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The reigning Miss Black North Carolina, Phyllis Taburn, [front row] is surrounded by this year's lovely contenders.

Pageant Slated For Aug. 11-12

Beauties Rehearse For Pageant

Twenty-eight young ladies from across North Carolina were in Winston-Salem last weekend for the first event of the Miss Black America of North Carolina Pageant. The final pageant, scheduled for August 12 in Reynolds Auditorium, will select a state winner who will be flown to Hollywood to compete in the National Miss Black America Pageant in early fall.

Contestants will be judged in four categories: swim suit, evening gown, talent, and poise.

The pageant, whose purpose is to promote "the unique ethnic beauty of black women, with special emphasis placed on intelligence and poise", is hosted by the Phi Omega Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Proceeds from the pageant will go the United Negro College Fund.

The pageant is directed by Virginia Newell, with technical direction provided by Jimmy Kennedy, a junior drama major at the North Carolina School of the Arts.

"It's going to be a very good pageant," says

Kennedy. "These girls are very talented."

Winston-Salem has fourteen representatives in the pageant: Audrey Brown, Delphine Caldwell, Valeria Clark, Debra Dillard, Sonja Jones, Debra Knox, Larnitha McConnell, Bessie Mae Reid, Cynthia Rucker, Phyllis Sawyer, Winifred Starks, Angela Watson, Diane Witherspoon, and Melanee Wheeler.

Melinda Price of Walkertown explained how she came to enter the pageant.

"I'm attending Howard University, and I was going to enter the Miss D.C. Pageant - but my parents wanted me to come home," she added, smiling.

Ms. Price, who is interested in drama, spends time each day at School of the Arts to keep in practice.

Virginia Newell, pageant director, says: "This event affords young black women with outstanding abilities the opportunity to gain recognition and experience in organized competition that they probably would not otherwise receive."

Bailey Opposes Teachers Salary Cut

by Sharyn Bratcher
Staff Reporter

Buford Bailey, media director at WSSU and the only black currently serving on the Winston-Salem Forsyth County School Board, praised the efforts of the present school board and the work of school superintendent James A. Adams.

"Dr. Adams is a highly professional man who really knows his job," said Mr. Bailey. "I have learned a great deal about the workings of a school system since he became superintendent."

"Sometimes I disagree with Dr. Adams on small issues," Bailey conceded. "But basically I think he is doing a good job."

Last spring's HEW ruling that the school system did not qualify for federal funds because of desegregation violations are not a problem, says Bailey. "I believe we are complying with federal regulations, and we will probably get the money."

This school board is not at all like the one a few years ago which returned federal money rather than comply with the ruling, he says.

Bailey does disagree with one of his fellow school board members on the subject of teachers salaries. Board member Nancy Wooten reportedly suggested last week that teachers salaries should be cut in order to save money for the school system.

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Showdown Looms Over Reynolds Health Center

by Sharyn Bratcher
Staff Reporter

The two governing bodies directly concerned with the Reynolds Health Center issue seem to have squared off for the final showdown before the board of county commissioners later this month.

Members of the Forsyth County Board of Health voted last week to approve the merger of Reynolds Health Center with the County Health Department. This plan, which is bitterly opposed by many members of the black community, would place the health center and its

employees under the jurisdiction of the director of the Health Department, rather than maintaining a separate organization responsible to the director of the Health Center.

Health center employees and others concerned with the issue have expressed fear that the plan will cause major changes in the staff and

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Goler Wins War - Tenant Wins Battle

After a marathon two-day session in Winston-Salem district court, Judge Kason Keiger dismissed the eviction proceedings against Melinda Pace, ruling that the management of Goler Metropolitan Apartments failed to give Ms. Pace adequate notice to evict her.

According to Ms. Pace's attorney Herman Stephens, Melinda Pace may have won this court battle only to lose the war, because Keiger did find that Goler had cause to evict her. Apparently the judge's only objection to the eviction proceedings was the fact that Ms. Pace was not given 30 days notice prior to eviction, as stipulated in HUD regulations.

The management of

Goler contends that Ms. Pace damaged the floor of the apartment with a leaky washing machine, and that she violated the terms of her lease by having an overnight guest Beverly Williams, stay in her apartment.

Since Keiger did find grounds for eviction, Stephens explained that the management can force Ms. Pace to move merely by serving her with another eviction notice, this time giving her 30 days' notice. "They could have her out by August 31st," says Stephens.

In a previous interview, Ms. Pace was asked why she wanted to live at Goler, since they are so anxious to evict her. She replied: "I don't want to live there. It's a terrible place, but I feel that they are wrong, and I want to win this court case to

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One of 21 students selected from the City/County school system to participate in the summer experience program at Forsyth Memorial Hospital is Lessie Robinson of 402 Greenwood Avenue. The students chose the department in which they had career interest, and Miss Robinson is training in the hospital's Housekeeping Department.

Students Train At Forsyth Hospital

Selected students from high schools in the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County system are discovering that summer training at Forsyth Memorial Hospital most likely will lead to a career in the health care field.

The Summer Experience Program at the hospital, sponsored by the Forsyth Medical Auxiliary, is in its eighth season. This summer there are 21 students involved. In past years, about 90 percent of the trainees went into the medical profession after graduation from high school or college.

The students are spread over the hospital, training and working under the supervision of the various department heads. They are paid \$20 per week during the five-week program, which ends July 29. The Auxiliary and Hospital Authority funds the program and Mrs. Rowena Simpson is director. Participating students are Tina Lyle, James (Kent) Doub, Charles Record, James Weiss, David Alexander, Linda Daniels, Michael Story, Beth Underwood, Robin Deal, Lessie Robinson, Laura Shelton, Debbie Miller, Jonathan Crutchfield, Kevin Michael, Mitzie Culler, Robin Lewis, Nancy Whitchurch, Randall Haynes, Cheryl Stacy, Lori Royall and Sythia Scott.

Recipe For A Perfect Crime Complaisant Victim

by Sharyn Bratcher
Staff Writer

Many of the incidents which make up the crime statistics of Winston-Salem are never covered by the media, so the

general public does not hear of them.

A typical case in point was the shooting last week investigated by Police Officer C.L. Taylor.

A man in the prison

work-release program stopped by his house in the early morning and discovered another man with his wife. When Officer Taylor arrived, the "other man" was standing on the front porch, nude, with three bullet wounds in his abdomen. Taylor called an ambulance, which took the man to Baptist Hospital, where

Transit Authority Dedicates New Building

The July 26 dedication ceremonies for the \$1.1 million Winston-Salem transportation facility marked six months of increased ridership, innovative government support, expanded transit and improved management.

The dedication took place at 11 a.m., and an hour later the new house of the facility opened until 7 p.m. Located at 60 N. Trade St., the building includes a one-story office building, a two-story passenger section and a large floor space, and outdoor parking for 80 cars and 132 cars.

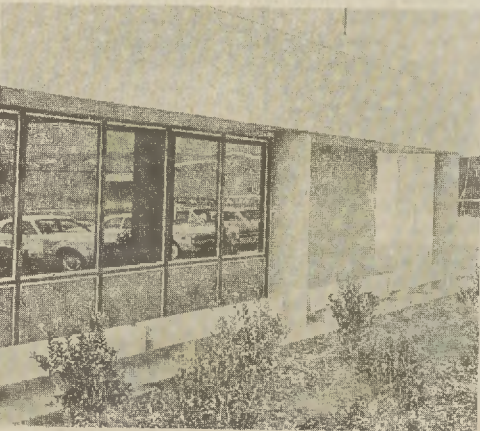
The system, now averaging 243,000-plus passengers a month, had a poet riding on the bus one day when passengers and drivers composed transit poems.

passengers," Simons said, "but we've held June's ridership will come in about the same as May's."

In March, the aldermen made Winston-Salem the first North Carolina local government to share equally with its employees the cost of buying monthly bus passes.

"It's important that we support conservation measures," said Powell at the time. "We need to encourage everyone to get into the bus habit. A good way to start is by encouraging our own employees."

The Moravian bands used WSMT all during the



New Transit Building

night Saturday to awaken the community for Easter Sunday religious services.

In May, new routes were inaugurated, and completely revised schedules and route maps were designed. The maps are being sent to 44,000

households during the summer. This fall, 2,150 entering freshmen of the City's various colleges, will receive system maps with their orientation kits. Hundreds of passengers call into a local radio

station, WAIR, to nominate drivers for the Driver of the Month Award which recognizes outstanding service.

And passengers themselves have created WSMT's radio and newspaper ads extolling the advantages of riding the WSMT bus fleet. The majority of these free-will comments stressed convenience and economy over using a car.

But neither Simons nor Powell believe now is the time to "rest on any oars."

"I think the public is more aware that WSMT is their bus system," Simons said, "but I'm still not happy that many people who could conveniently and economically use the system don't."

"That means we've got

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CHUCKLE
Happiness is a wife seeing her husband's old girlfriend with a double chin.

Chronicle Weather Outlook



The heat wave shows no sign of breaking before Sunday. Highs tomorrow will range from 96 to 102, according to the National Weather Service, and tonight's low will be in the mid 70s. The chance of rain is 20 per cent.