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### City Agenda For 1990s To Be Decided In Election

A whole new agenda looms for the 1990s in both terms of economics and the quality of life which will require new standards for development, comprehensive planning and scrutinizing major projects for quality growth in the future.

Along with addressing the problems of the homeless, transportation, quality water and a rising number of big-city problems, Raleigh City Council members will lead the city into the 21st century and your vote will determine whether it is

done with intelligence, care and vision. Raleigh. Three-time incumbent Avery Upchurch is challenged by

**Your vote on Oct. 10 will determine the agenda for the 1990s. We need a council that will lead the city into the 21st century with intelligence, care and vision. Your vote will determine your future from the 19 mayor and council candidates seeking to represent you.**

At the top of the list, the mayor's race is the most important election in council member Charles Meeker. Both have strengths and weaknesses

and the voters have an opportunity to elect a council that represents a cross-section of the city. Some are neighborhood and environment defenders, others focus on social problems and better jobs. The mayor should speak to both.

Five candidates are running for two council at-large seats. Steve "Snoopy" Webb, the owner of Snoopy's hot dog stands; Joe "Uncle Sam" Overby, Anne Franklin, the only incumbent; Frank Turner and Joan Baron. Turner is a longtime Raleigh resident and a power in

African-American political circles with friends in Raleigh's major political circles. He recently changed his registration to Republican.

Baron is former head of the city's Cable Commission and now a member of the Board of Adjustment and favors city involvement in creating small, spinoff-type businesses.

First-term incumbent Geoff Elting, representing North Raleigh who has played a major part in stemming the tide of shopping centers in District A, faces two opponents. Julian Ford and

Louis Alexander. Ford is a vice president with North Hills, one of the Triangle's biggest developers and property managers.

Mary Watson Nooe, first term incumbent is facing a strong challenge from Ethel Miller, a newcomer in one of the new North Raleigh precincts. District B used to be composed of east Raleigh. However, recent redistricting has moved two inner-city precincts out and two North Raleigh precincts in.

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### Black Caucus Picks Upchurch, Ralph Campbell

The Wake County Black Leadership Caucus has endorsed Avery Upchurch in the race for Raleigh mayor.

David L. Barnwell, president of the 123-member caucus, said the group was impressed when Upchurch picked Ralph Campbell, Jr., the council's only black member, to chair the council's Law and Finance Committee in 1985.

"Upchurch took the initiative and appointed Ralph Campbell as chairman, which took a lot of courage," Barnwell said.

He also said Upchurch's challenger, Charles C. Meeker, appeared at the group's meeting last week in an effort to persuade the caucus to endorse him.

"We just felt very uncomfortable about this sudden concern about what's going on in Southeast Raleigh," he said.

The group also endorsed Anne S. Franklin and Frank L. Turner in the at-large race; E. Julian Ford for District A (North Raleigh), Mary Watson Nooe for District B (East Raleigh), Campbell for District C (Southeast Raleigh), and Douglas M. Fulford, Jr. for District D (Southwest Raleigh).

The group made no endorsement for District E (West Raleigh). The caucus' choices were the same as those made by the Raleigh-Wake Citizens Association, a black political group. Barnwell, however, said that the groups were "adversaries," and that it was merely a coincidence that their endorsements were the same.

### Democrats Plan To Recapture The White House

BY LARRY A. STILL

WASHINGTON, D.C.—In the first full meeting of the Democratic National Committee since he was elected chairman, attorney Ron Brown outlined ambitious plans "to dominate the 1990 elections, the 1991 (congressional) redistricting campaigns and ultimately take back the White House in 1992" despite Republican Party efforts to win new voters among blacks and white Southerners.

As the first African-American to head a major U.S. political party, Brown proudly announced that the DNC had not only broken a fundraising record by receiving more than \$5 million in campaign contributions

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### Accepting A Bribe Hastings Faces Impeachment

#### Attack Against Leaders

Never in the 200 years of the U.S. Constitution and our American judicial system has a federal judge been acquitted and then subjected to an impeachment process, said the African-American Legal Defense Fund, a non-profit organization which has been established to assist in defending Judge Alcee Hastings, a federal judge in South Florida, against impeachment charges.

Azora Irby, a spokesman, said, in October 1981, Alcee Hastings was accused of accepting a bribe. In April 1983, Judge Hastings was acquitted by a jury of his peers.

Despite the fact that Hastings had been found innocent, the Judicial Committee issued a report stating that Hastings had perjured himself at the original criminal trial.

In February, based on the findings of the Judicial Conference, the House Judiciary Committee forwarded a report saying there was sufficient evidence to bring a bill of impeachment against Judge Hastings to the House Committee on Government Operations.

In March, the Hastings Impeachment Committee was formed, consisting of the following senators: Jeff Bingaman (D-N.M.), Bob Kerry (D-Neb.), Warren Rudman (R-N.H.), Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.), Joseph Lieberman (D-Conn.), Christopher Bond (R-Mo.), David Pryor (D-Ark.), Arlen Specter (R-Pa.), Slade Gordon (R-Wash.), Richard Bryan (D-Nev.), Dave Durenberger (R-Minn.) and Conrad Burns (R-Mont.).

AALDF views Judge Hastings' im-  
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DRUG PREVENTION—East Millbrook Junior High School and Carnegie Middle School will serve as pilot schools in the introduction of the "I've Got Better Things To Do" program in Wake County sponsored by the Raleigh Professional Firefighters Association. Pictured (l. to r.) East Millbrook Principal Dr. Patricia Gole; Shanta Hannah; Engineer Mike Davis; Aron Williams; Engineer Chester Sampson; East Millbrook Counselor Buelah Roach.

### Firefighters Introduce Anti-Drug Project In Wake County Schools

A drug prevention program will be piloted in two Raleigh area schools this fall. East Millbrook Junior High School and Carnegie Middle School will serve as the pilot schools in the introduction of the "I've Got Better Things To Do" program in Wake County by the Raleigh Professional Firefighters Association.

The "Better Things" program is an alternative, actively based approach to drug and alcohol abuse education

for elementary and middle school-aged children.

"Better Things" was adopted in New Orleans in 1987 under the direction of the New Orleans Fire Fighters Local 632. In January, the executive board of the 175,000-member International Firefighters Association unanimously endorsed "Better Things" as a national program. Raleigh will be only the fourth city in the nation to pilot such a program.

While there are many root causes of this growing problem, the "Better Things" program will focus mainly on combatting low self-esteem and frustration of expression. It is hoped that this will create a more positive context for learning and ultimately reduce the dropout rate among the targeted "at risk" group.

Students will meet the firefighters and counselors in group sessions each week throughout the school year. Group sessions have been designed to meet the students' needs in the areas of self-concept, self-awareness, self-actualization and self-mastery.

Seventy-five students have currently enrolled in the program at the two pilot schools. Expansion of the program into other schools is planned for next year.

The firefighters participating in the program have been professionally trained through the Drug Education Center in Charlotte as well as through workshops and conventions.

After the "Better Things" program was established in New Orleans, 72  
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### Shades Of Bensonhurst

## Racism Engulfs Building Trade

BY CHESTER A. HIGGINS, SR.

INTERNATIONAL FALLS, Minn.—The malevolent spirit of Bensonhurst and Howard Beach, N.Y., as well as Pretoria, South Africa, stalks the chilly, thinly populated streets of this northernmost (of the lower 48) U.S. town of about 6,500 on the Canadian border.

Racism raised its ugly head after Boise Cascade, Inc., a paper mill,

hired a non-union general contractor, BE&K of Birmingham, Ala., to construct a half-billion-dollar expansion of its plant, and the firm brought in a number of African-Americans among its integrated force to work on the project.

This is reputedly the coldest spot in the United States and now may be one of the hottest, racially. The headwaters of the mighty Mississippi River rise about 150 miles north of the

Twin Cities in a tiny lake not much bigger than a puddle. And now rising demands for racial equality in the building trades are disturbing the state's tolerant and comfortable view of itself.

For this state is the land of the late Hubert Humphrey and Walter Mondale. Indeed, it is a state of "progressive" politics where, according to Curt Johnson, of the 37-year-old watchdog group, the Citizens League, as quoted in the Twin Cities Tribune, "most Minnesotans are too polite" to

work with non-union members. Six people were injured and 32 people were arrested, according to authorities. Boise estimated damages at \$1.3 million.

Democratic Gov. Rudy Perpich, a descendant of east European stock, reportedly said the strife stemmed from Boise Cascade's reneging on a promise to hire a St. Louis, Mo. union contractor who would employ out-of-work Minnesota unionists. On strength of this promise, the state handed Boise Cascade a \$16 million



JOB TRAINING—Glenda Elbarbee, left, and Lee Cooley, right, are two counselors for the Job Training Project, an organization that seeks to find jobs for homeless as well as serve as a referral service for other needs of Raleigh and Wake County homeless. (Photo by Talm Sabir-Calloway)

"They yelled, 'Nigger, go home,' busted the windshield of my truck and slashed the tires. They threatened to burn down the building we live in. I have never seen anything like it. I'm going to send a report to the NAACP..."

Leon Goodman  
Construction Supervisor

permit anything like overt prejudice to surface.

But surface it has. Incensed union supporters numbering between 400-600, some from out of state and reportedly organized by Minnesota's building trade union leadership who vociferously denied it, set trailers on fire, overturned and burned temporary encampment tents and equipment.

Union members inside the giant plant pulled wildcat strikes, refusing

tax write-off, the governor says.

The paper mill is the single most important industry in the town. The governor sees no racial conflicts.

On Sept. 20, he ducked out of a side door at the St. Paul Holiday Inn luncheon honoring a black businessman, Jesse Overton, of Skytech Co., to avoid being interviewed by this correspondent concerning the festering situation on the northern border of

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ON THE RIGHT TRACK—Donna Oliver, 1987 National Teacher of the Year spoke recently at an affair at the Jane S. McKimmon Center at NCSU. Ms. Oliver is currently the associate director for the teaching department at Bennett College in Greensboro. (Photo by Talm Sabir-Calloway)