

Seek Answers To Strengthen Our Industrial World

QUESTION: In View of Rising Costs For Higher Education, And The Demands For Skilled Labor, Is It Unjust To Deny Masses Of Students Diversified Career Skills Or Trade Training In The Public Schools, Beginning (For Guidance Purposes) With The Elementary Schools? Please React In The Affirmative Or Negative.

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Retired School Principal

I believe that man must become more productive if he expects to survive. There is scarcity on all fronts - energy, fresh air, food, water, jobs, money, housing, wholesome recreation and much more. The survival of the fittest is rapidly becoming the human watchword. And whose responsibility is it to grow this crop of "fittest" human beings? May we begin with the home and the schools. Homes provide the school population - the good, the bad and the indifferent. The school then has the dubious task of leading these individuals into paths of useful citizenship, of useful citizen who performs satisfactorily in society. Schools may be willing and eager to shape the youth committed to their guidance into individuals with wholesome life styles, but if the curriculum offerings are so limited that the wide variety of needs are not met, pupils will not remain in school and society will be forced to absorb persons with no preparation to cope.

Consider the thousands of youths in North Carolina who for a variety of reasons become high school drop-outs and the additional thousands who are awarded high school diplomas, but never enter college. These persons could be better prepared to use their full potential as productive members of society if more emphasis had been placed on training their hands with their heads and hearts.

This special training should not be assigned to separate outside institutions; it should be a more integral part of the regular public school program. My plea is for the inclusion of courses in the regular junior and senior high (See TO STRENGTHEN, P. 2)



MRS. NORA E. LOCKHART



CHILD INJURED IN RALEIGH FIRE — A 4-year-old child was treated at Wake Medical Center for smoke inhalation resulting from a fire, which occurred at 682 Coleman St. on Tuesday, March 1. Raleigh firemen say the fire started when a lit cigarette ignited a sofa and spread throughout the duplex building. The apartment was rented to Ms. Patricia Brown. Damage estimates were not available at CAROLINIAN press time.

You Are Revolution: Rep. Burke

U.S. Rep. Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, speaking at St. Augustine's College, on Thursday, Feb. 24, challenged the students to be creative, competitive, and, most importantly, determined in their pursuit of an education and academic excellence. "You cannot afford to sleep through this revolution because you are the revolution," she said. She had returned to Washington Irving's story of Rip Van Winkle, who slept 20 years - sleeping through a revolution.

Rep. Burke said that one of the greatest liabilities of our generation is that too many people find themselves sleeping through great periods of social change. They fail to achieve the mental attitudes that the new conditions and situations demand. "Can black colleges prepare future generations of young blacks to live and work in a pluralistic society, with ever changing political and economic complexities?" she asked, and answered "unambiguously yes." "For even today as blacks advance to post-secondary education, black colleges still provide the only true bridge between a debilitating rural or inner-city life and the opportunity for general improvement in the black economic condition."

She stated that, as late as 1975, 85 percent of all black physicians, 80 percent of black federal judges, 75 percent of black lawyers and military (See REP. BURKE, P. 2)

2 Receive Awards Of The RCRC

Bishop E. M. Lawson, operator of the Emergency Home for Families, at 1000 Mark St., was given a citizenship award by the Raleigh Community Relations Commission Monday night at Grace Lutheran Church. Her present forte is helping the homeless, the thrown out or the burned out in a word - the homeless.

Also honored at the same time was Police Officer Michael Longmire, whose compassion for needy families found expression in aiding needy families to secure fuel and organizing tenant groups for crime prevention and improving relations between police and community. These awards bespeak the alertness of the commission in noting the varied improvement in community life and adding its blessings thereto.

Washington Mayor Is Charged In Contempt

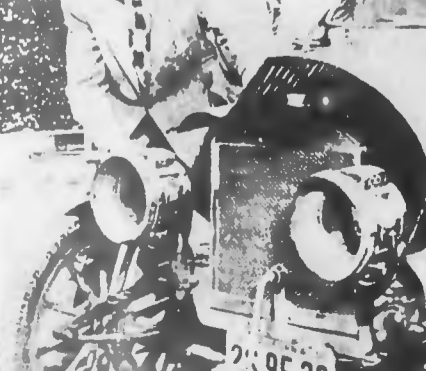
WASHINGTON, D.C. — Mayor Walter E. Washington and four Department of Human Resources officials, including suspended director Joseph P. Yeldell, were found in contempt of court recently for failing to process welfare applications on time as ordered two years ago. U.S. District Court Judge Aubrey E. Robinson imposed no immediate penalties against the city officials. Instead, he ordered them to set a deadline to have the current backlog of 900 pending welfare applications processed. The judge warned that failure to clean up the backlog in a timely and proper fashion "will put them (officials) in D.C. jail, and I don't mean just the bosses" of the human resources department.

Heart Attack Fatal To Eddie Anderson

HOLLYWOOD, Calif. — Eddie Anderson is dead at the age of 71. Even though he was born in Oakland, Calif., Anderson, known to the theatrical world as Rochester, was at home all over America because he made his way into the hearts of Americans by being able to outwit Jack Benny.

In the early years, he played many of the top houses and like many of his race, floated along. When he began playing New York's Apollo and Washington's Howard Theatres, he had very little success. It was from the Washington-based theatre that he skyrocketed to fame.

Shep Allen, the manager of the Howard, tells the story of how he put Rochester in the right place at the right time. He says that Benny was playing a downtown house



AT HEIGHT OF HIS CAREER — Woodland Hills, Calif. — Gruff-voiced Eddie "Rochester" Anderson, who gained fame as Jack Benny's television butler, died at the Motion Picture and Television Hospital Feb. 28, where he had been under treatment for a heart condition since December. Anderson made his show business debut at the age of 14 in an all-black revue and later appeared in vaudeville with his older brother, Cornelius. Benny and Anderson in this 1951 photo are preparing to introduce the famous Benny "Maxwell" on the Jack Benny TV program. (UPI)

Johnson Gets Dope Term

For "Failing To Obey Direct Order" **Ms. Little Charged Again** **Alleged "User" Testifies**

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During One-Sided Shootout **First In History**

Navy Honors Midshipman

Annapolis Chamber Salutes

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — A black Naval Academy student has been named the U.S. Naval Academy's "Midshipman of the Year" for 1976 by the Annapolis Chamber of Commerce.

Educator Honored In Orange

Mrs. Cecelia "Pinky" Davis was awarded the Outstanding Educator's Award, which was presented to her at an awards banquet, sponsored by the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Jr. Chamber of Commerce in Chapel Hill last week. This award resulted from the recommendations of school administrators, teachers and citizens of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro community. Many favorable comments were made at this presentation regarding Mrs. Davis' outstanding contributions.



MRS. CECILIA DAVIS



ACCEPTS SOUTHERN DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY — Left: Coach Harvey Heartley, receives for the St. Aug's Falcons, the Southern Division championship trophy, presented by Coach Bobby Vaughns of Elizabeth City. The presentation was made Saturday night, following the 32nd annual CCAA Basketball Tournament, held at Hampton, Va., Feb. 24-26. (See sports pages for story).

Ms. Little's Work Plans May Suffer

Miss JoAnne Little has again been charged with violation, of prison rules which she says are aimed at preventing her from being assigned for work release. Prison officials would not discuss the violation, but denied the charge. Ms. Little has filed a grievance protesting the latest charge.

Miss Little is serving a 7 to 10 year sentence for a breaking and entering conviction. She says that her 1976 acquittal of a charge of murder of jailer Clarence Alligood who allegedly sexually assaulted her, is resented by some prison officials who now charge her with intransigence of prison rules. She also claims that her most recent charges for "disobeying a direct order" and "perform-

NC Woman Celebrates 101st Year

REX, N.C. — When one lives to be 100 years old, there is need for celebration, but when one lives to be 101 years old, there is need for more celebration. That is what happened here on Feb. 28, when Mrs. Fabbie McEachern celebrated such an eventful occasion. Relatives, friends and well-wishers were on hand to help her celebrate.

She was born Feb. 18, 1876, in St. Pauls. She married John McEachern and moved here where they began a farm. He preceded her in death, but she has remained, enjoying the fruits of their labors. Her most interesting story is not about "Roots," but about how she enjoyed raising 7 children and helping with the (See 101st YEAR, P. 2)

Appreciation Money **SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEK** **KAR PARTS, INC.** "FOR COMPLETE AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE"

Man, 25, Accused In Death

LILLINGTON — The all-black Shawtown community, south of this Harnett County seat, was the scene of a shootout shortly after midnight Saturday in which a 29-year-old off-duty police officer from nearby Sanford was shot to death. Police have charged a 25-year-old area man with the pistol murder. The policeman was reportedly shot before he had drawn a weapon.

Raleigh Family Is Upset

A black Raleigh family of 6 members, living in the predominantly white Northwest section, has been victimized by what appears to be some prankster-minded youths, it believes, following the painting of the letters "KKK" and "Knights of Columbus" on their door sometime before last Saturday night. The letters KKK are known as symbols of the Ku Klux Klan.

US Blacks Denounce Idi Amin

NEW YORK, N.Y. — Eight American leaders have denounced Ugandan President Idi Amin in a letter published in the Feb. 23 New York Times. They declared that they were "outraged by the violations of human rights and the murders committed by President Idi Amin Dada of Uganda. Neither the character nor quality of oppression is altered when it is a black tyrant who is killing other blacks."

The letter described Amin's 6-year rule in Uganda as "a series of savage incidents demonstrating a total con-



PROFILES OF IDI AMIN — Idi Amin Dada Oumee was born around 1925 and was a fourth grade dropout. His military career got a boost when he pocketed gold and ivory he was supposed to use to buy arms for rebels fighting Congo leader Joseph Mobutu. He struck for power in Uganda in coup six years ago and since has instituted a reign of terror brutal even beyond African standards. For years most of the world laughed at him as insane. But as one British writer put it, "to dismiss him as plain crazy is to underestimate his calculated terror." Three views of Amin: At press conference in 1976 (upper right); in an air force uniform bedecked with medals (bottom right) in 1975; and celebrating his 7th year in power with a bit of ceremonial dance (left) in January, 1977. (UPI)