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Philadelphia, Pa. - A group of religious and political leaders lead a march of students and parents downtown on Oct. 26. They are calling for an end to the school strike which is entering its 49th day. The Philadelphia Federation of Teachers and the AFL-CIO are calling for a general strike.

## Corpening And Womble Win Municipal Races

By Allen H. Johnson, III  
Managing Editor

Mayor Wayne Corpening and Larry Womble were among victors in this week's Winston-Salem mayoral and aldermanic elections.

Democrat Corpening handily defeated Republican opponent, Marshall T. Wills, 12,450 votes to 5,667 while Social Worker's Party candidate Betsy Soares managed 235 votes.

But the biggest news in the black community was Womble's 1,357 to 879-vote triumph over Republican R. Dale Catlett in the Southeast Ward.

That win, coupled with victories by unopposed incumbents Larry Little, Virginia Newell and Vivian Burke, places four blacks on the Board of Aldermen.

Little, who won his term in the North Ward, said on election night that he sees the situation as a prime opportunity for the black community to muster its political voice.

"We need to be challenged," he told the Chronicle. "We need to bring the bacon home to the black community."

Little noted that while blacks made up 50 percent of the Board of Aldermen from 1970-74, he said that the community and the leadership did not take advantage of it.

Now, he said, things should be different.

"I take this responsibility very seriously," he said, adding that the national political climate warrants more local action.

Womble, reached at his campaign headquarters on the afternoon of the elections, hoped that his voter support in the Southeast would continue.

"Everything's going fine, but it's a little early to really

tell," he said. "We're hopeful, but the most important thing is getting them (voters) out to the poles, and you know the people of the Southeast Ward have been out the most because this is their 3rd time.

Womble faced incumbent Eugene Gross in a run-off election held Oct. 13.

"We've been hearing all day, comments like, 'How many more times do we have to go? I thought we did it the last time,' so we're just trying to make sure that everyone gets out to the polls.

Womble's support continued, however, and he will represent the city's most racially mixed ward.

Womble ran on a platform calling for:

- Stricter Enforcement of existing housing codes.
- Adequate police and fire protection.
- Concern for people in establishing priorities.
- Meaningful citizen input.
- No raising of property taxes.

Other victors in the aldermanic race are Ernestine Wilson (South), Lynne Harpe (Southwest), Bob Northington (West), and Martha Wood (Northwest).



Wayne Corpening



Larry Womble

## Beaty Named Judge

By Yvonne Anderson  
Staff Writer

Winston-Salem lawyer James A. Beaty Jr. was appointed special Superior Court judge by Governor Jim Hunt last week. A practicing attorney since 1974, Beaty was inducted into the North Carolina State Bar Association on Oct. 2 of the same year.

"I feel special because I am a black judge and I hope that this will give young people something to look up to and say, 'Maybe I can be a judge someday,'" said

Beaty of his appointment as the 11th black on the state's bench.

A 32 year-old native of South Carolina, Beaty received his bachelor's degree from Western Carolina University in 1971 and his law degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He will replace Judge J. Dave DeRamus who was elected as a resident Superior Court judge.

As a "special" appointment, Beaty is assigned to the state superior court circuit meaning that he will travel

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James Beaty

An Editorial Tribute

## Walker Will Be Missed

The black press historically has bucked social, political and economic odds just to exist.

And exist, it has, despite one obstacle after another and bantering by some soothsayers that it SHOULD not be.

One reason is black newspapermen like William Otis Walker.

Walker was a mover of a man who saw things which needed to be done and did them. He will be missed.

In 1932, Walker became editor of the Cleveland Call and Post. The paper had no assets or equipment at the time, but Walker made it prosperous.

Walker was no mere businessman, however. He crusaded for the right of blacks to eat at Union Station in Washington and lead the fight for jobs for blacks in Cleveland stores and utility companies. Walker used the Call and Post as a weapon in the fight for black American rights and dignity.

When questioned about his controversial involvement with the Republican Party, Walker displayed the dogged individualism that characterized his life.

"I am perhaps more militant than most of the black Democrats for the rights of Black people," Walker once told interviewer Tony Brown. A black person in America 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."

Born in 1896 in Selma, Ala., Walker had an impressive list of credentials even before he took over the Call and Post. He was a secretary to the director of the Urban League in Pittsburgh, city editor of the Pittsburgh Courier and the first black manager of a Baltimore department store.

Later in his career, Walker became president of the National Newspaper Publishers Association and the director of the Ohio Department of Industrial Relations.

Although he certainly wielded power in his community, Walker did not wield his influence selfishly. "I have tried to crusade for those things that I thought the black community was entitled to and to let the white community know our dislike of things that they were doing that were not in the best interests of blacks," he said, months before his death. I have never tried to use that to promote myself from a base of power or to promote power for any other particular group. Power to me, has to mean doing something tangible and progressive for black people."

Because Walker guided the Call and Post so long and so effectively, he has been labeled the "dean of the black press."

Those of us who remain the black press can pay tribute to his memory by carrying on his work, and more importantly, his visions.

## Little Votes Against Liberty-Patterson Pact

By Beverly McCarthy  
Staff Writer

Alderman Larry Little voted against an agreement between the city and R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company Nov. 2 at the regular Board of Alderman's meeting.

The agreement would

allow the city and R. J. Reynolds to assist approximately 100 families in the Liberty-Patterson neighborhood with relocating.

Residents in Liberty-Patterson are being forced to move from their homes because of expansion by Reynolds, and the dilapidated conditions of some of

the homes. During the meeting, Little gave a report of an incident in which a heater blew up in the face of one of the residents, causing several people to be forced to move from their homes. These people were assisted by the Red Cross, and at last report are temporarily living in the

Holiday Inn North.

Little voted against the agreement because he felt that the residents of Liberty-Patterson should be a third party in the negotiations of the contract. Little's proposal to make the resident's a part of the decision was defeated by a

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Allen Johnson

## Johnson, Chronicle's New Managing Editor

By Yvonne Anderson  
Staff Writer

The Winston-Salem Chronicle welcomes Allen Johnson, who joined the staff last Monday, Nov. 2, as the new managing editor.

Johnson, 26, is a native of Greensboro, and a

graduate of Dudley High School. He received his bachelor's degree in English and his master's in journalism from UNC-Chapel Hill.

Johnson was a reading instructor and did public relations for the Afro-American Studies program

at UNC-Chapel Hill. He also taught English and Journalism at North Carolina Central University and received a faculty fellowship to work as a copy editor at the Denver Post in Denver, Colorado.

Johnson said the most

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## Minority Business Week Slated For Nov. 9-14

By Yvonne Anderson  
Staff Writer

Mayor Wayne E. Corpening will proclaim the week of November 9 thru November 14, as Minority Business Week, in ceremonies to be held at Mechanics and Farmers Bank.

The official proclamation will kick off a week of scheduled events to highlight the importance of minority businesses in the community and will climax with the Minority Business Pageant to be held Nov. 13 and 14 at the R.J. Reynolds Auditorium.

"We're asking that everybody come out and show their support of black businesses by supporting this week," said

Executive Producer, Rip Wilkins. "This week is really set aside to show the abundance and importance of black businesses."

An International Food Bazaar will kick things off on Sunday, Nov. 8. The bazaar will feature Greek, Italian, Mexican, soul and Chinese cuisine.

Patrick Hairston, president of the local chapter of the NAACP, will be the guest speaker at Community Night on Monday at 8 p.m. at the Black Velvet Lounge. Hairston will address the NAACP; selective buying campaign and other issues of interest to the community.

A fundraising dinner will be held at the Touch of Class Night Club, Tuesday night with Dr. R. Lewis Ray, attorney at

law, scheduled as the keynote speaker.

The Minority Trade Fair, featuring Triad businesses, is slated for Wednesday night. The fair will be held at the M.C. Benton Convention Center from 7 to 10 p.m.

The social event will begin on Thursday, Nov. 12, with a sponsor's Ball, which will also be held at the Touch of Class at 9 p.m. The formal affair will salute the persons who sponsored contestants in the pageant that will follow on Friday and Saturday.

The Pageant, which will feature 20 contestants from the Triad, will be held at R.J. Reynolds Auditorium at 8 p.m. each night. As the winner, Miss Minority Business will receive a trip to either the

Bahamas or Jamaica, a coat from Anastasia Furs and a \$1,000 scholarship. The scholarship may be applied to tuition for college or technical school or may be applied to any job training program.

A \$15.00 VIP ticket covers the cost of all events. The tickets for the bazaar are \$3.50 and \$15 for the fundraising dinner. The Sponsor's Ball is \$7 and the pageant will be \$5 per night. Advanced tickets for the pageant are available at a cost of \$8 for both nights.

Tickets may be purchased from Mechanics and Farmers Bank, Conrad's Hair Designs, the Black Velvet Lounge, a Touch of Class, the Record Boutique and Al Martin Records.



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Cleveland, Ohio - Tracy Johnson, widow of slain Patrolman Anthony Johnson, leaves Cory Methodist Church, following funeral services Oct. 26. Her husband, who had been on the force only four months, was felled by a bank robber's bullet on Oct. 21.