

Racial Statements, Slurs By Japanese

The Congressional Black Caucus and black business leaders recently issued a strong protest against racial slurs by Japanese government officials and manufacturers. At a Capitol Hill news conference, Rep. Mervyn Dymally (D-Calif.), chairman of the CBC, expressed outrage at the racial insensitivity of some of Japan's top leaders. Dymally also sent a letter to Japanese Prime Minister Noboru Takeshita, on behalf of the caucus, conveying their "distress... at the reemergence of racially derogatory comments and practices in your country."

The protests were in response to two recent incidents. The first was a public statement from the chief of Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party, Michio Watanabe, who said that a lot of blacks do not mind going bankrupt because they take the position that "now we don't have to pay anything back." Watanabe is a former cabinet minister who held portfolios for finance and trade. The second incident involved "Little Black Sambo" caricatures produced by the Sanrio Co. and displays of mannequins characterizing blacks as having grotesquely large lips at Tokyo's Sogo department store. The mannequins were manufactured by the Yamato Mannequin Co.

These episodes echo statements made in 1966 by then-Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, who said that blacks and Hispanics brought down the intelligence level of Americans. That statement prompted demonstrations in front of the Japanese embassy in Washington, D.C., threats of official congressional condemnation, and talk of boycotts against Japanese consumer goods sold in the United States. Nakasone subsequently apologized. Meanwhile, delegations of black political figures, including Dymally, Jesse Jackson, Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young, and a number of black business leaders held meetings with Japanese corporate executives and government officials to establish commercial links and foster better understanding between American minorities and the Japanese.

Talks centered around opportunities for blacks to secure Japanese auto dealerships, distributorships of Japanese consumer electronic goods, and subcontracts for black-owned high-tech computer and manufacturing firms. Although blacks consume about 10 percent of Japanese VCRs, TVs and audio equipment and own 12 percent of all Japanese cars in the United States, they have been locked out of Japanese business ventures, and recent discussions have pro-

(See JAPANESE, P. 2)

Elections '88: Role For Blacks

"The black citizens of North Carolina are an important part of the future of our state, and our campaign recognizes the crucial role of the black community in this election," says Lt. Gov. Bob Jordan, Democratic candidate for governor.

With that recognition in mind, Jordan has named three black North Carolinians to direct his campaign for governor in the black community.

William J. Barber, II will coordinate field work in the area of minority issues from the campaign headquarters in Raleigh, as well as concentrate his efforts in eastern North Carolina. Harold H. Webb will cover the central part of the state, as well as communicating with black legislators across the entire state. And Barry S. Stanback will head up the effort in the western part of the state.

Barber is from Plymouth, and is currently finishing his master of divinity at Duke Divinity School. Barber graduated cum laude from North Carolina Central University, where he was president of the NCCU Student Government Association.

Webb lives in Raleigh, and is a retired state employee. He is a former teacher and principal in the Orange County School System. He has been actively involved in politics, and has attended the last three

Democratic national conventions. Stanback is a Greensboro attorney and a graduate of the University of North Carolina and UNC's Law School. Stanback was an Earl Warren Legal Scholar and a member of the Law School Honor Court. He is a past president of the Guilford County Association of Black Lawyers.

"I am pleased to have these three people as part of our campaign organization," Jordan said. "I look forward to working closely with the black community during the campaign—and after we win in November."

In related events: Republican Gov. James G. Martin took advantage of (See ELECTIONS '88, P. 2)

Judges' Bench

FACING RAPE CHARGES

An escaped convict accused of raping a Raleigh woman June 29 will finally be returned to North Carolina this week to face charges, according to a Wake prosecutor.

Joe Henry Bryant, 20, who had escaped from Triangle Correctional Center June 25 while on an outside work assignment, was captured by Baltimore police July 2 and placed in the city jail, according to Raleigh police.

A Wake grand jury Monday returned six indictments containing eight criminal counts against Bryant stemming from the attack on the woman. He was charged with second-degree rape, attempted second-degree sexual offense, breaking and entering, larceny, possession of stolen property, common law robbery, car theft and theft of the woman's bank card.

"A warrant will also be served on him for felonious escape as soon as he returns," Assistant District Attorney Jackson said.

POSSIBLE HOMICIDE

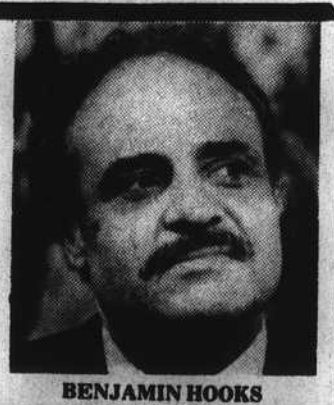
Military officials believe a female soldier whose body was found late Monday night at Fort Bragg was murdered.

The body of Pvt. Andrea Onar, 24; was found in a parked car near the (See JUDGES' BENCH, P. 2)

NAACP Plans For First National Radiothon To Attract Approximately One Million New Members
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Convicted Cocaine Dealer

Early Release Procedures Hit

DA, Judge Question NC Policy

Gov. James G. Martin should reconsider state procedures that nearly led to the premature release of a cocaine dealer, a district attorney and judge said recently.

Inquiries by District Attorney David McFayden alerted state officials to a clerical error that could have led to the release of Robert Leroy Phelps more than a year before he was eligible for parole.

Until the inquiry, the state Parole Commission was proceeding with the investigation necessary to consider Phelps for community services parole, even though he had served only eight months of a 19-year prison sentence.

Phelps received a 10-year sentence after being convicted of two felony counts of selling cocaine. He received an additional nine-year sentence after being convicted of two more felony counts of conspiring to possess cocaine.

According to the Parole Commission's initial calculations, Phelps would be eligible for parole Oct. 27.

The parole case analyst apparently had considered only the 10-year sentence when reviewing the case and determined Phelps could be eligible for parole as early as October. Sam Boyd, administrator of the Parole Commission, said the eligibility date was incorrect. His eligibility date is Dec. 1, 1989.



DIPLOMATS-TO-BE—Three university students, Martine State University and Eric H. Bennett, a junior at Saint Yvonne Carroll, left, a junior at the University of Southern Augustina's College receive certificates of participation in a Foreign Service Orientation Program from Ambassador G. Dawson, Jr., left. (See story on page 13)

Cooperative Development Seen As Sound, Viable Investments

BY ROBERT L. COLLINS
Special To The CAROLINIAN

Black people in our communities across the country are crying out for self-determination and economic development, but they often find themselves in a dilemma.

They want to own thriving businesses that will employ substantial numbers of people, but present business owners are for the most part locked out of the mainstream markets and prospective entrepreneurs cannot obtain adequate financing.

Because traditional methods of economic development are not working in black communities nationwide it may be necessary to investigate alternative methods.

A lesson can be learned from what was once a remote village in the Pyrenees Mountains in northern Spain. Today, the "village" of Mondragon is the top producer of major household appliances in all of Spain. Its many other companies also have the highest productivity and profit margins in the country.

What transformed Mondragon from a remote village to an industrial center was the establishment of approximately 200 industrial, retail, housing and school cooperatives that are financed by a cooperatively owned bank. This cooperatively owned system has enabled 20,000 co-op

members/owners to work together for their common good and the good of their community.

The system has eliminated the conflict between labor and capital because the laborers are the capitalists. The formation of each new co-op requires that each worker/owner/member invest a predetermined part of the start-up cost. This investment can be borrowed from the central bank and repaid through withholdings from members' wages, if necessary. This enables any willing worker to participate as an

equal shareholder. This also gives each employee a vested interest in the company. They own their jobs and can count on them as long as the company exists or until they retire with a good pension plan.

Another important aspect of the Mondragon system is that although all receive the same return on their original capital investments, their salaries and profit-sharing bonuses are paid in relation to the skill and responsibility their job entails, but the highest salary is no more than (See ECONOMIC, P. 2)

Sen. Dan Quayle's Voting Record Opposes Minorities And Families

BY CHESTER A. HIGGINS, SR.
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WASHINGTON, D.C.—Democratic National Committee Chairman Paul G. Kirk, Jr., released a report detailing Indiana Sen. Dan Quayle's voting record and declared that GOP presidential candidate George Bush's running mate's "votes demonstrate that he has been out of touch with the mainstream of American voters."

Kirk also charged that Quayle's "ultra-conservative record may satisfy the right-wing, but it also betrays a lack of understanding of the

economic facts of life that confront average working families."

Titled "New Right Not New Generation," the report details Quayle's conservative right-wing voting record during his 12 years in the U.S. Senate. Quayle also took positions "frequently... to the right of his Republican... colleagues," it said. Quayle's voting record, in part:

WORKING FAMILIES

• Was a leader in the fight against the plant closing bill requiring employers to give workers 60 days' notice before major plant closings and layoffs (bill passed 72-23, July 6).

• Opposed minimum wage increase to \$3.35 in 1977 (bill passed 309-96).

• Voted for tax breaks for the rich and against imposing a 15 percent minimum tax on corporations.

• Voted against a housing bill (S 825) whose programs include those for handicapped, elderly and lower-income families.

• Opposed health care that would have raised assistance for the unemployed by \$900 million.

SOCIAL SECURITY

• Voted to prevent consideration of a bill that would have continued the minimum benefit under the Social Security Act.

• Opposed cost of living adjustments.

• Voted to kill an amendment to (See SEN. QUAYLE, P. 2)

Hager Saluted For Outstanding Works

Roscoe Hager, state Department of Community Colleges compliance coordinator for methods of administration, has received an award for outstanding contributions to equal opportunity employment and affirmative action efforts from the North Carolina Chapter of Affirmative Action Officers.

Hager lives in Wake Forest with his wife, Anna, who is an assistant principal in the Vance County School System. They have three children, Roscoe, Jr. (college senior), Angela (college freshman) and Dorothy (high school sophomore).

Hager came to the department as an affirmative action officer in 1979, following work as assistant to the president at Anso Community College. He also worked as assistant principal, athletic director, science

teacher, football coach, track coach, driver education teacher, university instructor and sales manager.

Hager is a graduate of Appalachian State University. He holds an M.A. in higher education and supervision from Elizabeth City State University, a B.S. in secondary science from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (National Science Foundation Fellowship), and several certificates of expertise in various areas of instruction.

He is a member of the Wake Forest-Rolesville School Advisory Council, Wake County American Cancer Society Board of Directors, American Vocational Educational Association and treasurer of the N.C. Chapter of Black American Affairs, along with other civic and religious functions of which he is an active participant.



ROSCOE HAGER

NEWS BRIEFS

EDUCATION PLAN

Democratic candidates for the offices of governor, lieutenant governor and state superintendent of education will unveil their unified education plan Thursday and Friday, state Democratic Party chairman Jim Van Hecke said. Lt. Gov. Bob Jordan, Sen. Tony Rand and Rep. Bob Etheridge will appear in press conferences to discuss the education plan.

JACKSON MEETS IN BRAWLEY CASE

Early Monday, after long steering clear of the clouded Tawana Brawley case, Rev. Jesse Jackson met with the schoolgirl's advisors—the Rev. Al Sharpton and lawyers C. Vernon Mason and Alton H. Maddox, Jr.—in Manhattan. He linked her "agony and pain" to clear acts of racial antagonism.

JACKSON TAPE

U.S. District Judge James Zagel of Chicago has issued an injunction against an Illinois firm prohibiting it from distributing videotapes of Rev. Jesse Jackson's speech to the Democratic National Convention. MPI Home Video is prohibited from selling or distributing the \$14.95 tape of the speech, "Jesse Jackson: We Can Dream Again," until the case goes to trial.

FACING \$120 MILLION SUIT

Haiti's deposed president-for-life, Jean-Claude "Baby Doc" Duvalier, reportedly spends lot of money that Haitian lawyers are trying to take away from him. Duvalier is in exile in France with his wife and has been accused. (See NEWS BRIEFS, P. 2)



TEAM WORK—Both Eakes, inn manager and Dion Pearson, assistant work as a team for the new Raleigh Fairfield Inn on Appliance Court, which is part of the continuing growth and expansion of Raleigh. (Photo by Wilbert Sanders)