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Telling It Like It Is!

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The Royal Court—Shown above (left to right) is first attendant, Cassandra Hopkins, Miss Morris Brown College, Myra Brown, and second attendant, Linda Fountain.

A "WIZ" Of A Coronation

by Ronald D. Fudge

COMING HOME: Story Of A Queen, conceived from the hit Broadway and movie musical *The Wiz*, and the theme for this year's coronation scored high ratings among those held in the Atlanta University Center.

A "Wiz" of a coronation it was for students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends as they witnessed the royal crowning of the Miss Morris Brown College court for 1982-83 on Thursday, November 4.

Miss Morris Brown College, Miss Myra Brown, a native of Albany, Georgia, and her two attendants, Miss Cassandra Hopkins, of Donalsonville, Georgia, first attendant, and Miss Linda Fountain, of Bainbridge,

Georgia, second attendant, were caught up in a wicked storm but survived it to be crowned as the new royal court into the "Land Of Queens," - Morris Brown College.

While in the land, they encountered the evils of the wicked queen who tried desperately to stop the entire coronation, but who later lost control of her powers and was killed when the house in which the court traveled through the storm in landed atop of her.

Today, the court rides joyfully through the "Land of Queens" in jubilant celebration of a brand new day.

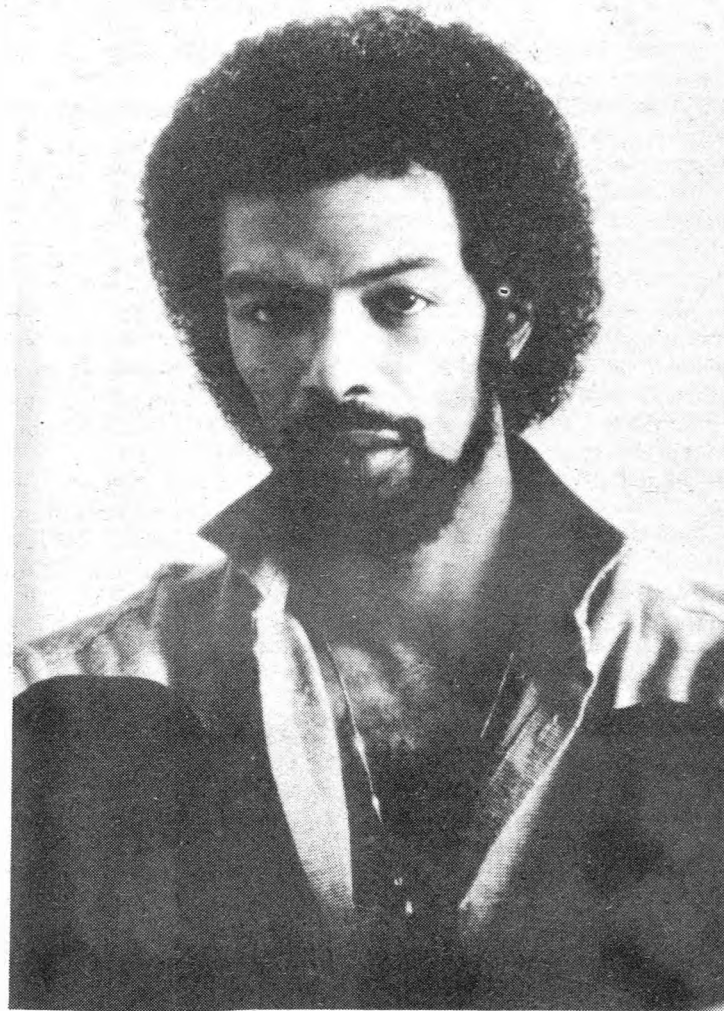
The wicked queen is dead and there is no one to stop Myra,

Cassie, and Linda from celebrating a most thanksgiving event.

All three young ladies are members of sororities on campus. Miss Morris Brown, Myra, is an Alpha Kappa Alpha, Cassandra, first attendant, is a member of Delta Sigma Theta, and so is second attendant, Linda.

Myra feels that the image of the Miss Morris Brown College court must incorporate visible involvement with the student body. She also feels that the image she must portray should be one of confidence, and dedication to academics.

In asking the second attendant, Linda, how she felt about
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Perhaps the most intriguing question about Gil Scott-Heron is how he manages to keep his work "ahead of the times." Starting with the biting impact of "The Revolution Will Not Be Televised" — a song-poem still considered a classic of Black (Down To) Earth poetry — straight through to his newest Arista album, **Moving Target**, Gil Scott-Heron, with songs and poems, has chronicled the upheavals of the times, both personal and political, and always stayed ahead.

Moving Target is perhaps Gil's finest effort. As he writes in the LP's liner notes, "**Moving target** is, naturally, another play on words, but this time it is extremely accurate in describing the main play here: our music. Over the past eighteen months, *The Amnesia Express* (a.k.a. *Midnight Bnad*) has travelled through four countries and gained exposure in many others, exposing itself as one of the world's most unique units. This LP is about evolution. With the release of **Real Eyes** (1980), we presented a new sound and combination for our music. **Reflections** (1980) was a second step, a stabilizer. **Moving Target** illustrates a firm mastery over the diverse elements that mean *Midnight music*. We believe that the diverse backgrounds and experiences of our people demand a presentation where reggae, salsa, poetry, blues and just plain funk come together with innovation."

For those who have followed Gil through **Winter in America** — where "H20-Gate Blues (Watergate Blues)" and the original version of "The Bottle"

were released — through "Johannesburg," a call for solidarity behind the people of Azania (South Africa), preceding their disturbances there by a year; through "South Carolina" and "We Almost Lost Detroit," two early statements about the dangers of nuclear power that preceded his involvement with MUSE at Madison Square Garden (documented in the movie and on the LP **No Nukes**); through "Angel Dsut," and anti-PCP statement that gained chart action while his anti-PCP advertising spot earned a prestigious award; through "B Movie," an electric indictment of our Actor-President, these latest developments of Gil Scott-Heron as an artist will come as further evidence of his enormous significance in the musical and social community.

The album includes "Fast Lane" ("Crash landings always got hte Captain to blame"), "Washington D.C.," an unsparing view of our nation's capitol, "No Exit" (the title comes from the play by Jean-Paul Sartre), the self-explanatory "Blue Collar," "Explanations," "Ready Or Not," the LP's excursion into Jamaican rhythms, and the climatic "Black History/ The World," a combination poem-song that has the devastating impact that marks all of Scott-Heron's best work. **Moving Target** is Gil at his most diverse, and most definitive.

"I'm especially proud of my last three albums, **Real Eyes**, **Reflections** and **Moving Target**," Gil says, "as LPs that gave me a chance to do different things, yet
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The Editor's Homecoming Message

With great intentions towards celebrating another centennial, Morris Brown College emerges into what has been coined as the beginning "Second Century."

In order to successfully survive in today's economic and political sancture, the institution is making an all-out effort though the faculty, staff, students and administration to provide the best possible academic and extra-curricular offerings there is.

"COMING HOME," this year's homecoming celebration theme entails more than can be imagined.

Our SGA President Ms. Andrea Cornett, says that we must first start at home to bring about unity among the Morris Brown

College Family before we reach elsewhere. For this reason the theme captured by her is simply a calling of all alumni and friends of the Morris Brown Family to come home!

Another theme that is too meaningful to the family working and abeing together to celebrate is Genesis: A Family Reunion. This theme symbolizing the beginning of the family coming together at a most appropriate time of reunion is most fitting.

The occasion is HOMECOMING - a jubilant celebration of the Morris Brown Family and one that is held annually is truly an unforgettable event.

The coronation of our "Se-

cond Century Court", a Halloween Masquerade Ball, live Raggae music, speakers, an International Festival Family Talent Show, Mock Funeral, dancing to dawn, and concerting by night, are just a few of the many highlights.

For all who have come enjoy yourselves and remember that a family that prays together stays together.

FOR THIS IS HOMECOMING '82!

Ronald Fudge

Welcome
Home
Alumni



Miss Albany State College Sharon Taylor

ALBANY, GA — The title of "Miss Albany State College" is an honor that any young lady would treasure, and I am thrilled to experience such an honor in my college career," the vivacious Sharon Taylor said as she was crowned during the annual Coronation ceremonies on the ASC campus.

A 20-year old senior nursing major, she was elected as "Miss Albany State College" in a campuswide poll of the student body. In a very candid conversation recently, Sharon revealed that the "Miss ASC" title has been a goal she had set out to achieve. "Now that I have, I want to wear the title well," she added. Part of her responsibility as the campus queen is to represent the College in many ceremonial and official capacities. Since school began in September, she

occupied a prominent place in the city's annual Pecan Festival parade on the float along with "Miss Albany" and "Miss Albany Junior College."

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor, Jr. of 615 S. Lee Street in Ashburn, Sharon believes in setting goals as a motivational means of achieving more. Even though being "Miss ASC" was one of her goals, the fifth sibling in the Taylor family from Ashburn had to be encouraged by her friends to run for the "right to wear the crown" as the election deadline drew near. "I had hopes of winning, but there were some anxious moments and many uncertainties because I was conscious that both of my competitors (Vanessa Edwards and Sharmagne Daniels, both of Albany) were awfully popular on the campus," the easy-to-smile, dark-complex-

ioned beauty said.

"It was hard for me, at first, being from a little South Georgia town to picture myself as Miss Albany State College. Not only did I feel that it would be difficult for me to make it, I just felt it would never happen to me."

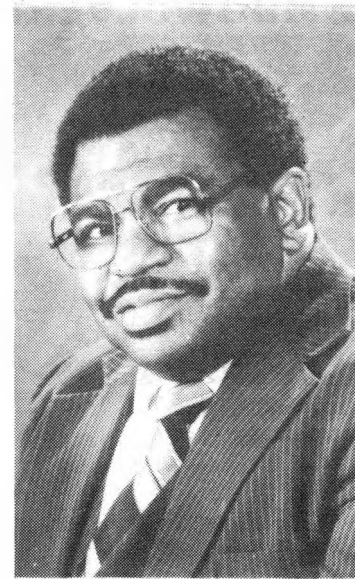
"The main thing about the "Miss ASC title," she explained, bursting with pride, "is that I never thought seriously about it. But when your close friends think that much of you and then you're lucky enough to be honored, then you really appreciate the title because of your friends."

Life at ASC is a joyful experience for this South Georgia bundle of smiles, energy and goodwill. She is a Dean's List student in nursing, a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, a 1982 student leader, and a member of the concert choir. Sharon was "Miss Freshman," 1979 - 80, and "Miss Charm" last year in 1980 - 81. Active in a number of student organizations, Sharon is smart, vivacious and genuinely excited about her life and future. She's enthusiastic about her role as the college's queen and has some very strong opinions about that role during the ensuing days to come. "I want to have a relationship with my peers (the students) so that I can represent them as much so as the College," the Ashburn beauty said.

The fifth child of the Taylor family to matriculate at ASC, Sharon has four older brothers and sisters who are alumni of the Albany (GA) institution (Robert, III, '66, now a dentist in Albany; Evelyn Taylor, '63, Donald, '72, and Valerie Taylor Hardy).

Her plans, a year hence, include becoming a registered nurse, and pursuit of a master's degree in nursing.

ASC Prexy Sends Greetings



Dr. Billy C. Black, President of Albany State College.

Greetings on behalf of the faculty, staff, students and alumni of Albany State College on the occasion of the Homecoming at Morris Brown College.

We are pleased to visit the city of Atlanta as the Purple Wolverines' homecoming foe. The competition between the two intrastate rivals, while well-

played and hard fought, has always been one of amicable respect. We enjoy the spirit of competition in playing each other.

For years, our two institutions have struggled to educate those students denied opportunities elsewhere. Surprisingly, our missions have not changed in substance, only in magnitude, in 1982. It is our hope that both institutions will continue the struggle because our future will depend on our productivity.

Athletics play a significant role in the educational program at Albany State College. We view these activities as worthwhile contributors in the educational development of our students and encourage participation as a competitor or as a spectator.

In the spirit of our esteemed founder, Dr. Joseph W. Holley, we are proud to be associated with this venerable institution and may the better team win.

Sincerely yours,

Billy C. Black, President
Albany State College

Town/Campus Happenings

by John Presley

TOUR

Tour of Atlanta Major Businesses "new and old" set for Nov. 10. Day long tour given by Atlanta Historical Society.

THEATER CALENDAR

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The Phi Beta Lambda Business Club in conjunction with the Business Department at Morris Brown College invited the Ernst and Whinney Accounting Firm to the Atlanta University Center

to conduct a seminar. This seminar was held in the Exhibition Gallery of Woodruff Library, on October 28, 1982, commencing promptly at 6:00 p.m. Business and/or accounting majors were present at this function. For more information contact Benjamin S. Strickland, Business Department of Morris Brown College.

PHI BETA LAMBDA by Angelena Holcomb

Phi Beta Lambda, Omicron Epsilon Chapter of Morris Brown College A Greek Letter Business Club elected their officers and queens for the 1982 - 83 school year.

Officers: President - Manne Jenkins, Vice President - Clifford Emanuel, Secretary - Tammy Todd, Treasurer - Lajoyce Williams, Reporter - Angelena Holcomb, Parliamentarian - Chester Gibbs.

Queens: Lydia Marcus - Miss Phi Beta Lambda, Beth Allen - 1st Attendant, Teethena Ross - 2nd Attendant

Heron

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demonstrate what a fine group of musicians I'm playing with. The sound Malcolm (Cecil, co-producer and engineer) got is our cleanest, and the variety of material is fantastic."

Indeed, once again Gil Scott-Heron has produced music and ideas too complex to sweep away with "jazz," or any other contemporary musical label. From

the African - Progressive sound of **First Minute of a New Day** through the two-record live set **It's Your World**, to the synthesizer flavors of "Angel Dust" (**Secrets**) and 1980, Gil has touched on the blues ("Watergate"), salsa ("The Brothers From 17th Street"), funk/boogie ("The Bottle"), ballads ("Better Days Ahead," "Winter In America"),

be-bop ("A Legend In His Own Mind," "Is That Jazz?"), and reggae ("Storm Music," "Ready Or Not"), with what Gil calls "a hundred other flavors that have been explored on record." There was even an album of total spoken-word performances, **The Mind Of Gil Scott-Heron**, that included a volume of his most-requested poems.

Along with the musical "hundred other flavors," the ideas and issues covered in Scott-Heron songs have stretched from the babies ("Save The Children," "Your Daddy Loves You") to the oldsters ("Not Needed") and from here ("Train From Washington") to there ("Shah Mot," "Johannesburg"). And the style, whatever category

one chooses, continues to gain momentum. The **Village Voice** called 1980 Gil's "best album ever." **The L.A. Times** called **Real Eyes** "a strong, vital collection," and calls Gil's work "throughout the '70s one of the most vastly underappreciated..."

Homecoming '82

Editorial Comments

POINT /

Recently there was a mass meeting in Cunningham Auditorium at 8:30 p.m. At this meeting, many gripes and grievances were discussed, which I agree with.

The only gripe I had a little trouble understanding and dealing with is the one stated by our SGA President Miss Andrea Cornett. I also had trouble dealing with the result of this mass meeting, which resulted in a demonstration in front of the John H. Lewis Gymnasium October 1, 1982.

If I remember correctly, Miss Cornett stated, "The JOB of SGA President is a 24 - hour job." She also said, she feels that every SGA president after her should get paid.

First of all, the OFFICE of SGA president is not a job. If we were to consider the time spent by Miss Cornett in the SGA office planning upcoming events this summer and presently during the weekdays, it wouldn't amount to a 5 hour work - study job. Where was she during the summer? Where is she during the weekdays?

Secondly, if Miss Cornett is suggesting that SGA presidents in the future need to be paid for the office they hold; she needs to reconsider and re - evaluate her values as far as being SGA president. Did Martin Luther King Jr. get paid for leading the civil rights movement? He didn't get paid for the trials and tribulations he went through, it comes along with the leadership position he held. There are many more unsung and unpaid heroes, who have also dedicated their time and even given up their life for the cause they believe in.

The office of SGA president requires time and dedication. Any person elected by the

student - body for such a leadership position should be honored to serve in the capacity of SGA president.

The purpose of Student Government is far more important than the ambition of one person.

Miss Cornett is straying away from the main purpose of SGA. The purpose of SGA is to represent the students and to act as a liaison between the students, faculty, staff, and the college administration. SGA should be striving to keep the Morris Brown College family together and not tear us apart.

The October 1st, rally, demonstration, embarrassment or anything else it can be called was uncalled for, and unnecessary, especially when the chain of command was not followed. This was a very radical move. The grievances are valid there is no doubt about that. The method utilized to convey these grievances may have been successful, it also attracted a lot of attention, bad attention. For example, Channel 5.

Channel 5 said on the 6:00 o'clock news report that the reason for this so - called rally was to get rid of President Threatt. Who gave them this information? Was this the true purpose of the rally? Who called the mass media? What has the rally accomplished thus far?

I understand and agree, there is a strong need for change as far as how different problems and situations have been and are being handled at Morris Brown College. But the methods utilized by the present SGA administration, thus far, has only caused more problems and confusion among us.

WE NEED TO PULL TOGETHER FOR PROGRESS AND NOT RADICALISM.

COUNTERPOINT

After reading the editorial in the **Wolverine Observer** dated October 25, 1982 entitled, "Pay the President...For What?", I realized that Hiram Andrades is terribly misinformed.

First of all, the mass meeting held September 27, 1982 was the second most positive display of unity I have ever encountered at Morris Brown College. (The Most Impressive Display of unity was the Silent Unity Rally on October 1, 1982). From that Student Body Mass Meeting came many major accomplishments:

The identification of a new group of hard - working, dedicated, innovative students who represent all classes, all organizations and all sexes pulling together for Progress.

The decision to stage a Unity Rally which demonstrated that the students of Morris Brown College were proud of their institution.

The list of valid concerns and grievances of students which premised their desire for a Quality Education at Morris Brown College.

Because of the Unity expressed by the students, the concerns and grievances will be answered and remedied by the administration by November 1, 1982. Many thanks to the Board of Trustees, Dr. Threatt, and the Student Body.

Secondly, Hiram, your gripe of Why Pay the President shows that you did not do your homework. You obviously did not look at the faculty Constitution of the student Government Association that allows uninterested students to run for and hold offices without fulfilling their duties. Instead of asking Where is the President? you should be asking Where is the Chaplin, the Corresponding Secretary etc? If they are not in place the already complicated position of President which

involves speech writer, committee member, board member, errand girl, punching bag, dart board, typist, door opener, counselor, goodwill ambassador, intermediary, babysitter, liason, homecoming co - ordinator, press secretary, and student becomes a virtuoso of a Jacqueline of All Trades.

Hiram because you did not do your homework you could not have possibly known that the last three Presidents of Student Government were paid for their services through College Work - Study. But What about the students who do not qualify for College Work - Study? Do you expect them to work for free? If you do you are more naive than I thought you were.

You cited Martin L. King, Jr. as a leader who was not paid for his services. If he did not get paid in some way, Who paid the rent, bought groceries and paid his car note? Let's not be unrealistic; either somebody buys groceries or nobody eats.

The purpose of the Student Government Association is much more than you have discovered; it is not only to represent the Student Body, but to unify them, entertain them, educate them, not to fill them with dirty idealistic propaganda like your editorial which I might add is full of personal slander. and just to set the record straight, young man, I was here at Morris Brown College all summer long which is not a requirement. I worked in SGA and I was not paid! While working in the Student Government Office, I supervised the plans for a Freshman Orientation which were my original plans that were outlined in my campaign material. Compare them. They were carried out to the letter! Where was I during Freshman Orientation? I was at Morris Brown College preventing you from harassing freshmen making

them count the bricks in the administration building and the nails on the bridge. Where was I during Freshman Orientation? I was busy helping freshmen. Ask them. Where am I during the week? Helping somebody, attending a meeting, or I am in class.

You stated in the editorial that my priorities are confused and I feel the same is true about you. Instead of being so concerned about where I am, be concerned about what is being done. If you were actually concerned about the Student Government Office you would keep the doors open while I am out doing somebody else's job in addition to my own.

**Andrea Cornett
President, SGA**

Poet's Corner

One Of The Greatest Rewards

One of the greatest rewards I have ever received was the joy of knowing that I have made someone happy and helped him in a most beneficial way.

Whether it was trivial or vital, honestly speaking, it wasn't my business to determine.

What may have seemed trifling to me could have been awfully important to that person.

So, if there's anything I can do to help someone or just make him happy, I don't weigh its importance.

I try to do it. For, his happiness may depend upon it.

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Features

Weekend At Daytona Beach The Marching Wolverines Do It Again!

Photos By Sandra Clark
and Joyce Lee



Travel

by Ronald Fudge

"Moving on down to Florida with that good time Marching band of Morris Brown" is just a mere sample of what sleepy, drowsy, Marching Wolverines heard on a 10 hour trip to the world's most famous beach - Daytona.

Approximately 1:00 a.m. on Oct. 16, members of what has been said to be the "best marching band in the land", found themselves actually loading buses to travel to Daytona Beach Florida when earlier that week seemingly all hope of going was over.

Despite the fact that many were skeptical to these able bodied and willing persons desperately deserving to travel down to Daytona, and the cost factor involved, Cleopas Johnson, band director, along with the collective efforts of Student Government and band boosters, made necessary provisions and the trip proved to be most enjoyable.

C'Ber, "Boogie-Man," and members of his hacksaw crew: Red and Bulldog, were an unmatchable team of stage coach drivers to Daytona and back. "Hogging" the road with a CB to carefully caution others and to be cautioned about police or "smokies" as they are sometimes called made traveling something unusual for the inexperienced CB rider.

"Break - er 1-9 for that one and only "Booger - Man".

"I be taking this Morris Brown College Marching Wolverine band down to Daytona Beach to show them there Bethune - Cookman Wildcats how to play those horns", said "Booger - man" in CBer language.

Meanwhile, members of the band some with pillows propped against the windows, others trying to make comfortable beds out of bus seats were soundly asleep.

Quick stops at rest centers along the way revived everyone and for a few wee hours of the early morning students came alive.

At the break of dawn, "Booger - Man" and his hacksaw crew were edging the border of Georgia and pushing speedily into the Florida State line.

At the half - way mark - Jacksonville, Florida, many non - Florida residents were astonished at the abundance of surrounding waters as buses crossed the city's bridge. Heads raised and cameras snapped at the sight of the waterfront.

Finally, the 10 hour trip drew near to finish when Volusia County signs appeared and soon within a 1 mile radius of Daytona Beach city limit signs made even more specific as to where we were.

The Game And Hafftime

by Joyce C. Lee

The main reason everyone had come was of course to see the game between our Morris Brown Wolverines and the Bethune - Cookman Wildcats. The Wildcats were riding high on a five game winning streak and this was one of their most important games. For this was Wildcat Homecoming 1982.

If you can remember, the Wildcats of Bethune - Cookman college defeated the 1981 Wolverine Homecoming. It was the only game played on Wolverine soil that ended in defeat. So, the team felt that it was only fitting to "payback" the

favor.



And, in order for the return, Fernanza Burgess and Jimmy Orange led their teammates on the road to sweet revenge that was witnessed by over 8,000 fans.

The first Wolverine possession resulted in a 75 yard drive, a 14 yard Burgess pass to Orange for touchdown number one. Morris Brown scored three more during the second quarter. At half time, the score was an amazing 26-0.

When the half time buzzer rang, both teams went into their respective locker rooms and the field was cleared for what was to be a most spectacular half time show.

The Marching wolverines of Morris Brown College took to the field and left a shine from that "Johnson Wax" that will be there until next year.

The band made their entrance onto the field of Memorial



Stadium in the usual yet unusual way. There seemed to be an extra added pride or some kind of sense of professionalism that motivated the band. The musicians gave what appeared to be their all as the sounds of horns, woodwinds and percussion cascaded all around the stadium.

With an abundance and adversity of sound and formations the band entertained everyone.

And, there was an attraction that everyone enjoyed. They were the ever present, tantalizingly hot, Bubbling Brown Sugars. Everyone at Morris Brown knows about these young ladies, and now, so do the people at Bethune - Cookman. Their "Love Is In Control" routine appeared to bring the most response from those in the stadium. As the young ladies danced, photographers did their jobs to the best of their abilities, fans cheered, and on a whole everyone seemed to really enjoy their talents, but soon the wax job was to end, or was it?

The Bethune-Cookman Wildcat band was to take to the field next, but the field was still a little slippery after the waxing that had just taken place.

The band marched downfield to perform. Applaudes greeted them and they too, received approval and fan appreciation.

During their show, Miss Bethune - Cookman College and her court members, Homecoming Royalty and class queens

about to begin. The feature was once again head majorette Denise Person, better known as "Candy."

She led the majorettes in their usual bubbly fashion, smiling and dancing to please herself and the crowd. The other girls, who are never in the background, seemed just as responsive and eager to give their fans the best show that they possibly could.

Then at 1:23 p.m. in the same quarter, the game turned into just that. Wildcat David Jones scored on a 10 yard run. The score was now 26-6.

The last quarter proved to be the best, for the Wildcats that is. They managed to get 18 of their final points in this quarter. Two touchdowns came within five minutes.

But, when all was said and done, the final score proved to all who was the best. That score was an astonishing 35-24 finish by the Fighting Wolverines.

When the game was over, the Wolfpack of 1982 crossed the field to exit, some received hugs or kisses and their was a look of accomplishment on almost every face. They had done what they came to do. Their mission had been accomplished, and the Wolverines had ruined Wildcat Homecoming 1982.

The Beach

By Ronald Fudge

Nothing is lovelier than being on the beach during the early morning hour enjoying a crisp, ocean breeze that makes you



were introduced. And, when it was all over, the Wildcat band gave up the field for the start of the third quarter.

The beginning of the quarter proved to be a bore to some fans, so many of them ventured over to the Marching Wolverines as they took to the stands shouting cheers and chants.

The music from the band was soon to be turned up. The Bubbling Brown Sugar show was

feel totally refreshed.

It was not time to leave daytona and marching Wolverine students knew that any chance at being on the beach while the sun was out was definitely a chance worth taking.

Announcing that the departure time from Daytona would be out 12:30 p.m. that Sunday, Oct. 17 students who came prepared immediately slipped into their swimsuits and headed



for the beach before the clock struck 12:00.

Daytona Beach, also the world's most famous beach, is a beautiful sight to behold with its sandy - white beachside and the fact that people can actually drive on (and sometimes unfortunately into) the beach.

Reporters from the Observer staff found out that one of the most frightening things that occur on the beach is that sharks swim close to the edges of the water. However, this does not occur often and can be expected of any ocean front resort.

Now, many had never been to Daytona Beach before and for that reason they strolled up and down the beach for sights.

Students seemed to enjoy themselves as many played volleyball, threw frisbees, built

tourist seeking a little R&R.

There are convenient and comfortable hotels along the beach front. The Mayan Inn, for example, offers large and spacious rooms with kitchens and shapely pool for those who prefer pool over ocean swimming.

The beach boardwalk, a conglomeration of rides, pop corn, and ice cream stands add a coney island atmosphere to the surroundings.

For those vacationers who consider restaurants and good food an important part of their vacation there are plenty of seafood restaurants on the beach to chose from.

Among them include an Italian and seafood spot which offers a seafood platter, as well as a more than generous portion of



Night Life

By Sandra Clark

sand castles sun-tanned, and threw others reluctant to swim into the water.

The weather is warm, balmy and mellow with a stiring sea breeze coming in from the ocean. The setting, a white sandy beach, back dropped against a row of scenic beach front hotels. The place is Daytona Beach, Florida.

This is the atmospehre which awaits any weekend vacationer who decides to visit Daytona Beach on the east central coast of Florida. It is a well known tourist spot with plenty to offer any

lasanga for those whose pallets prefer Italian crusine.

Daytona Beach is never short on nightlife. There are a variety of night clubs to suit everyone's particular taste. The Ocean Decker, a club with calaypso anviance features a live Reggae band for entertainment, exotic drinks and ocean side relaxation.

Food, nightlife, reasonable and comfortable lodgings, plenty of beach and sea air, all the makings of the perfect ingredients for a fall or spring break in Daytona Beach, Florida.



SCLC President Joseph Lowery

SCLC President Is Arrested In PCB Protest

Reverend Joeseph Lowery, acting president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference has been arrested twice in Monroe country, N.C. while protesting the dumping of the toxic waste PCB in that county.

In a statement to the press Rev. Lowery called the dumping of PCB, "an assault on the life and dignity of the citizens of Warren county."

The Southern Chrainstain Leadership Conference was invited to protest the dumping of PCB by the members of S.C.L.C. in Warren county, N.C., and members of the Warren county citizens against P.C.B.

Since the beginning of September the citizens of Warren county, with the aid of S.C.L.C. have been protesting the dumping of toxic waste in their community. The dumpsite is near residences and churches and the citizens fear the contamination of wells and their water supply.

Rev. Lowery was arrested for the first time on Sept. 20th and again on Oct. 4th. Lowery is one of many activist who have been invited by the citizens of Warren county to join in the protest.

Other national figures invited to participate in the protest include Rev. Ben Chavis, fromer Wilmington 10 political prisoner and spokesman for the National Black Independent Political Party; Lois Gibbs of Love Canal, N.Y. and S.C.L.C. leader Rep, Walter Fauntroy (D - D.C.)

Presently an estimated 35,000 tons of soil contaminated with the toxic chemical PCB (Polychorinated biphenyls) is

being dumped in Warren county. In 1978, 210 - miles of roadside were contaminated by illegal dumping of PCB.

PCB's were used in electrical transformers as a cooling agent and were **banned** by the federal government, due to the linkage with cancer, which was found in laboratory animals several years ago.

Six sites in North Carolina were investigated by the state and the Environmental Agency and Warren County was rated fifth. Other sites considered by the state in other counties, were withdrawn after protest by citizens. Hundreds of thousands of acres of more suitable land were available to the state, but Warren County was chosen because of certain accomodating factors: The County was rural, poor and largely black populated.

Members of the Congressional Black Caucus have dispatched a wire to Governor Jim Hunt of North Carolina requesting a delay in dumping until a subcommittee on health and environment has an opportunity to assess the situation. The members are caucus Chairman Walter Fauntroy, congresswoman Cardiss Collins (D - I11.) and congressman Mickey Leland (D - Tex) Fauntroy has also served notice to Gov. Hunt that he will chair an investigation of the Warren county landfill.

Warren county residents, black and white and their supporters say that the site of the dumping is only 1.6 miles from a nearby elementary school.

The bitter battle between the

state of North Carolina and the residents of Warren county has been intensifying each week. On Sept. 28, 393 people had been arrested for trying to block dump trucks from entering the landfill site. This happened after 500 more protestors marched on the site the day before. Fauntroy was one of 114 arrested in that protest.

Meanwhile Gov. Hunt has complained about the more than \$160,000 spent to station upwards of 70 North Carolina highway patrolman at the site for security. As the civil disobedience continued, the state upped the ante.

Previously, protestors had been charged with impeding traffic; the charge now is resisting arrest, which carries a bigger fine and more jail time.

The increased repression did not deter the protestors, however. Among those arrested Sept. 27 in addition to Fauntroy, were activist Ann Sheppard of the Wilmington 10, Communist Workers Party leader Nelson Johnson, Evelyn Lowery, wife of S.C.L.C. HEAD Joseph Lowery, and Dr. Martha Nathan, president of the Greensboro Justice and window of one of five CWP leaders murdered by Klan and Nazis in Greensboro in 1979.

As far back as Sept. 23, more than 200 Warren county residents brought their protest to the state capital, where they were joined by 100 supporters from the Raleigh area. Meanwhile, the landfill, which is 575 feet long, 274 feet wide, and 24 feet deep, is almost half - full

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Political Perspective

F. Carl Walton, Editor

Billy McKinney Visits Campus

by Ronald D. Fudge

"Politics rules every facet of your life," said Billy McKinney, democratic candidate running as an independent for fifth district congressman against the incumbent Wyche Fowler and black republican Paul Jones, to students of the Social Science department classes during a recent visit to the campus.

Expounding on the several issues that had a great impact on blacks in terms of politics McKinney mentioned that black people have been traditionally excluded from politics by law.

"The Dread Scott decision was a legal act that excluded blacks from politics, and in 1947 in Georgia the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) went to court winning a decision to do away with white primaries," said McKinney.

McKinney noted that when he registered to vote he had to recite portions of the United States constitution.

"Most of you have no idea as to the hardships your parents had in trying to obtain voting rights."

Citing incidents that took place in Greensboro, North Carolina involving student protest at a downtown store, McKinney was able to clarify to students the difficulties of blacks gaining respect as well as justice.

He went on to say that probably the most significant incident that aided in the establishment of a positive movement for blacks was that of Rosa Parks, said to be the "mother" of the civil rights movement.

"Every black child should have the right to know the history of our race and how we got where we are today," said McKinney.

He said that at an early age Jewish children learn of their heritage without shame, and this should be the way that black children also learn of their culture.

Out of the struggle of the

1960s' came the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Just this year, this Act was extended for another 25 years. "This shows just how rigid whites are in their attempt to keep us (blacks) under their control," McKinney continued.

"You wouldn't think blacks would be still trying to gain voting rights," said McKinney.

Stressing the fact that it is important for blacks to have black representation even sorry ones, McKinney said that, "At least they live with you, and their children go to the same school that yours attend, they shop at the same markets with you, and they have a sensitivity for you."

After Reginald Eaves, Fulton County Commissioner, and Julian Bond, Georgia State Senator, changed their horses seemingly in the middle of the stream when they sought running for fifth district congressman McKinney said that, "We would be the laughing stock of the country if we fought for a case into court dealing with reapportionment and won, and did not have a qualified black candidate to represent the fifth district."

McKinney continued to say that there are one and a half million blacks in Georgia and for 101 years white congressmen have represented blacks. He also stated that as long as there is no representation for blacks we will always be at the mercy of whites.

"We (blacks) as a people must prepare ourselves to be a part of society of this country or else we will be forever griping for throwouts that the government has made us to believe we must have."

McKinney emphasized that in order to get any economic gain we (blacks) must participate politically.

In his comments about Atlanta and public policy McKinney said that blacks in Atlanta control

public policy. "Atlanta is an oasis in the middle of the desert when it comes to black involvement in politics," said McKinney.

In counties like DeKalb and Cobb in metro Atlanta there are no black political figures," he added.

McKinney continued that throughout the state of Georgia there is no black representation because first of all, whites don't want blacks to vote, and secondly blacks have been led to believe that the process of voting isn't worthwhile.

His reasons for running as an independent is due to the fact that Commissioner Eaves and Senator Bond who decided at the last minute to drop out of the race and this did not allow him enough time and/or money to run a successful democratic campaign.

In order to run a successful campaign in time, he had to run as an independent so that his name would appear on the Oct. 30 ballot.

His most significant contribution as Georgia State representative for the 35th House District, was when he made it possible for night clubs and taverns to stay open until 2:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings in Atlanta.

Because Atlanta is such a tourist attraction and growing international city, this contribution made by McKinney inacted a law shows a difference in Atlanta's townish image into the city image that it has today.

When asked who he thought might be his chief opponent in the upcoming election, McKinney replied, "The incumbent Wyche Fowler of course!"

In his comments about black republican Paul Jones he said, "Blacks have never voted republican and it is going to be very difficult especially since voters will have to request blue ballots."

South Africa

by Todd Allen

It was 11 a.m. on Monday, October 25 in Jordan Hall when more than 60 students and faculty members of the political science and history departments gathered in a large classroom to listen and learn about the current situation in South Africa.

Two black South African exiles and a United States black lawyer who are all deeply involved in the struggle to bring support for blacks in South Africa were the speakers.

The symposium had been brought to Morris Brown by Dr. N.R. Farokhi of the political science department. The hour long symposium featured Ms. Gay McDougall, Ms. Tandi Gcabashe, Dr. Fred Dube, and others. Dr. Dube and Ms. McDougall are members of the African National Congress South Eastern regional tour of speakers, and Ms. Tandi Gcabashe is from the American Friends Service Committee, and program coordinator for Southern Africa Peace Education Program in Atlanta.

Ms. Gcabashe introduced the delegation and the symposium began with Ms. McDougall starting out with a description of South Africa today as it concerns blacks of Southern Africa. Ms. McDougall commented that South Africa is "comparable" to the United States in many ways.

According to Ms. McDougall the most pronounce identifiable trait can be judge to be in comparison with South Africa is that a society of affluent whites live in prosperity while blacks live in urban slums full of gross poverty. another comparable quality of the South Africa system is that the majority of black original native population live on barren land reservations like the American Indians. Ms. McDougall then began to give some hard facts about South Africa.

At least 75% of black South Africans are starving. More is

spent on the education of South African whites than black South Africa education. There is 13 times higher infant mortality rate among blacks in South Africa than among whites.

One out of every four black South Africans are put into jail for political reasons yearly. She went on to describe that jails in South Africa regard torture as American jails regard iron bars, and that the legal trial system in South Africa for blacks is a 45 second appearance in court at which the black is sent off to jail.

Dr. Dube was next introduced and added an out spoken insight to the description of Ms. McDougall. Dr. Dube announced that he has been a long time member of the African National Congress, and that the decades of the 50's and 60's ended the ANC's 48 year support of a nonviolent stand against white South Africans Apartheid system.

Dr. Dube explained that South African blacks just grew tired of being massacred. He then went on to describe the inspiring system used to jail black South Africans in some detail.

The crime that most black South Africans are found guilty of is called failure to produce on demand." It is a crime resulting from the lack of a pass that every black South African must have to walk the streets.

Dr. Dube then described the South Africans as a part of the learning structure.

The South African system of education is very similar to the education here in this country, but in America at least blacks have the same syllabus.

"In South Africa there is a special syllabus for blacks that teaches inferiority," said Dube.

When the meeting commenced, Ms. Gcabashe urged students to get in contact with her if they were interested in contributing support in local South African support groups. For more information phone (404) 586 - 0460

Students Must Learn To Fight Back

By Eric Tharpe

Let's face it, the final punch has been thrown. Students, don't you think its about time we begin to fight back. Black people have always been the underdog in this society, particularly in the political process.

A brief review shows that at first we fought to be citizens, we then had to fight for the franchise. And, finally we had to fight as citizens, with the right to vote, to participate in the electorate.

Now, let's face the facts, we are damn good fighters. We seem to think of ourselves as poor losers. Why can't we view ourselves as

winner and act like the winner we are?

Looking from the political point of view Black people are becoming very content with having won a few fights. We must realize, like all champions, we must defend ourselves against all newcomers any place and at anytime. Whether it be South Africa or Atlanta, our chief adversary today is Ronald Reagan and his new federalism.

Who do we put in the right against such an awesome fighter? Do we put Fredrick Douglass, Booker T. Washington, Nat Turner, W.E.B.

DuBois, Martin Lather King Jr., or Malcom X? Of course not. Or do we rely on Jessie Jackson, Andy Young, Tom Bradley, Ben Chavis, Ben Hooks, Joseph Lowery, Coleman Young, or Walter Fauntroy? We all know these men have seen many fights themselves. We are big boys and girls now so why can't we do our own fighting?

We must be realistic and put things in the proper perspective. Sure we like to party down, we can party til our hearts are content, but let's also rally.

I know a lot of us like to drink and smoke pot, but let's not

forget what "booze" did for the native Americans, or how opium was used on the Chinese people.

We all like to have good times, but we can't have good times if we don't have any rights. We must make it as hard if not harder for them to take away our rights as it was for us to gain them.

After the first and second round of the fight, on my scorecard, Mr. Reagan and his new federalism are far ahead of the champion. The champion appears not to be fighting back. Maybe we (blacks) are waiting to be knocked down like they say

we always do til it hits home first before we act. But, against Ronald "Reaganomic" Reagan, let us act now.

Students as potential leaders of the black community we must be a fighting champion. We need to make a history for our generation to motivate the future generations. All black people have the same problems, we share the same objectives. Why can't we have the same ideology? Let's try "a continual struggle to be winners," it's up to us (studnets) to make something new happen in the 1980's.

Miranda Mack Addresses Honors Day



Speaker Miranda Mack, Morris Brown Alumna, takes time out to pose with honor students.

Someone had defined economics as nothing more nor less than keeping your head as far above water as you can. However, the key to better economics is through better education. That's why you're here at Morris Brown College, to receive a better education.

You know, being in college is like pledging. For the benefit of you who have had the experience or are considering pledging or who are currently pledging, you can relate to what I'm saying. It's like preparing to cross the burning sands of excellence.

Your Dean of Pledges are your professors, instructors, coaches and administrative staff. Your Greek Meal is a combination of registration, research papers, burning midnight oil and attending assembly programs. Hell Week is Final Examinations and going over is making A's, B's, achieving personal goals, making the dean's list and graduating, cum laude or thank you "laude". The end result is going over and getting out. While you are here, each and everyone of you are pledging Morris Brown College, working towards crossing the sands of excellence. Before you got on line, you made a decision, a choice to better prepare yourself for the future and you chose to pledge MBC! Whether the choice was all yours or your family's or your High School counselor, it was an excellent choice, to continue your education.

America needs more successful, well educated and prepared Blacks. Being Black and

qualified is the most valuable commodity in American society. Listen to these facts:

Between 1967 and 1972 the number of Blacks enrolled in college doubled to 727,000: 18% of all Blacks aged 18 to 24 were attending college in 1972, compared with 26% of Whites.

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The Black Dollar: Blacks buy 23% of all shoes sold in the U.S., 25% of all musical cassettes, more than 50% of Scotch Whiskey, taking trips to the Caribbean, Mexico, Europe and Africa, we make up the fastest growing segments of the travel industry. The Average American is not really aware of the power of the Black dollar.

More Blacks than ever are earning \$15,000 a year, but more Blacks than ever are living at the poverty line. The Black faces flash across the television screens, giving the news or acting in a commercial, but less than three percent of television news professionals are Black. Only seven tenths of one percent of all the newsroom professional in the United States

today are not White. You see there's good, there's bad, there's hope, there's despair. But most important there is a need for better educated qualified Blacks.

Although we have justified the need for better education, we all realize that many students would not attend college without some form of public or financial aid.

Nine days after his inauguration, President REagan announced that the new Secretary of Education's mission would be to "look at the appropriate role of the Federal Government in Education, if there is one, and to report back." The axe began to fall shortly thereafter. So much for Reagan's role in assuring quality education. When Lyndon B. Johnson was president he spoke out on the importance of education when he said, "Every child must be encouraged to get at much education as he has the ability to take. We want this not only for his sake - but for the nation's sake. Nothing matters more to the future of our country, not our military preparedness - for armed might is worthless if we lack the brainpower to build a world of peace; not our productive economy - for we cannot sustain growth without trained manpower; not our democratic system of government - for freedom is fragile if citizens are ignorant." This can be summed up by saying the only thing more expensive than education is ignorance!

Benjamin E. Mays, a noted educator of Atlanta, responds to Black education in this manner. "A man is respected in this world only because he knows how to do something well and he has a skill that the community needs. But he shouldn't expect anybody to be easy on him because he has a skill and he shouldn't expect anybody to be easy on him because he has been discriminated against; because he has been segregated; or because his ancestors were slaves. He should expect, however, special opportunities to overcome handicaps of the past. You may not escape being discriminated against if you are competent. But if you are not competent, if you are not trained, welfare will be your lot. Many Blacks are not willing to pay the price and think that because they are Black, something has to be given to them."

Well, it's not so, it's a real jungle out there! No one owes you anything. Jesse Jackson says, "Education doesn't mean you ain't gonna have no problems, it means you've got more means to solve them." I say to you, some people get the breaks, some people make their own.

Now that you realize the importance of pledging MBC, the crossing of the sands of excellence become a realistic, achievable goal. One that those being honored today have already set for themselves. A goal that should be instilled in your classmates who didn't make the dean's list last semester, to

encourage them to reach for that goal this semester and every semester hence forth while at Morris Brown.

Certainly some of your classmates are in college, just to get away from home, or delaying the entrance into the working world. I'm sure that some only go to class often enough to keep their names on the class roll. I know you've heard, "Why Johnny Can't Read" and "Why Johnny Can't Cope, but there's another one that says, "Johnny Can't Read his diploma." Credentials look great on the wall, but they don't get the job done. In the working world you'll be judged just doing enough to get by, stop fooling yourself. It is you who'll be hurt in the long run.

Since you're pledging MBC, show that same pride and spirit as you would for your individual fraternity or sorority. MBC has produced many, many, successful Blacks, Bank president, corporate executives, Doctors, Lawyers, professional athletes, Business owners, Educators, Leaders in the community and the list goes on and on. When you've crossed the sands and left MBC, consider the impact it has made on your life and emphasize the positive side of MBC as opposed the dwelling on the negative. Support your school now and after you leave.

Remember while you're here, take advantage of all the resources MBC has to offer and don't forget to strive for excellence. The Rev. Jesse Jackson defines excellence as follows:

"Black academic, economic, political, athletic, artistic and especially moral excellence. Black excellence in all its manifestations and permutations. It's not enough to be young gifted and black, if you don't face up to the responsibilities that entails. If you don't face up to it, you renege on all the hard won promises of the civil rights struggles of the '60's, promises of everything that Martin and Malcolm marched, sat in and fought for from Bogalusa to Boston. What does it matter if the doors of opportunity swing open and we are too drunk to stagger through? What does it matter if we're given an airplane and try to fly it on soul rather than science? What does it matter if we can get into college and college does not get into us? Shall we raise up idioms to the level of the university, or shall we master the language of the university and conquer others? Where is our vision? What is our agenda? A revolution in values is in order. A push for excellence.

Honorees, your being here today exemplified your push for excellence. As the Temptations would say, keep on pushing! Or as the newly formed organization Women for Morris Brown's motto say, you can, you will, you must make the difference. Continue to move onward and upward in order to make your contribution to the betterment of economics through better education in the Black community.

SCLC Arrest

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now, and the operation is running ahead of schedule despite the protest.

Presently, Mrs. Lowery and other marchers are filing a complaint against an officer Bowen.

Bowen, who was an escort, is accused of running protestors off the road with his squad car.

The complaint has been filed with major Glen Russell of the North Carolina Highway Patrol.

The following incident took place on Oct. 11, about a half a mile from Roadville, N.C. in Bertie county, N.C. which is located 12 miles outside of Raleigh.

In an exclusive telephone interview S.C.L.C. officials told the **Observer** that after the incident Mrs. Lowery requested another escort and the State Highway Department refused.

Gov. Hunt, however, has assured the protestors and Mrs. Lowery that another escort would be provided as the march to Raleigh continued and is slated to end the evening of Oct. 12 with a rally.

Rev. Leon White, director of the North Carolina - Virginia United Church of Christ's Commission for Racial Justice was quoted at the Sept. 23 march as he told the crowd, "All these politicians tell us Warren county was not chosen because it is black and poor. That is the biggest lie that has ever been perpetuated on the people of North Carolina!"

Perhaps the most disturbing image in the Warren county struggle has also been the most effective statement against the PCB dump, more eloquent than any number of scientific reports for or against the landfill. That was the sight of a 10 year old black child crying on a national network television news broadcast, saying she was scared of PCB's "because I don't want to get cancer." As White says, "That what the fight is all about."

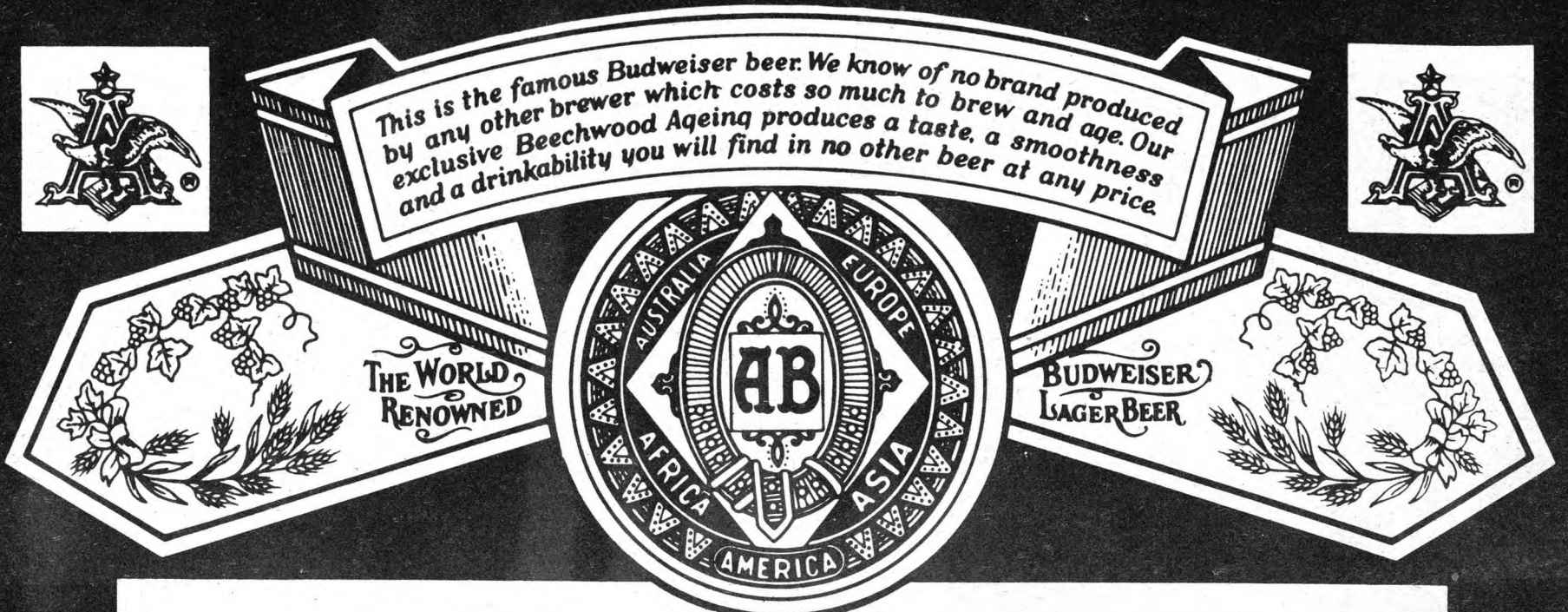
The staff of the Wolverine Observer lends its support to the residents of Warren county, in their struggle against the dumping of PCB. We also ask the student body at Morris Brown to join us in this support.

For students who would like more information or to contribute to the struggle, you can write or call; Warren County Citizens Concerned about PCB's, P.O. Box 487, Warrenton, N.C. 27589; (912) 257 - 1460.

Coronation

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being a member of the "Second Century Court," and about this year's homecoming theme: COMING HOME she replied, "I feel very proud to represent the student body and Morris Brown College in her beginning second century. And, I think it's (theme) very appropriate due to alumni coming back to what was for them home at one time. I like the theme, just the idea puts you in mind of going to a real home. It's a comfortable feeling."



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