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ANGELA WALLACE  
...Ninth grader at AG

## Lovely Angela Wallace

### Is "Beauty Of The Week"

By Teresa Burns  
Post Staff Writer  
During her 16 years Angela Wallace has gained much poise and concern for others. One of her strongest concerns appears when young people drop out of school.

stay in school. Staying out in the streets is not better than school - they'll need their education in the long run," Ms. Wallace contended.

As a ninth grader at Alexander Graham Junior High, our beauty plans to complete her high school education and enter one of three occupations: kinder-

garten teacher, cosmetologist or registered nurse.

Her favorite subject in school is mathematics mainly she said because it interests her.

One of her favorite people is Alexander's gym teacher Londell McClary. "I can sit down and talk about problems with him," Ms. Wallace stated. "He gives the best advice - better than my girl friends."

When it comes to entertainment our Sagittarius beauty prefers the tones of Larry Graham while "White Shadow" ranks as her most watched television program.

"White Shadow" has a lot of basketball and I enjoy looking at basketball on television rather than seeing it in person.

Ms. Wallace also enjoys traveling, cooking - she bakes a lot of cakes - and skating.

The youngest daughter in a family of 12 (four sisters, four brothers, two half brothers and one half sister) Ms. Wallace says she is not spoiled. "I like growing up in a large family. There are more people to talk to," she explained.

Her parents are Patricia Fuller Wallace and the late James Wallace.

Running track, attending South Tryon Presbyterian Church and working a CETA job keeps our busy beauty on the run.

Whether our beauty winds up as a cosmetologist, a teacher or a nurse she desires to be a success. "I try to live a successful life. I can't wait for someone to hand anything to me on a silver platter."

### For Slain Children Families

## Silver Mount Will Collect Funds

A special memorial and collection of donations will occur at Silver Mount Baptist Church in South Charlotte (Pineville) 7 p.m. Sunday, March 29. Rev. Russell Moore will deliver the 11 a.m. sermon.

Not only will funds be collected on this date but throughout the church's week-long Revival Crusade, Monday - Friday, March 30-April 4, donations will be accepted to aid the families of the slain children. Services each night will begin at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to contribute.

During the 7 p.m. Sunday service (March 29) Judge Michael Todd will be keynote speaker. Dr. C. W. Petress, president of Friendship College, Rock Hill, S.C., along with the College's Drama Team will participate in this special memorial Sunday. Special funds will be designated to aid Friendship College which recently suffered from fire. The drama team will present the story of

### Anti-War Mobilization Planned

BROOKLYN - Two hundred and fifty people representing over 30 organizations met at the House of the Lord Church in Washington, D.C., last week to carry forward concrete plans for a massive, nationwide anti-war mobilization in Washington, D.C., in May.

The meeting overwhelmingly endorsed the call by the People's Anti-War Mobilization for a march on the Pentagon on May 3rd, and set up organizing focuses in 15 different areas, including labor, students, cultural workers, veterans, Third World communities, religious groups, women, gays and lesbians, the disabled, and the elderly.

Speakers at the mobilizers' meeting repeatedly called for a united demonstration on the 3rd with the participation of all sectors of the anti-war and progressive movement. Emphasized in the remarks of all who spoke was the importance of the participation of Black, Latin and other oppressed people in the demonstration and in the organizing for it.

Today's mobilizers' meeting was called one week ago at a meeting of a CARD (Committee Against Registration and the Draft) committee empowered to help build a spring mobilization. Over 40 national organizations attended the CARD meeting in Washington, D.C., and overwhelmingly voted to endorse the May 3rd action.

Hosting today's gathering were Job Mashiriki of Black Veterans for Social Justice and Minister Michael Amon-Ra of the National Black United Front; Dennis Serrette of the National Black Communications Coalition and Larry Holmes of the People's Anti-war Mobilization chaired the meeting.



Dr. Cameron Alexander  
...Convention president

Guest evangelist for the week-long Revival Crusade at Silver Mount will be Rev. Dr. Cameron M. Alexander. He is president of the General Baptist State Convention of Georgia and pastor of the noted Antioch Baptist Church, Atlanta.

# SOC To Fight Spending

## Black Groups Host Mobilizers



MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

James K. Polk Sr., President of Management Manpower Associates, Inc., of Charlotte (left) discusses fine points of Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) contract with Floyd D. Lowe Sr. of Madison while MBE trainee James W. Bennett of Raleigh looks on. Polk is a

consultant hired by the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) to help administer the MBE program. Lowe is to train Bennett as a highway contractor under the MBE internship program.

### Bennett Will Be Trained As Highway Contractor

RALEIGH - On March 5 Floyd Lowe, owner of Lowe's Plumbing Company of Madison and a prime contractor on the North Carolina Department of Transportation's (NCDOT) pre-qualified bidders list, signed a contract with the department to train James Bennett of Raleigh as a highway contractor under the department's Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) internship program.

This is believed to be the first instance of an MBE prime contractor providing such training in Region IV. (Region IV includes North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee and Kentucky.)

Eight years ago, Lowe himself was receiving training as a highway contractor.

In 1973 the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) section of the department encouraged non-minority contractors to help train Lowe as a highway contractor.

He was placed on the department's pre-qualified bidders list of approved contractors in December of 1976.

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Neely Smith, Charlotte's missing child, will be remembered in silent prayer, and a candle will be lit for each murdered child in Atlanta. An offering to aid in the investigation of the murders will be collected by County Commissioner Bob Walton.

ACACC is a local interdenominational group which seeks to unify and incorporate the efforts of all groups that are sponsoring campaigns to show concern over the tragedy in Atlanta. The organization, comprised of several interested groups and individuals, encourages citizens to take action by signing petitions and letters asking for more federal funding to Atlanta, and by holding prayer vigils in their own churches. Each citizen is also asked to wear a green ribbon daily as a symbol of hope that the tragedy will soon be ended.

He will be most appealing to the youth and young adults who are sponsors of both the memorial and the crusade.

Dr. Alexander has preached in Charlotte before. "When he was in Charlotte during 1973 and 1974," Rev. Lee remembered, "he preached to overflowing crowds each night."

Dr. Alexander is not only a dynamic speaker with valuable messages he is also a worker. He is vice president of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.; chairman of the Convention's Budget Committee; treasurer of Morehouse School of Religion Board of Trustees; member of the Board of Directors, Atlanta Researchers; and member of the Advisory Board, Citizens and Southern Bank of Atlanta.

The public is cordially invited to see and hear Dr. Alexander and witness his moving sermons.

### Drive To Oppose Violence

Special To The Post  
BIRMINGHAM, AL. - The Southern Organizing Committee for Economic & Social Justice (SOC) is launching a campaign to mobilize people across the South to oppose the increases in U.S. military spending that are destroying programs designed to meet human needs.

The organization said it will also mount a new drive to organize white and black people in Southern communities to oppose the current rise in racism and racist violence.

"The United States is facing a racial and economic crisis that can only be averted by the building of a freedom movement at the grassroots in this country," SOC said in a statement issued here.

Plans for the new campaigns were made by the SOC executive committee, which met in Birmingham on the weekend of March 14. SOC is a Southwide network of black and white activities working for the goals stated in its name, economic and social justice.

The organization developed in the mid-1970s, growing out of earlier civil rights organizations. Its co-chairpersons are the Rev. Ben Chavis of North Carolina and Anne Braden of Louisville, Ky. The Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth, former leader of the civil rights movement in Birmingham, is a member of its executive committee.

President Reagan and the right wing are determined to take food, clothing, shelter, health care, and education away from the poor and working people of this country at the same time they pursue an insane policy of increasing our nuclear arsenal that already has our planet tottering on the brink of final destruction," SOC said.

And the organization said the crisis is intensified by the fact that people in this country are being divided anew by racism.

"Blacks and members of other minority groups are being terrorized and murdered all across the country by groups like the Ku Klux Klan and in many places by the police. And in too many communities, there is a tragic silence on the part of white citizens in the face of these atrocities," SOC's statement said.

The SOC leaders said they feel Reagan and his supporters have "miscalculated the level of tolerance of people in this country." They predicted growing resistance everywhere to the cuts in social programs. They said they especially feel there must be a Southern response to the crisis.

"The South is the cradle of racism in this country, but it has also been the cradle of the people's movements that in the past have pushed forward the struggle of all of our people for democratic rights," SOC said. "We feel that Southerners who believe in freedom must now lead the nation again."

## Cutback In Food

### Stamps Challenged

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The AFL-CIO News  
Cuts in the food stamp program will penalize the unemployed and the needy and Congress should reject them, the AFL-CIO told a House Agriculture subcommittee on nutrition.

Legislative Rep. Kenneth Peterson termed the federal food stamp program the "principal defense" against hunger for the poor and the long-term jobless.

"The Administration's misguided efforts to cut benefits to those who are receiving food stamps should be directed instead to reducing the number of poor who need them," Peterson emphasized.

The size of the food stamp program is directly related to the lack of growth in the economy, he pointed out. Each additional 1 percent of unemployment increases food stamp program participation by 1 to 1.2 million persons while every 1 percent increase in the rate of inflation adds \$100 million to the program's costs, Peterson noted.

Participation in the program, which provides an average of 44 cents a meal for food, are already below the poverty line, Peterson told the subcommittee.

either because they have low incomes or because large numbers of dependents and high expenses for shelter and other necessities bring their net incomes below the official poverty level. In the light of those statistics, the Administration's claims that its proposed cuts in the program will not hurt the "truly poor" are "patently false," he declared.

Anyone fulfilling the strict income and asset eligibility requirements of the food stamp program

should be entitled to receive its benefits promptly, Peterson said. The proposed "retrospective accounting" system that would determine whether a person was eligible for food stamps based on past income rather than current need would lead to serious hardship, he said.

"Using this method for determining eligibility," Peterson pointed out, "would mean that a worker who has suffered a recent job loss or who has run out of unemployment insurance would have to suffer a period of several weeks with no income before being eligible for food stamps with which to feed his or her children."

This system would also penalize migrant workers and others with low, fluctuating incomes and could be used to deny food stamps to strikers and their families who would otherwise qualify on the same basis as other needy Americans, Peterson observed.

Although strikers account for only two-tenths of 1 percent of food stamp recipients, they are repeatedly singled out for attack, he noted.

The proposal to make families already getting food stamps mail in a monthly income report or face automatic loss of their benefits would be a "serious hardship" for the elderly, the blind or disabled, and people who speak no English or are functionally illiterate, he pointed out.

With inflation continuing to push up the costs of necessities such as shelter and fuel - a fact beyond the control of the poor - Peterson branded as unjust the Reagan Administration's proposal to drop the shelter and energy inflation adjustments from the formula for determining eligibility for food stamps.

He gave low marks to the Administration's plan to reduce food stamp benefits to all families with children enrolled in schools with subsidized lunch programs.

This proposal along would cut the amount of food stamps available to an estimated 43 percent of recipients, Peterson pointed out.

TURTLE-TALK



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