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Congress Urged To Authorize 600,000 New Housing Units

More Liberal Food Stamp Program Due

New more liberal food stamp regulations going into effect on January 1 will not only allow North Carolinians with low incomes to purchase more food from their grocers, but more people will be able to participate because of increased maximum income eligibility standards.

The monthly amount of food stamps a four-person household will be allowed to purchase will be increased from the current \$162 to \$166.

The maximum monthly net income level for a family of four will increase from the present \$540 to \$553.

The Federal Food Stamp Act requires the U. S. Department of Agriculture to adjust the monthly coupon allotments every six months to reflect changes in food prices as published by the Bureau of Labor statistics.

The new scale developed by USDA is more generous for households of six or more persons than it is for smaller households.

In North Carolina, county departments of social services administer the food stamp program and determine eligibility.

The amount a household pays for food stamps is based on its net income. Under the scale going into effect the first of the year, a family of four with \$100 monthly net income will pay only \$25 for \$166 worth of food stamps, but if its income is \$550, it would cost \$142 to purchase the same \$166 amount of stamps.

Persons not participating in the food stamp program who need help in purchasing adequate food should contact their local social services department to see if they are eligible.



JCSU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OFFICERS for the 1975-76 school year, installed last Wednesday night at Excelsior Club are: left to right, R. Douglas Spears, President; James I. Melvin, First Vice President; Glenda Pyant, Second Vice President; Myra Maxwell, Secretary; Zoel S. Hargraves, Jr., Historian; Grace Stevenson, Corresponding Secretary; Horace Gaines, Treasurer; and Joe Major, Chaplain.

J. C. Smith Alumni Re-Elects Rufus Spears For Second Term

By James Peeler
Post Feature Writer

The Charlotte Chapter of Johnson C. Smith University installed officers for the 1975-76 school year last Wednesday night during the organization's regular monthly meeting at the Excelsior Club, 921 Beatties Ford Road.

The Nominating Committee, chaired by William McCombs, was composed of Zoel S. Hargraves, Jr., Mabel Cunningham, Gayle Bell, and Glenda Pyant.

Re-elected to one-year terms were: R. Douglas Spears, President; Myra Maxwell, Recording Secretary; Grace Stevenson, Corresponding Secretary; Zoel S. Hargraves, Jr., Historian; and Horace Gaines, Treasurer; Joe Major was elected Chaplain by the 48 members present at the meeting and will be serving his first term.

In an interview last Tuesday, re-elected President Spears noted that, during his previous tenure in office local membership has increased 35 percent and there are 690 local paid memberships in the Charlotte Chapter of the JCSU Alumni Association. Of the 690 total, 287 also paid their General Alumni Dues. Spears added, "JCSU received the Grand Chapter Award for having contributed the most money to JCSU last year."

President Spears said that plans for the ensuing year include: increase in total membership, the addition of another fund raising activity (a paid dance at Commencement to accommodate classes in reunion, alumni, and friends); doubling the amount of funds given to the University yearly, getting more recent graduates to become more involved with alumni affairs, and aid the University in recruiting more students in all departments and interests.

Spears concluded, saying, "We sponsored the Tip-Off Tournament but it was not as successful as we had hoped." A Fellowship Hour followed last Wednesday's installation service and concluded the night's activities.

Minorities, Women Face Housing Discrimination

Congress should authorize at least 600,000 new units of low and moderate-income housing each year from now until 1978, the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights said in a report released today.

Titled "Twenty Years After Brown: Equal Opportunity in Housing," the 188-page report criticizes the President and Congress for abandoning the goals of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, which called for the production or rehabilitation of 6 million units of federally-subsidized housing by 1978.

The Commission pointed out that minorities and women encounter discrimination in the housing market and face disproportionate hardships because of a shortage of low-cost housing.

That the Justice Department change its position to support a metropolitan solution for segregated public housing.

That HUD provide financial incentives for a family to rent housing in a neighborhood which is not predominantly of the same race or ethnic group as the assisted family.

That responsibility for coordinating housing on Indian reservations be vested in a single Federal agency.

The new report is the last volume in a series reviewing the status of women and minorities in the 20 years since the Supreme Court's decision in Brown v. Board of Education. Other volumes have covered economics education, and the historical background of the decision.

The Commission of Civil Rights is an independent, bipartisan, fact-finding agency concerned with the rights of minorities and women. Chairman Arthur S. Flemming is also Commissioner of Aging of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

Other Commissioners are Vice Chairman Stephen Horn, president of California State University, Long Beach; Frankie M. Freeman, an attorney specializing in estate and corporation law in St. Louis; Manuel Ruiz, an attorney specializing in international law with offices in Los Angeles; Robert S. Rankin, Professor Emeritus of Political Science at Duke University, Durham, North Carolina; and Murray Saltzman, Rabbi, Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation, Indianapolis, Indiana. John A. Buggs is staff director.

CMS Officials

Plan For

Bad Weather

Charlotte-Mecklenburg School officials hope to avoid confusion when schools have to be closed for snow or other inclement weather this year.

To help avoid confusion, the officials have issued communications to the news media requesting their cooperation. In these statements, it was explained how these officials make the decision to close or reopen schools when bad weather hits town.

Schools are closed and reopened as soon as possible, but safety is the main concern of the officials, said the statement.

All schools are closed or no schools are closed is a general rule. Individual schools are closed only for such things as heat or power failure.

School officials maintain contact with city and county police, highway department and the weather bureau. The Superintendent's decision to close the schools follows the recommendation to him made by the Transportation Department. When the decision is made, school staff members immediately notify the news media.

It is hoped that the use of this plan will limit the number of calls from parents to the education center on bad weather days. School officials say no news announcement means school as usual.



LOVELY GLORIA OLERY
...Vivacious young lady

Miss Gloria Olerly Is Beauty Of Week

By Polly Manning
Post Staff Writer

A career in Graphic Arts and Industrial Designing is the ambition of our Beauty for this week, Miss Gloria Olerly. "My interest in this field stems from a course I'm taking now at school," sated Miss Olerly. "It deals with off-set printing. I find it very interesting and I am really looking forward to finishing training and get to work. I really don't have a preference as to what city I work, just as long as it's some place where I am needed. I have the experience."

Our Beauty, the daughter of Mrs. Dorothy Taylor, resides at 901-A Lynn Street. She is a Senior at Harding High School where she is treasurer of the Executive Council, assistant editor of the senior section of the yearbook staff, secretary of the Student Action and Educational Club, and a member of the Drama Club. As assistant-editor of the senior section for the yearbook Miss Olerly's duties include choosing the best pictures of the various services, making the senior section creative as well as unique and outstanding, and making sure everything is ready for the deadline.

As a member of the Student Action and Educational Club her duties include going to various elementary schools tutoring the slow learners in things such as math, reading, and spelling. "I enjoy this because it makes me feel as if I'm being useful. Also it gives me a chance to realize just how much help some kids really need," smiled Gloria.

Gloria is born under the sign of Aries. She describes Aries people as being easy going to a certain point, they mostly like to have their way and are very

friendly. The most important person in the life of our Beauty is her daughter Jelavonda. She celebrated her fourth birthday Sunday and celebrated in grand style with a birthday party. About eight children attended. "Everyone seem to enjoy themselves," stated Gloria. "It was a lot of fun, and when it was over I had a terrible headache."

Miss Olerly explained that she first became familiar with the Post during a Festival In The Park that was held in 1974. Her daughter was made up by one of the clowns there and her picture was taken by Mr. Peeler, who also included a story. "I was very proud when the story and picture appeared," she smiled. "Of course I saved the article."

Miss Olerly has only one hobby. She loves music. She loves all kinds and doesn't have a preference of singers. Aside from her active school life, Gloria also holds down a part-time job at K-Mart Department Store on Freedom Drive as a cashier. She states that she enjoys her work especially meeting all the interesting people that come in and out of the store.

Traffic Deaths

Down 19 Percent

In November

Raleigh...Edward L. Powell, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, announced Tuesday that traffic deaths in November of 1975 were down 19 percent from November 1974. This month's "Highway Accident Perspective" published today by Charles Hensley, Director of Traffic Records of the North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles, revealed that 102 persons lost their lives in November 1975 compared to 126 highway deaths in November of last year. To date this year North Carolina has 1327 traffic deaths compared to 1,446 fatalities for the same period of 1974, a decline of 8 percent.

Powell said the fatalities for November include 22 deaths during the long Thanksgiving holiday and represent a significant difference in the lowering of our highway death rate. October deaths were down 34 percent that during this Holiday Season special caution should be exercised, particularly on the interstate highways where accidents in November were up 34 percent over last year.

January 21-24

Benjamin L. Hooks To Keynote

Black Press Mid-Winter Workshop

Washington (NNPA) - Commissioner Benjamin L. Hooks of the Federal Communications Commission will keynote the three-day Mid-Winter Workshop of the National Newspaper Publishers Association - the Black Press of America - Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett, NNPA president, announced this week.

The event is scheduled for January 21-24 at Frenchman's Reef Holiday Inn in St. Thomas of the U. S. Virgin Islands where Gov. Cyril King will open activities with a reception at his mansion.

Commissioner Hooks, the first black to be appointed to the FCC, is a lawyer and a minister with churches in Memphis and Detroit. Before assuming his present post three years ago, he served as a judge in Memphis. His widely read newspaper column is syndicated to 141 member papers by NNPA.

In addition to the address by Commissioner Hooks on the 22nd, Dr. Goodlett said that other highlights of the pro-

gram will be a series of symposiums on new approaches to circulation building, newspaper management, advertising salesmanship, news and feature writing, the role of journalism schools in developing new professionals, and also the role of black executives in corporate white America, as well as a roundtable on the black business community and the Black Press.

Key participants, he added, will include: Dr. Lionel C. Barrow, dean of the School of Communications at Howard University; Samuel Adams of the University of Kansas; Jay T. Harris, Medill School of Journalism; Dr. Berkeley G. Burrell, president of the National Business League; David Harper, president of the National Bankers Association; C. Mack Higgins, assistant administrator of the Small Business Administration.

Samuel J. Cornelius, deputy director of Office of Minority Business Enterprises; George

Norford, senior vice president, Westinghouse Broadcasting; Ms. Brenda Joyce, Washington representative of Gulf Oil; Maceo Sloan, president of the National Insurance Association; and Bill Johnson, publisher of The Charlotte Post.

One of the concluding features of the program will be the presentation of plaques to the long-time sponsors of merit awards for publishers and staffers of NNPA member newspapers. Companies that are to be honored are: Aluminum-Company of America; American Tobacco Company; Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp.; Carnation Company; Coca-Cola USA; Exxon Oil and Refining Company; General Electric; Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company; Gulf Oil Corporation; Heinz U.S.A.; J.C. Penny Company; Miller Brewing Company; Pepsi-Cola Company; Philip Morris, Inc.; PPG Industries; Sears, Roebuck and Company; Sterling Drug; and U.S. Steel Corporation.



Benjamin L. Hooks
...FCC Commissioner
The other feature is a beach picnic on Saturday, Jan. 24, at Magen Bay. Workshop host is Ariel Melchior, Sr., publisher of the Daily News of the Virgin Islands.



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