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"Power concedes nothing without a struggle." — Frederick Douglass

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## Black Voters Concerned About Bonds

### ▲ School system finds money to complete Atkins renovations

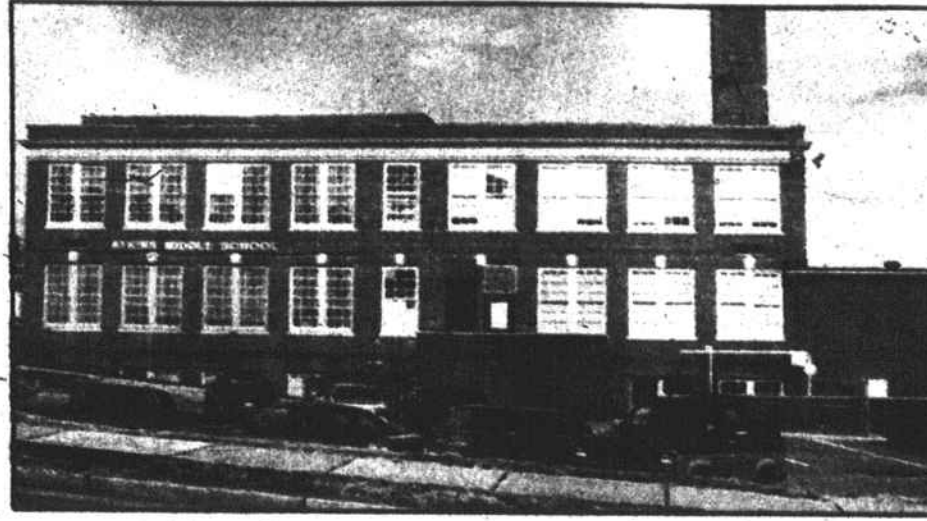
By VERONICA CLEMONS  
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Renovations to Atkins Middle School that were promised in a 1989 bond referendum have not been completed, but the school system has postponed some projects, will use state funds and most likely assistance from the county commissioners to get it

done. The school system is expecting the Atkins project to cost about \$7.5 million and a bid date has been set for March 14.

Residents in the black community are perplexed that the renovations to the former black

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Project, expected to cost \$7.5 million, may get help from Commissioners

### ▲ No Afrocentric schools... No black vote for referendum

By VERONICA CLEMONS  
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Members of the Coalition on African-American Education said their message to the school system will be clear: "If you don't give us what we want we will not give you what you want."

Members say the school system is going to want the African-

american community's support for another bond referendum after the redistricting process for the construction of new schools, which many say will be new middle schools in the county.

But coalition members say the system can not expect to get

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### Program Host Passes Her Courage Along to Others

By VERONICA CLEMONS  
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The tag on her car says **The Best**. It's her personal, business and talk show philosophy. Deloris Huntley's "The Courage to Move" inspires all to achieve the highest levels of success as possible.

Airing each Saturday morning at 9:15 on WSMX radio, Huntley talks directly to her audience about what it takes to achieve, many times drawing from her own life experiences.

For Huntley, part of taking charge of her life meant going back to school, getting a degree

and starting her own business. She began writing a book entitled *The Courage to Move* but before it was finished received an inspiration to begin a talk show.

Huntley first encountered the name of her future book title and show while doing a workshop.

"I thought how wonderful it would be to encourage people to make a step," she said. "We can either wait for things to happen or make things happen."

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Deloris Huntley (pictured at left and above) delivers her motivational messages every Saturday morning at 9:15 a.m. on WSMX, 1500 AM.



### Dems Prepare to Adjust to GOP Power in Raleigh

By JOE JOHNSON  
 Capital Correspondent

**RALEIGH** — Change is in the air.

Wednesday marked the first time this century that Republicans held a majority in the State House, and that means a lot of roles have shifted.

"We're ready as we can be," 67th District County Representative Warren C. Oldham said. "This session is going to be different, though. The leadership has changed and how different it will be remains to be seen."

Democrats, who have enjoyed the privileges of power, now have to work from the other side of the fence.

"We're going to have to keep the issues before us," 66th District Representative Larry Womble said. "Regardless of personality or party affiliation, we're going to have to work together. And as long as the work we do is for the benefit of the citizens of the state then it will be a good session."

There are some areas that Republicans and Democrats differ greatly.

Representative Harold Brubaker, an Asheboro Republican elected speaker, said earlier this week passing the programs listed in the Contract with America is the top priority.

That document contains provisions for more than \$200 million in tax cuts for working fami-

lies, veto power for the governor, term limits for office holders and longer prison stays for criminals.

And with the Republicans setting the agenda for the next two years, some issues like social programs are likely to receive less attention.

"It will be interesting to see if we will be able to reduce taxes, maintain existing programs, take care of growth and pay for new programs that have been proposed," Oldham said. "We are willing to work with the Republicans. But we'll have to wait and see if they are willing to extend a hand or if they choose to look back over the years and be vindictive."

One of the ways that Womble and Oldham will work is through the Legislative Black Caucus. It has a big fight ahead in the coming term if it doesn't want to be pushed around during the next term. The Caucus has 24 members, down one from the last session.

"The Black Caucus remains focused," Womble said. "We are still firm, and we're still in business."

"We're going to work to enhance the lives of minorities in the state."

Black Caucus President Howard Hunter of Northhampton County echoed those sentiments.

"We're concerned about minorities, but we still represent a full constituency," Hunter said.

### Chavis Urges Blacks to Demand Justice in '95

#### ▲ Calls for 100,000 black men from N.C. to March on Oct. 9

By DAVID L. DILLARD  
 Chronicle Staff Writer

African Americans need to take a stand against forces trying to divide their communities and demand justice.

"There are forces trying to divide us and stop us from moving forward," said Dr. Benjamin F. Chavis. "We need greater unity...It's time for African Americans to rise to the occa-

sion and demand justice."

Chavis, 46, a former director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), spoke to nearly 500 people last Thursday at Winston-Salem State University about the importance of unity and economic independence among African Ameri-

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Chavis, with NAACP President Bill Tatum, chats with supporters after his speech Thursday.

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**This Week in Black History**  
 January 26, 1863 War Department authorized Massachusetts governor to recruit black troops.

State Representative Larry Womble at forum. See story page 13

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