

THE BETTER WE KNOW US ...

by Angela Griffin

HIGH POINT — Sammie Chess, a former superior court judge, has returned to private law practice. Attorney Chess was appointed by Governor Robert Scott, Nov. 3, 1971, to serve a four-year term on the bench.

Though Chess' term as judge was an enjoyable one, he was anxious to return to private practice. The former judge states that his reason for this thought is, "I try to do the greatest good for the greatest number of people, on the bench or in private practice. On the bench, justice deals mainly with the individual as well as the system. As a lawyer, one has to be patient without a great amount of

power before any action can be taken. On the other hand, a judge has the power but is limited because he has to wait until the case is brought before him and then a decision can be made."

Chess feels that without the professional service of law, life would be unbearable. The law was designed to broaden the understanding between right and wrong.

He has experienced something that many lawyers don't experience until later in life; and that is to sit on the bench for four years, dealing with different cases, and then going back into private practice with a new knowledge of how to present cases

before a judge. Many lawyers who later become judges miss this lesson that is only taught through an experience of Attorney Chess' type.

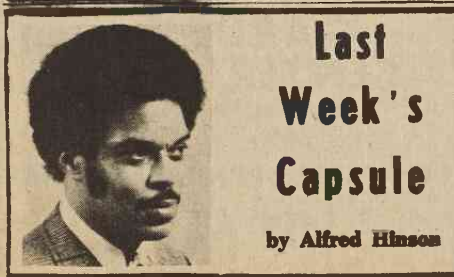
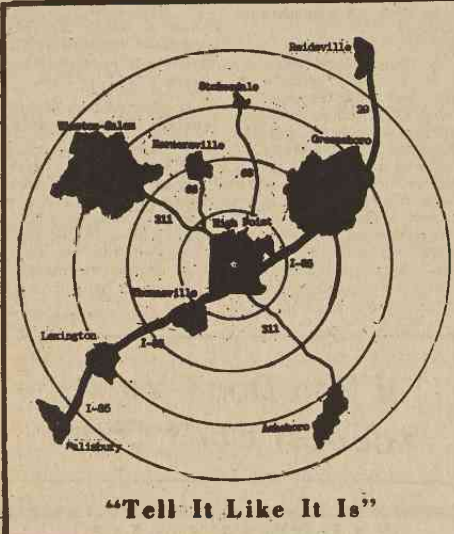
Chess feels that money was not the most important factor in serving the public as a judge, but that the reward came when, "I was able to reach out and communicate with many of the frustrated persons that entered my courtroom with a frown and left with a smile."

He feels that there is no such thing as "big cases" or "little cases", on a monetary basis. Chess believes that, "The law must serve the poor as well as the rich. When someone approaches

a lawyer with a problem, the lawyer must consider this problem as a large one to the person involved."

Chess hoped that he was able to put a black prospective on crime in his courtroom.

The former superior court judge stated that he entered the bench with mixed emotions, but later accepted it as a challenge to raise the standards of living for both black and white, alike. "Sometimes I wonder where I can do the most good, on the bench or in private practice," admits Chess. But after serving his four-year term as a judge, Chess is now striving to complete the other half of his dream.



Last Week's Capsule

by Alfred Hinson

NATIONAL

Former President Richard M. Nixon stated that he wanted it to be public knowledge that he voluntarily submitted to 11 hours of questioning by Watergate special prosecutors and grand jurors. The above is "as per his request".

Roy Wilkins, executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is now 74 years old and plans to retire next year. A search committee has been formed to find a replacement for him and names of several potential successors have been mentioned.

The board of directors of the NAACP wants to find the replacement as soon as possible so that he can serve as an understudy to the learned Roy Wilkins before he retires.

STATE

Members of the General Assembly are still playing "trading post" at the tax-payers expense. This was recently exemplified when House-Senate budget conferees reached an impasse while reviewing the budget on public school spending and university tuition increases.

In all probability, this matter will soon be resolved. It is hoped that the outcome will be more in favor of the citizens of North Carolina than to the stubborn dispositions of the conferees.

It now seems unlikely that the traditional summer feeding program will become a reality for children in the Greensboro area this year. The program sponsor, A&T State University, submitted its application more than a month later than the April 28 deadline.

Mrs. Doris Alford, president of the Morningside Homes Tenant Council has attacked university officials and has charged them with being insensitive to the needs of poor people and ultimately responsible for the loss of the feeding program. She specifically mentioned Dr. Roy Moore and Mel Groomes as being responsible for the loss of funds.

John Murphy, a consultant for the food service division of the N.C. Department of public instruction stated that had the application been received by the deadline, the program could possibly have been funded this summer. As it now stands, the 8000 children mentioned in the late application will have to go elsewhere to get their lunch -- or have no lunch at all.

The High Point City Council on Thursday gave final approval to a \$43.8 million city budget. The budget which keeps the city's tax rate at 83 cents per \$100 valuation for the second year had but one dissenter -- Councilman Kirkman.

Though the council approved the budget, they expressed ambivalent feelings about the contingency fund and urged City manager Harold Cheek and department heads to exercise conservation in their hiring and spending.

Superior Court Judge Robert Collier issued a preliminary injunction restraining the enforcement of the High Point massage parlor ordinance. The injunction was sought by

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WILLIAM PENN 10TH ANNIVERSARY REUNION

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HIGH POINT — On June 27, 28 and 29, the graduating class of '65 of the former William Penn High School celebrated its tenth anniversary. This anniversary celebration allowed the former graduates to see how each of them had changed (both physically and mentally) and to go back into time and relive some of those memories of the "good, old" high school days. It also gave the former graduates the opportunity to see how far the rest of the "bunch" had come during the past ten years.

The anniversary festivities began on Friday, June 27, with a simple "Get Acquainted Party" which was held at the Holiday Inn Downtown on South Main. This party was for those who forgot what his/her classmates looked like. The celebration continued the following after-

noon, June 28, with the "Family Affair Picnic" which was held at the City Lake. By this time, the excitement had built so high that some of the Penn crowd didn't want to leave and threw themselves slightly late for the Saturday evening festivities.

Winding up the days festivities was a "Polynesian Lua and Dance", also held at the Holiday Inn Downtown. The dance, held in the "Cellar", started at 7:30 but most of the guest struggled in late because of exhaustion from the picnic. The evening went on (slowly, but surely) as the guest slowly came in. Music was provided by one of the young, but well-known rock and soul bands, Soul Fir

"Business before pleasure" is the old saying; and that was just what the former graduates did just before the buffet dinner. There was a special session with the senior advisors and Councilman Sam

Burford. The senior advisors, headed by Mr. Ross Garlington, presented a petition of changes that they would like to see come about. The petition had three major points and was signed by each Penn graduate.

POINT ONE: The first point brought out was that the graduates would like to see the William Penn structure reopened. In an interview with Councilman Burford, he commented that if the school structure should ever be reopened, it would never be continued as a black school but, maybe, as a "Head Start" program building. He also feels that it should definitely be used in some way. As of now there are no plans to do anything about the structure.

POINT TWO: The second point of the petition was that the Washington Terrace Park needs a complete

overhaul. The park is unfit for picnics. The graduates of Penn previously planned their "Family Affair Picnic" to be held at the Washington Terrace Park but when they tried to schedule the picnic, they found that there were no tables under the shelters, there were no trash receptacles, and the grills were not in good condition. So in order to have a picnic, they had to resort to the City Lake.

A&T Teachers Win Promotions

GREENSBORO - Five teachers at A&T State University have been approved for promotions, according to Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy, chancellor.

Promoted to the rank of full professor were Dr. Lois B. Kinney, professor of speech communication; and Dr. Basil G. Coley, professor of economics.

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Councilman Burford commented definitely that the park should be up-graded, but it is virtually impossible to get help. Mr. Burford said that he had tried to get a group of black men to help him in the project of up-grading the Park, but no one was willing to help. As of now, there are not any plans to up-grade the Park. There is just enough being done to keep the park open.

POINT THREE: The third point is that the graduates feel that the newly built Andrews High auditorium should be named in honor of Councilman Burford since he was the first principal of Andrews High School. His comment simply was, "No! No! That's not necessary," but if it would have been done, he would not have objected.

Certainly, Sunday morning brought aching heads and seemingly lifeless bodies; but, the '65 graduates struggled to Mt. Vernon Baptist Church for the 11:30 worship service. Sunday afternoon drew the anniversary celebration to a close with a "One For The

Road" Cocktail Party held at the Holiday Inn.

Now all the memories of the high school days, along with the memories of the class of '65's anniversary reunion can be put away until the next time.

RJR And NNPA Provide For Five Journalism Majors

WINSTON SALEM—The Journalism scholarship program established by R.J. Reynolds Industries Inc. in cooperation with the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) will provide scholarship support for five new journalism majors beginning in September.

For that purpose, Marshall B. Bass, corporate manager personnel development at RJR, Continued on Page 5

Arts From The Orient

by Melvin Barber

HIGH POINT

Donald Duff, James Ledbetter, and Robert Williams have achieved the rank of Black Belts in Japanese Karate. All three are instructors

in High Point. Duff is a first dan, Williams is a second dan, and Ledbetter is a first dan. Donald Duff and Robert Williams teach Goju (Japanese style karate). Mr. Duff teaches at Leonard Street Recreation Center; while Mr. Williams instructs at Turn

Key III Homes. Although, James Ledbetter earned his Black Belt in Goju, he is presently studying and teaching Tae-Kwon-Do, (Korean karate) at the Multi-Purpose Center on Taylor Street.

The classes are open to the community for membership. Ages range is from 6 - 11 (pewee), 12 - 15 (junior), 16 and up (adults). Male, female, and family participation is encouraged.

For those of you who are not familiar with the Japanese karate rating system, beginners wear white belts. As mastery of the skills of karate increases, the students earn the honor of wearing yellow, blue, green, purple, and brown belts. Ultimately, you earn the Black Belt, the symbol of achievement of the art of Karate.

In Tae-Kwon-Do, the belts are ranked as follows, white, yellow, green, blue, red, and black.

Rank promotions are determined by demonstrated skills, knowledge of history, and personality traits of humility. All students, regardless of rank, obey the customs of Karate. The student bows upon entering the practice area. He also bows to his teacher at the beginning and end of each lesson, and to his partners before and after sparring sessions. Silence is mandatory in Goju.

Karate is a very useful sport. Time is devoted to Continued on Page 6

PROS & CONS CHURCHES IN POLITICS

RULES: Each week THE TRIBUNAL AID will choose a subject. Readers can respond in writing using 50 words or less to express their feelings either in favor of or against the subject. Each week the best response "for" and the best response "against" will both receive a \$10.00 gift certificate to one of the advertising merchants found in that same week's paper. All entries must be in the office of THE TRIBUNAL AID no later than Monday, noon, the following week to be eligible for consideration. Winning entries will be published. All entries will become the property of THE TRIBUNAL AID and none will be returned.

Mail all entries to: THE TRIBUNAL AID, "Pros and Cons", P. O. Box 921, High Point, N.C., 27261.

WSSU To Get New Gym

WINSTON-SALEM — Thursday afternoon (June 26) thirty-six bids were submitted for the general contract and sub-contracts for the construction of an addition to Whitaker Gymnasium at Winston-Salem State University. The facility will house an Olympic-sized swim-

ming pool, exercise and physiology laboratory space, a dance studio, and additional classroom and office space. The lowest bids were submitted by H. R. Johnson Construction, Monroe, N.C. - general contractor; Miller Mechanical Inc., Winston-Salem, N.C. - plumbing con-

tract; Galax Plumbins and Heating, Galax, Va. - heating, ventilation, and air conditioning contract; Floyd S. Pike Electrical Construction Co., Mt. Airy, N. C. - electrical contract; and Otis Elevator, Charlotte, N. C. for elevator contract. The total bid package for the capital improvement project is \$1,886,512.00.

Housing Management Workshop At A&T

GREENSBORO - Improving the management practices of directors and leaders of non-profit and multi-family housing will be the focus of a special workshop at A&T State University, July 13 to 18.

"We believe that improved management practices at all levels will result in decent, safe and sanitary housing and a suitable living environment for every American family," said Sampson Buie, director of community relations at A&T and a coordinator of the workshop.

A&T is being joined in the sponsorship of the workshop by the Greensboro area office of the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Housing Management Division.

Consultants for the housing management workshop will include national and statewide leaders in the area of management, development, human relations, social services and physical plant management.

The opening session on July 14 will feature addresses by Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy, chancellor of A&T and Richard Barnwell, area director of HUD.

The workshop sessions will be concerned with new approaches to management, key concepts of the new housing act, community services and communication, problem solving and budgets, role of the mortgagee, maintenance and landscaping, and community

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