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HUD Finds Violations In Relocation Housing

By Sharyn Bratcher
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People who have been relocated by the city community development Department are living in houses which violate local housing codes, according to a report on 13 cases investigated by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The report, summarized in a letter to city manager Orville Powell from HUD area office manager Mr. Betsy Stafford, was the result of a relocation monitoring visit by HUD officials from Greensboro and Washington, D. C. on November 27, 1978.

Because of the investigation conducted by HUD officials, all the relocation cases handled by the community development Department are being reviewed, and there is a chance that some persons may receive higher relocation payments.

The findings supported the allegations made

last June by a coalition of community organizations. The Winston-Salem branch of the NAACP, the League of Women Voters, the East Winston Neighborhood Restoration Association, and the Watkins Street Improvement Association filed complaint with HUD, charging that the city community development program does not help minorities or low income persons.

The 13 cases cited came from a list of 45 who had affidavits with the Legal Aid Society. HUD also picked 25 other cases at random. A future report will discuss the latter cases.

HUD declined to review two additional Legal Aid cases because one was a business and one was not completed. Of the remaining thirteen "all dwelling units had one or more deficiencies which according to local codes would be a violation," stated the letter.

The conditions cited ranged from damaged window screens to major structural violations. Ben Erlitz, Legal Aid attorney who handled the

case, said no improvements have been made in the houses since the November visit.

It was also noted that the replacement housing payments had not been computed correctly in these cases, because the city had failed to include the cost of utilities in determining the rental assistance payments.

The report questioned the "quality and appropriateness" of the referrals made by the Community Development staff, noting that the majority of complaints in the affidavits concerned a lack of assistance in housing referrals and in other help needed in relocation.

Gary Brown, director of the city's Community Development Program, says that the city is waiting for HUD to send the required corrections before taking any action regarding the report. In the meantime, he said, the city is reviewing all complaint cases for any additional services needed, and all relocation payment claims are being recomputed.



These two cars wound up going in the wrong direction after an accident at approximately 1 p.m. Monday at the corner of 4th Street and Patterson Avenue. Police declined to release details due to a continuing investigation into the wreck. However, one person was injured in the accident.

Bus Hikes To Hurt Poor

By Yvette McCullough
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Poor and black riders will be the groups hit the hardest by the recommendation of the Winston-Salem Transit Authority to raise its bus fare from 35 to 40 cents.

The transit authority has recommended raising its bus fares for two years in a row to prevent cutbacks in services, however the majority of the people who have had to foot the bill are poor and black.

Bruce Abel, WSTA marketing director, told the Chronicle that 79 per cent of the transit riders are black and that two-thirds of the service is in minority areas.

"Fourteen of our 21 routes are in the

minority area, because we recognize that there are the frequent riders," Abel said. "Those areas also have the increased services. Whereas a bus may run every hour in the western part of the city, two or three buses an hour may run in minority areas."

The present bus fare is 35 cents and now pays for 38 per cent of the cost of operating the system. The remainder of the cost is financed by local and federal subsidies.

Harold D. Simons, chairman of the transit authority said that the recommended increase will produce \$100,000.

"If fuel skyrocketed, the authority will need approximately \$150,000 more to operate next year without reducing service," Simon said.

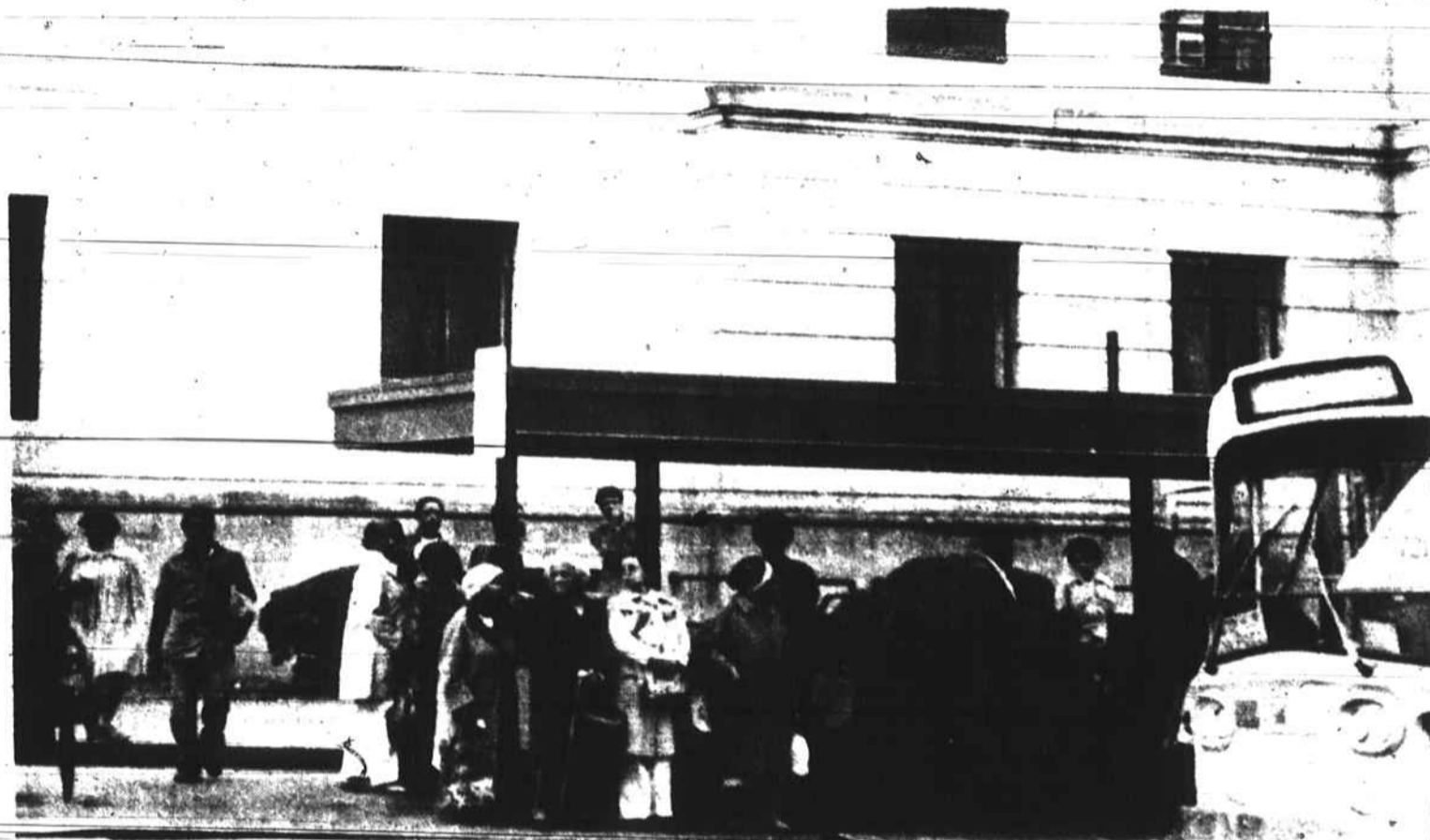
The authority had considered at one

time raising the fares to 50 cents to meet the rising cost of fuel prices but decided against it. However, as part of its recommendation, the authority voted to review the fare rates as again in six months due to the uncertainty over the cost of fuel. At that time, if found necessary, the board could vote to further increase the fares.

Mrs. J.D. Ashley, a member of the transit authority said that she agreed with the decision of the authority because, "that's about the only thing we can do. Some cities already have 50 cent fares."

"We have had to take into consideration that the ridership is made up of the poor, but with inflation and the rising

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Typical bus riders wait for a mass transit bus. Most of their clientele are the poor, the elderly and blacks. If the proposed rate increase by the Transit Authority is passed this group of people will be the ones most hard hit. A rate increase of five cents is proposed.

Blacks, Whites Voice Different Concerns On Race

Whites Discount Klan Effect

By Sharyn Bratcher
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Most of Winston-Salem's white leaders believe that last week's Klan exhibit and the disturbance that accompanied it will have very little effect on the city's race relations as a whole.

Attorney Lawrence Davis, a former legislator, commented: "I don't think it will have much effect. I think most people view this as attention-getting. Most people would just take this with a grain of salt."

"I consider the whole event to be atypical of what the majority of people think or feel," said Northwest Ward Alderman Jon DeVries. "I feel that we were legally obliged to provide permission for the exhibit. I was

concerned about the lack of fire exits."

Because of the construction going on at the back of the library there is no access to the street from the back door. At DeVries' suggestion, the fire marshal inspected the building and has closed the auditorium for the next few weeks while construction continues.

Sheriff Manly Lancaster also doubted that the incident would have much effect. "I think there were too few people involved," he said.

"It's a kind of fragmented thing now," said Dave Iltterman, director of the Greater Downtown Association. "The intelligent people on both sides understand it's a one per cent out spouting off their poison. It's more of a

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Blacks See Backward Trend

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Black leaders in Winston-Salem see a backward trend in race relations following the gains that came out of the civil rights movement.

"We have made some progress, but we haven't made all the progress we would like to make," commented Alderman Virginia Newell. "Most of the progress blacks have made

has stemmed from the result of court action, and the recent reversal decisions have come because whites feel they have lost a lot of ground."

"However blacks have gone backwards, because there are masses of blacks who are still not enjoying all that is offered," Newell continued. "We should and could have gone much further in race relations than we have."

Walter Farabee, director of economic development believes that progress has been made, but that it can't stop now.

"As a nation and a race, I don't think we can stop making progress at this time," Farabee said. "These numerous reversal cases will have an effect on the blacks on the educational campuses."

"The recruiters who used to be put out in the

field seeking blacks are not in the field now," Farabee continued.

Richard Glover, executive director of the Patterson Avenue YMCA believes progress has been made.

"Laws have been more beneficial in making things happen," Glover said. "We should be doing things because it is morally

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Nelson Malloy

Ex-Black Panther Fights Paralysis To Rebuild Life

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Nelson Malloy, his body shattered by gunshots received in a Nevada desert, has fought off paralysis and depression to begin to put the pieces of his life back together.

During his personal struggle, he has experienced several moving spiritual events and renewed his commitment to fight for the disadvantaged.

body above the waist and has become self-sufficient enough to move from his parents' home of his own.

Malloy was shot twice and left for dead in a desert area just outside Los Vegas, Nev. in November, 1977. During much of the following seven months of hospitalization there and in Winston-Salem, he wasn't sure he wanted to live. Malloy said in a Chronicle interview at his new

"A lot of times I felt worthless," he said. "I would say, maybe I should have died out there in the desert. I felt anguished and asked why this happened to me."

The turnaround came while he was at the Whitaker Convalescent Care Center of Forsyth Memorial Hospital. "They gave me a lot of encouragement and I saw other people out there in worse shape than me, so I decided, 'let me go ahead and live.'"

Malloy gives much of the credit for his progress to "a strong family, a very loving family" and to "The effort

pay for Malloy's flight from Nevada in December, 1977.

"I used to say in Las Vegas, I could feel the peoples' prayers all the way from Winston-Salem; that really helped me a lot," Malloy recalled. "It's an intangible, but they are for real. I could feel the spirit."

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Nelson Malloy demonstrates the use of his hands, once left immobile by paralysis, as he chats with visitors about his recovery.



Lifts his set of barbells, part of his rehabilitation therapy. He said he can do up to 50 repetitions at a time with the weights.