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## New Marketing Program Aiding Black Farmers

Black farmers from North Carolina and South Carolina met recently to discuss an innovative new marketing program that will give them access to markets typically dominated by large-scale producers. The program will buy Southern-grown produce directly from the farmer and market it in major urban communities in the North.

The United We Stand Food Program was introduced to farmers at a meeting hosted by the South Carolina Agriculture Department's Small Farm Program. The meeting was held Jan. 6 at South Carolina State University in Orangeburg, S.C.

Featured speakers, the Rev. Al Sampson of Chicago and Clay Hammond of Philadelphia, told farmers that the program was started last year in their respective cities. They explained how they bought Southern-grown produce and sold it to blacks in the inner city.

Rev. Sampson said he came to South Carolina "to perform a marriage between blacks down South and blacks up North." Nationally, he pointed out, blacks spend some \$2 billion on consumer goods annually. Of that they spend about \$400 million on food. However, very

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## Church Members Oppose Parking Deck Project, Losing Downtown Property

BY W. MASON, JR.  
Staff Writer

Members of Wilmington Street First Baptist Church, angered over a proposed parking deck that could strip them of some of their land, will attend Tuesday's City Council meeting to outline reasons for their opposition.

The city's parking deck would extend from Wilmington Street to Blount Street, with a portion covering a section of the church's property. But church members said the deck would prohibit the church from future expansion and hamper its ability to increase its membership. Church members hope the city will pick another site for its deck.

The City Council, however, may acquire the land from the church without the church's approval. The city has not decided what action it will take regarding the church's position.

"I think developing this parking project is needed within our downtown district," said City Councilman Ralph Campbell, Jr. in an interview with The CAROLINIAN. "The city has been sensitive to the needs of the church."

The council plans to take up the parking deck plan as a special item on Tuesday's agenda and may take action on the church's position, Campbell said. Church members hope to persuade the council against

using the church site.

In preparation for Tuesday's meeting, church members held a press conference last week to outline its position to the media.

At the conference, Ms. Cliffonia G. Wimberley, a spokesperson for the

terfering with the accomplishment of the church's programs, goals and objectives.

In a prepared statement handed out to media representatives last week, the group said the city proposed to use its powers to acquire land from

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church group, outlined the church's position, saying the construction of the deck as proposed would prohibit expansion of the church as well as in-

the current private owners for the convenience of private developers, without regard for the wishes or plans (See ANGRY CHURCH, P. 2)

## INSIDE AFRICA

The crash of a CIA plane carrying U.S. weapons to UNITA "will set back efforts to negotiate a ceasefire and political settlement there," according to American officials quoted by the New York Times.

U.S. officials confirmed that the L-100 cargo plane, ferrying supplies from the Kamina air base in Zaire, crashed Nov. 27 in southeastern Angola, near UNITA headquarters in Jamba, according to the Times. At least four Americans were killed as well as an unknown number of UNITA rebels who were also on board.

According to press reports, the United States has been aiding the Angolan rebels since 1986, using Zaire as a staging base. It has recently replaced South Africa as their primary backer, since South Africa agreed in December 1988 to end such aid, as well as direct military intervention inside Angola to bolster UNITA.

The crash shows that "the CIA continues to instigate and encourage the war" in Angola, said Manuel Pedro Pacavira, the Angolan ambassador to the United Nations.

"U.S. military involvement in Angola is undermining American credibility and Zairean credibility as we attempt to facilitate a settlement of the conflict there," said Rep. Howard E. Wolpe (D-Mich.), chairman of the House Foreign Affairs subcommittee on Africa.

## "Shock" Incarceration

# Youthful Offenders Graduate

## "IMPACT" Seen As Alternative

North Carolina's boot camp program for youthful offenders will conduct its first graduation ceremonies Jan. 18th.

IMPACT, the Intensive Motivational Program for Alternative Correctional Treatment, is modeled after successful "shock incarceration" programs currently in use in a number of states. The graduation ceremonies will take place at 3:00 p.m. at the IMPACT facility. State Correction Secretary Aaron Johnson will be among the scheduled speakers.

IMPACT grew out of Governor Jim Martin's January 18, 1989 Special Message to the General Assembly. In that message, the Governor asked the lawmakers to provide emergency funding for prison construction and for the expansion of this state's community-based alternatives.

The program grew out of crowding in our state prison system. In recent years, the North Carolina Prison System has faced the threat of a federal takeover prompted by legal challenges from inmates because of overcrowded conditions. Overcrowding is considered "cruel and unusual punishment," which is prohibited by the U.S. Constitution. (See PRISON, P. 2)



NEW BOULEVARD—A ribbon cutting and dedication for the new Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard joined part of the ceremonies for the annual holiday festivities. The boulevard starts at Peele Road and extends west to Reek Quarry Road and is the first phase of construction. Raleigh City Council members Ralph Campbell, Frank Turner and Ms. Mary Hesse were among the participants with Mayor Avery Upchurch during the formal dedication last week. (Photo by Sherman Jenkins)

## Dr. Proctor Delivers Prophetic Message On King Overcoming Evil

BY DR. ALBERT JABS  
An Analysis  
When Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, former minister of the Abyssinian Baptist Church of New York, opened the 1990s and the MLK Great Issue

Series at Shaw University, he gave a prophetic message on the gospel and the trust that Martin Luther King had in Jesus Christ in overcoming evil. The 68-year-old preacher recounted

his experiences both personally and professionally with King. Dr. Proctor related how Dr. "Daddy" King, the visitors to the King household, the Morehouse connection, Dr. Davis (a professor at Crozier) and his advice for young Martin to matriculate at Boston University were strong links in the building of King's eloquence and power of persuasion.

The former North Carolina A&T president stated that King had a reverence for the text, thinking, and the thought of great minds. He cited one example of how, during the Montgomery bus boycott, young Martin was up at 3 a.m. reading Paul Tillich's seminal work, "Courage To Be." But this aristocracy of the mind and spirit had been nourished at the spiritual wells found in the King household and Morehouse College where giant minds roamed like Mordecai Johnson, Ben Mayes, and Howard Thurman.

Although the civil rights leadership role fell on the youthful Dr. King by (See PASTOR, P. 2)

## State Awards \$8 Million Helping Rental Housing

The state awarded almost \$8.1 million in federal tax credits in 1989 as an incentive for developers building affordable rental housing, it was announced last week by Secretary of Economic and Community Development James T. Broyhill.

The 1989 awards will help build 3,475 apartments in 51 counties and generate construction valued at more than \$133.2 million. The tax credits were awarded by the N.C. Tax Reform Allocation Committee, which Secretary Broyhill chairs.

"Our state has a shortage of more than 115,000 apartments that households with low incomes can afford," Secretary Broyhill said. "We also have a large number of substandard units, including about 100,000 without indoor bathrooms—more than any other state. We certainly mean to change that."

"The federal low-income housing tax credit is one of the most effective (See RENTAL HOUSING, P. 2)

## Preacher & Educator

# Dr. King And The College Student

BY KEITH O. HILTON  
An Analysis

1989-90 could possibly be the second genesis of when the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. connects with college students.

For me, however, the greatness of Dr. King grows stronger each year. Maybe this is because I have continued to be drawn to his life as a doer, as well as a dreamer.

Some veteran civil rights activists have said that King was not a saint, but a human being. Yes, he was human, but what a human being he was for all times!

Not every student will receive a Ph.D. in systematic theology from Boston University as he did. Or graduate from Morehouse College at the age of 19. But there are enough parallels in Dr. King's collegiate ex-

perience and that of many college students today.

In an earlier column, I spoke of the importance of new student orientations.

I mention this for two reasons: (1) at his orientation/convocation, Martin King met Dr. Benjamin Mays, one of the nation's greatest educators, and (2) like most freshmen, young Martin wasn't sure what he would do

career-wise.

He participated in extracurricular activities: the glee club, the Young Men's Christian Association, the NAACP, the student-faculty discipline committee.

Today, many multi-cultural students, like Martin, do become standouts with their schools' newspapers, radio stations, student government and other social and academic organizations.

Martin was a commuter student. He lived at home. Today, the number of commuter students, part-time students and other non-traditional students in higher education has completely changed the face of American colleges and universities.

After Morehouse, he won a scholarship to Crozer Theological Seminary in Chester, Pa. While there, he enjoyed the social life in nearby Philadelphia, attending parties and making friends. Always the scholar, he read Henry David Thoreau, Karl Marx, Mahatma Gandhi, to name a few.

He next attended Boston University. Like many students, he met a special friend, a talented and pretty young woman in Boston, who later became his wife and confidant.

On Aug. 28, 1963, Emmett Till, a 14-year-old Chicago boy visiting relatives in Mississippi, was kidnapped and lynched. Two months earlier, Martin Luther King, Jr. was awarded his Ph.D. from Boston University.

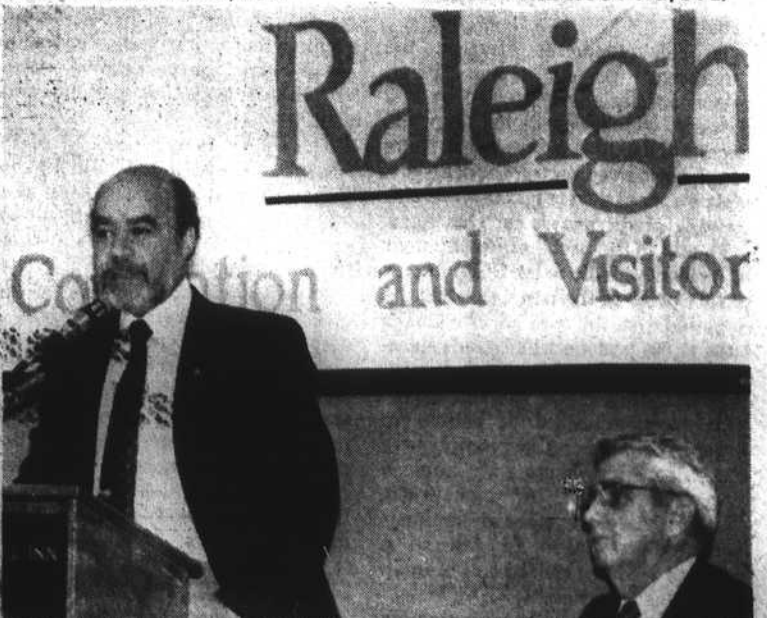
Today, racism continues to impact on college students. It is partly up to students and officials to turn these negatives into motivators and positive reinforcers.

The bonding between Dr. King and today's students is coming about via the de-mythification of this great world teacher-preacher (cut in the

(See DR. KING, P. 2)



RECORD CONTRIBUTION—McDonald's sets another record with the company's largest contribution to the United Negro College Fund of more than \$532,000. The systemwide donation was presented to host Lou Rawls (far right) during the 10th Anniversary "Lou Rawls Parade of Stars" telethon. Presenting the contribution are (from left to right) William Pretty, Jr., secretary/treasurer of the National Black McDonald's Operators Association (NBMOA); Ken Ross, NBMOA president; Lillian Thomas, McDonald's crew person; and Fran Jones, NBMOA vice president.



EYE OPENER SPEAKER—Aas T. Spaulding, chairman of the "Foundation For Economic and Educational Development" was the featured speaker of the monthly Raleigh Convention and Visitors Bureau eye opener breakfast held at the Crabtree Sheraton last Thursday. Looking on are Spaulding's Raleigh Convention and Visitors Bureau chairman, S. Leigh Wilson. (Photo by Tullie Calloway)