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## County Votes For Retirement Plan

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Last week, the Forsyth Board of County Commissioners voted four to one in favor of adopting the State Retirement plan for its employees.

The plan, in effect, gives county employees the option of either joining the retirement plan offered by the state or having no retirement plan other than social security.

County employees were angered over the board's refusal to go with the state plan. At the Reynolds Health Center a petition had been circulated and signed by members of the staff saying that the county's refusal was like "taxation without representation."

Most of the employees felt that the retirement plan should be optional. Many complained that the present plan required a significant contribution from the employee."

The commissioners originally voted not to go with

the plan because of the financial burden to the county. The estimated contribution the county would make was said to be 1.1 million dollars a year, almost 1/2 of a million dollars more than had been originally thought to be its cost.

Over 75% of the county employees signed up to join the plan before the board vote not to join.

A spokesman for the county said all that remained now was for the details to be worked out and the formal signing of the contract by the new Board of Commissioners. However, the spokesman said the possibility does exist the signing could be halted by the new board, but did not foresee any complications.

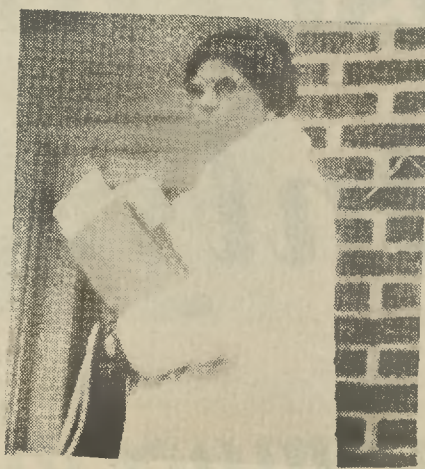
Commissioner Vice Chairman, David Drummond, cast the dissenting vote. He feels that once the county is locked into the state plan many employees will opt out of a retirement plan altogether.

## Fired Knollwood Employee Charges, Racist-Sexist Practices

By Rudy Anderson  
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Mrs. Roberta Groves, 46, of 2305 Gerald Street, fired last week as Housekeeping Supervisor of Knowlwood Nursing Home for the Aged, Monday accused Frank Armstrong, Knowlwood's Administrator, of racist and sexist discriminatory practices in his dealing with black and minority employees at Knollwood.

She also accused him of



Mrs. Grove  
...Seeking legal action

going back on a promise he made to her as part of the agreement between them for her to take the job.

Mrs. Groves asserts that Armstrong told her if she would come in and get the Nursing Home into shape she would be assured of the same position when the new proposed addition was built.

Armstrong said he would not make any comments about

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## Few Blacks Get Swine Flu Shots

An official of North Carolina's swine flu program said recently that blacks are not being immunized at mass inoculation centers and that a special mass media campaign, possibly using appeals from well-known blacks, may get under way soon.

Frank L. Lewis, epidemiologist for the North Carolina Division of Health Services, attributes black disinterest largely to widespread publicity given the deaths of persons vaccinated during the first week of the program. He explained that the deaths were not caused by the vaccine, but from other ailments.

Lewis said that for the past week figures received from local health departments

"13 of 3,000

get inoculated"

showed that inoculations have increased despite setbacks in early October. "From

the figures that we have gotten from local health departments across the state for this past week it appears that the total number of doses given has increased rather well."

Saturday and Sunday mass inoculations which are expected to attract large numbers immunize few blacks, Lewis said. He said

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## Citizens Get Say-So In '77-'78 City Budget

This year, for the first time, citizens of Winston-Salem will have an opportunity to voice their preferences on the city's 1977-78 budget on a live call-in television program as well as at a public meeting.

### Citizen input encouraged

The television show will be on WXII, Saturday, Nov. 13, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. The public meeting will take place Tuesday, Oct. 16, 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Five aldermen will be on the television program to answer questions and listen to comments citizens may have. They are Eugene Groce, Ernestine Wilson, Floyd

Burge, Richard Davis and C.C. Ross. The full Board of Aldermen has been invited to be on hand for the meeting at City Hall.

The purpose of the budget programs, the only ones of their kind in the state, is to give citizens the opportunity to tell which programs they would like to see continue, which ones changed or the kinds of programs they would like to see added.

City officials ask all citizens to take part in either or both of these events or to mail comments to Focus '77, P.O. Box 2511, Winston-Salem, N.C. 27102. The television call-in number is 723-0527.

## Winston Dep. Mayor Says,

## "Media Distorts Truth of Busing Issue"

by Rudy Anderson  
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Ending the WSSU Homecoming festivities was last week Clarence "Jeep" Jones, named eight months ago as one of Boston's Deputy Mayors. The appointment of him the first black to hold an office in Boston. Jones said that the overwhelming black support for Mayor Kevin White in his bid for reelection about the appointment. He denied that it was because of the racial unrest that ever court-ordered



Clarence "Jeep" Jones

He attacked what he called "a distortion of the truth" by the media. He said the media had painted a picture of racial

disturbances occurring mainly in the black areas of Boston. He said, "The disturbances have consistently occurred in the South Boston and Charleston sections of the city. These are white communities where blacks are being bused in."

Jones said that it was there that all the trouble was occurring. "There was not any problem with white kids being bused into black communities like Roxbury," he said. He said the media failed to point out this fact. "The plain truth is they don't

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