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Ground Broken For New Health Center

Expected To Be Ready By 1983

By Donald Alderman The proud heritage of one of Durham's former

was renewed Wednesday as groundbreaking ceremonies were held for the new Lincoln Community Health Center. About 200 persons were on hand to take part in the celebration.

leading medical institu-

The new facility is expected to be ready by 1983. The present facility was built over sixty years ago as Durham's black community hospital. It will be demolished to make way for a parking

John S. Stewart, the Center's Building Fund Project chairman, announced an additional \$500,000 appropriation Tuesday by the Durham County Commissioners which insures the new facility. That brings the County's allocation for the center to \$1.6 million.

However, Stewart said, an additional \$1 million is needed to fully equip the new building. He said the fund-raising campaign continues and the Center is still accepting donations.

Stewart declared the Center "a worthwhile everyone who has made

dent of the Center's Board of Directors, said: "The Center is a place to be proud of. It is an example of the best Durham has to offer. Durham can be no better than the type of support that the Center has received."

Dr. Evelyn D. Schmidt, the Center's director, said the occasion was a

such a system, he says,

staff to work more vigorously in seeking better health care for the underprivileged. Noting the struggles the Center has weathered, she said, "when the chips are down Durham knows how to come together."

The crowd, declaring the occasion "a great day for medical progress in Durham for every citizen", included members of the Durham County Commission and the Durham County medical personnel.

Hospital Corporation. The present facility is said not to be effective and efficient in the delivery of clinical ser-vices. It was designed for a hospital. Administrators say the new facility will have all patient services on one level, allowing a more efficient utilization of

health services. It is contended also that the new building will help attract and retain quality

staff and delivery of

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Soviet Perspective: "Drastic cutbacks in social programs in the United States represent only the beginning of Reagan Administration attacks on the hard-won gains of America's minorities, women and working class"

-Raymond Boone's column, page 13.

Exercise believed to help curb heart attacks. -Otto McClarrin's column, page 15.

Memories

"Junior" Joseph Harper, 19, looks down while talking with UPI last week about Patrick Rogers, 15, with whom he wrote songs in the Thomasville Heights housing project, where they both lived. Rogers became one of the victims of the 28 Atlanta slayings, and investigators are questioning residents of the project about a possible link between Wayne Williams, charged with the murder of the 28th victim, Patrick Rogers and Aaron Jackson. Harper said that he had never seen Williams and did not know anything about Rogers' manager. Williams visited the housing project last fall promoting a city-wide talent



Bill Approved To Put Tenants On Housing **Board**

Representative Kenneth B. Spaulding, D-Durham, has won final approval of his bill which would allow tenams to serve on Frous- conduct and his own in-

Spaulding says that he introduced the bill in April to clarify the present law and to make it clear that tenants or other recipients of housing assistance from a public housing authority

should automatically barred from serving on a housing authority board. The law now makes it possible for a local government to appoint a tenant, if it so desires.

Due to a recent Attorney General's opinion, prior to this legislation, some local governments have refused to appoint housing authority tenants to their local Housing authority Boards. The Attorney General's opinion stated that it would probably be a conflict of interest in violation of North Carolina law if a housing authority tenant served on a Housing Authority

no conflict of interest by providing that no tenant commissioner shall be qualified to vote on mat-

dividual tenancy. The law now will allow mayors, city councils, or county commissioners who want to appoint a tenant to their Housing Authority Board to do so if, if they desire. Spaulding's bill had met

with little opposition in the House, but ran into stiff opposition in the Senate where it was sent back to committee. After weeks of intense lobbying by Spaulding, the bill received a favorable report from the Senate Judiciary II committee and was sent to the Senate floor. The Senate amended the bill to provide that membership by tenants on the Housing Authority Commission would not exceed one-third of the total membership. The bill was then passed in the Senate and received final concurrence in the House this week.

The bill became effective upon its ratification.

Mrs. Young Is SECME Teacher Of Year

MRS. YOUNG

During the Fifth Annual Southeastern Consortium for Minorities in Engineering (SECME) Institute held recently at the University of Florida at Gainesville, Mrs. Mary Mason Young was honored at a banquet and received a trophy and an award as "1981 National-SECME Teacher Of The Year". As a result of this distinction, Mrs. Young has been offered a posimer of 1982 with the Na-

(NASA) at Hampton, Virginia Secondary school minority students are prime targets of the SECME program; since, previous engineering has attracted such a small percentage of

this group of students.

By Trellie L. Jeffers H.E. Shoaf, district

manager of Duke Power

Company, has submitted

a proposal to the Durham

City Council requesting

permission to end all night

If the request is granted

by the City Council, all bus service will be

eliminated after 7 p.m.,

and up to ten hours of bus

transit operations for the

past number of years. . .

and the proposal would

bus service on all routes.

tional Aeronautics and

Administration

At Durham High School, pupils may enroll in Pre-Engineering Projects (PEP), a course which as SECME coordinator, Mrs. Young developed and teaches. Through PEP and SECME instructions, participating students receive academic enrichment and motivational experiences which help prepare them for university level pro- cause" and congratulated grams in science, as well as

tion, which includes twenty schools of engineering in southeastern universities, receives its major financial support from industries that are attempting to increase the number of economically deprived minorities in the area of engineering. Locally, similar funding and support are needed and will be sought.

an estimated \$43,000.

and early mornings.

The proposal also states

that with the elimination

of night service, Routes 5,

6, 9, and 10 will be chang-

ed in the late afternoons

office of management at

Duke Power, says that the

proposal is not new and

that it was first submitted

in 1978 when the company

could

"Dial-A-Ride", a system

that he says is operating in

John Plyler, from the

City Said Committed To Housing Despite Criticism By Donald Alderman Diuguid, acting director posed Lynn Road site, for Lynnhaven apartments.

Despite the City of Durham's alleged shortcomings in carrying out its housing assistance plan, a Community Development of the Department of

ing" for its citizens as long as the City Council and the local community can project sites themselves. "It is easy for federal officials in Washington or

Greensboro to criticize Durham's housing progress, but there are many factors involved that the local community should challenge for the Center's decide," said

of the city's Community Development ment.

The Greensboro office

met its goals for construction of new rental units and rehabilitation of substandard rental units. The regional HUD office warned that the city's 1982 community development funds could be reduced or withheld if the city's housing efforts are not greatly intensified.

Much of the controversy centers around the pro-

The City Council is asking HUD to review the site, saying traffic will create a congested area around

in county schools. HUDi had refused to withdraw the Lynn Road site. Diuguid said HUD im-

pedes the democratic process when it insists upon a site to which the local community has expressed; opposition. He said if a proposed site brings considerable protest from the community, then com-(Continued on Page 2)

Duke Power Proposes To End Night Service

would not involve Duke Power but would be arranged between a taxicab company and the city.

Plyler said, "There are just too few people riding the buses at night and we ceed the cost of a bus ride.

are losing money.' The People's Alliance, a community group that is now working on some alternatives to the elimination of night ser-.

submitted just after Duke Power was granted a rate increase by the City Council," but they say that they would favor vans or taxi service to substitute for the buses provided that this service does not ex-

Members of the group say they feel, however, that Duke Power should reallocate the money saved from the eliminated and public service. One service suggested is that of maintaining the present bus fare.

The group said that there are presently no maps for certain routes provided by Duke Power so that people who wish to ride the buses know what routes provide bus service and that this could account for the small number of persons using the buses. They suggested print maps for those who wish to ride buses.

Presently, the City Council has not decided when or how to handle Duke Power's proposal, and at press time, there had been no decision as to the proper method for disposal of the matter.

It is also not clear whether or not there will be another public hearing on the Duke Power re-

Spaulding says his bill service will be cut. began losing money on quest before the City makes it clear that there is night service. (Figures show that night Route 5 vice, says they are "upset service and put it into a The letter accompanythat Duke Power should Council acts on the mating the proposal, dated June 9, is addressed to over the proposal, parmarketing system, in use some of the money to ticularly because it was newspaper advertisements; nets \$22 per night and Route 1 nets \$34 per Mayor Harry Rodenhizer and states that "Duke Power has experienced Plyler said that an alter-native to the eliminated substantial losses in its

Judge Rules: **Grand Jury Discrimination**

Not Grounds For **Hobby Dismissal**

reduce its annual losses by Chapel Hill; however,

By Elizabeth Ketelle A challenge to the grand jury selection process in ween 1974 and 1981 has the Eastern District of not matched that of the North Carolina was rejected last Wednesday as lawyers for Wilbur Hob-by, state AFL-CIO president indicted for CETA fraud, entered motions in federal court to dismiss charges of fraud and con-

spiracy against Hobby.

While approximately 45 of Hobby's supporters watched, U.S. District Judge W. Earl Britt rejected the defense attorneys' contention that the racial and sexual com-

position of grand juries in the Eastern District betpopulation as a whole and that therefore the juries have been improperly Testifying at the federal

court hearing, James M. O'Reilly, an expert in

demographics, stated that blacks, women, blue collar workers, the less-educated, and young people have been underrepresented on the master grand jury lists used in the (Continued on Page 2)



Remembers Talking With Accused Slaver

ATLANTA, GA. - Sam Butts, recreation director for the Thomasville Heights housing project, where several of the victims in the Atlanta slayings either lived or had visited, said June 26 he remembers Williams asking him last fall to

distribute leaflets premoting a city-wide talent show. Investigators believe that Wayne Williams, charged with the murder of the 28th victim in the Atlanta slayings, may have had contact with at least two of the other victims. UPI PHOTO

Council Appointment May Become Political Issue

By Donald Alderman Whether the Durham City Council is making appointments to its boards, committees, and commissions in a socially biased manner is a question that will be pondered many times in the coming months. This issue may even be made political since this is an election year.

Two years ago, conser-vatives swept themselves into power by making the east-west expressway and downtown development, political issues. This election year, the council's committee appointments issue will, more than likely, be one of the most heated political debates in Durham.

Several black community members have recently found it appalling that Durham's black community is, many times, blatantly ignored when the council is filling commit-

Hunt, who has long advocated more black comappointments, mittee noting the latest census figures, said Durham has a large black population and that blacks are qualified in all areas. He said the council, in many cases, is simply overlooking blacks when making appointments. A Durham Human

Relations Commission committee is examining *the situation and is to release a report in August. At least one councilman has expressed concern that the report may be used as a political weapon in the coming November elec-

Some councilmen contend the only factor should be whether nominee is qualified and that race should not be an

Willie Lovett, chairman of the Durham Comm on the Affairs of B (Continued On Page 2)