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## NAACP: Food Lion signed Fair Share pact

*Though Food Lion official says it isn't, NAACP insists it's a Fair Share agreement*

By ROBIN ADAMS  
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Fair Share agreement or "statement of principles?"

It doesn't matter what you call the pact that halted a nine-week boycott by the NAACP of the Food Lion grocery chain, said Fred Rasheed, the NAACP's national economic director. Both, he said, are one in the same.

But Eugene McKinley, vice president of human resources for the Salisbury-based grocery chain, says there's a big difference. Last week, McKinley told the *Chronicle* that his company had not signed a Fair Share agreement with the NAACP as the organization had reported. Instead, McKinley said, it signed a "statement of principles."

"It shouldn't be confused with their (NAACP) standard Fair Share agreements, because it doesn't call for any promise," McKinley said. "It

represents the company's basic principles."

Rasheed said that's not true. "That agreement is similar," he said in a telephone interview, "as it touches every aspect of a Fair Share agreement, as all our Fair Share agreements do."

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## Mediation center's director resigns, takes WSSU affirmative action post

By ALBERT NICKERSON  
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Paul Owens Cloud, the first director of the Neighborhood Justice Center, has resigned to become affirmative action officer at Winston-Salem State University, effective Oct. 8, the *Chronicle* has learned.

Fannie Williams, WSSU's director of personnel,

confirmed Wednesday that Cloud has been hired for the \$24,000-a-year position. Chancellor Haywood Wilson is scheduled to formally announce Cloud's appointment sometime next week.

Cloud, 31, was unavailable for comment.

Norma Smith, board president of the Winston-Salem Crime Task Force Inc., said Cloud has resigned from the center effective Oct. 5. He had

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Whatever has captured Jonquil Springs' attention won't get away from her. Two-year-old Springs makes sure she gets all the details. She doesn't want to miss a thing (photo by James Parker).

## Reagan again, editors lament

By ROBIN ADAMS  
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If the election were held today, said editors of the nation's black newspapers in a recent poll, Ronald Reagan would surely remain president.

And that prospect, they said, both puzzles and frightens them.

"It's Reagan again," said Willie Egyir, editor of the *New Amsterdam News* in New York. "The nation has become conservative and they (conservatives) think Reagan is the man. It's no more based on the issues. It's based on Reagan's abilities to sell himself to people."

Added Bill World, editor of the *Richmond Afro-American*: "It's Ronald Reagan, I'm afraid. And it's for reasons that totally escape me. He has the support of the majority of the people in the polls. He has turned the clocks back to the 1950s. It's okay to be a bigot. For the life of me I can't see what he has done to make people want to vote for him."

Unless there's a war or the situation in Beirut, where the American embassy was bombed last week, worsens, there's no doubt Reagan will continue to live at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., said John French, editor of the *Charleston (S.C.) Chronicle*. "He got poor white folks who support him," French said. "They support Reagan and still stand in the food stamp lines."

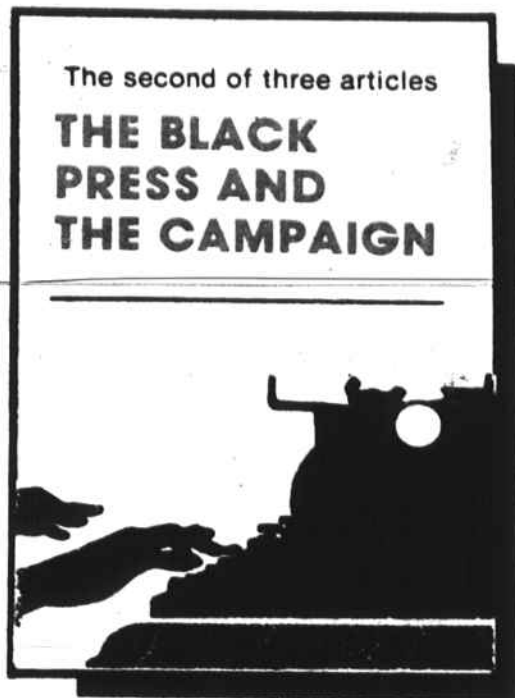
The country's mood assures Reagan of a second term, said Marge Sturgis, editor of the *Los Angeles Sentinel*.

"Racism has reared his ugly head again," she said.

The editors said they are particularly fearful of what four more years of Reagan would mean to black and poor people.

"He's an actor," said Tony Davis, editor of the *Dallas Weekly*. "He doesn't really care about the people he has harmed the most. He made big money in the movies. He was the governor of California, then the president of the United States. He has lived

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President Reagan: Four more years?

### Feedback

## Should we cover church matters?

By GREG BROWN  
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This is the first in an ongoing series of articles examining how fairly and ethically the *Chronicle* has handled certain issues. We invite your reactions.

The black church and the black press traditionally are partners in protecting the community's interests. But even the best of friends can have differences of opinion.

What happens when the role of the press and that of the church conflict? Are events affecting the church public or strictly private concerns? And when does the public's right to know conflict with a church's right to carry out its business in private?

The answer may depend, in large part, on whether you ask a clergyman or a reporter. Some clergymen would hold newspapers to the same stan-

dards followed by the courts: When the church or its members are involved in incidents that could result in unfavorable publicity, some ministers say, they should enjoy a presumption of innocence until proven guilty. That means the media should refrain from reporting the event until the courts or the church members themselves resolve the matter.

And, if the members themselves handle the problem, some clergymen say the matter is settled and the media should never become involved.

Some newsmen, on the other hand, would base their decision to publish an article on whether the story is "newsworthy" -- whether the public has the right to know.

"Granted, you definitely tread on sensitive ground when you cover church news that isn't flattering," said *Chronicle* Executive Editor Allen

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## Working together: Local Christians, Muslims plan dialogues

By ROBIN ADAMS  
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When Muslim Minister Louis Farrakhan embraced the Rev. Jesse Jackson during Jackson's bid for the presidency and urged Muslims to register and vote for the first time, he began a bridge between black Christian and Muslim communities that some local religious leaders would like to help finish.

Toward that end, the Institute for Islamic Studies will sponsor a

series of forums that aim to increase Christian-Muslim dialogue in Winston-Salem.

The first has been scheduled for Oct. 20 at the East Winston Branch Library. And, although all the participants in the program have not been determined, the Revs. Rhodford Anderson, pastor of Union Chapel Baptist Church; Carlton Eversley, pastor of Dellabrook Presbyterian Church; John Mendez, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, and Motlaletula Chabaku, a South

African professor teaching at North Carolina A&T State University, are tentatively scheduled to appear on the program representing the Christian viewpoint.

The program also will feature Jamil Abdula El Amin, formerly H. Rap Brown, who will represent the Muslim viewpoint, along with local members of the Institute for Islamic Studies.

The topic of the first forum will be "Faith and Politics in Islam" Please see page A3