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Wilbur Hobby, AFL-CIO Labor Leader, addressing the senior citizen's Federation Workshop. He attacked the Republican legislators for promoting the corporations and voting against the people.

Labor Leader Urges Blacks To Help Self

by Gwen Dixon
Staff Reporter

"Ain't nobody in Raleigh or Washington going to help you unless you help yourself. Those who vote for you are your friends and those who vote against you are your enemy," the AFL-CIO labor leader said here recently.

Wilbur Hobby, president of the N.C. AFL-CIO, told a group of more than 50 senior citizens, administrators and visitors that it is important that they remember the voting records of congressmen and representatives at election time.

At the third N.C. Senior Citizen Federation, Inc., workshop Hobby informed the group that Sen. Jesse Helms (R) has consistently voted against the people. "Helms is on record for doing away with social security--he voted against everything for you," the labor leader said.

A blunt speaker, Hobby remarked that the labor group is trying to bridge a link of communication with the black community. He said that the committee was instrumental in extension of the Voting Rights Act for blacks.

Hobby informed the group

that N.C. wage earners make \$1.24 an hour which is less than the average wage earner in the country. He said people running the state are not making moves to raise wages.

As of July 1 senior citizens will be covered under the minimum wage law. Also, senior citizens are eligible for the Homestead tax exemption. People applying for the exemption must be homeowners and with annual income of \$7,500 a year. And social security recipients will receive a \$50 rebate check on July 1.

Queen Crowned At Ball

Seventeen years old Theotis Marie Sellars daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Otis Sellars won the title of "Miss Cinderella" Friday night June 20th at Benton Convention Center.

The ball was sponsored by Beta Lambda Chapter National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa. Twenty girls competed for the title.

Miss Sellars is a 1975 graduate of Bishop McGuinness Memorial High School where she was active in intra-mural sports, a member of the music club and office aid. She also received the school citizenship award. During the summer she will be working with the Social Security Administration in Baltimore, Maryland. She will enter North Carolina Central University at Durham this fall. She was sponsored by Mrs. Glennie M. Hall.

First runner-up was Miss Arlice Clayton. She is the granddaughter of Mr. & Mrs. Hazel Spann. She is a Junior

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"Miss Cinderella"

Theotis Sellars

Club Hosts 2nd Flower Show

The flower lovers who missed the Garden Club Flower show, truly missed a treat. The Fourth District Garden Council which includes five clubs combined held their second annual flower show at the Patterson Y recently.

Flowers and arrangements lined the tables extended around the room. Their theme,

NAACP Blasts Pool Policy

by Gwen Dixon
Staff Reporter

The president of the NAACP is calling for the support of black churches and organizations to use buses to transport black children to the westside portion of the city to "white pools" which the city says are no better than black pools.

The Morningside Manor Civic Club, brought charges before the budget hearing committee of the Board of Aldermen charging the city with racial discrimination. The civic club charged that the

swimming pools are discriminatory because of segregated staffs, programs and fees.

Rev. J.T. McMillian, NAACP president, said they believe the city's actions are another "gimmickry of racism that has plagued the black community too long." McMillian further addressing the conflict, said, "Nick Jamison reported his reasons for the 25 cents fee at black swimming pools but he did not answer the charge of racism at all," the four term president said.

The Morningside Manor

Civic Club and the Carver Civic Club complaints stem from the fact that three black youth drowned this summer. Their major complaint is that black pool managers do not have Water Safety Instructor (WSI) certificates. Therefore, they are ill equipped to save a child's life or administer emergency treatment.

Nick Jamison, said in a telephone interview that pool managers are not required to have WSI certificates. He said some WSI would not make good managers. "The pool

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Mrs. Zuma, Mrs. Foote and Mrs. Small admire a blue ribbon Red Hot Poker Plant.

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