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WSSU Speaker Raises Assassination Questions

by Yvette McCullough
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Within three years of the assassination of John F. Kennedy, 50 eyewitnesses died either from accidents or suicide. The odds against those persons dying from "natural means" is 500 million

trillion to one, says Michael Marsh, head of the director of the North Carolina Assassination Information Bureau. Speaking before a group of students at Winston-Salem State University Monday night, Marsh is an active investigator

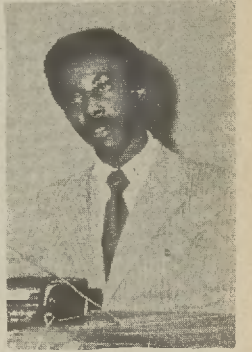
into the deaths of President John F. Kennedy, Senator Robert Kennedy, Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X, the Orangeburg and Kent State massacres and the attempt on the life of Gov. George Wallace. A film, worth \$2 mil-

lion, of President Kennedy's assassination was shown numerous times to the audience. Marsh disproved the theory of how Kennedy was shot. He showed that Kennedy was hit by three bullets with the third bullet probably being the fatal bullet. Also

he showed how it was improbable that the same bullet that hit Kennedy also hit Gov. Connelly who was a passenger in the car and who was shot in the shoulder, wrist and thigh with one bullet. "This miracle bullet," Marsh said. "Hit Ken-

nedy in the back, traveled up to his neck, then went out of his neck, stopped in mid-air, came down, hit Connelly in the shoulder, then traveled out of his shoulder into his wrist and then out of his wrist into the Governor's thigh."

Marsh used film clips and film to disprove the theory that Lee Harvey Oswald alone killed Kennedy or in fact if it was possible for Oswald to shoot Kennedy at all. Also Marsh showed how evidence "myster-



Michael Marsh

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Plan To Reduce Cross-Busing And Improve Racial Balance

by Yvette McCullough
Staff Reporter
A pupil assignment plan which is part of a five-year assignment plan by Adams at the last Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education meeting.

The proposed plan would reduce overcrowding in two elementary schools, improve the racial balance in at least 20 schools and reduce cross-busing. These changes are focused at the elementary level and involve converting three more schools to seven year schools, bringing the total number of k-6 schools to 11 out of the present 27 elementary schools. The three schools being converted are Konnoak, Oak Summit and Old Town.

Expanding the Konnoak district would reduce the ratio of blacks there from 47 percent to 33 percent. Children attending Konnoak for K-6 would follow the same feeder pattern for grades 7-12. They

would attend Philo for 7-8 grades, Anderson 9-10 and Parkland 11-12. Oak Summit would gain the area east of Oak Summit and Piedmont Park and lose some students from west of Rural Hall Road and Blazed Street. Children attending Oak Summit would follow this pattern; Mineral Springs for grades 7-8, Carver 9-10 and North Forsyth 11-12.

Old Town Elementary would gain a small section of the Speas District and lose the Lake Hills section. The total enrollment of Old Town would be reduced and black enrollment would drop from 51 percent to about 36 percent. Old Town students would attend Northwest for grades 7-8, Hanes for grades 9-10 and North Forsyth for grades 11-12.

One effect of the proposed busing would be to reduce busing and travel time. Declining enrollment is also a factor in reduced busing and that between 5 and 10 buses could be eliminated next year.

The school system has an enrollment of about 33 percent black, but the percentage of blacks at the elementary level is 38 percent. The elementary schools that are affected by the changes have a black enrollment which ranges from 21 to 65 percent this year. Next year these schools would have a black enrollment of not less than 27 percent or more than 40 percent.

The school system is operating under a court ordered desegregation plan and these changes would also need court approval. The present desegregation plan is a k-2-2-2 plan which came under a court order in 1971. At that time, Superintendent Marvin Ward set up three staff committees to come up with a pupil assignment plan.

"No one knew how to integrate," said Doug Pungert, attorney for the present school system. "They decided to integrate by using a mathematical ratio of the popu-



NAACP President Patrick Hairston outlines his objections to the school system's proposed reassignment plan. Aldermen Larry Little and Vivian Burke, in background, support Hairston's position.

Hairston Blasts 6-3-3 School Plan

by Sharyn Bratcher
Staff Writer

NAACP President Patrick Hairston criticized the school system's proposed 6-3-3 plan, charging that it discriminates against black children. In a press conference last Friday at Shiloh Baptist Church, Hairston, flanked by aldermen Larry Little and Vivian Burke, blasted the busing

plan, noting that with the addition of kindergarten, black children would be bussed a total of ten years, compared to three years for whites.

The 6-3-3 plan calls for blacks to remain in their neighborhood schools for kindergarten through the sixth grade, while children from

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N.C. Mutual Exhibit Honors N.C. Blacks

The exhibit, THE CHESNUTT and THOMAS DAY; and BLACK PRESENCE IN NORTH CAROLINA, focuses on the contributions blacks have made to the state's history and will be on display for six weeks at the PODIUM DISPLAY CENTER at NCM's Home office building in Durham.

The Display Center is on the first floor in an area that is covered but not enclosed, an arrangement that allows visitors to view the exhibit on an around-the-clock basis.

Developed by the Department of Archives and History, the exhibit features the achievements of black North Carolinians in the fields of education, religion, business, literature, politics and the military. It is a digested version of a larger exhibit that will open in Raleigh in September.

Among the personalities featured are political leaders GEORGE WHITE and JAMES O'HARA; writers CHARLES W.

and GEORGE MOSES HORTON; businessmen WARREN COLEMAN and

\$4.8 Million For U.S. 311

The North Carolina Board of Transportation approved on February 10 a \$4.8 million contract for improvements to a 3.2 mile portion of US-311 near Winston-Salem.

The Forsyth County project calls for the relocation of US-311 from near Cole Road easterly to Union Cross Road and in-

cludes grading, drainage work and paving.

The US-311 relocation project was awarded to C.R. Duncan Construction Company of Stoneville, the low bidder, and was one of 30 projects, totaling nearly \$30 million, approved by the Board of Transportation at its February meeting held in Boone.

Mrs. Bonner Appointed To Morehead Commission

Mrs. Catherine Bonner, administrative assistant to the Athletic Director at North Carolina A&T State University, has been appointed to serve on the John Motley Morehead Memorial Commission by Governor James B. Hunt. The appointment is effective immediately and will expire July 1, 1983.

Mrs. Bonner has been employed at NCA&T for more than 25 years and has participated in numerous campus and civic activities.

"I feel very proud of the state of North Carolina to be appointed as a member of this committee by Governor Hunt," Mrs. Bonner said.

Candidates Seek Votes

by Sharyn Bratcher
Staff Writer

The nineteen candidates running for County Commissioner seem to represent nearly every issue and position, and some of them are apparently running just to accomplish their own bit of legislation.

Joe Grady, Grand Dragon of the North Carolina Ku Klux Klan, is running as the champion of the blue-collar worker, while Ray E. Whiteheart is crusading against the county's zoning ordinances.

Attorney R. Lewis Ray is one of the two blacks in the running. He favors community action programs for the elderly, poor, and handicapped, and a redistribution of taxes so that the burden does not fall on property owners.

Cecil Butler, who ran for mayor in the last election, has put in his bid for one of the two commissioners' seats, calling for tax relief for those on fixed incomes.

Incumbents David L. Drummond and Roy G. Hall, Jr. are up for reelection against a field of eleven Democratic challengers and six Republicans. Other candidates include Jack Shields, a farmer and builder; former alderman Bahnon C. Hall, Jr.; E.F. (Shorty) Tucker; Harold W. Styers; Donald W. Phillips; Dale S. Limer; McAuley C. Bynum, Jr.; and Edward DeF. Bean.

The six Republican candidates are: Herbert S. Hudson; Richard V. Lin-

ville; Briggs D. Miles; Frank E. Rhodes; Ray E. Whiteheart; and Grady P. Swisher, a former county commissioner.

The next most popular race is for the State House, in which 10 Democrats, including three incumbents, and four Republicans are vying for the five seats in the 29th district. Judson D. (Dave) DeRamus, Ted Kaplan and Margaret Tennille share the incumbent status with black attorney Harold Kennedy, who was recently elected to fill the unexpired term of Richard Erwin, now an appellate judge.

Former alderman C.C. Ross, who was the second contender for the Erwin seat, is also in the running, as are fellow Democrats Dick Barnes, Robert J. Childress, Ernest Loggemann, Joe N. Norman, and George Wester.

Republicans Donald R. Billings, Russell G. Brown, Mary N. Pegg, and Rodney Sumler are also candidates for the two House seats.

Shortly after filing for the House seat, Rodney Sumler turned himself in to a sheriff's deputy and was taken to the Forsyth County jail to serve the remainder of a 30-day term for a larceny conviction involving an electric heater taken from the Noland Company in November of 1976. Sumler's appeal was denied on December 21st by the N.C. Court of Appeals, and in January the N.C. Supreme Court refused to review the appellate court's decision.

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N.C. MUTUAL EXHIBIT HONORS N.C. BLACKS
RODNEY BARFIELD, left, of the North Carolina Department of Archives and History, and W.J. KENNEDY III, president and chief executive officer of NORTH CAROLINA MUTUAL Life Insurance Co., look at a display panel featuring NCM that is part of a new exhibit that opened this week at North Carolina Mutual.



Terry's last game...Story Page 9

Carlos Terry receives award from WSSU Chancellor Douglas Covington on "Carlos Terry Appreciation Night" as father Louis smiles with pride.