

newsline

RALEIGH--If you are on welfare in North Carolina and working but not reporting your income, you stand a good chance of being caught, according to Robert Ward, director of the Division of Social Services of the N.C. Department of Human Resources.

The Division has started a computer "match" with the Employment Security Commission to detect welfare fraud. The "match" compares the welfare rolls of the state's Aid to Families With Dependent Children (AFDC) program with work records from across the state kept by the Employment Security Commission.

Ward said the initial result has been an increase in discovery of AFDC recipients that are working, or have worked, and have not reported their employment to their local departments of social services which administer the program.

RALEIGH -- Joe Grimsley, secretary of the North Carolina Department of Administration, will attend two fact-finding meetings with local government officials in December to discuss suggested boundary revisions affecting the planning region which includes Forsyth County.

The meetings are scheduled for December 11 in Greensboro and Winston-Salem and December 15 in Wadesboro.

The Department of Administration has received petitions concerning two changes in regional boundaries. Grimsley has until February 15 to decide on the changes.

The Piedmont Triad Council of Governments will host a meeting on December 11 at 1:30 p.m. at the council of government's offices in Greensboro. N.N. Fleming III, chairman of the council of governments, has been requested by Grimsley to invite interested persons to the meeting.

At 7 p.m. on December 11, Grimsley will meet with officials from the municipalities and county governments in the five counties which have requested to withdraw from the Piedmont Triad Council of Governments and form a new region. The counties include Surry, Stokes, Davie, Yadkin, and Forsyth.

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"I've checked with my lawyers, and I know you have no choice but to rent them the building," Hairston told the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School Board Monday night.

"I'm going to encourage black people to stay away from the school...but I'm not too sure they're going to do it."

Hairston said that many people do not understand that the laws of this country entitle any group, even one such as the Klan, to the same rights in using public facilities.

Superintendent James A. Adams quoted a recent court decision from the U.S. Court of Appeals, which said, in part: "...Selective denial of a public forum...does not forward the public interest..." That case also involved the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and the rental of a school auditorium.

James Rawlinson, the parent of a child at Philo Junior High, asked the board members to state whether they belonged to the Klan or agreed with its beliefs.

Board member Nancy Wooten, who replied that no member of her family had ever been involved with the Klan, explained to Rawlinson that the school board did not vote in regard to renting this building or any other building. She also mentioned a policy which states that if board members vote contrary to the advice of the schools' attorney, then they may be held personally liable for any expenses incurred by that decision.

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"I just take my grades home, and don't worry about it," sighed Dr. Parker.

Lafayette Parker was born in Richlands, a small town in eastern North Carolina. He decided to go into education because: "What other images did you have? I didn't see a black doctor until I was grown."

The idea of education in the thirties conjures up pictures of all six grades in a one-room school, and a teacher making \$90 a month.

"That would have been my first job," Dr. Parker agreed. "But I didn't get a chance to accept it." He went instead to the United States Army, was made an officer, and was sent to Europe.

In 1946, with a Master's Degree from Columbia University, he returned to his alma mater Fayetteville State University, as a professor and assistant principal at the training school.

"I taught everything in the curriculum except science," Dr. Parker recalled.

With a PhD. from the University of Pittsburgh, Dr. Parker came to Winston-Salem State University in 1961.

Since that time, the faculty has increased from 59 teachers to almost double that amount. Forty per cent of the faculty now have PhD.'s rather than the eighteen per cent in 1961, and the degree program has expanded to 21 selections instead of the original two: nursing and elementary education.

Dr. Parker has chaired every self-study conducted by WSSU from 1963 to 1977, and served as chairman of the North Carolina Evaluation Committee on Teacher Education.

He is past president of the National Association of Deans, and is presently serving as president of the North Carolina Dean's Association for the second time.

If Dr. Parker has one regret in retiring, it is that WSSU has not yet established a graduate program.

"I would like to have seen the graduate program," he said.

Then he pointed out that the state legislature meets this spring, and after all he doesn't retire for six more months-- the hope is there.

Ghanian Chemist Tests Substitute for Paper

By Gloria Jones

Africans may one day use paper made from a plant common to their part of the world because of research done at North Carolina State University by a Ghanaian scientist.

Nicholas A. Darkwa, who is associated with the Forest Products Laboratory in Kumasi, Ghana, has been studying at NCSU since 1975 to learn how to make paper from plantain, a cousin to the banana plant and a major food staple in his country.

Darkwa, who earned his

Who's Who Selected

The 1978-79 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges will carry the names of 35 students from Winston-Salem State University who have been selected as being among the country's most outstanding campus leaders. Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and future potential.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,000 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations. Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934.

Students named this year from WSSU are Leonard Abdullah, Teresa I. Anderson, Tony L. Bellamy, Gloria M. Cornell, Anthony Farmer, James A. Fennell, John N. Foster, Ronald Gaither, Duncan C. Gray, Phillis Hardison, Annette Lynn Hansley, Dorcas Harper, Frances Hill, Cecil Hilliard, Carmen Denise Jackson, Angela Teresa James, Marilyn Lennon, Pamela Lyons, Linda McSwain, Annie McKeithan, Jeanette Moore, Elizabeth Newton, Beverly K. Powe, Anita E. Powell, Jo Ann Sawyer, Brenda K. Scales, Deborah A. Simmons, Cynthia Thomas, Evern Thompson, Linda Thompson, Cynthia Timmons, Luke Torian, Marie Walker, Antoinette Remel Williams, and Sheila Worthy.

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B.S. degree in chemistry at the University of Science and Technology in Kumasi, spent two years in Norway working for his master's degree. He has almost completed work on a doctoral degree in pulp and paper science at NCSU.

Plantain, which bears a banana-like fruit that is edible only when cooked, grows profusely in Ghana, but is largely confined to use as food.

Working under Prof. Robert O. Hinshelwood, head of the pulp and paper science program at NCSU, Darkwa has found that

plantain stalks have fibers that are similar to softwoods used for paper production. However, the fibers have some cells that reduce the strength of paper if left in the pulp.

In the laboratories at NCSU, Darkwa found a way to remove the undesirable cells. When he returns to his country in mid-December, he will attempt to process the plantain on a semi-commercial basis.

He says that Ghana's hardwoods which are not suitable for use in making paper, but that the govern-

ment has been reforesting with some softwood. Since forests take time to mature, plantain could provide both a more immediate and plentiful supply of paper for Ghana's 12 million citizens.

Darkwa says people have found some auxiliary uses for plantain. Stems are dried for use as toilet tissue. Older people in the villages peel and beat the stalks and use the pulp as sponges, and leaves are used as shields from the heavy rains.

The idea of using plantain to make paper originated with a Ghanaian working

with the New York Health Department. He conveyed the idea to his government and the Forest Product Laboratories assigned Darkwa to NCSU's program in pulp and paper science on a visit to the Research Triangle.

Darkwa, who is married and the father of two daughters, is a native of the farming village of Bompata. He learned English in high school, a requirement for a high school diploma in Ghana.

The African nation, which is rich in natural resources, is struggling to

take her place among the more developed nations of the world. At present, Darkwa says, Ghana exports a large part of her resources to the European Common Market nations.

Exports are headed by cocoa, and include gold, diamonds, manganese, bauxite and timber.

But, the greatest resource of any nation--people, like Darkwa--provide the greatest benefits. The expertise that Darkwa takes back to his country from the labora-

NCSU, will not only provide economic benefits, but cultural benefits as well.

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agreed, saying that many blacks in the community have sentimental ties to Atkins.

"The community itself, everything evolved around that particular school," Womble said. "Athletics, meetings, everybody in the city had some attachment to it."

Womble said that the school system

seemed determined not to abide by "the unique system of 4-2-2-2-2-2-2."

"Indirectly they were saying if you want integration you're supposed to carry the burden, it means your schools," Womble said. "We have had to suffer the burden of the busing here in 1978."

Womble said that the blacks used to

have Beaufort Bailey fighting for them and he's not there now."

Bailey said that he believes Superintendent Adam's plan is basically a pretty good one.

"Adam's is not doing anything to intentionally close down black schools," Bailey said.

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