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## Atkins High 'Raped' From Community

# School Board Candidates Blasted

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Candidates Night" sponsored by BPAL, the Black Political Awareness League, at Shiloh Church.

"Dr. Adams has no allegiance to this area, so why let him take everything from us," said Velma Hopkins, of Superintendent James A. Adams. "I would like to suggest that the board of education come to East Winston once in a while for a meeting, instead of sitting on their rumps at the office," she continued.

disciplinary centers and all the classes designated for slow learners were "packed with black kids."

Womble responded with the help of Alderman Burke, that all students are tested and re-tested to see where they belong academically. Womble went on to point out that his own daughter was currently in a program for students with learning disabilities.

Alderman Newell pointed out to Womble that an article she had read recently told of a mother who was told that her child was retarded and would never be pro-

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Most questions concerned the possibility of regaining an all black high school in East Winston, preferably at Carver or Atkins High School.

Several members of the audience asked Womble point blank about the possibility of an all black school and he replied by saying that he would look into it. A man who identified himself as being of the Muslim faith, asked Womble why most of the inter-school

# Judge Blocks Levy On Turnkey Repairs

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that it was non-engaged in trade, therefore, it could not turn a profit, making it exempt from unfair trade practices.

The Kennedys added that while the Bostics claimed that the house "started to fall apart three weeks after they moved in," that they remained in the house for five years, from 1971 to 1976.

In rendering his judgement, Freeman told the court that the Housing Authority did in fact engage in unfair trade practices in running the Turnkey III program,

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# Bankers Urge Reinvestment

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A panel of bankers has urged local interest to begin using some of the lending strategies being used nationally to revitalize neighborhoods during two days of workshops sponsored by the League of Women Voters.

Audiences ranging up to 100 neighborhoods leaders were shown ways that banks, savings and loan associations and city governments, in conjunction with community residents design appropriate strategies.

The sessions ended with a tour of 10 neighborhoods which league officials hoped would plant ideas

Frederick Willetts, 3rd, vice president of Cooperative Savings and Loan Association in Wilmington, said Tuesday, "I'm convinced that Winston-Salem has some neighborhoods in which the Neighborhoods Housing Service concept can work."

Neighborhood Housing Services (NHS), a partnership between lenders, a community and government, has been used in Wilmington to generate 398 building permits in the 898 houses in the Bottoms area of the coastal city; the heart of the riots during 1971, said Willetts.

The NHS set up an office in the middle of the community with a staff which gave residents estimates on needed repairs and then accompanied them to meetings with lenders. A revolving loan fund meets the difference between what the residents can borrow through conventional loans and what they need.

City officials and neighborhood residents are set to meet with federal officials next week to discuss setting up

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...and check the oil  
Winds and persistent rain were the undoing of the roof that shelters the gas pumps at the V.G. Phillips & Sons Gulf station of highway 311. The pumps were closed but should reopen sometime next week. Looking on is Cedric Moser.

# BPAL Ask Candidates to Discuss Concerns of Black Community

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The Black Political Awareness League will screen candidates for local and state offices during a series of meetings through April 12, announced BPAL chairman Mrs. Vivian H. Burke.

"We invited the candidates to talk about the issues which are important as far as the black community is concerned," said the North Ward Democratic alderman. "The response was positive. Only one is not coming."

The first meeting was held Tuesday of this week with school board candidates. Monday, March 24, a meeting will be held with candidates for county commissioner. April 7 has been set as the date for state offices and April 21 for district and superior court judges.

BPAL is an organization which emerged last fall with an aim of providing a forum for black political unity in the city. Its voting members are representatives of the Democratic precinct organizations in the 16 predominantly black boards.

Burke said the organization is not seeking to play a "kingmaker" role. "We're interested in citizens attending the meetings," she said. "It's just not for the precinct people." Burke said persons with questions should after the queries to their precincts leader or to Mrs. Naomi Jones, the league's secretary-treasurer.

The first venture of the league into indorsements came last fall when the body chose among four blacks seeking the appointment to a vacant State House seat. BPAL selected former Alderman Carl H. Russell, but another one of the black candidates, Atty. Annie Brown Kennedy actually won the county Democratic party's recommendation for the seat.

During the process, some confusion emerged over whether the Baptist Minister's Conference and Associates link with BPAL still existed. However, conference president Dr. J. Ray Butler has publicly pledge his support for BPAL.

Mrs. Burke said she hopes the recommendations of the league will be endorsed by the broad spectrum of black leadership. "We need to sit down and talk about our various lists and come out with a uniform list," she said.



# High Finisher

Jacky Wilson, president of the local Urban League Guild, brought home a second-place ribbon for her hand-crocheted display of Guild activities. During the past year the competition was held during the 12th Southern Regional Conference of the Council of Urban League Guilds in Tampa, Florida last weekend. The exhibit held cards depicting Guild activities such as the Ebony Fashion Fair.

# 70 Acres Still Zoned for Apartments

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The most likely sites for new multi-family housing units in the eastern half of the city lie on almost 70 acres of vacant urban renewal land near Cherry Street and between Seventh and Eighth Streets.

John F. Butner, real estate specialist with the city Community Development Department, said there are 14 different tracts in the two areas which have been zoned R-2 for multi-family housing since their clearing.

None of the parcel is ready for sale, said the property officer, because of streets improvements and other steps to be taken. In some cases, streets which have been formally closed need to be graded down.

The location of multi-family complexes in black neighborhoods has become an issue in recent months as four communities have taken steps, including a successful court injunction in the case the Castleshire Woods, subdivision, to block or change planned developments.

Other instances include changes in elderly apartments on the Old City Hospital site after protests from neighbors, the delay of duplexes planned off Underwood Avenue after protests and complaints registered about

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