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ATTRACTIVE ROSLYN BLAIR' ... Christian Day junior

Upon graduation from high

school, Roslyn said that she

will most likely attend a local

college (in the state of North

Carolina) to major in Business

Administration and minor in

Roslyn cites her parents as

having the most positive in-

last November) always push-

ed and encouraged me in

things like my schooling," she explained. "My mother helps

me in day-to-day things like

Some of the most enjoyable

times Roslyn recalls have

been class trips at the end of

the school year to Washington,

Florida and Atlanta. The class

trips, usually lasting from

three to four days, began when

Laughingly, she said,

"They're half educational and

the season for the Bahamas

fever. Like many others who

think of a pleasure trip con-

sisting of pure relaxation and

peacefulness, Roslyn said that

someday she would like to

said, "but like a fantasy

island," adding that it's like

the saying, "The grass is

always greener on the other side of the fence."

Meanwhile, fifteen-year-old

Roslyn is contented to just

"live and enjoy life each day

as it comes and not worry

about things in the future."

"It's not like a reality," she

visit the Islands.

she was an eighth grader.

half fun."

"My father (deceased since

Economics.

fluence in her life.

cooking and music."

Miss Roslyn Blair

Is Beauty Of Week

by Sherleen McKoy Post Staff Writer

Our beauty for this week is Roslyn Blair, a rising junior at Carolina Christian Day School, where she is a member of the school's honor society and the National Honor Society.

Rostyn characterizes herself as a "friendly and sort of outgoing person" who "gets along pretty good with peo-

Her hobbies are cooking, playing tennis, and reading a lot of novels, mostly fiction. She also plays the flute in her school's band and plays the piano as a personal interest. Taught by her mother who plays for the same reason, Roslyn has been playing the plano for four or five years

Another favorite past-time of hers is ordering and collecting odd things (stamps, etc.) as collectors' items.

At her church, Berean Seventh Day Adventist, Roslyn serves on the Usher Board and other various acti-

Registering To

Vote Made Easier,

And Enjoyable

WBT Radio and the Mecklenburg County Board of Elections have a plan to make registering to vote easier and enjoyable.

For a series of eight Saturdays, beginning August 4th, the double-decker WBT Fun Bus will serve as a mobile registration unit where three registration commissioners will register new voters, file changes of address and-or precinct, and provide general voter information.

The WBT Fun Bus will register voters from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. on the following dates and locations: August 4 -Eastland (Belk side), August 11 - Latta Park (Dilworth Jubilee), August 25 - University Park Shopping Center, September 8 - Southpark Mall (Fairview Road side), September 8 - Southpark Mall Recreation Center, September 22 - Tryon Mall Shopping Center, September 29 - Belmont Regional Center,



to tell us WHAT WILL HAP-PEN. Business profits tell us WHAT DID HAPPEN.

U.S. Urged To Link Unemployment

Solutions To Energy Solutions

Client

Council To Hold Sale

By Eileen Hanson Special to the Post

The Client Council of Legal Services Corporation will hold a benefit attic and bake sale on Saturday, August 4 at the Fireman's Hall, 2601 E. 7th Street, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The benefit will raise funds to send Charlotte delegates to the National Conference of the Client Council, August 9 - 12 in San Diego, California. Delegates from Charlotte will be Betty Sue Huntley, Evelyn Arant and Carrie Graves.

"This conference is very important for poor people,' said Ms. Graves. "The aim is to involve clients in the policy making of Legal Services programs across the country.

Legal Services is a federally funded program that provides free legal services to lowincome people. Legal Services of the Southern Piedmont offices are located at 403 N. Tryon. The Client Council composed of those eligible for free legal services. The cour-cil helps set policy, lobbies for legislation to benefit lowincome families, and works to educate people about their legal rights.

Speakers at the national conference will include Senator Edward Kennedy (D-Mass) and Congressman Ronald Dellums (D-Calif).

The Charlotte Client Council needs to raise \$1200 for their trip to the west coast.

President To

Appoint Georgian

For Judgeship

Washington -- President Jimmy Carter has announced he will nominate Dudley H. Bowen, Jr., of Georgia, as An only child, Roslyn is the United States District Judge daughter of Mrs. Bernice for the Southern District of



A whole family of new voters - Marion and Wilbert Brown, Adele and William Jackson, all of 909 Spruce. The deadline to register to

vote in the city primary is August 25. (Photo by Eileen Hanson)

Saturday Afternoon

Cherry Community Organization

To Hold Voter Registration

by Eileen Hanson Special to the Post

"Every Vote Counts." That's the message the Cherry Community Organization is spreading door-to-door

in their neighborhood canvas for unregistered voters. New voters are invited to register on Saturday, August 4 between Noon and 3 p.m. at Morgan Park (Torrence and

Baxter), in the heart of As an added attraction, candidates Harvey Gantt and Don Carroll will appear to meet new and old voters and to discuss issues in the September 25 City Council primary

election. Gantt, currently an at-large City Council members, is running for Mayor. If elected, he would be the first black to head Charlotte

Carroll is running for a second term as District 1 Council representative. Cherry is located in his dis-

The Cherry voter registration drive is part of a city-wide push to involve more blacks in the voting process. "Voter registration is en-

tirely too low in our community," said Janie Tucker, member of the Cherry Organization Steering Committee. "We are explaining to each resident that their vote counts. The vote is our power.'

A special emphasis is directed towards getting 18 year olds and senior citizens to register. Any citizen 18 years and older is eligible to register. There is no fee or test. The registrar will ask a few simple questions about residence and party affiliation. Voters may register as Democrat, Republican, Libertarian or unaffilia-

For those unable to come to the park on Saturday, regis tration is available every day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Board of Elections, 710 E. 4th Street, at any public library or branch of First Union Bank.

New voters, those whose registration has lapsed from not voting in the last 4 years, or those who have changed name or addresses, must register by August 25 to vote in the September primary

According to the city-wide Vote Task Force, only 20 percent of Charlotte's potential 56,000 voters cast a ballot last year.

The Cherry voter registration drive is an effort to turn that low figure around. "We are striving for 100 percent in Cherry," said Mrs. Tucker.

Rev. Sullivan Praises

Domestic Policy Chief

Special to the Post

WASHINGTON, D.C.-Stuart E. Eizenstat, President Carter's assistant for domestic affairs, joined recently with Rev. Leon H. Sullivan, founder-chairman of OICs of America, to pinpoint the challenge posed by rising youth unemployment in the nation when he received the OIC Public Service Award, the highest that the organization gives for government executive leadership.

Rev. Sullivan praised the U.S. domestic policy chief for his "total commitment to serving those who need help most" and for his "unswerving dedication to the public interest, setting an example for a new generation in public administration and public service.'

As if in anticipation of the Camp David decisions of President Carter to concentrate on the energy crisis and the economy, the two men sparked an enthusiastic response from 2,000 delegates attending the 15th annual convocation of the Opportunities Industrialization Centers, held in Washington, D.C., by identifying unemployment among the disadvantaged as a key barrier in achieving economic and social

An OIC official noted that not only is Mr. Eizenstat a strong supporter of what OIC is trying to accomplish, but a strong voice in finding solutions to America's pressing energy problems. In this environment, he said, "Rev. Sullivan's war on youth unemployment now takes on new significance as a battlefront in the overall fight to reduce America's high level of dependency on foreign sources of energy

Rev. Sullivan and OIC feel that a strong domestic energy industry can be a key source of new jobs and therefore, job-training opportunities.

The OIC official noted that minority groups and economically disadvantaged individuals are hardest hit by the spiraling costs of energy and in many places, energy shortages. "We therefore heartily support and encourage attempts by the President and leaders such as Mr. Eizenstat to make America stronger on the energy front," he said.

"At this early stage in the new energy program, however, we urge U.S. policymakers to link our high degree of unemployment, particularly among our young people and most of all among our minority youths, with the planning on how to stimulate energy development.

"The matter of energy is a tremendous problem for our government leadership. But we at OIC also see it as an opportunity -- an opportunity for jobs. We must discover and develop new sources of oil and natural gas within our borders. We must learn to use our vast resources of coal, as well as oil shale, in an economically and environmentally sound manner. We must ensure that present and future nuclear plants will be safe. And we must develop other alternate sources of energy. from geothermal to solar to the use of solid waste mater-

ials." he declared. "All of this will require people - trained people constructing pipelines and plants, working in laboratories, running energy facilities, mining and drilling, and doing a host

of other things.

"OIC and other communitybased job-training organizations of proven effectiveness could have a vital role in this process, and thus help to solve the energy dilemma in a positive way that will at the same time help reduce our alarming rate of unemployment. OICs of America, for one, is ready and eager to do what it can to contribute to reducing the twin problems of unemployment and lagging U.S. energy development," he said.

NAACP

Praises

House Action

Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, Executive Director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, last week praised the House of Representative's action on the Mottl Amendment. Dr. Hooks stated, "The NAACP, as well as all persons who deeply believe in the majesty of the Constitution, are gratified at the action taken by the House of Representatives in rejecting the attempt by forces of retrogression to turn the nation away from its commitment to eliminate segregation in public education

"Resounding rejection of this attempt and the Supreme Court's decisions in the Columbus, Dayton and Weber cases spur us to an even greater resolve to bring America's practices to terms with its promises.'

Mecklenburg

County Jail Earns

Accreditation

The Mecklenburg County Jail has been awarded official Accreditation by the American Medical Association (AMA), and representatives of the North Carolina Medical Society will present the award at the Jail Thursday, August 2 at 11 a.m.

The AMA Accreditation Program is sponsored by the association's Advisory Committee to Improve Medical Care and Health Services in Correctional Institutions. A spokesman for the committee says that over the past year, Jail personnel "have taken the opportunity to improve the Jail's compliance with various standards. The amount of improvement which has taken place is impressive."

Participants in the presentation ceremony will include Dr. J. Dewey Dorsett, Jr., local doctor and North Carolina Medical Society Councilor: William L. Griffin, Exe cutive Director of the Meck lenburg County Medical Society; Gene Sauls and Nancy Jo Taylor of the North Carolina Medical Society staff; and Mecklenburg County Sheriff John Kelly

The accreditation is the first honor of its kind in North Carolina. It is awarded for a two-year period, beginning June 7, 1979.

For additional information, contact Louise Williams at 374-2543.

In Black Community Poll Shows Gantt With Overwhelming Support

By Gary Gregg Special to the Post

If Charlotte's mayoral election was held last week, city councilman Harvey Gantt would have carried more than 90 percent of the city's black

Local black political leadership would have had little impact on that vote as blacks would have demonstrated a growing independence in choosing elected officials.

These conclusions were drawn from a Charlotte Post poll conducted last weekend by a local communications research and planning consultant firm.

In the poll, 91 percent of the respondents said they supported Gantt, while one per-cent supported Knox and eight percent said they were unde-

Responding to questions about black political leadership, 38 percent of the persons nuestioned said they believe local black political leadership has significant impact on how blacks vote, while 27 percent disagreed and 35 percent said they weren't sure of

the impact. However, 32 percent of the

respondents said they feel the leaders' influence is decreasing today, while 18 percent said they think it's about the same as it always was, and 30 percent said they had no The respondents completely

reversed themselves on the question of the black political leadership's influence on the upcoming mayoral race that pits black city councilman Harvey Gantt against former state senator Eddie Knox, who is white. On this question, 27 percent of the respondents said they think the leadership will decide how blacks vote in this race, while 38 percent disagreed, and 35 percent were unsure.

The poll was conducted in response to reports that Charlotte's black community is split in its support of Knox and Gantt, and that this split is largely fueled by the fact that Knox has significant support among black leaders.

In the poll, 150 black registered voters in scattered precincts were asked four questions in telephone interviews. No whites were interviewed.

The questions were: + Does Charlotte's black political leadership have sig-



.Mayoral candidate nificant impact on how blacks

Is the influence of Char-

lotte's black political leadership decreasing today? Do you think black political leadership will decide how blacks vote in the upcoming

mayoral race between Harvey Gantt and Eddie Knox? + Who are you supporting in the mayor's race?

Persons interviewed were asked to respond one of three ways: I think so, I don't think so, I'm not sure, and to designate the candidate they supported, or to select "undecided" if that was the case. Though saying he completely backs the poll's conclu-

and planning consultant firm that conducted the poll, said the process had two major "We did not seek to determine if 150 respondents was an

adequate sampling of the city's black registered voters, and respondents were not asked to define black political leadership," Jordan said, 'and the interviewers offered no definition. According to current board

of elections figures, there are 26,026 black registered voters in the city, compared to 123,094 registered whites. Blacks make up about 28 percent of the city's popula-

In separate interviews, other individual blacks in their comments basically supported the poll's findings.

'I don't think the so-called leaders will have much of an impact on this election," said Carrie Graves, a community activist who lives in Dalton Village, off West Boulevard.

"I believe that most black people will see that Harvey (Gantt) is the most qualified of the two candidates, no sions, Milton Jordan, presimatter what the leaders say, dent of Jordan & Associates, and I think he will be judged the communications, research on his record, which I think is very good.'

Johnsie Evans, a retired nurse who lives at 1000 Baxter Street, said she is supporting Gantt because "I've watched him on the council, and he appears to be for the people, and uncontrolled by any special interest group. He backs whatever he thinks is right, and is his own man.

Elma Clancey of 1609 Northbrook Drive said she listens to what the political leaders say, but then makes up her own mind about who to vote for.

"My final decision," Mrs. Clancey said, "is based upon what I know and feel about a particular candidate." But Mrs. Clancey also said

she thinks there are blacks who wait to see what the leaders say before making up their minds, and who pretty much follow the leadership's

Gantt, a two term city councilman, who holds one of four at-large seats on the 11-member city council,