

Words of Wisdom

Fame is not popularity—it is the spirit of a man surviving himself in the minds and thoughts of other men. —William Hazlitt
Trouble is usually produced by those who produce nothing else. —The Red Barrel

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M&F BANK HOLDS ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS MEET

Joann Little, Edelin Cases To Highlight NABWA Meet



President J.H. Wheeler addresses Stockholders Meeting Monday Night.

Inset Left: Nathan T. Garrett

Inset Right: Mrs. Julia Wheeler Taylor

Bank Resources Are Reported At \$39 Million

Stockholders of Mechanics and Farmers Bank received the Report of the President, J.H. Wheeler, with applause and congratulations at the annual meeting held Monday night in the lobby of the main office on

Parrish Street. In a year characterized by substantial changes in the economic health of the nation and wide swings in the performance of almost every financial indicator, Mechanics and

Farmers Bank reported an \$800,000 increase in the dollar amount of individual passbook savings accounts and a healthy over all condition.

Total resources of the Bank, as of December 31, 1974 were \$38,921,922.55 representing a decrease of less than one per cent.

Net earnings of the Bank for 1974 were \$129,956.66, after taxes, and earnings per share were \$0.90 (\$5.00 per value). The largest single source of income was interest and fees on loans amounting to \$1,160,055.94. The second largest source of income was interest and dividends received from securities in the amount of \$1,124,547.57. This was followed by interest received

Rex, NCCU Experiment In Nursing

Rex Hospital of Raleigh and North Carolina Central University's Department of Nursing are combining efforts to provide educational preparation leading to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing for registered nurses in the Raleigh area who are graduates of associate degree and diploma programs in nursing. Although there are six colleges and universities in the Raleigh area, none offer the Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

This joint project with NCCU is based on the philosophy, objectives, and curriculum of the Department of Nursing. The colleges and universities in the Raleigh area, along with NCCU's Department of Continuing Education, will offer the general education component of the curriculum. All nursing courses will be taught by NCCU nursing faculty utilizing Rex Hospital and other Raleigh community health agencies for clinical experiences.

The project has been funded for \$120,000 over a three-year period by the Kate Bittings

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"The Black Woman Att'y" Confab Theme

WASHINGTON—Discussions of the current court case of Joann Little of Washington, and the Boston case of convicted Dr. Edelin will come under discussion when the National Association of Black Women Attorneys convene here for its 2nd annual conference, April 4-6.

Indicating that the conference theme will be "The Black Woman Attorney - Identity and Involvement Update 1975," NABWA founder Wilhemina Jackson Rolark, the association's present president, has announced that black women in the pursuit of law activities throughout the United States have been invited to attend the conference, being held at the Statler-Hilton Hotel.

"There are fewer than 600 black women attorneys in the United States," Attorney Rolark noted in her announcement. "It is, therefore, the determination of NABWA to identify with young black women who are

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New Medicaid Rules Are Aimed At Reducing Errors in Eligibility

WASHINGTON—New Medicaid rules aimed at reducing eligibility errors that cost tax payers an estimated \$600 million annually were proposed today by HEW secretary Casper W. Weinberger.

Recent studies by HEW and the General Accounting Office show that the ineligibility rate

for Medicaid may be as high as 20 percent.

Major eligibility problems presently are lack of verification of a patient's resources, the automatic renewal of a patient's eligibility without rechecking his circumstances, and billing for services when Medicaid eligibility of the patient has never been determined.

Under the proposed regulation published today in the Federal Register, HEW would require States to review the eligibility of Medicaid recipients who do not receive public assistance cash payments.

To do this, States would review a scientifically determined sample of paid claims, and determine the ineligibility rate. States would also determine the erroneous dollars expended, the reasons for errors, and finally develop plans to reduce those errors.

The initial sampling period would be from July 1 through September 30. The sample would be from approximately seven million of the 25 million persons who it is estimated will be in the Medicaid program at that. Medicaid is financed by Federal State and sometimes local tax funds. It is administered by the States in

accordance with Federal regulations and guidelines. The estimated total budget for Medicaid for fiscal year 1976 is \$13.5 billion, 55 percent of which is the Federal share.

It is a natural extension of the Department's successful Quality Control effort that has

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Zaire To Build First African Landsat Ground Station

Zaire will build the first ground station in Africa designed to receive Earth resources data directly from NASA's LANDSATs under an agreement announced January 26 in Washington, D.C. LANDSAT was originally called the Earth Resources Technology Satellite.

The new ground station, to be built by ERTS-Zaire near Kinshasa, will be able to obtain data from LANDSATs 1 and 2 as they pass within 3,000 kilometers (1,800 miles) of Zaire's capital city.

Data from this area, which includes most of the African continent from the northern border of Chad to South Africa and from Kenya to the Ivory Coast, currently must be stored on LANDSAT 2 magnetic tape

recorders for transmission to ground stations in the United States.

Although Zaire is the first African nation to plan its own LANDSAT station, 13 African nations and two international organizations have undertaken Earth resources investigations using data of Africa provided by NASA from the two LANDSATs. Scientists conducting these investigations are from Botswana, The Central African Republic, (See LANDSAT Page 3A)



BARNES

Arnold Barnes Dies Mon. From Shot In Mouth

Arnold Barnes 24, of 2521 E. Weaver St., died Monday night of an apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound, Durham police reported.

The man's father, Walter

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JUBILANT LEADER—A jubilant Wallace Muhammad, 40, is hoisted onto the shoulders of the "Fruit of Islam," guard of the Black Muslim faith, after his selection as the ascetic's spiritual leader during "Savior's Day" activities in the International Amphitheatre. He became heir to the leadership role after the death of his father, Elijah Muhammad. (UPI)

Hubert Humphrey to Introduce \$30 Billion Tax Cut Measure

WASHINGTON—Senator Hubert H. Humphrey, chairman of the Joint Economic Committee, will introduce early this week legislation to cut taxes by \$30 billion this year.

In addition to a \$10 billion rebate to individual taxpayers on their 1974 tax liability, \$18 billion would be cut from this year's taxes for individuals. There also is \$2.5 billion in incentives for new investment by the nation's businesses.

"The worsening economic situation has convinced me that we need a larger tax cut than that proposed by the Administration or passed by the House of Representatives if we are going to restore growth to our economy, fatten pay checks and put people back to work," Humphrey said in a statement issued from his office.

The Minnesota Senator noted that "virtually every non-Administration witness who testified before the Joint Economic Committee has called for a larger tax cut. With a \$1.5 trillion economy, it will take a tax cut of the size I am proposing to make an impact on it.

While some may feel that \$30 billion is too large a cut, let me remind them that failure

to keep our economy operating at even a four percent level of unemployment will cost Americans \$600 billion in lost income in the 1974-76 period.

"In the last three months, the rate of unemployment has climbed faster than in any

other three-month period since the Great Depression.

"At the same time, the buying power of the average worker's take-home pay has dropped 8.7 percent in the last two years. This brings real

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29th Boys' Club Week Begins Sunday, March 16

Member of the John Avery Boys' Club will join other Club members throughout the country — "the million boys who need help the most" — to celebrate the 29th annual National Boys' Club Week, March 16-23. This year's theme is "Get To Them Before The Street Does."

Lee W. Smith, Jr. Executive Director, said today some 1,100 Boys' Clubs of America will take part in the celebration spotlighting the youth-guidance organization's drive to build kids into productive, activities, is planned at John Avery Boys' Club located at 808 E. Pettigrew Street.

"We are aware of the increasing rate of juvenile delinquency on the national

level in recent years," Smith said, "and we at Boys' Clubs take pride in getting to some of these boys before the street does. That's because Boys' Clubs offer their million members positive alternatives to drug abuse, disease, violence and crime."

He explained that the same energies which might get a youngster in trouble on the streets are, with proper guidance and direction at Boys' Clubs, channeled into a productive force "for tye youngsters' own good and the good of the community."

Leaders of civic and service organizations, business and government, including President Ford, will join in observing the week-long tribute

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Durham NAACP To Honor Dr. C.E. Boulware

The Durham Branch NAACP in its efforts to focus attention on the contribution Dr. C. Elwood Boulware has made to the city, the state and the nation, formed a committee of concerned citizens from all walks of life to plan a testimonial, in recognition of his services.

He recently retired from the faculty of North Carolina Central University where he made an enviable record in the field of mathematics. He is a prominent member of Covenant United Presbyterian Church, where he was served as a deacon for a number of

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Durham County Mental Health Ass'n Seeks Board Members

The Durham County Mental Health Association is seeking nominations for membership to its Board of Trustees. The 32-member board will have several vacancies in the coming weeks, and is endeavoring to develop a board whose membership is representative of the community.

During the past year, the Association has been involved in several problem areas of mental health such as patient rights, affirmative action in mental health programs, representation on the Mental

Health Center Advisory Board, establishing programs for John Umstead patients returning to the community and other activities focusing on meeting Durham's existing mental health needs.

The Association is organized into several committees, which coordinate their activities and enable the Association members to put their energies into problem areas that are of interest to them.

Application forms for Board nominations will be made available to any individual or

group who is interested. The Association is seeking to involve more minorities on its Board, as it is felt that working to meet Durham's total mental health needs can only be accomplished by an association whose membership and board of trustees reflect the make-up of the community.

Anyone interested can contact: Mr. Quenton Parker, 526 Holloway St., Durham, 27701, or Mr. Alex Strand, 621 Clayton Rd., Durham, 27703.

Black Named to Special Assistant Post in U.S. Labor Department

WASHINGTON—Reginald B. Brown, a labor relations specialist, has been named special assistant to Bernard E. DeLury, assistant secretary for employment standards. Brown, 37, will assist DeLury in a wide range of activities dealing with day-to-day and long-range operations of the Labor Department's Employment Standards Administration. The agency's responsibilities include enforcement of wage-hour legislation, administration of workers' compensation programs, equal employment

opportunity in federally involved contract work, as well as other laws, regulations and programs to protect the man, women and youth in the labor force.

In effect, Brown will serve as a "trouble shooter." He will also conduct special projects and serve in various advisory committees. Brown has previously acted as chief, Division of Management Services, of the Labor Department's Employment Standards Administration.

He has also served in the Office of Field Operations and in the Office of Federal Contract Compliance, both in Washington, D.C. Brown joined the Labor Department in 1971 as a contract compliance officer with the regional headquarters in Boston.

From 1969 to 1971, Brown was special assistant to Mayor Kevin White in Boston. Among his accomplishments there was development of the official equal employment opportunity provisions