

## BLACK CITIZENS URGED TO SEEK TEXTILE JOBS

### Employment Under Title VII Of Civil Rights Must Be Equal



MRS. WASHINGTON

Black Carolinians looking for work, should try one or several of the two-state area's 1,486 textile mills.

The industry that is still the largest single employer in the region, providing 383,000 jobs or 44 per cent of the manufacturing employment of North and South Carolina, wasn't always a happy hunting ground for minority job seekers.

But a radical change has come about since 1966 when the U. S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's (EEOC) first annual survey of the nation's employers provided the first official confirmation of what generations of Negroes here had always known, that the industry was the most lily-white in the nation.

Established by Congress to enforce Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, the commission, last year, set out to bring the textile industry into compliance by expanding minority employment and by breaking down the barriers that had kept many of them out of the higher paying jobs in that industry.

Title VII is the federal law that prohibits job discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex and national origin.

The campaign that pulled together several federal and local public agencies into a task force that cooperated with private civil rights organizations, has achieved results that makes Negroes' chances for jobs almost equal to those of whites.

In the opinion of those who have seen the job opportunities of the region's 1,945,312 Negroes and 43,130 Indians in textile plants escalate to a point undreamed of eight years ago, responsibility for what remains to be done now, rests primarily with the individual job seeker.

The more often he knocks on the doors of textile mill employment offices, the greater his chances for employment, and the more familiar he becomes with his rights under Title VII, the better the job he is likely to get.

In significance of the recent employment gains and upgrading of minority workers arises from the fact that as recently as 1966, Negroes were almost totally excluded as workers in the industry. In fact, they were for all practical purposes

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RECEIVES NAACP AWARD OF YEAR — Berry Gordy, Jr., founder and president of Motown Record Corporation, receives the NAACP Award of the year from Barry Gray at the New York Hilton Hotel, on September 27.

### Berry Gordy, Jr. Receives NAACP Award of Year

NEW YORK—Recognition as the outstanding creative business man of the year was accorded Berry Gordy, Jr., founder and president of the Motown Record Corporation, when he received the NAACP Award of the year held recently at the New York Hilton.

Civic and business leaders, as well as entertainment stars, from all over the country attended the affair which paid tribute to Mr. Gordy's artistic and business ability which has helped develop Negro enterprise in America to an all-time high level.

The Motown entertainment complex is the leading independent company in its field. Starting less than 10 years ago with almost no capital, Gordy developed Motown as the leader in today's music field by devotion to the highest artistic standards and the pioneering of a new form of musical expression, often referred to as "The Motown Sound."

The special citation reads: "As business man of the year, for his outstanding ability and devotion to duty and the sense of pride which he brought to the Black Community . . . presented by the NAACP."

### Dr. R. A. Hawkins To Deliver Oxford Centennial Address

OXFORD—The First Baptist Church, corner of Granville and Front Streets, Oxford, under the pastorate of the Rev. Percy L. High, will celebrate its one hundredth birthday Sunday, October 13, at eleven o'clock.

The guest minister will be the Rev. Dr. Reginald A. Hawkins, Democratic Candidate for governor in the May Primary. Music will be rendered by the Junior and Senior Choirs of the church.

Yearbooks containing historical events are being published for the occasion.

### W. M. Thorpe Promoted to Dis. Mgr. Staff of Metalcraft Corp.

W. M. Thorpe of Durham has been promoted to the district managerial staff of Century Metalcraft Corporation. Thorpe joined the company two years ago as a trainee. He went to the training period quickly and moved up to be an authorized distributor in less than two months.

Thorpe has received great honors from the home office in Los Angeles, California and from executive vice-president, C. P. Colbone. After receiving his crusader certificate and pin, he advanced to junior supervisor two months later.

He has been top Century salesman in the state twice. After winning awards and prizes Century had to offer, he was promoted to senior supervisor.

Thorpe, a 1944 graduate of Hillside High School, is owner of Thorpe's Barber Shop. He also attended Bull City Barber College, Deshazor Beauty College and Durham Business College.

He is married to the former



THORPE

Miss Lauralyn Holden of Wendell. They reside at 2231 Apex Highway with their two children, Carol 17, and Arviet, 10.

### Cosmos Launched

MOSCOW — The Soviet Union announced Thursday the launching of the 245th unmanned earth satellite in its Cosmos series. Cosmos 244 was launched Wednesday. A brief announcement by Tass said only that the vehicles were carrying out further space research. SSS36ped Oct 3

### Pittsburgh to Observe Geo. Carver Week

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — Dr. Bennetta B. Washington, Director of the Women's Centers of the Job Corps and wife of Washington, D. C., Mayor Walter E. Washington, will be the principal speaker at the 25th annual George Washington Carver Week luncheon in Pittsburgh January 6, it has been announced by Dr. Alma Illery, President of the National George Washington Carver Commemorative Association.

The luncheon will be held in the Hotel Webster Hall. Dr. Washington will be honored that evening at a reception sponsored by the Gulf Oil Corporation.

The luncheon is the highlight of an annual week of tribute paid to the great Negro scientist. It is also the week which includes National Carver Day, January 5. Dr. Illery organized the first Carver Week in Pittsburgh in 1944, and succeeded in convincing President Harry S. Truman to declare the national observance beginning in 1946.

Dr. Washington is an educator. See CARVER 4B

### Attends Confab in Local LP Nurse Oklahoma City

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Mrs. Mary C. Adams, 823 Plum St., Durham, is among the more than 1,000 LPN's from every state in the nation attending the 19th Annual Convention of the National Federation of Licensed Practical Nurses being held here this week (Sept. 30) at the Sheraton-Oklahoma Hotel. The professional group, which represents more than 30,000 members, is the oldest and sole organization in the U.S. composed exclusively of LPN's.

Highlight of the 1968 NFLPN Convention will be the inauguration during the week of a new advanced training program designed to "upgrade the professional preparedness of licensed practical nurses in helping to meet the critical health needs of the nation." According to NFLPN president, Miss Faye G. Day of Tulsa, Oklahoma, the advanced training will enable LPN's to assume more vital roles in patient care and free others on the health team to extend their services in more specialized areas of practice.



MRS. BOOKER



MISS HARRIS

### Winston-Salem Urban League Adds New Members to Staff

WINSTON-SALEM — The Winston-Salem Urban League recently announced the addition of two staff members, Mrs. Johnnie Booker and Miss Ruth Harris. Both are graduate students of the Atlanta University School of Social Work, Atlanta, Georgia, where they are majoring in Community Organization. Samuel D. Harvey, Executive Director of the Winston-Salem Urban League, said that "the two students will be selecting data from selected areas in the community for a New Thrust proposal which should be considered for funding by the National Urban League on or before October 16. In addition they will be working with volunteer leadership to organize and motivate the JACS (Joint Action for Community Service), the Urban League Guild Committees, the Youth Community, Voter Education Project, a

Council of Clubs, and with the professional staffs of the Housing Authority."

Mrs. Booker is a native of Fort Valley, Georgia and did her undergraduate study at Hampton Institute. Her previous experiences include community organization in the depressed areas of Atlanta and in New York. Miss Harris is a native of Fernandina, Florida and did her undergraduate work at Knoxville College. Her previous experiences include work in the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council and Summit Leadership Conferences in Atlanta and Washington, D. C. Both students will be on the League staff through February. "This brings to a total of six new staff members added to the Urban League staff during the past five months," Harvey said.

### SOCIAL WORKERS CONVENTION SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 11-12

WINSTON-SALEM — The North Carolina Council of the National Association of Social Workers will hold a two-day conference in Winston-Salem, at the Robert E. Lee Hotel, October 11-12. Carl Staley, Jr., Director of United Day Care Services in Greensboro is President of the Conference.

The Conference is being held for all social workers and workers in social welfare in North Carolina. Registration begins Friday, October 11 at 9:00 a.m. at the Robert E. Lee. The sessions will end at noon on the 12th.

Dr. Richard Lodge, D.S.W., Dean of the Richmond School of Social Work, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, will give the keynote address, "Basic Principles and New Directions in Social Work." Other speakers and workshop leaders are: Dr. Thomas E. Curtis, University of North Carolina, "Emotional Stresses Unique to Social Workers," Howard W. Lee, Duke University, "The Game of Human Relations in Social Work," William A. Lofquist, Forsyth County Domestic Relations Court, "An Experiment in the Use of Various Methods of

### Wiggins Gets Senate Nod

WASHINGTON — The Senate foreign relations committee Thursday unanimously approved President Johnson's appointment of Russell Wiggins as U.S. ambassador to the United Nations.

The former editor and executive vice president of The Washington Post was nominated to succeed George Ball, who resigned to campaign for Hubert H. Humphrey, the Democratic presidential nominee.

Absent and not voting Thursday was Sen. J. William Fulbright, D Ark., the Committee Chairman, who questioned Wiggins closely about his Vietnam views during his appearance before the committee.

Like kindness to animals, it is common decency to stop a man from telling a story that you heard long ago.



PETERSON

### Peterson Gets Aetna Life Asst. Sec'y Position

HARTFORD, Conn. — Gerard M. Peterson has been appointed assistant secretary, group division, at Aetna Life & Casualty.

Peterson became widely known in his capacity as administrative coordinator in the Vice President's youth motivation program during 1966-67 when he was on "loan" from Aetna to the Plans for Progress program.

A graduate of the University of Connecticut, Peterson joined Aetna in 1957. He served as senior systems analyst and assistant supervisor, central data processing department, and was named administrator, computer services department, in 1965. He joined the group division last year after completing his Plans for Progress service.

Peterson is a trustee of the Community Renewal Team and Health Care Facilities Foundation of Greater Hartford, and a director of Big Brothers of Hartford.

### 300 Students Win Scholarships In Nat'l Achievement Program

NEW YORK — Names of 1,500 Semifinalists in the fifth National Achievement Scholarship Program for outstanding Negro students were announced today by John M. Stalaker, president of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. Some 300 of the students will win Achievement Scholarships worth at least \$1,000 each.

They were selected from over 38,000 Negro students who participated from more than 4,500 schools nationwide. Among students requesting Achievement Program consideration, the Semifinalists were the highest scorers in their regions on the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, administered last February.

Semifinalists who advance to Finalist standing are considered for Achievement Scholarships. Semifinalists become Finalists by receiving the endorsement of their schools, taking a second examination, and providing information about their achievements and interests. The 1969 Achievement Scholarship winners will be announced next March.

Rosters giving the names of Semifinalists and some 2,000 Commended students (those who scored just below Semifinalist level) will be sent to all accredited colleges and universities.

These rosters help colleges locate talented Negro students, according to Stalaker.

"Many colleges," he said, "have expanded their school visiting programs to include the schools from which Achievement Program Semifinalists and Commended students come. The students winning these honors have a better chance to win other scholarship and college financial aid."

To keep the Semifinalist group representative of outstanding Negro students throughout the country, each of six geographic regions has Semifinalists proportional to its Negro population.

Every Semifinalist who becomes a Finalist will be considered for one of the 250 National Achievement \$1000 Scholarships as well as for the four-year Achievement Scholarship provided by sponsors. In the 1968 program, 59 sponsors underwrote 87 Achievement Scholarships.

Winners of the National Achievement \$1000 Scholarships will receive \$1,000 upon enrollment in college and may spend the funds as required to meet college expenses. Winners of four-year sponsored Achievement Scholarships receive \$250 to \$1,500 a year.

### With North Carolinians in the Service



SPRUILLE

Airman First Class Rodney J. Margolis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Margolis of 911 Dacian Ave., Durham, is decorated with the U.S. Air Force Commendation Medal at Travis AFB, Calif. by Brigadier General Arthur W. Cruikshank, Jr., vice commander of the Twenty-second Air Force. Airman Margolis, an administrative specialist, received the medal for his outstanding professional skill, knowledge and devotion to duty while serving with the 61st Military Airlift Wing at Hickam AFB, Hawaii. He is now assigned at Travis with the Twenty-second Air Force, a major component of the Military Airlift Command. A 1965 graduate of Durham High School, the airman attended the University of North Carolina.

Airman Kermit L. Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Allen of 518 Larchwood Dr., Durham, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has



MAJOR SUMMERS

Charles E. Summers, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Summers, Sr., of 406 Beech St., Greensboro, has been promoted to major in the U. S. Air Force. Major Summers is an operations support officer at The Pentagon. He is a member of the Headquarters Command. The major, a graduate of Dudley High School, received his commission in 1957 upon graduation from the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps program at North Carolina A. & T. State University where he earned his B.S. degree. He holds an M.C.S. degree from Texas A&M University. He is a member of Omega Psi Phi. His wife, Ann, is daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Mead of New York.

been assigned to the Air Force Technical Center at Chanute AFB, Ill., for specialized schooling as an airframe repairman. Airman Allen is a 1968 graduate of Merrick-Moore High School.



MINOR

Airman Winfred G. Minor, son of Mrs. Helen M. Glenn of 2508 Joyner, Durham, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to the Air Force Technical Training Center at Keesler AFB, Miss., for specialized schooling as a communications-electronics specialist. Airman Minor is a 1968 graduate of Durham High School.

Airman Dennis E. Spruille, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Spruille of Rt. 3, Williamston, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to the Air Force Technical Training Center at Lowry AFB, Colo., for specialized schooling as a supply specialist. Airman Spruille is a 1968 graduate of East End High School, Robersonville.

No man can make money without helping others make or save money.