Election '8

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Charlotte Area Fund are in

need of part-time or full-

time work to help them

They receive no stipend

through these programs

and many times have no

The assistance of the

community is needed at

this time to allow these

students to complete their

education so they may be-

come self-sufficient. Indi-

viduals in the community

can "lend a helping hand"

by calling the Charlotte

Area Fund when they have

odd jobs around the house or office that need atten-

Areas of interest would

be babysitting, raking of

leaves, washing cars or

other general chores and

Anyone desiring to assist

these students may contact

Connie Hilliard or Eileen

Dwyer at the Charlotte

The Senior Citizens'

Christmas Party will be

held at the Charlotte Coli-

seum on Thursday, Decem-

ber 8, from 10 a.m. until 2

p.m. Light refreshments

will be served and there

will be entertainment. Any-

one 65 years or older is

welcome to the party,

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want to volunteer to help

with the Senior Citizens'

Christmas Party, call

Area Fund, 372-3010.

Senior Citizens

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Many students completing their high school rePrice: 40 Cents



MRS. DAVID CLOUD ... Marriot employee

#### Mrs. Cloud's Ambition **Is To Return To College**

**By Teresa Simmons** Post Managing Editor ard to the time when blacks will have the opportunities for better jobs.

"We need to have an equal chance," our beauty began. "I'd also like to see the time when my children will encounter no race barriers; a time when everything will be equal and they will have a fair chance."

Mrs. Cloud, married to David Cloud, is the mother of three children: Nichole, Carlos and Jatana.

Presently an employee at Marriott, Mrs. Cloud has completed her Early Childhood Education certificate

The Annual Veterans

Day parade and program

to honor all veterans of all

wars, is scheduled to be

held Friday, November 11.

sponsored by The Meck-

lenburg County Veterans

Council and all veterans

groups of the county will

The parade will step off

promptly at 10 a.m. from

be County Service Center,

rade will travel up Tryon

St. to Trade, turn left at the

square and down to the

Court House lawn. The Grand Marshalls of this pa-

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e finds life worth

you make it

participate.

This annual event will be

Honors War Veterans

from Central Piedmont Community College. Her lege for one and a half Gail Cloud is looking for- ambition is to return to college and obtain her degree in teaching.

"I would like to some day open a day care center. It provides a one to one training for the children. I've worked in day care centers and I was an aid at the St. Ann's Catholic School and I know that teaching young children is something that I want to do."

"I want to be the best in the things I pursue," she continued

A graduate of West Mecklenburg High School and a student at Central Piedmont Community Col-Veterans' Day Parade

rade will be the Gold Star

Families of Mecklenburg

Her favorite people are

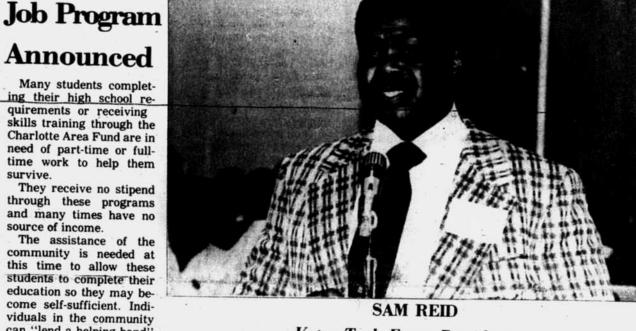
of our lives."

and seems to have the purpose. Mrs. Cloud is

years, Mrs. Cloud has also bies like softball and sewing. At Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church she sings on the Adult Choir and she considers Eddie Murphy her favorite en-

her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wilson. "They are quite understanding and we share a special kind of love. They have given us so much in different aspects

An easy going person Mrs. Cloud smiles quickly ability to talk comfortably with anyone. Her enjoyment in life can be attributed to the love for her family and the goals she has set for herself. For happiness one must have both the special love and a blessed to have both.



Culp: Tuesday's Election

To Create Excitement

....Voter Task Force President

Along The Campaign Trail

#### Voter Task Force To Offer Free Rides To The Polls

**By Karen Parker** Post Staff Writer

Don Baker, a member of the Voter Task Force recently announced the nonpartisan organization will sponsor free rides to the polls November 8.

According to Baker, this year's election is generating interest and the Voter Task Force doesn't want anyone to miss expressing their views simply because they had no way to get to the polls. "If anyone needs a ride they should call 376-3972," Baker informed. The hours to call are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. On Saturdays callers should telephone between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Calls will be accepted on election day

Baker emphasized the purpose of the organization is not to influence anyone's vote. "Our purpose is to get people interested in the political process," he assured. The only information which must be provided for a ride to the polls is the home address and the time which the voter would like to go to the polls. Sam Reid is the president of the Voter Task Force.

Charlie Dannelly and Daryl McCall will meet the public at a forum to be held at Memorial Presbyterian Church, 2600 Beatties Ford Road, November 3.

Danelly and McCall are city council candidates for District 2. Dannelly is an incumbent. The forum which will allow the audience to ask questions of the politicians will be held 7-8:30 p.m. It is sponsored by the League of Women Voters. A spokesperson for the League mentioned the forum is being sponsored to 'encourage people to become informed about the qualifications of the can-

Each candidate will make an introductory statement, and then respond to the questions. For more information about the forum, contact Anna Hood,

The League of Women Voters will also sponsor a televised debate between mayoral candidates Harvey Gantt (D) and Ed Peacock (R). The League has asked The Charlotte Post, The Charlotte Observer, WAYS Radio and WSOC-TV to provide a panelist for the 6-7 p.m. debate which can be seen on Channel 9. Bill Walker. anchor at the station, will be the moderator. The de-

bate will be held November 6, and aired live at Spirit Square.

Cam Keyser, an unsuccessful hopeful in the atlarge city council primaries apparently has good sportsmanship. In a letter to the press which Keyser wrote on letterhead paper promoting his campaign was the following message: "Since I lost the election (this time), I needed to get rid of all this leftover stationery somehow ..... Attached you'll find some information on the annual craft bazaar my wife and several professional associates stage each year. I hope you will utilize it and help us spread the word about this unique craft sale.

In closing, Keyser wrote: "P.S. It is not true-the rumor that this sale is really a "front" for me to help pay off campaign debts! Nor is it true that we intend to use the proceeds to fund another run for Charlotte City Council in 1985...although that IS a thought....Hmmmmm."

Eddie Knox is on the road again, making campaign stops all along the state as he seeks election for governor. Knox will be the keynote speaker Friday at North Carolina State University's Crime Prevention Public Housing Confer-

Saturday, beginning at 9:30 a.m., Knox will be in Wilmington for a Kiwanis' Pancake Breakfast. Following the breakfast Knox will have brunch at the Wilmington Hotel and then just two hours later is expected to attend a Pig Pickin' at Hugh McRay

Sunday, Knox will return to Charlotte for an Ameri-See VOTERS On Page 5B

#### **Election** To Attract 85,000

By Karen Parker

Post Staff Writer History shouldn't repeat itself at the city and county elections Tuesday, if elections supervisor Bill Culp has reported accurate turnout statistics.

The primaries in September attracted a disappointing 15 percent of all registered voters. However, the general election. according to Culp, should draw at least 50 percent of all voters who are registered. "It's no question the turnout will be much higher than it was during the primaries," Culp insisted. In fact he estimated the voter assemble will be three times higher

"Of course 50 percent still isn't high compared to the large number of people who vote in the presidential elections," he added. Making statistical predictions get tougher for Culp when he attempts to categorize them in Party affiliations. Nevertheless. the latest research at the elections office illustrate 50,000 Democrats and 25,000 Republicans will

probably show at the polls. What's so exciting about this year's election to bring voters scampering to the 88 polls in the city and the 111 polls in the county? The mayoral race primarily Harvey Gantt, (Mayor.pro tem) and Ed Peacock have spent many hours shaking hands and expressing views. Though one cand date is black and the other white, both candidates have agreed on one thing

tor, not race. Even city council candidates admit the mayoral race has stirred some excitement which in turn brings more people out to cast their opinions on city council seats as well. At large candidates include Bob Davis, Ed Harris, Herbert Spaugh and Willie Stratford; all Democrats. Spaugh is the only incumbent among the at-large

throughout the campaign-

issues should be the fac-

Democratic candidates. The at-large Republican candidates are incumbent Minnette Trosch, Sue Myrick, Richard Vinroot and Jim Hutchinson.

Of the seven districts, five of them have contenders. In District 1, the race is between Pamella Patterson and Mary Boggus. Incumbent Charlie Dannelly will take on Daryl McCall in District 2. Incumbent Ron Leeper has expressed little worry about his opponent James Soukup in District 3; however, the outcome of the race between Evan Webster and Vellva Woollen is highly anticipated. District See CULP On Page 17B

## Mrs. Ruby Clark: "I'll Never Stop Until I Prove Myself Innocent!"

By Lori Grier Post Staff Writer

Things looked grim for Mrs. Ruby Clark in 1979 after her dismissal from Lance, Inc. left her unable to collect unemployment compensation, secure a job or purchase a home in the Windsong Trails or Pine Valley developments. She estimated losing \$65,000 in 1979 alone for salary, retirement benefits, and family and medical insur-

The 10 year employee at Lance where she was supervisor of management charged the company with women and blacks. She sued Lance for \$1.5 million in lost wages and

punitive damages. "They offered me \$1,700 to settle out of court. Why offer me anything, if



...Loses discrimination suit they're not guilty," replied

Clark said she complained to the department heads of inadequate amounts of supplies, insufficient employees to accomplish the assignments and racial and sex discrimination.

Subsequent to my complaints, I did not get any assistance; I was expected by Lance officials to get the work done with less than the number of employees hired to do the job," she explained in her affidavit.

In 1979 Mrs. Clark said she was terminated for negligence. Her record reportedly showed dismissal for "insubordination and continuing to perform duties in a negligent manner despite previous warnings and instruction." She said she was not recom-

mended for reemployment.
"I was terminated without any warning by coofficials which was not according to Lance policy," she complained.

Lance allegedly has responded that Mrs. Clark failed to attend three supervisor meetings and

claimed they caution only "rank and file employees." No step-by-step discipline procedure exists for supervisors;" they said, so the supervisor could simply be eliminated without advance notice.

She additionally charged the company with upholding segregated job classification in promotion and shift assignments.

Her non-jury court case was pending before Judge James McMillian in the U.S. District Court, originally scheduled for August, 1981, but was delayed "due to a case backlog." She and her Attorney Karen Mashburn finally got their case brought to court on December 14, 1982. It had been transferred to Judge Robert Potter.

Today, things are no See MRS. On Page 5