



STUDENT TEACHER — Vernell Sherrod, a senior coed at Fayetteville State University, pauses between classes before she begins student-teaching assignment. Vernell is one of many FSU students who will start student teaching this fall semester beginning October 8 and ending December 14. An honor student and a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Vernell is a native of Tarboro.

Bishop S. McDowell Shelton, Apostolic Leader Visits Sweden

His Eminence Bishop S. McDowell Shelton, the spiritual head of the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith, visited Mr. Stig Ramel, General Director of the Nobel Prize Foundation on September 20.

Bishop Shelton's visit coincided with the death of King Gustav VI Adolf of Sweden and the coronation of King Carl Gustav.

His Eminence talked with Mr. Stig Ramel about the co-ordination of efforts of the world organizations, devoted to the propagation of peace and understanding.

The Apostolic Church is a staunch supporter of pacifist world movements; the Church teaches its members to follow the nonviolent path in solutions of problems, in strict adherence to the teachings of the early Apostles, on which this conservative church has been founded.

Bishop Shelton is an avid world traveler and was received on similar missions, by Haile Selassie, President Tolbert of Liberia and Mrs. Indira Gandhi.

The Apostolic Church bases its beginning when Jesus told Peter "...upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." (Matthew 16:18) or more specifically on the day of Pentecost (see second chapter of Acts).

Bishop S. McDowell Shelton, a native Philadelphian reared in the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith, continued the Apostolic ministry after the late Bishop S. C. Johnson's decease in 1961. He expanded the Church's work throughout the United States and overseas. Today, the membership

extends throughout the world and there are over five million people who give allegiance to the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith. There are Apostolic Churches and congregations in the Americas, the Caribbean, Europe, Africa and India.

Every week, Bishop Shelton preaches to a global congregation by means of radio and his program "The Whole Truth" is heard nightly on a United States network and several international stations in the Caribbean, Europe and Near East and Asia.

The Church is involved in charitable and educational projects. In February 1971, Bishop Shelton dedicated the Apostolic Village, in Philadelphia, a complex of houses for the elderly. The Church maintains schools and local youth programs and cooperates in providing help for those confined in hospitals and other institutions.

Bishop Shelton does not believe in the relaxation of the Church's rules and "liberal" interpretation of the Bible, in order to gain wider access to the public and attract more people on that basis. Those who seek God must live according to His teachings and commands as stated in the Holy Bible. The doctrine of the Apostolic Faith demands from the believers a path that seems, to outsiders, ultra straight and narrow. Yet, the statistics show that there are relatively no alcoholics, drug addicts or people who engage in criminal activity among the active members. There is practically no welfare recipients and juvenile delinquency is almost non-existing.

Important Family Asset Missed In Most North Carolina Homes

Most North Carolina families keep pretty good account of the family budget, in these days of high prices and inflation it's a financial necessity. However, most families don't know or forget what may be their biggest dollar asset, according to the Insurance Information Institute.

If called to list your most valuable assets, you might list your savings, life insurance, medical and disability insurance and your home or equity if you have one. Some might also list stocks or investments in property.

With all these listings, a most important asset is usually forgotten, and that is the workmen's compensation insurance coverage on your job. Your boss pays for it, but it could mean thousands, hundreds of thousands, or as much as a million dollars to you. It is one of your most important assets.

Do you know what workmen's compensation does for you? It varies, state by state, but, essentially, it provides financial protection for you and your family if you are injured or killed on the job. It could mean as much as a million dollars for some injured workers in some states. This would be for a very serious injury such as lifetime care for a paraplegic.

How does workmen's compensation operate? First, it is hospital and medical insurance. In 41 states there are no limits on the amount. No deductibles, no contributions from the injured employee; you get hospital and medical care for as long as you need it. For life, if necessary. Second, if you are killed on the job, it provides a death benefit to your survivors. This, too, varies by state, and most of the states are gradually upping the amounts.

Third, what do you do for a paycheck if you are injured and can't work? Workmen's compensation provides a wage benefit. The weekly benefit is usually a percentage of your

weekly wage, subject to a limit. These limits are generally too low, according to the National Commission On State Workmen's Compensation Laws, but many of the State Legislatures are gradually boosting these amounts. Still, your workmen's compensation coverage provides a basic, tax-free weekly wage in all states. In 1972, workers throughout the country collected about two billion dollars just in workmen's compensation wage benefits.

Fourth, workmen's compensation is designed to help injured people get well and back on the job. Rehabilitation of injured employees is a primary goal of the state workmen's compensation administrator (Continued on Page 7B)



FIGHTING BEARS BOOSTER — With a booster as pretty as Sharon Ann Harrison, a senior biology major from Shepherd, Texas, the Livingstone College Fighting Bears are sure to come roaring out of their huddles this season and roll over the opposition with the greatest of ease. What athlete wouldn't like to wake-up one morning and find Sharon in his bowl of Wheaties? That would be "the breakfast of CHAMPIONS!"

Black Construction Firm Awarded Gov't Contract

The General Services Administration announced recently that a South Carolina black construction firm was awarded a \$83,000.00 contract.

L. D. Strom, GSA Regional Administrator, said the contract, awarded under provisions of the Small Business Act, is the "result of President Nixon's push to strengthen firms owned by minority businessmen."

The Columbia, South Carolina, firm is the Outing Construction Company, 1417 Dakota Street, a black-owned company which will receive the contract to make space alterations at the Veterans Administrative Building in Columbia. The contract will run through September 1973.

The Outing Construction Company has participated in the 8(a) Program since 1971 when it received its first contracts for \$5,200.00. Since then, the company has received four additional contracts for construction work of increasing dollar size.

Strom, from his Atlanta office, said that over 400 million persons suffer from trachoma. For 5 cents the United Nations Children's Fund can provide antibiotic ointment to save one of them from blindness.

headquarters, said, "The Outing Construction Company, under the direction of its owner, Leroy Outing, is one of the best examples in Region 4 of a disadvantaged firm who has grown through the help of the 8(a) Program." Strom explained that Section 8(a) of the Small Business Act permits the Federal Government to negotiate contracts with

minority-owned firms on a non-competitive basis to help such firms become successful enterprises.

During the fiscal year 1973, General Services Administration awarded 45 8(a) contracts in Region 4 totaling \$2,888,000.00. It is anticipated that over \$3,000,000.00 in contracts will be awarded in FY 1974.

Chas. Evans Selected by Syracuse Uni. To Direct Business Program

Syracuse University has announced the appointment of Charles L. Evans as director of the Accelerated Business Leadership Program (Program ABLE) in the School of Management.

He will help recruit and counsel students for the program and seek new sources of scholarship funding, according to Dean Harry T. Allan.

Program ABLE is a consortium of SU, the Universities of Arizona and Massachusetts, New York, Howard and Atlanta.

It is designed to assist members of minority groups pursue the master of business administration degree (MBA)

in 15 months rather than the normal 18-24 months period.

Evans is himself a product of the program at SU, having completed his MBA degree last month.

A Navy veteran, Evans holds a bachelor's degree in engineering and mathematics from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical College in Greensboro.

The Durham, N.C.' native, formerly employed by General Electric as a programmer, is continuing studies at SU for a Ph.D. degree in business and data system.

He and his wife, Connie, home economics teacher at Roxboro Middle School.



PRINCE HALL MASONIC TEMPLE UNDER CONSTRUCTION ON 301 COOK ROAD — Some members of Doric Lodge No. 28 Free and Accepted Masons, Prince Hall Affiliation are shown working on New Masonic Temple being built on Cook Road. From left to right are Emmett Martin, Odell Fields, John Tucker, Frank Jacobs, Sr., Otis M. Thorpe, Jr., Edgar Alston and James Henry.

Children Running Risk of Illness if Not Immunized

RALEIGH — Over 250,000 pre-school children in North Carolina are running a risk of serious illness, permanent disability and even death, by not being properly immunized against infectious diseases.

According to John Irvin, immunization program head for the Division of Health Services, six out of 10 children have not completed the basic series of immunizations by age two. The series include three or more DPT shots (diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus), three or more doses of oral polio vaccine, as well as immunization against measles and rubella.

"Although 95 percent of the pre-schoolers have had at least one immunization," Irvin said, "it appears that attendance at the physician's offices and county health department clinics stops before the recommended series is completed. It is up to these providers of health care, as well as leaders on military posts in the state, to follow through with pre-school children's immunizations."

Noting that October is "Immunization Action Month," Irvin revealed that six

immunization program specialists stationed across North Carolina have been busy working with county health departments establishing a follow-up system. He said about 90 counties have committed themselves to a periodic audit of immunization records for the purpose of recalling children who have fallen behind in their

immunization program. "In order to be effective, however, we will have to depend on private physicians who normally immunize about half of North Carolina's pre-schoolers," Irvin said. "They too should initiate an audit to see that private patients receive the basic series of immunizations."

Campaign Launched By NAACP For \$300,000 Emergency Fund

NEW YORK — The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has called upon its nationwide network of local units to contribute to a \$300,000 emergency fund "to be applied toward the costs of protecting Negroes during the present state of siege."

The call went out to officers of the Association's 1,700 local units over the signature of Roy Wilkins, the organization's veteran executive director, on Sept. 24, following the adoption of a resolution authorizing the establishment of an "Emergency Fund for the NAACP." The resolution, passed by the delegates to the 64th NAACP Annual Convention in Indianapolis, last July 2-6, was ratified by the Association's Board of Directors, Sept. 10.

The present situation of black folk in America was characterized as "under siege" by Mr. Wilkins in his report to the NAACP membership at the Association's annual meeting last January. At the September meeting of the NAACP Board of Directors, Mr. Wilkins again stressed the urgency of the need for additional funds to meet the challenge of the "siege" initiated and sustained "by the Executive Branch of the Federal Government."

In his letter to local NAACP officers, he cited the need for the emergency fund and assigned to each local unit a special assessment to enable the Association to lift the "siege" of 1973-74.

He cited the sharpened challenge in such selected areas as the following:

"Litigation in the school area, for instance, includes desegregation, the protection of rights of students arbitrarily suspended or expelled, and resistance to firing or downgrading of black faculty

and administrators. "A vast number of employment discrimination cases against private and public employers have been initiated in Federal Courts from coast to coast. In the latter category, a case against the Philadelphia Police Department is leading to the appointment and promotion of Negroes as police officers."

HEW to Speed Up Provision of Meals to Aged

HEW Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger recently announced steps to speed up provision of meals to older Americans under the new \$100 million Nutrition Program for the Elderly.

Amended regulations published in the Federal Register recently, would permit States, which operate the program under the direction of HEW's Administration on Aging, to fund nutrition projects for up to 90 days even if they do not comply fully with certain previously announced requirements.

Temporarily suspended would be certain requirements for project staffing and provision of social services. These requirements will be put into effect later. "Present emphasis is on getting meals quickly to those needing them," the Secretary said.

Projects funded under the Nutrition Program will provide low-costs hot meals at least five days a week for persons 60 years of age or older and their spouses.



PRESIDENT NIXON GREETES — H. R. Crawford, assistant secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development for Management, following his release of the sweeping housing study and the new administration housing recommendations sent to Congress. The study and recommendations dealt with a different approach to the housing needs of lower income families, easing the tight credit conditions in the current housing market, and actions to meet special needs under federal programs. Assistant Secretary Crawford, a nationally recognized expert in the field of Housing Management, contributed to the overall study and will aid its implementation.