



BISHOP JOSEPH B. BETHEA

## Bishop Joseph Bethea Assigned To S. C. Post

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The Rev. Joseph B. Bethea, superintendent of the Raleigh District, North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church, was recently elected a bishop of the church's Southeastern Jurisdiction.

Rev. Bethea thus became the second black to be elected a bishop in the jurisdiction which covers North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Missis-

## Widow Charges Slain Leader's Life Distorted

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WASHINGTON, D.C.—Myrlie Evers, the widow of Medgar Evers, was committed to observing June 12—the 25th anniversary of her husband's death—with an unpretentious strength that she insists characterized the life and work of the slain civil rights leader.

Ironically, Ms. Evers was compelled to mark the occasion by publicly disassociating Evers' name from an award that was being given to Angolan rebel Jonas Savimbi—a man who black leaders decry as a terrorist and puppet of racist South Africa.

"I could not sit quietly by and see Medgar's life and memory prostituted for money or politics," explained Ms. Evers during a telephone interview from her home in Los Angeles.

Ms. Evers, an NAACP national board member, joined the chorus of condemnation aimed at Savimbi's black supporters. The South African-backed rebel leader, here seeking additional military aid from the administration, briefly visited the South

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## Raleigh Ranking Tops As One Of Country's Most Attractive Areas

American corporate executives rank Charlotte and Raleigh-Durham as the country's top two most attractive mid-sized metropolitan areas for future business locations, Gov. Jim Martin announced last week. The two metro areas took first and second place in the Monitor, a Louis Harris and Associates survey of best business cities conducted for Cushman and Wakefield, a prominent national real estate firm. Greensboro was also mentioned by survey participants.

The survey, which polled almost 400 top executive offices in America's largest corporations, asked, "Five years from now, which two or three American cities [other than the nation's 30 most populous metropolitan areas] do you think will be most at-

tractive to locating a business like yours?"

Sixteen percent of the respondents named Charlotte, more than any other city in the nation. Raleigh-Durham ranked second, named by 11 percent of the respondents.

"I'm very pleased, indeed, to announce the results of this Lou Harris poll," Gov. Martin said. "These results show that North Carolina not only enjoys an excellent reputation as a center for business growth—but that national business leaders have strong confidence in the continued prosperity of our state.

"The Cushman and Wakefield Monitor shows very clearly that North Carolina is—and will continue to be—one of America's economic hot

## On The Road With Jesse Jackson Does It End At T

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP)—Jesse Jackson, his 1988 presidential campaign winding down, takes to the road en route to the Democratic National Convention—while angry supporters search for a sign of how he will end his remarkable effort.

The possibilities range from unity to confrontation.

Jackson's words and actions as he finally acknowledges Michael Dukakis' victory—and Lloyd Bentsen's spot on the ticket—will not only shape the tone of the Democratic National Convention here starting Mon-

day. They will also mold the enthusiasm that his supporters give to the Democratic ticket this fall.

Will Jackson push floor fights on

Jackson may fight for a place on the ticket.

the platform Tuesday night at the convention? Will he push on to the presidential nomination roll-call on Wednesday? Or will he condone sup-



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porters' suggestion that his name be on the vice presidential roll-call as well?

"I'm not suggesting that I will compete for a place on the ticket but the floor is wide open on Thursday night when the [vice presidential] recommendation is made," Jackson said in Chicago Wednesday.

That's as much of a sign as Jackson has delivered in the time since he was embarrassed by Dukakis' failure to reach him before word circulated of the selection of Lloyd Bentsen as the vice presidential nominee.

Jackson learned of the Bentsen selection from a reporter. Publicly, his aides have said they were flabbergasted by the "major miscalculation," and gave the signal to suspend all convention negotiations bet-

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## Hosea Williams Vows To March Over Treatment

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP)—Atlanta civil rights veteran Hosea Williams accused Michael Dukakis of "un-American racial injustice" in bypassing Jesse Jackson as his running mate, and vowed to lead a protest march to the Democratic National Convention.

Williams, a Democratic city councilman, did not support Jackson's run for the party's presidential nomination and has in the past accused Jackson of having an inflated ego.

But he said, "This has gone far beyond a personality [Jackson]. For too long blacks and working people have been taken for granted by the Democratic Party.

"We are objecting to the process." (See MARCH, P. 2)

## Newton Returns To Prison For Breaking Parole

SAN QUENTIN, Calif. (AP)—Former Black Panther Huey Newton returned to prison recently in connection with a parole violation, authorities said.

Lt. Cal White at San Quentin State prison said Newton was transferred there from a county jail, but had no details.

Parole Officer Mike Smith said that Newton had been taken into custody June 23 at his Oakland home for allegedly violating a condition of his parole, but he declined to elaborate.

He said the state Board of Prison Terms offered Newton a deal to dispose of the parole violation charge, but Newton hadn't indicated his feelings about the offer.

A hearing should follow, in which the board would decide the punishment for the violation, Smith said.

Newton was acquitted of assault charges filed when he was arrested for allegedly pistol-whipping a tailor in 1974. The tailor refused to testify in the case, but Newton was convicted of gun charges.

Meanwhile, Newton faces charges in Alameda County Superior Court for allegedly embezzling state funds from the Oakland Community School, which was operated by the Panthers. He is also scheduled to appear in Alameda Municipal Court in Oakland July 19 on charges of drunken driving and being a felon with a firearm.

Newton served nine months of a 16-month state prison term for possessing firearms as an ex-felon and was released on a one-year parole Dec. 8.

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## Serious Incident

# Rights Leader Killed

## Government Blamed For The Murder

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP)—Lafontant Joseph, a prominent human rights activist, was found beaten and stabbed to death in a jeep near the Port-au-Prince airport, police said.

"This murder is a very serious incident," Jean-Claude Bajoux, director of the Ecumenical Center for Human Rights, told the Associated Press. "It means that the lives of all militants for human rights in Haiti are in danger."

Paul Latortue, former senatorial candidate who lives in exile in Puerto Rico, blamed the murder on government leader Lt. Gen. Henry Namphy.

"I have no doubt that this is a political killing," he said. "It's connected with the government."

Joseph, 54, director of Haiti's Center of Education for Human Rights, was found dead in his four-wheel-drive vehicle near Mais Gate International Airport, just outside the capital. A passerby recognized the dead man and contacted his family.

The activist's nephew, physician Ronald Joseph, said Joseph had been stabbed once in the chest and two or three times in his back. "The body looked mutilated," he said.

Army Maj. Joseph Baguidy, head of Haiti's Bureau of Criminal Investigation, said police found blood

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NAACP SCHOLARSHIPS—At the NAACP headquarters recently, Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, president and chief executive officer of the NAACP, left, Hazel Dukes, president of the New York State Conference and Granville L. Stevens, senior counsel of Revlon, Inc. finalized plans to establish several Revlon/NAACP scholarships.

## NC Community Colleges Plan To Recruit Blacks

GREENSBORO (AP)—The Department of Community Colleges plans to develop an affirmative action plan that will promote efforts to hire black faculty and administrators, recruit and train black students and increase the number of black trustees.

"We consider that sort of a basic minimum," said Bob Scott, president of the community college system. "Each college has an affirmative action plan, but system-wide, we don't have anything."

The plan will replace a federally mandated desegregation agreement that expired in 1986.

"Now that we are out from under the mandate, I don't want us to inadvertently lose the ground we have gained," Scott told the Greensboro News and Record in a telephone interview Thursday.

In February, U.S. Secretary of

## Prison System Dedication For New Units Set

State Correction Secretary Aaron J. Johnson will join other state and local officials for the dedication of two 50-man dormitories at the Durham County Prison Unit at 10 a.m. on July 21.

With this ceremony, 550 of the 2,554 beds authorized under the \$29.3 million Emergency Prison Facilities Development Program last year will have become operational. It is expected that most of the construction package will be complete at year's end. In its just-completed 1988 session, the General Assembly appropriated \$17.4 million for construction of an additional 624 medium-custody beds and support facilities.

According to Secretary Johnson, "The completion of these facilities will help North Carolina maintain a prison system that is just, humane, and constitutionally defensible." He added, "This construction is a first important step in upgrading our state's correctional system."

The dormitories being dedicated July 21 are part of a \$4.1 million construction package awarded the L.P. Cox Co. of Sanford covering prison dormitory construction in Durham, Orange, Wake and Lee counties. The company also holds two other contracts totaling \$5 million which cover construction at six other facilities.



PRESIDENT'S AWARD—Hose Pinnix Lyons, a student in the executive secretarial science program at Wake Technical Community College, received the President's Award for Excellence in the business education division July 7.



DRUG ACTION—Susan Amey, community relations specialist talks with Stuart Scott, reporter for WRAL-TV Wake County, Inc.