

HOSPITAL

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"There appears to be some changes going on over there for the better," he said. "The petty complaints, criticisms and constant surveillance of the employees by the nursing supervisor have been somewhat abated."

Nimmons said the hospital should address the lack of professionalism and communication in the unit.

The dispute began last week when employees informed Nimmons of mistreatment of children and others in the department. One case involved a child who was not given medical treatment after she fell down in the unit. She was later taken to a doctor who discovered that the girl had suffered a broken arm.

Another instance involved a nursing supervisor who employees say denies that any problem exists in the facility or that matters have been reported to him.

Ginnie Ritchie, chief nurse in the division, told The CAROLINIAN that she was unaware of any cases of child abuse. Ms. Ritchie denied that discrimination took place within the facility.

Employees say that the unit discriminates against black children because they treat more white children than black children. Ms. Ritchie said that more whites are referred to the facility than blacks.

APPRECIATION

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by Ideal Cleaners. The \$10 check with his name on it was forfeited because he failed to spot his name hidden on the Appreciation Page.

Persons who find their names on the Appreciation Page should report to this newspaper office no later than noon Monday following publication day. Persons coming to collect the checks must bring valid identification.

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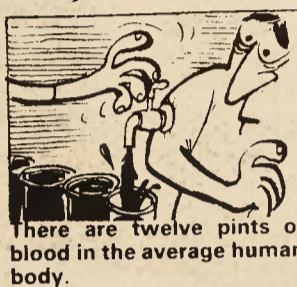
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CLINIC

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people come in and use the services to save money," he said.

"The clinic is not a priority for poor people. Putting food on the table is more important to them. Our clinic is geared to serve the underserved in the Raleigh and Wake County community."



WILKINS

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that ensures service to all citizens of Wake County."

Wilkins claims no intentions, however, of using his position as a stepping stone to a higher political arena. He says he has no other political aspirations. "My intention is to serve the citizens of Wake County as the register of deeds and continue to provide the most efficient service in the state." Tall words for one just short of his 33rd birthday.

Straightforwardness and a no-nonsense approach are qualities easily recognized in Wake County's register of deeds. These qualities by no means suggest a brazenness or inability to be flexible. Wilkins simply knows his mind and has no trouble expressing himself.

When questioned on why he felt the position of register of deeds in the state was such a coveted position, he immediately exclaims, "I don't agree that it has been a coveted position. I think I'm the first black register of deeds in the history of the state, partly because as blacks became politically active, this was one of the local offices for which we rarely became a candidate for whatever reason. Witness—Wake County not having a black sheriff since Reconstruction until John Baker."

Wilkins' political involvement began while he was a law student at the University of Kentucky. "I worked for a candidate for the House of Representatives there. After returning to Raleigh—more than five years ago—I became involved in Father Arthur Calloway's campaign for City Council and Sen. Robert Morgan's reelection campaign."

Involvement in other political ventures followed. "During that time, I became involved in the Young Democrats of Wake County as well as Wake Men for the Advancement of Blacks, which of course, as you know, is one of the organizations that comprise the coalition of black organizations that make political endorsements on election eve. I also became active in the Democratic Party."

Within two years of his involvement with YDWC, Wilkins was elected the organization's third vice president. That same year, he was elected vice president of WMAB. The words "born politician" seem fitting.

"During my first three years in Young Democrats, I recruited more than 100 blacks. Blacks have always been the most loyal Democrats ever. When I joined the Young Democrats, there were only three blacks on the membership rolls, therefore in my recruiting for the organization, I paid particular attention to increasing the number of blacks because there is no reason why we should not be playing a key role in this organization as we had and continue to have in all of the Democratic Party organizations in the county and state."

Wilkins' political record boasts of dedication to the Democratic Party. He has served as president of YDWC; supervisor, Phone Bank, 1982 Unity Campaign; campaign manager for State Rep. Dan Blue; and as a delegate to the county, state and district conventions from his precinct. Wilkins has been appointed to two boards by Gov. James B. Hunt, Jr., and has worked on and participated in two films made by the Democratic Party. He is currently president of the WMAB. "I'm a member of every duly-organized Democratic club in the county."

On the May 8 primary, Wilkins says he expects a heavy voter turnout. "Given what has happened in the rest of the country on days they've had their primaries."

He added that he feels black citizens of the county are becoming aware that there is a black candidate for the position of register of deeds. "But both I and this office suffer from an identity problem. For many citizens of this county, unless they use this office, for one reason or another, they don't know it exists. Further, I've come across a large number of people who don't know who the register of deeds is and don't know this is an elected position."

In his campaign, Wilkins says there are not many issues to be faced. "The basic question is whether this office is providing good, effective service for the citizens of Wake County. I think the answer is a resounding yes. Further, I think that's the answer because I have an excellent staff, a very good rapport with all of the county commissioners and a very good rapport with the major users of this office and other registers of deeds around the county."

Wilkins attributes some of his success to his educational background. He holds a bachelor's degree from Shaw University in political science; a master's degree from Bowling Green State University in American government; and a law degree from the University of Kentucky. "The work that I've done and the friends that I've made have a lot to do with those who supported me knowing I was a qualified and capable candidate and could administer this office in such a manner that the service to all citizens of Wake County would be nothing less than they have the right to expect."

CAMPAIGN

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had were answered—fundraising, delegates, and just what was going on was summed up by the people that were involved. I really felt that what they were doing had been very well thought out. All that's needed now is people power."

"I did get some posters last night and I'll wear the buttons. It makes you feel good to look at my kids and see them aware of what's going on—Jackson for president," she said.

Bruce Lightner, director of the Jackson campaign in the Fourth Congressional District, who now spends most of his time on the road and at the campaign headquarters at 1000 E. Martin St., calls his work in the campaign "the most exhilarating experience of my life."

"The enthusiasm and genuine positiveness of the Jackson campaign has no equal."

"The biggest challenge in running a presidential campaign is keeping on hand enough printed materials, bumper stickers, buttons, etc., for the thousands of people who request these materials on a weekly basis. Financing a campaign is of course an ongoing challenge. It takes a tremendous amount of money to secure the needed materials, manpower and transportation for the campaign. We have been very fortunate to receive a tremendous amount of support from community leaders, and especially the church community."

Ms. Pauline Frazier, co-chairperson of the Wake campaign, is at the headquarters up to 12 hours a day. She and Ms. Georgia McClain, office manager, perform many of the office operations.

"We do the telephone calling, stuffing mail, planning strategy, working out difficulties, telephoning, addressing envelopes, pulling together material and data that is needed, and general campaign

planning, and talking—running off at the mouth."

"It's a full day. There are a lot of things that we have to do. It gives one a sense of accomplishment, pleasure in seeing things being done; and also disappointment and frustration."

Brad Thompson, who co-chairs the local campaign with Ms. Frazier, sees a bit of humor in the campaign effort from time to time. He remembers one lady's comment on the apparent growing Jackson effort, "Jesse Jackson is acting like he is trying to be president."

Said Thompson, "The one thing is that the enthusiasm is escalating. Everybody was kind of avoiding Jackson like the plague. As we're getting closer and closer, people are saying this is one of the best things that ever happened... providing a united front for black people, giving people something to rally around, a motivating process. It's almost like a mission."

"I think that now even the traditional Democratic Party people are aware that with the kind of turnout needed to make anything happen in November, it's going to have to be done with the kind of drawing power that Jesse has."

Pierre Melvin, voter registration and education coordinator for the Wake Jackson effort, involved himself in a political campaign for the first time this year.

"Before, I always voted but expected everybody else to get things done. Politics is somebody else's game, I would say. Now, every day I get into a constructive conversation with somebody about Jesse Jackson. By word of mouth I try to get the message out. I'm constantly thinking, 24 hours a day, about what's happening in the Jesse Jackson campaign."

And that's what's happening in the Wake County Jackson campaign.

DELEGATES

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DAMAGES

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the theft of four microphones, a digital display cash and other items, all valued at \$1,664, during weekend break-ins.

In related events: Donna Nace reported the theft of wedding rings valued at \$1,100 in a burglary between Friday and Sunday.

Six Forks Cleaners of Raleigh reported the theft of a safe containing \$962 in cash and checks in a break-in last weekend. Allen Campbell of Wendell told police that three of his suits were taken from her car parked at 4217 Six Forks Road.

Allied Landscaping and Tree Service of Raleigh reported the theft of three chains and a power emery wheel, all valued at \$750, during a theft Saturday.

Julie A. Bowerman of Raleigh told police that her moped valued at \$525 was stolen.

Carlton Fuller of Raleigh reported \$50 damage Monday to the hood of a Mercedes-Benz parked in the 400 block of South Salisbury St.

Trent M. Park of Raleigh told police that his bicycle was stolen Sunday.

D.F. Washington of 422 N. Person St. reported the theft of a color television and a gold watch valued at \$850 during an early week break-in.

Three pairs of sunglasses, 100 photographs, a telephone dialer and cash were taken from his car parked at 2715 North Blvd.

A riding lawnmower worth \$400 was taken in a break-in at the home of Hattie Teasley, 2519 Fitzgerald Drive.

Eagle Pontiac, 2501 North Blvd., told police that a ladder, two stereo speakers valued at \$340 were taken from van parked at the company lot. Damage of \$38 was also reported.

Stephen Dilger, 100 Sawmill Road, reported the theft Monday or Tuesday of tire and rims from a car parked at 1820 North Blvd.

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Candidates Forum To Be Held

On Saturday, April 21, the Fourth Congressional District Black Caucus along with other political organizations throughout the district will sponsor a gubernatorial candidates' forum on the campus of Saint Augustine's College.

The forum will begin at 1 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building. Dr. Richard Mizelle, chairman of the Fourth District Black Caucus Political Action Committee, said, "The forum will give citizens within the district an opportunity to hear candidates respond to issues and concerns of the district." Mizelle added, "We have people from each county in the district participating in the program. These individuals will present questions that reflect the concerns of their county." The candidates will respond to questions from a panel that includes Earl Gover, Chatham County; Margaret Pollard, Randolph County; Hank Anderson, Orange County; James Hardy, Franklin County; and David Linton, Wake County.

In addition to questions from the panel, citizens in attendance will have an opportunity to ask questions

and Julius Nimmons of Wake County. For further information regarding the Wake County, Armenta forum, contact Richard Eaton of Franklin County, Mizelle at 833-2458.

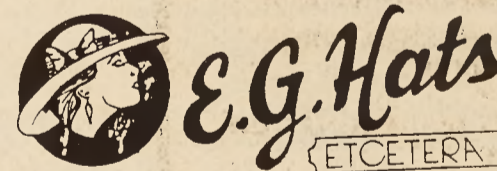
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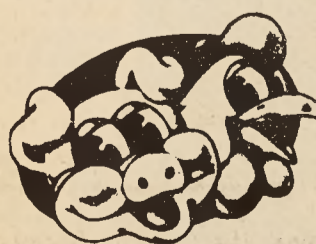
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