

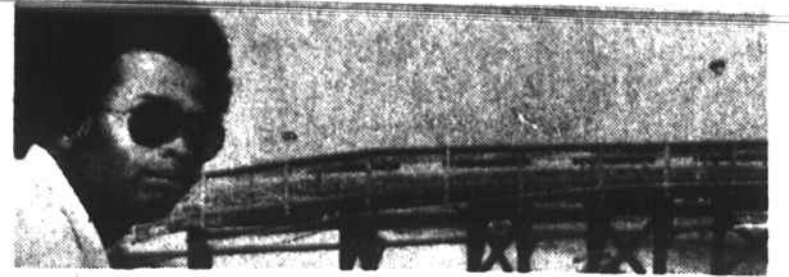
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Carver Summer League alumni literally stole a basketball game from the circuit's all-star team last week.
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Up, Up and Awaay

A weekend romp for Darryl Benbow means getting a single-engine Cessna revved up and airborne.
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Jackson sets a new agenda

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GREENSBORO -- These days, the Rev. Jesse L. Jackson travels with just one aide. The entourage of associates, press people and secret service agents is gone. The Democratic National Convention is history and the crowds at most of his stopping points are smaller.

But none of that, said Jackson, bothers him. The former college quarterback and student body president visited Greensboro last Wednesday to attend a board of trustees meeting at his alma mater, North Carolina A&T State University. He returned Monday to enroll his two sons in school at A&T. Jackson has established a new agenda, he said in conversations with the *Chronicle* on both occasions, and he plans to divert all of his energies to it.

"You have been quoted as saying that the Democratic National Convention was a flop for black people. Every other group -- women, Hispanics, Southerners -- got something from the convention, critics say, but black people didn't. Now that the convention is over, do you still feel that the convention was a flop for black voters?"

"I wouldn't say that. For one, the Rainbow Coalition is now a new political force in this country that has to be dealt with. Through our voter registration efforts, 60 new blacks represent congressional districts across the nation, 30 of them in the South. We have much to be proud of. We won our self-respect."

"Some people are worried that Jesse Jackson now is different from Jesse Jackson during the primaries and before the convention. Has your spirit been killed?"

"My spirit has expanded and there is a measure of joy in my soul."

"Will you be actively working for the Mondale-Ferraro ticket?"

"Between now and Labor Day, I will see how clear the message will come. We (Jackson and Mondale) will probably meet again and discuss my involvement. I have not made a judgment as to
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Jesse Jackson: The presidential fever is gone but it's replaced by a new focus for the South (photo by James Parker).

On Food Lion boycott

A big dilemma for investors

By ROBIN ADAMS
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Investors in the East Winston Shopping Center, like most other local residents, are divided on whether they support the NAACP's boycott against the Salisbury-based Food Lion Inc. grocery store chain. Their dilemma: the store in the shopping center, which primarily serves the black community, and in which they all have financial stakes.

"I don't understand why they are boycotting that particular store," said Dr. Sangh Bhag Sidhu, who has purchased a limited partnership in the shopping center. "They are boycotting a store that serves black people and hires more blacks. I cannot see how it is necessary to boycott a store serving black people. It's like sitting on a limb and cutting the limb on which you are sitting."

As an Indian, Sidhu said, he has supported the NAACP since he came to this country in 1966 and believes in boycotting and any other kind of action against companies that "refuse to give opportunities to minorities for employment." But he said he is puzzled why the NAACP this time is boycotting a store that sets an example for others to follow.

"I have always been for it (NAACP)," he said. "But I can't

see how the NAACP, with such a good track record, could do this type of thing. They are picketing the two stores which serve black people. I don't see how they can ask black people to spend money and go someplace else."

But Charles McLean, a former local NAACP president and current shopping center investor, said he supports the boycott.

"I like anything that is protesting wrong," said McLean. "I think it is wrong for anybody to deny employment to people based on race."

"I don't say don't pressure Food Lion, but East Winston should be affected as a last resort."

-- R. Lewis Ray

"I agree with the NAACP." McLean also said the argument that boycotting the Food Lion store may mean the end of the shopping center is unfounded.

"If Food Lion pulled out," he said, "I'm sure someone else would come in its place."

But Winston-Salem State University basketball coach and Athletic Director Clarence "Bighouse" Gaines, another shopping center investor, said the center would be worthless if Food

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A&T professor is granted tenure but more tension may await Fort

By ROBIN ADAMS
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Chancellor Edward Fort's decision to grant tenure to a popular North Carolina A&T State University engineering professor may not be enough to ease the tension between himself and the school's national alumni association, said the organization's president last week.

After a four-hour executive session last Wednesday, Fort recommended to the school's board of trustees that Dr. Wesley Clark be granted tenure. The board unanimously approved Fort's request and will forward its decision to the University of

North Carolina system's Board of Governors for approval at the governors' Sept. 14 meeting.

"We are happy for Dr. Clark," said John Maye, president of the A&T National Alumni Association. "But I really don't know if this will be it (the answer to all of the alumni's problems with Fort). The alumni haven't had a chance to study it. It will take some time to study and look at it."

For almost a year, Clark, the school's only black architectural engineering professor and a graduate of A&T, had fought for tenure. After two reviews by faculty committees, both of which recommended that he be denied tenure, Clark filed a law suit on

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North Carolina A&T State University Chancellor Dr. Edward Fort has solved one problem, but others may be on the horizon (photo by James Parker).

Task Force's conference stresses family unity

By ALBERT NICKERSON
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Curtis Wilk knew the time had come to tell his best friend, Rodney Spring, that he wasn't going to loan Spring any more money.

"Let me borrow some money, man," said Spring.

Wilk said an emphatic "No." "I can't see it, man," Wilk said. "You keep borrowing money from me, but you never hand me some back. You already

owe me \$20 and you want to borrow more. Go somewhere and hide."

The scene wasn't real, but part of role playing in a workshop conducted during the Second Annual Black Family Day Conference to teach youths how to develop positive self-images. It was held over the weekend at Kimberley Park School and was sponsored by a variety of community groups.

"The purpose of the conference was to...
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Winston-Salem State's next chancellor: Could he be white?

By ALBERT NICKERSON
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When Dr. English Jones retired as the first Indian chancellor of Pembroke State University in 1979, students, as well as community and political leaders, let the school's board of trustees know they wanted an Indian successor.

Pembroke, which originally started as a school to train Indians as teachers, was losing its identity, they felt. In order to preserve the school's Indian heritage, they argued, Pembroke needed another Indian chancellor.

But the University of North Carolina Board of Governors chose a white man, Dr. Paul Givens, to replace Jones, sparking student demonstrations.

Could the same happen at Winston-Salem State

University, whose trustees are seeking a permanent replacement for Dr. H. Douglas Covington?

"We are looking for the best person for the job and a first-rate leader," says Dr. William Friday, president of the University of North Carolina system.

Adds Mrs. Louise Smith, a black woman who is vice chairman of WSSU's board of trustees, "I can't say you can rule out anybody, but I can't say you can automatically rule in anybody, either."

Friday says the Pembroke controversy was unique because all of the school's chancellors before Jones were white.

The school was started in 1939 as a teachers' school for Indians, but, with school desegregation in the '50s, Pembroke State became predominantly

white. Today, about 60 percent of the student body is white, 20 percent Indian and 20 percent black.

Bruce Jones, executive director of the state Commission of Indian Affairs, says the school has a rich ethnic heritage and should have selected an

institution and should remain as such," says Bruce Jones, who objected to the selection of a white chancellor.

Jones says protesters felt there were enough qualified Indian candidates from within the school's administration to succeed Dr. Jones. But the UNC Board of Governors ignored qualified Indian candidates within the university, Bruce Jones says, to select a white from out of state.

"At one point, the university system could have used the excuse that there were no qualified Indian candidates," the Indian commission director says. "But there were many qualified Indians who were passed over."

"Some feel that Pembroke is no longer an In...
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THE SEARCH FOR A CHANCELLOR

Indian to replace Dr. Jones after he retired in 1979.

"Pembroke grew and developed as an Indian