

BRAINY AND BEAUTIFUL—Dean's List and Honor Roll student Carla Mangum, "Miss Fayetteville State University" 1988-89, pauses momentarily en route to a campus "splash party" to get relief from the hot and muggy summer heat. Lovely Carla is a senior business administration major with a concentration in accounting from South Boston, Virginia and is a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority. (Photo by John B. Henderson)

RALEIGH'S Social SCENE BY ALLEN FREEBLES

Mr. and Mrs. Thornwell Street left the city on June 9, and drove to Louisville, Ky. where Olivia attended the American Nurses Association's annual convention at the Galt House. From there, the couple drove to Topeka, Kan., and on to Silver Thorne, Colo., where they enjoyed the mountainous skiing area. They drove on through Beaver, Utah and on to Las Vegas. The couple enjoyed a pleasant stay for six days. On their return the vacationers took another route via I-40. They saw the beautiful scenery in Flagstaff, Ariz., New Mexico, Texas, Little Rock, Ark., and Memphis. They visited Beale Street, known as the heart of the jazz area. They then drove to Knoxville and viewed those wonderful mountain scenes as they crossed over into beautiful North Carolina.

These are just some of the ways some retired persons spend their leisure. Olivia Street began her nursing career 38 years ago at St. Agnes Hospital. Her husband Thornwell retired from the Raleigh Police Department in 1985, after giving 32 years of service.

Some of the members of the Moles and their guests traveled to Louisville, Ky. the weekend of June 24-26, to attend their 38th national conclave. It was called the Derby City Extravaganza and was held at the Galt House. Some of the events attended by the Raleigh group were the "Pegasus Celebrity Luncheon," "At the Post," "Winners Circle Ball," and "The Pay Off," which was the farewell brunch. Naturally, there were some extra events to participate in. They were the "Bell of Louisville Riverboat Tour," Churchill Downs racing, and the tour of Louisville.

The following persons attended: Mr. and Mrs. James Bell, Ms. Amelia Byers, Mr. and Mrs. William Colbert, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Farmer, Dr. Anne Fulford, Ms. Alberta M. Livingston, doctors Henry and Addissa Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Scott, Ms. Carrie C. Shoffner, Ms. Victoria M. Walters, Dr. and Mrs. James West, Ms. Rosalie B. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Wright. Guests were Kelly Bryant and Creal McQueen.

It is a pleasure to have Prof. Roland M. Carter of Hampton University back with us this summer at Martin Street Baptist Church to teach the various choirs some new music. We are all excited about the anniversary concert scheduled for Sunday, July 10, at 6 p.m. at the church. Martin Street Church will be observing its 119th anniversary at the 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. worship services, as well as at the 6 p.m. concert.

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### Martin, Jordan Tell Businesses Education, Roads Top Priorities

GREENSBORO—"My, how you've grown," Gov. Jim Martin told nearly 1,000 credit union professionals at Pinehurst Hotel and Country Club during the N.C. Credit Union League's 53rd annual meeting recently. "I don't mean individually, but in service to so many of our North Carolinians—and North Carolina has grown with you."

Martin spoke during the meeting's opening session recently. Lt. Gov. Bob Jordan addressed the group at a membership banquet the next night. NCCUL, based in Greensboro, is the trade association for 282 North Carolina credit unions, which combined have assets of more than \$4 billion and approximately one million members.

In the 72 years since credit unions started in this country, Martin said, "You have grown indeed to where you have 282 credit unions in North Carolina and over a million members—satisfied members."

Martin quoted the American Banking Magazine as saying, "Members of credit unions are the most satisfied customers in the entire thrift industry because they're part of a very successful and service-oriented, member-owned, not-for-profit organization."

"And you are to be congratulated for that," Martin said. "You've been a part of our state's growth because you've been a part of a pool of investment funds that has helped North Carolina move forward. In these last three years, \$15 billion has been invested in North Carolina because of the opportunities, the business climate and the good work force, and the fact that, yes, we are a ready-to-

work state in North Carolina. Along with that has come jobs, the governor said. "I think you'll be pleased to know that in about 3½ years, we have added more than 300,000 jobs in North Carolina—that's about a tenth of all the jobs that are



ADDRESSES DEMONSTRATION—Manhattan Borough President David Dinkins addresses anti-apartheid demonstration sponsored by CRAFTY, th City Region Federation of Temple Youth—youth arm of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in the New York area. Mr. Dinkins praised the Reform Jewish youth for continuing "the long tradition of Jewish concern for justice and human rights" at a rally against South Africa's apartheid system.

### Private Decision, Jackson

## Denies Turning Down Post

SAN JUAN, P.R. (AP)—Jesse Jackson denied Friday that he told aides he would reject the Democratic vice presidential nomination, and said he wanted the party platform to discuss Palestinians and Puerto Ricans.

Jackson, who said Thursday he had made his decision on the vice presidency but would keep it private unless Michael Dukakis offers him the job, was asked about a report quoting unnamed aides as saying he would turn down the post.

"No, absolutely not. Therefore, whoever was talking was not authorized, but also was not dealing in the truth," Jackson said.

"The matter of the vice presidency is a serious matter. The destiny of our nation, perhaps the rest of the world, rests on the campaign in July and in November. To that extent, there will be no intrigue about that decision," Jackson told reporters.

He and Dukakis agreed in a California meeting Tuesday that only the two of them and a top adviser to each—Ron Brown for Jackson and Paul Brontas for Dukakis—would discuss the vice presidential question.

Jackson said he will make his decision at an appropriate time.

Jackson breakfasted with his local campaign committee and, dressed in a white Latin-style shirt and blue jeans, danced to African-rooted Puerto Rican folk music at a rally for a fisherman's association in Santurce, a sector of San Juan founded 215 years ago by freed slaves.

Before a scheduled speech to the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce, Jackson planned to huddle again with Gov. Rafael Hernandez Colon and Senate President Miguel Hernandez Agosto. The governor agreed Thursday to seek support for Jackson from at least six of the island's 57 delegates.

Jackson had complained about receiving no delegates despite winning Puerto Rico's March 20 primary.

Jackson said it was too early to assess the draft platform being worked out in Denver. Jackson said he'll continue to push for a freeze on the defense budget and for increasing taxes on the wealthy—two items excluded from the preliminary platform.

"Clearly the defense scam... is

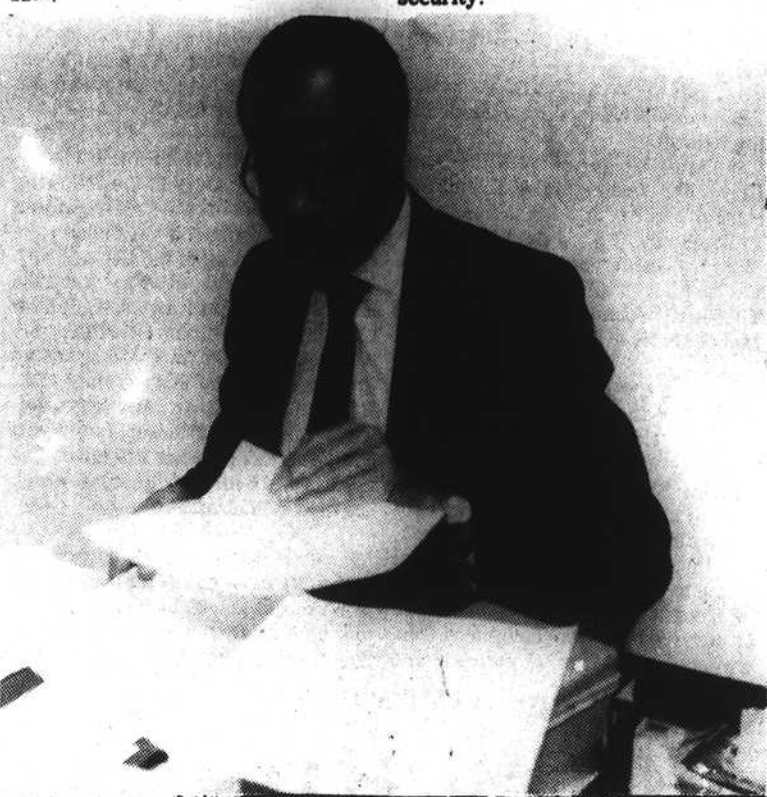
evidence we can freeze the military budget without freezing our defense," Jackson said, saying \$60 billion could be saved by 1993 by "freezing the corruption and the cost overruns" and ending single-source contracts.

The money for needed social programs, such as expansion of health care and education, should come from the wealthy, he said.

"The people who did not benefit from the Reagan years of prosperity must not have the burden," Jackson said.

He also said he wanted a platform plank on Palestinians, a subject that makes some Democrats nervous because they fear it could alienate loyal Jewish voters.

"The language is being addressed now. The concept is very clear," Jackson said. "We stand for security for Israel with secure borders... security for Israel, justice or homeland for Palestinians, and peace for both. We stand for the principle of mutual recognition and mutual security."



BUSY SCHEDULE—Muhammad Nubee, co-founder of the entirely black owned and operated Earth Fragrances, here in Raleigh, is busy at one of the work stations in his office. Because of the size of the company, employees must be proficient in many different business skills, and can easily find themselves doing such basic work as Nubee is doing here. (Photo by Talib Sabir-Calloway)

### Minimum Wage Increase Proposal Meets Critics

The effect of a higher minimum wage on the poor and disadvantaged is being hotly debated now in government and economic circles, with proposed legislation to increase the rate nearing a congressional vote, according to an article in the July issue of Black Enterprise, black America's guidebook for success.

The Fair Labor Standards Amendment of 1988 (HR 1834), sponsored by Rep. Augustus Hawkins (D-Calif.), passed the committee in early March and is expected to encounter little resistance in full Congress.

A companion measure, S. 837, has been introduced into the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee by Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.).

"For some eight million of America's working poor, a higher minimum wage will help break the vicious cycle of poverty they have been living in for the past seven years," Hawkins told Black Enterprise.

A hike in the minimum wage could have a significant impact on blacks and Hispanics, who comprise 17 percent of all minimum wage earners.

Opponents of a minimum wage, including the Reagan administration, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers, argue, however, that the impact would be negative.

In addition to predictions of fueled inflation, they contend the raise would actually hurt those workers it seeks to help by pricing them out of entry-level jobs.

"There will be a disproportionate

impact on minority youth if only because they are more likely to work in the kinds of jobs that will be eliminated," said Robert L. Martin, manager of human resources for the Chamber of Commerce. "The real agenda of [organizations] like the AFL-CIO that want to raise the minimum wage isn't to help the working poor; it's to raise all hourly wages."

But Robert McGlotten, AFL-CIO director of legislation, counters that businesses have always cried wolf about not being able to afford a minimum wage.

Supporters of the proposal either discount entirely the notion of adverse effect on young workers or the economy, or assert that any potential negative result does not justify not raising the wage.

Economic issues aside, reports Black Enterprise, proponents of a minimum wage increase cite psychological benefits. "I believe [raising the minimum wage] will serve as an inducement to gainful employment and will stimulate productivity by giving wage-earners a sense of dignity and self-worth," said Rep. Julian Dixon (D-Calif.).

The Hawkins/Kennedy measures enjoy the support of the Congressional Black Caucus, presidential candidates Jesse Jackson and Michael Dukakis, and many others. Eleven states have already boosted their minimum wage without adverse effect, a fact which proponents feel may convince Congress to grant millions of Americans a raise.

### Black Principal Offers Endowment To Students

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. (AP)—The first black principal in the Philadelphia public school system is taking her devotion to students

beyond the bounds of most educators—she is offering to pay for the college education of 119 sixth-graders from two city schools in poor neighborhoods.

"They have very high expectations," Dr. Ruth Wright Hayre said of the students. "And why shouldn't we share those high expectations? I have a great deal of faith in these young people."

Ms. Hayre announced her endorsement of the scholarship fund Friday during sixth-grade graduation ceremonies at Richard Wright and Kenderton Elementary Schools in North Philadelphia.

The money will be invested and dividends will cover four years' tuition for each student from this year's elementary school class that attends college six years from now, she said.

Both Wright and Kenderton, located in North Philadelphia, are low-income, predominantly black schools. Much of the area is marked by substandard housing and single-parent homes.

"There is something really wonderful about Kenderton School," Ms. Hayre said. "I am here today because I had a chance to look at your test scores. I am pleased to say that everyone in this class is reading at or above grade level. But I am most pleased because your class has a sense of purpose and ambition." Jeannette Reaves, 11, Kenderton's valedictorian, could be the first person in her family to go to college.

"I'm very proud of her and I thank God she's going to get a college education," Mary Ann Reaves, 43, said of Jeannette, the seventh of 10 children in the family.

Ms. Hayre said her aim is to steer the children away from dropping out of school, using drugs or having sex too early in life.

Ms. Hayre, who has a doctorate in philosophy from the University of Pennsylvania, taught at the Graduate School of Education there after retiring from the school system in 1976. (See ENDOWS, P. 14)

On The Hill By Chester A. Higgins, Jr.

#### CAPITOL HILL VISITOR

Jonas Savimbi came to Capitol Hill last week. He came bearing his customary tin cup and, in his revolting person, bad tidings for black and other decent Americans.

He came drenched in the fresh, raw, red blood of his black Angolan countrymen, his tin ear resonating their anguished cries to be free. He came as the black icon of anti-Communism, the totem darling of the idolatrous Jesse Helms, the Robert Doles, the Col. Ollie Norths and other radical right-wingers of this country who are beside themselves with glee to have at their disposal this black instrument of black death and destruction to do their, and South Africa's Pieter Botha's, bidding in southern Africa.

He came as a paradigm of black puppetry, manipulated by the ruthlessly clever hands of white racist/terrorists of Sotuh Africa who

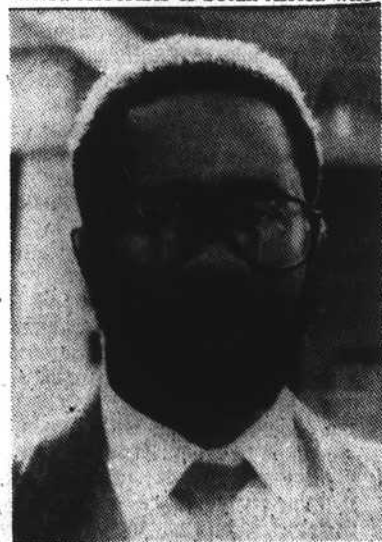
were his chief benefactors. They were, that is until South African supporters were recently successful in dragging Congress to chip in and lend a hand in fighting "Godless" communism in that wretchedly poor, benighted country that had been stripped of everything movable by the Portuguese colonialists when they fled in 1975.

He came as an affront to everything that is decent, civilized—the qualities we hold dear in our humanity. Physically, he is a fleshy, bewhiskered reminder of another bloody African monster, Idi Amin. He brazenly declares that when one is at war, one takes help where one can get it. But a nation ought to have the right of self-determination. America exercised that right that it would now deny to others. And Savimbi seeks to impose his will over a popular majority.

Fayette, Miss. Mayor Charles Evers outraged his brother's martyred widow, Myrlie, when he gave the Medgar Evers Award to this international bandit. Other people in the civil rights movement were also outraged by that act and when this creature seeking black community approval, made vile the words, "We Shall Overcome," the sacred anthem of the civil rights movement, the NAACP's Benjamin L. Hooks, SCLC's Joseph Lowery, TransAfrica's Randall Robinson and other civil rights establishment leaders were among those incensed.

His stench spiraled upward and drifted down Capitol Hill to the Mall and the famous Reflecting Pool where 20 years ago this Aug. 23, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. electrified and enchanted the world with his exalting "I Have a Dream" speech.

What a vicious slap in the face! What a humiliating experience to witness this Savimbi, this literal creature of darkness, come to our homeland and be received in so-called respectable circles as a fellow human being in good standing! He is pure and simple, the handmaiden of (See ON THE HILL, P. 14)



NAACP DIRECTOR—Dennis Schatzman, former city editor for New Pittsburgh Courier and managing editor, Winston-Salem Chronicle, has been named executive director of the North Carolina branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, NAACP state president Kelly Alexander Jr. said.

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