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## Blacks Get Second-Rate Govt. Jobs

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### Reports Show Blacks Hold Lowest Paying City-County Jobs

by James Smith  
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With both the city and county governments setting up affirmative action programs, blacks are still receiving second rate jobs and pay in both governmental systems.

However, officials of the city and county feel that the situation can be brought under control if their long range programs become effective.

Members of both governments met Tuesday with the Baptist Ministers Conference and Associates with the expressed purpose of telling of their long range plan, how it would work and what it was expected to do.

Mayor Franklin R. Shirley

#### City-County Job Picture

	Number of Blacks and White Employees of the City as of December 31, 1975		Salaries of the county's blacks and whites as of March 5, 1976.	
	B	W	B	W
Admin. & officials	3	39	\$0-3999	0 2
Professionals	38	143	4--5,999	63 23
Technicians	32	264	7-7,999	144 174
Protective Service	46	338	8-9,999	67 263
Office and clerical help	39	140	10-12,999	49 251
Skilled craftsmen	102	109	13-15,999	9 66
Service and Maintenance	292	102	16-24,999	5 43
			25,000+	0 15
<b>Total</b>	<b>552</b>	<b>1135</b>		<b>337 837</b>

expressed his concern about a recent statement which was issued that Winston-Salem was one of the worst cities in

the nation in regards to its hiring practices.

"I don't know where the Justice Department got that



John P. Bond, III

...Situation Improving

statement or who the supposed "official" is, but that is not the case here," he said.

While the mayor or no other city official could name the person responsible for the Justice Department's accusation, the statement was made.

The report was done by the Southern Regional Council in Atlanta. And, that report stated that a high official in Winston-Salem said the employment record in Winston-Salem was one of the worst.

"This administration has been forthright in trying to see that blacks and women have been placed in city government," said mayor Shirley.

Mayor Shirley thinks that



Patrick Hairston

...City Is Lying

the indictment is as false as anything he's ever heard. "There's no city that has made as much progress as we have," he stated.

Although there has been a great improvement in the hiring situation, the mayor feels that there's room for more.

As far as Winston-Salem goes, Orville Powell, city manager feels that Winston-Salem's record is just as good or better than any others in the area.

John P. Bond, III, who was the chief spokesman for the city government stated that the city is still trying to get

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## Dentist Charges Dir. With Racism

by James Smith  
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A local dentist has charged the executive director of the Redevelopment Commission with trying to stop him in his

proposed plan of developing land which is owned by the commission.

Dr. J. Raymond Oliver, said in an interview this week that it seems like James K. Haley

of the commission has done everything he could to prevent him from using the land.

He further charged that he was given impossible time tables and schedules to meet regarding getting architects plans, contractors estimates and bank commitments.

Furthermore, Oliver stated that through all of Haley's obstacles, he lost his prime tenant--the ABC store.

In a recent letter to the Chronicle, Oliver stated, "I can only assume that all of this is the result of racism plus the possible commitment to sell the land to someone else. All of this took place in spite of the fact that there are two black members of the Redevelopment Commission and one black board chairman of the ABC board."

The land in question is located north of Winston Mutual Life Insurance Co., and the Burger King of East Fifth Street.

For nearly 10 years, the redevelopment commission has been trying to sell the property.

Oliver also stated that he first submitted a plan for

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"Are those spears as sharp as they look?" A Cub Scout competing in a "Knights in Armor" contest here eyes the competition. The contest was sponsored by the local scout organization and RJR Anchor, Inc.

## Lawyer Says City Had No Basis For Firing

by James Smith  
Staff Writer

A black policewoman was fired recently because of her association with a known lottery operator. Her attorney recently stated she was unaware that the man was a "lottery" operator.

Julius Chambers, attorney for Mrs. Wilhemina Cheek, said in a telephone interview last week that since she knew the man, but nothing about his "illegal" business, the city really had no basis for firing her.

"Presently, we are seeking to help Mrs. Cheek regain employment," he said.

He said the police had kept the man's house under surveillance for some time because of their suspicions, but they had never bothered to tell Mrs. Cheek of their suspicion.

"To her, he was just a friend," stated Chambers.

However, recently the man in question pleaded guilty to two counts of lottery.

A city official said they (police) began watching Mrs. Cheek when they spotted her coming out of the man's house.

The official said Mrs. Cheek was seen going in and coming out of the man's house -- several times while on duty.

A meeting was held last month in the office of Orville Powell, city manager. At that time, Thomas Surratt, chief of police stated that Mrs. Cheek was relieved of her duties for what he called "conduct unbecoming to an officer."

After that meeting, Powell did not make any statement until he had a chance to look at all of the evidence.

Last week, he stated that he upheld chief Surratt's dismissal of Mrs. Cheek.

A letter telling of Powell's findings have been sent to

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