

Words of Wisdom

When we talk about a difficult problem all we are really saying is that we don't know how to solve it. —Charles F. Kettering

One precedent creates another. They soon accumulate and constitute law. What yesterday was fact, today is doctrine.—Anon

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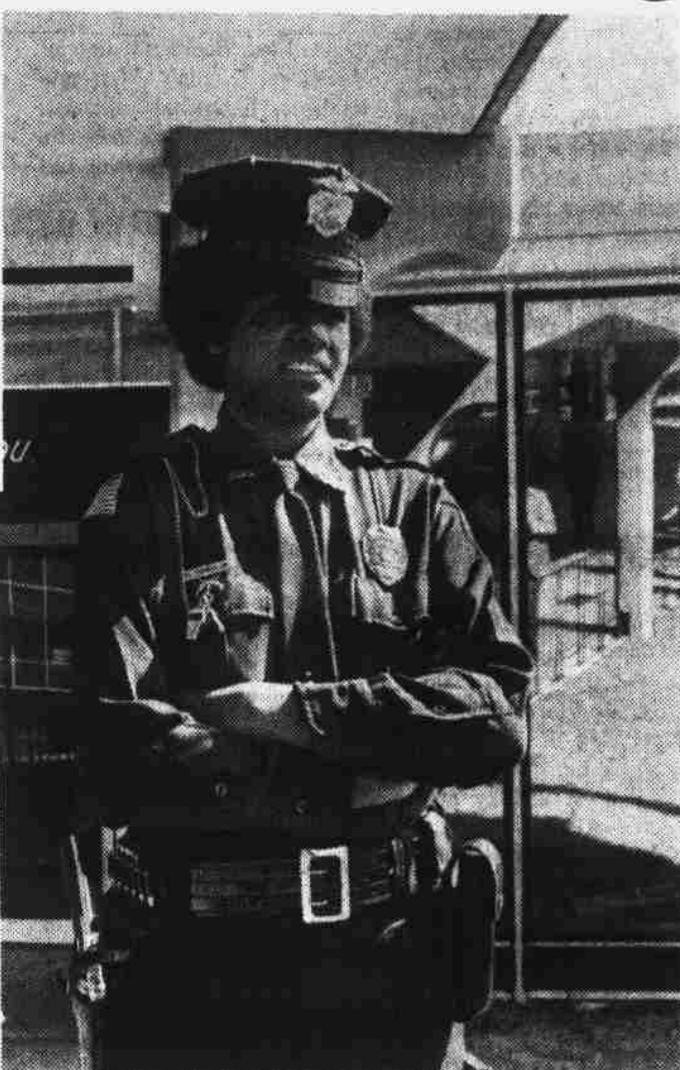
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BLACK UNEMPLOYMENT RATE STILL UNCHANGED

Kittrell College Asks Assistance For Recent Fire Victims



Students Lose Belongings In Dormitory Fire

KITRELL—The president of Kittrell College issued an appeal to the public for contributions for students who lost their belongings in a dormitory fire on Saturday.

"We are not attempting to replace burned items, but we do need to provide some assistance to the 88 young men who suffered a complete loss of their personal belongings," Dr. J.A. Middleton said.

The appeal, issued through news releases, asked for donations of clothing, bedding, or money. "Whatever is collected will be distributed equally among the fire victims," he said. "This is not an appeal for assistance for the college for our loss of the building, but only for help for the students' losses."

The Student Affairs Office has been set up as a collection point and all donations may be sent or taken to that Office. Checks should be made payable to "Hawkins Hall Student Emergency Fund" and should be mailed to The Office of Student Affairs, Kittrell College, Kittrell, 27544. Receipts will be sent out to contributors and all contributions are tax deductible, college officials pointed out.

The college's faculty and staff are also involved in assistance efforts and plan special fund-raising projects to aid students.

Because of the fire and the necessity for re-assignment of rooms, the college will begin its spring recess a week earlier, Dr. Middleton announced. "After a reevaluation of our situation, we felt that this break would help to alleviate the strain on the students, both the fire victims and other students who will have to be relocated," the president stated.

The recess will begin March 12 and end on April 1. Some administrators and staff will work through the break to get (See KITRELL Page 7A)

TWO WAY PROFESSIONAL is pretty Fayetteville State University graduate Regina Chamberlain. Just when people are complaining about a lack of employment, Regina is being trained for two jobs as a policewoman and a firewoman by the city of Fayetteville. A former health and physical education major at FSU, Regina says that she likes what she's doing because its rewarding and challenging. (FSU Photo by John B. Henderson).

Interest Grows In First "Freedom Fund Dinner"

The committee of concerned citizens, making the arrangements for the first annual "Freedom Fund NAACP Dinner," honoring Dr. C.E. Boulware, reports that the tickets are moving very fast. Request are coming in from across the state. This is being done due to the fine esteem in which Dr. Boulware is held. His contribution to the political life of the state and the part he has played in making Durham conscious of political debt to its citizens is being considered by those who want to take part in the affair, April 18.

The greatest demand for tickets is coming from the Presbyterian Church. It is to be remembered that he is the chairman of the trustee board of Barber-Scotia College, along with being a recognized leader in the denomination. Requests are coming in from as far as Charlotte and from Rocky Mount and Wilson. The Fayetteville and Laurinburg area expect to be well represented.

For information please address all inquiries to First Annual Freedom Fund Dinner, P.O. Box 3312, Durham, 27702. Reservations must be in by no later than April 10.

Kindergarten And First Grade Pre-Registration Underway

Pre-registration for kindergarten and first grade in the Durham County Schools will be held from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. March 17-21. A child must be five years old by next October 16 to register for kindergarten, and six years old by October 16 to register for first grade. Children are eligible to attend only the school in whose geographical zone they live.

To register a child for first grade or kindergarten, parents should go to the school their child will attend in first grade. Bring the child's birth certificate and his immunization record if it's completed. If the record is not completed, it can be brought later. The following immunizations will be required: three diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis inoculations; three oral polio doses and one rubella (red measles) vaccine.

It is not necessary to bring the child to pre-registration. If your child is presently attending a Durham Schools Kindergarten, he does not need to be pre-registered. If a child is now attending any other

public or private kindergarten or if a child has discontinued attendance at a County Schools Kindergarten, he will need to be pre-registered. At pre-registration parents of incoming first graders will make an appointment for pre-school screening, to take place in mid-April. The screening program is handled by the elementary counselors and involves hearing and vision tests as well as counselor interviews.

The County Schools presently operate twenty-two kindergarten classes eighteen state-funded and four federally-funded. The number of federally-funded classes will probably not change next year, but additional state classes should be allocated.

Presently county school kindergartens enroll about 43% of all eligible children. County officials hope that enough new state classes will be added to be able to accommodate about 60% of the children eligible.

Since there are presently not enough spaces to accommodate all children, enrollment, in state kindergartens, will be

determined by lottery as it has been for the past several years. (See GRADE Page 7A)



COLEMAN TAKES OATH—President Ford looks on as William T. Coleman of Philadelphia is sworn in as secretary of transportation at the White House. Administering the oath in Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall. Coleman's wife Lovida is holding the Bible. Coleman succeeds Claude Brinegar.

American Freedom Train Slated For Raleigh, Charlotte In Oct.

Of the 700 items on view in the American Freedom Train Bicentennial exhibit, one that has special meaning is the life-sized replica of Dr. King's pulpit.

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system.

Greensboro Meet to Involve 1,000 Members of Masons

GREENSBORO—More than 1,000 members of the Prince Hall Affiliation and auxiliary of the North Carolina Council of the Deliberation Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry are expected to participate in the council's annual two-day session in Greensboro Apr. 12-13.

The sessions, featuring state and national officers of the group, will be held at the new Royal Villa Motel.

Registration for the meeting will be held Saturday, Apr. 12 at 8 a.m. in the motel, followed by a business session, and the annual awards banquet that night at 7 p.m.

Speaker for the banquet will be Bishop Herbert Bell Shaw of Wilmington.

Other participants will include Dr. John Gideon Lewis, Jr., Louisiana sovereign grand commander of the United Supreme Council 330 Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Masonry, and James A. Mingo secretary of the Holy Empire of the United Supreme Council.

Shaw grand master of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of North Carolina, is also presiding Bishop of the First Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.

A nationally prominent educator, religious and fraternity leader, he has served as vice president at large of the National Council of Churches, (See MASONS Page 7A)

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Both Number Of Unemployed And Rate Held Steady In Feb.

WASHINGTON—The unemployment rate for blacks remained virtually unchanged in February at 13.5 per cent, the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. In January, the unemployment rate for blacks was 13.4 per cent.

Nationally, the overall rate of unemployment was unchanged in February, following a sharp uptrend in recent months, but employment declined for the fifth straight month. The unemployment rate remained at the January level of 8.2 per cent, after climbing at the most rapid pace of the entire post-World War II period between August and January.

Total employment (as measured by the monthly survey of households) declined by nearly 540,000 in February to 84.0 million. Since September 1974, employment has dropped by 2.4 million, the largest 5-month cutback recorded in the postwar period. The civilian labor force decreased by 580,000 over the month.

Total nonagricultural payroll employment (as measured by the monthly survey of establishments) declined 600,000 from January for the fourth straight monthly decrease. At 76.6 million, the number of payroll jobs was 2.3 million lower than last October. There was also a further decline in hours of (See UNEMPLOYMENT 7A)



WILLIAMS
Wm. Williams, Jr. Appointed To U. S. Civil Rights Commission

Mr. William Williams, Jr., of 32 of Columbia, South Carolina was appointed for a two year term on the U.S. Civil Rights Commission. The son of the southern sharecropper, Williams has made phenomenal progress in the socioeconomic field, heading a realty and development company that has grossed \$15,000,000 in four years.

He is active in Republican politics in the south and Co-chairman of The Council of 100 a national organization of Black Republican.

Voting Rights Act Still Needed For Black Political Equality

WASHINGTON—Although blacks constitute 26 percent of the population in the seven states of the South that are covered by the federal Voting Rights Act, they still hold only three percent of the elective offices available in those states, the president of the Joint Center for Political Studies has testified.

Eddie N. Williams, head of the private public interest organization, told a congressional subcommittee considering extension of the Act that its protection has been vital to progress in electing blacks to public offices in the South, where blacks were formerly prevented from even voting in many places. The Act will expire this August unless Congress votes to extend it.

Williams asserted that the thousands of blacks who have registered and voted since passage of the Act, many for the first time in their lives, led directly to the increase in the number of blacks who have run for and won public offices throughout the South. Said

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Black Business Counters White House Agenda

WASHINGTON, D.C.—At the request of the National Business League, Black business leaders convened an emergency caucus on the eve of a White House "Think Tank" session which is scheduled to discuss the future organizational structure of

federal programs affecting minority business enterprises. Approximately 100 representatives of minority business and economic development groups rejected in that meeting, the agenda proposed by the White House (See AGENDA Page 7A)

Pressure on White House to Fire Powell Opposed by Leaders

WASHINGTON—Clarence Mitchell, chief of the Washington Bureau of the NAACP and Dr. Maurice A. Dawkins, director of government relations for Opportunities Industrialization Centers (OIC) are opposing pressure on the White House to fire John L. Powell, Jr., chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunities Commission.

In separate letters to the Washington Post, which has in effect asked President Ford to remove Powell from the EEOC Chairmanship, Mitchell and Dawkins have urged a correction of total administrative problems of the

agency rather than the "mere replacement of one individual.

Each of the two national leaders have submitted suggestions to the Post. They both think the probable tendency not to consolidate cases, because the agency's budget is based on caseload, can be overcome, that the commissioners are in a kind of limbo because their quasi-judicial functions have been transferred to federal judges, leaving them time to become entangled in administrative matters.

Also they say that the independence of the general council of EEOC should be modified, and that attacks on

agency's lawyers by some in the Justice Department are hampering the anti discrimination work. Further, Mitchell and Dawkins suggest that a clear channel of communications between EEOC and the President be established, and that it is natural for newer agencies to make some mistakes, but when EEOC's errors are compared with some of the older ones, it seem like a model of efficiency.

In addition, Dawkins calls on Vice President Rockefeller to look into the conflict between the chairman and the members of the EEOC Commission.



MURDERER PLANS TO BECOME PRIEST—Vaughan P.L. Booker, (left), convicted murderer serving a life sentence, participates at a service at Graterford Prison at which he ordained as an Episcopal deacon March 1. A one-time Eagle Scout, Booker is serving time for the 1967 bow and arrow slaying of his wife. Eligible for parole in 1982, Booker says he plans to become a priest.