

**Words of Wisdom**

No man can climb out beyond the limitations of his own character.  
—John, Viscount Morley  
What we have to do is to be forever curiously testing new opinions and courting new impressions.  
—Walter Pater

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## REV. CHAVIS, WILMINGTON TEN APPEAL DENIED

### Mrs. Lightner: A Very Private Person



### Wife Of Capital City's First Black Mayor

By ALLAN COWAN  
EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article is reprinted with permission from the Dec. 22 edition of the Charlotte Observer.  
Ask the friends and neighbors of Mrs. Marguerite Lightner what they know about her and they will tell you she is "nice, genteel and" a very private person.  
But few are willing or able to fill in the outlines of this sketchy portrait of the wife of Raleigh's first black mayor who was thrust into the public eye Monday by a Wake County grand jury that indicted her on charges of conspiring to receive a dispose of stolen goods.  
The handful of friends and neighbors willing to talk about Raleigh's First Lady portray a woman dedicated to bringing up her four children, while studiously avoiding the limelight her husband Clarence attracted during his six years as a city councilman and his year as mayor.  
Mrs. Thomas Bradshaw, wife of the mayor who preceded Lightner, described Mrs. Lightner as a "very private" (See LIGHTNER Page 9)



## Humphrey Proposes Tax Reduction Of \$10 Billion For Early Next Year

### Six Million People Now Unemployed

Senator Hubert H. Humphrey a member of the Joint Economic Committee and chairman of the Consumer Economics Subcommittee, has announced he will introduce a \$10 billion tax cut proposal early next year "to get the economy moving again, increase productivity and put people back to work."  
Humphrey who called on other Senators to co-sponsor the legislation, declared that the time has come for Congress to reverse the Administration's efforts to stop inflation by creating a major recession.  
"The Key point that is not yet accepted by the Administration, although the people of this country know it, is that we are now in what will go down in the history books as the worst recession since the depression" he asserted, "and we must deal with this problem immediately."



### Angela Davis Calls For Protests

The Reverend Benjamin Chavis and his co-defendants of the Wilmington Ten were turned down by the North Carolina Court of Appeals last night in their attempt to overturn convictions and 262 years of combined sentences for protecting a neighborhood church from a Ku Klux Klan attack in 1971.  
The Rev. Chavis is a vice-chairperson and treasurer of the National Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression and Washington, D.C., Maryland director of the United Church of Christ's Commission for Racial Justice. At the time of the Klan assault (See CHAVIS Page 9)

## Julian Bond Scores Seventh In Gallup Presidential Poll

State Senator-elect Julian Bond, a potential presidential candidate has scored 7th in a rating of 31 Democrats who are possible contenders for their party's 1976 presidential nomination.  
He scored above both announced candidates, including outgoing Georgia Governor Jimmy Carter, whose name did not receive enough mention to place him among the 31, and Rep. Morris Udall.  
Bond outscored Ralph Nader, Senator Walter Mondale, Senator Lloyd Bentsen, and Senator Birch Bayh. Bond also outpointed former Senator and 1968 candidate Eugene McCarthy, Florida Governor Reuben

Askey, and both 1972 Democratic vice-presidential candidates, Senator Thomas Eagleton and Sargeant Shriver.  
Ranking above Bond were Alabama Governor George Wallace, Senator Hubert Humphrey, Senator Henry Jackson, Senator Edmund Muskie, Senator George McGovern and former New York Mayor, John Lindsay.  
In a separate poll of independent voters, Bond ranked 10th behind Wallace, Jackson, Muskie, McGovern, Nader, Lindsay, Humphrey, newly-elected Ohio Senator John Glenn and Illinois Senator Adlai Stevenson.  
The poll, conducted by the respected George Gallup organization, was conducted between November 8 and 11, before Senator Mondale withdrew as a candidate and before Governor Carter and Rep. Udall announced their candidates.  
Carter, who announced December 12th that he will be a candidate, was not mentioned as a choice by independent voters either, although Rep. Udall did place 26th among these non aligned voters.  
These results are more than encouraging, Bond said, "I still intend to reserve a final decision until late May or June of 1975, but this showing and the slow but steady trickle of mail into my office convinces me that 1976 may be the year in which a candidacy like mine would find a willing and receptive audience."  
Bond said that he had talked with Montgomery, Alabama attorney Morris Dees, who raised \$20 million for the McGovern campaign, about "putting together a similar fund raising effort for my campaign."

UNEXPECTED CHRISTMAS GIFT—Sheely 40, and her husband, Ted, have cancelled their Christmas plans for a Caribbean cruise. They are not unhappy about the sudden change of events because the birth Nov. 7 of son James Robert Sheely came as a complete surprise to both mother and father. Mrs. Sheely, a school teacher, went to a hospital because she thought she had stomach cramps. The attending physician told her she was in labor and would soon give birth. (UPI)

## National Black Caucus Elects New Officers For 1975

HUSTON—Mayor Warren Widener of Berkeley, Calif., has been elected chairman of the National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials by the unanimous vote of general membership of the recognized minority caucus of National League of Cities, U.S. Conference of Mayors.  
Mayor Widener succeeds Richmond Va., Vice Mayor Henry L. Marsh III, leader of the caucus for one year beginning last December. Widener will serve for one year.  
The young Bay Area chief executive topped a slate of more than 25 officers and board members elected to serve a one-year term by NBC/LEO members.  
Mayor Maynard H. Jackson of Atlanta, Ga., was re-elected first vice chairman of the organization after he asked NBC/LEO members to waive the rule that would ordinarily have elevated him to chairman this year. Mayor Jackson cited pressing city business in Atlanta as his principal reason for declining to accept the chairmanship.  
The organization also elected ten NBC/LEO regional chairpersons who will lead



CHEQUES AND POUND NOTES—American Black communist leader Angela Davis sits behind pile of cheques and pound notes collected at a meeting while she addressed at Friends House in support of campaign for the release of all political prisoners in Southern Africa.

## Difference Between Nations Can Be Deeper Than Languages

NEW YORK—The difference between nations can be deeper than language and customs. In fact, sometimes it's a matter of life and death.  
If you think the major difference between say, China and the United States is in politics, consider a recent Metropolitan Life Insurance Company study which shows that Americans on the average live 18 years longer than Chinese do. Specifically, the report states that Life expectancy at birth for men and women in the United States in 1972 was a little more than 71 years, in China, the Life expectancy was 53 years!  
Among the four countries having more than 200 million inhabitants, the United States has the best record of longevity, the statisticians found. The Soviet Union is second with a life expectancy of 69.5 years in 1968-69, which is about the same as that of the United States a decade ago. The two most populous nations in the world, China and India, have among the poorest longevity rates in the world, in India, men and women have shorter lives than their counterparts in China with

### UN Majority Not Daunted By Criticism

Last week's U.S. Attack on the "Tyranny of the majority" in the U.N. General Assembly, appears to have done little for U.S. prestige in the world body.  
In the wake of strong criticism of the U.N. by American Ambassador John Scali, debate was dominated by third world speakers who accused the U.S. of intimidation, and double standards. Following that, the General Assembly passed one resolution opposed by the U.S., and another about which the U.S. has reservations.  
The first of those two is a world "charter of economic rights" that was approved by a vote of 102 to six, with the U.S. and several western European countries on the losing side. American opposition to the charter stems from a provision allowing a nation to expropriate foreign owned (See UN MAJORITY Page 9)

### 5 Blacks Are Among 40 Most Noted Women

Five blacks were named among the 40 most highly respected women in the U.S. according to a national magazine poll. The total number of blacks is three more than a year ago.  
The women are Representatives Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, Shirley Chisholm, Barbara Jordan, Coretta King, wife of the slain civil rights leader and actress Cicely Tyson, winner of two Emmy awards. They were elected from a slate of 47 prominent women presented to readers in the sixth annual Most Admired Women poll, appearing in the current (January) issue of Good Housekeeping.  
The poll was conducted among the 1,500 readers of the magazine. The respondents (See WOMEN Page 9)

### Final Rites Held In Bronx, N. Y. For T. Raymond Hocutt



BRONX, N.Y.—Final rites were held Tuesday, Dec. 10, at First Congregational Church of Morrisania for Thomas Raymond Hocutt, 66, who died Thursday Dec. 5 at Bronx Lebanon Hospital.  
Hocutt was born July 1, 1908 in Durham, the son of the late Thomas Henry and Florence Hocutt. He attended local public schools in Durham and graduated from North Carolina College (now North Carolina Central University) in 1933.  
Following shortly thereafter, Raymond Hocutt, (See HOCUTT Page 9)