

## Civic Duty

Earline Parmon has volunteered for some jobs some folks wouldn't take pay to do -- and she enjoys it.

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## Reagan Interview

Columnist Tony Brown responds to critics who question his toughness in his nationally televised conversation with President Reagan.

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## Soulful And Sassy

After an unsuccessful trek into the world of country music, Millie Jackson returns to her R&B roots and the results are, well x-rated. Frank Woods reviews.

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## Hunt Blasts Reagan, Supports Black Schools

By Allen H. Johnson  
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**RALEIGH**--Gov. James B. Hunt Jr. said he feels the racial climate in his improved in North Carolina during his term of office and that some of his administration's programs and priorities have contributed to that improvement.

"I think race relations have improved," Hunt said in a conversation with the Chronicle last Friday morning. "And I hope that, as governor I have helped with that in three ways: first of all, by standing personally for equality and fairness; second, by having in my administration, at high levels and in increasing numbers, black officials, and third in establishing programs in this state, particularly in education and economic development and health care, that are opening doors of opportunity for black citizens, especially the young ones."

The governor lambasted President Reagan for his budget cuts and his insensitivity to the needs of the average citizen.

"First of all, I think it is obvious now that President Reagan doesn't understand how the economy really

*On Black Schools:*

"... I part company with those people who say there's no need for a predominantly black university. I think there is and I think our commitment ought to be to make them excellent, not to try to change their character."

works or the plight of the average person in this country," Hunt said. "I think he's been too close to the rich millionaires and Hollywood.

"And he hasn't lived in the real world in recent years  
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Gov. James B. Hunt Jr. responds to questions in a March 12 interview in his State Capitol office with Chronicle Managing Editor Allen H. Johnson. Hunt addressed a number of issues in the conversation, including President Reagan's budget cuts, race relations, the UNC consent decree, extremist groups and others.



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## Issues And Answers

## East Winston Hold-Ups Continue, Residents Taking Arms

By Yvonne Anderson  
Staff Writer

Fearful of the rash of robberies in East Winston, a number of residents say they will arm themselves for protection.

Last week two more robberies occurred in the community, one at a convenience store and the other in the parking lot of Lowrance school where the principal, Dr. Barbara K. Phillips was one of four victims.

After a PTA meeting held at the school ended on Wednesday night, March 10, Phillips left the building

at around 8:15 to walk to her car. When she stepped outside, Phillips said she was confronted by a man wearing a stocking over his face.

"I don't know what made me leave the building alone in the first place," said Phillips. "I generally wait for the janitor and we close up the school together. I guess I just wanted to get home in a hurry after a long day."

After giving the robber her bag, Phillips was knocked to the ground and kicked twice in the face by her assailant. She said that

she didn't do anything to annoy the robber, and doesn't know why he decided to attack her physically.

"I just think he was being mean," Phillips said. "I had already given him what he wanted and I didn't say or do anything else to make him angry. I was too scared to move."

Phillips said that the incident has affected her, but that she would continue with her normal routine.

"I never went out at night, unless it was a meeting or something. I can't let this stop me forever, but it makes you want to have

some kind of protection for yourself," she said.

That same night, Delores Taylor and her 4-year-old

holding a black-handled gun. "The people of my ward need to be reassured that everything that can be done is being done to stop these robberies. I have heard too many times recently that people are starting to arm themselves. I fear that someone -- someone who is innocent -- is going to get hurt."

-- East Ward Alderman  
Virginia K. Newell

son Cassius were minding the nightshift at Three Girls Convenience Store and Gas Station, at 2325 New Walk-

ertown Road. Ms. Taylor reported that at about 9:30 a man entered the store

holding a black-handled gun and demanding money. "I was standing in the window looking toward the

pumps so he must have come from the back and into the side door," Ms. Taylor said. "My little boy got excited and started shouting, 'Mommy he's got a gun!'"

The robber told Ms. Taylor said that the man also ordered her to throw several packs of cigarette rolling papers in the bag.

"I thought it was so odd that he would take the time to stop and get rolling paper," Ms. Taylor said. "I know that I'm still quite nervous from the experience and I'll quit before I work the night shift alone

again." Meanwhile, the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Police Department has mounted an all-out effort to apprehend the assailant or assailants responsible for the crimes. Police Chief Lucius Powell said that although many of the crimes fit the same pattern, his department believes that there is more than one person involved.

"As in the case of Dr. Phillips, we think that someone just decided to cash in on what seems to be a good thing. We're thinking it's more than one

person and investigating the possibility of it being a small group of people who know each other," Powell said Monday. Powell said that his department is targeting several persons and the places those persons frequent, to try to get new leads. Several license checkpoints also have been set up.

"We are trying to keep a close watch on who's doing what in the city," Powell said. "The license check is just another step in our efforts to apprehend the person."

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## Haitian Clothing Drive In Winston A Success

By Ruthell Howard  
Staff Writer

The Ad-Hoc Committee for Haitian Relief, established to provide aid to Haitian refugees in the form of clothing and financial assistance, has been very successful in its clothing drive, according to Clifton Graves, a member of the committee.

"We felt that as African Americans, it was our responsibility to provide assistance to our Haitian brothers and sisters," Graves said.

Dolan Hubbard, an English instructor at Winston-Salem State University who helped organize the committee, added that though the group was formed to aid Haitian refugees, it plans to remain active in dealing with problems confronting blacks in America and the Third World.

Hubbard, along with Graves, Rachel Jackson, technical service employee at the main branch Forsyth County Library, Duane Jackson, Southern Bell telephone engineer, and Khaidia Griggs, a counselor for

the Urban League, formed the committee in February during the height of Black History Month activities.

"We realized for the effort to be successful, we had to involve the black ministers," said Graves, Affirmative Action officer at Winston-Salem State University.

The Baptist Ministers Conference and Associates, an organization formed by the ministers in the area, Graves said, have done much to support the project.

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Members of the Ad-Hoc Committee For Haitian Relief, Clifton Graves, top, and Dolan Hubbard, say the clothing drive to provide blankets and clothes for Haitian refugees coming into North Carolina is very successful. Clothes have been stored in four local churches along with the East Winston Library.

## Fair Housing

### Some Aldermen Already For, Against Ordinance

By Yvonne Anderson  
Staff Writer

The fair-housing ordinance, legislation that would give the Human Relations Commission the power to investigate housing discrimination claims filed in the city, went to the Board of Aldermen's General Committee for review this week. Some members of the board, however, had already made up their minds as to whether they will support the ordinance.

West Ward Alderman Robert Northington, for instance, is adamantly against the ordinance, arguing that it simply is not needed.

"I think it is duplicative and unnecessary," Northington told the Chronicle Monday. "What that ordinance does is create a body that makes its own rules, appoints its own investigation teams, and appoints its own judges and juries. And then it meets behind closed doors. I have never heard of

any system like that in America. You are supposed to be innocent until proven guilty, tried by a jury of your peers at a trial that is conducted in public."

Virginia K. Newell, East Ward alderman and an advocate of the ordinance since its introduction two years ago, said that she continues her support of the legislation.

"I don't think we're going to have too many problems getting it passed," Mrs. See Page 9

## Alternatives Studied To Keep Childhood Center Alive

By Yvonne Anderson  
Staff Writer

Parents whose children are enrolled at the Early Childhood Center at Winston-Salem State University have new hope for the survival of the facility, which was slated for closing in June.

University officials are now researching alternate

ways to keep the center open without the aid of state funds.

Douglas Covington, WSSU chancellor, had requested permission from the University of North Carolina General Administration in Chapel Hill to reallocate the money currently used to fund the center to build a counseling and recruitment depart-

ment. Covington said that he university needs to develop these areas to maintain the level and quality of its enrollment.

But parents were distressed over the situation. Pleased with the quality of care their children were receiving and the \$25 weekly fee, they met with teachers and Melvin Gadson, head of the WSSU Education Division,

to discuss the situation shortly after the proposed closing became public

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-- Dr. Melvin Gadson

knowledge.

During that meeting, held on Feb. 2, the parents asked Covington to consider alternatives before mak-

ing a final decision to close the school.

According to Gadson, the

university is doing just that. He said that he and associate education professor Alex Johnson were currently working on two

separate feasibility studies to find out how the center could be maintained without the \$62,964 in state funds.

"This is not necessarily a decision that we haven't been involved in from the beginning," Dr. Gadson said. "The chancellor has always been committed to looking for alternatives to this situation. I am trying to

determine if it's economically feasible for us to maintain the center without state funds."

One result of the center existing on its own would be the raising of fees that parents pay, Gadson said. John Jessup, president of the Center's Parent/Teacher Association, said that he has no problem with higher fees if the increase is not

too severe.

"As long as it's (increased fees) done in a reasonable way, I would not be in opposition. It would have to be a gradual increase and certainly nothing drastic," Jessup said.

Jessup said that the letter-writing campaign the parents agreed to initiate has helped their cause and that

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