

Look Toward Future: Ex-Mayor Lee



FORMER "SUPREME" DIES — Detroit, Mich. — Ms. Florence Ballard, 32, who reached stardom as one of the original members of the "Supreme," a singing trio, but spent the last several years living on welfare, died on Sunday, February 22, of cardiac arrest. Along with Ms. Diana Ross and Ms. Mary Wilson, she rose from poverty in Detroit to the top of the record charts. (UPI).

Black Bank Slated

FAYETTEVILLE — With more than 43,000 shares represented at the meeting of the shareholders of the United National Bank, in a meeting held here, Feb. 21, 12 directors and a president were elected to handle the affairs of the bank. Plans are underway for it to open March 1, in view of the fact that the organizers have met all the requirements necessary. The directors are Dr. G. Wesley Allen, Thomas B. Bacote, Gloria Blackwell, Dr. H. Curtis Bowens, William Eaton, Charles C. Fuller, Anthony F. Fullerton, Dr. Charles Lyons, Jr., James Pate, Bishop Herbert Bell Shaw, Dr. Odell Uzzell and Bishop J. W. Wactor. Anthony F. Fullerton was named president Milton A. Harvey, who spearheaded the organizing, is the vice president and cashier. The operations will be carried on at the temporary quarters, on Gillis. (See BLACK BANK, P. 2)

Community Plan Is Explained

The General Assembly of North Carolina, in its 1975 session, in a ratified bill, Chapter 929, House Bill 456, provided for counties to provide a comprehensive plan for the development of community-based alternatives to training school commitment so that "status offenders" (defined by this Act to include "those juveniles guilty of offenses which would not be violations of the law if committed by an adult") may be eliminated from the youth development institutions of this state. Additionally, it is the intent of this legislation to provide noninstitutional disposition options in any case before the Juvenile Court, where such disposition is deemed to be in the best interest of the child and the community. The Wake County Board of Commissioners will be conducting a series of public meetings throughout the county for the purpose of giving individual citizens and groups the opportunity to express themselves and to have input into the plan that will be devised and submitted to the North Carolina Secretary of Human Resources. The schedule of the meetings is as follows: Tuesday, March 9, Wendell Town Hall; Wednesday, March 13, ... (See DEVELOPMENT, P. 2)



NABBED AS "RABBIT-FURRED" ROBBER — New York — FBI agents, early Feb. 22, arrested Eugene "Shoebe" Streets, a former amateur boxing champ, who is suspected of being the "rabbit-furred robber" wanted for the holdups of at least 13 banks here. In these FBI photos, Streets is shown (R) after his arrest, and as the alleged holdup man (L) who earned his nickname from his wardrobe. A bank camera photographed this Feb. 14. (UPI).

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Following Student Picketing

Lightner Defends Job

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U. S. Supreme Court Rules

FOWLER APPEAL OUT

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Heads State's Baptist Women

Churchwoman Honored

'Plan For Future,' Lee Urges

BY PAT BRYANT
Former Chapel Hill Mayor Howard N. Lee was the principal speaker at the annual Raleigh Community Relations Commission banquet on Thursday, February 16th. Although the event was planned to honor former Raleigh Mayor Clarence Lightner, discussions of proposed staff firings commanded a distinct undertone. The bicentennial banquet was held at Edenton Street United Methodist Church.



CHAMP TOYS AROUND — New York — World heavyweight Muhammad Ali, fresh from his victory over Jean-Pierre Coopman in Puerto Rico Feb. 20, toys around with a boxing ring game Feb. 21 after he signed an exclusive contract with a toy company for world wide distribution of a Muhammad Ali doll and boxing ring. (UPI).

Central Task Force Seeks Information

The Central Community Task Force is seeking to increase participation of its members who live in the area of Shaw University, South Park, Boylan Heights, Walnut Terrace, Heritage Park and downtown. The citizens of these areas should and need to acquaint themselves with the Capital Area Transit (CAT), Raleigh's bus system, which will be expanding bus service in the community, when 21 new buses arrive in June. There is a need for citizens to review the proposed route system which is under study. If you have input concerning changes, please let such changes be known. Raleigh is among the first 12 local governments to receive funds from North Carolina for mass transit programs. John Stinhofer, transit division, City of Raleigh, will speak on bus routes in and around the area and give out questionnaires on Tuesday, March 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. Review of Estey Hall's progress - renovation and restoration - will be further discussed for your input. All citizens of Raleigh who have interest in preserving our historic sites are invited to attend the meeting. We are pleased to know that two VISTA volunteers, Bob Schmalfeld and Steve Baxley, will be present to offer their services to the Task Force. Mrs. Effie Young would appreciate your cooperation with the South Park Garden Club in the cleanup beautification project. Central Community is interested in getting citizens from various occupational categories and interests and also from a broad geographical base, to (See TASK FORCE, P. 2)

Church To Observe 164th Yr.

The First Baptist Church, located at 101 S. Wilmington St., will celebrate its 164th anniversary Sunday, March 7. The co-chairpersons, Mrs. Lucy Johnson and D. R. Ingram, report that plans for the celebration are almost completed. There will be an outstanding speaker at the 11 o'clock hour and local speakers during the evening program, which will carry the theme, Pillars of The Church. The entire church is looking forward to the celebration with all auxiliaries participating to make the program a meaningful one. The church notes with interest that the date of the celebration this year falls on the exact date that the church was organized as a bi-racial church 164 years ago. (See CHURCH TO, P. 2)

Justices Say 'No' On Fowler

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The United States Supreme Court ruled Monday morning that it will not hear any more arguments in the case of 26-year-old Jesse Thurman Fowler of Raleigh, N. C., who is appealing his gas chamber death sentence in a Raleigh murder case. Last April, the court heard lawyers for Fowler challenge the constitutionality of capital punishment. The case was put on the court's calendar in June to be re-argued during this term. The Supreme Court accepted the appeals cases of six other condemned men in five states in January of this year. It announced that it would hear them on March 30 and 31. Fowler, who resided at 1813 Ligon St. (off Method Road), was found guilty of the murder of John E. Griffin, 36, of Branch St. in Walnut Terrace on July 1, 1973. The alleged murder followed a dice game in which the two "friends" had engaged. No reason was given by the court for changing its mind about hearing the case of Mr. Fowler, a truck driver, but (See FOWLER, P. 2)

B. Burrell Wants Piece Of "Rock"

DURHAM — Dr. Berkeley G. Burrell, president, National Negro Business League, told persons who attended the annual dinner of Durham's Professional Business Chain, here Friday night, that blacks must have 15 percent of America's wealth by the year 2000 or begin a new century of gloom and despair. He began by tracing the financial history of the race, setting forth what Booker T. Washington meant and said (See B. BURRELL, P. 2)

Appreciation Checks Won By 3 In Raleigh

Three CAROLINIAN readers won this week's Appreciation Money. They were Ms. Josephine Turner, 2816 Sylvester St., Harry Anderson, 216 S. Tarboro St., and Omelious Hunter, 1809 Waller Pl. Ms. Turner found her name in the Piggly Wiggly advertisement. Anderson and Hunter found their names in the Carolina Biblical Gardens and the Hudson Belk advertisement, respectively. (See APPRECIATION, P. 2)



MOTHER OF ONE WEEPS — Chester, Pa. — Mrs. Olivia Hill, center, mother of one of four children, killed in a general alarm fire early Tuesday, February 21, is led crying from the scene of the blaze by a policeman. A fifth victim was also found in the three homes that were destroyed. (UPI).

Director Of OIC Comments

Opportunities Industrialization Center (OIC) director Bruce Lightner called a press conference Monday to defend himself and the center against allegations by protesting students. Picketing students recently demanded the dismissal of Lightner and two other top administrators and complained about the training they are receiving at the center. Lightner told the press Monday that the center is "well ahead of our timetable in our training schedule." He said that the first two cycles of the program resulted in the placement of 44 students with a "job retention rate of 98 percent." Fifteen of the 50 students who are scheduled to graduate in April have already when placed for jobs, he said. In the face of the allegations that the program is inadequately preparing students, Lightner said, "Because we (See LIGHTNER, P. 2)

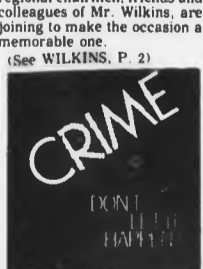
Sen. Morgan Holds Business Hearing

BY PAT BRYANT

Senator Robert Morgan and the Subcommittee on Small Business of the U. S. Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee, heard varying testimony about the effectiveness of the Small Business Administration Monday and Tuesday, February 23, and 24th, at the Fayetteville Street Post Office in Raleigh. Bankers, contractors, oil jobbers, furniture manufacturers, accountants, food retailers are just a few of the interests that were represented at the hearing. Also before the committee were members of the Small Business Administration and State officials representing the Office of Minority Business Enterprises. Several witnesses told of experiences in which SBA was quite insensitive to the needs of businessmen. Fred Wilson, a black accountant representing Atlantic Homes of "Rocky Mount," testified that since 1968 his firm had counseled more than 100 businesses through counseling and preparing loan applications for SBA loans. Wilson said "I could be in error but I am thoroughly convinced at this moment that SBA in Charlotte has worked very hard and uniringly to put me out of business." Wilson said that SBA had consistently refused eligible applicant loans which required double paper work for his business. "Clients, loan requests have been cut for no apparent reason. Only once was a loan ever made for more than the amount the client requested. The applicant in many cases is set up under bankrupt conditions before he can begin to operate. Sometimes the loan is made without providing working capital." Wilson also told Senator Morgan that he would supply the committee with a list of clients that SBA told that they could get loans if SBA would get someone else to package their loans. Morgan indicated that he would investigate that complaint as well as many others made during the hearing.

Black Muslims Plan Saviour's Meet Sun.

On Sunday, Feb. 29, the Nation of Islam (Black Muslims) will conduct its 44th annual Saviour's Day Convention here. The traditionally Chicago centered event, expected to be one of the largest conventions in American history, will be convened at closed circuit television broadcast sites across America. The local broadcast will be held at 2 p.m. at Raleigh Memorial Auditorium. It will be telecast in color. Activities at the convention will include the presentation of "Special Nation of Islam Community Development Humanitarian Reform Programs" and the highlight of the day will be a special "State of the Nation" address by Wallace D. Muhammad, chief minister of the Nation of Islam in the west, after one year as the spiritual and administrative head of the Nation. Other speakers will include Dr. Na'im Akbar - special assistant to the chief minister and Minister Abdul Haleem Farrakhan, the international representative of Muhammad. Raleigh will be one of the 17 cities across the country to receive "the closed circuit broadcast which will outline the growth and development of the Muslim movement, founded in the 1930's by the late Master Elijah Muhammad. Other cities at which the Saviour's Day convention will be held include: Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Kansas City, Mo., Los Angeles, Miami, New Orleans, Newark. (See MUSLIMS, P. 2)



Editor's Note: The CAROLINIAN is resuming its publication of The Crime Beat with this edition of the newspaper, following a tremendous amount of personal inquiries and telephone calls for the original editor's note regarding the column, persons wishing to keep their names out of The Crime Beat should not become involved with the Raleigh Police Department, thereby putting their names on the police blotter, from which all of the material for The Crime Beat is gathered.

MAN SHOT IN LEG
David W. Montague, of 724 1/2 Gaston, reported to Raleigh police that he was walking at Lenoir and State Streets Friday when someone shot him from a passing vehicle. He was shot, according to police reports, with a .22 calibre gun, though police investigation has not determined whether it was a rifle or pistol. No arrest nor motive had been determined by police investigation as of press time. (See CRIME BEAT, P. 3)



SEIZED IN RAID — Miami, Florida — Customs Miami Special Agent in charge Herbert Feinstein, displays one of the automatic M-10 machine guns seized in a raid on a Pompano Beach warehouse Feb. 18. Authorities recovered 480 machine guns (rear), 18 nine millimeter pistols which had been covered for full automatic operation (L), silencers (Center, large tubular items) and magazines (foreground). Earl W. Daneworth and Gerald Cunningham both of Deerfield Beach were arrested when they attempted, to sell 1000 of the weapons to undercover agents for a price in the area of \$750,000. (UPI).

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