

## Black College Heads Tour Israel To Ease Tensions Between Blacks, Jews Here

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Editor's Note: Sally Greenberg, eastern area civil rights director for the Anti-Defamation League's Civil Rights Division, and Alan Katz of the New Orleans Times Picayune, accompanied the mission to Israel about which they write. Following is the conclusion of their article, the first part of which was printed last week.

Another day, the group met with black American artist Paul Collins, who lives in Israel and discussed his experiences with the visitors. Among other topics, he offered these thoughts:

"Don't ever let anyone compare Israel with South Africa. I've been to South Africa," he said, echoing Alpher's statement that its laws are "blatantly racist." He continued, "Israel is a democracy. The laws may not always work perfectly but everyone is at least guaranteed equal rights."

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—Paul Collins, African-American Artist Living In Israel

Questioned about the Middle East crisis, Collins prefaced his remarks by saying, "I'm not taking sides but..." One of the college presidents immediately responded, "Why are you afraid to take sides? I take sides. I'm pro-Jewish and I'm not afraid to say it." The meeting ended on a clearly positive note.

A jeep took eight of the group up a steep hill to visit the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Forest where more than 12,000 trees have been planted in memory of the slain civil rights leader. At the top were several workers, some speaking Hebrew, others Arabic. One after another of our group knelt to plant new trees in the ground.

This forest, with its countless already grown trees, serves as a living memorial to the black American whose activism was coupled with teachings of non-violence.

Another special moment connecting blacks and Jews took place at the Mevasseret Zion Immigrant Absorption Center, a stopping place for many immigrants to Israel. Here they live for a time to learn the new language and customs in preparation for their lives as Israeli citizens.

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## Buy America Campaign Cites Racial Incidents

A broad cross-section of major national public policy, civic, business, trade, religious and civil rights organizations, together with America's largest associations of black elected officials, have issued a nationwide call for black consumer selective buying for the 1988 holiday season.

We call on black Americans, and people of conscience throughout this nation, to encourage the purchase of American-made products during the 1988 holiday season. We make this appeal as a result of the failure of Japanese corporate and government-

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## Buy American!



PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS

Black Business Council, Coalition of Black Trade Unions, Commission on Racial Justice, the Congress of National Black Churches, Congressional Black Caucus, Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Non-Violent Social Change, Minority Business Enterprise Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc., NAACP, National Alliance of Postal and Federal Employees, National Association of Black County Officials, National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials, National Black Caucus of State Legislators, National Black Leadership Initiative, National Conference of Black Mayors, National Council of Negro Women, National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Officers, National Newspaper Publishers Association, National Urban Coalition, National Urban League, Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

## "Peaceful Partners" Blacks Served In European Crisis

BY JOHN THOMPSON MOORE, JR.  
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Forty-seven years ago, thousands of black North Carolinians remember seeing millions of young men drafted into military forces and later killed or maimed for life on foreign soil. Many of our senior citizens of today can readily recall listening to their radios

then, how Adolph Hitler of Germany and his panzer divisions (tanks, infantrymen, etc.) had conquered most of Europe and later tried to conquer all of Russia. What a day! What a time!

Corp. John Thompson Moore, Jr. and Master Sgt. Oscar Hawkins of Raleigh along with hundreds of other

## Quick-Witted Bill Gray Runs On Record Winning Demo House

BY CHESTER A. HIGGINS, SR.  
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WASHINGTON, D.C.—Rep. William H. Gray's overwhelming election to the highly visible and powerful position of chairman of the House Democratic Caucus was done by secret ballot.

But TransAfrica Executive Director Randall Robinson made no secret of his displeasure over Rep. Steny H. Hoyer's refusal to openly support Gray in the Pennsylvania Democrat's successful campaign to become the first black to gain a major House leadership post.

Hoyer, a white Democrat whose Maryland (Prince Georges County) district is nearly 50 percent black,

that it would have been unseemly for him to have publicly announced for Gray when he, Hoyer, ran unopposed

Gray is the most powerful and visible black elected official in the country. Quick-witted, humorous but toughly incisive, Gray is a natural leader.

should have come out publicly in support of Gray even though Hoyer protested he voted for Gray by secret ballot, Robinson said. Hoyer declared

for the slot of vice chairman of the House Democratic Caucus, and might have had to work with either Rep. Mary Rose Okar (Ohio) or Rep.

Mike Synar (Okla.) both of them white and in a three-way with Gray for the chairmanship.

Robinson, however, insisted that Hoyer's vote should have been "a vote we could have counted on early. If he did vote for Gray, he did so grudgingly and offered no public support for Bill's candidacy." He also charged that Hoyer declined to support Rep. Charles Rangel (D-N.Y.) in his unsuccessful bid to become House Democratic whip two years ago and that Hoyer waited until the (See BILL GRAY, P. 2)

## Republican Aide Urges Blacks To Test Bush's Offer

BY CHESTER A. HIGGINS, SR.  
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WASHINGTON, D.C.—Constance B. Newman, one of the top officials of President-elect George Bush's transition team, issued a plea last week for qualified blacks interested in securing jobs in the Bush administration to send in their resumes. She challenged blacks to put Bush's offer to "reach out to all people" to a test and "see to it that top-flight blacks are considered for top-level jobs."

Ms. Newman, attending a Media Networking Forum breakfast at the National Press Building, a seminar of black journalists, said there is no black organization comparable to the ultra-conservative white Heritage Foundation, providing the transition team with resumes of job-seekers. She emphasized that Heritage was "one of a variety of sources that will be used" in accepting resumes of potential job-holders in the Bush administration.

Louis Cordia, of the Heritage, a think-tank that had considerable leverage in the Reagan administration, said, "A group of volunteers has been working day and night" pro-

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## Back-A-Child Campaign Ends In Ceremony

BY E.H. HINTON  
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The concluding ceremonies for the 1988-89 Back-A-Child Campaign were held at the Garner Road Family YMCA on Dec. 15.

Kenneth Wilkins, chairman of the seventh Back-A-Child Campaign, said, "It was the support of businesses, community and media that made the campaign a success." He also pointed out that though all donations have not been counted, he is confident that the goal of \$20,000 will be surpassed and the group will again be able to provide more than 650 needy children with the vital, structured services the Y offers to community youth.

Wilkins made a special note of thanks to all the supporters and member of the campaign, especially American Airlines, in conjunction with WAUG-AM 750, for providing an incentive award of round-trip airline tickets to any state on the East Coast, from Maine to Florida. Wilkins added that since all donations have not as yet been counted, the winner of the tickets has not been decided.

Board member Weston B. Butler indicated that he was pleased with the outcome and rally of supporters and that the current committee should look forward to being called upon again in the future.

Chief Executive Officer Norman E. Day of the Garner Road Y said, "This is the seventh year and best year that they have had so far. The first year was hectic and direction uncertain, but with Kenneth Wilkins at the helm I saw someone who was capable of

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## "Face Those Charges" Jacobs Wants Freedom

### Gov. Martin Pushes For Extradition

Lawyers say there's a danger in extradition of fugitive Timothy Jacobs. Meanwhile, N.C. Gov. Jim Martin said that he would push for the Indian activist's extradition.

In an attempt to explain the situation to the governor, Barry Nakell and Allen Gregory of the Christie Institute South delivered a seven-page letter to the governor's office stating that Jacobs fled after being indicted on Dec. 6 because he feared for his life. The letter accused the State Bureau of Investigation and local law enforcement officers of intimidating county residents.

Gov. Martin was petitioned Wednesday by supporters of Hatcher and Jacobs not to seek extradition. For the governor to ignore what is obviously an escalation of intimidation and harassment of the community, for him to ignore that would really place him in collusion with the very forces who are doing it now, Gregory said.

"It is more evident that what is going on now is not just a local problem involving the harassment of the community [Indian, black and poor white]. State Bureau of Investigation is running around people's homes and interrogating them—allegedly using Gestapo tactics."

Jacobs was captured in New York earlier this week after he eluded police and smashed his four-wheel-drive vehicle into a parked school bus. On Thursday Jacobs was ordered to be held on \$50,000 bond, but that was reduced to \$25,000 when leaders of the Onondaga Indians agreed to provide the judge with writ-

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FUEL FOR EMERGENCY—Load 'em up, move 'em out! That's all one needs to do to get firewood or coal from Wake Opportunities for their home heating. Just be able to carry it off like these two men who simply backed up their pick-up truck to the wood and began loading. The firewood and coal are in the yard behind Wake Op's offices and is free. (Photo by Talib Sahir-Calloway)

## NAACP Wins Challenge Of At-Large Voting Law

Dennis Schatzman, executive director of the State Conference of Branches of the NAACP, announced last week that cases involving the NAACP and its affiliate, the Richmond County Branch, and six black citizens, Dr. Fred D. McQueen, Woodrow Davis, Richard Doctor, J.W. Green, John Little and H.V. Robinson, against the Richmond County Board of Education and the Board of County Commissioners have been settled by the signing of a consent judgment by U.S. District Judge Richard Erwin on Dec. 9.

Presently both boards are composed of five members, four of whom must live in a district but all are elected at-large with staggered terms and runoff election requirements. The election is non-partisan for the Board of Education and partisan for the Board of County Commissioners. The new method of election will enlarge the boards to seven members, without residency or runoff election requirements. The terms will be staggered four-year terms with four and three members elected for four years on alternate two years.

In the past, two blacks at different times have been elected to the board of education and one black was elected to the Board of County Commissioners under a different election plan.

The suits filed in January 1987 by Attorney Romallus O. Murphy, Greensboro attorney and associate general counsel, state NAACP; and General Counsel Angus Thompson of Lumberton challenged the at-large, district residency, staggered-term (See NAACP, P. 2)

## European Crisis

servicemen from other cities, hamlets, and states were assigned to military units under the Middle-Eastern Command for the sole purpose of aiding Marshal Joseph Stalin of Russia in defeating the Germans who were pouring those panzer divisions into his territory.

Moreover, no second front existed

then, and France had capitulated to the Germans and Great Britain was about to fall. Therefore, in short, Marshal Joseph Stalin of Russia, Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Great Britain called a conference in Tehran, Iran, with President Franklin D. Roosevelt of the United States (the "Big Three" conference) in November 1943 for the purpose of mapping out a strategy to open up a second front which would be mainly composed of American and Allied troops whose missions were to divert some of the German armies from the Russian front and to liberate the peoples of Western Europe from Nazi rule.

This was done seven months later on the D-Day invasion (June 1944) of France under the command of Gen. Dwight David Eisenhower and other Allied commanders. What a price that the Allies had to pay in order to carry out those missions!

World War II was indeed a "hot war" and the outcome in Europe was when the German generals capitulated to the Allied forces on V-E Day (May 7, 1945). Afterward, all of Europe was divided up among the Allied armies—the Russians, British, French and the United States—who policed and occupied the former Nazi-occupied territories even until today.

Hats off to some of our Raleigh black women who had served in this war along with their counterparts in other cities and states. Some of the black women who served in the WACS, WAFS, WAVES, SPARS and the "Pari-Marines" were Ms. Christine Shipp Stewart, Ms. Mary Alston and women from other cities (See EUROPEAN, P. 2)



IN IRAN—Marshal Joseph Stalin of Russia, Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Great Britain called a conference in Tehran, Iran, with President Franklin D. Roosevelt of the United States known as the "Big Three" conference on Nov. 1943 to map out strategy to open up a second front composed mainly of American and Allied troops.

## NCSU Specialist Awarded Ag Extension Scholarship

Bernadette Uregory Watts, an extension specialist, has received a George Hyatt Scholarship from the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service.

Watts, who has been an extension specialist overseeing educational programs and staff development for extension workers throughout the state since 1986, was presented the scholarship at North Carolina State University during an awards banquet recently.

She'll use the \$500 scholarship to spend some time at the Extension Development Assessment Center in Ohio this spring. "Ohio is a leader in utilizing the assessor/assessee process in helping extension administrators identify and evaluate the supervisory and managerial capabilities of its workers," Watts said. The assessment process begins with observation of a person's strengths, weaknesses and potentials. Based on this information, predictions can be

made as to a person's abilities as a supervisor or manager.

Previously, Watts was southwestern district program leader and district home economics program leader for (See SCHOLARSHIP, P. 2)



MS. BERNADETTE UREGORY WATTS