

Conyers, Others Visit B. Chavis

Express Concern For Jailed Cleric

MCCAIN — "A lot of us feel badly that we focus attention on one case but there are brothers black and white right behind these very walls that could tell you something that would blow your minds about how they got there. You brought me closer to this system, and probably a lot of us closer than we intended to get and what we begin to find out is that we are all trapped. Even us on this side of the wires are in our own way trapped just as you are on that side." These remarks were made by Rev. Ben Chavis by Congressman John Conyers, Democrat of Michigan, as he and 37 press members visited with Chavis Sunday, May 2nd, at McCain Prison at McCain. Conyers and other black leaders were in the area to attend a Black Caucus meeting, held in Charlotte.

Conyers continued, "What we have to do is keep a perspective that's large enough so that we can lift all of us out of this mess." Conyers' visit to McCain followed charges of Rev. Chavis to the North Carolina Inmates Grievance Commission that he is being "unjustly" assigned to McCain because of "hospital atmosphere." Chavis said that TB patients, as well as mentally ill patients, are incarcerated at the prison. McCain superintendent J. C. Harris and deputy director of prisons Walter "Kip" Kautsky, have agreed that sick inmates are housed at the prison, but say that safeguards are taken so that there is no danger to Chavis' health. They have denied that the unit is a hospital. Chavis read a prepared statement which attacked the

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Wake County Ex-Wife Faces

MANSLAUGHTER RAP

★★★★ As RCRC's Associate Executive Director

Ms. Mitchell Resigns



WALLACE G. READE
Mitchell To Quit May 31

Woman Is Free; No Bail

FUQUAY-VARINA — A 34-year-old Fuquay-Varina woman has been freed from the Wake County Jail in Raleigh on charges of shooting to death her 36-year-old ex-husband at her home early Sunday night.

The victim, Wallace George Reade of 126 Lawrence St. was discovered already dead in the year of his former wife, located in the rural section of this area, on Angier Rd. Two bullets in the chest had put an end to his life.

Sheriff's deputies charged Mrs. Bessie Lee Reade, 35, with manslaughter in the incident, instead of murder. According to Deputy Melvin T. Munn, who investigated, the woman reportedly shot her ex-spouse while defending herself.

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MRS. RUTH B. JONES
Educator Honored By NEA

ROCKY MOUNT — Ruth Braaswell Jones, a 5th grade teacher at Baskerville School in Rocky Mount, was elected recently by the North Carolina Association of Educators' board of directors as one of the 5 female educational leaders of North Carolina. This election was held in response to a request from the National Education Association for assistance in developing a Bicentennial program which

Rites Are Held For W. Bryant

Funeral services for William Henry Bryant were held Wednesday, May 5th, at St. Paul AME Church with the Rev. Nathaniel Gaylord, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in Carolina Biblical Gardens. Mr. Bryant suffered a short illness following the sudden death of his wife, Mrs. Lucille McRae Bryant, March 20. Family members said he never recovered from her death. Bryant came to Raleigh in 1929 and worked for 2 years



WILLIAM H. BRYANT

Appreciation Check Claimed By One Here

Joshua Cooper, of 813 S. Blount St., Apt. D, was the winner of this week's Appreciation Money. He found his name listed in an advertisement on the Appreciation Money Page on the back of the front section of last week's CAROLINIAN. Two other names were listed on the Appreciation Money Page; however, the persons did not report to The CAROLINIAN office that they had found their names listed. Ms. Arstair B. Smith, of 2016

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Teachers Asking Increases

BY WILLIE WHITE, Staff Writer
Black school teachers were prominent among the 7,000 teachers who demonstrated in Raleigh Saturday for a 16 percent pay increase. After a rally in Dorton Arena, the teachers assembled at the intersection of Hillsborough and St. Mary's and marched east on Hillsborough to the N. C. Capitol. They continued around the capitol and north on Wilmington around the Legislative Building and ended the march in a nearby state parking lot.

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Delegates Off To Chicago

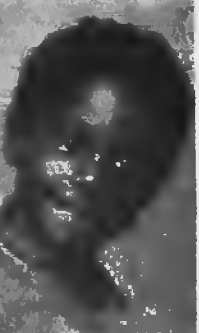
CHARLOTTE — Bishop H. B. Shaw, senior prelate, AME Zion Church, Wilmington, accompanied reports from the headquarters of the second largest black Methodist body in the world, located here, led 114 delegates from N.C. to the 40th quadrennial session of the General Conference, McCormick Inn, 23rd and Shore Lake, Tuesday, May 4.

The N.C. delegation is the second largest that will attend the meet. Alabama will have the largest. The ministerial delegation will be composed, almost entirely, of men. The lay delegates will be 75 percent women for the first time in the history of the denomination. Due to the fact that there will be no election of bishops and there is a movement to restructure overall process of

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"PAY: FOUR TIMES FOUR" — Leading this chant, Herbert Dark, center, was in the lead column of marching teachers Saturday afternoon as thousands of teachers protested in the city for higher salaries. (WILLIE WHITE PHOTO)



RODNEY HUNTER
Boy, 8, Killed By Car

HOLLY SPRINGS — Funeral services were held for Rodney Hunter, 8, of Holly Springs at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Bazzle Creek Baptist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery. The youth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hunter, of Holly Springs, was killed in a car accident Saturday on N.C. 55 when he apparently ran into the path of a car driven by Clint Utley, also of Holly Springs. Police Chief Nathaniel Burt said the youth was knocked about 100 feet when the vehicle struck him. No charges were filed in connection with the accident. Burt said the Utley vehicle was traveling 35 miles per hour, and was within the legal speed limit for the town. The accident occurred in front of Woodward's Grocery during a Saturday afternoon rain. The eulogy was delivered by the Rev. Harold Trice, pastor

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Reacts On Files Of King

WASHINGTON, D.C. — In response to inquiries from the news media regarding the Civil Rights Division's review of the Martin Luther King files, Attorney General Edward H. Levi last Thursday, issued the following statement:

I have directed the Office of Professional Responsibility, headed by Michael Shaheen, to complete a review of all records in the Department of Justice concerning the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The Civil Rights Division, under the personal direction of Assistant Attorney General J. Stanley Pottinger, completed on April 9, a 5-month preliminary review of files at FBI headquarters. As a result of this preliminary review, the Civil Rights Division has recommended that the review be carried forward to completion with an additional examination of records at FBI headquarters and field offices. It is believed that more than 200,000 documents may be involved.

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Attorney Paul Is Queried

BY PAT BRYANT
(Editor's Note: The following is an exclusive interview with Durham attorney Jerry Paul, Paul met with a client at the N.C. Correctional Center for Women in Raleigh. Date of the interview was April 29.)

"They have charged me with saying that the N.C. Judicial system is racist and they charged me with saying that I am a freedom fighter and I have a responsibility to fight for freedom. They have made it a crime for a lawyer, one of the people who is supposed to know how the judicial system operates, to tell people the truth about the judicial system," said Durham attorney Jerry Paul in a recent interview. Paul's remarks were made in response to the

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New Column

This week, THE CAROLINIAN introduces a new column, entitled This Is The Law. It is sponsored by the Lawyers of North Carolina and written by Robert E. Lee. The column will run weekly for a period of one year and explains many things that will be helpful to our readers.

Salute To Moms

WHAT IS A MOM?
A mom is someone who knows all our needs, Our dreams, hopes and desires, With sincere interest in all that we do. Someone who guides, and inspires.
A mom is filled with compassion, Is openhanded, sympathetic and forgiving, The smile of a mom is warm and tender, And adds so much joy to living.
A mom is someone with vast patience, Who calms all our worries away, Someone with infinite trust in her children, And love for them day by day.
A mom can make a home out of a house, By just being warm and sweet, By her thoughtfulness and gentleness too, Which makes life more beautiful and complete.
A mom is full of strength and judgment, Of loveliness, gentleness and grace, She's someone whose love will be cherished forever "No" one can take mom's place.
—DEBORAH DIXON

Meeting Of Black Leaders Is May 15

A statewide Black Leadership Conference is scheduled to be held in Raleigh, May 15, in which participants will begin to formulate a "Black Political Agenda" for North Carolina. It will be held at St. Augustine's College from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.

At a news conference last Thursday morning, planners of the conference said the agenda itself will be developed 6 to 8 weeks after the May 15 conference. The conference planners expect 200 to 300 participants in the conference in which education, criminal justice, social welfare, political education, health care, employment, housing and economic development will be discussed.

Planners of the conference said in a prepared statement, "No longer is the question civil rights alone. We are concerned with the broad questions and issues facing the entire population of this state."
Travis Frances, a representative of the North Carolina-Virginia United Church of Christ Commission on Racial Justice (UCCCRJ), said at the press conference that the planners of the conference want to "highlight what is important to the black community." He also said the candidates in the coming state



CONFERENCE PLANNERS — Four of the planners for the N.C. Black Leadership Conference at a press conference at St. Augustine's College last week. Left to right are: Raleigh City Councilman William Knight, former mayor Clarence Lightner, Commission on Racial Justice director Leon White and Commission officials Travis Frances.



Editor's Note: The CAROLINIAN is running its publication of The Crime Beat, following a tremendous number of personal inquiries and telephone calls for its reinstatement. 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 roster, from which all of the material for The Crime Beat is gathered.

ALLEGED RAPE VICTIM

A 14-year-old Stevens Rd. girl was the alleged victim of a "forcible rape" about 4:30 p.m. Saturday in the 2400 block of Stevens Rd., according to Raleigh police reports. According to the reports, the alleged incident took place in a vehicle. The alleged incident was reported by a relative of the youth. The youth sustained scratches and bruises in the alleged incident. No arrests were indicated in the reports.

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Dramatic Increase In Use Of Guns By Youth Gangs

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A Federally-funded study released last Friday showed a dramatic increase in the use of guns by youth gangs and said some gang members exploit both schoolteachers and pupils and occasionally claim the right to administer classroom discipline.

The report, financed by a \$48,890 grant from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, was conducted by Dr. Walter B. Miller of the Harvard Law School, Center for Criminal Justice. It examined the gang situation in six large cities — New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit and San Francisco. Research also was conducted in Washington, D.C., St. Louis, Cleveland, Baltimore, Houston and New Orleans. "Dr. Miller's report is both important and disturbing," said LEAA Administrator Richard W. Valde. "It is probably the first attempt ever to compile a national picture of youth gang and youth group problems based on direct visits to gang locales."

Dr. Miller estimated that New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit and San Francisco could have as many as 2,700 gangs and 81,500 members. These figures, he says are "probably still conservative." New York has the greatest concentration of gangs, according to the study—police estimate 315 gangs with 8,000 verified and 20,000 alleged members. Los Angeles and Philadelphia have the highest proportion of gang members, with the "average" estimate showing close to six of every 100 male youths associated with a gang or group. Of all the cities surveyed, only in Houston was there unanimous agreement that the city had no gangs, however defined, and that there had been none since 1945. The question of why only Houston reports no gang problems will be studied further.

Dr. Miller's findings were based on information from 61 public and private agencies and interviews with 148 people involved with gangs including police, social agencies, the courts, correctional systems and probation personnel—rather than undertaking an independent survey of gang members. Many gangs have their own "colors" and go by such flamboyant names as "Savage Skulls," "King Kobras," "Chains," and "Crips."