

Nelson Malloy Resumes Activism

Nelson Malloy, former Black Panther leader, has been elected chairman of a group formed to help low and moderate income people who are eligible for legal aid.

Chairing this group will be the first volunteer endeavor for Malloy since he was paralyzed by an assailant's bullet in Nevada two years ago.

The group, the Northwest North Carolina Client Council will help direct Legal Aid, meeting the needs of lower income people. The council will serve Forsyth, Davie, Iredell, Stokes, Surry and Yadkin Counties.

At the first meeting, Malloy said the Council would be a valuable organization to the low and moderate income people of all races," as a weapon

against civil, social and economic injustice."

"It is my desire as chairperson that we move to alleviate some of the suffering that the people of our community are experiencing during these times of soaring prices in housing, medical assistance, food and other areas of need," he added.

Other officers elected were, Dulce Gwyn, first chairperson; Marceline Howell, second chairperson; Fareedah Ramadan, secretary; Angela Ingram assistant secretary.

Also present was Joseph Miller of Winston-Salem, recently elected chairperson of the North Carolina Client Council. "The problems faced by low and moderate income people are very

complex and serious, but with the help of the community, I feel the Council is ready and anxious to meet the challenges ahead," said Miller.

The North Carolina Client Council was active in the 1979 General Assembly by working successfully on the following:

- Benefits: Increasing AFDC payment and medical needs levels.
- Consumer: Preventing enactment of State Bar Collection Bill providing for wage garnishment. Increasing protection against utility cut-offs in hardship cases.
- Domestic: Enactment of state domestic violence legislation. Appointment of counsel for parents in parental-termination, dependency and neglect cases, as well as protecting the child's right to counsel in these cases.

• Employment: Protection against retaliatory discharge and discrimination for filing worker's compensation claims.

• Housing: Prohibiting evictions in retaliation for complaining about unfit, unsafe housing conditions.

• Education: Rewriting education statutes. Retaining mandatory school lunch provision.

Malloy said, "As you can see by our success this year, changes can be made, and the people affected by these changes are the people we need working with us in the Client Council."

The next meeting of the Northwest North Carolina Client Council is scheduled for Monday, Aug. 20, at 5:30 p.m. at the office of the Legal Aid Society, 216 West Fourth Street, Winston-Salem.



Nelson Malloy

Only 9% of County Workers Black Males

By John W. Templeton
Staff Writer

Only nine percent of, about one in every 11, county employees is a minority male, according to the latest report from the county personnel department.

Personnel director Reginald Luper offered no explanation for the statistics. "All our jobs are classified with job descriptions listing qualifications and we employ based on that," said Luper.

The personnel director speculated that the high proportion of county jobs considered traditionally held by females such as nurses and social workers could contribute to the figure.

Luper's quarterly equal employment opportunity report to the county commissioners listed 1,305 persons working for the

county as of June 22. Of that total, 19 percent were minority women; 39 percent white women and 33 percent white males.

One of the more visible blacks in county government, Greg Bethea, assistant to the county manager, also thought the high proportion of traditionally female jobs contributed to the figure.

Betha was somewhat surprised at the actual figure, responding to a questioner with "Is that all?"

Charles M. Thornton, an eight-year veteran social worker with the county Department of Social Services, said, "It's low in DSS because most of the jobs are traditionally female and traditionally female jobs pay less."

"All things being equal, a guy would rather work at R.J. Reynolds making \$15,000 instead of coming

down here and wearing a shirt and tie," added Thornton.

However, there are now as many as eight black men working as social workers, compared to two when Thornton began. The social worker said some other departments should begin making progress.

"The county could do a hell of a lot better," said Thornton. "There are six all-white county departments. If those department heads wanted to find some blacks, there are more black college graduates than in the whole country of Great Britain."

In addition to the release of the report, televised remarks by County Manager H.L. "Pete" Jenkins also caused some concern about the county's affirmative action posture. Jenkins reportedly said he was looking for someone

with five years experience in public administration to replace senior assistant Arthur "Ed" Jones.

NAACP political action chairman Walter Marshall told the commissioners during Monday night's meeting that such a requirements would rule out blacks, including even Bethea.

Jenkins replied that he had referred to the five year figure as an "ideal," and expressed his appreciation for the job Bethea is doing.

In another development, former WSSU political science professor Robert Ward said he will apply for the job. Ward has a Ph.D in political science and has worked as an administrative assistant for two members of Congress. He was dismissed from the university over a letter he wrote to Chancellor H.

Douglas Covington in which the chancellor was referred to with derogatory language.

Six county departments have no minorities, male or female. Eleven departments have no minority males.

The department with the largest number of minority males, 30, is General Services, which includes maintenance workers. Only three other departments -- Reynolds Health Center (20), Social Services (16) and the Sheriff (11) -- have more than 10 minority male employees.

Correction

In the photo of NAACP voter registration last issue, Lester Davis was mistakenly called Melvin Williams. The Chronicle apologizes for the error.



Charles Thornton



Greg Bethea

Formula Recalled

RALEIGH -- The N.C. Department of Human Resources was notified today that Syntex Laboratories has voluntarily recalled two baby formula products -- Neo-MullSoy, given to infants who are allergic to milk; and CHO-Free which is given to infants with lactose intolerance.

The products have been recalled because they have insufficient chloride which can cause metabolic alkalosis, the symptoms of which are poor appetite, lethargy and constipation. If a child is profoundly perspiring or has diarrhea and vomiting, the problem may grow worse.

Mothers whose children are receiving Neo-Mull-Soy or CHO-Free are asked to contact their pediatricians at once.

The North Carolina WIC program has issued vouchers for 272 infants for Neo-Mull-Soy. It has not issued CHO-Free vouchers.

Wic programs are asked to no longer issue vouchers for Neo-Mull-Soy. Grocers are asked not to honor such vouchers. Participants who have received vouchers within the past four weeks are asked to contact their WIC program and their pediatricians to get new prescriptions.

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Granville Streets, transferring ownership of substandard houses owned by absentee landlords to either the association or the Winston-Salem Housing Foundation and creating neighborhood-maintained park and community house.

Mrs. Hamlin has already used a low-interest loan from the city to renovate her home on the north side of Watkins Streets, but she notes the highway could extend to her front door.

"If I had known this was in their minds," she said standing in her front doorway, "I wouldn't have gotten it. Now it would be a great hardship even if they don't actually take the land."

"I remember when they built Peters

Creek Parkway; things were falling in the basement," she explained as an example of the irritation that construction work might bring.

Most Watkins Street residents are as convinced as anyone that I-40 needs improving. A spot poll of residents failed to turn up any opposed to improving the highway, however, there is still a desire to save the neighborhood they've fought to save.

"Maybe by the 1980's, we won't be here," said Hughes in a pensive moment. But for right now, he's continuing his work. "I started with two molds, now I've got 500 molds and I can't get a loan."

Teachers

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He said also that the school system is losing qualified black secondary teachers to better paying jobs.

"Many black teachers on the secondary level, acquire higher degrees and leave to teach on the college levels. Many teachers with English degrees go to work for public relations firms or become journalists instead of going into teaching," Dew said. "Unfortunately we don't have as many qualified applicants on the secondary level."

The percentage of black teachers on the high school level during the 1978-79 school year was: East Forsyth, 26 percent; North Forsyth, 19 percent; Parkland, 20 percent; Reynolds 21 percent and West Forsyth, 18 percent.

Overall, black teachers represent 29 percent of the elementary (k-6) teachers; 36 percent of the intermediate (5-6) teachers; 26 percent of the junior high (7-8); and 26 percent of the high schools, (9-10).

Klan

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Klan activity aboard two Atlantic fleet ships -- one being the USS Concord, with some 20 Klansmen on board. A cross burning has also been reported on the carrier USS America.

Other information on Klan activity mentioned in the letter included the following:

• On June 16 a group of armed, fatigue-clad soldiers from Fort Hood Tex., acted as "security guards" at a Klan rally and cross burning in Euless, Tex. Between 15 and 20 Fort Hood enlisted men are said to be dues-paying Klansmen, and recruiting has spread to nearby Carswell Air Force Base.

• Two Army sergeants at Fort Carson Col. -- Joseph

F. Stewart and Kenneth O'Dell -- have reportedly been heading a Klan unit there.

• The Marine Corps' Camp Pendleton in California was rocked by racial violence three years ago, caused in part by Klansmen on the base.

According to Perlmutter, permitting undemocratic, violence-prone organizations like the Klan to

infiltrate the armed forces and stir up racial disorder "is contrary to the spirit of the Uniform Code of Military Justice and the express policy of the Department of Defense's Equal Opportunity Program." The latter declares the Department's policy to "actively oppose arbitrary discrimination based on race, religion, color..."

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