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Leadership Challenged

Boycott Group To Continue Pickets

From CAROLINIAN Staff Report
Officials from Crabtree Valley Mall and leaders in the African-American community will meet Friday at Martin Street Baptist Church in response to the dispute over the mall's treatment of blacks. Members of the group that has called for the boycott, however, have refused to confirm that they will attend.

Paula Spivey, a spokesman for the mall, released this statement to The CAROLINIAN earlier this week:

"The owners of Crabtree Valley Mall are presently arranging a meeting to be held before the first of next week, between those persons and organizations concerned, to discuss all issues and reach a solution."

Joined by Mayor Avery C. Upchurch and city council members Ralph Campbell, Jr. and Frank L. Turner, representatives from the mall, the Raleigh-Apex Branch of the NAACP, and a local alliance of preachers will try to resolve the growing tension between Crabtree and local blacks who were angered by a city memo asking for the elimination of bus service to the mall from Southeast Raleigh during peak hours on Saturday.

Representatives from Concerned Citizens for Educational Equality, who have organized the picketing, said the meeting would have no impact on their protest and do not see these groups as speaking for the best interests of the students or African-

Americans in general. Ms. Margaret Rose Murray said the CCEE was not part of the meeting and that it would have no impact on their protest. The meeting has also generated criticism because it will be closed to the media and to some of the students involved.

Black Workers for Justice, distributing flyers headlined "Boycott Crabtree," said, "What makes it so important is the broad community support that is developing. Black people in Raleigh and surrounding towns and cities are talking about the situation at Crabtree. They are also talking about the numerous other acts of racism confronting

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An Open Letter

To: Leadership of the Raleigh-Apex Branch of the NAACP
Members of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance
Members of the Raleigh-Wake Citizens Association

Re: The Crabtree Valley Mall Boycott

As students who walk the picket line at Crabtree Valley Mall, we believe in, and stand accountable for, our actions.

It angers us to read that demands and negative statements are being made by the adult groups listed above. Not only did they choose not to support us in our efforts, they also chose not to advise us of their actions. As we are "active" participants in the "boycott," we do feel that we have the right and the ability to meet with the management of Crabtree Valley Mall and speak for ourselves.

We are a proud and dignified group of African-American students

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FRANK L. ROBERTS, SR.

Roberts Files Petition For Reinstatement

Cites Due Process
And Free Speech

From CAROLINIAN Staff Report
A teacher fired from the Wake County School System is seeking a permanent injunction to reinstate him.

Frank L. Roberts, Sr., was suspended by the Wake County Board of Education without pay on June 8 from his teaching position at Sanderson High School. Roberts had been employed as a teacher since 1969 and said he was suspended and later dismissed because he is black. The board of education and Superintendent Robert E. Wentz said in a memo recently that Roberts was fired Nov. 13 for making sexual advances to a female student and the student's mother.

The complaint and petition for review read, in part, "This is an action seeking review of a decision by the Wake County Board of Education to terminate Mr. Roberts from his position as a tenured teacher in the Wake County School System. Plaintiff also alleges violations of his right to due process and free speech under the North Carolina Constitution and the Constitution of the United States, and 42 USC Section 1983.

"Plaintiff seeks preliminary and permanent injunctive relief to

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Psychiatric Evaluation

Mother Charged In Child's Murder

Police Said Decapitated And Stabbed

WINDSOR—A 30-year-old woman has been charged with murder in the death of her two-year-old daughter, and a state medical examiner says the child's head had been cut off with a butcher knife.

Police in Windsor say Bertha Harrell Bell of Windsor is being held in the Bertie-Martin County Jail pending a hearing to determine whether she will be sent to a hospital for psychiatric evaluation. She was charged by police yesterday.

Police said in a prepared statement that Antionette Brenay Bell was killed with a butcher knife Tuesday morning. Police haven't determined a motive for the slaying. State medical examiner Dr. Page Hudson confirmed this morning that the child had been decapitated and that she had been stabbed "multiple" times.

In related crime stories: A Raleigh woman was charged with assault when she allegedly threw a pot of scalding water on a police officer and another man, inflicting serious injuries to them both.

Delores Jean White, 26, of 1309 Holman St., was charged with assault on a law enforcement officer and assault with a deadly weapon. She was released from Wake County Jail on \$2,000 secured bond.

The officer was called to Ms. White's home when an unidentified

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RESTLESS STUDENTS—Students in the area recently have been very active in the forefront protesting what they describe as "racism." Enloe High School faced a "walkout" by African-American students who complained about "blatant racial incidents" and are demanding the administration make improvements in racial relations. (Photo by Talkie Sabin-Calloway)

Students At Enloe High Demanding Improvements In Racial Relations

BY TRACEY HALL
Staff Writer

African-American students attending Raleigh's Enloe High School have complained recently about what they say are blatant racial incidents which have placed a burden on their ability to achieve academic excellence, and which have also caused fury among the parents of the students within the African-

American community.

After an African-American female student was expelled from school a few weeks ago because she verbally insulted a white teacher, tensions have been heightened on the campus.

In another incident, an African-American female student and a white female student were involved in a fight when an African-American teacher intervened and was struck on

the arm by the white student. In the aftermath, the white female was only ordered in-school suspension, which means she can still attend classes.

Enloe Principal Diane Payne is under fire for what students say is a lackadaisical attitude toward finding solutions to the tensions that have plagued the city's only magnet school. She has been advised by the Enloe High School PTSA's executive board to establish a task force as well as a human relations board to discuss avenues for handling racism.

Frank Roberts, a former schoolteacher in the Wake County Public School System who is currently appealing his firing by the school board, said he knows firsthand the depth of the school's racial problem. Roberts, who has a son attending Enloe, told The CAROLINIAN that parents with children attending the school are demanding a public apology from the school administration.

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"Ice" Brings Another Devastating Blow To Struggle Against Drugs

BY TRACEY HALL
Staff Writer

Is Raleigh prepared for a new "Ice Age?" Well, if the new, highly potent drug called "ice" hits the Triangle, local authorities had better be on their guard, because ice is twice as addictive as crack cocaine, say experts.

According to Lt. W.L. Baker of the

Raleigh Police Department's Narcotics Unit, ice has not reached as far as the Triangle, but "We are looking in that direction."

Baker said that his department has not seized any of the new drug, but knows what to look for. He said that the drug has been detected in many surrounding counties. Unlike cocaine, it can be manufactured easily in garage laboratories from cheap, easily obtained chemicals.

In Japan, ice has become as serious a problem as crack is in the United States. This is probably due to its proximity to Hawaii, where this form of methamphetamine was first detected.

Ice can be purchased for as little as \$25, one reason for its popularity. \$10 worth of cocaine equates to \$25 worth of ice. However, ice produces a much longer high, up to 12 hours. Most users of ice can take the drug in the morning before work and have it last until they leave work in the afternoon.

The effects of ice are much like those of crack cocaine. Symptoms of irrational behavior, along with displays of delusional and paranoid-type behavior all signs of ice use, as are effects such as depressed appetite, extreme alertness, and rapid body movements and speech (known as "speeding"). Because of its similarity in effect to cocaine, experts say, methamphetamine in powdered form has been sold as cocaine for years.

Tom Robinson, an outreach worker for Drug Action of Wake County, said that ice comes in rock form and is smoked. The long-term effects of

(See ICE, P. 2)

Are Minorities Ready To Make Free Choices?

Tempting Targets
For Advertisers

BY DR. BENJAMIN L. HOOKS
An Analysis

Over the past several months, increased attention has been focused on advertising by tobacco companies in minority publications and on billboards in minority neighborhoods. Charges have been made that these companies are specifically targeting minority communities because they offer a tempting target, and are more likely to be persuaded by the advertiser's message than the majority community.

Implicit in this is the premise that blacks are so naive that they will be persuaded to smoke by a billboard or an ad. Buried in this line of thinking, and never really mentioned by these critics, is the rationale that blacks are not capable of making their own free choices and need some guardian angels to protect their best interests.

This is an insidious form of paternalism. Blacks, like the rest of the populace, can make the choice of whether to smoke or not.

Many of the critics of the billboards are also critical of tobacco companies for sponsoring positive activities in the black community.

A number of major tobacco companies, as well as many other firms producing different products, have been longtime supporters of worthwhile activities in the black community without asking a single thing in return.

For example, one company annually sponsors an achievers' award to honor five black men and women who have made major contributions to their communities. Each is awarded \$10,000 to present to the community-based organization of his or her choice.

Should these contributions cease, and if other companies stopped supporting scholarships, skills training programs, single parent programs, and a whole host of good initiatives, would these same critics step forward to fill the gap? I doubt that very much.

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NEWS BRIEFS

SHERATON CHANGES HANDS

As of Nov. 2, Davidson and Jones Hotel Corp. has assumed management control of Sheraton Raleigh Hotel at Crabtree Valley, which was previously operated by Amerimar Raleigh Associates L.P. Due to this change in management, the Corporate Executive Organizers Club will no longer be available at the Sheraton Raleigh Hotel, effective as of the date of transfer.

INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY

Robert Sheridan and Partners, a national real estate investment firm, has earmarked \$250 million in 1990 for acquisition of industrial properties, with the North Carolina Research Triangle cities of Raleigh, Charlotte and Durham as key targets. RS&P, with offices in Miami and Chicago, has actively purchased industrial property for several years. Its primary emphasis is now on buildings suitable for redevelopment, according to Marc Sheridan, general manager.

NEW GARNER COMPLEX

William R. Logan, regional vice president for the piedmont region, beamed broadly as he broke ground for the company's new complex in Garner. As photographers captured the event, more than 100 employees applauded the first shovelful of dirt from the 10-acre site. The new complex will be located in the Greenfield development, south of U.S. 70 and east of Interstate 40.

DECLINING POPULATION

The world's population growth rate is expected to continue its

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TAKING TO THE STREETS—As "ice" and "crack" and other black drugs invade the African-American community, community groups take innovative steps to fight their spread. Civic and religious groups often march throughout neighborhoods warning of the dangers of drugs. (Photo by Talkie Sabin-Calloway)

Turner Saluted As Oldest Employee In State Government

Dr. A.J. Turner, the director of minority affairs in the North Carolina Department of Human Resources, has been recognized as the oldest full-time employee in state government.

Dr. Turner, who celebrated his 77th birthday on Nov. 17, was featured recently in the state's Western Carolina Center annual Christmas parade in Morganton. Riding in a beautifully restored 1931 Ford, his alert and handsome appearance belied his years. Hundreds cheered and applauded as the state's oldest full-time employee rode by.

The parade, billed as one of the largest and best-attended ever sponsored by the center, was followed by a gala affair in which Dr. Turner was honored as special guest.

Dr. Iverson Riddle, the center's director, had arranged for Dr.

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DR. A.J. TURNER