

# Body Not Pleased With Prisons

## Officials' Response Is Noted

BY WILLIE WHITE,  
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The North Carolina Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights (USCCR) is not pleased with the response it has received from N. C. prison officials concerning its recent prison study.

Bobby D. Doctor, regional director of the USCCR regional office in Atlanta, said Tuesday, "The kind of response that we have gotten from the Dept. of Corrections leaves a lot to be desired." He said he hopes future meetings with the officials "will be a lot more fruitful."

Doctor made his remarks at a meeting of the advisory committee at the Pullen Memorial Baptist Church Tuesday when the committee was meeting with other groups concerned with reform of the state's prison system. The meeting was chaired by the Rev. W. W. Finlator, pastor of Pullen Memorial Baptist Church and chairman of the advisory committee. He had called the meeting to discuss the committee's findings with the other groups and to solicit their help in getting officials to respond to the findings.

One of the key findings of the committee's study, released earlier this year, was the small number of minorities and women in the top staff positions. And Doctor returned to that point Tuesday afternoon in the 2 1/2 hour meeting. "There needs to be more minorities employed in the system from the top down," he said, noting the lack of women on the various boards of the system.

The various groups expressed general praise and approval of the committee's report. But a few criticisms were also made.

For example, Allen McGregor, representing the N. C. Prisoners' Union, challenged the committee's recommendation that more facilities be built in areas that are more readily accessible for work release and social contact with the community. McGregor said, "If you build more prisons, the state will fill them. If you build 500 new prisons, the state will fill them."

Bob Morrison, co-founder of Second Chance, Inc. in Raleigh, said the parole policy requires too long a period of imprisonment before an inmate can be considered for parole. "The longer you keep them there, the more likely you are to make criminals out of them," Morrison said of some inmates. He said some inmates could be returned to productive community life immediately after imprisonment. (See CIVIL RIGHTS, P. 2)

## Increase In Rents

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Shaw Apartment Directors Vote For

Halifax White Woman

# HELD IN SLAYING

Vocational Guidance Head

## Mrs. Lennon Is Elected



MRS. THELMA C. LENNON

## Native Of City Chosen

Mrs. Thelma Cumbo Lennon, director of Pupil Personnel Services, North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh, has been elected as president-elect of the National Vocational Guidance Association - a division of the American Personnel and Guidance Association.

Mrs. Lennon, presently attending the annual meeting of the association, will begin her responsibilities with the division's Board of Trustees immediately.

The National Vocational Guidance Association is the oldest professional association in guidance and counseling and Mrs. Lennon is the first southerner to be elected to the post. She is a native of Raleigh, and presently resides in Durham with her husband, John D. Lennon.

Mrs. Lennon has been involved in the association's activities for a number of years. She formerly served on its board of trustees, and served as chairperson of its Commission on the Education and Employment of Women.

Mrs. Lennon's tenure as president will begin in 1977.



MAYOR JACKSON

## Blacks Declare Victory

BY PAT BRYANT  
HALIFAX — Blacks in Scotland Neck won a victory Tuesday as Mrs. Sandra Dupree, wife of a Free Will Baptist minister in Scotland Neck was held without bond after finding of probable cause in the shooting death of Harry Lee Dickens, a 21-year-old black youth. Mrs. Dupree is white.

The judging of the 34-year-old mother of four was a reversal of the March 15th decision of District Judge J. T. Maddrey to release Mrs. Dupree on a \$10,000 bond. Since mid-March, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) has organized almost daily marches and picketing and boycotting of local white merchants in Scotland Neck.

District Attorney W. T. Burgwyn argued that Mrs. Dupree should be held without bond until her trial to protect society from her. "She should be fed out of the same spoon as anyone else committing such a crime," Burgwyn said to the court. No probable motive has been stated.

(See SLAYING, P. 2)

## Complex Proposal Adopted

BY PAT BRYANT  
The Board of Directors of Shaw Foundation, Inc., met Tuesday at Shaw University and adopted, with modification, a proposal by the Wake County Legal Aid Society to restructure electricity allowances in the 100-unit, federally subsidized complex.

A change in the electricity allowances used by the complex to charge tenants for "excess consumption" of electricity was demanded by tenants at the last board meeting in Biltmore Hills last week. Tenants and a legal aide attorney said that the allowance was 12 percent too low and did not reflect the most recent increase in electric rates by Carolina Power & Light Co.

Charles Montgomery represented the legal aide society presented a formula derived from an annual study of all electric bills in the project. Montgomery said that the formula was developed "to prevent the large majority of residents from paying any utility surcharge, even in winter when electric heat is used." The rate is higher in the winter months, when electric heat causes bills to soar. For example, the allowance for January would be \$64.11, and \$10.24 in August.

The board not only voted to change the utility rate, but also to have a rent increase so that the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) would pay for 70 percent of the increase, leaving the tenants with 30 percent of the increase. (See APARTMENTS, P. 2)

## Jackson Coming To City

Dr. Prezell R. Robinson, president, St. Augustine's College, has announced that the 100th Baccalaureate-Commencement exercises will take place on Sunday, May 9, at 3 p.m. on the campus quadrangle. The speaker for the occasion will be the Honorable Maynard Holbrook Jackson, Jr., mayor, City of Atlanta, Ga.

The senior worship service will be held at 7 a.m. in the College Chapel, followed by a flag raising ceremony at 7:30 a.m. on the quadrangle, and the flag lowering after the commencement.

Highlights of other events on the calendar will include: Senior Class Night, May 6, at 7 in the College Union; May 8, ROTC Commissioning Ceremony. (See JACKSON, P. 2)

## Ceremony Sun. At Gardens

On Sunday, April 25, at 3 p.m., dedication ceremonies will be held at Carolina Biblical Gardens on Sanderford Rd., in Raleigh for the recent installation of the "Avenue of Flags Memorial," honoring the 5 branches of the service, the first of its kind in the Raleigh area.

Presentation of 3 flags will take place for ceremonies raising during the program. Congressman Ike Andrews' representative, Arch Hathcock, will present an American flag that has flown over the nation's capitol to the American Legion Department Adjutant James Adcox; John Murphy, deputy secretary of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs of N.C., will make the presentation of the flag. (See CEREMONY, P. 2)

## To Attend Task Force Sessions

Ernest L. Raiford, the Executive Director of the Bloodworth Street Y.M.C.A., will attend a meeting of the National YMCA Task Force on strengthening YMCA services in Black Communities to be held at the Downtown Motel, Newark, N. J. April 23-24, 1976. He will present a paper on "Objectives Related to the Development of the Y.M.C.A. History for the Local Association."

Other items on the agenda of the two-day meet include "Objectives for Cultural Enrichment," National Recognition Programs for Y.M.C.A.'s in Black Communities and the international 125th Y.M.C.A. Anniversary Celebration scheduled for Washington in 1977, and a visit to a YMCA Afro-American Cultural Center in action.

## Appreciation Check Won By Mrs. Graham

Mrs. Mamie Graham, of 104 Carver St., was the only Appreciation Money winner this week. The other potential winners, Mrs. Evelyn Hunter of 810 Cotton Place, and Joseph H. Walters of 704 Calloway Dr., did not report to The CAROLINIAN office that they had found their names in the list. (See APPRECIATION, P. 2)

Appreciation Money SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEK CAROLINA BIBLICAL GARDENS "For A Well-Kept Final Resting Place"



CAR IS VICTIM OF HEAT — Richmond, Va. — The stifling heat was bad enough for most of April 19, and Richmond Singleton, of Charleston, S. C. (R) would have been content to suffer from only a sweating brow. But that's his car at left, another victim of the heat. Singleton was driving from Philadelphia to Charleston on I-95 when he noticed smoke coming from under the hood. The car was a total loss. (UPI).

## Cofield Becomes President, Top Officer Of Mass. Firm

BY JAMES A. SHEPARD  
James E. Cofield, Jr., 30-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Cofield, is making black history in his adopted city of Boston, Mass.

Cofield, a black pioneer in the heretofore practically white world of high finance, is president and chief executive officer of Malmart Mortgage Co., Inc. Malmart, one of the very few full service mortgage banking firms in all of the New England states, provides permanent financing to home owners in both the existing housing and the new construction markets. Cofield's company is also active in project mortgages and the permanent financing market for multi-family unit apartments and common and industrial projects.

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## Labor Confab Planned

MIAMI, Fla. — The Labor Affairs Program of the National Urban League will hold its 8th annual Labor Affairs Conference, May 11-14, in Miami, Fla.

The conference, with the theme, Affirmative Action - A Labor, Industry And Government Responsibility, will be held at the Sheraton Four-Ambassadors Hotel.

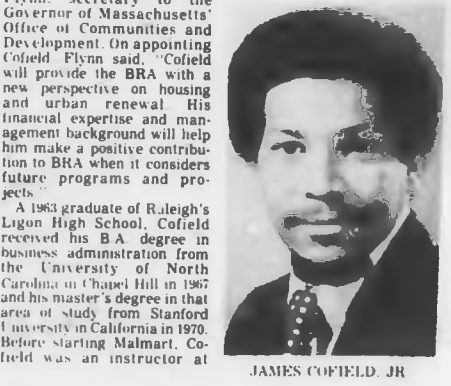
The conference will consist of general forums on a number of topics including affirmative action, full employment and new developments in apprenticeship. Two workshops on affirmative action and increasing job openings for women will also be held.

Special awards will be presented to Dorothy Height, president of the National Council of Negro Women; Carmen Maymi, director, Women's Bureau, U.S. Department of Labor; William Pollard, Civil Rights Department, AFL-CIO; Dr. Daniel H. Kruger, professor industrial relations, Michigan State University and Ronald T. Gault, program officer, Ford Foundation.

Addressing the over 400 expected delegates will be Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., executive director, National Urban League; Ms. Height, Dr. F. Ray Marshall, chairman, Department of Economics, University of Texas and Pierce Quinlan, administrator, Concentrated Employment Development, U.S. Department of Labor.

Lane Kirkland, secretary-treasurer, AFL-CIO, will be the keynote speaker at the annual awards banquet on Thursday, May 13. Outstanding apprenticeship and insight into the

Stantford, where he distinguished himself in conducting the research for the financing segment of a study entitled, Housing And Urban Resource Development for the City of San Francisco, Calif. He was a consultant for the prestigious (See COFIELD, P. 2)



## Judge Hastie Dies Suddenly; Rites Held

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — The serenity of the sanctuary of Baptist Temple, located on the campus of Temple University, was not disturbed in the least when some of the top people in America's judicial system joined people from all walks of life last Saturday in a fitting memorial to one of the most respected to ever grace the bench, William H. Hastie.

The memorial got underway when Rev. Leon Sullivan opened the solemn occasion with a prayer. The setting became more solemn when Robert E. Groeters sang a song of consolation that compared favorably with the life of Hastie and pictured his transition to a peaceful shore. Marvin Wachman, president, Temple University, in a subdued tone, told of the service that Hastie gave to the school as member of its trustee board, in guiding the administration. Wachman said he was quite grateful for Hastie having been around during the campus disturbances of the '60s.

Honorable Thurgood Marshall, associate justice, U.S. Supreme Court, told of what a consoling factor he was in planning civil rights cases. He told of how the NAACP lawyers won a case without even going to court. It was the case that opened the Air Force. He said that Hastie's experience with the War Department gave him the knowledge needed to draw up the bill of particulars. The brief was said to have been so convincing. The plaintiff was only asking to have the right to join the Air Force and gain the right to die for his country. The plaintiff was permitted to join the Air Force, thereby killing the cause of action.

Hastie, shortly after finishing Amherst College and passing the bar, masterminded the first test case to desegregate the University of N.C., when the late L. E. Austin took Raymond Houtt to Chapel Hill to enroll in the School of Pharmacy. He is said to have joined C. O. Pearson and C. Aubrey McCoy in presenting this case.

His son, William, Jr., represented the family and proved he was the illustrious son of an illustrious sire. He chose to follow his father into the legal profession and now practices in San Francisco, Calif. The renown jurist leaves also his wife, the former Beryl Lockhart and a daughter, who also entered the field of law, Attorney Karen Williams, Washington, D.C. There is also one granddaughter.

He was Judge of the District Court of the Virgin Islands from 1937 to 1939. In 1943, he resigned his post as civilian aide to U.S. Secretary of War Henry Stimson to protest (See JUDGE DIES, P. 2)

## CRIME

Editor's Note: The CAROLINIAN is resuming its publication of the Crime Beat, following a tremendous number of personal inquiries and telephone calls for its content. As was stated in 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 getting their names on the police blotter, from which all of the material for The Crime Beat is gathered.

MEN CHARGED IN B&E  
Two Raleigh men were charged Sunday with attempting to break and enter the Holiday Inn Restaurant at 320 Hillsborough, according to Raleigh police reports. The two men, Anthony Lamar Blalock, of 707 Hadley Rd., and Joseph K. Constant, of 908 Delaney, caused about \$5 in damages during the alleged attempted break-in, according to the police reports. (See CRIME BEAT, P. 3)



COMMITTEE MEETING — The Rev. W. W. Finlator, (left), chairman of the N. C. Advisory Committee, and Bobby Doctor, regional director of the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights Office in Atlanta, met with prison reform groups Tuesday to discuss the committee's recent recommendations on N.C. prisons. See story in Column 1, Page 1. (Photo by Willie White).