Eaves, Commissioner of Public Safety in Atlanta, Georgia will speak at the Dinner on Thursday, December 1.

Commissioner Eaves is the first Black appointed as Commissioner. He has been a forerunner in eliminating racist attitudes and elements in the Fire and Police Departments in Atlanta.

This two day Conference will hold workshops on Juvenile Justice, Penal Reform, Special Problems of Women's, Prisoners' see Conyers page 2

## UNC Defies HEW; Blacks Are Appalled

by G.L. Laws Special to the Chronicle

The N.C. Alumni & Friends Coalition assembled approximately 75 black citizens in a two-day Retreat in Greensboro to do an indepth analysis and critique of the Desegregation Plans submitted to HEW by the University of North Carolina and the Community College System.

Among those participating in that meeting were black chancellors, legislators, students, members

of the Board of Governors, faculty, staff and trustees of the traditionally black institutions of higher education, their alumni representatives and friends, as well as officials from the State Advisory Committee for Racially Non-discriminatory Public Post-Secondary Education, the HEW Office of Civil Rights, and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund and native Americans. The group also reviewed the HEQ criteria and guidelines.

Overall, the consensus of the Coalition was out-

rage, particularly with regard to the response by the UNC Board of Governors to the guidelines set by HEW for dismantling the racially dual system of higher education in the State of North Carolina.

First, the group is appalled that State officials are jeopardizing critical federal funds--100 million dollars--by their defiance of the HEW criteria and guidelines. The General Administration of the University System and its governing board refuse to admit that there still

remain strong evidences of a dual system. This duality has grown out of many, many years of inadequate funding. There have been disparities in the allocation of public funds spent to produce quality education among all institutions, especially the traditionally black institutions. The Coalition is outraged that the University states that it, therefore, does not need to address the issue of desegregation of higher education.

Statements such as this, the Coalition says, "are outright misrepresentations of fact." Further, the racist overtones of statements made in the University's response to HEW in its Revised Desegregation Plan, such as "North Carolina may be near the limits of its capacity to induce greater participation by blacks in the public post-secondary education system," deeply insult the Coalition.

The University's plan ignores the goals and timetables set by HEW. The Coalition fully supports the HEW guidelines, viewing them as reasonable yet minimal in their requirements of the University.

After long years of neglect of black and native American institutions of higher education in the allocation of public tax dollars, the State now places total responsibility on those institutions for enriching and developing programs. The University, hence the State, suggests that these schools improve their quality of education while they continue to be denied the necessary funds to speak to programs identified as deficient. Nursing and teacher education are current examples.

On the one hand, the State is resisting admitting a minimal number of see HEW page 2

## Black Museum To Salute Black Press

Noted historian Earle E. Thorpe will be guest speaker in Pittsboro at the Black History Museum's culminating program of its initial drive for funds. The Museum, opening for a special showing at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 27, 1977, will feature a salute to the Black Press and a tribute to Black Businesses of North Carolina.

Books authored by Dr. Thorpe, who will speak at a three o'clock program on Sunday, November 27, in-

clude: *The Central Theme of Black History, Black Historians: A Critique, The Old South: a Psycho-history, and Eros and Freedom in Southern Life and Thought.*

With the theme "Before the Mayflower" there will be a Black History dramatization and a reenactment of the first Thanksgiving with dinner and bonfire. All Sunday events will take place on the Chatham County fairgrounds, off highway #64 just east of Pittsboro.

On Saturday evening, November 26th, in the Horton Middle School Gym in Pittsboro, the 24th "Miss Piedmont" Beauty Pageant will be staged. Popular MC Milton Grady will be Master of Ceremonies of the program scheduled to begin at eight o'clock. Guest performers will include the AYD dancers which performed in the 1976 and 1977 Miss Black Teenage World Pageant held in Goldsboro and Raleigh respectively. Also appearing will be the Black Jack Drill Team which won 2nd place in the Novelty Division at the 1977 North Carolina State Fair Folk Festival.

The Museum is seeking funds for the payment of the balance for removal and reconstruction of the slave cabin, establishment of a Black History inter-school loan library, provision of a recreation area, and development of an outdoor drama. All contributors to the Museum will be awarded certificates, and the names of donors of books for the library will have their names inscribed within donated books.

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