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Humphrey-Hawkins Considered Start

By John W. Templeton
Staff Writer

Major backers of the Humphrey-Hawkins full employment bill consider the compromise legislation which created 10 million new jobs for "every American willing to work."

The bill, originally sponsored by Congressional Black Caucus member Rep. Augustus F. Hawkins, D-Calif. and the late Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey, D-Minn., drew heavy support from major black organizations and labor groups.

AS passed by Congress, the bill sets as a national goal 3 per cent unemployment for adults and 4 per cent unemployment overall by 1983. It requires the President to report annually on steps taken to reach that goal and requires the executive branch, Congress, and the Federal Reserve Board to work in harmony towards achieving that goal. The bill was amended in the waning hours of the 95th Congress to include a provision that inflation be reduced to 3 per cent by 1983.

Mrs. Coretta Scott King, president of the Full Employment Action Council, an umbrella group of 85 national organizations which led the lobbying effort for the bill, said from Atlanta, "I consider the passage of this bill a major achievement in the area of national economic planning...It is much more than just a jobs bill."

The widow of the late Dr. Martin Luther King and president of the Atlanta-based Center for Social Change which bears his name called the bill "a necessary first step towards moving to a full employment economy."

"I am pleased to see the bill moving forward," she said in a prepared statement.

The bill has been termed "watered-down" because it provides for no programs to implement its goals. However, George Clements, an aide to Mrs. King, said existing tools such as budget and tax policy and existing jobs programs are "very powerful". He added that the bill now requires the quasi-independent Federal Reserve Board to work with the administration in setting policy.

"In past years, particularly during the Nixon administration, the Federal Reserve has taken steps which they knew would increase unemployment," said Clements. Current Fed. chairman G. William Miller recently supported the economic planning provisions of the bill. He said cooperation was necessary to avoid sudden downturns in the economy.

Arnold Aronson, secretary of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, another

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Bethea Tapped For Post

By John W. Templeton
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Greg Bethea, a former county management analyst, has been appointed Forsyth County's intergovernmental relations coordinator, Acting County Manager Ed Jones announced this week.

Bethea, who is black, assumes the position Jones held before becoming acting manager. Bethea's new salary is \$18,295.

Jones told the Chronicle, "Greg's the best qualified person for the job; his primary responsibility will be providing assistance to the manager. There are so many things occurring that I just need more help."

Bethea will also revive the county's grant seeking effort, said Jones. The acting manager said that even when he held the position, he had not been able to spend much time working on grants because of other duties assigned him by County Manager H.L. "Pete" Jenkins.

The new coordinator holds a B.A. in political science from North Carolina Central University and a masters in public administration from UNC-Chapel Hill. He joined the county as a management analyst trainee in September, 1975.

County Commissioner Mrs. Mazie Woodruff, a long time advocate of more black hiring in county government, said of Bethea, "I'm real proud of him." She added, "I'd like to see more of it (black hiring at top levels). It did strike Mrs. Woodruff as odd that Jones would appoint someone to his old position before knowing whether he might return to it, although she acknowledged his need for additional staff aid.

Jones is likely to be appointed to the vacant position of assistant county manager upon the return of Jenkins from an extended illness. When asked whether the appointment of Bethea meant Jones would not return to his old post, Jones replied, "I guess so." However, he said any decision on the assistant manager's post would be up to Jenkins.

According to county personnel director Reginald Luper, Bethea is still classified in the professional class for equal employment opportunity purposes. As of June 30, 1978, county statistics show 77 blacks out of 363 (21%) in the professional class. County statistics list four blacks in the top classification, managers and officials.



Photo by Ernie

Say Community Groups

Use Trainees For Rehab

By Sharyn Bratcher
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A plan to train skilled laborers while rehabilitating housing was presented at last Thursday's community development meeting by Les Venable, president of the Watkins Street Improvement Association.

The plan, called the "Winston-Salem Urban League/East Winston Community Development Training and Housing Rehabilitation Project, has received the endorsement of East Winston Restoration Association and the Watkins Street Improvement Association, the Winston-Salem Urban League, and Forsyth Technical Institute.

"The measures represented in this proposal would cost less and accomplish more changes than traditional assisted housing policies," Venable stated.

According to the proposal, the project will:

Recruit, select and train

people in the classroom and on the job in basic construction skills, emphasizing carpentry, and including introductions to such areas as painting, plumbing, electrical work, roofing and drywall finishing.

These workers would rehabilitate houses in East Winston or other community development areas to "at least the minimum standards of housing code

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Faces In The Crowd

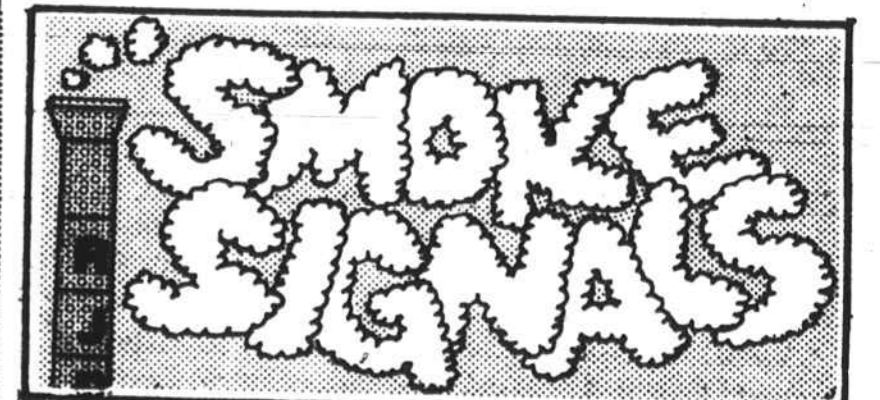
A packed house jammed the home side of Bowman Gray Stadium for Winston-Salem State University's Homecoming. The number one ranked Rams gave the enthusiastic crowd quite a show, rolling up 38 points in the first half on the way to a 52-21 win over the Broncos of Fayetteville State University.

After years of waiting and watching Winston-Salem State University will finally get a shot at television coverage Saturday when they take on the Elizabeth City State Vikings in Elizabeth City. The game will be carried regionally by ABC-TV's local affiliate WGHP-TV. Coverage will begin at 12:30 p.m.

WSSU head coach Bill Hayes was ecstatic about the teams TV appearance. "The TV coverage will help our program and our school tremendously. It will give us a big boost in recruiting and will enhance the image of our school."



Coach Bill Hayes



Miss Annie sits on her front porch on warm fall days, content to watch the kittens playing among bronze autumn flowers. She lives in a small, neat cottage on a dirt road—a rural oasis inside the roaring city, which is hidden by trees and kudzu.

She must have seen that porch view thousands of times in her 50 years of residence there, but her wrinkled face is bright and her eyes sparkle with anticipation.

"Hello!" she hails a neighbor. "Come tell me everything you've said, and everything you've done!"

"Used to be an old woman who said that," she chuckles. "She'd tell folks, 'Ain't nobody here but me and the Lord.' Well, one night her house caught fire. Out she came running in her nightgown—and a man come runnin' right behind her. One of the neighbors yelled out: 'Who was that? The Lord?'"

She laughs merrily with her visitors.

The talk turns to weather and kittens, and, since she lives in a redevelopment area, to landlords.

"Oh, he's a real nice man," Miss Annie declares. "I used to have to go down and pay, but one day he said, Miss Annie, you don't have to come all the way uptown. You just call me when your check comes and I'll come by and get the rent." Why, my rent was due 2 weeks ago, and he hasn't come yet. A real nice man."

"She's one of the lucky ones," murmured her neighbor.

Miss Annie settles back in her porch chair with a peaceful smile. She must have watched many seasons of flowers and many generations of kittens, but her interest is undimmed.

It is hard to imagine her as a young woman in a rough world of work and winter and people who are less than kind. She seems timeless in an autumn haze, on a lonesome porch...with kittens and flowers.

Sharyn Bratcher



Staff photo by Bratcher

Who says there's never a policeman around when you need one? This lost young lady at WSSU's Parade was getting some official help for a homecoming of her own.

Rural Areas Helped By CD

By John W. Templeton
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PAYNETOWN--Mitchell Thompson stood on the porch of his newly-painted and paneled home in this Surry County unincorporated community and chuckled at the reaction of a recent visitor who hadn't seen the house lately.

"This fellow came by who hadn't been up here for about two years," said Thompson. "Is this where Mr. Thompson lives?," he asked. "I didn't even know the place."

Next to Thompson's house is a brand-new community center which houses a Head Start program and also provides space for community gatherings.

Both the renovation and the center were made possible through community development funds obtained by the county with the aid of the Northwest Economic Development Commission, a five county agency which covers Davie, Forsyth, Stokes, Surry and Yadkin Counties.

Since 1976, NEDC has made community improvements and housing repairs in Stokes and Surry Counties under the non-metropolitan discretionary portion of the Community Development Act of 1974, said Joe C. Matthews, director of the commission. Application for other counties have not been approved. The commission also administers section 8 rent subsidy program in the counties.

"There's more substandard housing in rural areas

than in urban areas," said Matthews. "There are houses that still have outdoor toilets and holes in roofs and walls."

Community development projects in the region include the renovation of 50 homes in Paynetown, rehabilitation of 34 homes in Walnut Cove, a water system in Danbury, a water and sewer system outside Elkin in Oak Grove and community centers at Paynetown, and Banney Hill.

The extent of housing problems in the area is massive, said Matthews. According to the 1970 census, 39 per cent of the housing stock in both Stokes and Yadkin Counties was substandard. In Surry and Davie, the figures were 27 and 24 per cent, respectively.

"There's nowhere near enough housing available," said Matthews. However, for those who have been helped, "It's the best thing that ever happened," he noted.

Thompson, who has been active in organizing his community to support the community development efforts, said the repairs to his home were "way out of reach for his own finances."

"This is the biggest change—the onliest change since I've lived here," he said.

In Walnut Cove, Mrs. Lake Hairston's home now has an inside bathroom, inside water and storm windows for the first time due to a CD project completed there

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