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MISS MYRNA LOWE

...Crazy about clothes

Vivacious Myrna Lowe

Is Post's "Beauty Of Week"

By Jeri Harvey
Post Staff Writer

Pretty Myrna Lowe almost went to Atlanta to study fashion merchandising after she finished high school in Rocky Mount last year, but, fortunately, she changed her mind and decided on Charlotte instead. Atlanta's loss is Charlotte's gain and we're happy to have her in the Queen City.

Myrna is the daughter of Irving and Catease Lowe and has one fifteen year old sister, Brenda. She attended the public schools of Rocky Mount and decided early in life she'd like to be involved in the fashion industry in some way

because, as she said, "I've always been crazy about clothes but I hadn't really planned to go into modeling. However, when I was in a fashion show at school a representative of a modeling agency was there and approached me about enrolling in their school. I did and I've appeared in a few shows around town and I've come to like it. I'd like to model for a while and eventually become a fashion coordinator."

The reason Myrna came to Charlotte instead of Atlanta is because, "I'd never been away from home on my own before, and Atlanta was just a little too far away to suit me

right then. I'd already been accepted at a school there but when I found out I could get the same thing in Charlotte I decided to come here. Now that I've been here a year I think I can move on to wherever the opportunities are greatest, feeling more confident."

She admits that Charlotte is "a lot faster than Rocky Mount" but says she finds the people friendly and has enjoyed her stay here.

Myrna has been under contract to a local modeling agency for several months and has done fashion shows for Belks and Ivey's. She's also done a TV commercial for New England Bell Telephone.

This lovely Libra spends her spare time playing tennis, sketching and drawing. Occasionally she goes to some of the local clubs but said she prefers the quiet life usually.

When her contract with the modeling agency expires in a few months, Myrna plans to move on. We hope she'll carry with her pleasant memories of the Queen City and we wish her luck and happiness wherever she goes.

Public Conference To

Examine Unionism, Wages

By Linda Morris
Special To The Post

CHAPEL HILL -- A free, public conference on unionism and wages in North Carolina will be held here Friday, Oct. 14, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Carolina Inn.

The meeting is cosponsored by the University of North Carolina, the economics department at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Burlington Industries.

Speakers from UNC-CH will be joined by economists from North Carolina State University and Duke University in the discussion and exploration of the issues surrounding unions and their effects on wages.

The conference participants, said Dr. Thomas Kniesner, conference coordinator, have set four goals they hope to achieve: (1) the correction of popular misconceptions surrounding the economic benefits unions do and do not provide their members, (2) the identification of some of the social costs and benefits of increased unionization, (3) the exploration of various public policy approaches to increasing the incomes of North

Carolinians and (4) the demonstration of the ability of the intellectual community to provide quality technical advice on an important social issue.

Prof. Emil Malizia of the department of city and regional planning at UNC-CH will present the controversial recommendations he made in a report prepared for the Office of State Planning.

In his report, Malizia recognized that wages are higher in the more unionized states and urged governmental policy to promote the growth of union membership among North Carolina's workers.

Research findings concerning the effect of unionization on wages also will be presented by Richard Potthoff, senior operations research analyst for Burlington Industries in Greensboro.

The research reports will be followed by comments from economists Prof. Robert Fearn (N.C. State University), Kniesner and Prof. H. Gregg Lewis (Duke University). Prof. James L. Murphy, chairman of the UNC-CH department of economics, will serve as moderator.

A rebuttal and discussion with questions from the audience will follow during the afternoon.

Prof. Kniesner, coordinator for the conference, said leaders in business, state government, the church, trade unions and the news media have been invited to attend.

JAIL MINISTRY

The Baptist Metropolitan Ministries is making a call for back copies of the Reader's Digest, Newsweek, Time, Sports Illustrated, Book Digest, National Geographic and Wildlife to be used for the jail ministry.

They may be brought to Park Road, Myers Park, or St. John's Baptist Church offices where they will be picked up.

For Saturday

Neighborhood Groups Plan

Voter Registration Drive

Kinston To Host NAACP Conference

The 34th Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Conference of the NAACP will be held at the Holiday Inn in Kinston, N.C. on October 13, 14, 15.

The youth sessions will begin Friday night, October 14 with a dance at the American Legion - Harris Groom Post on Asphalt Rd. The Youth meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 15, at the King's Restaurant located on Highway 70 East.

The highlights of the youth sessions will be several workshops. The theme for this year's youth sessions is the "New Priority." The president of the youth, Dianne Bellamy-Smith, feels it is important to try and explore some of the basic problems effecting youth today. The workshops will be "Drugs - The Way It Is" presented by Mr. Harold Cogdell, Probation Officer from Kinston and Mr. Leslie Brown of Drug Action Council, Greensboro. "Sex, How it can Affect You" will be co-ordinated by Ms. Georgia Thomas from Planned Parenthood of Greater Charlotte and "Education and the Navy" with Commander Milton Jackson, Washington, D.C.

The business session of the State Youth Conference will consist of constitutional changes, election of officers for 1978, the ratification of the Youth of the Year Contest and resolutions dealing with education and drugs.

Slides of the National Convention will be shown.



BISHOP WALTER MCCULLOUGH

...Baptising new candidate

House Of Prayer's Anniversary

Devotees Came From Far And

Near To Celebrate 51st Year

By Jeri Harvey
Post Staff Writer

They came from far and near, from huge northern cities and tiny southern villages. The old and the young, the strong and the feeble. They came by plane, train, bus, car and on foot to the Mother House of Prayer For All People on Beatties Ford Road. They came to celebrate the 51 anniversary of their sect and to look upon their spiritual leader, Bishop Walter McCullough.

For a week they worshipped far into the night, listening to the preaching and praying, singing with fervor to the accompaniment of the stirring music and bringing gifts. By Sunday 2,000 of them had made a commitment and were ready to be baptised by Bishop McCullough in the pool behind the bright red, white and blue church. The atmosphere was, at once, solemn and festive as the crowds milled about the church grounds. Old friends and new friends greeted each other and discussed the past

weeks activities which had included ball games and band exhibitions as well as the religious services each night.

Bishop McCullough, in black robes and skull cap, stood out among the white robed elders who assisted him in the ancient rite of baptism. Standing waist deep in the clear waters of the pool, a tall man with a full greying beard, he intoned the ritual words of baptism over and over as he briefly and expertly immersed each candidate beneath the water.

They emerged from the pool, some crying, some shouting, others seemingly in a daze, but all confident in their belief that they had been "saved."

For those who question the validity of their religion, members of the House of Prayer point out that, for them, this is the way they have chosen and they do so of their own free will. One man told us, "I have been to other churches. In fact, I was raised in another church and went regularly. But one day I realized it was not answering my needs. A friend invited me to go to the House of Prayer with him and I found there what I'd been looking for. It's as simple as that."

Business Women

To Hear

Jim Whittington

James B. Whittington, Mayor Pro-Tem of the City of Charlotte, will be the guest speaker at the October meeting of the Carrousel Chapter of American Business Women's Association (ABWA).

Mr. Whittington has been a resident of Charlotte for 42 years, has served on the City Council for 18 years, and is currently running for Mayor of Charlotte.

The regular dinner meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 11, at 6:15 p.m. at Charcoal Steakhouse, 1800 West Morehead.

Artificial Kidney Center

Nalle Clinic Provides Dialysis

Treatment For Kidney Patients

By Jeri Harvey
Post Staff Writer

Do you drive your own car? Can you spare an hour now and then to help someone less fortunate than yourself?

If the answer to these two questions is yes, Wanda Lewis, social worker with the Nalle Clinic Artificial Kidney Center would like to hear from you.

The clinic provides dialysis treatment for patients whose kidneys no longer can filter waste from their blood. These patients must receive treatment on a regular basis two or three times each week at one of the clinic's two locations at 309 South Laurel St. or 1900 Brunswick Ave. Treatment is relatively painless and the center staff includes nephrologists, registered nurses and technicians to care for patients while they are there. A dietician and a social worker help patients and their families adjust to the necessary changes in lifestyle. Medicare covers 80 percent of all the above costs but there is no provision for transportation and for some patients this is a real problem.

A few patients can drive themselves, others are well enough to catch the city bus,



MS. WANDA LEWIS

...Nalle's social worker

and still others have friends or family members to bring them to the center and pick them up later. The local Red Cross, the Department of Social Services, the Association for the Blind, and the Easter Seal Foundation provide transportation for some patients but there are still from 20 to 25 patients each week

who are unable to schedule rides to and from the clinic for treatment which is vital to their lives. Most often these are new patients who will need assistance for only two or three weeks until permanent arrangements can be made.

In the past staff members of the clinics have taken time from their regular duties to

Graves Seeks To Sign 1,000 Voters

By Hoyle H. Martin Sr.
Post Executive Editor

A grassroots interest in the November 8 general to select a major, four at-large councilmen and seven district councilmen has led to a last-minute voter registration drive planned for Saturday, October 8, according to Lonnie Graves, chairman of Precinct 31.

"Many people called to say they want to vote in November but found they can't because they aren't registered. In response to that, Precinct 31 in cooperation with a number of neighborhood groups - some from other precincts - is holding a voter registration drive on Saturday (Oct. 8) of the Dalton Village Community Center from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.," Graves said. Transportation pick-up service will be available from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. by telephoning 332-4709, 332-3449 or 332-3724.

Graves, elected chairman of his precinct last May and considered by his aids to be "one of the new black leaders," said in an exclusive interview, "I've always felt politics was for everybody but me; however, after observing the political scene over the past year and after dealing with the Black Political Caucus recently, I feel now I should be involved." He noted they hope to register between 500 and 1,000 people on Saturday.

Carrie Graves, a well known political activities and wife of Lonnie, added "People called, asking how they could get involved and get registered because they're concerned that the Democratic Party appears to be still taking the black vote for granted. We don't like being told who to vote for. That's why the black vote for Jim Black was at least partly a protest vote against the Black Political Caucus' endorsement of Jim Whittington."

In related developments, Bill Culp, executive secretary of the County Board of Elections said, "We have adequate places for people to register now." People may register and transfer their registration at any of 16 branches of the Public Library, all 21 branches of First Union National Bank, Mechanics and Farmers Bank's main office on Beatties Ford Road and its East Independence Plaza branch, the Mobil City Hall (see your water bill for locations) and at the Board of Election office on East 4th Street.

Culp noted also, "Many people who cannot get to the polls on election day may vote with an absentee ballot." The procedures are:

- 1-stop voting - visiting the Board of Elections Office any day before election day and you can cast your ballot.
- Near Relative - Can get an application for you if ill etc. that must be filled out, signed, mailed and then a mailed ballot will be forwarded with a self-addressed return envelop.
- By mail - Write requesting an application and ballot.

The deadline for absentee ballot voting applications is November 2.

Finally, curb-stone voting (from an automobile) will be See Graves on Page B6

TURTLE-TALK



Many a MAN is proud of his father and mother merely because they are the parents of a fine fellow like HIMSELF.