

NAB Starts Fund to Aid Minorities to Buy Stations

WASHINGTON - The National Association of Broadcasters' Task Force on Minority Ownership today announced that it is seeking to establish an investment fund to assist minorities in purchasing broadcast facilities. Task Force Chairman Donald A. Thurston, president, Berkshire Broadcasting Co., North Adams, Mass., said that "by combining equity and guarantee the fund could generate approximately in excess of \$300 million in transactions."

Contributions will be solicited from individuals and corporations and will be supplemented by matching funds from the Small Business Administration. Donations will be tax deductible and contributors will receive full insulation from the Federal Communications Commission's multiple ownership rules.

Mr. Thurston, who also is chairman of NAB's Board of Directors, said that "to assure the economic viability of stations owned by minorities, the fund also plans to provide training programs, technical assistance, and other supportive activities."

Two types of contributions will be solicited: direct (cash) and guarantee. Cash contributions will be for immediate use as equity or low cost loans and a guarantee would be payable only in the event of a default by a minority firm whose loan had been guaranteed by the trust. Those wishing to make a contribution over a period of time will be encouraged to make a more sizeable contribution in the first year with a pledge of specific sums of money for the succeeding years.

The fund will be under the direction of a nine-member Board of Trustees to be appointed by NAB's Executive Committee. Terms will be for three years and members will be from the broadcasting, financial and legal communities. The trustees will focus primarily on goals and operating policy and will delegate particular investment decisions to an Investment Committee. This working committee of five will determine if the investment criteria are met by each specific proposal.

The trustees will be announced at the next meeting (February 13) of the Task Force. At that time, the Task Force will disband.

In addition to Mr. Thurston, members of the Task Force are: Thomas B. Cookerly, president, Evening Star Broadcasting Co., Inc., Washington, D.C.; Alan R. Griffith, vice president, The Bank of New York, New York City; Ragan A. Henry, president, Broadcast Enterprises Network, Philadelphia, Pa.; Benjamin L.

Hooks, executive director, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York City; Vernon Jordan, president, National Urban League, New York City; Eugene D. Jackson, president, National Black Network, New York City; William J. Small, vice president, Washington, CBS, Inc., Washington, D.C.; Edward R. Lucero, president, Colorado Equity Capital Corp., Denver, Colo.; Donald H. McGannon, chairman of the board and president,

Westinghouse Broadcasting Co., New York City; Lloyd Morrisett, president, The John & Mary Markle Foundation, New York City; Thomas S. Murphy, chairman of the board, Capital Cities Communications, Inc., New York City; and Vincent T. Wasleski, president, National Association of Broadcasters.

NAB serves a membership of over 4,600 radio and 560 television stations, including all the major networks.

Thomas Fellowship Applications Now Available

BETHELEHEM, Pa. - Since the establishment of the Julius A. Thomas Fellowship Program by College Placement Services in the summer of 1974, six Thomas Fellows have received the master's degree in preparation for service as career counseling and placement officers of minority and economically disadvantaged students.

Four of these are employed in positions in college career counseling and placement offices; one is employed in a related area; and one is employed outside the career counseling field.

During 1977-78 the master of education degree was awarded by North Carolina Central University, Durham, to Ms. Patricia Bowser and Mrs. Barbara A. Crumwell, both of Durham; Ms. Schylver V. Foster of Gaffney, South Carolina; and Ms. Sharon T. Lawrence of Raleigh. All four are currently employed: Ms. Bowser as counseling assistant to the Employment Officer of the National

Institute of Health, Environmental Sciences Division; Mrs. Crumwell is assistant placement director, Winston-Salem State University. Ms. Foster is a career counselor in the Career Development Center, South Carolina State College, Orangeburg, South Carolina; and Ms. Lawrence is a counselor at Green County Community College, Greenville, North Carolina.

Thomas J. Haynes, Jr., of Madison, Florida, received the master of education degree in 1976 from Florida A&M University, Tallahassee, Florida, and is currently employed by the University as a career counselor in the Career Counseling and Placement Office.

And Ms. Renee B. Monroe of Salisbury, North Carolina, received her master's in education from Virginia State College, Petersburg, Virginia. Ms. Monroe is employed as an interviewer for the Northwest Economic Development Commission, Winston-Salem.

Ms. Nina Dobson of Baltimore, Maryland, is currently studying at North Carolina Central University. She is the recipient of the seventh fellowship and expects to receive her master's degree in 1979.

Applications from candidates for the Julius A. Thomas Fellowship for the 1979-80 academic year are now being received. Brochures and application forms describing the program are available upon request from College Placement Services. The deadline for receipt of application forms at the College Placement Services Office is on or before May 1, 1979.

Daniels In Who's Who



ERIC DANIELS, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Daniels of Clinton Road, Durham, has been selected for inclusion in "Who's Who In American High Schools." He attends Hillside High School where he is a member of the Marching Band, the track team and participates in numerous other school activities. Daniels plans to attend college next fall and pursue studies in electrical engineering.

"It is a great obstacle to happiness to expect too much." Bernard De Fontenelle



DURHAMITES LISTING TAXES. Deadline is January 31. (Photo by Pat Bryant)

Black Women Need Equal Rights Amendment

About the Author:
Born in Franklinton, North Carolina, November 10, 1947, Sylvia Crudup Cole earned her B.A. degree in English at North Carolina State University at Raleigh. She is currently completing her graduate program there in Counseling. She is employed as a consultant with the State Department of Public Instruction and has conducted many workshops on expanding sex roles for men and women and equal educational opportunities for girls and boys.



MS. SYLVIA COLE

RALEIGH - "Black women's lack of support for the Equal Rights Amendment is due primarily to three deep-seated myths that they are still struggling with about themselves."

This is the major focus of two published articles on the issue by Ms. Sylvia Crudup Cole.

The writer, who is an educational consultant with the North Carolina State Department of Public Instruction, says that black women, while they could be prime beneficiaries of ERA

have done little to support the amendment because of uncertainty about the roles they are expected to play as Blacks and as women.

The Equal Rights Amendment is an attempt to rectify past injustices and afford women opportunities to par take of the fruits of a Democracy. As for black women, however, their injustices have been even more obvious because they have had to overcome various myths while securing decent jobs with decent pay. For southern

black women especially they have had to work to overcome both racism and sexism while plagued with the bigger task of pressing for rights as women and finding ways of being supportive to southern black men who have recently gained access to positions of real authority in fair numbers. However, minority people and non-minorities can benefit from each other's involvement in activities geared toward passage of ERA. Further, says the writers, the issues of ERA are consistent with the needs of black women such as more and better jobs, credit, fair handling of rape cases, equality of opportunities an many other very pertinent concerns.

Stressed in the articles also is the fact that men, and black men particularly, must continue to fight to reduce sexism against women as well as sexism in their own lives. They must see that full benefits of ERA would increase and expand the availability of minority men and women who could move into higher level, decision-making positions.

Johnson Named Raleigh Products Distributor

The W.T. Rawleigh Company, an international organization headquartered in Freeport, Illinois, has announced the appointment of Rogers Johnson of Duham as an independent Rawleigh Distributor.

Rawleigh, founded in

1889, has grown into a worldwide organization, manufacturing and distributing a complete line of home medicines, spices, extracts, food supplements, cosmetics, cleaning aids and Mr. Groom brand dog, cat and horse grooming and

nutritional products to homes throughout the area. Johnson joins a network of independent Rawleigh Distributors serving family needs throughout the United States, Canada, New Zealand and Australia.

MEDIA SPECIALIST CHOSEN AS TEACHER OF THE YEAR FOR DURHAM CITY SCHOOLS

Miss Sudie Fields, media specialist at Shepard Junior High School, and veteran teacher of 29 years, has been chosen as Teacher of the Year for the Durham City School System. She was selected from a field of qualified nominees who were recommended for the honor by the faculties at their schools.

The selection committee included three teachers, a student, a parent, a member of the Durham City Board of Education, and administrator, a patron, and a media representative.

Miss Fields received a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Master's degree in Library Science from North Carolina Central University. He has done further study at Syracuse University, and the University of North



MISS SUDIE FIELDS

Carolina at Chapel Hill. She is a member of the National Education Association, North Carolina Association of Educators, North Carolina Association of

Classroom Teachers, North Carolina Library Association, Durham County Library Association, and the North Carolina Association of School Librarians.

Miss Fields helped organize and set up Shepard's library the summer before the school opened and has continued to work there for the past 14 years. Prior to working in the Durham City Schools, Miss Fields worked in the Wake County and Edenton, school systems.

Miss Fields' selection qualifies her to compete for District Nine Teacher of the Year and, possibly, N.C. Teacher of the Year.

She is a member of Mount Vernon Baptist Church, Durham, and the Tau Gamma Delta Sorority.

Council of Negro Women Seeking Out Black Museums

WASHINGTON - The National Council of Negro Women is seeking out black museums and cultural organizations throughout the country that are interested in sponsoring humanities-oriented community projects, Dr. Dorothy I. Height, president, announced this week.

Once such organizations are located and identified, says Dr.

Height, NCNW can aid them in developing national traveling exhibits, museum programs, and other types of educative community projects related to the humanities.

NCNW is conducting the project under a contract with the National Endowment for the Humanities—division of public programs. Dr. Bettye C. Thomas, director of the Council's

Historical Development Program, is the contact officer. She is at NCNW's Museum, 1318 Vermont Ave., Washington, D.C. 20005.

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