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Accusations Fly As

Controversy Continues Over Nov. 6th Election

BY DANIEL A. YOUNG

In the wake of allegations of impropriety, excessively long lines, failing to display and demonstrate models of voting machines to voters and failing to permit handicapped voters the opportunity to vote "curbside," there seems to be adequate grounds for a statewide investigation—if not an investigation by the attorney general of the United States—of North Carolina's election of Tuesday, Nov. 6.

Jo Overman, chairman of the Durham County Board of Elections, states that she and the three-member board "accept the responsibility for the machine malfunction."

During the meeting of about 75-100 persons with the news media in atten-

ance, Overman demonstrated to the audience how an attempt to vote for six rather than five out of the nine candidates made the machine malfunction, saying "The machines worked fine for the spring election and for the 10 percent of the machines tested for this election." Only 10 percent of the machines on hand to be used are required to be tested before an election, according to Overman.

Overman claims the commissioner's race was the only race affected, and said, "If you voted properly on the machines, it functioned properly." Many in the audience felt this was a shifting of the responsibility for the machines malfunctioning to the voters.

"The main complaint," said Overman, "was that the machines would not let you vote the straight Democratic ticket." When the curtain closed, the machine would automatically cast a vote, even though the voter had not yet made their choice.

In explaining the possible cause for the machine malfunction, Overman stated that some of the machines were purchased in 1950, making them more than 40 years old. When asked why newer machines had not been purchased, members of the board explained that it was due to the very low priority placed on this request by the Durham County Board of Commissioners.

Voting machines have been in use in the United States since 1892 when they were first used at Lockport, N.Y. In 1896 they were used in Rochester, N.Y. and soon thereafter were in widespread use throughout the United States. The need for voting machines grew out of a need to eliminate fraud, error and carelessness on the part of voters and election officials. The machines are supposed to be inspected and set at 000 sometime before the polls open and add the votes as they are cast.

The machines are required to allow each elector to vote in secrecy either a straight party ticket (as the law requires) or a split ticket; and to prevent the elector for voting for more

candidates seeking office than they are entitled to vote and to be able to forestall "any fraudulent manipulation." Where machines are used, challenged voters can be accommodated as well. Some machines even have keyboards for permitting a "Challenged Ballot."

Ms. Overman says, "We're not making excuses. No system's perfect. All system fail. This is exactly what happened in Durham."

Sherri Rosenthal of Durham said, "There should have been a backup system," and felt investigation by the State Bureau of Investigation was necessary.

Overman stated, "Two of eight computerized voting machines broke

down at 7:30 a.m., an hour after the polls opened."

The amount of time necessary to vote was often mentioned by several members of the audience. Margaret Glennon stated that she had to wait three hours to vote and it wasn't until after midnight that she cast her ballot. Polls in Durham closed at 10 p.m.; around the state polls were scheduled to close at 7:30 p.m.

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Jesse Jackson To Shaw U. As Speaker

From CAROLINIAN Staff Reports

The Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, president of the National Rainbow Coalition and 1988 presidential candidate, will be in Raleigh on Friday, Nov. 16.

Jackson will deliver the keynote address at Shaw University's 125th Founder's Day homecoming celebration at the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium at 11 a.m. Shaw, founded in 1865, also served to spearhead the formation of North Carolina Central University in Durham and N.C. A&T State University in Greensboro, Fayetteville State University and Elizabeth City State University.

On Friday afternoon, Jackson will visit the Martin Luther King Memorial Gardens in Southeast Raleigh. He becomes the second nationally known African-American leader to visit the gardens this month. Ms. Rosa Parks, the mother of the civil rights movement, toured the memorial on Nov. 3. She told a crowd of 400 gathered to greet her, "I am truly inspired. This statue of Dr. King is the most lifelike and expertly crafted that I've seen anywhere. The initiative this community has taken to preserve the memory of the civil rights movement will become a model for the entire nation."

Rev. Jackson, who was one of Dr. King's close associates and who was with King in Memphis when he was

Questions Loom In

PENDER ST. SHOOTING

Local Man Dies Of Wounds

A Raleigh man is dead and another has been arrested in a fatal attack earlier this week.

According to police reports, Officer J. Scott filed the investigation report following the shooting at the 1600 block of Pender Street which left Philmore Alfred Williams, 34, of 1602-A Pender St., dead. He was taken to Wake Medical Center where he was pronounced dead.

Police arrested Percy Eaton, 39, of 119 Nassau St., and charged him with murder.

Police recovered a Taurus .38-caliber revolver belonging to Williams, a .38-caliber revolver belonging to the suspect, a black jacket and tee-shirt Eaton was wearing.

Eaton was being held in Wake County Jail at press time.

In other news: Samuel Van Williams, 26, was killed earlier this week when an Amtrak train ran over him as he lay on the tracks. He was struck by the passenger train shortly after 7 p.m. Tuesday near Old Garner Road and Eby Drive.

Police at the scene said Williams appeared to have been asleep on the track and apparently tried to get off the tracks after the engineer blew the train's whistle and hit the brakes.

The train, Amtrak's Silver Star, was en route from New York to Miami.

Police have said that they do not suspect foul play in Williams' death. His body was severed and an autopsy showed he died of "massive trauma."



MINISTER OF THE YEAR—Rev. H.B. Pickett, president of the Raleigh-Apex Branch NAACP, is shown above receiving the Minister of the Year award from Rev. L.O. Saunders, co-chairman of the Religious Affairs committee of the North Carolina NAACP. The presentation was made in Hickory, N.C. on Oct. 25th, during the N. C. NAACP Conference of Branches 47th Annual Session.

NAACP Names Rev. Pickett Year's Minister

BY ALLIE M. PEEBLES

Contributing Writer

Rev. H.B. Pickett, Jr. was the recipient of the coveted Minister of the Year Award during the 47th annual session of the North Carolina Conference of Branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. The setting was the Religious Affairs Luncheon, held on Oct. 25 at noon at Morning Star First Baptist Church, Hickory. Rev. L.O. Saunders, co-chairman of the Religious Affairs Committee of the N.C. NAACP, presented the trophy to Rev. Pickett.

Rev. Pickett is well known in the area for his leadership in its civic, religious and educational affairs over a period of years. Pickett established his civil rights agenda during his time spent in his hometown NAACP branch in Morehead City. He has held membership in the Raleigh-Apex Branch for many years. Prior to his being elected president in December of 1988, he served as vice president for 10 years. During that period, he served as chairman of various committees.

During his tenure, Rev. Pickett has led the Raleigh-Apex Branch in new directions. He has appointed a legal redress committee, which is actively working on charges of discrimination in employment. He has likewise revised the branch's education committee, which the community will soon see or hear about.

Rev. Pickett led the branch in seeking a satisfactory solution to the problem with youth at Crabtree Mall. His board was the first to request and

NEWS BRIEFS

CHRISTMAS KETTLE

The bells will be ringing again when the Salvation Army holds its annual kettle kickoff Nov. 15 at Hudson-Balk on the Fayetteville Street Mall. Everyone is encouraged to help share the joy of Christmas with neighbors in need.

INTERNATIONAL GUEST

Ghenoude Sena, professor of French at the Village du Benin Centre International de Recherche et d'Etude de Langues in Togo, West Africa, visited N.C. State University to discuss the mission and scope of the NCSU Foreign Language Department. The Nov. 15 visit focused on the objective to continue to solidify the linkage with the center and NCSU.

MULTICULTURAL DIVERSITY

"America is the most culturally and ethnically diverse nation in the history of civilization but our leaders are not prepared to guide the nation that we have become," said Asa T. Spaulding, Jr., chairman of the National Association of Minority Trustees in Higher Education and a member of the University of North Carolina Board of Governors.

Spaulding spoke to the National Congress of Black Faculty at their annual meeting in Boston, Mass., recently. "Our educational institutions must be training new leaders," he said.

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Calling Card Gives Phone More Punch

The evolution of the calling card has created a powerful communications tool—small enough to fit in your wallet—that offers added convenience and value to long-distance calling when away from home.

Calls made on the AT&T Calling Card—which is available free of charge—are billed to the caller's home telephone number, so the card eliminates the need for coins, calling collect and billing calls to third parties. In fact, using the card for long-distance calls costs even less than using coins at a public phone.

For an additional monthly fee, the card also lets you take advantage of a special rate available through the Reach Out America® calling plan as part of long-distance service.

The AT&T Calling Card allows users to make long-distance calls on AT&T's Worldwide Intelligent Network from almost any phone to anywhere in the United States and some 270 foreign countries and areas; callers can also call the United States from more than 150 countries with the card. Local calls within the United States can be made using the card as well.

Here's how the card works: Using a touch-tone phone, the caller dials 0 and the area code and phone number of the person being called. After a tone is heard, the caller enters the 10-digit calling-card number, followed by a four-digit personal identification number.

If calling from a non-touch-tone,

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Three Local Churches Team For Successful Youth Forum In City

The first in a series of youth forums on "Educational Strategies for Success," sponsored by three local Raleigh churches along with Teens Against AIDS, was held on Saturday, Nov. 3, at Laodicea United Church of Christ on Rock Quarry Road.

In addition to Laodicea, churches co-sponsoring the forum were Saint Ambrose Episcopal Church and Martin Street Baptist Church.

The focus of the forum incorporated phases of human relations, self-esteem and peer pressure as they relate to the youth of today, ages 10-18, in a society where the three areas of concentration have a tremendous impact on their lives as they make decisions for future growth and development.

Workshop leaders and consultants were Ms. Shirley Donaldson-Hinton,



BUSY POSTAL WORKER—Barbara Whaley, a 19-year veteran, often seen at the corner of Hargett and Salisbury streets reloading from transfer box to shoulder bag is complimented for efficient and polite service. She says downtown is growing with a variety of new businesses. (Photo by James Ellis, Sr.)

Shirley Caesar Performs For Hospice Cause

BY MARVA CRAIG

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Since the hospice program's inception 14 years ago, there has been an evolution in the medical service delivery systems of American communities. A major federal legislative bill was passed in 1963 placing hospice services under the umbrella of the Medicare benefits program. In addition to Medicare, some major insurance companies offer hospice benefits.

November has been designated as National Hospice Month. During the past decade, Hospice of Wake County has been offering physical, emotional and spiritual support to patients and their families. By the end of 1990, Hospice of Wake County will have provided 18,250 days of care to 1,990 people. The nonprofit organization is operated by 30 staff members and more than 200 trained volunteers.

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Shirley Caesar Performs For Hospice Cause

Ms. Shirley Hinton's workshop session, relating to the self-esteem component and shared through a video presentation titled "I Can," traced the life of a young girl in a small, eastern North Carolina town, from high school through college graduation. The presentation conveyed to the youth that the "I Can" concept can be achieved and met successfully with a willingness to work hard in spite of limitations. Belief in self, decision-making, reaching for and holding onto a dream are important facets of growth and development in self-esteem. The "I Can" model is the inspiration needed for setting priorities for this growth for self-esteem.

Much discussion and sharing of experiences took place in the session on human relations with Blue as workshop leader. Using an advertisement from the sports section of the newspaper, with pictorial and written communication that conveyed a "signal," the biblical reference of "love thy neighbor as thyself," and the analogy of the level of thinking that is necessary in driving a standard shift car to one's ability to think in being able to adjust to many different situations, Blue challenged the participants to access the logic of human relations—getting along with other people and overcoming the preconception of a stigma that may be associated with themselves.

Youth, he said, must recognize the climate that they are operating in, be able to adjust to a variety of climates and believe that one has the ability and right to be whatever they are. The importance of understanding the network of how humans relate to each

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