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Controversial Leader To Triangle.

Al Sharpton Tells Justice, Rights Goals

BY JAMES MUHAMMAD

Special To The CAROLINIAN
Editor's Note: The Rev. Al Sharpton has arrived on the American scene speaking out on racial justice issues. Most notably, he led a fight for justice in the Howard Beach, Bensonhurst and Tawana Brawley (now Maryam Muhammad) cases. Recently, Sharpton, 36, was in Raleigh and addressed the issue concerning the shooting of an unarmed black man by a white police officer. This interview with Sharpton was conducted by

James Muhammad, assistant editor of the Final Call, organ of the Nation of Islam.

Q. What motivates Rev. Al Sharpton?

A. My calling is to be a minister. When God calls one to the ministry He does not call one just to be an orator on Sunday. He calls one to minister to the needs of His people. I've been teaching a lot longer than the white media has been aware of me. Unfortunately, our people let white people define who people are.

So they will assume I was born at Howard Beach.

Q. How do you respond to those who say you're just out for publicity?

A. Most of the cases we've handled don't get publicity. Secondly, our people don't realize that the cases that did get publicity, we built the publicity. Howard Beach and Bensonhurst were not well-known; we made them well-known. When a black child is killed, the media doesn't say, "It's a shame a black child was killed." So it's not that we are there seeking

publicity for us personally. It's that we are skilled at generating publicity by dramatic action to get the attention of our people and the nation as a whole.

Also, we live in a media age. For leadership to be able to use the media to highlight the ills of our people means that we're competent. The only time somebody sees me on TV is when I'm raising hell and raising issues. And that's the only time they ever will.

Q. What role will the black

minister play in our final thrust for liberation?

A. There will be two types of black ministers. One will become the backbone and bedrock of the movement. The other will be the ones that God will use as an open example to shame—the ones that have pimped off of our people. Either way, the preacher will be very important.

Q. What do you think was the ultimate media case?

A. I defended Maryam Muhammad (Tawana) because I believed

her and there was no set of circumstantial manipulated evidence that would lessen my belief once I sat down soul to soul and heard her story and felt the truth of her story. No one will ever convince me that she could have imagined the right license plate number or the right names of policemen who admitted they worked together those days. How could she just know all of this?

The other thing that is so absurd is (See REV. SHARPTON, P. 2)

NCAE Convention Convenes

Teachers Protest Cuts

Lawmakers Asked To Reconsider Stance

Educators are beginning to express their opposition to the cuts that are being made in the education budget as part of a \$400 million package of reductions that legislators are trying to piece together to help bridge a revenue shortfall that could reach \$1 billion next year.

Thousands of jobs in local schools, including administrators, teachers and custodians, could be lost if legislators cut \$170 million from North Carolina's education budget as proposed.

"Stop the budget cuts. They're killing us," will be the message on the signs of more than 2,000 educators planning to march to the General Assembly to protest the cuts on Friday.

The rally is part of NCAE's state convention. The annual meeting is being held this year at the Raleigh Civic and Convention Center on April 11-13.

"It's time for educators to demonstrate their feelings for the cuts being made in the education budget," said NCAE President Julia Kron. "We want the governor and the General Assembly to know the drastic effects these cuts will have on the children of this state." Kron will deliver a short message in front of the Legislative Building on Jones Street.

Educators marching to the Legislative Building want to show their support for generating new revenues and preserving contributions to the retirement system. They



IN PROTEST—Recently Rev. Al Sharpton, president of the United African Movement, spoke at a rally in front of the Municipal Building to support Tony Farrell and other alleged injustices in the judicial system. A Wake County Grand Jury recently declined to pursue criminal charges against a Raleigh Police Officer, who shot an unarmed Black motorist. According to Rev. David Foy, on Tuesday

April 16, the City Council will receive SBI, FBI reports and also review the personnel file of Officer James Glover. Rev. Foy also told of a demonstration of concerned citizens to take place Tuesday at Noon at the Municipal Building. Pictured left to right are (Front) V. Simpson, Rev. Al Sharpton, T. Peebles and Rev. David Foy. (Rear) Rev. Anthony Charles. (Photo by James Giles, Sr.)

City Of Raleigh Sets Formal Dedication Of M. L. King Gardens

In a few weeks a historic event will take place when the Raleigh/Wake Martin Luther King Celebration Committee, Inc., and the City of Raleigh Parks and Recreation Department sponsor an official ribbon-cutting and formal dedication ceremony at the site of the N.C. Martin Luther King Memorial Gardens on Rock Quarry Road in Southeast Raleigh.

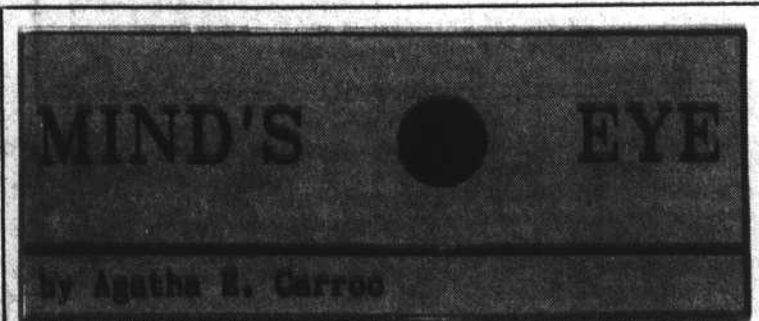
While this event will hold mass community appeal, the six-foot Martin Luther King statue, located in the center of the gardens, being the only statue in the world depicting Dr. King in his clerical attire, has received national attention.

The formal ceremony will be held April 18 at noon with a ribbon-cutting planned by Dr. Paul F. Vandergrift, Jr., chairperson of the dedication subcommittee along with Ms. Portia

of the Martin Luther King Memorial Gardens has been an impressive display of cooperation between city and county governments, businesses, corporations, foundations, churches,

civic organizations and hundreds of individuals throughout North Carolina.

(See DEDICATION, P. 2)



CALL TO ACTION
Part II
In the 1990s, with formidable challenges before the African-American community, there is a need for every sector of our community to be called to action. First, we must assess the past. As a college student during the 1960s, I can recall some turbulent times: riots in the cities, brutality in the South, marches and hostilities and racism at its zenith in America. Those were violent times—times of struggle. The desegregation of schools was a hard-won battle. We risk our children's mental and physical health willingly to overcome the barriers of the separate but equal doctrine in public schools. As adults, some have yet to recover from their traumatic experiences. In the past 30 years, several generations of African-American students have passed through a desegregated system, largely controlled, managed and designed by whites. Our children have learned to be smart is tantamount to "acting white;" that to study is not "cool;" that taking easy courses is the fastest route out of high school. We have come to realize, rather belatedly, that we innocently entrusted our children to institutions where racism was still alive and well. We blindly followed the desegregation model; we failed to monitor the outcome. As a community we now understand that schools were an extension of our homes. Values stressed in the homes were reinforced in (See MIND'S EYE, P. 2)

Amphitheatre To Bring Mega-Ticket Co. To Area

The nation's leading ticketing company has expanded into the state of North Carolina and will leave its imprint on Research Triangle and Southeast Raleigh where a 20,000-seat amphitheatre is currently under construction.

Officials of Hardee's Walnut Creek Amphitheatre said that Ticketmaster will handle all ticketing services. Ticketmaster is the largest ticket company in the country with the industry's most extensive mass distribution network. In addition, most North Carolina Tracks and Record Bar stores will serve as Ticketmaster outlets for Hardee's Walnut Creek events.

"North Carolina music lovers have never had such easy access to tickets," exclaimed G. Wilson Rogers, general manager of the \$13.5 million amphitheatre. Tickets for the 1991 season are expected to go on sale in early May.

Concertgoers will be able to purchase tickets in advance at Tracks and Record Bar stores and through Ticketmaster's charge-by-phone service. When available, tickets will also be sold on the day of the show at Hardee's Walnut Creek box office.

"We are delighted to be working with Ticketmaster, and with Record Bar and Tracks," said Rogers. "Research has shown that most people like to walk into a ticket outlet,

vile, Rocky Mount and Jacksonville.

For those who prefer to order tickets by phone, Ticketmaster's computerized ordering system is available. From Raleigh (834-4000) and Charlotte (1-704-622-6500), customers may call in to order for added convenience.

John Williams, general manager of Ticketmaster's Southeast regional office, said his company looks forward to bringing state-of-the-art ticketing services to North Carolina. "Our vast ticket distribution network will add a new level of convenience for customers, and we are proud to be a part of the growing entertainment business in this region."

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(See AMPHITHEATRE, P. 2)

YMCA 46th Awards Fete Cites Leaders

The Garner Road YMCA celebrates its 46th annual meeting and awards banquet this week as it reaches out to recognize leaders in the community.

The speaker for the banquet is Rev. Dr. Charles Bullock. Rev. Bullock, a native of Oxford, has passionately sought to convey to the world God's good news. His ministry has taken him across the countryside in an effort to improve every individual's relationship with God and to counsel the burdened.

Dr. Bullock believes that "Christian education is important to know in order to understand the relationship we have with God, our fellow men and the doctrine." Dr. Bullock received his license to preach the gospel in 1956. He obtained his bachelor of arts from Shaw University and master of divinity; from Shaw Divinity School. Later, he acquired a doctorate of ministry from Howard University.

In addition to his scholarship, Dr. Bullock has served as pastor of Nashville Baptist, Mount Vernon Baptist, Snow Hill Baptist, St. James Baptist and Martin St. Baptist. He has stood as a disciple of Christ for more than 35 years and is still going strong.

(See YMCA BANQUET, P. 2)

Scheduled to open in July, Hardee's Walnut Creek will offer a broad musical fare from country to classical, jazz to gospel, pop to rhythm and blues. The amphitheatre will have 7,000 permanent seats in an open-air pavilion, with space for 13,000 on the gently sloping festival lawn under the stars.

buy their tickets and have them in hand." The arrangement with Tracks and Record Bar doubles the number of locations where North Carolinians can purchase tickets, and, for the first time, creates outlets in Green-

NEWS BRIEFS

KAYE TO DIRECT WAKE HOSPICE

Karolva Kaye, coordinator of Volunteer Services for Hospice of Wake County for the past nine years, became executive director of the agency last month. The appointment was made at the March meeting of the Hospice Board of Directors. Ms. Kaye has consistently demonstrated dedication and commitment to Hospice, and has developed a highly successful volunteer program in her years with the agency.

JUDGE OF THE YEAR

A Wake County judge who has helped improve the way abused children are treated in the state court system has been selected Juvenile Court Judge of the Year by a leading national organization of child advocates. Judge George F. Bason, chief District Court judge of the N.C. 10th Judicial District in Raleigh, will be honored for "outstanding service to children" in national ceremonies on Sunday, April 28, at the 1991 National CASA Conference in Boston, Mass.

NEW PURCHASES

Larry Addleton of Knightdale Bar-B-Q and Seafood has purchased the Creekside Restaurant (See NEWS BRIEFS, P. 2)

Brandon, Ms. Betty Hargrove, Ms. Joyce Kelly, Ms. Mary Perry, Johnnie E. Burke, Mayor Pro Tem Ralph Campbell, Jr., County Commissioner Vernon Malone, the Rev. Hardy R. Watkins, William R. Windley and Edwin L. Worth, Sr. The development and construction