

Caps And Gowns

As 280 Winston-Salem State graduates ponder their plans for the future, Georgia State Sen. Julian Bond warns them against the evils of Reaganomics.

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Are black Citizens Band radio operators knowingly interfering with fellow operators and endangering the lives of people in trouble? A frustrated REACT volunteer says yes.

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More On Liquor Houses

The proprietor of an East Winston liquor house contends that his business serves the community and provides low-cost entertainment for people who can't afford night clubs. But a police official says otherwise.

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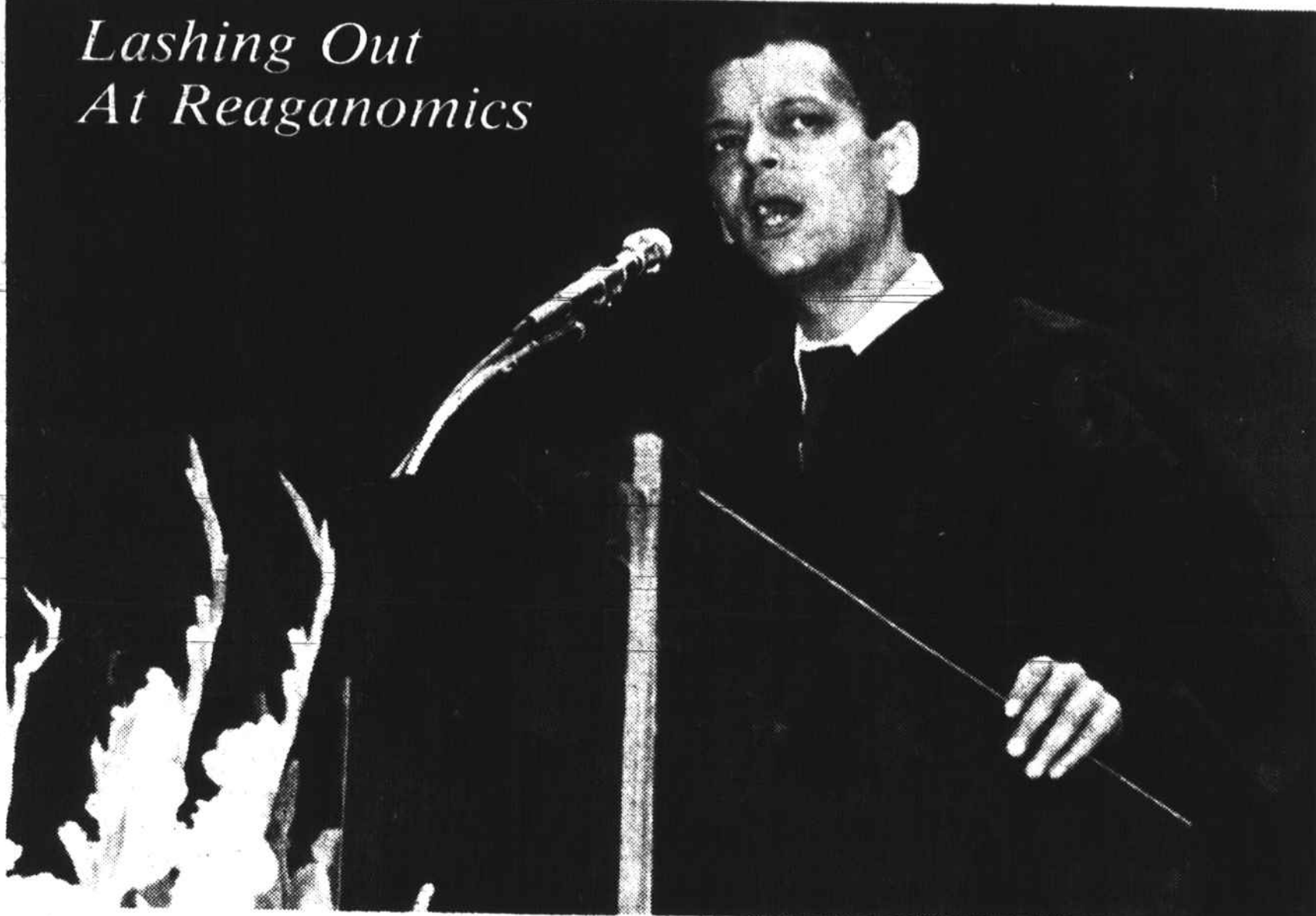
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Lashing Out At Reaganomics



Georgia state Sen. Julian Bond, during his keynote address at Winston-Salem State's commencement exercises, attacks President Reagan's economic policies and urges the 280 graduating seniors to use the power of the ballot to protect their rights. An account of Bond's speech appears on Page 13.

Fair Housing Ordinance Approved By Aldermen

By LaTanya A. Isley
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It took a marathon meeting to do it, but the Winston-Salem Board of Aldermen finally passed a fair-housing ordinance shortly after midnight Tuesday morning. Amended numerous times before it passed by a 6-2 vote, the ordinance will allow local jurisdiction over housing discrimination and provide a means for the city to investigate and mediate complaints of housing discrimination.

The ordinance would allow the city or individuals to sue in Superior Court if they are discriminated against in applying for housing.

It also allows the Human Relations Department to investigate the complaint and try to settle it out of court.

If the matter can not be settled out of court, then a five-member panel from the Human Relations Commission will hold a public hearing.

If the matter still can not be settled after the hearing, the commission may ask the aldermen to sue for the city. If they reject that proposal, the individual may file a suit himself.

The ordinance also requires the Human Relations Department to get an affirmative vote from 11 members of the Human Relations Commission before asking for a sub-

poena and to go back for more approval if the issue cannot be settled out of court.

Alderman Larry D. Little had argued earlier that it was sufficient to get a "ma-

something that's bogged down with racism," he said.

Little said that he is pleased with the ordinance because "it is considerably stronger than anything we

"I'm pretty much satisfied with the ordinance because it proves we are against discriminatory practices in housing."

--Herman Aldridge

majority vote" of the members present.

But he added that if the 11 minority members of the commission would vote, there still would be an equal balance in terms of race. "If they'd come out and vote, then we don't have

could have passed two years ago with the old aldermen. We were in a weaker position then with only three black aldermen. The two white aldermen who voted for the ordinance, Lynne Harpe and Martha S. See Page 2

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Black CB Buffs Endangering Lives

By Ruthell Howard
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The Radio Emergency Associated Citizens Team (REACT), a non-profit volunteer organization formed to help report and assist in emergency situations, is having problems performing its job in East Winston.

REACT is a nationwide volunteer service and has citizens band (CB) Channel Nine in counties across the country reserved for emergency communication. But interference on that channel from East Winston residents operating illegally-equipped CB radios threatens to prevent the REACT volunteers from giving and receiving accident or emergency reports.

Ben Scott, a member of the REACT board, estimates that the 23 active monitors in Forsyth County receive 45 to 50 accident calls each week and 100 calls from newcomers to the city or truckers passing through who

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Former Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson spoke on organizing neighborhoods into block parents at the East Winston Crime Task Force day-long meetings on combatting crime in that area held last Saturday at Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

Task Force Meeting Draws 150

By Allen Johnson
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The East Winston Crime Task Force took an ambitious step in its campaign against crime last Saturday and Chairperson Norma Smith liked what she saw.

"This group is a good group that we can enlarge our nucleus with," Mrs. Smith said. "I'm leaving here re-inspired to work real hard."

The group Mrs. Smith referred to was the turnout of approximately 150 church, community, police and municipal representatives who attended a day-long town meeting at Mt. Zion Baptist Church to discuss ways they can combat criminal activity together and individually.

Former Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson set the tone for the meeting with a morning address and a workshop on organizing neighborhoods into block parents, a volunteer network used effectively during the child slayings in that city.

"If the people on one side of town don't rise up in a legal, organized manner to fight crime," Jackson said, "they can't expect someone from the other side of town to solve the problem."

"Police need help," Jackson said. "They need eyes and ears. The people who see crimes must testify and turn in

the crooks."

Jackson added that the relationship between police and the community is a two-way street.

"Police need adequate payment, training and support,"

Jackson said. "And the rotten apples in the police barrel must be gotten rid of. The police must respect the people and the people must respect the police."

Jackson praised the Atlanta community for its response to last year's murders of 28 black youth.

"Atlanta lived a nightmare for two years," Jackson said. "Atlanta came through like a champ. Its people didn't turn on each other. They turned to each other."

Spirited discussion followed in a series of workshops conducted by the city officials and community leaders.

Police Chief Lucius Powell, in a session examining how the police and community can work together to fight crime, admonished his audience to take a stand.

"We're all in this together," Powell said. "All of us need to assume and recognize risk."

Powell cited liquor houses as an example of a problem that police cannot effectively address without community support.

"We can't padlock one," Powell said, "when people who live two doors away are customers."

In a workshop involving the black minister's role in

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Legal Aid Services In Danger Of Being Phased Out

By Ruthell Howard
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Legal Aid programs traditionally have helped the poor people with civil court cases, such as divorces, evictions, the obtaining of government benefits or

social security entitlement. But the future of such services is uncertain.

Faced with a dwindling budget, prompted by a federal administration that questions the necessity of the program, Legal Aid has suffered a 25 percent budget cut and is in danger

of being phased out.

The Legal Aid Corp. was established in 1979, when Congress approved and President Richard Nixon signed into law a bill to provide legal aid for the poor.

But since the Reagan administration has taken office, it has attempted to

abolish legal aid, proposing that private lawyers provide voluntary assistance. The administration was unsuccessful last year, but a 25 percent cut in the program's budget resulted in some centers closing down and others reducing the number of clients they serve.

Thorns Craven, director of the Winston-Salem-based Legal Aid Society of Northwest North Carolina Inc., predicts that terminating the program could result in social unrest because many people with legal aid problems would go unrepresented. "It's dif-

ficult to take the credit for not having unrest," Craven said, "but people are more inclined to say we live in a fair and just society if they can go to places like Legal Aid for assistance."

The Winston-Salem Legal Aid Society office has lost three attorneys, two

paralegals, (who are not licensed attorneys but who represent clients in administrative hearings) and a member of its support staff as a result of the budget cut. The office is also no longer seeing clients on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Craven said Legal Aid has

always had an overabundance of clients, but with the recent cut, it has had to turn a lot more people away. Craven added that when turned away, most people are "puzzled, depressed and disappointed" because they have

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Reagan's Outreach To Blacks Seen As Political Ploy

By LaTanya A. Isley
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Political observers say that President Reagan, who is concerned that he is not popular among black Americans, has embarked on a recent image-building campaign in the black community. The president's visits to a black family in

Maryland and a black school in Chicago apparently are parts of that campaign. In light of those widely-publicized gestures, the Chronicle Camera last week sought local reaction to Reagan's image-building push.

Eugene Gaither: "All he's trying to do is get another vote. His image-building will never be successful."

Oscar "Daddy-Oh" Alexander: "What does it prove by him visiting one or two families compared to doing something positive for the black community? Let him do something good for all blacks."

Mark Moss: "I'm skeptical of it. I think it's a bunch of baloney. Why build a positive image, then screw up with the cutbacks?"

I don't feel he's sincere. It's political maneuvering."

Lee Faye Mack: "Those who want him to visit can have him. He's never had an image. He's gotta do more than visit to build a positive image. It's another part of his film."

K. Lovell: "He'll have to do everything to build a positive image, especially

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Alma Barber



Mark Moss



C.E. Lewis



Lee Faye Mack