

Finding Missing Brother

Relative Solves 25-Day

Rosa Smith is a pleasant woman, who appears to be in her late 20s to early 30s, with a gracious manner, and a pretty smile.

All her features seem to stiffen, however, when she talks about her brother and the circumstances surrounding his death, and his eventual discovery by her, some 25 days after his disappearance.

what it's like to be a combatant, especially after having to fight the law enforcement agencies of Zebulon, Raleigh, and Wake County.

It is difficult to tell from talking to Ms. Smith whether her tale is one of indifference, ineptitude, neglect, prejudice or any combination of the above, but one thing is definite and that is that Rosa Smith uncovered not only the bloated and decomposed

body of her dead brother, but also discovered a gross problem of lack of coordination between the city and county law enforcement agencies.

It all began on a cold, damp February 4 night on a usually deserted stretch of SR 2320 between Wendell and Zebulon. Lenard Horton, Jr. was most likely on his way to his mother's house in Zebulon when after (See RELATIVE, P. 2)

THE CAROLINIAN

RALEIGH, N.C.,
MONDAY
MARCH 21, 1988

NC's Semi-Weekly
DEDICATED TO THE SPIRIT OF JESUS CHRIST

SINGLE COPY 25¢
IN RALEIGH
ELSEWHERE 30¢
VOL. 47, NO. 33

Alleged Rape

Assault Case Puzzling Mystery, Confusion Continue

WAPPINGER FALLS, N.Y. (AP)—Tawana Brawley is said to be recovering from the four days, when she claims she was sexually assaulted by a group of white men, one of whom flashed a badge. But her silence about those days has left investigators with only pieces in a puzzling case.

Brawley, a 16-year-old black high school junior from Wappingers Falls, about 50 miles north of New York City, had just been chosen as a cheerleader in preparation for D.C. Ketcham High School's basketball season last fall.

But, two days after Thanksgiving, the then 15-year-old girl was found by police just outside her family's former apartment, huddled in a garbage bag. Chunks of her hair had been lopped off. Animal excrement had been rubbed in her remaining hair and on her body. Racial slurs, including "KKK" and "nigger," had been scrawled on her chest and abdomen. A cotton-like material was stuffed in her nostrils and ears.

Since then, with demonstrations and politically charged accusations, her case has escalated into a cause celebre.

Entertainer Bill Cosby offered a reward. Heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson offered protection. Lawyers have for Brawley and black activists have lambasted Gov. Mario Cuomo and fellow black leaders.

"In New York, we're supposed to be the leading example state," said the Rev. Saul Williams, a black Baptist minister from Newburgh who is close to the Brawley family. "We've been having funerals burying drug victims, we've been having funerals burying victims of violence, but we haven't had any funerals burying racism."

Two prosecutors quit the case without public explanation. A police officer some Brawley supporters suggest may have been involved killed himself. A former low-level employee (See ASSAULT CASE, P. 2)



NEW EXPERIENCES—Mamelodi, South Africa—Mark Smith, a white South African, rides in a black taxi from the black township of Mamelodi on his way to work. He is one of 200 whites who have moved in with black families for four weeks to experience life in poor overcrowded townships. (UPI)

Martin Seeks Funding For School Bus Plan

Gov. Jim Martin has announced that U.S. Department of Labor officials have agreed to a transition plan under which certain 17-year-olds may continue to drive school buses until June 15.

The agreement, which requires the state to comply with several Labor Department stipulations, became necessary after Secretary Ann McLaughlin earlier this month announced that the Labor Department would terminate a previous extension allowing 17-year-olds to drive buses for the remainder of the 1987-88 school year.

"My office has worked very hard with the Department of Labor to resolve this problem," the governor said. "I have informed Secretary McLaughlin that, with the full support of the North Carolina State Board of Education, I will seek a \$24 million budget amendment during the June session of the General Assembly to increase the school bus drivers' pay rate."

Martin said that the higher pay will make it possible for the state to at-

tract and hire additional adult drivers.

"During our discussions with Secretary McLaughlin, I think it became apparent that our school children would be a lot safer riding with 17-year-olds, with seven or eight months of bus driving experience than it would be to have them riding with drivers who have little or no experience driving a school bus," the governor said. "I have notified the secretary that I will not request further exemptions to use drivers under the age of 18 beyond June 15. I expect (See GOV. MARTIN, P. 2)

Motivate Youngsters Bill Cosby Aids Black Colleges

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Television star and comedy writer Bill Cosby will be the keynote speaker at the Leadership Awards Banquet of the 13th National Conference on Blacks in Higher Education, March 23-27 at the Washington Hilton Hotel.

More than 5,000 participants are expected at the series of events, including college administrators, government officials, corporate executives, students and most of the nation's 117 presidents of historically

and predominantly black colleges and universities.

The five-day conference, sponsored by the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education, will be climaxed by the \$200-a-plate fundraising dinner honoring more than 150 HBCU distinguished alumni. A post-conference tribute to presidential candidate Jesse Jackson will be held Sunday, March 27.

Cosby will receive NAFEO's top

award along with three other honorees, including his wife Camille; Eddie Robinson, legendary coach of the Grambling State (La.) University football team; and Doug Williams, Super Bowl quarterback of the world champion Washington Redskins, Dr. Samuel L. Myers, NAFEO president, announced.

Myers said, "NAFEO is honoring Dr. Cosby and his wife for using their remarkable prestige, talent and personal resources to enhance support for the historically black colleges and to motivate all youngsters to go to college." The star is a graduate of Temple University and earned a doctor of philosophy from the University of Massachusetts.

"He eagerly agreed to attend our conference, not only to accept the Leadership Award, but to have a platform to articulate his own commitment to the historically black colleges and urge our own alumni to emulate him by enhancing their own commitments."

Redskins' star Williams and Coach Robinson had agreed to accept their awards at the NAFEO conference before the Super Bowl game last January, officials disclosed. Dr. Joseph B. Johnson, president of Grambling University, was elected NAFEO chairman last July. He will preside at the opening general session, March 24. Dr. Willie C. Robin (See BILL COSBY, P. 2)



WAITING FOR THE BUS—Ms. Sharon Dunn and Shirley Hunter are bundled up on a chilly day waiting for the bus at Moore Square Bus stop. (Photo by Talib Sabir-Calloway)



WHERE IT HAPPENED—Ms. Rosa Smith looks across the water to the place where her brother's car landed. His body was found by his sister days later not far from this scene. Police searches failed to discover it. (Photo by Talib Sabir-Calloway)

Jackson Reported "Pleased" With North Carolina Voters

BY R.P. CORNWALL CHUNN
Staff Writer

Bruce Lightner, statewide director of the Rev. Jesse Jackson's campaign effort in North Carolina which culminated in the Super Tuesday election, said this week that Jackson was "pleased" with his North Carolina support.

"He was very pleased," Lightner said. "We achieved our initial goal of winning at least 30 delegates to the Democratic National Convention."

"We were also very successful in running an efficient and effective campaign with less financial resources than all the other candidates. Our overall concern is the role that Sen. [Terry] Sanford played in [Tennessee Sen.] Al Gore's campaign and what effect that will have on future working relationships in terms of reciprocal voting and support based on mutual agendas," Lightner said.

He said the latest returns since the election indicate that Jackson lost to Gore, who had the Democratic Party establishment's support, including Sen. Sanford and former Gov. James B. Hunt, by about 12,000 votes. He said Jackson will receive 31 delegates for the Atlanta-based convention set for July.

"It is very clear that if more of our people had realized the importance of Super Tuesday, we would have been victorious."

"It is important to note that Super Tuesday was a good experiment. Most of the voting electorate has not been conditioned to think about political races this early in the season. Many people did not realize an election was being held. That's where the Sanford-Hunt-Gore machine was able to outspend us to inform voters," Lightner said.

He said the Jackson forces did "as good a job as humanly possible" in getting out the candidate's support across the state.

"We have no regrets, no hard feelings, only political realities that must be faced," he said.

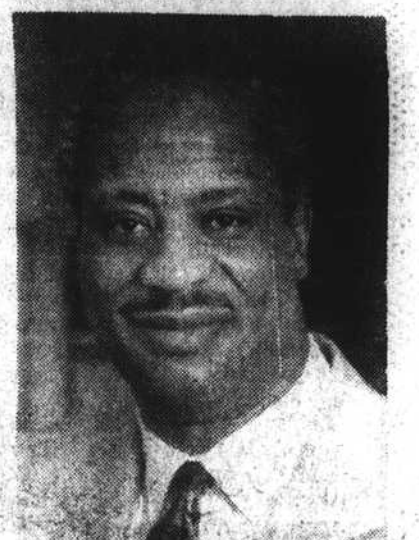
Lightner said the next item on the agenda in North Carolina for the Jackson for President effort is the delegate selection process which will be in April.

"We will have many more people who would like to be delegates than we have slots for. It becomes a matter of diplomatic elimination without minding or rejecting any particular supporter or worker."

Lightner said he expects Jackson will have "roughly" 1,000 delegates at the convention. There are 2,050 needed to win the nomination outright.

His analysis of the Democratic convention is that "Three candidate will go in with roughly the same amount

of delegates. It becomes a matter of negotiations and assessing the support base of each of those (See JESSE JACKSON, P. 2)



GUEST SPEAKER—The Raleigh-Apex Branch of the NAACP presents their Annual Freedom Fund Banquet Saturday, March 26th at 6:00 p.m. at the Martin Luther King Jr. Student Union Building on the campus of Saint Augustine's College. The speaker for the occasion is Dr. Emmett Burns Jr., director, National Life Membership Division of the NAACP. Tickets can be purchased from members of the NAACP, or call 833-9756.

Chavis Heights Pilot Project Enhances Area

We grew for it. We grew much more than anyone dreamed possible.

Twenty months ago response from residents of the Housing Authority of the City of Raleigh to a self-help gardening program called "Let's Grow For It!" inspired the placement of a pilot project in Southeast Raleigh. We are proud to report the success of this concentrated effort at Chavis Heights, a 300-unit, low-income family housing community.

Shared support for "Let's Grow For It!" has come from the residents and staff of the Raleigh Housing Authority and the community at large. In a little more than a year, the lives of 1,500 people have been touched through this experience. There is now a sense of stewardship, an increased feeling of neighborhood and a newfound awareness toward the environment. It has come about through active participation in the renovation and reconstruction of this community's landscape.

There has been assistance from the Raleigh departments of recreation, public affairs, greenways and planning; the appearance commission; North Carolina State University Department of Horticulture, the Extension Service and School of Design. Workshops focused on gardening, azaleas and rose care and were led by the Wake County Extension Service

and the City Parks Department.

Through grants, \$1,100 worth of seeds, plants, tools and educational materials were received from America the Beautiful Fund and the National Gardening Association. (See CHAVIS HEIGHTS, P. 2)

Citizens Can Help Police As Patrols

Raleigh citizens who would like to see what it's like inside the police department can volunteer for the new Citizen Patrol Officer Program.

The program is designed both for assisting police in their daily operations and providing citizens opportunities to become actively involved themselves.

"We reached the realization that there was a need for assistance in daily operations, and there are interested people with varying areas of expertise who want to contribute," said Sgt. J.T. Fisher, program coordinator.

Volunteer responsibilities will vary depending on the position. Citizen patrol officers, who wear uniforms, assist sworn police officers and increase their visibility during civic (See POLICE, P. 2)



TREE DEDICATION—Emanuel Weldon is prepared to dedicate a tree at Eastwood Courts in commemoration of Arbor Day. Chavis Heights volunteers gave more than 2500 hours of their time to community service and landscape improvements. (Photo by Talib Sabir-Calloway)