



TOMMIE ROBINSON WITH
...One of his prized paintings

From Nov. 15 - Dec. 14

Robert Haven's Gallery To

Exhibit Robinson's Art Work

By Susan Ellsworth
Post Staff Writer

Black Charlotte artist Tommie Robinson will have a one-man show Nov. 15-Dec. 14 from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. at the Robert Haven's Gallery at 2902 Selwyn Avenue.

A self-supporting professional artist for 10 years, Robinson paints tempera portraits depicting southern life and people. "People are the most important feature in any environment," he commented. They are difficult to paint and challenging because

Bridge Repair Work

Begins At Belhaven

Boulevard And I-85

The right lane of the out-bound lanes of Belhaven Boulevard, on the bridge over I-85, is tentatively scheduled to close on Wednesday, November 7 for a period of approximately three months.

The purpose of the closing is to facilitate repairs to a damaged beam on the bridge. The repairs will be made by the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

N.C. 16 in the out-bound direction between I-77 and I-85 will be detoured by way of I-77 and I-85.

Significant congestion is expected to occur in the out-bound lanes of Belhaven Boulevard during the peak evening traffic period.

of their complexity and ability to change, he explained.

Robinson, who makes his own paint from natural pigment and egg yolks said he goes out looking for subjects—country scenes especially. He keeps supplies in his car so that he can spontaneously draw.

"People like paintings that fulfill their fantasies." City people like the freedom represented in a rural scene. "Paintings help people to escape," he said.

Producing 50-80 tempera paintings and 30-40 water color a year requires Robinson to work long days—15-16 hours sometimes.

"My career is only beginning," he insists. "I've gone through stages of frustration. Frustration is a positive force. It gives you the tendency not to give up." Robinson stressed there must be sacrifice for creativity.

"Every painting I do is the best I can at that particular time," he said.

Robinson's interest in art blossomed early in his life. "As a child I liked to draw to entertain myself," he said.

A high school guidance counselor attempted to dissuade Robinson from painting by telling him he wasn't qualified to become a professional artist. The counselor's attitude only made Robinson determined to prove him wrong.

Although he studied commercial art at CPCC Robinson asserted he is mainly a self-taught artist.

"Few people make a living at painting," he said. Yet, Robinson, a former cook, and art instructor at CPCC is one of those few.

His paintings have appeared at the North Carolina Trade Exhibit, state universities, including UNCC, the State Museum in Raleigh and local banks.

Robinson's goal is to continually improve.

"People are losing pride in their accomplishments. They're more interested in pleasures," he emphasized. Robinson said he strives for perfection.

"I hate mediocrity."

Rev. Rudy Hendricks: Most Charlotteans Vote Democratic

By Susan Ellsworth
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You've heard it before. Black candidates lose elections because of black voter apathy.

Such is the case again, this time with Republican city council candidate at-large Rudy Hendricks.

Rev. Hendricks, 41, pastor of the South Tryon Street Presbyterian Church came in seventh with 14,504 votes.

He trailed fifth place candidate, attorney Marnite Shuford in all of the black precincts.

Shuford was endorsed by Mecklenburg County's seven black elected officials in a last minute effort to boost her candidacy, according to the Charlotte Observer.

Hendricks attributed Shuford's endorsement and favor with black voters to her Democratic affiliation.

"Most Charlotteans vote Democrat" said Hendricks, who comes from a Republican supporting family.



Rev. Rudy Hendricks
...Came in seventh

Although Hendricks received endorsements from both the Charlotte News and Observer and The Black Caucus, lack of money and support, and low black voter turnout worked against him.

In his first time running for office, Hendricks spent only \$4,000 on his campaign, most of which he raised him-

self, and had help from just five volunteers.

If he had it to do over Hendricks said he would start campaigning at the time of the primary.

"I didn't start till after the primary and it proved to be a disadvantage," he commented.

When he seeks office again, Hendricks said he will make voters more aware "they can split their ballot and select the person to best represent them."

"Black people have a power and that power is the ballot," he asserted. "If you don't vote you condone what you get."

Hendricks stressed a need to improve transportation by increasing bus ridership, scatter housing and having more minority, senior citizens and youth involved in government.

"The public has not heard the last of me," he enthusiastically remarked.

Poole Nominated For Judgeship For 9th Circuit

Washington — President Jimmy Carter last week nominated Cecil F. Poole, of San Francisco, California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. This is a new position created by Congress.

Poole has been serving since 1976 as a Judge in the Northern District of California.

He was born July 25, 1914, in Birmingham, Alabama. He received an A. B. degree from the University of Michigan in 1935 and an LL.B. degree from the University of Michigan in 1938. He received an LL.M.

degree from Harvard Law School in 1939. He served in the U. S. Air Force from 1942 to 1945.

Judge Poole was in private practice from 1947 to 1949, and he served as an assistant

district attorney from 1949 to 1958. From 1958 to 1961 he was legal counsel to the governor of California, and from 1961 to 1970 he was U. S. Attorney for the Northern District of California.

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But for all of us, regardless of the reason, lower temperatures in the mid-60s are somewhat healthier than higher temperatures in the mid-70s.

Heating our homes and offices during the winter months removes a certain amount of moisture from the air. The higher the temperature, the drier the air.

Air with little moisture ag-

gravates bronchial and other respiratory problems. It also contributes to a dry throat and nose, coughs, and dry, itchy skin.

As if this weren't enough, the respiratory system does not cope well with sudden changes in the weather. Moving from an overly heated room to the outside cold can be a real shock, particularly to the lungs. Like most everything, the body needs to adjust gradually to changes in temperature.

The dryness of the air in the home can be compensated even if it remains dry at lower temperatures. For many people the addition of a small humidifier is all that is needed to add a little moisture to the air inside.

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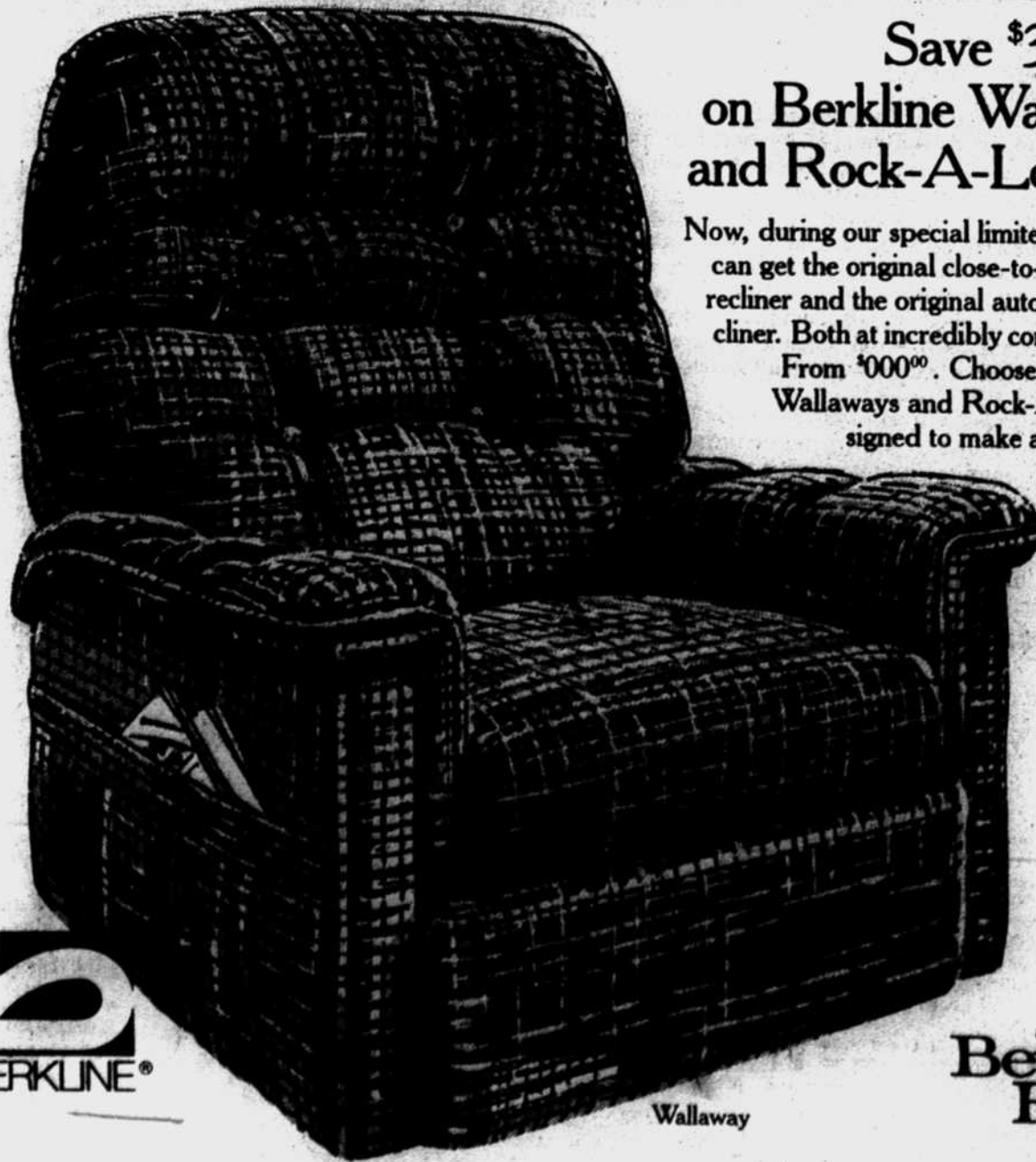
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