

Colonial Stores Report All-Time Highs In Both Sales And Earnings

ATLANTA — Colonial Stores Incorporated recently reported new all-time highs in both sales and earnings for its fiscal year 1975. The Atlanta-based food store chain had total sales of \$982,002,298 for 1975, a

53-week year for the company. The sales figures surpassed by \$47,830,716 the previous year's record of \$934,171,582 attained in 1974.

Colonial achieved its 1975 sales records with 378 stores

in seven southeastern states at the end of the year. This compared to 1974 when it operated as many as 430 stores, prior to Colonial's sale and disposal of all stores in the Midwest Division in the states of Ohio and Kentucky.

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HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY — Beautiful Fayetteville State University coed Jannie Spaulding, a native of Clarkton, N. C., wishes everyone a lovely Valentine's Day. Jannie, an honor roll and Dean's List student, is a sophomore early childhood education major. She is active on campus and is a member of the FSU Modern Dance Group and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Census Report Shows Distribution Of Races By Counties In No. Carolina

Net earnings for 1975 were \$13,367,618, equal to \$3.49 per share of common stock. A year ago, earnings were \$9,672,034, equal to \$2.52 per share. The 1975 earnings per See Colonial Page 8

A report issued today by the U. S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of the Census shows 1970 population totals for five racial groups for each county, by State. The groups are blacks, American Indians, Japanese, Chinese and Filipinos.

One table ranks the counties with at least 10,000 blacks according to the size of their populations, and the report presents corresponding figures for the four other racial groups for counties where they number 1,000 or more.

Tables in the report were compiled from several other 1970 census reports and assembled, for the first time, in a single publication convenient for data users. Other tables in the report show the distribution of the Korean, Hawaiian, Aleut, and Eskimo populations by regions, divisions, and States.

Slightly more than half (53 percent) of the black population resided in the South in 1970, the report shows. However, counties with the largest concentrations of blacks were in the North and West.

Cook County (Chicago), Illinois, with almost 1.2 million blacks ranked No. 1; Los Angeles County, California and Wayne County (Detroit), Michigan, each with more than 700,000 blacks, ranked second and third, respectively.

The five counties which comprise New York City, usually considered a single geographical unit, had a combined total of 1.7 million blacks in 1970, thus making New York City the numerical leader when considered as a single area.

At least 10 counties had American Indian populations of 10,000 or more in 1970, with McKinley County, New Mexico, ranking first with 26,507 Indian residents. Robeson County, North Carolina was a close second with 26,486.

The most dramatic increase in the American Indian population occurred in Los Angeles County between 1960 and 1970, when it climbed from 8,109 to 24,509, a 202 percent increase in the 10-year span.

The Japanese, Chinese, and Filipino populations were highly concentrated in a small number of counties, largely in the West, and particularly in Hawaii and California.

The counties of Honolulu and Los Angeles had, by far, the largest number of Japanese and together contained 46 percent of all the Japanese in the U. S.

In 43 counties with 1,000 or more Chinese, their number ranged from 1,052 in Bexar County, Texas to 58,696 in San Francisco County, California.

The two counties with the largest Filipino population were Honolulu and Los Angeles. Of this population group, they had 65,553 and 33,459 residents, respectively.

Significant numbers of Asian-Americans were in Cook County and in the five-county area of New York City in 1970.

SOUL CITY: SERVING THE COMMUNITY

One of the most fundamental characteristics of a prosperous community is a sound economy. Because Soul City is located in Warren County which is one of the poorest in the state, it is important that we contribute to the financial growth of the area.

Warren Regional Planning Corporation has the responsibility of accomplishing that end.

WRPC is a non-profit organization which was originally established as the planning body for the Soul City development. It is funded by the U. S. Department of Commerce, Office of Minority Business Enterprise. OMBE is a very necessary governmental agency in that it opens the doors of business opportunities to all minority and economically disadvantaged citizens. Under its current contract with OMBE, WRPC is to assist minorities through the use of its staff of business experts. All services of WRPC are provided free of charge to clients in six counties including Warren, Vance, Halifax, North Hampton and Franklin.

WRPC has at its disposal a Business Development Office which encourages clients to establish and expand their capitol and develop to their fullest potential. An experienced Mortgage Banker provides technical assistance to all clients. In addition to its BDO, WRPC also has a Construction Contractors Assistance Center. This agency assists minority contractors in obtaining major contracts where possible and negotiating for sub-contracts when it is in their best interest. An estimator is available to bid on construction contracts in and around Soul City.

A financial specialist is also on hand at WRPC. While the organization has no funds to lend contractors, its financier will seek out and identify sources of financial aid. He will also assist the businessman in securing bonds, preparing a financial statement, and setting up and maintaining an adequate bookkeeping system. After he is awarded a contract and has proper financial backing, WRPC will then provide the contractor with a construction superintendent. He will make sure that the businessman meets all state and local requirements or regulations. He will see to it that his work loads are scheduled efficiently and that he can locate competent sub-contractors and craftsmen.

Soul City will be in various stages of construction over the next year. There will be a need for contractors who are qualified for the following types of construction: industrial, residential, roads, and utilities. Contractors who are licensed to handle these types of construction are requested to register with CCAC of WRPC. They will also assist entrepreneurs who are interested in obtaining a license. Warren Regional Planning Corporation can best accomplish its goal of complete minority involvement in the development of Soul City if it has the full cooperation of the business community.

"A Measure of Thanks to You"

by Vera Scott

We are told of the time you were appointed to be National Mother of the Mt. Calvary Holy Church of America, Incorporated.

Within your mind thinking over and over again.

Why me, Lord? couldn't some other be, but I have chosen you for this task, don't you see.

Lord Jesus take my life and let it be wholly consecrated all to thee.

I must serve in Love, Joy, and Sincerity, for I know this is what you expect of me.

I know you love the youth as well as seniors in a very special way, asking God to save and bless them day after day.

We thank you mother for taking time with us, listening to our problems and burdens praying that the Lord would help us to bear.

In whatever way you could help you would gladly do.

You have proven that you love us through and through.

Just a measure of thanks we express in love to you today.

For you mother have been so understanding in so many ways.

I personally experience your concern in talking with you.

I know for a surety that you are saved and have the precious Holy Ghost and the fruits of the Spirit you have them too.

Mother, you let us know that a life lived for Christ is worth living, when we consider giving it a try and open our hearts to receive a blessing from on high, then thanking God for all his blessing and count them over and over. Never take Him for granted for there is no measure of Him to man.

I want to prove to you to be kind and true and treasure the hours I spent with you; I want to reach out to help others whose spirits are low, may God be with you wherever you go.

We want to say Yes, to your will and never. No!

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development and progress of minority business in Durham from the time the Chain was organized in 1938 to the present.

The National Business League, of which the Chain is an affiliate, was founded in 1900 by Booker T. Washington, former president of Tuskegee Institute. It is one of the nation's leading organizations devoted to the development of minority business enterprise and economic achievement.

The League is comprised of 120 local chapters in 37 states and the District of Columbia and has an affiliate relationship with more than 40 business, trade and professional organizations.

APPRECIATION DAY SLATED FOR MRS. BRIGGS

An appreciation day will be held for National Mother Alice Briggs at the Mt. Calvary Holy Church, 1321 Gillett St., Durham. Pastor of the church is Bishop F. Yelverton. Special guests will be members of her family and members of churches throughout the state. Guest speaker will be Rev. Donald Fisher of New York. He will be accompanied by members of his church. Expressions of love and gifts will be given to Mother Briggs.

The public is cordially invited to attend, and help make this a grand affair.

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