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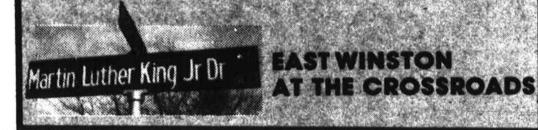
The church: E. Winston's economic savior?

By CHERYL WILLIAMS Chronicle Staff Writer

This article is the second in a series on the East Winston Area Plan.

East Winston's many churches can be both the spiritual and economic savior of that development-starved community, say local clergy.

"If we don't, this community will become eaten up by the larger community," said the Rev. William S. Fails, pastor of Hanes Memorial CME Church on



Highland Avenue.

East Winston, which contains roughly 10 percent of the city's population, almost all of it black, also contains many of the city's approximately 300 black churches, some of them with large congregations and budgets.

The area is a patchwork of substandard housing and

\$100,000 split-level homes -gleaming church sanctuaries and low-income apartments.

Young blacks looking for housing often have to search elsewhere because of the lack of decent, affordable housing there, and members of the community complain that they must go to the western side of town to shop. A high crime rate is also a problem.

The expertise is there

The draft of an area plan for the community recommends a number of economic development strategies, including a development corporation. But it does not specifically deal with what black churches can do.

The church has no choice but to play a part in the economic development of the black community, Fails said.

"Being that about 90 percent

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The Rev. John Mendez: There should be a collective effort among black churches to upgrade economic conditions in East Winston (file photo by James Parker).

COVER STORY At least 2 blacks among applicants for police chief job



Clockwise from the top, Columbia, Mo., Police Chief Bill Dye and Winston-Salem Assistant Police Chiefs Oliver Redd and Morris Robertson, all candidates to succeed Joseph Masten (Dye photo courtesy The Columbia Tribune; other photos by James Parker).



By CHERYL WILLIAMS **Chronicle Staff Writer**

AT LEAST two blacks are among the applicants for Winston-Salem police chief.

Assistant Police Chief Oliver D. Redd and Police Chief William H. Dye of Columbia, Mo., confirmed Tuesday that they have been interviewed and are awaiting the city's decision.

Another assistant police chief, Morris A. Robertson, also said last week that he has applied for the job.

City officials, however, are saying little about the search for someone to replace former Chief Joseph E. Masten, who retired last fall.

Alexander R. Beaty, the assistant city manager for administration, would only say that the interviewing process is continuing.

Beaty also declined to give the number of candidates, but the Winston-Salem Journal reported last week that between 50 and 60 have applied.

He said that no deadline has been set to have the position filled.

According to the employment notice describing the position, the salary ranges from \$39,974 to \$58,406. The notice says that the position "requires extensive, progressive management experience in public service." It also says that applicants should possess "a high level of personal and professional integrity" and a "demonstrated ability to develop and maintain effective relationships with departmental personnel and the community at large."

The city's acting police chief, George L. Sweat, said that he did not apply for the job because he is not interested in it at this time. He said that when a chief is found, he will return to his position as assistant chief in charge of the Field Services Bureau.

While Dye, Columbia's first black police chief, would not comment on his being considered for the job, the two local men, who have worked their way through the ranks of the police department here, say that applying for the job of chief was merely a natural progression in their careers.

"It was incumbent upon us to apply," said Redd, a Winston-Salem native. "We have been here and come up through the ranks and been successful in what we've done."

Redd, who is in charge of the department's Investigative Services Bureau, said that his applying also opens possibilities for others looking for advancement.

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Winfrey: Live from Forsyth County, Ga.

Talk show host takes her act to scene of racial confrontation

By ROBERT BYRD Associated Press Writer

CUMMING, Ga. -- Black talk show host Oprah Winfrey brought her program to Forsyth County on Monday to hear out its white residents, some of whom argued they should be able to keep blacks from moving into their live here since 1912."

Asked later whether she felt comfortable in Forsyth County, she said, "Not very comfortable at all. I'm leaving."

Dozens of people in the audience of 100 said they supported the rights of black people to live and work in the county, but some said they feared

Forsyth Countians to be there and to make it clear that we welcome all lawabiding people in our community."

Williams, an Atlanta city councilman, had asked to appear on "The Oprah Winfrey Show," but Miss Winfrey and her producers said they wanted only county residents.

Sheriff Wesley Walraven said and every day, one-third Williams and the others were charged of the governments of with unlawful assembly as they the world practice torpicketed outside the restaurant where ture, there are thousands the show was broadcast. Williams also was charged with blocking a state of prisoners of conscience, and executions highway. are widespread ... " "Rev. Williams was screaming, 'Ar-Please see page A5

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12 are indicted in racial attack

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Police took into custody on Tuesday 12 youths indicted in connection with a racial attack that left a black man dead, and news reports said some of them have been charged with murder.

"I understand they're all in," said Lt. Thomas Fahey, a police spokesman, as the youths charged in the Dec. 20 attack were being processed. "Upstairs they're working on a list of names and charges." The attack took place on Dec. 20, when three black men whose car had broken down in the mostly white Howard Beach section of Queens were chased from a pizza parlor by white youths brandishing a bat and a tree limb. One of the men died

communities.

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Outside, civil rights activist Hosea Williams was among eight people arrested for picketing over the exclusion of blacks from the show. Miss Winfrey mentioned the arrests during her broadcast but said her pur-

pose was to find out "why this com-

munity has not allowed black people to

violence from white neighbors if they publicly welcomed blacks. And one woman said, "We have a right to have a white community."

Another said she participated in last month's civil rights demonstration that brought the spotlight to Forsyth County "because I felt it was important for

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