

-INSURANCE

(Continued from front page) citizens of the right to seek redress in the courts for injuries suffered in automobile accidents. Letters and resolutions of protest against the Bill, now in hearings before the Senate Commerce Committee, have been sent to Washington to this Federal plan.

Among the many groups and individuals who have voiced these protests are, Carl Lawrence, President of the New York Branch of the NAACP, who signed a resolution adopted at a general Chapter membership meeting which declared that, "certain provisions of the Act would, in effect, make it a crime to be poor."

Livingston L. Wingate, Chairman of the United Federation of Black Community Organizations, declared that the Bill "contains provisions which would place a serious handicap on the poor." He appealed to New York Senators James Buckley, Jr., and Jacob Javits to vote against the Bill in order to "protect the rights of every American citizen."

Charles Taylor, New York City Councilman and Executive of the Independent Coalition of Democrats, Inc., stated, "Improvement can be made in the auto insurance system without the new injustices that would be imposed by the Federal Bill."

Lloyd Douglas, Manhattan Coordinator of the New York State Black Assembly, noted that the Bill "would place additional hardship on both the poor and retired people who live on pensions."

The Central Harlem Council of Neighborhood Boards, through its Secretary Ennis Francis, termed the Bill "another act which would seriously hamper the poor and deprive them of their basic legal rights."

Herbert Seymour, Chairman of Neighborhood Board No. 5 Inc., representing over 30,000 people in New York, asserted, "We view Bill 354 as being detrimental to our people in terms of their economic status and a violation of their basic legal rights."

Black organizations throughout the country, together with other minority, consumer, and labor groups are preparing similar resolutions and statements for transmittal to their senators. While their principal arguments deal with the Bill's discrimination against the poor, many cite that its infringement of innocent accident victims' right to sue for personal injuries is undemocratic.

-BENEFIT

(Continued from front page) town community which were begun in the 1940's by the late Jay L. Alexander and other public-spirited citizens in the neighborhood.

Participants on this lively variety program are from the University campus and the local community. Featured attractions will include: The Back Stabbers of Fayetteville, and Lincoln Brown, Mrs. Margaret Goodwin, special guest model, Mrs. Ester Hill, UNC at Charlotte. Roosevelt Wright will serve as M. C. Ms. Sheila Turrentine and Miss LaVone Jones as directors, and Ms. Althea Diggs as Co-ordinator of Afro-Asian attire.

General admission is \$1.00 (and patron's tickets are \$5.00). Each ticket-holder has a chance to win one of the door prizes contributed by local firms.

All checks should be made payable to the Walltown Charitable Community Center. Contributions are tax-deductible.

Francis Hope is president of the Club and J. V. Turner is the adviser. Melvin Riggs is Chairman of the Outreach Committee.

-BROWN

(Continued from front page) the main issue was the reliability of the eyewitnesses and their identifications. He pointed out that only three of the prosecution witnesses had positively pointed out Brown as a participant in the robbery before he was shot and captured on the roof stop the apartment building a block away from the lounge.

Kunstler was highly suspect of the testimony of Patrolman Gary Hunt, who was seriously wounded in the stomach during the battle. Although Hunt

admitted that at no time was Brown closer than 35 to 40 feet away, he maintained that Brown was one of two men firing at him.

He pointed out Hunt's positive identification came on a night that was extremely foggy as well.

Kunstler then criticized the testimony of two men who testified that they saw Brown during the holdup, holding a military carbine. He pointed out that they had not volunteered this information and come forward until a long time after the incident.

He said the police had merely concocted a phony account of the details of the robbery so cover up the fact that they had "brutalized" and "bush-wacked" the defendant.

-WILKINS

(Continued from front page) had been planted by his reelection committee. But, despite the fact that proposals for job quotas were introduced as merely a minimum hiring standard, the fear has persisted that workers would be hired just because they are black.

In the past, however, Mr. Wilkins said, "guilt-edged qualifications" of black applicants have always been ignored. Mr. Wilkins noted that the Administration's skillful manipulation of the race issue has even muted the opposition from many poor whites who are also being affected by current budget cut-backs in several Federal social programs.

The White House has criticized the beneficiaries of welfare and Federal anti-poverty programs as people seeking hand-outs, Mr. Wilkins said. He reminded his audience that the taxes that fund these programs are not provided by whites alone.

Black Americans, he said, feel the burden, too. But they know that the present poverty within minority communities is the result of "virulent discrimination against blacks."

-PIRG

(Continued from front page) courage all telephone subscribers in Durham who are upset about the high rates and terrible service to make their voices heard on this matter.

"The principle way in which someone can express his opinion is by attending and testifying at the public hearings in Durham, to be held on April 18th (in the County Courthouse). We want to stress that Citizen opinion on this rate increase can make a difference, but only if Durham consumers come to this hearing and make their views known. NC PIRG will serve as a clearing house for information concerning this hearing and the phone rate hike, and we encourage any interested telephone users to contact us if they have further questions; you can reach NC PIRG at 684-5795, or P. O. Box 4522, Duke Station, Durham, 27705."

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-DROPOUTS

(Continued from front page) for whites and 46.2 for blacks, a difference of 10.4 percent points. Since that time, the proportion for blacks has moved upward.

Despite this trend, a larger proportion of young blacks still leave school before high school graduation, about 19 percent as of October, 1972 compared with 13 percent for whites.

The relative rates, however, have changed markedly over the years. In 1968, 33 percent of the blacks dropped out, almost twice as many as the whites, with a 17 percent dropout rate. In 1968, the figures were 21.6 and 12.5 percent, respectively; in 1970 23 and 11.7 percent; and in 1971, 20 and 12 percent.

Approximately 347,000 young blacks were graduated from high school in 1972.

-BRIEFS

(Continued from front page) amendment of broadcasters a Nixon Administration proposal to extend station licenses from three to five. Noting that the FCC "will not act as a censor," Hooks said on an interview program, "I think they (the broadcaster) have a positive duty to tell it like they see it... to ferret out the truth. One of the most precious things we have in this country is freedom of the press."

HOMEOWNERS SUE HUD

DETROIT — Attorneys for 16,000 persons this week filed a \$65 million suit here against the Department of Housing and Urban Development, charging it approved sales through its FHA-insured mortgage program of "substandard, defective homes" that failed to meet provisions of the National Housing Act.

The suit, filed by legal aid and defender's office lawyers, said HUD was responsible for the purchase of run-down homes by low-income metropolitan Detroit families and that the homes failed to meet federal, state and local laws on zoning and public health and safety. The housing act states that only those properties meeting all state and local laws on zoning and public health and safety. The housing act states that only those properties meeting all state and local health standards and other laws are eligible for the Federal Housing Administration mortgage insurance programs.

-MORTICIANS

(Continued from front page) and Mortuary Administration, Louis T. Randolph; moderator, were also presented during the course of the two-day seminar.

Gratz Norcott, second vice-president in closing the seminar, urged listeners to be ready for the challenges that tomorrow will bring in funeral service.

DURHAM NATIVE

(Continued from front page) of formal instruction in the social sciences, departmental organization and adjuncts of budgets, records, and purchasing; personnel management; communication; basic interior design and environmental sanitation.

A native of Durham, North Carolina, Mr. McClain is the son of Mrs. Lydia McClain of Durham. Mr. McClain is a graduate of Hillside High School and Durham College of Durham, North Carolina. He has attended classes in interior decorating at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh.

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UDI Hires 3 Community Coordinators

United Durham, Incorporated recently added three new members to its staff. Mmes. Etta Vinson, Christine Strudwick, and Patricia Sutton were hired as community coordinators for the six-month period beginning March 1. As community coordinators the ladies' primary responsibilities are in the area of coordinating activities with other community groups to assist and work with UDI ventures.

Mrs. Vinson has lived most of her life in Durham and was educated in the Durham school system. Aside from her new position, she is a member of UDI's board of directors and is active with other local organizations including membership on the policy advisory boards of the Department of Social Services and Operation Breakthrough. She is also active with the Durham Committee on Black Affairs and the Lincoln Community Health Center. Mrs. Vinson is a widow with five children and six grand children.

Mrs. Strudwick is a native of Durham where she attended public school. The mother of twelve and grandmother of seven, she has worked on the Board of Directors of Operation Breakthrough. Currently she serves on the Advisory Board of television station WTVD, is a member of Women in Action, the Durham Committee on Black Affairs and is a Den Mother for Cub Scout Pack 496.

The Mother of three boys, Mrs. Sutton has lived in Durham all of her life and like the other two ladies, is active



'SPECIAL FUND—Joseph L. Caliri (left), Vice President and Secretary of Kraftco Corporation, presents a check of \$2,500 to Roy Wilkins, Executive Director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, for the civil rights organization's Special Contribution Fund. The presentation was made during a recent visit by Mr. Caliri to the NAACP National Headquarters in New York City.

Questions and Answers

Q. I will soon be sending in my first doctor bills for payment under Medicare. I sign all my checks and important papers with a shortened form of my first name, but my Medicare card shows my full name. Does it make any difference how I write my name on my Request for Medicare Payment form?

A. Yes, you should write your name on the form exactly as it is shown on your Medicare card. This will help prevent delays in making payment to you.

Q. I'm 63, and I've worked part time ever since I was married over 30 years ago. My husband is only 62 and doesn't plan to retire until he's 65. Do I have to wait until he retires to get monthly social security payments?

A. Probably not. You can collect monthly checks now on your own earnings record if your work was covered by social security and you earned enough credits to qualify. You should get in touch with any social security office to apply.

Q. I'll be 72 in August. Although I signed up for Medicare when I was 65, I couldn't get any monthly retirement benefits because I was working and earning too much. However, after I'm 72, I understand I can

keep right on working and still get my full benefits. Do I have to apply for these payments after my 72nd birthday?

A. No. Your payments will start automatically with the month of your 72nd birthday. Since you continued to work without getting benefits after 65, you can now qualify for special delayed retirement credits. These credits will increase your benefit amount 1 percent for each year (or 1/2 of 1 percent for each month) after 1970 that you worked and didn't collect monthly payments.

Q. My husband and I will both be retiring at the end of this year. Since I have always worked under social security, I'll be able to get a monthly social security retirement check. My husband, who works for the post office, will be getting a civil service annuity, and, as his wife, I am also eligible for a check from the civil service. Can I collect both a social security payment and a wife's civil service payment?

A. Yes, if you are eligible for both payments, you can receive both.

Q. My father, who gets a small monthly social security check, is still working. He told me it takes a year for him to get his benefit

rate increased because of his new yearly earnings. If this is true, isn't he losing some benefits?

A. No. Even though there is a delay in refiguring your father's benefit rate, he gets all the increase due him at one time. The refiguring of the rate is usually figured in the last 3 months of the year to take into consideration all social security earnings for the previous year, and any increase due is retroactive to January.

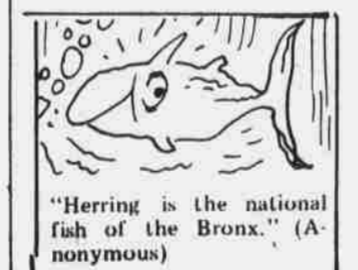
Q. In 1972 I didn't have enough medical bills under Medicare to file for payment. Now I have some bills, and my sister mentioned something about using my medical bills from October, November, and December of last year to count toward the deductible for this year. Is she right?

A. Yes. If you had medical expenses in the last 3 months of last year that could have counted toward your deductible for 1972, you can also use them to help meet this year's deductible. Be sure to send in all the bills for covered services you received in October, November, or December of 1972 with your bills for this year.

A woman can get monthly social security benefits as a worker, wife, mother, widow, or dependent daughter.

in community work. She is the President of the Cornwallis Housing Project Council, President of all Presidents' Councils, a member of the Lincoln Hospital Board Committee, a member of the Steering Committee of the Durham Housing Authority, Den Mother of Cub Scout Pack 189 and is involved with numerous other organizations.

Working mainly with local community councils, the coordinators have aided in the opening of a "community house" in the East End Section of the City. Serving as a recreational center and a meeting place for neighborhood councils, the house is open Monday through Friday. The three UDI community coordinators are available there and at the UDI Central Office to help visitors with problems such as welfare fraud and to answer questions concerning UDI and its relationship to the Durham community.



"Herring is the national fish of the Bronx." (Anonymous)



"Folk singers are rich college kids who get together and sing about poverty." (Mary Wells)

Authentic 18th Century Bone China To Be Recreated in New Ceramics Museum



This basic tea set, a reproduction of the first bone china made by master potter Josiah Spode II in 1790, will be produced and decorated in the new Carborundum Museum of Ceramics opening May, 1973 in Niagara Falls, N. Y. Visitors will be able to watch craftsmen from Staffordshire, England, dressed in authentic 18th century costumes, manufacture and decorate exclusive bone china using essentially the same techniques perfected nearly 200 years ago. The Carborundum Museum of Ceramics is the world's first and only museum of its kind, devoted to showing the development of man through ceramics. Designed as a living experience, this unique museum will present the fascinating history of ceramics through the use of multimedia presentations, dioramas and other displays. In addition to the on-site "mini-factory", there will be a pottery studio, a grinding and finishing workshop, slide presentations, a 200-seat theater offering a film on ceramic art and technology, plus special events.

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HAPPY LAUNDERING
Statistics tell us that most women spend more of their time doing laundry (that includes ironing!) than any other household task—a whopping 17 1/2 to 20 percent of their waking hours. With that fact in mind, I assembled a few of my favorite tips, which can do their part to cut down that hefty percentage.



Rooney

Use hair spray to remove ballpoint pen ink stains from shirts and other clothing items. Spray the ink stain until it is thoroughly wet, then let it dry completely and put the article into your washing machine.

Wash white nylon with white items only, as nylon picks up color from other cloths.

Knits can be put in the dryer, but you should always take them out while they are still slightly damp or they may shrink. Besides, overdrying can cause static electricity, always a problem.

To save hot water, use it only for washing cycles, and switch to cold water for rinsing. An added bonus: cold water adds life to your permanent press articles.

To get mayonnaise and salad dressing stains out of your favorite blouse or the children's good clothes, (this may surprise you): try meat tenderizer! Here's how: First, work dry cleaning fluid into the stain and allow time for it to evaporate. Then cover the stain with liquid detergent or paste made out of dry detergent and a little water. Finally, sprinkle the spot with meat tenderizer and wash. If the garment has been treated with Scotchgard stain release, most greasy stains should wash out without any extra effort.

Don't make the mistake

Cotton and polyester fabrics tend to become yellow because they retain oily soils. Good laundry techniques can rid you of that nuisance—if you use water that is hot enough (approximately 140 degrees) and a sufficient amount of detergent, you will find that the stains gradually disappear. Overnight soaking in concentrated detergent will speed up the process, and you can keep fabrics bright by making sure you haven't skimped on hot water and detergents.

Try adding fabric softener to the rinse water to prevent static electricity in clothes and to soften wrinkles. Static electricity attracts dirt and lint.

Scientists say the family wash can spread disease more easily if cold water is used in washing. So they recommend hot water because it does a better job of killing germs. It also does a better job of washing clothes clean.

Indians Get Last Laugh

The American Indians wrecked by the white man are having the last laugh in the Great Beyond.

Tobacco is the Indian revenge. Before Columbus, tobacco was unknown to the white man. But explorers soon saw that Indians smoked the leaf in a Y-shaped pipe called a tobacco. Each end of the double-forked pipe was inserted into a nostril. In some places, though, Indians smoked tobacco leaves rolled with husks of corn. The white man sampled the stuff, liked it, and thereby put a curse on coming generations.

The Indians smoked for ceremonial purposes and as a symbol of goodwill. They also believed that tobacco had medicinal values.

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