

# Winters May Quit Senate

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In State Elks' King, Queen Contest

## Raleigh Woman Winner

## Several May Seek Position

BY WILLIE WHITE  
Staff Writer

State Senator John W. Winters said Wednesday morning that he asked the Carter Administration not to consider him for any possible ambassador appointments because he wishes to serve his state more directly through the N.C. Utilities Commission. He was nominated by Gov. Jim Hunt on Friday, according to the Governor's office.

The nomination, however, has created a possible problem for the black community as it relates to filling Winters' senate seat with another black public official.

Ms. V. P. Stephenson, one of the two Wake County representatives on the Democratic



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Mystery Shrouds Death As Black

# Muslim Kills Self

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3,000 Expected Here Friday

## City Welcomes Shriners

### Man, 28, Buried In Durham

DURHAM — Even though the funeral was held Thursday, April 28, for Alfred Joseph (Bleak) Alston, 28, who was reported to come to his death by his own hands, here on Saturday, April 24, there are still some unanswered questions about his death. He reportedly shot himself in the head.

He is said to have had an interchangeable experience in his religious convictions. He was the son of Joseph and Fieta Alston, born Dec. 2, 1949 and attended the Pearsontown Elementary School. He graduated from Jordan High in 1968, also attended Durham Technical Institute and N.C. Central University. He attended St. Mark AME Zion Sunday School and made an enviable record as a Boy Scout.

It was reported that he joined Emmanuel AME Church and later embraced the Muslim faith. There was some hint or rumor that his death could have been the result of some misunderstanding in his adopted religious connection.

He was a member of a prominent family, with connections in both Durham and Chatham County. He married (See KILLS SELF, P. 2)



NOBLE L. L. MELTON



DGTR. ANITA C. ADAMS

### Gala Day Will Be Colorful

BY NOBLE J. B. ALLEN

Prince Hall Shriners from throughout North Carolina will converge upon Raleigh during the weekend of May 5, 6 and 7 to celebrate their annual Gala Day festivities, also to honor Imperial Potentate L. L. Melton of Beaumont, Texas.

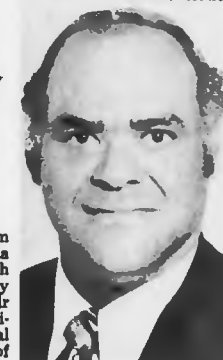
This state and national nonprofit, charitable, fraternal organization has, in past years, attracted as many as 25,000 Nobles and Daughters of Isis. The organization has Shrine Temples located in many foreign countries where servicemen are stationed. The most recently organized foreign country to acquire a Temple is the Bahamas (Nassau).

With a membership of approximately 25,000 black Prince Hall Shriners throughout the nation and abroad, "We are proud to tell the world who we are, and what we have done to deserve the right to wear the Red Fez - how we had to fight in the highest courts to operate as Shriners and to give account of our charitable and social accomplishments throughout our history." Imperial Potentate Melton recently stated.

The Desert of North Carolina is composed of 14 black Temples and Courts of the Daughters of Isis, the latter being the female auxiliary of the Shriners. Kabala Temple No. 177 will host the 1977 Gala Day which will be highlighted by a full program of business, lunches, a parade and social (See NC SHRINERS, P. 2)

### Journalists Could Be Questioned

National Black News Service WASHINGTON, D.C. — A leading member of the House Assassinations Committee believes some reporters are deliberately undermining the investigation into the murders of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and President John F. Kennedy. Rep. Walter Fauntroy (D-D.C.) hinted that the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) (See JOURNALISTS, P. 2)



SEN. JOHN W. WINTERS ...may resign from Senate

Party Committee responsible for naming a successor to Winters, said Wednesday morning that the black community seems very fragmented on a possible successor.

"I have close ties with the black community and I want to do what is right," Ms. Stephenson said. But she noted that (See WINTERS, P. 2)

### Federal Welfare Finance?

National Black News Service NEW YORK — A group of 131 business executives recently petitioned President Carter and Congress for complete federal financing of welfare and reform of the system, according to an Associated Press report.

The businessmen's statement was issued a day after the Senate Democratic leader, Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia, informed President Carter that the Senate would not be able to consider welfare reform at this session because it would be preoccupied with the President's energy program.

The petition was started by the Businessmen's Committee for the Federalization of Welfare, organized by Morris D. Crawford, Jr., chairman of the Bowery Savings Bank; William E. Ellinghouse, vice chairman of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co., and Andrew Heiskell, chairman of Time Inc., the article said.



ETHIOPIANS DEMONSTRATE — Addis Ababa — Peasants in Addis Ababa for May Day observation rush through the streets bearing flags and armed with clubs on their way to hear strongman Mengistu Haile Mariam exhort them into wiping out anti-government opposition. Diplomatic sources said as many as 500 students and young people have been killed by troops and peasants in one of the bloodiest incidents since the takeover by the Marxist military government. (UPI)

### Minority Seminars Now Held

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The second of 6 regional seminars, sponsored by the National Business League and the Office of Minority Business Enterprise will be held May 5 and 6, in New Orleans, La. The conferences focus on methods to increase business with majority firms. April's premier seminar conducted at MIT in Cambridge was attended by representatives of 125 black, Oriental and Hispanic businesses from New England and beyond. Attendees ranged from local grocers and druggists to electronic firm presidents, as well as students from business schools in the area.

According to Dr. Berkeley Burrell, president of NBL, seminar participants focused (See SEMINARS, P. 2)

### War On Violence Declared

National Black News Service NEW YORK, N.Y. — New York City Mayor Abraham Beame and district attorneys from four of the city's five boroughs recently declared war on violent crime in their city, popularly known as the "Big Apple." The officials said that rape, murder, robbery, street mugging and crimes against the elderly are the specific targets of a \$4-point, \$4.35 million program to step up prosecution of serious crimes.

Mayor Beame said at a City Hall news conference, "We're attacking the problem on every front; more cops on the street, more district attorneys in the courtroom, more judges on the bench and more guards in the prisons."

The mayor explained that the money will be put into manpower and the hiring of some 48 additional assistant district attorneys. He said also that funds have been allotted to the five boroughs by common agreement, after joint conferences on crime, needs, and budget proposals.

The mayor stressed that the money was not for police work, but for prosecution, with emphasis on violent street (See WAR ON, P. 2)



MS. LITTLE GETS A JOB HERE — Raleigh — Ms. JeAnne Little (R), the 22-year-old woman acquitted 18 months ago in the ice-pick slaying of her white jailer, receives instructions from dental assistant, Mrs. Sarah Barbour, Monday, on how to sterilize equipment during Ms. Little's first day on the job at a local dentist's office. It was Ms. Little's first taste of freedom in 18 months as a participant in the work-release program at the Women's Correctional Center in Raleigh where she is serving a 7-year term for breaking and entering. (UPI)

### Jordan Says Energy Package Hurts Poor

NEW YORK, N.Y. — Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., executive director of the National Urban League, last week made the following statement on President Jimmy Carter's energy proposal:

"President Carter's energy proposal is a long overdue attempt to deal with the energy crisis, but it is alarmingly vague on steps to cushion low income families from the (See V. JORDAN, P. 2)

### School Chief Defends His Stand On Busing

NEW YORK — New York State Education Commissioner Ewold Nyquist recently defended his decision not to send white students into a virtually all-minority high school in Queens, Long Island, because it would disrupt integration efforts at other schools in the district.

Nyquist's defense came as he testified at the second day of a trial in U.S. District Court in Brooklyn in which the NAACP is seeking to force the city to integrate Andrew Jackson High School in Cambria Heights.

In December, 1975, Nyquist ordered white students to be bused into the 3,000-student school, which has a 99 percent minority enrollment. But he rescinded that order last May.



ALFRED J. ALSTON

### FBI Has Careers For Grads

The Federal Bureau of Investigation investigates violations of many different laws of the United States, and is also responsible for protecting the security of our country. FBI Special Agents perform the investigative work, but they need the help of many other employees, such as clerks, typists, stenographers, fingerprint technicians, and others. Each employee plays a vital part in the important and interesting work of the FBI.

Both men and women, who are high school graduates, are eligible for these jobs which are available at FBI Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Qualified high school seniors who submit applications early (See FBI HAS, P. 2)

### Mrs. Lillie Turner Cited In Durham

DURHAM — The "King and Queen" contest, one of the special events of the annual meet of the N.C. State Association of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World, was won by Mrs. Lillie Turner, Raleigh, and Lee Simmons, Kinston, at the Charity Ball, held last Tuesday night in Durham's Civic Center.

It was styled as the crowning event of the 57th annual meet of the "Daughters and Bills." It is a time of social enjoyment and yet is used to enhance the charity image.

The 6-day meet brought an overflow crowd to the Downtown that taxed its facilities. Health, education and welfare were discussed from many possible angles. The health program is under the direction of Dr. J. E. Jones, state (See ELKS' WINNER, P. 2)

### Black Is Asst. Sec. Of Army

National Black News Service WASHINGTON, D.C. — President Carter announced recently that he will nominate Percy A. Pierre of Washington, D.C., to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for research and development. Pierre is dean of the School of Engineering at Howard University.

According to a White House statement, Pierre was born Jan. 3, 1939 in St. James Parish, Louisiana. He received a B.S. in 1961 and an M.S. in 1963 from the University of Notre Dame. He received a Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins University in 1967 and was a post-doctoral fellow at the University of Michigan in 1968.

From 1968 to 1971, Pierre was a researcher for the Rand Corporation. During 1969-70, he was on leave from Rand to serve as a White House Fellow. (See BLACK IS, P. 2)

### Ms. Jones Appreciation Check Winner

Ms. Maggie Jones, of 922 S. Bloodworth St., was winner of a \$10 check after she reported to The CAROLINIAN office that she had found her name in the Natural Health Food advertisement on the Appreciation. (See APPRECIATION, P. 2)



STATE ARCHIVES GETS BOOK ABOUT BLACK SCHOOL — Mrs. Evelyn G. Ennis, last week, shows Johnston County library director, Art Goetz, a copy of the "Memory Book" of Johnston County Training School, later named Johnston Central High School, that has been placed in North Carolina State Archives in Raleigh. The black school was closed by consolidation in 1949. Mrs. Ennis compiled the school history in a 140 pictorial volume book, depicting the most outstanding achievements of the school and its graduates. (See story inside).

Appreciation Money SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEK HUDSON BELK

"THE DEPARTMENT STORE OF VALUES"



YOUNG SPEAKS ON HUMAN RIGHTS — Guatemala City, Guatemala — Addressing the 17th session of the U.N. Commission for Latin America (CEPAL), U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. Andrew Young (L) said May 3, that political repression and lack of respect for human rights are obstructing progress in Latin America. Young said he believed there was great potential for a "new unity" between the U.S. and Latin nations "that respects our many diverse national heritages." At center is Argentine economist Raul Prebisch; at right Custavo Balboa of CEPAL. (UPI)