

Black Attorneys Named Special Superior Court Judges

The appointment of two special judges of the Superior Court were announced Monday by Governor Jim Holshouser.

Named for four-year terms, they are Ronald Barbee of Greensboro and William Thomas (Bill) Graham of Winston-Salem. They will succeed Sammie J. Chess of High Point and Dennis J. Winner of Asheville, whose terms expired June 30.

Barbee and Graham will take the oath of office on August 1. Their salaries in the judgeships will be \$30,500 a

year. Barbee, 37, is a partner in the Greensboro law firm of Frye, Johnson and Barbee. He received his J. D. degree from the North Carolina Central University School of Law, where he graduated Number One in his class. He was editor in chief of the NCCU Law Journal and received several awards for scholastic achievement. He also holds a B.S. degree from NCCU.

The Durham native is a member of the boards of trustees of the Greensboro Legal Aid Foundation and the Gre-

ensboro Mental Health Association. He is general counsel for Greensboro National Bank and a member of a special committee on indigent legal services delivery systems. He is a member of the N. C. Association of Black Lawyers, N. C. Bar Association, American Bar Association and the Greensboro Bar Association. He serves as vice president and treasurer of the young lawyers section of the Greensboro bar group.

Barbee was appointed by Governor Holshouser in early 1973 to the former Board of

Conservation and Development. When that board was abolished under state government reorganization, he was named by the Governor to its successor, the Natural and Economic Resources Board.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Barbee, Sr., of Durham and is married to the former Alice T. Murray. Barbee has one daughter, Stephanie, 3.

Graham, 41, is a partner in the Winston-Salem law firm of Billings and Graham. A native of Waynesboro, Virginia, he is

graduate of Duke University, where he received an A.B. degree in economics, and the University of Virginia School of Law. He also has studied at the University of Hawaii and Wake Forest University Law School. He served in the U. S. Army in 1957-58.

Graham served for one year (1969-70) as assistant general counsel for the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. He is a member of the N. C. Academy of Trial Lawyers, the American, North Carolina and Forsyth

County Bar Associations and the Virginia State Bar.

He is a member of Centenary United Methodist Church and served on its Board of Stewards for three years. He has been active in the United Fund, Arts Council and Greater Winston-Salem Chamber of Commerce campaigns. He served for four years on the board of directors of the American Cancer Society and has been a member of the Traid Park Commission and the Forsyth County Recreation Study Committee.

Graham served on the Forsyth County Board of Elections from 1964 until 1966. He was appointed attorney for the North Carolina Railroad by Governor Holshouser in 1974.

He was chairman of the Forsyth County Republican Party from 1966 until 1969 and the GOP candidate for mayor of Winston-Salem in 1970.

He is married to the former Nancy Kent Hill of Winston-Salem. They have two children, William Thomas, Jr., 16, and Ashton Cannon, 11.



Ronald Barbee
Greensboro Attorney

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CMS Receives Desegregation Grant

Mecklenburg schools are included in a \$225,325 desegregation grant awarded to the University of North Carolina at Charlotte by the U. S. Department of Health Education and Welfare.

The schools affected are Oaklawn Elementary, Cochrane Junior High, and West Charlotte High School.

Other schools included in nearby counties are Ida Rankin Elementary, Highland Junior High and Hunter Huss High in Gaston County; Concord Middle School, Concord High, Mt. Pleasant Elementary, and Cannon Junior High in Cabarrus County; and Albemarle Junior High in Stanly County.

These schools will participate in a desegregation institute at UNCC coordinated by Frank E. Parker Jr. and Locke Holland Jr. of the College of Human Development and Learning.

Essentially what the institute does is to train teachers to go back to home schools and train other teachers to help solve problems arising from desegregation by race and sex.

The program will formally begin on Aug. 3 with a program for 66 teachers who constitute the teaching team.

The teachers will be taught to: 1. identify race and sex desegregation problems, 2. revise curriculum to avoid racial and sexual stereotyping, 3. train other teachers to work in their schools, and 4. seek community involvement from parents and other citizens to help them understand the need to overcome problems created by racial and sexual desegregation.

UNCC had previously worked in other desegregation institutes with schools in nearby counties. This is the first time that Mecklenburg County has been included.

Senior Citizens

Go Shopping

The West Charlotte Senior Citizens' Club went on a shopping spree in Gaffney, South Carolina under the supervision of Mrs. Julia Doby on June 30th.



Photo by Jim Black

LOVELY JOANNE DURHAM

...Wachovia Bank Teller

Vivacious Joanne Durham Is "Beauty Of The Week"

By POLLY MANNING

Post Staff Writer

"I love cooking, reading interesting books, entertaining, listening to old records and going to house parties," replied our Beauty of the Week, Ms. Joanne Durham, when asked about her hobbies.

Joanne is the daughter of Mrs. Edith Pulley of 1001 Waccamaw Street. She has two brothers, Marvin Chambers and Albert Pulley. "Albert is best known for his nickname 'Weekend', smiled Joanne. "Can You believe that?"

Ms. Durham is a 1963 graduate of West Charlotte High School. She is 29 years old and lists her marital status as separated.

Our Beauty has lived in Philadelphia for seven years. She returned to Charlotte about a year and a half. "It's really a pleasure being back home. I liked Philly, but the living conditions were terrible. The partying and fun were really good, but how does the saying go, 'There's no place like home,' she explained.

"As far as the living conditions are concerned, the people in the South are doing much better than the ones in the North. The circumstances that brought me back home aren't too pleasant, but regardless, I'm glad to be back," Ms. Durham continued.

Since returning to Charlotte Joanne has been living with her mother but she recently moved into her own apartment. "I'm really having a lot of fun getting the place just the way I want it. Living at home was alright, but there's nothing like your own place. I'm also having a lot of fun getting adjusted to living alone again. It's really hard

living with someone after being used to being on your own. Although I have one of the best mothers in the world I'm glad to be out in my own place. One thing that really surprised me when looking for an apartment was the cost. The apartments are really nice and the price is very reasonable. In Philly you pay a lot of rent money for practically nothing."

Ms. Durham is employed with Wachovia Bank and Trust Company as a Teller. "I thoroughly enjoy my job because I like working with and being around people. Working here gives me the chance to do just that."

Since her return to Charlotte Joanne has organized a women's social club called "Les Jolies" which means pretty ones. "We have been together

now for about five months," she explained. "We are in the process of setting up some rules and by-laws, but so far all we have is a motto which is "Try and help someone less fortunate than we."

The club consist of married and single women. They are in the process of having their first affair which will be held July 20th at the Blue Morocco Lounge. It is called a "Come as you are tea." Some of their future goals are to help provide for families that have lost their homes in fires, give needy children things for Christmas and help a needy family for Christmas.

Joanne is born under the sign of Libra. She feels that they are debaters. "I'm a very good debater. I just love to talk and debate on interesting topics."

Focus On Black Issues

Second "Meeting Of The Mind" Meeting Set For Thursday Night

The second Meeting of the Minds meeting of The Northwest Community Action Association will be held Thursday night (July 10) at 7:30 p.m. in the Science Building of Johnson C. Smith University.

The meeting will focus on issues and concerns which have been identified so far and will begin with meetings of TASK FORCES on transportation, hospitals and health care, parks and recreation, housing, police and the Black community, neighborhood problems, youth, and voter registration participation.

The Task Forces will plan actions to solve specific problems identified within their

area of concern and will report their decisions to the entire group.

Individual organizations will be asked to support various actions chosen by the Task Forces, said Howard J. Campbell, President of the Northwest Community Action Association, Inc. which set into motion the mechanism for establishing the first Meeting of the Minds meeting.

"We feel we are at the beginning of a strong, coordinated, total effort by the Black community to solve many problems which affect us and to exercise enough power to see that we get our fair share of community resources and

White Male More Apt To Kill Himself

Raleigh -- You are more apt to kill yourself in North Carolina if you are a white male over 45 years old, according to statistics furnished by the Division of Health Services.

However, white females and young people are closing in fast. In 1974, one-half of the suicides involved persons under 45 with seven victims under age 15.

North Carolina residents take a back seat to nobody when it comes to "chucking it all". Since 1967, the number of suicides in North Carolina has exceeded 500 per year -- outdoing the Nation's rate since 1971. During 1974, a reported 690 Tarheel's will-to-die eclipsed their will-to-live.

Health officials stated that December is the favorite month for suicides, followed by March, September and October. Most of the candidates choose Tuesday, Monday and Sunday, in that order.

Why do suicides occur mostly in the spring and fall and at the beginning and end of the week?

Dr. W. K. Zung, professor of psychiatry at Duke Medical Center, pointed out that the contrast between a person's inner feelings and what is happening in his environment is most reflected in the change in seasons and the days of the week.

"The onset of depression usually occurs in the fall and can last from six months to two years," Zung said.



Photo by Jim Black

"MR. SOUL" WILLIE MACKINS

...Buckling up for drag race

Whites Compete In "Mr. Soul" Race

By JIM BLACK

Post Feature Writer

Saturday July 5 was Soul Day at Shuffletown Dragstrip and very appropriately I picked this day for my first visit. I called and made arrangements, hopped into my 4 cylinder SAAB and headed west on Highway 16.

Wilson Johnston and Thurman Ferrell, the two promoters were very cooperative. Johnston explained that the idea for "Soul Day" was not the management's. The black men, who drive out here all the time, thought up

the idea and requested it. The money angle seemed pretty good and with enough black drivers becoming interested, why not?

With this bit of knowledge under my belt, I went forward around the stands, past parked cars and mechanics, swearing and working feverishly.

I walked onto the track and there was this loud squeal. I turned and saw a black Corvette coming right at me. Instant Fear!! It squealed again and I was soon to find that this was the way of the dragster. He was getting his slicks soft. To me it looked like they were burning up and dudes were pouring water on them to put out the fire.

Two cars lined up, took off and seven seconds later a yellow light came on indicating the winner's lane. I had watched but picked the wrong lane.

I shot pictures and talked to quite a few people. A big black man called "Buck" Ray gave me most of my information. I asked him why two of the best looking cars were sitting on the side. He said they belonged to Bill Jant (W.J.) I was introduced to W.J. who owns J's Automotive on Wilkinson Blvd. He was angry. He said he wasn't going to race today "because white dudes were running and that wasn't fair since it was Soul Day."

I talked around and found that quite a few of the Black drivers were strongly against allowing whites to compete on this day. I was told that there have been days when only whites were allowed to run. W. See White page 4

Blacks Seek Summit With Pres. Ford

SAN FRANCISCO (NNPA) -- Seeking an answer to the constantly rising unemployment rate among blacks, which exceeds 25 percent, the National Newspaper Publishers Association has called on President Ford to declare all 10 percent jobless communities as disaster areas.

And further, urged the President to hold a meeting with a black delegation to devise programs and policies to meet the critical economic needs of blacks and other minorities brought on by inflation and unemployment.

These and other demands were expressed in the resolutions unanimously approved by the black publishers in their 35th Annual Convention recently where both Gov. Edmund G. Brown, Jr. and Lt. Gov. Mervyn Dymally of California addressed.

Other speakers included: Dr. Berkeley G. Burrell, president of the National Business League who received NNPA's Distinguished Service Award; Stanley S. Scott, special assistant to President Ford, and a "Black Unity" symposium chaired by Dr. Eugene Mitchell, St. Louis Argus publisher and head of Homer G. Phillips Hospital.

The panelists were Charles Wright, vice president, Panhellenic Council; and the following national heads of eight of the major sororities and fraternities:

Dr. Elbert E. Allen, Kappa Alpha Psi; Ms. Lillian P. Benbow, Delta Sigma Theta; Judge Marion W. Garnett, Omega Psi Phi; Dr. Annie Lawrence, Sigma Gamma Rho; Mrs. Barbara Phillips, Alpha Kappa Alpha; Mrs. Marian Shannon, Zeta Phi Beta; Dr. Walter Washington, Alpha Phi Alpha; and president of Alcorn State University, and Mel Patrick, Phi Beta Sigma.

Dr. Carl B. Goodlett, editor-publisher, San Francisco Sun-Reporter delivered his message as president of NNPA, and was reelected to a third one-year term.

Also reelected were Howard B. Woods, editor-publisher, St. Louis Sentinel, as vice president; Mrs. Lenora Carter, publisher, Houston Forward Times, secretary; and Howard H. Murphy, comptroller, Afro-American Newspapers, treasurer.

Following the election of officers, the association approved the convention's resolutions.

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