

# Freed Alleged Rapist Interviewed

'Stories Made Up?'

Ferrebee

BY STAFF WRITER  
CURRITUCK COUNTY, N.C. — Donald Nathaniel Ferrebee, 26, one of the three blacks acquitted by a jury of one black and 11 whites, twice, for rape on a white girl, in early October near Nag's Head Beach, told THE CAROLINIAN, in an exclusive interview, a harrowing story of how his lawyers, Frank Ballance and T. T. Clayton, were able to extricate him from the toils of serious crime.

The accused said that he was driving his car about 2 a.m. along the beach when a white woman stepped into the path of his car, causing him to stop suddenly. He said she told him that she wanted him to take her home. It was at this time, according to Ferrebee, that two white boys appeared and began conversation. He further alleged that he and one of the white boys went into a business place, where they both drank some beer.

When he left the place where they drank the beer, leaving his white companion, and returned to his car, he found the white couple "making love." He said he told them he had to go home and for them to put the clothes in order. He alleges that he discovered that the girl was under the influence of some spirits. He further alleged that she got in the car and laid her head on the window and he drove off. He also said that he found out he did not have enough gas to take the couple any farther and get to his home. It was then that a truck, driven by Frederick Bowles, arrived on the scene and Lindsay Saunders was a passenger, along with Troy Jones.

The interview revealed that Bowles asked him where the couple was. He said that he told them he put them out. He alleges he went home and had no knowledge of his being implicated in a rape until a sheriff came to his house.

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## DC Mayor Will Chair Conference

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Mayor Walter Washington of the District of Columbia, will serve as the general conference chairperson for the forthcoming workshop sessions planned by the Conference of Minority Public Administrators (COMPAA). The two and a half day program will be held in Washington on March 9-11, at the International Inn (formerly the Ramada Inn), on Thomas Circle.

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BASEBALL STAR SERVES TIME IN JAIL—LOS ANGELES—Former Dodger outfielder Willie Davis, currently playing for the Texas Rangers of the American League, is led with his hands cuffed behind his back to jail February 12 after being held in contempt of court for non-support of his divorced wife and three children. Davis was found guilty in Superior Court and was sentenced to serve 90 days, but the judge stayed 85 days on the condition that he serve five days in jail and make further alimony and support payments.

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## NAAACP Aids Firemen

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## Black Teenager Sought After He Reportedly

# MURDERS CABBIE

Miss Louise M. Latham Chosen As

## City's "Woman Of Year"

## Educator Feted By Sorority

Miss Louise Maywood Latham, a Raleigh native, is Omicron Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority's, "Woman of the Year." She will be honored during the annual Finer Womanhood Week celebration Sunday.

Miss Latham is a cum laude graduate of Shaw University. Her master's degree is from Boston University, and she did additional graduate work at Syracuse University and at University of North Carolina at Greensboro. She has taught at the Washington High School, Raleigh, and was, for a time, on the staff of Howard University. Thereafter she returned to North Carolina to become, for some twenty years, dean of women at North Carolina Central University, Durham.

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MISS LOUISE M. LATHAM

## Nat'l Head Of Omegas Given Rites

BROOKLYN, N.Y. — Even though he was not a product of the sidewalks of Brooklyn, having been born in the farming section of North Carolina (Robeson County) and educated in Greensboro, George Edward Meares, even in death, received the plaudits of a huge sidewalk crowd, New York State government officials, fraternal "big wigs" and high church officials, Tuesday, Feb. 11, when he was funeralized from one of this borough's largest Presbyterian Churches. He was born in 1909.

Even though he formerly held the highest office in the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity (Grand Basileus), and was acclaimed as one of the best who ever ascended to the high post, the mourning crowd best remembered him as having been the probation officer for the area for a number of years. On the streets and in the audience were many whose lives he had touched when they needed a counseling spirit and a guiding hand after they had become entangled with the tools of the law.

## Appreciation Feature Has No Winners

There were no claimants for the three \$10 checks in last week's CAROLINIAN Appreciation Money Feature, sponsored by this newspaper and participating merchants, found each week on the back page of the first section of the paper. Three persons' names were included in as many slots of the rious businesses participating. Be sure to check the Appreciation page this week. Your name could be found among the three.

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## Officers, Others In Searches

SMITHFIELD — A teenaged black youth is being hunted in the Johnston-Wake County areas in connection with the shooting death Monday night of a 34-year-old white cab driver, who reportedly took the youngster from this Johnston County seat to a deserted area between Smithfield and Angier.

Although the killing is believed to have occurred hours earlier, the body of Donald Linwood Wilson, who worked as a taxicab driver part-time, was not discovered until about 8 p.m. that day. The victim had been shot once in the head.

About 150 police officers and civilians searched a three square-mile area early Tuesday, looking for the suspect, who was reportedly seen in the section about 3 a.m. Tuesday according to information supplied by Sgt. P. A. London of the State Highway Patrol. A

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## NAACP Also Cites Mrs. H. R. White

At the February membership meeting held last Sunday at the RICH Park office, the Raleigh-Apex branch NAACP voted to lend their support to the local firemen's discrimination lawsuit against Raleigh. After discussing the particulars of the case, the branch agreed to give its general support for the complaint and should the case demand additional fund expenditure, members indicated a willingness to contribute some money to offset costs of the lawyers' fees. All officers for the new year were installed at this meeting, also.

White Life Membership Memorial Edward L. Curtis, 301 Woods Place, who is president of the Method Civic League, gave a donation from the Civic League toward the Life Membership of the late Mrs. Harveleigh Monte Rivera White, the 1973 State "Mother of the Year." Prior to her death, Mrs. White was branch treasurer and life membership chairperson. Spurgeon Cameron contributed toward the final payment as did the AMEOS of Raleigh, a social organization. (AMEO) president, Mrs. C. J. Barber, 265 N. Tarboro Road, sent word to the NAACP through its newly appointed program chairperson, Mrs. Hazel Logan.

Mrs. Judy Hubbard, 2307

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BEGINS FIFTH TERM AS PRESIDENT — Kampala, Uganda

— What is amazing about General Idi Amin's first four years as President of Uganda is that he has survived to begin a fifth. The former boxer, cook and sergeant major has confounded his critics and nearly sidestepped a series of military uprisings. (UPI)

## Food Stamp Allotment Falls Short

WASHINGTON — The average monthly food stamp allotment for the country's needy families, falls about \$9 short of the necessary cash needed to buy foodstuffs for the basic economy diet, according to figures released by the government.

Data for December, the last month for which figures were available, showed that the government's basic economy diet plan called for an expenditure of \$159.90 for a family of four — two adults and two school age children.

However, food stamp allotment for such a family for that month was \$150 — \$9.90 or 6.6 percent less than the diet's cost.

The Agriculture Department's basic economy diet is the least expensive of four plans it has developed. Its composition reflects foods normally eaten by various income groups. The economy plan is designed to provide the basic nutritional needs using a selection of foods within a low income family budget. The government conducts a monthly recomputation of the items prices.

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PROSPECTIVE JURORS FOR ALLEGED MASS MURDERER—HOUSTON—Prospective jurors enter court as jury selection opened February 17 in the trial of accused mass slayer David Owen Brooks, a process that is expected to take a week. Brooks, 20, is the second youth charged with taking part in the sex-torture murder of 27 boys in the Houston area. Elmer Wayne Henley has already been convicted of killing six boys and sentenced to 594 years in prison. (UPI)

## Black Solons Keep Lawmakers Aware; Cite Dr. Alphonso Elder

BY ALEXANDER BARNES  
The presence of 6 blacks in the General Assembly of N.C., is being felt as they keep a close eye on legislation affecting minorities and their constant reminding of honoring blacks who have made contributions to the ongoing of the state.

The blacks are forming coalitions with other groups thereby showing the political savvy that it takes to get things done. They seem to be doing their homework well, so that when bills are presented that they are interested in, they can call on their associates to carry the ball.

A case in point was brought out Monday night when the Wake County delegation received a group of Wake County citizens that was concerned in what was termed inequity of tax assessment to property owners who are victims of forced city annexation. The group was assured by the

solons that legislation would be submitted that would guarantee fair adjudication of annexed property.

There was also the matter of cutting funds for school appropriation, which brought out many teachers. Senators John Winters and Barker, both interested in the budget, made it clear that there had to be

## 'Close Up' Involving Area Students, Tutors

WASHINGTON — More than 30 high school students and as many teachers from North Carolina counties will get an all-expense paid visit to Washington in May.

The visit for students from Wake, Durham, Orange and Harnett counties will be made under a program named "Close Up," whose purpose is to bring students closer to their government in Raleigh last week to make final plans was James E. (Jim) Krause, who is responsible for the Tarheel portion of the program.

Also, there will be a student and teacher from the Central School for the Deaf at Morganton given scholarships

## Biracial Politics Panel Set

Biracial politics will be examined Feb. 20 at North Carolina State University during the second of a three-part symposia. The session is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in Poe Hall Auditorium.

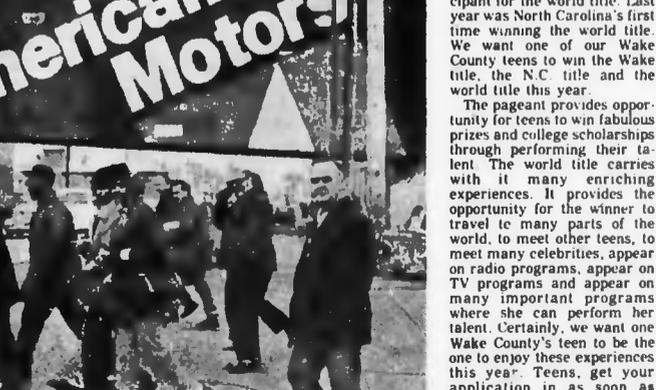
Entitled "Blacks in Southern History," the trilogy is sponsored by the School of Liberal Arts, under the director of the Department of History.

Participants will be Landa Fox of Hunter College, co-author of "Politics, Principle & Prejudice," 1865-66 Dilemma of Reconstruction America. Sheldon Hackney of Princeton University, who wrote "Populism to Progressivism in Alabama" and Dan T. Carter of Emory University whose "Scottsboro A Tragedy of the American South" was published in 1969.

Dr. Helen G. Edmonds of North Carolina Central University will be moderator.

The public is invited to attend. The third and final symposium will be Monday, April 7 when authors Robert W. Fogel and Eugene D. Genovese will be featured.

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MORE WORKERS LAID OFF — Kenosha, Wis. — First shift workers at the American Motors Corp. in Kenosha, left the plant Feb. 11, after finishing work. American Motors will lay off 4,500 workers at the plant for one week beginning Feb. 17. All production of Matadors, Hornets and Gremlins will be halted for a week while output of the firm's new small Pacer will be stepped up for its debut Feb. 28. The layoffs include 4,500 in Kenosha, 3,000 in Milwaukee and 1,000 in Canada. (UPI)

Appreciation Money  
SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEK  
CAROLINA BIBLICAL  
GARDENS  
"For A Dignified Final Resting Place"

some paring somewhere, but schools, with an eye toward salaries, were at the bottom of the priority list of funds to be cut.

The reading of a resolution, sponsored by Representative H. M. Michaux, Durham County, commemorating the late Alfonso Elder, passed its first reading Monday without a

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for the week's stay in the capital.

This year, it will take to Washington for a week's stay students from 18 metropolitan areas in the United States.



SUGGESTS RETURN TO WPA — Cleveland — National Urban League director, Vernon Jordan, suggested, Feb. 14, that the federal government initiate a massive public employment program similar to the WPA of the 1930s, to remedy current unemployment conditions. (UPI)

## Applicants Sought For Pageant

The committee for the Miss Black Teenage World Pageant of Wake County met recently to continue plans for its second pageant. The committee has completed many of its preliminary plans and is now ready to accept applications from Wake County teens. Any teen with talent between the ages of 15-17 is eligible to apply.

This year's committee is trying to make its second pageant the best in North Carolina. The committee members believe that more counties will be giving pageants and seeking to crown another North Carolina participant for the world title. Last year was North Carolina's first time wanting the world title. We want one of our Wake County teens to win the Wake title, the N.C. title and the world title this year.

The pageant provides opportunity for teens to win fabulous prizes and college scholarships through performing their talent. The world title carries with it many enriching experiences. It provides the opportunity for the winner to travel to many parts of the world, to meet other teens, to meet many celebrities, appear on radio programs, appear on TV programs and appear on many important programs where she can perform her talent. Certainly, we want one Wake County teen to be the one to enjoy these experiences this year. Teens, get your application in as soon as possible. You can win. We truly want to try and help you win.

All interested teens wishing contestant information, contact

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