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20 Pages This Week

Black Lawyers Blast Republican Politics

The National Bar Association, the nation's oldest and largest organization of black lawyers, has joined its affiliate chapter, the California Association of Black Lawyers (CABL) in sharply criticizing the Republican members of the Senate Judiciary Committee for playing "political games" with the nomination of black female Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge, Consuelo Marshall, to the Central District of California.



Erwin

Two other blacks under consideration, Richard Erwin of North Carolina to be U.S. District Judge for Middle North Carolina and George Howard of Arkansas to be U.S. District Judge for Eastern and Western Arkansas, were also blocked by the Republicans.

This situation arose September 9, when the Republicans on the Senate Judiciary Committee, at the insistence of Senator Strom Thurman, refused to vote on 13 nominees claiming that six of the nominees were yet to be investigated by the Republican staff.

These six nominees included the three blacks previously named, one

white woman, one Hispanic and one white male liberal judge from New York. The remaining seven nominees, whom the Republicans had no objections to, were all white males.

Noting that until recent efforts on the part of the NBA, there were only a handful of black federal judges, the lawyers claimed that this move by the Republicans stands as concrete proof that they still prefer "to play mainstream politics" and disregard the irreparable harm their actions may cause the entire nation and its proper administration of justice under the law.

Calling this incident "another of the nation's

tragedies", Association representatives "pointed to the disgrace caused by America's elected representatives who chose to continue the unlawful segregation of our federal benches for what appears to be both political and racial motives. The nominations of the three blacks for judgeships have been pending Senate Confirmation for several months, with all of them having been nominated long before either the Republican or Democratic

conventions.

"It is no wonder many blacks have lost faith in the American judicial system," asserted NBA President William A. Borders, Jr., "with this kind of insensitivity being displayed by the Republican Senators who participated in the selection of judges."

Because of this disgraceful and repugnant situation, especially true in a Presidential election year, the National Bar Association

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Staff Photo by Oldham

Smiling for the Moment

This WSSU majorette had plenty to smile about during half-time of the game between the Rams and the Aggies last Saturday because her team had come from behind to tie the score. Alas, her smile didn't last too long, as the Rams went down to defeat 28-21.



Petree

First Female Police Lt. Named in Dept.

Winston-Salem Police Chief Lu Powell has promoted 12 additional public safety officers, bringing the total to 15 officers that were promoted under the new \$23,000 evaluation system that ranks candidates according to their potential for the new position.

Seven new lieutenants and five new sergeants were announced by Powell earlier this week. Last month, three lieutenants were promoted to the rank of captain.

Among those promoted last week was the first female lieutenant in the police department's history.

Linda G. Petree, a veteran of the department, had been a sergeant for the past five years, most recently in District I. As part of her duties, Petree was in charge of a squad of patrol officers. In her new position, she will have sergeants

reporting to her. The other six sergeants promoted to lieutenant were James C. Hassell, Gayle W. Teal, Jeff G. Hipert, Jerry M. Taylor, Frank A. Holman and Tommy D. Martin.

The five men promoted to the rank of sergeant are Cpl. Paul O. O'Neal, officer Sam L. Harmon and public safety officers Bailey E. Howard, Jim E. Snyder and Jim E. Gilmore.

Fireman-Deputy Appeal Firings

An assistant fire marshal that was suspended last week has asked City Manager Bryce "Bill" Stuart for a hearing on the matter.

Oscar Beal, 32, a five-year veteran of the Winston-Salem Fire Department was suspended with the recommendation that he be fired Sept. 9, by Fire Chief Lester Ervin.

Beal had five days from the time of his suspension to appeal his case to either Ervin or Stuart, which he did Monday.

Ervin, when contacted at his office Tuesday, said that Beal's suspension involved a disciplinary action but added that he couldn't reveal anything else.

City assistant manager

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B&C Survey Reveals

Race Relations Worsening

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Black living conditions, white attitudes, black-white relations are worsening.

So say a majority of blacks interviewed by B & C. By most indicators, the facts bear out the opinions, one-sided as they appear to be. The prognosis for race relations during coming months and for the foreseeable future is poor.

The impact on business and industry is uncertain, but, from the looks of things, any single factor or combination of factors could trigger serious disruption of peace in the marketplace.

The list of black concerns is long. "Most of the complaints sound old and tired," according to one black interviewee, a retired military officer, "but it is precisely because they've been around so long that our patience has worn thin, if not out." Another black interviewee, an accountant, said: "America's economic and political fortunes have fluctuated, but

racism has remained constant. Most whites don't know and apparently don't want to know how deep the problem is, so they (whites) come up with band-aid and snake-oil solutions, give us some tokenism and hope, and then go about their business as usual."

Tensions are high among inner city lower-income
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Fireman Saves Cop's Life

It started out as an ordinary night at a shopping center for Fireman Vincent L. Cloud. But before the night was over, Cloud would hear a hospital emergency-room doctor say, "Thanks to your good work, a man's life was saved."

An off-duty fireman, Cloud was waiting in his car July 19, about 7 p.m., for a relative to finish shopping when he heard the sound of glass breaking.

When he looked in the direction of the noise, he saw a hand and arm sticking through the shattered remains of a large plate-glass grocery-store window.

Within moments, Cloud had arrived at the store to find that Public Safety Officer K.E. Peele was bleeding heavily. Peele had attempted to apprehend a suspected shoplifter, and as the officer made a sudden turn his momentum caused him to "stiff arm" the window trying to brace himself.

"Someone had just applied a tourniquet," Cloud said, "but it was placed too high on the arm. I saw that the officer had severed a major artery, and I admit I was a little scared at first. He was losing blood fast.



Lifesaver

Fireman Cloud and his platoon supervisor, R.R. Ogle examine the special citation Cloud received for saving a police officer's life while off duty.

"Because of the emergency-medical training I received as a fireman, I knew what to do to reduce the blood flow. So I applied pressure to the right point, and the bleeding slowed to a trickle," he said.

When an ambulance arrived, Cloud went with Peele to the hospital, continuing to apply the life-

saving pressure all the way. "We were afraid that if I released my grip, the artery might retract, and we wouldn't be able to stop the bleeding again."

"I remember the time that I didn't have the training to give that sort of service. I think the episode shows how crucial

emergency-medical training is to firemen." For his efforts, Cloud received a special commendation from the Board of Aldermen, Sept. 2.

"I really appreciate the recognition," he said, "but the thing that really counts is that I was in the right place at the right time to help somebody out."



4-H Team Leaders

Dr. Carlton Blalock, far left, presents plaque to Bethlehem Center 4-H volunteer leadership team members Karen Simmons, Voncilla Coleman, Audra Rice, Francine Roseborough and Lynette Harley.

4H Leadership Team Honored

The leadership Team for the Bethlehem Center 4-H Club was honored for their unique and creative approach to 4-H club programming recently in Raleigh. The group was presented with a plaque and a citation from Governor James B. Hunt.

Dr. Carlton Blalock, director of the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service was the keynote speaker for the event which was held at the Jane S. McKimmon Center on the campus of North Carolina State University.

Officials that were honored were Karen L. Simmons, 4-H organizational leader; Voncilla Coleman, program activity leader; Audra Rice, project

leader-arts and crafts; Francine Roseborough, special projects leader; and Lynette Harley, organizational assistant-team leader

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