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(L-R) William C. Rustin Jr., President of the N.C. Merchant's Association, Mrs. John V. Sutton, President of the N.C. Federation of Women's Club, Governor James B. Hunt Jr. and Kevin King, N.C. Student President of the Distributive Education Clubs of American (DECA), from Shoplifting Coalition.

Statewide Coalition Program To Prevent Shoplifting

Governor Hunt Tuesday announced a statewide program to decrease shoplifting in North Carolina. The program is a combined effort of Women's Clubs, North Carolina Merchants, Public Education and State Government.

Hunt said, "I want to personally commend Mrs. John V. Sutton, President of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, William C. Rustin Jr., President of the North Carolina Merchants' Association, and Kevin King, North Carolina Student

Ben Hooks Says

Reagan's Supply-Side Economics In Trouble?

"President Reagan's call for additional budget cuts is proof positive that his supply side economy is in trouble," NAACP Executive Director Benjamin L. Hooks said last week.

"President Reagan says his critics have not allowed enough time for these plans to work, since they do not go into effect until October 1st. It is obvious panic, caused by the knowledge that his plans are failing even before they go fully into effect. This is behind the President's desperate plea to the nation to help rescue his plan for tightening the belts of the needy, while loosening those of the greedy," he continued.

The NAACP official pointed out, "We of this organization knew at the onset President Reagan's budget plan would not work, and we fashioned a well-thought out 130-page alternative program entitled the 'NAACP's Alternative Budget Plan For Economic Recovery.'" This we believe more soundly addresses the nation's economic situation. We presented this plan at the White House in the spring to Vice President Bush. The Congressional Black Caucus also announced a more feasible budget plan. The Administration and much of the press chose to ignore both. We of the NAACP are in favor of lowering inflation, unemployment rates, interest

Post Increases Circulation Rates

THE CHARLOTTE POST, like every other business in the area, has experienced increased cost in the production of its weekly newspaper.

As a result, the POST will undergo a price increase in its single copy sales as well as its annual rates. Effective immediately, the POST will cost \$3.35 for a single copy and \$15 plus taxes for an annual subscription.

"We hope the public will understand the reasons for the price increases and will continue to support the CHARLOTTE POST as they have done through the years," POST Publisher Bill Johnson stated Monday.

Prejudice is nothing more than an outgrowth of ignorance.

TURTLE-TALK



Health Center Provides Needed Medical Services

Eight Seek At-Large Seats

Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, will provide a full slate of candidates, Republican and Democrats seeking at-large seats on City Council.

Only four candidates may be chosen from among the eight primary winners. Democrats Dave Berryhill, Harvey Gantt, Pat Patton and Herbert Spough Jr., will be pitted against Republicans Lee Roy Epps, Jim Hutchinson, Sue Myrick and Ed Peacock.

In the District race Charlie Dannelly and Ron Leeper, from districts two and three, respectively, are uncontested.

District 1 features Democrat Pam Patterson against Republican Marc Griffin; in District 4 there's a choice between Democrat Laura Frech or Republican Glen Fogel. Gabe Hartsell will vie for the District 5 seat against Republican Minette Trosch.

Democrat Ann Maxwell and Republican George Seiden will compete for a District 6 seat. Nell Fisher (Democrat) is running against Ralph McMillan in District 7.

Eddie Knox is assured another term as mayor since he has no Republican opponents.

Professional Secretaries To Meet Tuesday

The Metrolina Chapter of Professional Secretaries International will hold its regular meeting on October 20 at the Patriot Restaurant in the Ramada Inn Downtown, 600 S. Kings Drive at 6 p.m.

Ben Ruffin Challenges N.C. Central Students

Special To The Post

Taking advantage of every educational opportunity before them is the best way for black students to complete their mission, North Carolina Central University students were told today.

Ben Ruffin, special assistant to Governor James B. Hunt Jr., told the group they must not only obtain wisdom, but gain an understanding of the things going on around them.

"They must understand why Anwar Sadat was shot down like a dog," Ruffin said.

The world, he said, has lost one of its greatest leaders in Sadat.

"He was one of the most brilliant, articulate leaders the world has ever known," Ruffin said.

Ruffin, an alumnus of NCCU, serves as the primary link between the governor's office and the statewide minority population.

"It seems to me," Ruffin said, "that college students need all the wisdom they can get. If we don't understand what is going on around us, it is not any



ALLURING TONI LEWIS West Charlotte junior Toni Lewis Is Beauty Of Week

By Teresa Burns Post Staff Writer

Once bitten by that startle bug one cannot usually find an antidote. But in the case of Toni Lewis the only remedy she's seeking is success.

She recently turned 16 but her future has already been mapped out to include education, travel, excitement and ultimate stardom in some capacity.

An 11th grader at West Charlotte Senior High School, Ms. Lewis studies in the Open Program. She enjoys her work on articles, slogans and photography. She is also involved in graphics, studying music theory and acting.

"I plan to attend Berkeley College in California and study music or the arts. Then I would like to travel to New York and Europe to tour, dancing and playing the piano."

Born in Ahsokie, North Carolina, our beauty has lived in California and soaked in not only the sun but also the romantic air. She would often visit restaurants where well-known actors and actresses converged.

Being a Libra, Ms. Lewis is creative, balanced, even-tempered and humorous. "Have fun and do what you can while you can," is one phrase our beauty gives credence to.

There are so many interests that fascinate Ms. Lewis. In addition to acting, dancing and playing the piano, she is also involved in drawing, and sketching. She has designed logos, posters and even T-shirt designs. She has also modeled for the Channel 3's Carolina Camera.

She enjoys horseback riding, key chain collecting, badminton, working on song lyrics and listening to jazz and photography.

Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Emmanuel Stowe of Kannapolis. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis. She has one little brother also, Paul.

Michael Sadler, a close friend of hers is one of her favorite people. She also enjoys the musical punk-rock style of entertainer Prince.

Ms. Lewis is a young lady filled with the sort of innocence and freedom most of us only envy. Yet she is still aware of some of the more serious issues that face our country.

"I'm concerned about the energy crisis. I would like eventually to see everything converted into the sun power source and omit nuclear energy. I also disagree with legalizing abortion," she revealed.

Ms. Lewis is a composite of talent reaching for the stars, while the other half wishes to straighten and strengthen the weaknesses of society.

New Health Facilities Opens On Wilkinson Blvd.

By Teresa Burns Post Staff Writer

It's the side of town where the infant mortality rate is higher-fetal and neonatal deaths are elevating, there are more chronic diseases among the elderly, and teenage pregnancy is rampant.

If you had to guess which side of town this description fits would you guess the correct answer? - West of course, where most blacks live.

In addition the area which includes 20 census tracts of about 56,000 people was almost void of any health care facilities.

Thelma Council, a brilliant young lady with a master's degree in Health Administration, was hired by the concerned Black Charlotte Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Society in April of 1980 to survey and assess the 56,000 populous area. Her results were the startling conclusions in paragraph one.

When this information was officially documented, federal funds started rolling in from the Department of Health and Human Services, formerly HEW. The funds were the result of an application submitted by the Charlotte Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Society.

As a result of the funds architect Harvey Gantt was hired to renovate a building at 3333 Wilkinson Blvd. on the west side of town. The building, opened recently, offers much needed medical services.

Immunization for children, prenatal care, management of chronic diseases, physical examinations, hypertension, heart disease, diabetes, family planning, the common cold and flu will be treated. Some preventive dental services will also be provided.

Any ailment a general medical doctor can handle the center will handle also. The facility is 4,000 square feet. Anyone who lives in Charlotte-Mecklenburg is eligible for the services. But for financial aid one must be a resident of Charlotte.

Fees are placed on a sliding scale according to salary income and family size.

"Everyone applying for aid will need proof of income. They can bring a check stub, or a tax return. They must also bring proof of the number of children, such as a birth certificate," Ms. Council stated.

Ms. Council is now the directress of the center, known as the Metrolina Comprehensive Health Center, Inc. (MCHC).

One must call for an appointment. Two contract physicians are on duty but soon a full-time doctor will be on staff. A Licensed Practical Nurse and a family health worker are also employed at the center, according to Ms. Council.

Deborah Williamson is the family health worker. Her job, according to Ms. Council, is to inform the public concerning health care. "We hope that people will change - stop smoking

and drinking, change their eating habits and try to eat better," Ms. Council commented.

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"Our main goal," Ms. Council announced, "is to improve health care of the people who live in our target area. It will take a while for an impact to be made."

The Metrolina Comprehensive Health Center, Inc. has a board consisting of 13 members. These members make policies for the center and Ms. Council, as directress, carries out these policies.

The board members are: Dr. C. W. Williams, chairperson; Lula Wallace, vice chairperson; Walter Byers, secretary; Dr. John Murphy, treasurer; Hattie Harris; Eula McCain; Winifred McCullough; Rev. Reginald Durante; Sam Smith; Ivestia Beck with Helen Ward; Attorney Paul Hemphill; and Gregory Reid.

Mayor Knox Declares NAA Week

Mayor Knox along with the Charlotte Blue Chapter and Charlotte Gold Chapter is declaring National Association of Accountants Week. The Charlotte chapter began as one group in 1948 and split into the two current chapters in 1972.

The original chapter had 75 members who traveled to Charlotte from three states. The first meetings were held in the Mecklenburg Hotel with one of the first speakers being Coleman Andrews, Secretary of the Treasury.

As the members grew, it became difficult to find a meeting place. The membership had decreased due to the size of the chapter. Attendance had decreased as membership increased. It was decided in 1971 and officially declared in June, 1972 to have two chapters serving the Charlotte area.

Today, both chapters are highly successful and serve the business community and accounting profession in many ways. National Association of Accountants is the recognized educational source for the accounting profession and books over 95,000 members

Dr. Howard Wilson