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In Tuesday's Election

Northwest Community Group To Oppose Bond Referendum

Black Group Will Support Bus System

By James Cuthbertson
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The Northwest Community Action Association, Inc. headed by President Rev. Howard T. Campbell has decided to oppose all the bond issue proposals of the April 8 referendum with the exception of Item 2 (Public Transportation) and the Bus and Transportation System Tax proposals.

"The NWCAA voted to support Item 2...and the Bus and Transportation System Tax proposals," said Campbell Wednesday. "We take this action because we believe Charlotte must have a good public transportation system for all of our citizens. A good bus system is an alternative to constantly building more streets, widening existing residential streets, and many low-income people have no alternative way of traveling."

"Public ownership of the bus system will not solve all problems, but will make the bus system more responsible to the citizens of Charlotte and those who ride the buses than private ownership will."

The NWCAA voted to oppose the other items on the referendum: the Airport Bond; the Sidewalk Bond; and the Recreation Facilities Bond. The group said that "we determined that the City's record of responsiveness to the Black community did not warrant support of the other bonds."

They cited that the proposed Master Thoroughfare Plan includes the "destructive" LaSalle Street - 30th Street - Norris Avenue thoroughfare, a planned improvement for the LaSalle Street Beaties Ford intersection that was appropriated in the April 1973 bond referendum that has not been done, lack of sidewalk construction in black neighborhoods and undeveloped or non-existent parks in the Black areas of the city.

"Regarding the Airport Bond, the NWCAA opposes this project specifically because the proposed Airport Terminal Complex will cost far in excess of \$100 million since \$55 million will pay only for the first phase," said Campbell.

"According to the Airport Terminal Concept Study, \$73 million of local money will be matched by only \$8.6 million in federal funds. The Airport Terminal Study projects an operating deficit of \$648,000 per year by 1980 and \$1,315,000 per year by 1990, when the second stage is completed. The city says this deficit will be made up by leasing of surplus airport land," said Campbell.

He added that we have no guarantee of this. "Just as we were told the Civic Center would pay for itself."

"There are many other hidden costs, such as replacement of Berryhill School, construction of numerous roads to serve the new terminal, including a new limited-access Freeway that will go from the outer belt (nowhere) to the Airport Parkway," said Campbell.

He continued adding that See BLACKS on page 10



JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY'S BAND UNIFORM fund received a substantial boost last Friday night when Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Basileus Fredrick Ervin, right, presented JCSU President Dr. Hubert Greenfield, left, a check for \$1,000 on behalf of Pi Phi Chapter to be used toward the purchase of new uniforms for the Golden Bull Band. Odell Robinson, second from right, is Chairman of

the fraternity's Social Action Committee which made the grant possible. Omega member Robert L. Walton, second from left, was Master of Ceremonies for the presentation made during intermission at the fraternity's Annual Easter Dance at Charlotte's Civic Center, and attended by approximately 2,000 persons. Photo by Peeler.

Eastern To Expand Services

Eastern Airlines present nonstop services will be expanded on May 1 to include five new nonstop destinations—Boston, Cleveland, Detroit, Jacksonville, and Daytona Beach.

These flights according to Eastern officials will offer more than 1,000 additional seats to major northern and southern cities.

Making this announcement recently, A. Russell Upshaw, director-sales and services, said Eastern will also schedule additional flights to cities

already served nonstop from Charlotte. The changes will increase local operations to 124 daily arrivals and departures, resulting in the establishment of two more complexes of connecting flights.

"It is further emphasis of the great importance Eastern puts on Douglas Municipal Airport as one of the major traffic hubs of our air route system," Upshaw said.

In addition Eastern will provide for additional nonstop service to Philadelphia and New York.

Upshaw said the new flights will begin at the time Eastern normally changes its schedule of flights across the nation to provide new service patterns for the spring and summer seasons.

The May 1 schedule will be particularly convenient to international travelers, Eastern officials say. It will provide an evening flight from John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York, allowing passengers to return from Europe to Charlotte in one day of flying. The Kennedy flight will connect with most inbound transatlantic flights of international airlines.

Upshaw remarked that a significant aspect of the new schedule is that it will enable Eastern to establish two additional complexes of connecting services.

Flight arrivals and departures will peak eight times each day in the new schedule.

Clark To Host Conference

Atlanta Ga., March 5, 1975... Clark College, in cooperation with the Atlanta University Center is sponsoring the "Black Women's International Conference: Priorities and Directives", April 9-11, at the Marriott Motor Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia.

Miss Wright stated that "This conference will depart from the rhetoric-oriented conferences of the past. The purview of this conference necessitates a variety of perspectives that transcend social and cultural boundaries."

Piedmont School Hosts Open Education Program

The different aspects of open education will be explored Sunday, April 13, in an afternoon program at Piedmont Middle School.

Parents and other interested persons in the community are invited to attend the program, "An Exploration of Open Education," sponsored by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools' In-Service Education Department. The program

will be from 2-4:30 p.m.

Program participants will include students from open schools, CMS teachers and administrators, representatives from community agencies, faculty members from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte and a staff member of the North Carolina Advancement School in Winston-Salem.

The program will begin at 2 p.m. with an introduction by Mrs. Deane Crowell, principal of Irwin Avenue Open School. Dr. Tom Paquin, CMS director of in-service education, will speak on "Where Does Open Education Fit in with Other Approaches."

The bulk of the program will be in two one-hour sessions; during each session programs on five different topics will be offered concurrently.

The first session will be from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Program topics will include:

"Yes, Skills Are Learned in an Open Classroom," with Ms. Mildred Walker, a teacher at Irwin Avenue School;

"Early Childhood Development," with Mrs. Julia Saunders, CMS early childhood education helping teacher, and Ms. Sue Riley, director of Charlotte's Open Door School; and,

"Adolescent Development," with Dr. Jonnie McLeod, executive director of the Charlotte Drug Education Center.

Topics for the second session from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. include:

"Decision-Making in the Classroom (Who Makes Them and Why)," with Ms. Muriel Lundy, a staff member at the North Carolina Advancement School in Winston-Salem, and Ms. Riley;

"Theory into Practice," with Don Leader, a faculty member at the College of Human Development and Learning of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte; and,

"Evaluation in a Child Centered Curriculum," with Ms. Gall McClure, a teacher at Piedmont Middle School.

Two topics will be offered during both sessions. They are: "Everything you always wanted to know about open education."

Highway Patrol Finding Faulty Speedometers

Raleigh...The Highway Patrol in enforcing the 55 miles per hour speed limit is encountering numerous motorists operating vehicles with speedometers which record speed incorrectly. Troopers have been confronted with explanations from speeding motorists for years, such as "my speedometer showed 55 not 70 miles per hour." With the Patrol strictly enforcing the reduced speed limit, a defective speedometer can easily result in an unintentional but enforceable violation of the speed law. Ignorance is not a valid excuse.

Lieutenant A. W. Rector, the Patrol's Traffic Safety Information Officer, said that it is not unusual for the accuracy of speedometers to vary as much as 12 miles per hour or more. Recent experiences reveal that the speedometers are not always accurate even on 1975 models.

The officer noted that although a motorist through experience may become proficient in estimating speed, the surest and safest method is the use of a properly calibrated speedometer. He said that motorists questioning their speedometers should have them checked. This simple and inexpensive check can help motorists avoid unintentional violations, embarrassment, and inconvenience. He also said that it could not only save money, but it could save a life...yours.

Friday Night 7 Black Women Among 22 Candidates For "Outstanding Career Woman" Title

By James Cuthbertson
Post Staff Writer

Seven Charlotte Black Women will be among 22 women vying for the title of "Outstanding Career Woman" of 1975 at the "Salute to Women Who Work" banquet to be held on Friday night at the Downtown East.

They are Mesdames Shannon Andrews, Mary Turner Harper, Carol Ann Sills, Sarah Stevenson, Hazel Brown, Micki G. Riddick and Sarah Scott.

The program will begin at 7:30 p.m. with a champagne reception honoring the nominees and the guest speaker, Lisa Sergio. Bill Curry of WSOB Radio will serve as master of ceremonies for the evening.

Nominees were selected on

the basis of their contribution to their business in addition to civic involvements, said Kit Bumgardner, spokesman for the sponsoring Central Charlotte Association.

Guest Speaker, Lisa Sergio was the first woman in the communications field in Europe and the United States.

The schedule of events for the 10th annual "Salute" will consist of a luncheon at Ivey's Restaurant, on Thursday, April 3, a reception and dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, a breakfast at Queens College on Sunday at 8:30 a.m. with Dr. Alfred O. Cannon, President of Queens College as the main speaker.

Ms. Andrews is employed by the North Carolina Employment Security Commission.

She was nominated by the Zonta Club of Charlotte and Diane DelPizzo.

Ms. Mary Turner Harper is employed at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. She was nominated by the Afro-American Cultural Center and Dr. Bertha Maxwell.

Ms. Carol Ann Sills is employed by the NCNB Mortgage Corporation. She was nominated by NCNB and Dennis Arthur.

Ms. Sarah Stevenson is employed by the Multi-Media Workshop. She was nominated by the Black Women's Caucus and Irene Hunt.

Ms. Hazel Brown is employed by Belk's. She was nominated by Fashion Services and Ms. Mary Ada McAdams. Also nominated are Mes-

dames Micki G. Riddick employed by the Young Women's Christian Association and nominated by the YWCA and Mrs. Fred Allen and the Altrusa Club and Ms. Viola Billue; and Sarah Scott employed by Interstate Securities and nominated by the same company and William Staton.

Other nominees are Jeanne Bohn, employed by WSOB-TV and nominated by Freeman Jones of WSOB; Nancy G. Brinning, employed by Piedmont Natural Gas and nominated by Eleanor Broome and the Executives Secretaries, Inc.; Ms. Johnnie G. Bundy employed by Ivey's and nominated by Ivey's and T. R. Amerman; Zidd DePaula employed by Central Piedmont Community College and no-



MRS. SARAH STEVENSON
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MRS. RUTH ANN ROSS
...Native Of Shelby, N. C.

Our Beauty Of Week Is Mother Of Three

by Polly Manning
Post Staff Writer

A wife, mother and career woman is the description best suited for our Beauty of the Week, Mrs. Ruth Ann Ross.

She is married to Leroy Ross and they live at 809 Georgetown Dr. with their three sons, Jerod, 10; Perry, 8; and Myron, 2 1/2.

Mrs. Ross is the daughter of Mrs. Jennie Ruth Phillips of Shelby. She has two sisters, Jeanette Phillips and Debbie Phillips.

A highlight in her life took place recently when her grandmother, Mrs. Offdie Phillips, celebrated her 83rd birthday. Mrs. Phillips lives in Boiling Springs, N. C. "I was very glad that we could attend the celebration, smiled Mrs. Ross. The family went down and we carried her many gifts."

Her Beauty is employed with Piedmont Plastics as a finisher. She says she enjoys her job almost as much as she has enjoyed the three years she and her family have lived in Charlotte.

Her husband is employed with the Ford Marketing Corporation. He is also attending Central Piedmont Community College studying towards a degree in Business Administration.

Ruth Ann has as her hobbies traveling, meeting people, and cooking. "I love to cook almost everything. I'm forever trying out new recipes and trying to find ways to spruce up old ones," stated Mrs.

Ross
The Ross family attends Mt. Carmel Baptist Church where Rev. Leon Riddick is the pastor. Mrs. Ross doesn't participate in any church activities.

Our Beauty, who stands 5 feet 1 1/2 inches tall, is a graduate of Camp High School in Shelby. She is born under the sign of Virgo. She describes them as being able to get along with anybody, very active, and very talkative.

The Rosses enjoy many activities as a family. They play tennis, basketball, ride bikes and they "just love all kinds of sports." Mr. and Mrs. Ross thoroughly enjoy playing bingo.

Consumer Price Rose Slightly In February

Washington—The Consumer Price Index rose 0.7 percent in February to 157.2 (1967-100), the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics reported.

Increases in a wide range of goods and services, including medical care services, utilities, rent, houses, clothing, fresh fruits and vegetables, and products containing sugar accounted for the rise in the February CPI. The effect of these increases was partially offset by lower prices for meats, sugar, and used cars.

In February 1975, the CPI was 11.1 percent higher than in February 1974. The food index was 8.9 percent, the nonfood commodities index 12.2 percent, and the services index 11.5 percent above their levels of February 1974.

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the rise in the February CPI was 0.6 percent. The increase was the same as in January. The rise in food prices was much smaller than in January, but the increase in nonfood commodities was larger. The CPI rose 0.7 percent in December, and 0.9 percent in both November and October.

The food index rose 0.1 percent in February after seasonal adjustment, much less than in January and the smallest increase in 7 months.

TURTLE-TALK



Sign on the back of a school bus: "Approach with care—driver under the INFLUENCE OF CHILDREN."