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Only 2 African Americans Out Of 57 To GOP Meet From NC

BY CASH MICHAELS

It will either have all the fire and spirit of a religious revival, or be one of the largest political funerals in history. But one thing the Republican National Convention in Houston, Texas next week will not have, and that is a lot of african-american delegates from North Carolina. The CAROLINIAN has learned that out of a republican of field of 57 delegates going, only two will be african-

american. Of the 55 alternate delegates, again only two of those will be black. And according to one of the two going, this is a 100% improvement over how many black delegates attended the convention in 1988.

In contrast, when the democrats held their national convention in New York City last month, at least 26% of the 99 North Carolina delegates were african-american, a deliberate and direct reflection of the state's black population, according to state

democratic party political director, Chris Haines.

The two North Carolina black GOP delegates listed by the party are Dr. Quentine Finch of Durham, and Durham City Councilman and North Carolina Mutual Insurance Executive A.J. Howard Clement. The two alternates are Dr. Jimmy Morris of Oxford, and Atty Barbara Gore Washington of Guilford County (candidate in the 12 Congressional District race against democrat Mel

Watt). In an exclusive interview with the CAROLINIAN leaving for Houston, Councilman Clement was quite candid about his role as a delegate, a republican, and a black republican. "As an african-american republican, as long as the great majority of us remain democrats, nothing much is going to change in terms of our economic and social

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AIDS Epidemic Embarks On The Second Stage

GREENSBORO (AP)—New AIDS cases among homosexuals appear to have leveled off. But in Southern cities, AIDS activists believe heterosexuals—especially blacks—are facing a second-wave epidemic.

"Part of that is because in North Carolina we may be prone to the attitude that we're good people, we're God-fearing people and it can't get us here," said John de Lashmet of Triad Health Project, where white gay male clients of the 1980s have given way to black heterosexuals in the 1990s.

"I still hear doctors say, 'Well, I don't really think it's much of a problem.'"

The first signal that the prevention message had failed among heterosexuals was the increase of syphilis, which helps spread the AIDS virus through open sores.

Guilford County's syphilis rate today is five times what it was in 1987.

"That tells you right there how many people are having safe sex," said Pat Candler, a nurse at Moses Cone Memorial Hospital's adult outpatient clinic. "Nothing's changed."

In the first quarter of 1992, 81 percent of the people who tested positive for the AIDS virus at the Guilford County health department were black.

Last month, staff members at the Triad Health Project saw 19 new clients with the AIDS virus.

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King's statue.

For the 62 year old woman, taking her granddaughter to the memorial wasn't just sightseeing. She recalled vividly how it was when she too was a little girl living in Wake County. Those were the days of segregation, days when so-called "niggers" could not share the same public accommodations as whites. White and black adults had lived their lifetimes under the laws of "Jim Crow," but black and white children still didn't understand.

Sure her friends were black Mrs. Cook remembers, but that was their color, not their character. They were still her friends. So when she and a black friend got on a bus, and took seats together in the white section near the front, Hazel Cook found herself defending her friend when the bus driver told her she would have to get up. She was as willing to stand up for what she believed then, as she is decades later today.

"We need each other, the blacks and the whites. We just have to learn to live together in this country, and that's what Dr. King was about," Ms. Cook said.

It was clear that little Jennifer was listening intently as her grandmother spoke, and when she went over to Dr. King's statue that stands prominently in the middle of the park, she looked up at his face, then at his outstretched hand, and asked if she could touch it. "Sure honey, he was a good man, and this is history," her grandmother said reassuredly. Jennifer smiled, and then held the statue's hand. "Jennifer told me that Dr. King was for civil rights

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New NCCU President To Face Many Challenges

DURHAM — Julius Chambers has made a career out of taking on difficult tasks.

Now the former Charlotte resident is coming back to North Carolina for another one: North Carolina Central University.

Chambers was named chancellor-elect of NCCU, succeeding Dr. Tyrone Richmond, who resigned earlier this year from the institution under criticism of poor leadership and financial mismanagement.

Chambers was elected chancellor by the University of North Carolina Board of Governors under the recommendation of UNC President C. D. Spangler, Jr., after a national search. He will take over the \$120,000-a-year job on January 1, 1993.

Chambers is the first alumnus of NCCU to become its chancellor and also the first lawyer to head the institution. Except for the founder, James Edward Shepard, he will be the first head of the institution whose background is primarily outside the academic world. Shepard was a pharmacist and Baptist church leader when he opened the doors of the institution in 1910.

The new chancellor will take over from interim Chancellor Donna J. Benson, who moved on January 1, 1991, to the interim post from a position as associate vice president of the UNC system.

Chambers is best known for his work in law, most notably civil rights cases. He successfully argued the Swann vs. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education case before the Supreme Court in 1970, opening the way for busing to be used as a tool for desegregating public schools.

In 1984, he left North Carolina's first integrated law firm, now

Ferguson, Stein, Wallas, Adkins & Gresham, to become chief counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund.

Chambers, 55, was described by Spangler as a "quiet, effective leader whose life has been one of commitment to equality for all Americans."

Chambers has his work cut out for him at NCCU which has been criticized for financial mismanagement. Faculty members have been accused of using school funds for personal use and the athletic department was taken to task by athletes for allegedly reneging on promises on scholarship money.

Chambers received his bachelor's degree in history summa cum laude from what was then North Carolina College at Durham in 1958. He received his master's degree in history from the University of Michigan in 1959 and then entered the University of North Carolina School of Law in Chapel Hill. He served as editor-in-chief of the North Carolina Law Review and graduated first in his law school class of 1962. The following year he received the LL.M. degree from Columbia University School of Law.

Over the course of his career, Chambers has taught civil rights and constitutional law courses at the University of Virginia, Harvard, the University of Pennsylvania, Columbia University and the University of Michigan.

He was president of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund for nearly a decade before he took its senior executive post in 1984.

Chambers was appointed from the

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PLANTING THE SEED — As little 7-year-old Jennifer Ruth Cook listens intently, her grandmother, Mrs. Hazel Cook of Garner, tells her about the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at the memorial gardens. The 62-year-old woman remembers how her black friends were unfairly treated during the days of segregation and believes that we all "need each other." (Photo by Cash Michaels)

Grandmother Plants The Seeds Of King Dream In Gardens Presentation

BY CASH MICHAELS

It was Sunday, the day after Mrs. Coretta Scott King came to Raleigh, and a storm was coming. Threatening clouds had long chased away the sun, and loud booms could be heard coming in the distance. Yet, at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Gardens on MLK Blvd. in southeast Raleigh, there was a beam of sunlight...and hope for the future.

"Did Dr. King have any children?" asked 7 year old Jennifer Ruth Cook. The little girl from Wake Forest had learned about the great civil rights leader in school, and while visiting the capitol for the weekend, asked her grandmother, Mrs. Hazel Cook of Garner, to take her to see Dr.

CRIME BEAT

Editor's Note: This column, a fixture of The CAROLINIAN in years past, has returned to our pages in hopes of deterring crime in our community. The information contained herein is taken from public arrest records and does not necessarily mean those mentioned are guilty of crimes.

POT POSSESSION

Forty-three-year-old Leon Bunch of 620 Price Street was charged with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. Bunch was arrested on Varsity Drive at Western Blvd.

DRUNK AND RESISTING ARREST

Twenty-five-year-old Regina Joan Wright of 1204 Country Ridge Drive was charged with assault on a law enforcement officer, simple assault, resisting arrest, drunk and disruptive behavior, and 2nd degree trespassing. Police say Ms. Wright allegedly assaulted Laurie Sutzer at a night club at 7112 Sandy Forks Rd.

BURGLARY-FORCED ENTRY

Thirty-two-year-old William Griffin of 101 Manning Street in Chapel Hill was charged with breaking and entering, hit and run, property damage, no drivers' license, and driving in center lane. Police say Griffin allegedly broke into a body shop at 318 E. Martin Street. The break-in involved a 1981 Chevy station wagon, a chain link hurricane fence gate, and a chain and lock.

CRACK POSSESSION

Twenty-four-year-old Joseph Ellis Farris of 3236 Hunt Leigh Drive was charged with felony possession of cocaine. Police say Farris was arrested at 900 Harp Terrace allegedly with one crack cocaine rock.

ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON

Police have charged 21-year-old Steven DeRowland of 3964 Meely Street with assault with a deadly weapon and simple affray, and 29-year-old Darrell Wayne Powell of 4050 Carlton Street with simple affray. Police say the two allegedly assaulted a 19-year-old Black female in the parking lot of DeRowland's address, resulting in a bruise.



KEEPING THE DREAM ALIVE — As she finishes her remarks before an estimated 700 young people and community activists from across the country, Mrs. Coretta Scott King is congratulated by St. Augustine's College President Dr. Prezell R. Robinson. Mrs. King, in

Raleigh last Saturday to address the 5th annual MLK National Youth Assembly at the Raleigh Civic and Convention Center, told young people to keep Dr. King's dream alive by dealing with life's challenges through non-violent means like education and hard work.

Mrs. King Urges Youth To Seek Non-Violent Solutions

BY CASH MICHAELS

"What is happening here, is very beautiful...!"

That's what more than 700 black, white, yellow and brown young people from across the country waited to hear, the approval of Mrs. Coretta Scott King, the wife of the great civil rights leader in whose name they had all gathered. This was not someone talking from

a history textbook. This was history from that textbook, talking for herself.

Mrs. King's keynote luncheon address last Saturday afternoon was the highpoint of the three day Martin Luther King, Jr. "I Have A Dream" National Youth Assembly. Commencing on Friday, the conference brought youths ages 9 to 19 to the Radisson Hotel and the Raleigh Civic and Convention Cen-

ter for a series of workshops, speeches, and group sessions. But it was the special visit from Mrs.

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NEWS BRIEFS

PRIDE EVENT SET

The location of the College Park Community PRIDE Celebration Church Service has changed. In conjunction with the Community PRIDE Weekend Celebration, the College Park Community Watch is sponsoring an interdenominational church service on August 16, at 11 a.m. under the tent at Tarboro Road Community Center, 120 N. Tarboro Road.

SAVE THE BLACK MALE

The Save the Black Male Foundation of North Carolina, Inc., is a non-profit corporation dedicated to ensure continuation, improvement, and betterment of black males. A meeting at Richard B. Harrison Library on August 20 at 7 p.m. will examine issues relating to black males according to Elouise Stevens. Homicide has been the leading cause of deaths of young black men for some years she says. "The black male child is fast becoming a rare and endangered species...the time to act is now." To help the black male, call 833-3304, 828-9512 or 856-1202.

NEW DIVISION DIRECTOR

Dwight Pearson, former principal and a consultant in the Department of Public Instruction, is the new director of the Division of School Services in the Auxiliary Services area of the

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\$95 MILLION ISSUE — In a series of community meetings and public hearings citizens have been discussing their views on the proposed Raleigh Civic and Convention Center project. In top photo, Norman and Dorothy Sanders expressed their concern about closing off another street (Lenoir) in southeast Raleigh business district and the lack of hotel accommodations in the immediate area. J. J. Allen, director of marketing for Reynolds and Associates indicated the lack of funds for southeast Raleigh projects and the awarding of contracts to African American contractors. In bottom photo, left, Ralph Campbell Jr., District C. City Councilman entertains question from Leroy Reynolds relative to the approximately \$6 million shortfall, the debt yet to be paid on the current Civic Center. Dave Betts, assistant director of planning, explained how the 6 percent hotel/motel occupancy tax along with the one percent prepared meal tax would be used to finance the new center during a community meeting recently held at Chavis Heights Community Center. (Photo by James Giles)