

# THE BETTER WE KNOW US ...

**BURLINGTON:** Rev. Richard W. Styles serves the community of Burlington in a peaceful, orderly and composed manner. He has been serving First Baptist Church in Burlington, N.C., since 1973. Under his quiet leadership, First Baptist Church has grown physically, spiritually, as well as, financially.

Rev. Styles has raised his congregation to a large number with the vast majority consisting of youth. The youths interest in the church and community stems from various activities offered by the church. "Youth Day", "Youth Revival", "Food Bank", "Clothing Closet", and "Meals on Wheels" are a few of the programs offered by the church.

"Youth Day" occurs every second and fourth Sundays of each month. On these Sundays, the youth conduct the opening morning worship service. "Youth Revival" is held one week, yearly. During this revival others are invited to worship with the youth of First Baptist. "Food Bank" is a program that furnishes food to anyone who needs assistance. The "Clothing Closet" is an operation that provides clothing for needy persons. "Meals on Wheels" is an organization that travels throughout the black community of Burlington distributing balanced meals to elderly persons. First Baptist also offers a Day Care Center and Kindergarten service for the younger members of the commun-

ity. This program accepts children from the age of 2 to the age of 6. Working parents having children in elementary schools, up to the age of 9, can enroll these children in First Baptist's after-school program.

Rev. Styles states, "The program is established to introduce the children to cultural activities they will face in the forthcoming years of school."

Rev. Styles strives to meet the needs of his church and community; especially, the ones he is aware of and some that are imprinted into the Black ethnic background. Racial problems among the youth is an issue that concerns him.

First Baptist is represented on the Burlington Human Relations Council

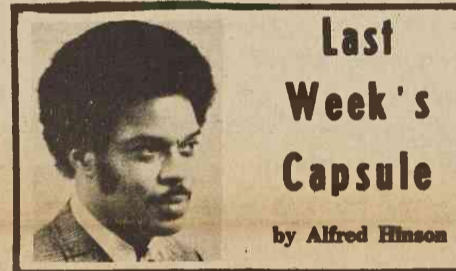
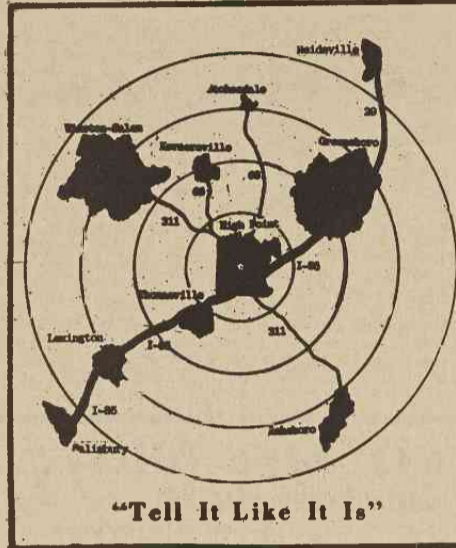
which consist of both black and white youth. These youth work closely together for better communications. The Human Relations Council is broken down into several small committees in an attempt to meet various problems that arise concurrently. Every problem that is brought to the committees gets that committee's utmost consideration.

Rev. Styles is pleased with the achievements that both black and white youth have accomplished. He encourages them to face any problem that may arise-together.

First Baptist Church has grown under the strength of the Lord, along with the continued hard work of Rev. Styles. Even so, Rev. Styles feels that there is much more work to be done.



REVEREND RICHARD W. STYLES



## Last Week's Capsule

by Alfred Hinson

### NATIONAL

Most of the 950,000, plus, recent college graduates are facing a tighter job market than was probably expected. "A great number of firms seriously underestimated the force of the economic decline," said Frank S. Endicott, retired director of placement at Northwestern University.

Though the present job market is said to be improving, many of the 1975 college grads will find themselves competing with high school graduates for those few jobs that are available.

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Sen. Edward M. Kennedy called Vice President Nelson Rockefeller irresponsible for implying that his brothers could have been linked to the CIA assassination plots. He stated that since Rockefeller failed to do his duty on the issue, Rockefeller should have the decency to be silent while the Senate investigating committee and others do the job he was to do.

Rockefeller said on NBC's "Meet the Press", "I think it's fair to say that no major undertakings by the CIA were done without either knowledge and/or approval of the White House."

### STATE

All persons who are eligible to receive a refund from the North Carolina Department of Revenue should have received a check by now, according to Revenue Commissioner Howard Coble.

The only people not receiving their refund by June 30, will be those persons who filed late returns, persons given extensions, or persons whose return was audited.

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Members of the State Senate recently denied residents of North Carolina an opportunity to express themselves relative to repeal of the sales tax on food. In a contradictory move, the Senate did approve a \$500,000 expenditure designed to give people a chance to vote in the presidential primary.

It seems that it would be economically expedient to have people vote on the food tax issue now, as opposed to later. Would this not be cheaper for the tax-payer? Would this not let senators and other politicians know how North Carolinians feel about the food tax? Why wait to later - if at all?

There is no way that a political figure can be representative of the people if he does not know how the people feel. It's sad when our elected officials show more concern for national issues as opposed to the needs of the state citizenry.

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Residents of High Point can look out for a 20 per cent increase in electricity rates on July 1.

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Local real estate dealers in Greensboro have been accused of racial steering and blockbusting in the Woodlea and Woodlea Lakes area. Concerned citizens of the areas told

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SAYS ANDREW YOUNG

## We All Have Something In Common

by Albert A. Campbell

**GREENSBORO** --When Congressman Richardson Preyer began introducing Congressman Andrew Young at the First Annual Piedmont Spring Banquet, he quickly informed the audience that Young was first a member of the cloth which enabled him to add a very special dimension to Washington.

Congressman Preyer went on to say that the Piedmont Banquet goes further than just raising money. He said that the invitation of Congressman Young (a Black) was indicative that we're all democrats.

Preyer stated that political freedom cannot prevail where conscious remains silent.

In giving praise to Congressman Young, Preyer said that Young had "Paid his dues." "Additionally," Preyer said, "Young's ministry has helped him to better relate to the problems of the people."

After receiving a standing



ovation, Congressman Young balanced his address with two key points: (1) "Where there is unity, there is victory," and (2) "No color on votes; a vote is a vote is a vote."

Congressman Young talked about many of the issues confronting the Congress, but he stressed the importance of morals as opposed to military might. He said this country's might is in our human resources and that we must reorganize our concepts of



life. Further explaining his point, he stated that the leaders of this country can no longer fail to teach the people.

"Good will," he said, "is better done through our churches and not the government. "We can make friends with other nations through food rather than with guns."

As he went on stressing the need for unity, Young said that the Blacks and

Whites of this country must recognize that our problems are no different, and because of that, we must begin working together instead of working against each other. He said, "We, especially in the south, have so much in common."

Congressman Young further stated, "This is not the year for protest politics." "Get behind your candidate and work for his election."

The First Annual Piedmont Spring Banquet, a major fund-raising event held by the Democratic Party, and hosted by Guilford County. Ms. Alfreda Webb, First Vice Chairman of the State Democratic Executive Council and Ms. Jane Patterson, Guilford County Democrat Chairman were co-chairmen for the affair.

## Power House Anniversary

by Miller Carter, Jr.,

**GREENSBORO** -- On June 22, The Power House of Deliverance of Greensboro, celebrated its first anniversary of singing and service to its church and community. This powerful and melodious choir of 95 members really celebrated; not only for the singing that they had done, but for the accomplishments that they had achieved in the past year. During the service, Mrs. Josephine Bass, the president of the choir, commented, "This is not the first year that the choir has been singing, but this is the first anniversary program the choir has ever had."

After the choir's processional, the pastor of Power House, the Rev. J. H. Covington; the Rev. Charles Tate, junior pastor; and the Rev. Kenneth Bacon, the evangelist for the week prior to the anniversary, gave great praise for the work the choir had accomplished and extended their best wishes for future success.

Starting off the celebration were two selections by the Power House choir. The two guest choirs then continued the anniversary celebration with other selections. The guest choirs included New Calvary Youth Choir and the True Holiness Church choir, both of Greensboro.

To highlight the evening and to prove that the Power House Choir members were hard workers and truly sincere to their church, trophies were given to the male and female of the choir who turned in the most money. Taking these awards were Mrs. Marie Whitaker, Miss Audrey Gorge and Mr. Willie Capers; Queen, Runner-Up and King of the Gospel Choir, respectively.

The money that was turned in was not exactly "small change". The "King", Willie Capers, turned in \$100.00, and both the "Queen" and runner-up turned in over \$500.00. Each. Only a few dollars separated the queen

and the runner-up. Not only did these three people turn in large amounts of money, each member of the choir turned in money. Each member of the choir was to turn in at least \$100. Although each worker didn't reach his/her goal, there was a surprisingly large number that did.

The entire anniversary proves that this group of young people do care for their church and community. Even though times are hard and money is tight, the Power House of Deliverance showed that with their trust in the Lord, they could do anything.

## To Serve On Task Force

**RALEIGH** - Dr. Prezell R. Robinson, president, Saint Augustine's College, Raleigh, N.C., has been invited to serve as a member of the Task Force of the Education Commission of the States on State, Institutional and Federal Responsibilities in Providing Postsecondary Educational Opportunity to Service Personnel. The invitation came from the Honorable Arch A. Moore Jr., Governor, State of West Virginia, and chairman, Education Commission of the States.

The results of the task force are expected to be of

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