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## P.O. Discriminates Against Handicapped

Mary Sloan Jones, a delegate to the first White House Conference on Handicapped Individuals, visited the downtown post office Tuesday on behalf of handicapped persons.

The building, says Mrs. Jones, is not accessible to persons on crutches or confined to wheelchairs. She wants the building to provide ramps for wheelchairs and electric

possible for the handicapped to enter the building. "I've talked to Steve Near about it," says Mrs. Jones, "and I understood from him that something would be done by July 1st.

I also talked to Mayor Shirley about it." Since the post office is a federal building, it is not under the city's jurisdiction. A city spokesman stated that they do

the handicapped, but there are no regulations compelling existing structures to accommodate the handicapped. Postmaster Wilson indicated that his department has no plans to

modify the downtown post office for handicapped persons. The Woughtown Station Post Office does have ramps for wheelchairs, said Wilson. The downtown post office is presently being

considered for restoration as a "traditional, old-time post office lobby," and all building modification to accommodate the handicapped, according to Wilson. The postmaster men-

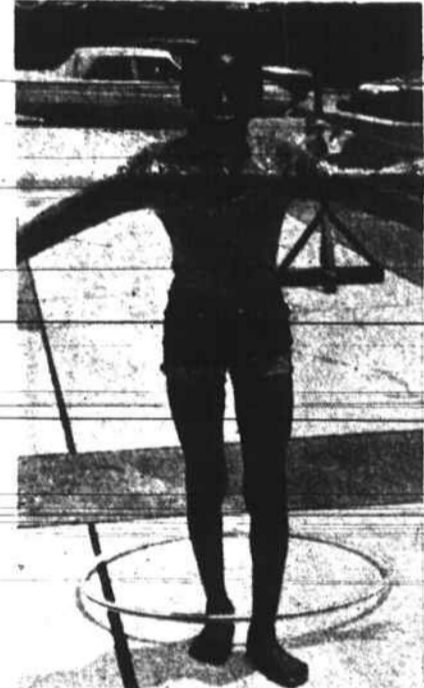
## City Chooses Hula Hoop Champ

by Sharyn Bratcher Staff Reporter

NCNB Plaza was a "swinging place" last



Angela Singletary



Lenee Fair



Darryl Barron



Hal Clayton

Friday, as finalists the City-Wide Hula Hoop Contest showed their ability to defy gravity with a hula hoop and a few well-chosen moves. Four city-wide winners were chosen to compete in the state contest in Salisbury later this summer.

The junior girl winner was Angela Singletary, representing the Konnoak Recreation Center. Hal Clayton Pole Recreation Center's Champ, took first in the Junior Boys' competition. The midget winners were: Lenee Fair of Center and Darryl Barron of Granville.

The contest, which was co-sponsored by the Whamme Toy Company and the City Recreation Department, required contestants to do 5 basic tricks for 15 sec. each, and then a full minute of free-style performance. The basic tricks carry imaginative labels like: Wrap-the-Mummy, the Stork, and the Knee-Knocker.

Contest Co-ordinator Denise Clark explained that the entrants are judged on creativity, posture, and gracefulness. Each of the four divisions had different judges, all director of city recreation centers. The contest was divided into four parts. Youngsters aged 12-15 competed in the Junior Boys' or Junior Girls' division. Contestants 11 and under were classified in the Midget Boys and Girls Division.

## Chronicle Weather Outlook

Sunny and hot today thru Sunday. Highs expected to remain in the lower to upper 90s. Chance of precipitation 10% Friday and 15% Saturday and Sunday.

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Teaching the Teachers: these ESR workers are learning the fine points of making slipcovers, so that they can pass along this skill to senior citizens in Project Make It Better.

## Team Work Underway

## ESR Project Aids Elderly

The Experiment in Self-Reliance displayed the talents of the newly-trained workers in ESR's PROJECT: MAKE IT BETTER, in a July 7th open house at ESR headquarters at 601 N. Main St.

Mamie Dean, director of "Make It Better," explained that the project was designed to teach senior citizens how to

make their own bedspreads, refinish their own furniture—in short, home decoration for these on a tight budget.

Ten aides and two supervisors have received several weeks' extensive training in sewing, decorating, refinishing furniture, etc. They will in turn teach senior citizens at the various centers how to do their own decorating.

An impressive display of home-made bedspreads, pillow cases, and curtains, all fashioned from scrap material, decorated the walls of the meeting room. The newly-trained instructors were hard at work measuring and sewing slipcovers for chairs and sofas.

The program is funded for one year, says ESR Director Louise Wilson.

After that it may be renewed with other instructors, after the present ones have gone on to other jobs. "Make-It-Better" will be offered to senior citizens at Crystal Towers, Sunrise Towers, and the Senior Citizens' House on Patterson Avenue, as well as other community centers throughout the city.

## Butler Confers At Courthouse

by Sharyn Bratcher Staff Reporter

Cecil Butler, the only announced candidate for mayor, stationed himself at the 4th Street entrance to the Old Courthouse Friday afternoon, July 8th, to answer questions concerning his platform.

Butler charges that the recent tax re-evaluation shifted the burden of taxes from the large corporations to the individual homeowners.

He further stated that the city is wasting the citizens' tax dollars by creating replacement jobs for employees whose present jobs are no longer funded, and by having a government that is "top-



Cecil Butler

heavy with bureaucrats, such as a city-manager with two assistant city managers, who each have

assistants." The city, Butler contends, is wasting money by paying \$8 per square

foot for office space in the NCNB Building, while the office space atop "Under the Elms" and the Hanes Building at 6th and Main are "virtually empty."

Butler also expressed concern over the Perkins Nuclear Power Plant, which, he says, will use up to 25% of the total water in the Yadkin River, up to 72 million gallons daily. This will affect Winston-Salem's weather pattern and the quantity of water available in the area.

Butler stated his intention to attend the public hearing in Mocksville on Wednesday, July 20 to further investigate Duke Power's case for the power plant.

## Neal Mobile At Health Center

Congressman Steve Neal's district mobile office will be at Reynolds Health Center on Friday, July 15. A staff member will be working in the office from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Anyone that is having a problem with a federal agency or would like to share an opinion on a matter that is before Congress is welcome to visit the office.

The mobile office makes regular stops throughout the seven county area that Congressman Neal represents.

Chuckle

Frankly, we've stopped caring if our money doesn't go far. We just hope that a little of it stays put.

## Children Witness Starlite Robbery

A number of small children might have been caught in the Star-Lite Grocery robbery, but for the quick thinking of 9-year old Angela Carree.

Six neighborhood children had gone to the store that afternoon to

buy food for their party, when suddenly Angela noticed that the man in the pink outfit had a gun.

"He didn't see us," Angela recalled, but she saw him pointing the gun at store attendance Jimmy Collins, and grabbing her little bro-

ther, Isaac, she signaled to her friends and they slipped out of the store.

The children crossed the street to the house of Angela's grandparents, and from the front porch they had a clear view of the front of the store.

"A whole bunch of

police cars pulled up on front of the store, and they blocked off the street," says Angela.

"The man came walking out of the store and the black police lady told him to freeze. He kept on walking, and she shot

him. Twice."

Tommy Lee Odum, 22, the man shot in the

Glenn Avenue accident, died at 5:20 p.m. Tuesday in Baptist Hospital. He had been shot in the back of the neck and the side.

Odum was shot by policewoman Allean S. Gill.

After the robbery, Collins explained to police that he had recognized the gun as one that had been stolen from the store in a

previous robbery, and stated that it had been loaded with blanks at that time. But blanks or bullets, Angela decided that she had more excitement than she bargained for on a visit to her grandparents.



Angela Carree