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Police build a fire in Mrs. Johnson's cold house.

'Cold House, Swollen Feet And Little Food Is ...

Portrait Of Poverty

by Rudy Anderson
Staff Writer

Police of the Team II police area, have become very familiar with an East Winston woman of 1508 E. 17th Street. The reason they know her so well is because she has called for them 27 times this year, and over 47 times in the last two years.

Her name is Ms. Viola

Johnson, age 67 or 69, no one really knows because she gives two different birthdates. The police who do know her will concur that no person should have to live like she does.

Lt. J.A. Landon said that his department has done everything it can to help her. "The woman is not really able to take care of herself," he said. "She

shouldn't be in an environment like that."

Landon was referring to the dilapidated hull Ms. Johnson has called home for the last five years. Dilapidated is a kind word to describe what this woman lives in.

Soot covers everything in the house. Debris is piled

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Police Nab Suspects In Shotgun Hold-ups

Winston-Salem police captured two men, who only a few minutes earlier robbed an ABC store at Jetway Shopping Center on New Walkertown Road Saturday night. One of the suspects was also charged in another robbery earlier that afternoon.

James Albert Scales, 33, of 1860 Kentucky Avenue was charged in the robbery of Model Pharmacy at 1225 E. 5th Street Saturday afternoon.

the ABC store Saturday night.

Police responded to a call made by Ms. Princetta Douglas. She said she and the pharmacist, David Thomas, employee Tyrone Davis, and a customer were inside when three men walked in. One was reportedly carrying a sawed-

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Howard Lee



Patricia Harris



Andrew Young

Three Blacks Get Top Jobs

Howard N. Lee, the first black to become mayor of Chapel Hill, became the first black to be appointed to a cabinet post in North Carolina government. Lee's appointment was announced Thursday, December 16 by Governor-elect James Hunt. Also appointed to cabinet positions were Joseph Grimley, to be Secretary of the N.C. Department of Administration and Dr. Sarah T. Morrow as Secretary of the N.C. Department of Human

Resources.

Hunt promised black voters, as did all major candidates in the democratic gubernatorial primary, to include at least one black in a cabinet level position. Lee, an unsuccessful candidate for the democratic lieutenant governor nomination, had been widely discussed as Secretary of the Department of Human Resources, one of the largest departments in State Government.

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National NAACP Rejects Complaint

by Rudy Anderson
Staff Writer

The national office of the NAACP rejected last week a complaint by a faction of the local NAACP relating to nominations for officers, according to local president, Rev. J.T. McMillan.

Because of the decision, the meeting in which the new officers will be elected has been changed. The original time had been set for Sunday, Dec. 19th. The new time was

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OPERATION SANTA has an additional 150 Christmas stockings for underprivileged children. The stockings, made by area women's clubs and stuffed by employees of Wachovia Bank and Trust Company, will be distributed by the Christmas Cheer Toy Shop. Coordinating the project at Wachovia were Gladys Vanhoy, Esther Rockette and Judy Yarbrough. [left to right]

School Board Votes To Dismiss Kurtz

by Rudy Anderson
Staff Writer

In a 5-3 vote Tuesday night, the City-County School board voted to uphold the recommendation of school superintendent Dr. James A. Adams to fire Judith Kurtz.

Mrs. Kurtz, a third grade teacher at Hall-Woodward Elementary School, had been

accused of slapping at least three of her students on Nov. 22nd.

After 11 hours of testimony and deliberation and as many votes before a decision was finally reached, the board ruled that she had used unreasonable force in her handling of some disciplinary problems in her class.

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