

# E. (Iron Mike) McDowell Buried

## Colorful Figure Of Many Decades Mourned

BY GEORGE D. CLEMENTS

Ernest "Iron Mike" McDowell was to be honored with an appreciation day Aug. 28. But he died Aug. 19, after a long illness.

The appreciation day committee which had worked long and hard to bring into reality this day of honor to "Iron Mike," will hold, instead of an appreciation day, a memorial program in his honor in the Chavis Recreation Center at 2 p.m. Aug. 28.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Tuesday at St. Matthew AME Church. He was buried in Carolina Biblical Gardens.

Ernest McDowell was Raleigh's greatest sports booster. "Iron Mike," so nicknamed because of his strong lungs and voice, had the talent and ability to add color and liveliness to any game he attended, whether his team was winning or losing.

Fans to local athletic events jockeyed for seats near him and paid as much attention to his witty and vivid commentaries, as they did to what was happening in the athletic events they were watching.

Ernest McDowell was born in Lenoir, N.C., Oct. 2, 1904. He was the son of the late Will and Margaret McDowell. He is survived by his wife, Delia; a daughter, Mrs. Ruth M. Griffin, a son, Ernest McDowell, Jr.; and a sister, Mrs. Hugh Monford of Pleasantville, N.J.

He came to Raleigh at an early age and attended school at Garfield Graded School, which was located on S. Swain St., and St. Augustine's Normal

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At Bragg And State Streets

# STOP LIGHT ASKED

To Counter White Mississippi Merchants Claims

## NAAACP Planning Suit

### Reporter Questions Residents Of Area

BY PAT BRYANT

Odell Warren, research assistant for the Planning and Research Division of the Raleigh Police Department, said this week that there have been fourteen reported accidents at the corner of Bragg and State since March.

Residents of the area said that there are accidents at the corner almost every week. Dwight Sanders, operator of Bragg Street Grocery, said, "Yeah, we need one bad," when he was asked about the need of a traffic signal there. Sanders said he wrecked his car recently at the intersection when another driver failed to stop for the stop sign on Bragg Street.

James Perry, Jr. thought that a reporter had a petition for him to sign and said, "If you have got something to sign, I'll sign it." Perry said he is concerned even though "I don't even own a car."

Allen Willis, Sr., manager of Rainbow Cab Company, said another taxi had an accident at the corner. Willis said of a traffic signal, "They need one there badly." The accident was caused when a driver of another vehicle appeared to fail to stop for the stop sign and was hit by the taxi. Willis said that the taxi did not have passengers at the time of the accident.

People in the neighborhood said that it is not only private vehicles crashing the stop sign. One man, perched on a crate in front of Bragg Street Grocery, said many of the sheriff from other counties and correctional staff that bring prisoners to the N.C. Correctional Center for Women at 1034 Bragg, do not slow down. (See STOP LIGHT, P. 2)

## Inspects Record Of Dole

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — After President Gerald Ford's announcement that he had chosen Robert Dole as his running mate, Clarence Mitchell stated that the Kansas Republican's civil rights record indicated that he would be a staunch foe of blacks for first-class citizenship.

## Takeover At Prison Rejected

BY PAT BRYANT

A spokesperson for the 2,000-member N.C. Prisoners Labor Union said Monday that the organization will appeal the Aug. 16 dismissal of a suit supported by the union.

The suit alleged that N.C. prisons are overcrowded; have inadequate and restricted programs for education, recreation and work release; have inadequate administration of hearing procedures; and have improper classification. It was dismissed by Judge Woodrow Wilson Jones sitting in the U.S. District Court in Asheville.

Judge Jones said in his opinion that the Prisoner's Labor Union did not substantiate its allegations.

Dr. James E. Grant, spokesperson for the Union, said the case will be appealed to the Circuit Court of Appeals. Grant was critical of Judge Jones' reasons for dismissing the suit.

"When people say that the facts are not clear and have not been proved, I begin to wonder just exactly what is needed in terms of facts, because we presented FBI reports that Central Prison, for instance, holds 1,300 inmates, and was built for 950. And if that is not overcrowding, I don't know what is. The Stanly County Unit in Albemarle, currently holding 140 inmates, was built to hold 90. This is the case all over the state. All of the prisons are overcrowded."

The inmates union asked Judge Jones to: (1) enjoin the state from accepting any more prisoners until the population

## Squad Of Truth Set By Carter

SEATTLE, Wash. — Just as President Ford last week named Senator Robert Dole of Kansas as his Vice Presidential running mate, candidate Jimmy Carter of Plains, Ga., proceeded to "dust off" his new "truth squad" idea in Reagan territory.

Candidate Carter spoke this week before an American Legion convention here in Seattle, where he was expected to make his positions clear on all of the vital campaign issues. He is in favor of a military that is strong, but not wasteful. He has stated that at least \$5 billion and \$7 billion

## Appreciation Money SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEK

KAR PARTS, INC  
"Where You Get The Best Car 'Medicine' In Town"

Mrs. Mildred Mitchell, 661 Coleman St., won last week's Appreciation Money after she reported to THE CAROLINIAN office that she had found her name listed in the Warehouse of Tires advertisement on the Appreciation Money Page.

The name of Mrs. Laura B. Lewis (deceased), formerly of 224 S. Swain St., was inadvertently listed in the Terry's Furniture Co. advertisement, Linwood Hawkins, of Apt. B-2, Washington Terrace, was listed.

(See APPRECIATION, P. 2)

## CRIME BEAT

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 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 blotter, from which all of the material for the Crime Beat is gathered.

FLIM FLAM HITS  
William Webster, 71, of Rt. 8, Ray Rd., was the alleged victim of a flim flam between 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Friday at a bank at 425 Glenwood Ave., according to Raleigh police reports. No arrests were made, according to police reports. Webster apparently lost \$1,000 in the alleged incident. (See CRIME BEAT, P. 3)

Mrs. Mitchell Wins Appreciation Money This Week

VIGIL HELD — Stephanie Mitchell, front, holds placard at the weekly vigil for the Wilmington 10 in front of the North Carolina Justice Building on Morgan St. Demonstrators plan to continue until the Labor Rights-Human Rights March here Sept. 6th, a spokesperson said. (Photo by Pat Bryant).



ERNEST (IRON MIKE) MCDOWELL  
Is Uganda Crumbling?  
National Black News Service

WASHINGTON — Uganda is a place of chaos and fear today, the Los Angeles Times has reported. The article is based on information from inside Uganda, the paper said.

Uganda's President Field Marshal Idi Amin is facing insurrection from almost half of his military forces. One fourth of his troops are under detention, as are virtually all of his top commanding officers.

Makerere University students are being hunted as animals throughout the country. Eighty were killed in jail, 30 more on a river bank. More than 1,500 are in the custody of Amin's police.

Kampala, Uganda's capital, is turning into the original 100,000 inhabitants remain. There is almost no civilian traffic. A few shops that display wares run the risk of being looted by soldiers.

Transportation has been virtually halted by police roadblocks, shortages of fuel and lack of spare parts. There are only 142 buses left in all Uganda, only 15 of these in the eastern area, where half the population lives.



STOP SIGNAL REQUESTED — The vehicles above are at the intersection of Bragg and State Streets in Southeast Raleigh. Several accidents at the busy intersection have prompted citizens of the area to ask the Raleigh City Council to erect a traffic signal at the corner. (See story above.) (Photo by Pat Bryant).

## Top State Officials Charged As

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Top officials of the North Carolina Department of Corrections testified Friday in U. S. District Court in Raleigh that the N. C. Prisoners Labor Union had not been certified to hold meetings in the state's prisons because the Union had failed to tell the department what the term "collective strengths," means as it is used in its by-laws, and because the Union had not made written assurances in its by-laws that its membership would uphold policies of the Corrections Department.

The testimony was given in a hearing before Judge Robert Hemphill to determine whether David L. Jones, secretary of corrections, and several other officials, should be held in contempt of an April 27th court order. The order required prison officials in the 77 prisons (See PRISONERS', P. 2)



CORRECTIONS' HEAD AND SON — Secretary of Corrections David L. Jones and his son outside Federal court in Raleigh where Jones was accused of contempt of court. (Photo by Pat Bryant).

## Rhodesian Methodist Bishop Favors An Armed Struggle

NEW YORK — Bishop Abel T. Muzorewa, head of the African National Council, an umbrella organization of black liberation movements in Rhodesia (Zimbabwe), has put aside efforts at a peaceful settlement of the majority rule issue in Rhodesia, and now favors an armed struggle as a "last resort" for black control in Rhodesia.

## Labor Day March Gets More Help

BY PAT BRYANT

The North Carolina Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression announced last week that more than 100 groups and individuals throughout North Carolina will co-sponsor with the Alliance the massive Labor Rights-Human Rights March planned for Sept. 6 here.

The list resembles a "Who's Who in North Carolina." It includes activist church people, politicians, feminist organizations, and the rank and file of several labor unions. Some of the sponsors are: Raleigh Councilman William R. Knight; Dr. Charles W. Ward, Pastor of First Baptist Church; John H. Wheeler, Durham businessman and civic leader; Attorney Jerry Paul; Southern Christian Leadership Conference organizer Rev. Benny Roundtree of Greenville; Pat Rogers, vice-chairperson, National Tenants Organization; the Women's International League of Peace and Freedom; Raleigh Feminist Organized for Action, N. C. Representatives Joy Johnson of Fairmount, and H. M. "Mickey" Michaux of Durham, and others.

The march will begin at the State Museum of Natural History at the corner of Wilmington and Lane streets and



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