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## Methodists To Tackle World Crises

United Methodist Bishop Earl G. Hunt, Jr., of Charlotte has called upon the 279,000 members over whom he presides to meet the crises of world hunger, unemployment and support of the Christian ministry to all people.

The bishop, who presides over the Western North Carolina United Methodist Conference, has directed the 700 local charge clergymen of the Conference "to communicate this Call to your people immediately and to seek its implementation in all appropriate ways."

At the heart of the challenge to the United Methodists of the 44 Piedmont and western North Carolina counties is the call to give up eating one meal each week and contribute the money saved to the world's

hungry; the call for local churches to assist those who are unemployed; and the call to continue support of the Christian Church financially so that its mission to the world may continue.

"The Gospel is made for times like these," Bishop Hunt said. "I issue this three-fold call in grateful awareness that our people have always responded heroically to occasions of crisis, and in the confident expectation that they will rise up like folk of God, having done with lesser things in this hour of peril and opportunity."

## Bookkeeping

### Course Set For

### Minorities

The Minority Development Corporation (MEDCO), the University of North Carolina at Charlotte's Extension and Continuing Education program and the Small Business Administration will offer a short Bookkeeping course beginning January 22nd for minority businessmen and employees.

The purpose of the course said William Ferguson of MEDCO is to help minority businessmen, employees of minority businessmen and those minority people who are contemplating minority businesses.

The free course will be taught by Ferguson on Wednesday mornings from 9:15 a.m. to noon at the Alexander Street Center and on Wednesday evenings from 7:15 to 9 p.m. at the Greenville Neighborhood Center.

It will run for eight weeks. Those interested should contact either Ferguson or Sadie Smith at 660 of the Independence Plaza Building located at the corner of McDowell St. and Independence Boulevard or call the office at 332-8578.

## TURTLE-TALK



Nothing is more depressing than to feel bad in the morning without having had any fun the night before.



MISS MARY ANN STOWE  
...North Student Leader

## Mary Ann Stowe Is "Beauty Of Week"

By POLLY MANNING  
Post Staff Writer

Sixteen--the "What's Happening Age"--is the way our Beauty, Miss Mary Ann Stowe, describes her age. "Now I am allowed to do much more than I once could do," smiled Mary.

Our 130 pound, 5 feet, 3-inches beauty lives with her parents Mr. and Mrs. William Stowe at Rt. 7 Box 852 in Charlotte.

She is a Junior at North Mecklenburg High School where she is a member of the Junior Executive Committee, the Air Force ROTC Program, and an Office Assistant. ROTC is Miss Stowe's favorite class at North. "During class we have drills, Drill ceremonies, and I am a flight commander. My duties include teaching a group of students various drills," stated Mary.

Miss Stowe is very proud to be a student at North Mecklenburg. "We have not had any riots so far. Everyone seems to be getting along just fine. Not that I approve, but we even have interracial dating. When you hear of all the racial disturbances going on in the city, it makes you proud to know that your school can handle its problems without the riot scene," stated Mary.

Our Beauty's hobbies are Bowling, Skating, and Crocheting. Mary admits that she bowls an average game.

She enjoys crocheting blankets and scarves.

## WBT-TV, WBT

### To Sponsor

### Blood Give in

Last year WBTV sponsored what turned out to be one of the largest blood donor efforts in America. Blood donors drove to Charlotte from miles around to give blood in what is truly a worthy cause.

This year, on January 7, Channel 3 and WBT Radio will once again donate their entire building to the local Red Cross in an effort to make this the largest Give-In ever.

When she graduates from North, Mary has undecided plans to pursue a teaching career. "It doesn't really matter what age group I'm teaching, smiled Mary. I feel I would just enjoy being in the classroom." Miss Stowe also feels as if she may enter the Air Force, especially if it's anything like the ROTC program.

The Stowe's attend Mount Sinai Baptist Church where the Rev. Norman Kerry is the minister. Mary doesn't participate in any church activities.

Mary would like to see more and more Black people getting involved in vital activities such as helping each other to help themselves. "That's the only way we can get things together, helping each other," Miss Stowe stated somewhat seriously.

Our Beauty is born under the sign of Pisces. As we all know they are very friendly people. Lewis, is the inspiration behind Miss Stowe's decision to become involved in ROTC. "He is in the Air Force and really likes it, she smiled. I suppose that is as good an inspiration as any."

## In Washington, D. C.

# Senator Robert "Bob" Morgan Will

## Take Oath Of Office January 14

Robert Morgan will take the oath as United States Senator from North Carolina at noon on January 14, his headquarters announced Tuesday.

And from all indications, there will be a large contingent of supporters from North Carolina who will be in Washington for the occasion. Several hundred persons have written to Morgan headquarters here indicating they want to be in the nation's capital when the state's first elected Democratic Senator in some 20 years is sworn into office. Aides are in the process of arranging two receptions for those who make the trip to Washington.

One will be on the evening of January 13, the day prior to

the swearing-in, at a Washington hotel where many of the North Carolina visitors will stay and the other will follow the swearing in on the afternoon of January 14 in the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The swearing in itself will be in the Senate chamber which has an extremely small seating area for visitors. With several senators being sworn in that day, there will be a scarcity of tickets. Indications are that North Carolina's new senator will receive only ten passes to the gallery. Though seats for the swearing in will by necessity be limited to close family members, there should be plenty of opportunities for Morgan supporters to

rub elbows with top lawmakers. Morgan is inviting several friends in the Senate who came to North Carolina to campaign on his behalf to attend the receptions. This includes top presidential contenders Henry Jackson, Lloyd Bentsen and Robert Byrd.

George Anderson, a Raleigh attorney, has arranged group transportation on Amtrak for those who would like to travel by rail. This is an economical way to travel and also saves energy. The Morgan staff has pointed out.

Even though Robert Morgan will not take his seat in the United States Senate until next month, he has managed, with the help of Senator Sam Ervin to help a North Carolina

soldier stationed in Korea. SP4 Brain A. Sterk was in Korea on November 18 when he wrote Senator-elect Morgan and told him his problem. He had been in Korea on Christmas Day, 1973. Sterk wrote, and despite the fact that a soldier's tour there generally includes only one Christmas, the Army had deferred his homecoming until December 29, 1974, which would cause him to be away from home for the second straight Christmas.

Morgan contacted Senator Ervin, telling him of the circumstances, and Ervin relayed the facts to the Department of the Army.

SP4 Brain Sterk will spend this Christmas at his home near Brevard.

## AFDC Program Has Fewer Recipients

The Nation's largest cash assistance welfare program -- aid to families with dependent children (AFDC) -- had 28,000 fewer recipients in September this year than in September 1972.

Preliminary figures released Tuesday by HEW Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger set the September AFDC total at 10,796,000 compared to 10,821,000 in September 1972.

Secretary Weinberger said that Federal-State money payments of \$675.1 million were made to AFDC recipients in September 1973, \$65.0 million more than in September 1972.

James S. Dwight Jr., Administrator of HEW's Social and Rehabilitation Service, noted that the preliminary September figures were 32,000 higher than those for August. He said that a further breakdown of the September 1973 figures would be released, with tables, when available.

Mr. Dwight also said that complete AFDC figures for August 1973 are now available; these show that the August total was 92,000 less than the 10,856,000 persons on the rolls in August 1972 (not 80,000 less as earlier preliminary figures had indicated).

## Independence High To Offer Adult

### Education Classes

Adult Education courses are again beginning at Independence Senior High. Classes are held in conjunction with CPCC on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Registration will be held on Jan. 7th and 9th and again on Jan. 11 and 16th. Classes will be offered in High School Completion, Personal Typing, Weight Control, Interior Decorating, Learning the Metric System, and Auto Care Especially for Women. Everyone is welcome to attend. For further information, call the school.



ELDER E. C. CANNON

## Elder Cannon Heads Crusade For Christ

by James Cuthbertson  
Post Staff Writer

The E. C. Cannon Crusade for Christ is presently being conducted at the Charlotte Civic Center. The Crusade, headed by Elder E. C. Cannon, is open to the public.

Tonight, (Thursday) the Elder J. DuLaup will perform a candlelight service at 7:30 p.m. At 8:30 p.m., the Rev. Bobby G. Ross, the head of the Eastway Drive Church of God will speak to the congregation. He will be accompanied by the choir and congregation.

On Friday at 7:30 p.m., the Rev. G. E. Battle Jr. of Gethsemane A. M. E. Zion Church will speak. He will be accompanied by his choir and congregation. Officials say that musicians, soloist and choirs from all parts of North Carolina and Virginia will be present for the event.

Saturday night will be Youth Night with Missionary D. Johnson of Wells Temple C.O.G.I.C. in Greensboro, N. C. speaking accompanied by the Young People's Choir and the Wells Temple Celestial

Choir and Congregation. Mother M. Wells, wife of the late Bishop Wells will witness the ceremony.

The E. C. Cannon Crusade, Inc. organized several years ago in Maxton, N. C. is now headquartered in Charlotte at 916 W. 5th St. The crusade office is open daily Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The office also has a 24 Dial-A-Prayer service. The number is 334-9917.

Elder E. C. Cannon is the president and founder of the organization. It is a non-profit, christian educational corporation, which consists of people of all walks of life and all colors, creeds, races and denominations. He is a strong believer of Pentecost at any cost.

The objectives of the Crusade according to officials are: (1) to present salvation, sanctification, and the Holy Ghost to every soul, (2) to counsel those needing spiritual guidance, (3) to serve all communities in any aspect, (4) to pray for those who are in

## Churches Must Remain True To His Great Legacy

On the eve of Christmas and the beginning of a long holiday period, Dr. L. V. Booth, former president of National Baptist Convention, Inc., urged the major black denominations to observe "Martin

Luther King, Jr. Sunday," on January 19, 1975. This Sunday is now set aside for observance each Third Sunday in January by both the American Baptist Churches and the Progressive National Baptist Convention. He suggested:

"On this Sunday, let's begin in Sunday School and continue throughout the day relating important incidents in Dr. King's life and urging our children and youth to pattern their lives after him and to achieve a higher standard of excellence." He said further, "in this day when heroes are lacking and models are needed, churches can greatly fulfill their mission by remembering Martin Luther King, Jr., the 'Apostle of Love and Non-Violence.'"

Dr. Booth also said: "While

we must support those who seek to make his actual birthday a legal holiday, we must never neglect our duty as churches. The black churches of America must remain the true custodian of his great legacy."

Dr. Booth is recognized as one of the leading founders of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, which observes annually "Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Night," and it will be remembered that during his administration the convention began the observance of "Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday." Believing in practicing what he

preaches, Dr. Booth, who is a vice president of the 34 million member Baptist World Alliance, will lead his church in such an observance. He will serve as co-chairman with Dr. Otis Moss, Jr. and will present Mrs. Coretta Scott King, as speaker to an ecumenical audience in Cincinnati, Ohio, January 19, 1975. A city-wide audience is expected to attend.

## EDA Designates 7 For Increased Aid

A seven-county area of North Carolina has become eligible for increased Federal financial assistance in planning and carrying out projects to help create new jobs, it was announced today by William W. Blunt, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development.

The area became eligible for the increased assistance upon designation as the Southwestern North Carolina Economic Development District by the Economic Development Administration, U. S. Department of Commerce.

The district consists of Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon and Swain counties.

The aim of the EDA district program is to encourage adjacent jurisdictions to work

together to overcome regional problems blocking growth and

to create jobs for residents of economically lagging communities.

Under the Public Works and Economic Development Act, each district must include at least one county designated as a redevelopment area by EDA because of high unemployment or low family income. A district also must include at least one growth center -- a community that can provide jobs and services for residents of redevelopment areas.

Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Macon and Swain are redevelopment areas in the Southwestern District. The Waynesville-Canton Corridor in Haywood County and the Sylva community in Jackson County today were designated by EDA as growth centers for the district.

Designation of the district makes the redevelopment areas eligible for bonuses of 10 percent above what they normally would receive in EDA public works grants, subject to an 80 percent maximum Federal funding rate. The two growth centers and other areas of Haywood and Jackson counties are eligible for the full range of EDA benefits for projects that will provide direct benefits for residents of the redevelopment areas in the district. EDA benefits consist of public works grants and loans, business loans, planning grants and technical assistance.

All seven counties in the district will share in the benefits of planning conducted with the aid of EDA grants.

The Southwestern North Carolina Planning and Economic Development Commission, Sylva, is the official organization of the district. The commission includes representatives of each of the seven counties.



ROBERT "BOB" MORGAN  
...New U. S. Senator