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## 7,000 March To Capitol To "Pray For Nation"

### 860,000 Are Living In Poverty

RALEIGH - So 330,000 households in North Carolina with approximately 860,000 people are living in poverty, according to a report just completed by the Center for Urban Affairs and Community Development at North Carolina State University or the State Department of Human Resources.

The report says that represents about 16 percent of the state's approximately 2 million households containing 5.8 million people.

"Even though this is a significant decrease from the 992,000 people or 20 percent of the state's population living in poverty in 1970. We in the Department of Human Resources are deeply concerned about the proposed federal funding cutsback in human services which will affect North Carolina's 'truly poor' citizens," said Secretary of Human Resources Dr. Sarah T. Morrow.

She emphasized that not only do many of these poor households have young children who need an adequate start in life, but that one-half of the households are headed by people who are 60 years of age or older.

The data in the report was collected through a Statewide Needs Assessment Project sponsored by the Department of Human Resources. The major objective of the project was to provide data to assist human services agencies in planning for the delivery of social services under the Title XX program.

The center used a stratified multi-stage sampling procedure to gather data from households. The final household selection was made using aerial photographs and road segments. Interviews were conducted by trained interviewers in the sample homes. Interviews were conducted in 4,600 households across the state between 1977 and 1981.



**YOUTHS WIN MARK CLARK AWARD**  
CHARLESTON, S.C. - Pat Mullins (left) and Cuellar Jamal Webb (right) of Charlotte received the coveted Mark Award August 1 during graduation exercises concluding the second 1981 session of The Citadel Summer Camp for Youth. The presentation was made by Major General James A. Grimsley Jr., president of The Citadel. The Mark Clark Award is presented on the basis of excellence in sports, physical fitness, tournaments, manners and attitude. Pat's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael P. Mullins, live at 2141 Halvord Place. Cuellar is the son of Ms. Addie W. Webb.

### Hot Sun Did Not Diminish Favor

Special To The Post  
WASHINGTON, D.C. - Seven thousand white-clad members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. marched six abreast down Pennsylvania Avenue to the steps of the U.S. Capitol here Sunday to offer prayers to the nation in an ecumenical service. The women, from virtually every state in the union, are here for the 36th national convention of the sorority, founded 68 years ago on the Howard University campus here. That same year, 1913, the 22 young women who founded Delta marched under their fledgling organization's banner, in the suffragette march for women's voting rights.

Sunday, two of the original 22, Winona Cargile Alexander, 89, of Jacksonville, Fla., and Bertha Pitts Campbell, of Seattle, attended the morning service at the Capitol.

Mrs. Campbell, 92, said, "It's a great and wonderful thing to be able to live and see what has happened after 68 years. God has blessed me." She smiled and added that none of the original founders ever thought Delta would grow to its present 100,000 members nationwide.

Days of hot sun did not diminish the fervor with which the massed Deltas joined in song and prayers for the nation Speaker after speaker paid homage to the two present Delta founders and the organization's longtime commitment to public service.

The D.C. Youth Orchestra, guest conducted by Dr. Joyce Brown, Broadway conductor of several hits, began the morning's impressive music. The D.C. Area Delta Choir, led by Carolyn Wilson, a Cardozo High School Teacher, delivered "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee," "Come Women Wide Proclaim," "Almighty God," "Are Ye Able, Said The Master," "This Little Light of Mine," and "I Don't Feel No-Ways Tired." National President Mona H. Bailey of Seattle, introduced the chief speaker, the Rev. Paul Murray, the first black woman ordained an Episcopal priest, and an honorary Delta.

"We have watched with growing apprehension over the past six months proposed radical changes in governmental policies, changes which portend the ruthless dismantling of humane politics built so painfully over the decades," Rev. Murray declared. "We feel the urgency to speak out."

The well known writer and social activist turned priest lashed out at budget cuts and tax policies set in motion in recent weeks by the Reagan Administration. Delta members include such prominent black women as Barbara Jordan, Patricia Roberts Harris, Shirley Chisholm, Nikki Giovanni, Leontyne Price and the late Mary McLeod Bethune.



**ANITA LOUISE DAWKINS**  
...Rising Harding senior

### Anita Dawkins Feels That Success Is Within Her Grasp

By Teresa Burns  
Post Staff Writer  
Success. It's something sought after by many and obtained by few. But our beauty, Anita Louise Dawkins, feels that success is within her grasp and all she has to do to capture it is reach out.

"My ambition in life is to become successful," she stated. "I would like to be a successful model."

As a rising 12th grader at Harding Senior High School, Ms. Dawkins shows an interest in various activities -- ones that will not only strengthen her modeling career but also strengthen her intellectually.

She enjoys jogging, cross stitching and listening to music especially jazz and reading.

### Dr. Lewis Upperman Brings Vast Experience To Area

Charlotte is gaining a new doctor.

Dr. Lewis M. Upperman, Naturopathic Physician will bring a vast amount of experience to the Charlotte area.

Upperman's career in medicine began when he was pre-med student at the University of Florence. From there he left and attended Great Lakes College of Physical Medicine in Cleveland, Ohio. After graduation Upperman spent several years practicing medicine at the Preston Clinic in Cleveland.

In 1963, Upperman traveled to Africa. While residing there he was appointed by the A.M.E. Bishop Madison Reid as visiting physician for the Voice of Africa Missions. Upperman also was assistant to a very prominent Norwegian surgeon, Dr. Olaf Bjorgass of the World Wide Mission of Basse Liberia.

Returning to the states in 1974 Upperman opened a practice in Ardmore, Oklahoma.

### TURTLE-TALK



All that I have seen teaches me to trust the Creator for all I have not seen.

Her favorite subject is English. "I read anything as long as its interesting. I enjoy exciting fiction books and certain parts of history," she remarked.

She is a member of Steele Creek Creek AME Zion Church where she is president of the youth group, president of the Junior Usher Board and a member of the Young Adult Choir. "I benefit from involvement in church," she announced. "Her plans following high school graduation include attending Winston-Salem State University. Her major, as of yet, has not been decided.

A Capricorn, Ms. Dawkins is a slightly shy person. "I enjoy being alone sometimes and at other times I am very outgoing."

The youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Dawkins, our beauty sites her oldest sister as her favorite person.

"Whenever I have a problem I can go to my sister, Johnnie Washington, and talk to her about it. She's older and has already been through many of the experiences I am going through now. She is able to give me some of the advice I am looking for."

Her favorite in the entertainment field is Al Jarreau. Stanley Clark and George Duke's tune, "It's You," has her fancy at the moment.

Anything our beauty enters she takes seriously. She was named the most outstanding Cadet in ROTC in the ninth grade and is still active at Harding in the ROTC. She was also a member of Project Aries last year.

In her seventeen year life span Ms. Dawkins has learned that, "You only have one life so live it right and enjoy it," she stated.

Her concerns stem to the less fortunate. "Nationally I would give the unfortunate kids a chance to see the real outside world and I would make sure that they all have enough to eat."

It won't be long before our beauty will complete high school and college and face the real world herself. No doubt, success will meet her half way.

By Susan Ellsworth  
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Born and raised in Charleston, S.C., Gantt was the first black to graduate from Clemson University.

Although he has interest in helping the community, Gantt lives in District 10 and does not run against incumbent Charlie Daniels in that district.

"I will not be Dannelly, I think a good job," Gantt intends to do.

### 72,700 Students To Return To Classroom

An estimated 72,700 students will be returning to the classroom on August 31 as the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System begins the 1981-82 school year. Of the 72,700 students expected to be enrolled during the first school month, 38,970 will be in elementary grades (K-6); 17,325 are expected to be junior high school students (grades 7-9); 16,040 will be in the system's senior high school (grades 10-12) and 356 will

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The lower cost plans generally contain less milk, meat, vegetables and fruit and more legumes, cereal, flour and bread than the plans with higher costs. Also, families on a lower cost plan usually need to select the less expensive foods within food groups -- ground beef rather than roast beef and bread instead of fancy rolls for example.

Detail of the four food plans are described in Home and Garden Bulletin No. 94, "Family Food Budgeting...for Good Meals and Good Nutrition." To get a copy, send a \$1.25 check or money order to Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.

### Workshops To Prevent Food Stamp Fraud

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In addition to staff members from the Food Assistance Section, a representative from the Attorney General's Office and the U.S. Department of Agriculture will make presentations at the workshops.

"County social services departments determine eligibility for food stamps and the amount of stamps households receive based on income and the number of people in the household. They have also increased their efforts to prevent and detect fraud," said Kerr.

### IS Classroom

In 1980, we had projected that 75,100 students would be enrolled during the first school month. The actual CMS is the 32nd school month. The actual public school system was 74,143 (39,893 elementary schools, 24; 16,785 senior high and high schools, 10 senior at the Metro Center).

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operates several special programs including Tended Day and the program for Excluded students.

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