

**Domestic Service**

# Minimum Wage Law Covers 1.5 Million Workers

More than 1.5 million private household workers now come under the minimum wage provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA). Bernard E. DeLury, assistant secretary of labor for employment standards, said that approximately 2 million people are currently employed in domestic service. The new amendments bring more than 75 percent of that work force under the minimum wage, he said. The minimum wage applies to domestic workers who receive at least \$50 per calendar quarter from one employer or who work a total of more than eight hours a week for one or more employers. To be eligible for overtime pay, an employee must work a 40-hour week for one household. Exempt from the minimum wage are persons employed as casual babysitters or as home companions to the disabled or elderly. The new rate schedule is: \$1.90 an hour, beginning May 1, 1974; \$2.00 an hour, beginning Jan. 1, 1975; \$2.20 an hour, beginning Jan. 1, 1976; \$3.30 an hour, beginning Jan. 1, 1977. Security taxes paid by employers is allowable toward the minimum wage. Employers are responsible for determining if their domestic employees are covered under the Act.



DEBORAH BOULWARE  
.....Elementary ED major

**Miss Boulware  
Receives B.A.  
Degree**

Deborah Boulware recently received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Bennett College in Greensboro, North Carolina. Deborah, an elementary education major, is the daughter of Mrs. Lottie Roland who resides at 2102 Roslyn Avenue.

**Zoo Receives  
Big Sendoff  
For Members**

The Mecklenburg Chapter of the North Carolina Zoological Society, Inc. launched its campaign to obtain 10,000 members of the Society in Mecklenburg County this week. The plans for the campaign were unveiled by G. Doug Aitken, Jr. and Johnny McCoy, co-chairmen of the local campaign, at a meeting of the Queen City Optimist Club held at the YWCA in Charlotte.

Following a slide presentation to the membership by Joe T. Millsaps, President of the Society, the Queen City Optimist Club presented a check to the Zoo Society in the sum of \$500.00.

The gift to the Society for the purpose of helping to establish a zoo in North Carolina is, according to Optimist officials, in keeping with their motto, "Friend of Youth." While the generous gift of this civic-minded group is very much appreciated by the Society, Society officials emphasize the fact that the drive in Mecklenburg County is aimed primarily at the \$10.00 annual membership. The membership drive will run at least through June 15, 1974.

Contributions may be mailed to: N.C. Zoo, Box 700, Charlotte, N.C. 28201

**CPCC To Hear  
VA Director**

**Herb Johnson**

Herb W. Johnson Regional Director of the Veterans Administration in North Carolina, has been invited to speak at Central Piedmont Community College by the Student Veterans Association, the largest student veterans' group at any North Carolina College.

The meeting will be held on May 21, at 11 a.m. in Room 106-7.

Mr. Johnson is the final authority on all veteran matters in the state. He will come to this meeting prepared to answer all questions pertaining to veterans affairs: benefits, problems, and complaints. He will be accompanied by a legal aide who will be able to discuss any legal point that might be brought up.

This meeting will be open to the public.

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