10,000 expected in Charlotte for 48th Lott Carey sessions

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - More than 10,000 delegates are expected to attend the 84th annual session of Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention here August 31 - September 4, with headquarters at Radison Plaza Hotel Number two-NCNB in downtown Charlotte.

Mount Carmel Baptist Church, at 3201 Tuckaseege Rd., where the Rev. Leon C. Riddick is pastor, will be host. Delegates will come from the United States and foreign countries.

According to Dr. W.C. Sommerville of Washington, D.C., executive secretary for Lott Carey, this year's attendance is expected to be the largest in the history of the organization.

Meeting here for the first time in over twenty-five years, several hundred churches have already reported over a thousand dollars per congregation and that is already pushing the million dollar mark - a record for Lott Carey.

Opening on Monday night, August 31, with a pre-convention musical directed by Mrs. Juanita David of New York City's Public School System and from the musical staff at Convent Avenue Baptist Church there.

An ensemble of 250 musicians are to be heard during the recital.

In keeping with this year's theme "Mission in Power," a pageant will be presented along with the musical.

Dr. George L. Bodwick of Pittsburgh, president of the parent body is to preside and Miss Helen Benton, Baltimore, MD., will chair the Women's Auxiliary meeting at the same time.

John W. McQueen, Fayetteville, N.C. will direct the Laymen's League and Mrs. Carolyn Pope Middleton from Landover, MD will lead the young people who will meet simultaneously during the week.

Lott Carey is the oldest black foreign mission convention among black religious organizations.

Organized December 16, 1867 at New Shiloh Baptist Church of Washington, is named for a slave, Lott Carey from Chase City, Va.

Carey purchased his freedom from the sale of tobacco and sailed to Liberia, West Africa, in 1821 with other free slaves with a savings account of seven hundred dollars.

This marked the first missionary effort by blacks to the third world continent.

The convention has a membership of several thousand churches throughout America that supports it's work in Africa, India, Nigeria and Guyana.

Liberia, where the Rev. Jeremiah Walker is superintendent, is the convention's major effort.

The honorable Angie Brooks, a former president of the United Nations Security Council is a graduate of Lott Carey's mission School in Liberia.

Being the only independent organization of its kind among blacks Lott Carey operates an over a half million dollar budget.

Eighty six percent of this is used for foreign missions with fourteen percent set aside for operational expenses from headquarters at 1501 11th Street, N.W., in Washington, D.C. Over 96 missionaries are employed on the mission field.

Dr. Sommerville, the convention's chief executive officer is listed to make his annual report on Wednesday morning when certificates are to be awarded to several hundred churches, who have reported a thousand dollars or more for missions during the year. Several local churches are included also from the area.

FIELD TRAINING — Dr. Charles K. Dunson (R), chairman of division of education at Albany (Ga.) State College, talks with one of 19 Albany ROTC cadets attending an advance training camp at Fort Braggs, N.C. The six-week camp is designed to provide future army officers added skills.

N.C. Central names law school dean

DURHAM—North Carolina Central University recently named Charles E. Daye dean of the school of law, one of the nation's four predominantly black law schools.

Daye's appointment was announced by Chancellor Albert N. Whiting after it was approved by the University of North Carolina Board of Governors.

The new dean assumed his post on July 1.

Dave is an honor graduate of North Carolina at Chapel Hill since 1972, and holds the rank of full professor.

He has been a visiting professor at North Carolina Central University during this past year.

Daye succeeds Harry E. Groves as dean. Groves will assume an endowed chair in the school of law at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Daye says, "...We at the school of law take inspiration from the legacy of struggle by Dean Turner (Albert L. Turner) to nourish the idea of a law school here and to bring it forth. We are fortified by the labors of Deans Sampson (Daniel G. Sampson) and DeJarmon (Lemarquis DeJarmon) to sustain the institution in dark hours of neglect and denial. We are motivated to rededicate ourselves to the efforts of Dean Groves to secure institutional adequacy for the law school."

"Because they succeeded so well in what they attempted to do, we are the beneficiaries of their good works. The task we are faced with—our challenge—is to build on the foundation of these gains."

North Carolina Central University's School of Law recently dedicated a new 4.5 million dollar law facility. The building was named after Dr. Albert L. Turner, the first black dean of the law school, who served from 1942 1965. Since the school of law began operation in 1940, it has trained a large proportion of the black lawyers in the Southeastern United States.

Ceiling falls on woman's head in 17th Greensboro home disaster

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Mrs. Margaret Jordan must have thought she was Chicken Little a few days ago, except that instead of the sky falling on her it was the ceiling of her living room.

"I had felt insecure about the ceiling from the time I moved in 11 years ago," says Mrs. Jordon. "Yes, this was shortly after the homes had been constructed. It was brand new. It seemed to me that it (the ceiling) swayed from time to time. I told my husband of this (now deceased) and he said I was fretting over nothing."

According to Richard Brown, a city building inspector, hers was the seventeenth home in the Greenfield Home's area in Greensboro to suffer such disaster and costly damage. Jordon's neighbors on Blackmoore Road are reported to be experiencing the same warning signs that Mrs. Jordan says the realty company, Cameron Brown Realty out of Raleigh, had been alerted in the past.

She says about four months ago she had noticed a crack in her ceiling. "I called the realty company," Mrs. Jordon says, "and they told me that they do not make repairs. I then fished through the phone directory until I found a builder. The builder said if I paid him $1,000 he would not take the job (He said this is the ceiling) just sheet rock

Mrs. Jordan says that she was also informed that beams at this stage would do no good because she would then run the risk of the house catching on fire due to the way the electrical wiring was set up.

Although she escaped the full brunt of the ceiling's weight, she did not escape injury.

"It hit my face and the back of my head, arm and hand. The blow to the back of my head as I was trying to get out of the front door knocked me cold. I woke up on the front porch."

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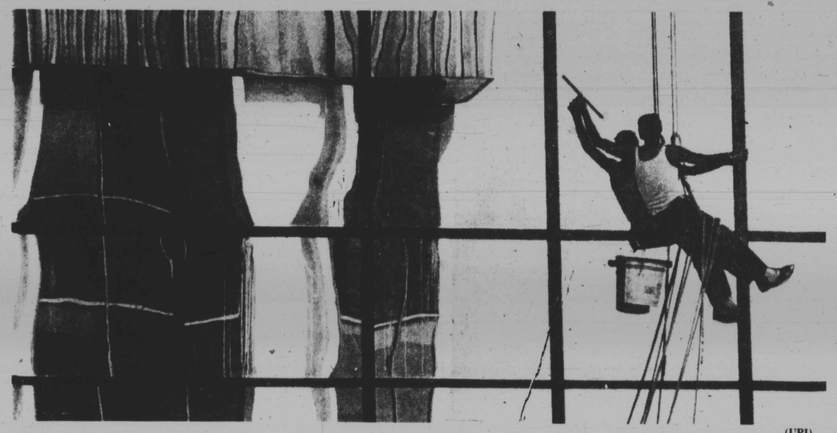

REFLECTIVE SHADOWS in the grass he is washing, Larry Holliday adds another dimension to the mosaic pattern created by the reflective windows of this Columbia office building 8-4. Holliday traversed the building with the help of a friend on the roof, moving him along as he finished each window.

Jim Beckwourth, a Black man, discovered a pass through the Sierra Nevada mountains to California and the Pacific Ocean in 1844.

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Salisbury Items

by Avis F. Wilkins

SALISBURY, N.C.—Maxine Yvette Moore and Lloyd Gregory Allen were married in a 7 p.m. ceremony on Saturday at Trinity United Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Joe L. Spears officiated at the ceremony. A reception followed in the fellowship hall of the church.

The bride is the daughter of Vera M. Moore of 1416 West Horah St. and the late Julius O. Moore.

The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. J.B. Allen of Dickinson, Texas, and the late Rev. J.B. Allen.

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, John A. McIlwaine of Washington, DC.

Jylla Moore Foster was matron of honor for her sister. Emily Allen, sister of the bridegroom, Jean Moore, Sylvia Moore, Zelma Davis, Donna Wilkins, Renee Grimsley and Rhonda Sawyer were bridesmaids.

Melvin James was the best man for his cousin. Julius O. Moore Jr. and John H. Moore, Walter Jackson, Michael Connor, E. Stanley Foster, Stanley James and John L. McIlwaine were groomsmen.

was ring bearer and Wendy McCray and Teresa Moore served as acolytes.

The bride is a graduate of Salisbury High School and atteneded the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

She has been employed by Rockwell International Space and Aeronautics Division and will continue study towards an electrical engineering degree at the University of Houston.

The bridegroom, a graduate of Dickinson High School, attended Texas Southern University. He is employed by DuPont Chemical Corp. in Baytown, Texas.

The couple will live in Houston, Texas.

Angeline Kelly and Jay Vance Wiley Sr. celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with a "Celebration of Love" Sunday evening in the Salisbury Civic Center.

Hosts for the reception, dinner and cake cutting were four sons and one daughter of the couple: Dr. Jerry W. Wiley and Wife, Wanda of Raleigh; Samuel E. Wiley and wife, Evelyn, of Bakersville, Calif.; Robert N. Wiley and Wife, Gerri, of Charlotte; Jay Vance Wiley Jr. and wife, Veola, of Hillsborough; Elva Wiley Chawlk and husband, Herman, of Hampton, Va.

Jerry was master of ceremonies; Samuel extended the welcome; Robert paid tribute to parents; Jay offered prayer; and Elva introduced guests and relatives.

David Thomas Gibson, son of Mrs. Ester N. Gibson of, 1422 West Monroe Street and the late Golden Gibson, has received his master's degree in rehabilitation counseling from Bowling Green State University at Bowling Green, Ohio.

He also has a bachelor's degree in psychology from A and T University at Greensboro.

A 1975 graduate of Salisbury High School, he is employed as a rehabilitation counselor at Toledo Half Way House in Toledo, Ohio.

ANOTHER FIRST — Elizabeth City State University's 95th Commencement on July 26, marked another first for the university which awarded a BS degree with honor in psychology to Mrs. Ruth Griffin Warren. Mrs. Warren, who took leave of absense from her job as a secretary at the local (Elizabeth City) branch of the State Employee's Credit Union, sucessfully completed internship at the Albemarle Mental Health Clinic. Above, serving as Acting President of the summer graduating class, she is shown presenting a class contribution to the ECSU Foundation Scholarship Fund to Dr. Jimmy R. Jenkins, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs.

College star plays pro in Venezuela

SALISBURY, NC— James Blake, a standout basketball player at Livingstone College the past two seasons, is currently Playing professional basketball for Valencia, in the Venezualan Summer League.

The 6'6" native of Charleston, South Carolina average 23.8 points his junior year and 16.5 as a senior at Divingstone, after transferring from Tennessee State University.

Blake arrived in Venezuela on June 26, and has scored 28, 13 and 23 points in his first three contests. He is being used primarily as a shooting guard and small forward.

In a letter to Livingstone College Public Relations Director, Wilson Cherry, Blake indicated, "the players over here are much bigger and better than I expected."

CAREER PLANNING — CETA students at South Carolina State College talk with Orangeburg, S.C. dentist (head of table), Dr. Robert Gordon, about their plans for a lifetime career.

Black Press essay winners express views on radio show

A group fo Washington youngsters expressed themselves strongly and emphatically on the "Impact Of The Black Newspaper In The Community," Saturday, on the radio show, "Can You Imagine," conducted by Joyce Hill on station WPFW.

The three top winners in the essay contest sponsored jointly by the Washington AFRO-AMERICAN cand Station WPFW read the winning essays and then participated in a panel discussion.

The program also included an interview in which Art Carter, publisher-editor of the Washington AFRO, outlined the history and significant community activities in which the AFRO has been a part of down through the years.

The winners of the essay contest were Rene Coaxum, 15, of 201 Eye St., SW; second, Monica Mason, 17, of 49 Buchanan St., NE, and third, Linda Jones, 14, of 7205 E. Lombard St., Landover, Md.

Receiving honoarable mention in the essay contest were: Renee Bradshaw, 16, 7515 16th St., NW; Ingrid Gavin, 17, 141 Mississippi Ave., SE; LaVerne Williams, 12, 2234 Nicholson St., SE; Antionnette Polk, 16, Mother Dear Community Center, NW; Tonya Hammond, 11, also of Mother Dear Community Center, and Crystal Thurman, 3724A Hayes St., NE.

'What Is the Impact of the Black Newspaper in the Community?'

First Place

The Black Newspaper which has been around since March 16, 1827 has a very strong impact on the community. The first thing we must look at, is that it is great that there are black newspapers that the community can relate to. The Black Newspaper contains many things such as world wide events, great accomplishments, social events, and advertisements.

These are the things that the community can understand, and also be very useful to our state of well being.

There are great people that have attributed to Black Newspapers. Rev. Samuel Cornish and John Russwurm started, Freedom's Journal, the first black newspaper on March 16, 1827. Marcus Garvey and W.E.B. DuBois also published newspapers. These newspapers gave the community the chance to know about alot of interesting things. Since the black communities back then were not given a chance to learn much, this was probably the most brillant thing they could have gotten and that was the "Black Newspaper."

There are certain reasons why the Black Press is so important to the community. It seems the Black Press knows about the major needs of the community, but the white press can only assume what the major needs of the community are. Some things that the Black Press feels is an accomplishment for the black people, the white press may take it for granted or as something not worth talking about or publisizing.

I feel to this day the Black Newspaper and Black Press have been very helpful to the community. I know I am speaking for others when I say the Black Press has given me a great uplift. I feel very proud to know that we as black people have come along way in things such as the arts, sports, journalism, and politics."

This would not have been possible if not for the Black Press. The only thing is that we need more people in the Black Press, so our communities' values won't in any way be lessened or taken for granted.

To make a long story short, the impact on the community has been a great one. History speaks for itself. I seriously doubt it would have continued or progressed as it has if there hadn't been any kind of impact on the community. It has played a very, big role in the community and believe me its applause has been great. RENE' COAXUM

Second Place

Black newspapers are the responsibility of Blacks. If negative responses of participation are received by the papers we are failing ourselves. Blacks or any minority people cannot expect the majority of people who are White to give them an outlook that will correspond to their racial needs. Black newspapers can and do answer our needs, but we must reimburse them.

It seems the majority of people in our community which are Black do not subscribe to Black newspapers. White publications are getting much more of our services than we give to the Blacks. There should be an equal consumption of Black and White newspapers because of the fact that whatever is affecting Whites is going to do the same to Blacks.

The Informer, The AFRO AMERICAN and The Observer Newspapers are just the beginning of a list of Black newspapers available in our community. These publications are proof of the volume of impact on the community. The Black Press is very much a responsible factor in Black businesses. The advertisement, achievement and awards of our businesses show an enthusiasm that will perhaps motivate and encourage us to participate more in the future.

As Black people there is a need within us so that we do have prominent Black figures in our community. We want to know that all of these figures are not just after a dollar or "Uncle Tomming" to get ahead and forget their people. White oriented newspapers very rarely print the positive fortunes of Blacks.

Therefore it is important that we are known by White news media as an intelligent people who can and are directing their futures.

Black newspapers have brought an awareness to our women. The Women are beginning to form coalitions to help themselves and others to relate to society. Black women are more assertive and as a result are voicing their ideas in Black papers. As a young lady I would like to see our women enter into more leading positions in the news media.

Our Black media is giving future Black journalists a chance to prepare themselves in many ways. Howard Universitities School of Communications has a high school summer journalism workshop. The workshop is thorough and rewarding. It includes lectures, interviews and story reporting.

There is a workshop newspaper published by the students. With this type of opportunity open to Black youth there is more hope for the future of Black journalists and newspapers. With eagerness and will we can all progress to the highest of grounds.

MONICA MASON

Third Place

We as blacks have made many great contributions to the U.S., and to the world as well. **The Black Newspaper is just one of the number of contributions we've given to the world. It is an opportunity to show that we are as talented and as gifted as the white man. We should be tired of living by the white man's laws. We should stand up and stop being put down." We are just as good as they are and should stop taking second place in this race in life.**

The editors, staff members, writers, and etc...of the Black Newspapers and magazines provide, entertain and inform the public that the Blacks are moving on up as well as the whites. Everyday, people go all out of the way to get the white man's newspaper, yet some of us will not even put forth an effort to try to find a Black newspaper. Perhaps we don't realize that the black is a part of us, it represents us. There are probably not as many Black Newspapers on the production line as there are white newspapers.

There are enough out there to thoroughly inform those of us who wish to be informed. The Black Newspaper serves many purposes, but the main one being to serve the people. The Black Newspaper enables us to live in a world of our own for a change and grow closer to our own and home. The Black Newspaper shows and informs us younger members of the black nationality how it has been in the future. It makes us more aware of what is taking place around us.

Right in front of our eyes! and some of us are just watching it. Many people sit back and let things happen because they feel that it does not effect nor involve them. Little do they know that it does. If something happens to one of us, it happens to all of us. The Black Newspaper is one way of getting the message across, then those inactive parties become active and involved.

God has thoroughly blessed each and everyone of us with some type of talent or talents, they may differ in kind and number but we gifted blacks, all are gifted some way. There are some gifted black writers and editors out here just waiting for us to present our talents to them and God. Let's not hold out on God and our fellow man. Let's make the paper stronger and more effective.

LINDA A. JONES

HU offers clinical internship

The Howard University Counseling Service, which provides academic, career and personal growth counseling to the university and Washington area, is offering an internship for a doctoral candidate in clinical or counseling psychology.

The one-year, 40-hour-a-week internship begins in September and offers a $9,000 stipend as well as other benefits.

The internship program is primarily designed to prepare psychologists for work with minority populations.

Training will include individual counseling and psychotheraphy, group counseling and psychotheraphy, and applied research with minority populations. Field training is also planned in community health centers, hospitals and schools.

Two additional internships are available without stipends.

To apply, contact Dr. Christine H. Carrington at (202) 636-6870.

Registration for schools set in PGC

The Prince George's County public schools will sponsor a special registration day for all new students from kindergarten through twelfth grade on Thursday, Aug. 20, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at each of the system's 195 schools.

Students who register on the 20th will be assigned to their classes before school begins on Monday, Aug. 31, and will spend the first day of school in class rather than in the office completing forms.

Guidance counselors will be available at all middle schools, junior highs and high schools to assist new students in planning their schedules. Students who did not complete the last school term are also invited to register for the new year.

Students registering in the school system for the first time should bring their birth certificates, proof of residency in Prince George's County, immunization records and, if applicable, their last report card to registration.

For information about school assignments and registration, contact the Office of Pupil Accounting and School Boundaries at 952-4390.

Columbia Lighthouse elects new officers

The Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind this week announced the election of a new member of its board of trustees and the election of its officers for 1981-82.

Franklin B. Hofheimer of Washington has been elected to the board of trustees of the Lighthouse and will serve a three year term. Elected as officer for 1981-82 were: president, David Miller, senior vice president, Mrs. Edward J. Grenier Jr., first vice president, Mrs. Freddie J. Peaco, treasurer, Virgil J. Gist, and secretary, Oral Miller.

AKA's hold 2-day meeting

Evelyn R. Syphax, Mid-Atlantic regional director, Ella O. Lewis, president and Lula Lang-Jeter, vice president of the local ALumnae Chapter-Zeta Chi Omega were among some 500 women who attended Alpha Kappa Alpha's 1981 Leadership Seminar recently held at the Sheraton West Hotel.

The two-day seminar featured workshops designed to develop and sharpen skills for influencing decisions within communiities, states, and the nation.

Thaddeus Garrett, domestic affairs advisor to Vice President George Bush, headlined the list of speakers for the seminar. Other speakers included California State Senator Diane Watson.

Representatives included heads, advisors and members of the 75,000 women's service organization.

Commenting on the need for the seminar, Dr. Barbara K. Phillips, national president, said, "by developing its own members to become leaders within the organization, Alpha Kappa Alpha will increase its own impact on major issues and affect policies of government and non-governmental organizations."

Workshop topics covered included how to identify issues and implement organizational strategies, voter representation, facilitating communication, enhancing chapter functions.

Other areas discussed were the roles of regulatory agencies and how to deal with them as well as proposal writing and dealing with internal differences.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. the nation's oldest Greek-letter organization established by and for black women, has more than 600 chapters in 44 states, West Africa, the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands and Germany.

Harry Belafonte at Wolf Trap

The phenomenal Harry Belafonte, whose all - encompassing appeal and talent have endeared and amazed audiences around the world, visits Wolf Trap for two nights, Monday, Aug. 17 and Tuesday, Aug. 18 at 8:30 p.m. Preceding the ever - popular star is Letta Mbulu from Johannesburg, South Africa, who has become an exciting artistic asset to Harry Belafonte's company over the last two years.

For more than 20 years, Harry Belafonte, a profound and gifted musical artist of our time, has held forth as an innovator and a member of a select group whose artistry wins great favor from all the people, regardless of age, language, or cultural heritage. He was originally the explorer who discovered the human experience and linked it with the artistic expression. His songs of life, of daily commitment, of anguish and joy, of the total panorama of who and what we are, made him, all at once, the voice of "Folk," and set the pace, form and shape, and lit the way for many young artists who were to follow him.

John Hall, pop concert set at Carter Barron

When John Hall steps on the stage of the Carter Barron Amphitheatre for a free concert at 8:30 p.m. Aug. 15, it will mark a reunion between this famous guitarist and his Washington-area fans.

Although now fronting his own band, John Hall gained most of his popular recognition as lead guitarist for the group "Orleans." Their top-ten hit "You're Still The One" was written by Hall, along with many of the group's other hits, including "Dance With Me".

Born in Baltimore, John Hall began his musical studies at an early age.

AFRO Street Interview

The question: What do you think about the closing of the Washington Star? Do you plan to support the Washington AFRO-AMERICAN?

(AFRO photo feature by Milton Williams)

The Washington Star, a daily evening paper went out of business last week after being published for 128 years. This week's street interview deals with the closing of the Star and if, with its closure, Washingtonians will give more support to the Washington AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper.

SANDRA MURPHY—"Well, I think it's fortunate that Washington will have one daily paper and that limits the reader's one viable source when reading the news. I think it should be diversified and a lot of people are out of jobs. You know the unemployment line is already outrageous and this adds more insult to injury and it's just unfortunate that it's closed. (Do you plan on supporting the Washington AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper a bit more?) "Yes, when I can find it."

COOLIDGE McCANTIS—"I think it's a tragic loss and I am going to certainly miss getting it. You know, when I go home in the afternoon. I usually stop off and pick it up and I don't know of anything that will replace it. (Do you plan on supporting the Washington AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper a little bit more now?) "Well, I do buy the AFRO-AMERICAN periodically and as an attorney I advertise in it, so I am well aware of that."

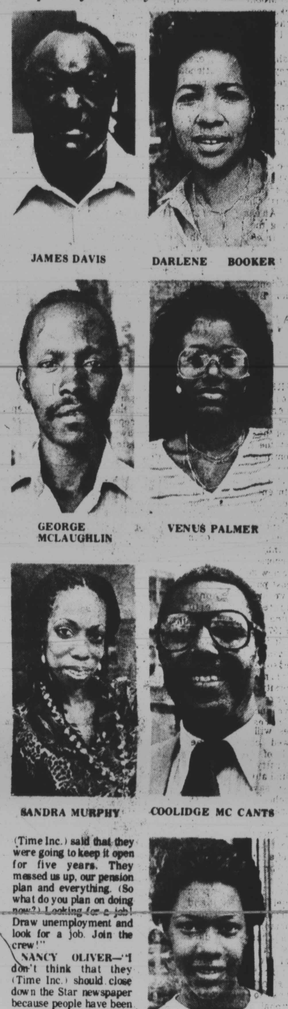
VENUS PALMER—"Well, I don't think they should have stopped (publishing) the Star. It was a very interesting newspaper, you know. (Now that it's closed, do you plan on supporting the Washington AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper a bit more?) "Oh, I receive that newspaper every month, twice a month whenever it comes."

GEORGE McLAUGHLIN—"I think it's terrible because it's definitely needed. I like both of them (Star - Post), but it's really bad. (Do you plan to support the Washington AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper?) "Well, I won't comment on that."

DARLENE BOOKER—"I think it's bad for the people who are losing their jobs, but for the paper I have a negative attitude, really. (Would you support the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper?) "Yes, I would give it support because I do read that and I have found the articles that I have read very satisfying."

JAMES DAVIS—"I feel bad because I don't have a job. (How long were you employed by The Washington Star?) Twenty one years. I CAME HERE April 12, 1960 and I am out here looking (for a job) and age is a factor in my finding a job. I am forty-four! (What did you do for the Star?) I was a machine operator. They (Time Inc.) said that they were going to keep it open for five years. They messed us up, our pension plan and everything. (So what do you plan on doing now?) Looking for a job. Draw unemployment and look for a job. Join the crew!"

NANCY OLIVER—"I don't think that they (Time Inc.) should close down the Star newspaper because people have been looking forward to reading that newspaper for so many years. Why close down one business and still have another one open? We received the Star. I guess now we are going to have to start getting the Post. (Do you plan on supporting the Washington AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper a bit more?) "Yes, the AFRO, we pick the AFRO up at the little side stores. The AFRO is a nice paper."



JAMES DAVIS — DARLENE BOOKER — GEORGE MCLAUGHLIN — VENUS PALMER — SANDRA MURPHY — COOLIDGE MC CANTS — NANCY OLIVER

PREGNANCY CLASSES

Early Pregnancy Classes for expectant women up to four months pregnant will be held at Washington Adventist Hospital, Takoma Park, beginning Tuesday, Aug. 8 at 7:30 p.m.

Bethune Memorial Museum to be restored for history

One of Washington's most important black historic landmarks is undergoing a transformation. 1318 Vermont Avenue, a Second Empire Victorian structure located in northwest Washington's Logan Circle Historic District, is the site of the Mary McLeod Bethune Memorial Museum and the National Archives for Black Women's History, institutions of the National council of Negro Women.

From 1943 - 1949, the building was the residence of celebrated Political leader and educator, Mary McLeod Bethune who directed its purchase as national headquarters of the National Council of Negro Women.

It was in continuous use as NCNW national headquarters to 1965. The current work is the first phase of plans to completely restore the site, a prime factor in the development program of the Museum-Archives.

Focus of this phase is preservation and restoration of the building facade and first floor interior. Public areas are being adapted to serve as exhibit spaces.

The project is supported by funds from the National Council of Negro Women and by a matching Preservation Grant-in-Aid from the United States Department of the Interior Historic Conservation and Recreation Service and the District of Columbia Department of Housing and Community Development.

NCNW Project coordinator for the effort is Guy C. McElroy. Consulting architect is William Ward Bucher and construction manager is Terrence R. Lamb.