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## New Act To Provide 200,000 Jobs

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- President Jimmy Carter has signed the Youth Employment and Demonstration Projects Act of 1977, which will initially provide for 200,000 job and training opportunities for jobless young people.

The Act launches a broad attack on problems of high unemployment and lack of training among youths, 16 through 23.

It creates four new programs under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA), which is administered by the U.S. Dept. of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (ETA).

Initial financing will be \$1 billion earmarked from the President's economic stimulus program.

The new programs will emphasize employment and increasing the employability of youths.

There will also be important efforts to improve and coordinate training, jobs and career development programs for young people; and to explore different approaches to providing youth services.

Secretary of Labor Ray Marshall called the Act "one of the most important decisions initiatives of this year." He also said, "For the first time, this country has a comprehensive policy to deal with the persistent and serious problem of youth unemployment.

## It's Official Now;

## Hodges To Ruin

## For Senate

By Hoyle H. Martin Sr.  
Post Executive Editor

Following months of testing the political waters, Luther Hodges Jr., former chairman of the Board of North Carolina National Bank, told supporters at a "Hot Dogs and Hoopla" Wednesday night in the Starlight Lounge at Ovens Auditorium, "I am announcing today that I am a Democratic candidate for the United States Senate."

"I take this important step because I feel my training and my experience in the economic and civic life of this state equip me to make a real contribution to North Carolina...and a difference in Washington."

"My desire to serve is based on a simple premise: a deep love for North Carolina. I have lived in several communities and cities in our state through the years, and what always has impressed me is the lasting pride North Carolinians have in their state."

Hodges concluded, "I share that pride. I am proud of North Carolina. But I am concerned for it. We have many problems here at home, such as too few good paying jobs, and too much poverty."

Hodges' announcement places him among about eight Democrats who have indicated they may run for the Senate seat currently held by conservative Republican Jesse Helms. The primary election will be held on May 2, 1978.

## TURTLE-TALK



A good LISTENER is not only popular everywhere but after a while he KNOWS SOMETHING.



ATTRACTIVE CANDY STOWE  
...Will try for big time

## Miss Candy Stowe

## Is Beauty Of Week

By Jeri Harvey  
Post Staff Writer

If you happen to see the name and face of Candy Stowe on the cover of a magazine one of these days, you can say "I saw it in the POST first." Candy, who is our Beauty this week, has recently finished a modeling course and, if all goes well, plans to head for New York next June to try for the big time.

It all began when she was given a "beauty make-over" by a local newspaper and was spotted by a modeling school recruiter. They contacted her and convinced her she had the potential to become a professional model, with proper training. Apparently, they were right because photographs of her recently sent to the prestigious Ford Modeling Agency in New York were very favorably received.

Now that she has completed the course, Candy is continuing to work toward a degree as a legal secretary at Central Piedmont in order to have something to fall back on if she isn't successful as a model.

## 95 Percent Meet

## Food Stamp Basic

### Requirements

WASHINGTON - Over 95 percent of all households receiving food stamps satisfy all basic program eligibility requirements, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Carol Tuckerman Foreman announced today.

Assistant Secretary Foreman said that new error rate statistics, based on a sample of 44,508 active cases during the six months ending in December 1976, show that 4.7 percent of participating households failed to meet the basic eligibility criteria. These households received 4.4 percent of the food stamp benefits distributed during the period.

The new findings reflect the inclusion of both welfare and non-welfare households in USDA's error rates for the first time. Previously, the food stamp quality control programs surveyed only non-public assistance households, who comprise about half of the nationwide caseload. The surveys were broadened to cover the entire caseload beginning in July 1976, so that the error rates would provide a more accurate picture of total food stamp operations.

Copies of the survey-report are available from the Food Stamp Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

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## To Circuit Court

# Kelly Alexander To Push

## Chambers Appointment

### Industry Urged

### To Help

### Minorities

The Carter Administration again has communicated to private industry its commitment to help minority business through enforcement of the new \$4 billion Local Public Works (LPW) program.

Administration officials met with about 30 representatives of the surety, banking and construction organizations to discuss speedy implementation of the new law.

LPW is a major item in the Administration's economic stimulus program. Under the Act, as least 10 percent of each grant in the \$4 billion program must go for goods and services from minority firms. Jack Watson, Assistant to President Carter, who chaired the meeting said, "The objective of this requirement is to help minority businesses grow, become self-sufficient and competitive by assuring them a substantial market for their goods and services."

Also addressing the session were Commerce Secretary Juanita Kreps and officials of the Commerce Department and the Small Business Administration. Secretary Kreps told the group, "President Carter has made it clear that his Administration, in its policies, initiatives and actions intends to insure the right of all citizens to share in the opportunities of this nation."

Watson explained that the Administration is seeking the help of the banks, surety companies and members of the construction organizations to help overcome the critical problems of working capital and bonding which severely limit the minority firms' participation in this and other federally funded construction programs.

The contractors, bankers and surety representatives were asked for very specific help to make the program work.

Watson and the other government officials requested an increased level of participation by the banks and sureties in government-sponsored loan and bond guaranteed programs and told the contractors that the responsibility is squarely on the prime contractor to subcontract with minority subcontractors and suppliers.

Standing 5'8" and weighing 116, Candy's measurements are 34-24-34. She hopes to become a photographer's model and/or a runway mannequin because "that's where the best pay is."

A 1976 graduate of Myers Park High, 19 year old Candy was recently seen on the Boys Town Auction. She was one of the pretty young ladies who "dressed up" the set when furniture or automobiles, etc. were displayed. It was her first major assignment and she said she thoroughly enjoyed it. She has done some modeling for charity affairs before but nothing quite like that.

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Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Commission of Charlotte, Inc., the film is entitled "King: A Filmed Record, Montgomery To Memphis," one of the most acclaimed documentary films in history.

As a history of the civil rights movement, "King" is an unequalled educational re-



MOVING INTO ECO HOUSE

An unidentified worker helps ECO director Jeff Campbell to unload furniture last week for the new ECO house.

### With Three Full-Time Employees

## ECO Has Three Main Goals

By Jeri Harvey  
Post Staff Writer

The bus lumbers heavily into its assigned space at the terminal and sighs to a stop. A dozen or so passengers are already in the aisle and as the driver pulls a handle to open the door, they begin to move forward, happy to have reached their destination and eager for a glimpse of family or friends who wait to meet them, or anxious to get a cab to go about their business or pleasure.

One man sits quietly waiting for the others to go ahead before he rises from his seat and makes his way slowly off the bus. He wears an ill-fitting suit and stiff, new looking shoes and carries a small cheap suit case.

Once on the ground, he stands blinking uncertainly in the glaring day light before he enters the terminal where he sits down at the lunch counter and orders a cup of coffee. When the waitress returns with change from the dollar, he counts it carefully, down to the last penny. After buying a pack of cigarettes earlier at the terminal in Raleigh and a cup of coffee, he has exactly \$14.44 left. He sits a long time with the cup of coffee, watching other travelers come and go. Finally, leaving the lunch counter he wanders out on Trade Street where we leave him looking irresolutely up and down the busy thoroughfare.

Though the above is a hypothetical case, the same situation occurs somewhere in North Carolina almost every day, and in Charlotte more often than that you think.

You see, our hypothetical man (or it could be a woman) has just been released from prison. Tried and convicted of a crime, he has completed the sentence meted out by the courts, been issued a \$15 "gate check" (if he served 24 months or more), a second hand suit and a bus ticket to any town within the North Carolina that he specified. His sparse personal belongings are in the suitcase, he has no job awaiting him, no family and no friends, not even a place to sleep. In his shoes, what would you do?

We know what many who find themselves in these circumstances do; they find the quickest, easiest way of making money that they can, and sometimes this leads right back where they started.

Volunteers continue to donate their services.

Among other things, the program has helped ex-offenders find jobs, housing, assisted in crisis situations with direct aid or referral to other community organizations, and organized seminars and lectures in the community relating to the Criminal Justice System.

Recently a new project was undertaken which will provide "room and board, and a moral support system, to ex-offender who either has no home place upon release from prison or who prefers to participate in the ECO House program because of problems related to returning to his home environment." ECO House is to be a "program of self-help and self-education, designed to create the positive attitude necessary for permanent rehabilitative qualities and total integration in a competitive society."

The house which will be See KING On Page 5



Rev. James Barnett  
...Committee chairman

### Chambers Has No Comment

By Hoyle H. Martin Sr.  
Post Executive Editor

Kelly Alexander Sr., State Director of the NAACP, said on Tuesday he plans to write letters to President Carter, Senators Robert Morgan and Jesse Helms, and Attorney Griffin Bell urging the appointment of civil rights attorney Julius Chambers to a seat on the U.S. 4th Circuit Court of Appeals based in Richmond, Virginia.

Alexander's planned action arises from the fact that Chambers is one of five applicants chosen by an 11-member selection committee seeking applicants to fill a vacancy created by the death of Judge J. Braxton Craven Jr. earlier this year. The selection committee was appointed by President Carter.

The NAACP official said, "Forgetting he's black, think of him (Chambers) as a legal mind with an excellent academic background, keen insight into the hows of the legal profession and analytical skills; and he has successfully argued before the U.S. Supreme Court in a historic landmark school desegregation case."

Alexander added, "An alternate candidate (for the Appeals Court) might be Judge McMillan whom I have no qualms with. He's competent, however, blacks have historically been left out of appointments to the court bench in the South, meaning the 4th and 5th district courts."

Chambers said in a telephone interview that he knew little of Alexander's planned letters, that he had not seen nor talked with Alexander and had no further comment on the matter.

Undoubtedly, Alexander's decision to push for Chamber's appointment to the prestigious \$57,000-a-year lifetime appointment is that in addition to McMillan, there are three other apparently equally qualified applicant-nominees for the single court seat.

Significantly, Chambers and McMillan have two things in common. They were both key figures in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School's desegregation plan that led to county-wide busing. Chambers was the attorney for the plaintiffs in the suit leading to busing and McMillan was the judge who ordered the controversial school desegregation busing plan.

Secondly, Chambers and McMillan were both nominated for the Circuit Court seat inspite of not meeting some job qualifications required by the US Justice Department. Specifically, Chambers apparently lacks the required 15-years of legal experience and McMillan is already 60 years old, the beginning age for excluding nominees.

Other nominees are Duke Uni. Chancellor AK Pye; Duke Law Professor Wm. V. Alstine; and UNC Law Prof. Dickson Phillips.

Finally, since North Carolina is the only state in the 4th district, without a representative on the Appeals Court bench, all five candidates and the eventual appointee are from North Carolina.