

# FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

By Hoyle H. Martin Sr.

The POST is happy to salute CBS Realty, the Charlotte based real estate firm that spent a reported \$1,400 to provide uniforms and equipment for the Raiders. Recently formed by civil leader L.C. Coleman, the Raiders are a women's amateur softball team that competes in the eight team Tri-County League.

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The U.S. Department of Commerce said on Monday the per capita income in North Carolina was \$5,049 in 1976. North Carolinians topped the \$5,000 per capita income level for the first time as a result of an average take-home pay of \$487 more than in 1975. However, the state per capita income is still \$1,392 below the national average.

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A ruling signed by state Insurance Commissioner John Ingram that became effective May 5 says that discrimination on the basis of sex in the availability of insurance will no longer be permitted in North Carolina.

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Emmet E. Cooper has been named Eastern Regional Postmaster General. The position makes Cooper the highest ranked Black in the postal system. He will supervise postal service operations in the states of Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia and in the District of Columbia and in parts of New York and New Jersey.

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The Morris Field Rangers and the Norwood Jets of the Triple County Baseball League will play a benefit baseball game on Saturday, May

21 in support of the \$150,000 fund drive to build a Martin Luther King Statue. The baseball game will be played at Griffin Park beginning at 3:15 p.m. Support the MLK effort.

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Job opportunities, less discrimination and a better quality of life are causing blacks to return to the South for the first time since the Civil War says a U.S. Census Bureau report.

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The percentage of adult Americans who have smoked marijuana at least one time has doubled to 24 percent in four years, according to a Gallup Poll.

## Westside Babe Ruth League Will Open New Season Tuesday

Tuesday afternoon, May 24, will provide a great moment in the life of Lloyd Harris.

The occasion will be the official opening of the first season for the newly organized Westside Babe Ruth Baseball League, an organization Harris has nursed for the past three months in the dual roles of commissioner and general handy man.

According to Harris, the ceremonial fanfare will include visits by local dignitaries from both the political and business communities. And, if Harris has his way, county commissioner Robert "Bob" Walton, one of the league's biggest boosters, will toss out the first ball. Shortly thereafter four of the loop's five teams will come together in a four-team doubleheader.

The event, which to Harris is like having one of your fondest dreams come true, will take place at the West Charlotte Athletic Field, beginning around four o'clock.

The league, which provides recreation for youngsters between the ages of 13 and 15, will feature some of the city's top baseball talent.

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opportunity to field five teams in our first season," Harris said Monday afternoon. "And, if it wasn't for people like Bob Walton, Walter Tucker, John McDonald and all of the others who made a contribution to the league, we never would have gotten off the ground."

Tuesday's schedule pits Revolution Park against McCrorey Branch YMCA in the first game and Double Oaks against Lincoln Heights in the second. West Charlotte has drawn a bye.

The teams will play two games a week.



Lloyd Harris  
...League president



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