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Low-income residents will be forced to move

Policy will displace some Goler tenants

By ROBIN ADAMS
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On Nov. 30, Betty Mosley will be put out of her apartment. Not because she is behind in the rent or because she has damaged the property; Mosley must leave her home because too many live there.

Mosley, who lives in Goler Metropolitan Apartments on Old Greensboro Road, was sent a letter last month telling her that her family of five -- three children, one grandchild and herself -- was too big for the four-bedroom apartment she rents.

"We just have to get out," said Mosley. "We been living here going on three years and all of a sudden they come up with this."

According to the letter Mosley received from her property manager, Al Morse, she needs an apartment that has as many bedrooms as she has persons living in the house. And, because Goler has no apartments with five bedrooms, she has to move.

But Mosley isn't alone. Mrs. Lola Jones and her family of eight, Melony Moore and her family of four (all her children) and dozens of other families also face eviction.

"I don't see why a newborn baby has to have a room by itself," said Katharean Bethea, Mrs. Jones' daughter. "You got to be married to sleep in a room together. I think this is too much."

First Columbia Management of Atlanta, Goler's manager for the past year and a half, said it is making the changes at the 12-year-old complex to alleviate overcrowding.

"This is unfortunate," said Joann Boatright, property manager for Goler, "but you reach a certain point where there are too many people in an apartment and it's not healthy for anybody."

Boatright said the one-bedroom-per-family-member guideline is a rule that First Columbia

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Money-Saver

Wife, mother and career woman Brenda H. Redd not only does a commendable job of balancing her family life and career, she also recently submitted a money-saving suggestion to her appreciative employer, R.J. Reynolds Industries. Her story appears in this week's Profile on A7 (photo by James Parker).

Local developers defend proposed apartments

By GREG BROWN
Chronicle Staff Writer

Developers of a proposed 96-unit apartment complex near Carver School say they think opposition to the project will subside once area residents have a thorough understanding of their plans.

And, to facilitate that understanding, they say they plan to have a public meeting in the near future to address area residents' concerns about the complex.

"We're not trying to ram anything down anybody's throat. We want to stay friends with these people."
-- Dr. Charlie Kennedy

Northgate Associates is asking the Board of Aldermen to rezone 8.12 acres on Berl Street near the Carver School Road intersection to allow the construction of the multi-family housing project to be known as Oak Hill Apartments. A public hearing on the rezoning request had been scheduled two weeks ago, but the developers asked for a postpone-

ment. Even so, about 50 black residents of the affected area protested the proposed complex at the aldermen's Oct. 1 meeting.

The three developers, who also are black, say they think the residents' fears are exaggerated -- and that most of their opponents don't have a clear understanding of just where the complex will be located.

Northgate Associates has three investors -- Tom Trollinger, owner of Contract Furnishings; Simon Johnson, owner of Aamco Auto Transmissions on Silas Creek Parkway, and Dr. Charles Kennedy, a local pediatrician.

Because there are only two homeowners on Berl Street, the three developers said they were unprepared for the degree of opposition they encountered to the project. They said most of those against the complex live between one and three miles from where it would be built.

"The important thing was that we were not aware of the extent of opposition to the project," Kennedy said. "Throughout this time, it never occurred to us that those people who lived three miles away down Carver Road considered that their

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Queen For A Day

Miss Hospitality in the 1984 N.C. National Little Miss Pageant, Tineta Brown, rode gracefully in the Winston-Salem State University Homecoming Parade (photo by James Parker).

Some stay away in protest

Only three black papers show at Edmisten meeting

By ALBERT NICKERSON
Chronicle Staff Writer

Representatives from only three black newspapers showed for what was intended to be a meeting between the state's black press and Democratic gubernatorial candidate Rufus Edmisten last week.

Though Edmisten campaign aides had said earlier that eight of the state's 11 black papers had accepted an invitation to meet with Edmisten, Phyllis Lynch, Edmisten's deputy campaign director, said the conference was a success.

"We wanted to make an effort to communicate with all the black newspapers in the state," said Lynch.

Representatives from the Raleigh Carolinian; the Fayetteville Black Times and The Rocky Mount Gazette attended the meeting on the campus of North Carolina State University in Raleigh.

Publisher Bill Johnson of The Charlotte Post said he would have attended had there not been scheduling conflicts.

However, Ernie Pitt, publisher

of the Winston-Salem Chronicle; Vivian Edmonds, publisher of the The Carolina Times in Durham; John Kilimanjaro, publisher of The Carolina Peacemaker in Greensboro, and Bernard Robertson, managing editor of the Statesville Iredell County News, said they chose not to attend the meeting because Edmisten had refused to meet with the North Carolina Black Press Association (NCBPA) in August for a Winston-Salem press conference.

When Edmisten declined an invitation to appear before the NCBPA Aug. 31 in a joint press conference with his challenger, Republican Jim Martin, Chronicle Publisher Ernie Pitt said he attempted to schedule separate appearances before the NCBPA for the two candidates in September, but was told there was a conflict.

After he offered an alternative date, Pitt said, he was told by an Edmisten aide that Edmisten was not interested in such an appearance.

Although Edmisten recently said he had no knowledge of the

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The state's black campaign staffers: We're not window dressing

By ROBIN ADAMS
North Carolina Black Press

Are black staffers on predominantly white campaigns "showpieces" whose role it is to be seen by black voters but not heard by their candidates when policies are set?

Andrew Young may have thought so, when, frustrated by the lack of black input in the Mondale camp during the summer, he lamented that the campaign was in the hands of "smart-ass white boys."

But black campaign staffers in North Carolina say that's not the case with them. They make a difference now, they say, and they plan to be accountable once the election is over.

"I'm not a window-dresser," said Thomas Stith, minority affairs director for Republican Jim Martin's campaign for governor. "I don't know how to be a window-dresser. I wouldn't accept this

position if I didn't have a large input."

Some campaigns have "black showpieces" and others have blacks in "decision-making roles," said Vernon Robinson, who served as Martin's Fifth District coordinator before he left the state

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to work on his doctoral degree.

"In most campaigns the black person has the title of deputy campaign director for coalitions or minority affairs director," said Robinson. "In my personal opinion, we need to continue moving forward and eventually shed that title. But the title is not so signifi-

cant. The ability to impart on decisions is the critical test of whether the person is window dressing or in a decision-making role."

As for Stith, Robinson said, his opinions hold weight. For example, when Sen. Jesse Helms and state GOP Chairman David T. Flaherty warned Republicans in a letter that massive registration drives by the Rev. Jesse Jackson were something to be feared, Robinson said Martin disavowed that letter at the request of Stith.

"Stith worked with Martin and he (Martin) denounced it (the letter)," said Robinson.

As a volunteer with the Rufus Edmisten campaign, Phyllis Lynch said she doesn't believe she is a window-dresser because her time is too valuable to waste as a token.

"You have to look at the individuals involved in the campaign," said Lynch. "(Winston-Salem Alderman) Larry Womble, (former

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