

Two Charlotteans Cited

As Outstanding Young Women

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Two native Charlotteans, one still residing here and another living in Alabama were among 15,000 women nationwide chosen to receive Outstanding Young Women in America Awards for 1979.

Nominations were submitted by business and civic leaders throughout the country.

These recipients ages 21-36 have distinguished themselves in their homes, professions and communities.

Among them are Beverly Anita Walker and Harriett Alexander.

Beverly Anita Walker was graduated in May 1979 with honors in music education from Johnson C. Smith University. For two years she has won the C.W. Kemp Award given to the music major with the highest average.

Miss Walker was a member of Alpha Chi and treasurer of Alpha Kappa Mu—two honor societies. She is also a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

In January, she will return to college and study for an M.A. degree in music education.

The youngest of six children, Miss Walker is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Mitcham

Jerry Mitcham

Named Airport

Security Chief

Airport Manager R.C. Birmingham, Jr., has appointed Jerry J. Mitcham to the position of airport security chief. Mitcham, 38, will be responsible for the administration of the security staff at Douglas Municipal Airport. The appointment is effective immediately.

Mitcham will head a new division of the Airport Department which will provide traffic control, concourse security and implementation of Federal Aviation Administration security regulations.

Mitcham has served eight years with the Statesville Police Department and was most recently chief of police for the town of Elon College, N.C.

He has an AB degree in police science and is currently working on an MS degree in public administration. Mitcham is a member of various professional organizations including the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the North Carolina Juvenile Officers Association of which he is past president.

Mitcham and his wife, Linda, have a daughter and two sons.

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Ms. Harriett Alexander
...Program Coordinator

Willie Walker of Enslow Place.

She attends Mt. Carmel Baptist Church and directs the Young Adult Choir.

Describing herself as a "born again Christian" Miss Walker is a former director of "The New Sensations," a gospel singing group.

Ms. Harriett Alexander is program coordinator and speech pathologist at the Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind at Talladega, Ala.

She also serves on the Institute's Human Rights

Committee, and is a consultant for the Alabama Head Start Programs, State Department of Education.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Alexander of Dawnshire Avenue, Ms. Alexander received a B.A. degree from Northern Illinois University with a major in speech pathology, and a Masters degree from Kent State University.

Ms. Alexander is on the board of directors for the North Talladega County Association of Retarded Citizens and the board of directors for Talladega College Preschool.

Ms. Walker and Ms. Alexander are among those under consideration for one of the 51 state awards that will be presented for the most noteworthy contributions in each state.

From these state winners, the Ten Outstanding Young Women of America will be chosen. The ten national winners will then be honored at the annual awards luncheon to be held this fall in Washington, D.C.



CAPITAL VISITOR—Julius Chambers of Charlotte is pictured with Senator Robert Morgan (D-N.C.) as he visited the nation's capital recently. He was one of a hundred North Carolinians who were invited to the White House for a briefing by President Carter on the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty (SALT II) and who attended a luncheon hosted by Senator Morgan.

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New USDA Rules Encourage

Schools To Start Food Programs

Special To The Post
WASHINGTON—Schools

with a high proportion of needy children and no food service will find it easier to start breakfast and lunch programs under regulations announced today by Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Carol Tucker Foreman.

The new regulations set priorities for granting assistance to schools for the purchase of food service equipment.

Under the new rules, 40 percent of the funds appropriated will be reserved for schools with no food service and for schools that plan to begin a breakfast or lunch program. In the past, only one-third of all funds were reserved for schools without a food service and schools without facilities to prepare or receive hot meals.

"By directing available funds where they are most needed, we can make a nourishing breakfast available to more needy children within our current budget resources," Foreman said. The new rules implement

recent policy and legislation designed to expand the breakfast program.

A separate priority system will be used to distribute the remaining 60 percent of food service equipment assistance funds. Schools with no food service will get first preference for these funds. The other preferred uses, in order, are schools that need equipment to start either a lunch or breakfast program, prepare or cook or receive hot meals, to replace worn out equip-

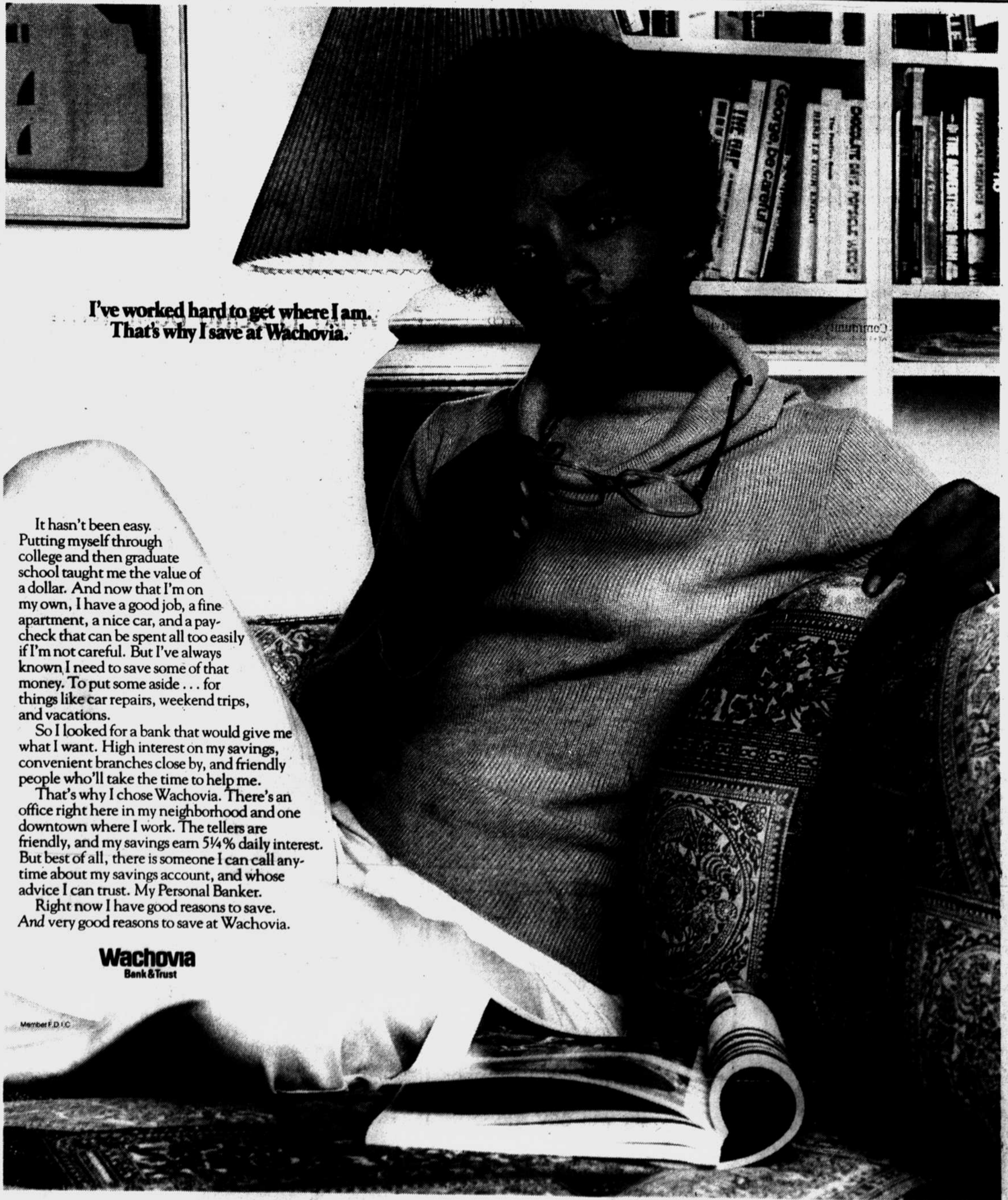
ment, and to maintain or expand existing programs.

Another provision permits public or nonprofit private institutions to receive equipment purchased with food service equipment assistance funds in order to prepare meals for schools. However, the schools would retain title to such equipment.

The new regulations are scheduled to appear in the Oct. 26 Federal Register, and become effective on that date.

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