

Merry Christmas

FSU Trustee Board Approves 11 New Degree Programs Shearin Joins Blue Cross, Blue Shield

Durham Native Is Named To Important Post

CHAPEL HILL — Clinton Shearin, formerly with Operation Breakthrough in Durham, has joined the Provider Relations staff of North Carolina Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Inc.

Shearin, 36, a Durham native, attended Hillside High School and is a graduate of North Carolina College. In addition to his work with Operation Breakthrough, Shearin has worked with the State Board of Juvenile Correction. J. W. Moffitt, director of the Provider Relations Division, said he is delighted to have Shearin as a member of his staff.

Shearin is married to the former Arnetta Perry of Durham, and the couple has two children. Mrs. Shearin is a case-worker with the Durham County Department of Social Services.

EISENHOWER ESTATE
Gettysburg, Pa.—Court records show that former President Dwight D. Eisenhower's estate has been valued at more than \$278,363 from investments and 242 choice grade cattle. The inventory does not include royalties or interest earned from gas wells and land.

Roxboro Native Appointed To Assist. HUD Administration Post

Jeffers Calls for Considerations From Builders

SAN FRANCISCO — Civil rights leader and former California Deputy Attorney General Clifton R. Jeffers has been named Assistant Regional Administrator for Equal Opportunity of the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), it has been announced by Robert B. Pitts, HUD Regional Administrator.

During a news conference here, Jeffers stated that "HUD is making a determined effort to insure that equal opportunity does in fact exist; not only with respect to in-house employment, but equal opportunity with respect to all programs administered by this agency."

"This increased thrust casts the concept of the simple declaration of non-discrimination into an era of the past. Our concern today is action-oriented; that is we look to the end product, the results."

In applying this "increased thrust" to constructive activity in HUD-assisted programs, Jeffers said that under affirmative action requirements "we are insisting that contractors establish ranges, goals and timetables as they relate to the employment of minorities."

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48 U. S. Coast Guard Officials, Employes Hold Norfolk Meet

Effort Aimed To Redeem Amer. Society

PORTSMOUTH, Va. — Forty-eight U. S. Coast Guard management officials and employes from a three-state district, gathered in Norfolk for a seminar last week on Equal Employment Opportunity, were told by Dr. William P. Robinson, that they represented the kind of effort that might redeem American society.

Dr. Robinson, chairman of political science at Norfolk State College, and the second black man to be elected to the Virginia House of Delegates (See SEMINAR page 2A)

Ghana Ambassador Delivers Address at Bennett College

GREENSBORO—What is the purpose of an education? Is it to prepare one to compete and make a living in today's complex society? Not so says E. M. Debrah, Ambassador to the United States from Ghana.

"The Challenge of Today's youth," Mr. Debrah said in a speech at Bennett College last week, "is to accept the fact that their education is intended to prepare them to be a part of the society from which they originate; and to work diligently towards removing its misery and its handicaps."

Mr. Debrah was in Greensboro as the second Bennett (See GHANA page 2A)



CLIFTON SHEARIN, formerly with Operation Breakthrough has recently taken a new post with the Blue Cross, Blue Shield firm. He will be assigned to the Provider Relations section of the nationally renowned hospital insurance company.

Helena, N.Y.—Miss Mary Keere said she was awakened to find a strange man going through her bedroom into the kitchen. The 75-year-old woman explained that a car driven by Michael Car, 18, of Brasher Falls crashed into her home.

Project Three Decision Gets Final Approval

Apathy appears to be the general reaction to the recent City Council approval of the Redevelopment Commission's plan for the controversial Project 3. The tone of the neighborhood is more or less pictured in the statement by a resident that "people downtown are going to do whatever they want to anyway. I ain't even worried about it."

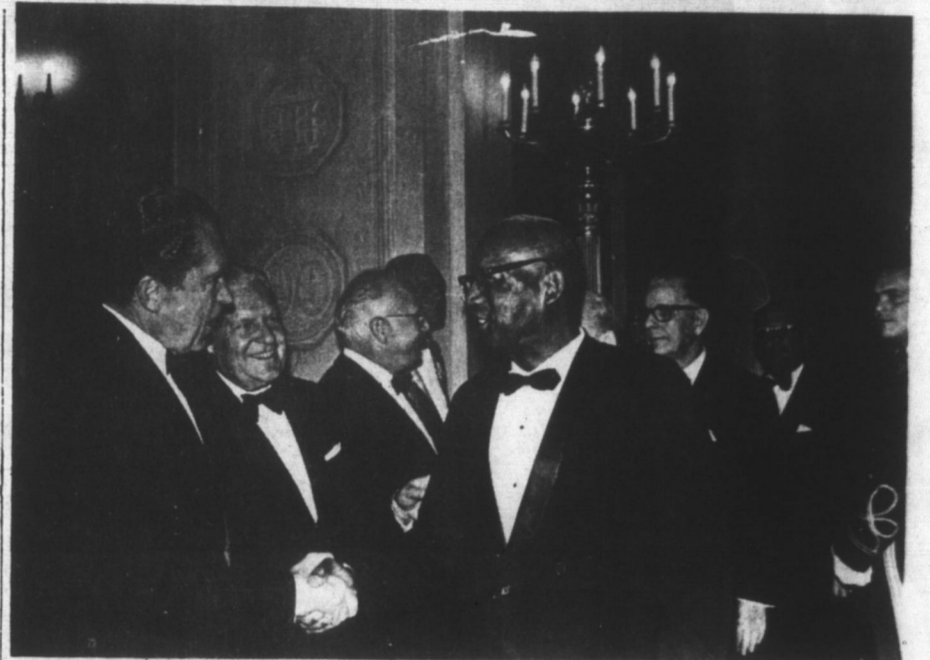
Project 3 is one of several projects in the General Neighborhood Development Plan for urban renewal of the blighted and deteriorated sections of Durham. Controversy first developed when a citizens committee confronted the Commission with an alternate plan that called for rehabilitation rather than total clearance as the original plan outlined.

Redevelopment officials maintained that the citizens' plan was not practical because of the cost involved. They did, however, according to one official, modify the first plan to include many of the feasible proposals of the residents in the area. Objection was still very much apparent, even up to the time of the final vote.

Several studies with conflicting results have made of the area. According to a survey taken by the Redevelopment Commission, 98.7 percent of the houses in the area had been found to be deficient and total clearance of the area was suggested except for St. Mark's AME Zion Church.

A study made by the Citizens' group, headed by Mrs. Carrie Mebane reportedly indicated that a greater portion of the houses in the area could be brought up to standard. Her plan also suggested a relocation of a public park so as to void contact with Lakewood Avenue, creation of a community center building and shopping center. In addition, it called for the northern part of the project to be industrial, and for realignment of Dillard Street to avoid Malcom X Liberation University.

By surveying the residents in the area, it was revealed that a vast majority of them especially those in the section bounded by the expressway and Pettigrew Street, were tacitly in favor of the plan. Though, not particularly in favor of public housing as presently structured, many of them indicated they are willing to take anything to get out of the "rut" of Hayti.



KENNEDY AT WHITE HOUSE — President Richard Nixon greets W. J. Kennedy retired president of N. C. Mutual Life Insurance Company at White House dinner meeting hosted

by the President to kickoff "Drive for Decency," a five year, \$25 million development program to combat juvenile delinquency. The drive was announced at the White House by the National Boys' Clubs organization. Mr. Kennedy is a member of the National Board of Directors of the Boys' Clubs of America.

Jewish Committee Urges Senate, Correct House Voting Act Curbs

St. Aug. President Calls for Reform In Higher Education

Speaking on the International Aspects of the Academic Community, Dr. Prezell R. Robinson, St. Augustine's College president told the Raleigh Branch of the American Association of University Women that American college students like all other students around the world are anesthetized to the ills of society.

"Racism, air pollution, war in Vietnam, and a need for reform in colleges and universities are among the common threads which permeate the colleges throughout the world," he continued.

Dr. Robinson pointed out characteristics of education in Japan attend college, education in India aims at perpetuating mythological views about man, college students in Africa are expressive and many engage in activism.

His knowledge and impressions of higher education throughout the world have been gained from travel-lecture experiences in universities in India as a Fulbright lecturer, as well as visits to Cuttington College in Monrovia, Liberia; and institutions in Hong Kong, Thailand, Japan, England, Germany, Austria, Lebanon, and Iran.



DR. ROBINSON

Beyond the doctoral level, his advanced studies include his participation in an Institute for College and University Administration, Harvard; and Mysore University, Mysore, India; the President's Institute, Pennsylvania State University; The Institute on College and University Administration, University of Michigan; and the Institute on Institutional Research, University of Kentucky.

Dr. Robinson has also written numerous articles on sociological aspects of education.

Extension of Act Call Necessary To Continued Progress

NEW YORK—The American Jewish Committee urged the United States Senate to correct the action of the House of Representatives in what it called "its substantial weakening" of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

The Committee also urged President Nixon to "agree to a simple extension of the 1965 Act, the most meaningful and successful civil rights law now on the statute books."

In an official statement, AJC President Philip E. Hoffman stated that the Bill enacted by the House last week "would without doubt weaken the present program by, among other things, diverting governmental resources away from the South where the problem of ensuring voting rights is most acute."

Mr. Hoffman pointed out that the 1965 Voting Rights Act "has performed well in registering hundreds of thousands of Americans, most of them black, previously denied the most precious right in a democracy, the right to vote." He stated further that "at a time when faith in the American political system is under attack from so many quarters, it would be particularly shocking for the Congress to take action that could only add to the alienation and skepticism of those Americans still not enjoying full citizenship."

S. C. State Receives \$75,859 Summer Science Inst. Grant

ORANGEBURG, S. C. — A \$74,859 grant for support of a summer institute in science for secondary school teachers has been awarded to South Carolina State College by the National Science Foundation.

The grant will be under the direction of Dr. Lewis C. Roache, chairman of the Department of Natural Sciences at the college.

The objectives of the program are to improve the quality of high school science instruction on biology, chemistry and physics for teachers whose (See STUDIES page 2A)

Fayetteville State U. to Offer Bach. Degree in Black Studies

FAYETTEVILLE — At a special call meeting, Fayetteville State University's Board of Trustees approved eleven new degree programs to be presented the North Carolina Board of Higher Education for Action.

The new degree programs were developed after studies were made in the region and in keeping with trends in contemporary education, Dr. Charles "A" Lyons said. Approval by the State Board of Education will mean

that FSU can offer bachelor degrees in art education, black studies, business administration, chemistry, computer science, French, speech theatre and recreation.

Dr. Lyons stated that the university is preparing to initiate the new degree programs during the academic year 1970-71.

Also approved upon the recommendation of FSU President Charles "A" Lyons, Jr. were 20 faculty and staff ap- (See GRANT page 2A)

America World Leader in Crime, Report Says

A presidential commission last week completed a 1½ year investigation of violence in America, and its report reveals that the country is on the verge of becoming an armed camp.

It warns that unless all citizens are freed from poverty and social privation, America will continue to suffer the violence that marked the past decade as one of the bloodiest in the history of the country.

The commission, headed by Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower, was created by President Johnson following the assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy to determine the causes of violence in the United States and to recommend methods of preven-

tion. Its members include persons if many political stripes, ranging from conservative Sen. Roman Hruska, R-Neb., to longshoreman-philosopher Eric Hoffer.

Eighteen months of investigation showed that, among modern, stable democracies, the United States is the clear leader in rates of homicide, assault, rape, robbery and among the highest violence and assassination.

The picture of average Americans was depicted as a study in fear: Millions of them stash arms. They play, study, worship under guard, fleeing the streets at nightfall. Some cry revolution, others mobilize

vigilante-like patrols. Though the report said some hopeful things about the condition of the nation, its report painted a picture of civil deterioration.

Portents for the future unless effective public action is taken are gloomy. They include:

• High rise apartments and residential compounds protected by private guards and security devices will be fortified cells for upper middleclass and high income populations living at prime locations in the city.

• Suburban neighborhoods will be protected mainly by economic homogeneity and by (See CRIME page 2A)