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## City Transit in Trouble

By Beverly McCarthy  
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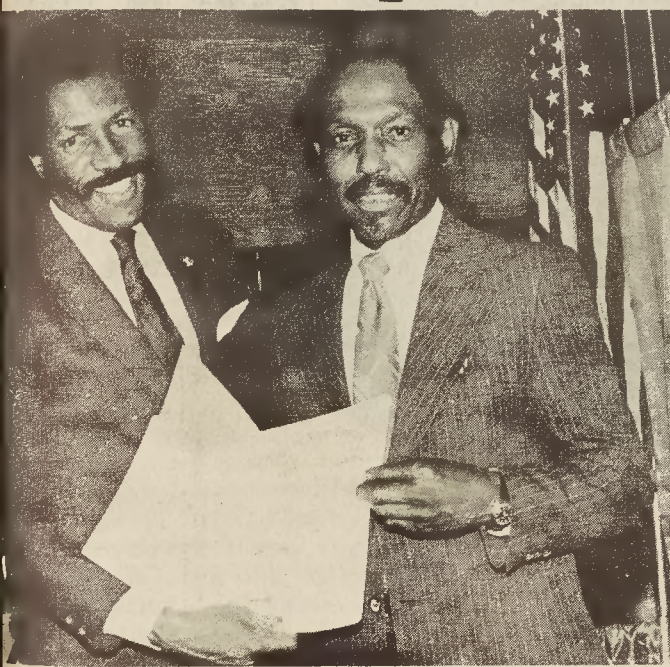
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## Topped by \$4,000

## Y Banquet Ends Drive

By C.B. Hauser  
Special Correspondent



Ruffin presents certificate to Moses Lucas, signifying his induction into the "Order of the Leaf Pine."

Against a backdrop of prison statistics, Benjamin S. Ruffin named a number of former Patterson Y Members who had made it big. "Continue to care about people and make an investment in Patterson," Ruffin said, "too many lives are being wasted, because no one cared."

Ruffin, Special Assistant to Governor James B. Hunt, Jr., was speaking at the 54th Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet of the Patterson Avenue YMCA. The meeting was held Thursday night at the Benton Convention Center.

The members heard the chairman of the board report that during the past year Patterson had:

- improved and enlarged its programmatic thrust.
- become more family orientated and responsive to the community, especially the family sector.
- settled on the Winston Lake area as the sight of the future Patterson, and
- was approved for a 1983 Capital Funds Campaign.

Patterson had just completed its annual membership campaign and most of the awards given during the evening went to persons who worked in the campaign or to those who gave \$100.00 or more to the sustaining campaign.

For giving \$500.00 or more to the Sustaining Campaign, the following individuals or organizations were given the Golden Club Award: Mt. Zion Baptist Church,

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"The Dean," W.O. Walker Tells...

## The Power of the Black Press

William O. Walker, the editor and publisher of the Cleveland Call and Post, died in 1980 at the age of 78. His condition was poor and many did not expect he would live to see the new year. But he lived.

Americans can discover about this living legend through a new edition of the television series "The Dean."

W.O. Walker has many adversaries in his lifetime. He craved the right of

Blacks to eat at Union Station in Washington and led the fight for jobs for Blacks in Cleveland stores and utility companies. Walker has used the medium to crusade for the rights of Black Americans.

Host and Executive Producer Tony Brown questions Walker about his involvement with the Republican Party; his controversial political schism with former Cleveland mayor Carl Stokes; his break into the newspaper business in 1919 and how he perceives the unique role of the Black Press.

In response to a question posed to him regarding the

labeling of Black Republicans as conservatives, Walker says, "I am perhaps more militant than most of the Black Democrats for the rights of Black people. A Black person in American can't be a conservative because being conservative would indicate that you were satisfied with the status quo and I'm not, and most Republicans are not. We want change, but we believe that change can only come about when you form alliances with other people. Sometimes these alliances may appear to be strange."

Walker, in his most revealing interview, is even

more outspoken about the rift which developed between the Black leadership in Cleveland and Carl Stokes. "Have you ever gotten egg on your face by putting somebody in office that you later became disappointed with?" asked Tony Brown of the Dean. "Yes, I have," replied Walker with a laugh. "That person is Carl Stokes." Walker continues, "Then, in the last couple of years, he turned against us." W.O. Walker's personality brilliantly unfolds on the program, with the aid of two other guests.

Ronald Kisner, who has written a detailed analysis

of Walker's career for the Cleveland Magazine, gives the audience greater insight into the political power wielded by the newspaper magnate throughout the years. Journalist Robert McGruder, managing editor at the prestigious Cleveland Plain Dealer, explains Walker's contributions to journalism and his community, and the special role of the Black Press.

Although Walker for decades has been a powerful figure in his community, he denies that he has tried to be a power broker. "I have tried to crusade for those things that I thought the

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## RJR Offers \$500,000 To Blighted Area

By Beverly McCarthy  
Staff Writer

Residents of the Liberty-Patterson neighborhood were offered up 500,000 by R.J. Reynolds Industries, Inc. to supplement the 225,800 given by the city in an effort to assist the residents in relocation.

The residents of Liberty-Patterson must move because the neighborhood where they now live is going to be redeveloped into a cigarette factory and parking lots. According to Vivian Wright, president of the Liberty-Patterson Neighborhood Association, about 100 families are to be moved.

Neighborhood residents thought that the offer was a "good first step" toward the recognition of Reynolds' social responsibilities in the area.

In a letter to J. Paul Sticht, chairman and chief executive officer of R.J. Reynolds Industries, Wright said that the Reynolds gift "does not go far enough to meet the legitimate needs of the neighborhood residents."

Last Thursday, neighborhood residents agreed to ask Reynolds for 2 million dollars to fund a co-op housing project or move them "as a community."

"We are a family," Wright said, "we don't want to be spread all over Winston-Salem."

Aldermen Larry Little, attorneys from Legal Aid and the Citywide Neighborhood Coalition worked with the Liberty-Patterson residents in planning the 2 million dollar proposal.

The proposal plans for the construction of 100 apartments or town houses, to be located in the Liberty-

Patterson area, or on land already owned by the city for urban renewal. The project would be funded by 500,000 from city community development funds, along with monies from other private sources and the 2 million.

Several alternatives for

ownership and operation are outlined in the proposal along with means for Reynolds to be paid back the 2 million.

-Co-ownership between R.J. Reynolds and the neighborhood association.

-Reynolds leasing the

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## Davis To Run For NW Seat

By Yvonne Anderson  
Staff Writer



Richard N. Davis

Richard N. Davis announced his candidacy for the Aldermanic seat in the Northwest Ward yesterday. Davis represented the North Ward as alderman from 1970 until 1977 when he was unseated by Larry Little.

In his written statement, Davis said, "We are approaching a most crucial time period in local government. A period that is expected to bring changes of great significance to municipalities all over the country. With the expected financial budget cuts from the Reagan Administration and their impact on State and Local governments, our city government is going to be faced with some very crucial and difficult decisions."

Davis said that he had been encouraged to seek the office of alderman by citizens in the Northwest Ward who voiced a concern for strong and dynamic leadership at City Hall.

Although he hasn't formulated a campaign platform yet, Davis feels that his years of experience as alderman of the North Ward is a positive factor for his future political career.

"We need an alderman with the maturity, the professional background and the skills to offer leadership in the management and spending of these tremendous resources," said Davis.

"I believe that my professional background as an accountant, my seven years experience as an alderman and my past service record qualifies me as the best announced candidate to represent the Northwest Ward in the upcoming election," Davis said of himself.

A native of Winston, Davis attended Florida State University and the University of Maryland. He is a

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Tony Brown's Journal

## Call and Post



The Dean

"THE DEAN"--William Otis Walker, the veritable editor and publisher of Cleveland Call & Post.