Police Official Denies Destroying King's File

MEMPHIS AP - Police Chief W. O. Crumby Tuesday denied allegations that Memphis police have destroyed files pertaining to the 1968 assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

"Anybody that has anything to do with the investigation should know that every bit of evidence that pertained to the King case is now in the hands of the state attorney general as well as U.S. Atty. Tom Tunley," Crumby said.

The chief investigator for the House probe into the assassinations of President John F. Kennedy and King said Tuesday he had been informed that certain files on the King case had not been destroyed.

"I would hope that they gave us credit for more sense than that," Crumby said Tuesday afternoon.

"On the front end, the Memphis Police Department only assisted in the investigation," he said. Crumby said the FBI and the Justice Department conducted the major portion of the investigation.

The chief said there was nothing pertaining to the King case in some domestic surveillance files that were destroyed in September.

The department, faced with a freedom of information lawsuit, destroyed some 20 filing cabinets full of dossiers on individuals who were the target of police surveillance during the 1960's and early 1970's.

Those files reportedly pertained primarily to anti-war protesters whose activities were subjected to police attention.

Asked if there were any dossiers on King in the domestic surveillance files, Crumby said:

"I have destroyed some 20 filing cabinets full of dossiers on individuals who were the target of police surveillance during the 1960's and early 1970's."
The Supreme Court Refuses
To Review Blacks' Case

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Supreme Court Monday refused to review the convictions of five members of a Black separatist group which stemmed from a shootout with police and FBI agents in Jackson, Miss. five years ago.

The court let stand a decision by the 5th. U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals that the convictions of the five members of a group called the Government of the Republic of New Africa (RNA) were proper.

The five individuals include the organization's president, Richard Bullock Henry of Philadelphia who is known to RNA members as Imari Abubakari Obadele.

Unlike other Black protest organizations, the Republic of New Africa considers itself a sovereign government, and has set up a "provisional government" to represent its aspirations of obtaining sovereignty over the lands occupied by Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, South Carolina and Georgia.

Formed in 1968 in Detroit, the government moved its "Capitol" to Jackson in August 1971.

On the morning of Aug. 18, 1971, the RNA headquarters in Jackson were raided by FBI agents and city police searching for a fugitive who, it turned out, was not there.

-A 20-minute gunfire erupted during which one Jackson police officer was killed.

The five appealing their cases to the Supreme Court based their requests for review on issues ranging from free speech to misconduct by prosecutors.

The five, all convicted by a U.S. District court jury in Biloxi, Miss., in 1972, are Henry, sentenced to 12 years; RNA vice president Thomas Norman, or Hekima Ana, of Charlotte, sentenced to life; Dennis Shillingford, or Addis Ababa, of Detroit, 12 years; Toni Rene Austin, or Njeri Quaddus, of Philadelphia, three years; and Robert Stalling, or Brother Black, of Milwaukee, five years.
Choir Director To Present Recital

By Carole Blackwell

Leroy Roberson, an instructor of music and director of A&T's University Choir, will present a recital Sunday, November 21, in Harrison Auditorium. Accompanying Roberson, will be Dr. Michael Greene, instructor of English. The recital will begin at 8:00 p.m.

The selections for this recital will be entirely spiritual. Songs such as "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen" will be included, as emphasis of "slow old favorites." As for songs of faster tempo, gospel numbers such as "Honor, Honor" and "His Name So Sweet," will also be presented. The recital will exemplify such composers as Burleigh, Dawson, Dett, Works, Bostin, and Johnson.

Roberson has been named one of the "Leaders of Black America." His profile has appeared in a volume bearing that title published by Hanco Press, Boston, Mass.

Selections for this honor are restricted to those Black Americans who, by their individual accomplishments, shape and advance the quality of American life. The profile of those so recognized include top figures in present-day art and music.

Roberson holds a undergraduate degree in Music Education with an emphasis in voice from Texas Southern University, and he earned his M.M. degree in the same field under a full scholarship from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He was also a recipient of a scholarship to attend a summer music program at Yale University.

The tenor has appeared in chorus and as soloist in a number of major productions. These include Aida, Cavalleria Toscana, and Verdi's Requiem at the University of Wisconsin and the "Gypsy Baron" produced by the Mobile Opera Workshop.

Roberson has also performed with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, under internationally known conductors such as Robert Fountain, Andre Previn, and David Amram. He has made public performances in Washington, St. Louis, Chicago and Califonia. Recently, he has been chosen as guest soloist for the Greensboro Oratorio Society production of the Messiah.

Students Give Opinions On Need For Pep Club

Over the years A&T has been known as one of the top schools in the nation not only academically but athletically too. The push behind the athletic program has been the spirit of its students, alumni, and boosters.

This year the spirit of Aggie followers has declined, perhaps the answer to this problem is an Aggie Pep Club. Some students were asked their opinions on this.

Walter Battle, a freshman business administration major, stated, "I think A&T needs a pep club because it would help give more spirit at the games." Also appearing will be Bootsy's Rubber Band, led by William "Bootsy" Collins. Having developed what is called the contemporary sound, Bootsy is kicking "em softly with good tight music with a combination of mellow sounds and funk.

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Entertainment:

Nelle's Corner

By Lynelle Stevenson

Greensboro will be treated to something entirely new and different in the Greensboro Coliseum this weekend. Rock 'n' Roll's first traveling theater, the Parliament-Funkadelic Earth Tour, 1976-77 A. D. will begin at 8:00 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 21.

This is not just your ordinary, everyday music either. This is a concept of funk opera based on the idea of extra-terrestrial beings coming to earth in search of funk.

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In act two, Dr. Frankenstein discovers something entirely unique-"Supergroovalisticprosfunkitation." This is the method by which P-Funk can be drawn out of man's memory banks, forcing him to give up the funk whether he wants to or not.

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The grand finale will cause everyone within hearing distance to "Give up the Funk" and enter into the ecstasy of the P-Funk power.

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NOTICE
Blacks Are Sensitive

Should the word "nigger" be used in the media? Many of the nation's foremost Black journalist and civil rights activists are strongly against it, as this writer would expect Blacks to be.

The other day, while reading an article in a Black oriented magazine, this writer became acutely aware of how sensitive Blacks become when people other than ourselves use the term in public.

That is not to say that we are too sensitive. We have a right to be, considering what we have been through. We have been the victims of back-stabbers for years. It is natural that we get a little tense when "nigger" is used to describe Blacks.

As far as using the term in media goes, it would seem very unprofessional since "nigger" by no means describes Blacks accurately. Some of the Black leaders who do not advocate the policy of using the term "nigger" in the media are Rev. Benjamin Hooks, member of the Federal Communications Commission; Jesse Jackson, director of Operation PUSH; Wallace Michigan, and Angela Davis.

Even though we sometimes use the term to refer to some of our friends, (enemies too), it is really not what most of us would like to be called. If you say you don't mind being called a "nigger"! let someone other than another Black person do it; (for that matter, let someone Black that you don't know do it), then most of us would be ready to fight.

It just might be better if we delete the term completely.

WASHINGTON (AP) - U.S. Rep. Richardson Preyer, D-N.C., says he hopes the new House Committee on Assassinations will put an end to speculations about the deaths of President John Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr.

"If we don't do something about those loose ends, people will keep sensationalizing it and books will keep coming out about it for the next 100 years," said the 8th District congressman, who was named to head a subcommittee on the Kennedy assassination.

Preyer said he wants the committee's examination to be "definitive so that people can look at it and say this is the way it was."

"What we want to do is follow every lead...I think we can run down every question as far as it will go," he said. "It's going to be a monumental investigative job."

Because allegations have arisen against both the FBI and the Central Intelligence Agency, he said, the committee will need a staff of about 170 - large enough to perform independent investigative work.

"The Warren Commission had its own staff of 83, plus 150 full-time FBI investigators. 12 full time CIA people, 6 full-time Secret Service people and another number of people from the Justice Department and State Department," he said.

Preyer said he hasn't read extensively on the assassinations, and said the committee's legal counsel suggested he not begin reading books and magazine articles before the probe begins.

Preyer said the trial on the Kennedy slaying in Dallas is cold and the people are tired of the subject. But he said Congress has an obligation to resolve questions lingering that case.

"Nothing is ever solved finally until it is solved right," he said. "Sixty-five percent of the people in America do not believe that Lee Harvey Oswald was the single assassin of Kennedy."

"That means they disagree with the Warren Commission's findings. That means they are also questioning our institutions and our agencies and they'll keep on questioning until there is an answer."

Help The NAACP Now

By Maxine McNeill

When we Blacks faced racial discrimination in the past, the first statement to come from our mouths was "I'll report this incident to the NAACP!"

We were confident because there was no doubt that the NAACP would check into the matter and disclose it to the public. For the past 70 years, the NAACP has always been Black people's big brother.

Earlier this year, a lot of publicity was given to the matter of the NAACP's facing bankruptcy if ordered to pay a 1.6 million dollar law suit bond passed by the white merchants of Mississippi. This suit sprung from the NAACP's boycott activities in that state during the 60's.

A lot of publicity has not been given to the fact that our big brother, NAACP, is still facing bankruptcy threats. Something has to be done,

According to the office of Development and University Relations, no one has contacted them on campus concerning waging a campaign to help the NAACP, and the consent would have to come from that office. There is a national campaign underway, though.

We, as Black Colleges and Black people, should band together and help our big brother. He cannot do it alone. His problem is also our problem.

There should be a campaign waged on each Black campus. If the fraternities and sororities on the Black campuses really stand for brotherhood and sisterhood, now is the time for them to prove it.

If a white organization raised the money, we would say the NAACP has not been bought. Here is our opportunity to do something first. Whom will we have to turn to in the future if we do not help the NAACP now? Think about it.
Smith Visits Marching Band

By Lynelle Stevenson

The Blue and Gold Marching Machine received a visit yesterday from newly appointed vice chancellor for development and university relations, Albert E. Smith. The purpose of Dr. Smith's visit was to find out what the problem was with the band.

Dr. Smith said that he had decided before coming in the room that the band would not perform this Saturday in Durham. However, after much discussion with the band council, Dr. Smith decided to reinstate the band for the Saturday game. The meeting was closed with Dr. Smith saying, "We've been operating at a deficit for the last quarter."

Campus Haps

The Cadet Corps of the Department of Military Science is sponsoring a Christmas Drive for the underprivileged families in the Greensboro area. They are soliciting the help of the entire Aggie Family in providing canned food, candy, nuts, etc., for this event.

Collection boxes will be placed in each dormitory December 6. Additional information may be obtained from the Department of Military Science, Campbell Hall, 379-7588.

The SNEA is currently recruiting new members for its organization. The member that recruits the most members will be given a prize. Anyone interested in joining should contact E. Harper, Room 213, Hodgin Hall.

The Student Government will have a student body meeting Wednesday, December 1, from 8:00-10:00 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium. Administration, faculty, and interested persons may attend. Be there and find out the issues involving your cafeteria, dormitories, linen services, homecoming, and organization budgets, and why you don't have entertainment on campus sponsored by the SGA, and anything else you wish to know.

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity is sponsoring a Thanksgiving Food Drive, Sunday Nov. 21 from 1-4 p.m. The Fraternity will travel throughout the city collecting food.

Slayer James Earl Ray Serves Long Sentence

"No...All the evidence pertaining to Dr. King was in the criminal files and that has been turned over to the attorney general," said Crumby. "He saw no reason to reopen the investigation into King's slaying. "They could save a lot of time and money by sending about two people down here to read the files," Crumby said.

James Earl Ray, who at first admitted killing King, only later to attempt to withdraw his confession, is serving a 99-year prison term at Tennessee's Brushy Mountain State Prison near Petros for the assassination.

Prime Minister Smith Demands Transition

Prime Minister Ian Smith, the head of the white Rhodesian government, demanded a two-year transition, with whites controlling the biracial interim government. However, Foreign Minister Pieter K. Van der Byl, head of the white delegation since Smith returned to Salisbury, has hinted that his government might be willing to advance the time line a few months.

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Banner Year Is Seen For MEAC

By Craig R. Tur

Basketball season is just three short weeks away and all indications point to a banner year within the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference. For the first time in the five-year history of the league, someone other than perennial contender Morgan State will initiate some offense. Williamson emerged from the recruiting wars with 6-10 center Dorian Dent from Chipola Junior College. Dent, not an overly aggressive defensive player, averaged 13 points and 12 rebounds during his one-year stay at Chipola.

Mike Presley is a 6-5 guard who was recruited as a backup in the frontline area. Williamson journeyed to Winston-Salem to sign guard Larry Hollingsworth (6-0). The major prize in the off season for the Bison was the signing of 6-1 Nathaniel Speight of Baltimore, Md. Speight averaged 29 points a game, was named the player of the year in that city, and was awarded the MVP in the city tournament. All of these youngsters are expected to go well with veterans

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Answers

To Last
SPORTS NOTEBOOK
By Craig R. Turner

Tomorrow will be the day for the showdown that most people have been waiting for since the beginning of football season. This is the week that North Carolina Central plays host to A&T, and to say this is a big game is an understatement.

A&T, although not in contention for the MEAC title, still has one of the most exciting offensive football teams that a spectator would ever want to see. The Aggies have come up with a 6-3-1 record and stand an excellent chance of finishing behind South Carolina State as the runnerup if they win.

Meanwhile Central has muddled and befuddled its way to a 5-5 record with losses to Alcorn, Morgan, Howard, South Carolina State, and, believe it or not, Maryland-Eastern Shore.

Folks in Durham are still trying to figure out what went wrong on that particular day. The Eagles came to Greensboro last year owning a seven-game winning streak against the Aggies.

That day Ellsworth Turner and George Ragdale combined for over 400 yards in offense, and A&T blasted Central 34-16. Now going into this last game for 1976, what can Aggie fans look for Saturday?

First of all, I don't believe that either team will play close to the vest or play conservative if one should grab a sizable lead. As much as it is played down, there is an acute, almost obsessive rivalry between the schools.

You can believe that both teams will try to run the score up on each other if the opportunity arises. This will be a wide-open contest with no holds barred. Defense may not play a factor until late, very late in the ball game.

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For those of you who are wondering about the upcoming basketball season, then never fear. The season will get started next weekend for most teams including A&T.

There is an air of anticipation around the country about what this roundball season will bring in the form of top teams.

If there is such a thing as true national rankings, then almost everyone would have the same teams. Only the order would vary. In that case, here is how my top ten years since A&T has emerged from Durham with a victory.

Mike Davis.................. A&T
Ellen Spruill.................. A&T
Tyrone McLean................ A&T
Dennis Bryant................ A&T
Craig R. Turner............. A&T

(Two In a Row

A&T Seeks Win Over NCCU

By Craig Turner

A&T will be going for its second consecutive win over the Eagles of North Carolina Central this weekend in Durham.

The Aggies are coming off an impressive 30-6 bombardment of Delaware State while the Eagles have struggled to a 5-5 year including a loss last week to Howard 22-21 in Washington, D.C.

Coach Willie Smith's biggest problem has been an ineffective offense and a porous rushing defense. The Eagles, after getting off to the best start in some years, ran into two successive losses at Alcorn and Morgan State.

But, despite Central's weaknesses, the Eagles remain a dangerous team to deal with. The biggest threat to the Aggies will be the Eagle ground attack.

Halfback James Lawrence (6-0,190) and fullback Delacio Bartley (6-3,205) will be the starting backfield. Lawrence is a tough inside runner while Bartley has fine outside speed and is a fine pass catcher.

The quarterback situation at Central has been far from ideal, but the face to watch will be that of junior Ricky Moore. Moore (6-2,190) is a fabulous rollout passer and a serious running threat. He finished third in the MEAC total yardage department last year.

The Eagle offensive front has not been up to par this season with graduation and injuries having taken their toll.

Leading the ground attack will be All-MEAC tackle Darius Helton (6-4,245) and guard Nathan Breeden (6-1,190). The center position is solid with third year starter Leroy Way (6-2,205) over the ball.

The only real pass receiver of any consequence is flanker Reggie Smith (5-11,175). Smith has been on the Free Agency end of many of Central's touchdown passes.

Defense has been the really sore spot for NCCU and they expect to be tested by the top offensive football team in the conference.

The line is slightly larger than most teams in the MEAC, but the performances up until this point have been beyond many of Central's touchdowns.

The secondary is one of the strongest in the conference. Expect to see a fabulous run defense with graduation and injuries having taken their toll.

Most experts are waiting to see if the Eagles can overcome their one-dimensional strain to win the MEAC crown. They have all the tools to do so. Maryland-Eastern Shore has yet to recover from the probation placed on them in 1973 as Coach Doug Jones wonders about what will happen this season. The only really bright spot is guard Lee Miles (6-4) who was the only Hawk representative on the MEAC team last season. Not much more is expected from the 2-2 Hawks.

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N.C. Central Loses Star Guard

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John Harrell, the heir apparent to the Central surge, resigned his scholarship and transferred across the Durham downtown district to Duke. Harrell averaged nearly 50 points a game a year ago, was an all MEAC pick.
Now comes Miller time.