

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



Hoyle H. Martin Sr.

The Federal Communication Commission's only black member, Tyrone Brown told an NAACP workshop last week that "there is very little on television today that I want my children to watch." He added that television has either ignored blacks or given them derogatory roles.

Proposition 13, the so-called tax revolt now springing up in other parts of the nation, was an "expression of perceived self-interest by California's taxpayers, more so than racism or class bias..." said Margret Wilson to the 8,000 delegates in attendance at the 69th annual NAACP convention held in Portland, Oregon last week. Mrs. Wilson, board chairman of the civil rights organization added, "Racism is involved. We cannot escape the reality. But let us not be too consumed with this reality now...Our challenge...is to seek enlightened solutions to the spreading tax revolt, not myopic, self-centered, or racial responses to a problem which affects us all."

The Census Bureau has confirmed what many have already known, nearly 8 percent of the black population was missed - not counted - in 1970. Many minority leaders are reportedly concerned because of the realization that census data affects the distribution of nearly \$60 billion in federal money.

While the nation's un-

Peters Named Executive

News Director Of WRET-TV

Curtis O. Peters, a graduate of Johnson C. Smith University, has been named Executive News Producer and Director of Public Affairs at WRET-TV, Channel 36.

A wealth of experience follows Peters to this new Post. He worked at J. C. Smith as University Relations Director. Since his entry to broadcast journalism, he has worked at WBTV and WSOC as a reporter, photographer, assignment editor, news producer, and anchor work. More recently, Peters worked as News Director for WLOS in Asheville, N.C.

On July 1, TV-36 officially became a NBC Television Network affiliate. As an independent station, WRET lacked a news department. "In September, we'll hit the airwaves with news and once we're underway with the programming, we look forward to expanding into Public Affairs," comments Peters in a recent news release.

At present, Charlotte has

employment rate fell to 5.7 percent in June, the lowest in nearly four years, wholesale prices rose 0.7 percent in the same month. Food prices rose even higher. The U.S. Labor Department credited the dip in the jobless rate to gains in teenage employment in federally-funded summer jobs programs. Nevertheless, the unemployment rate for black teenagers declined from 38.4 percent to 37.1 percent.

The Middlesex County (Mass.) district attorney said he has no jurisdiction to charge Sen. Edward Brook (R) in connection with the financial misstatements in a divorce suit with his wife.

The U.S. House of Representatives passed a resolution on Monday establishing the first Sunday after Labor Day as National Grandparents Day for 1978 only. The Senate approved a similar resolution to establish the day on an annual basis.

The celebrated Patty Hearst has been encouraged to become a jailhouse author and

write about her life experiences. She has reportedly said, "My feeling has been that anything that smacks of an autobiography at 24 is arrogant, to say the least."

HUD Secretary Patricia Harris has announced that \$2 million will be spent to improve public housing living.



Curtis O. Peters
...JCSU graduate

two established news operations, WBTV and WSOC. Peters intends to present TV-36's news in an unique and informative style. He states, "Starting a news operation from scratch has its definite advantages."

WRET will have first class material from its young invigorating staff to news equipment and news set.

Aspiring Young Talent Brings His Act To Charlotte Area

Frank Brockington is an aspiring young talent who has moved to the Queen City to get his musical career into full swing. "I like to sing my problems away before a warm audience," commented Frank in a recent Post interview.

At present, he is looking for singers, writers, and a rhythm and blues band to debut on his own South Central label. "I will produce and write," he said.

A lover of life, Frank likes to center his songs around the theme of life. He stressed the fact that he likes to give his listeners the incentive to overcome their trials and tribulations and continue the day.

This Charleston, S.C. native went to New York, discovered his talent, and recorded. In 1970, he recorded, "Girl I Want To Marry You" as Little Frankie on Mercury Records.

"You'll Loose a Good Thing" is his latest under his own label. Since its release in May, this tune has gained



Frank Brockington
...Career in full swing

widespread popularity in the South.

A professional singer for over 12 years, Frank has sung with a number of groups in the United States. In South Carolina, he sang with the Harmonizers. The Village Soul Choir is the group that he did backup vocals and managed while in New York.

Experience is one thing that Frank Brockington is not lacking. He has toured with

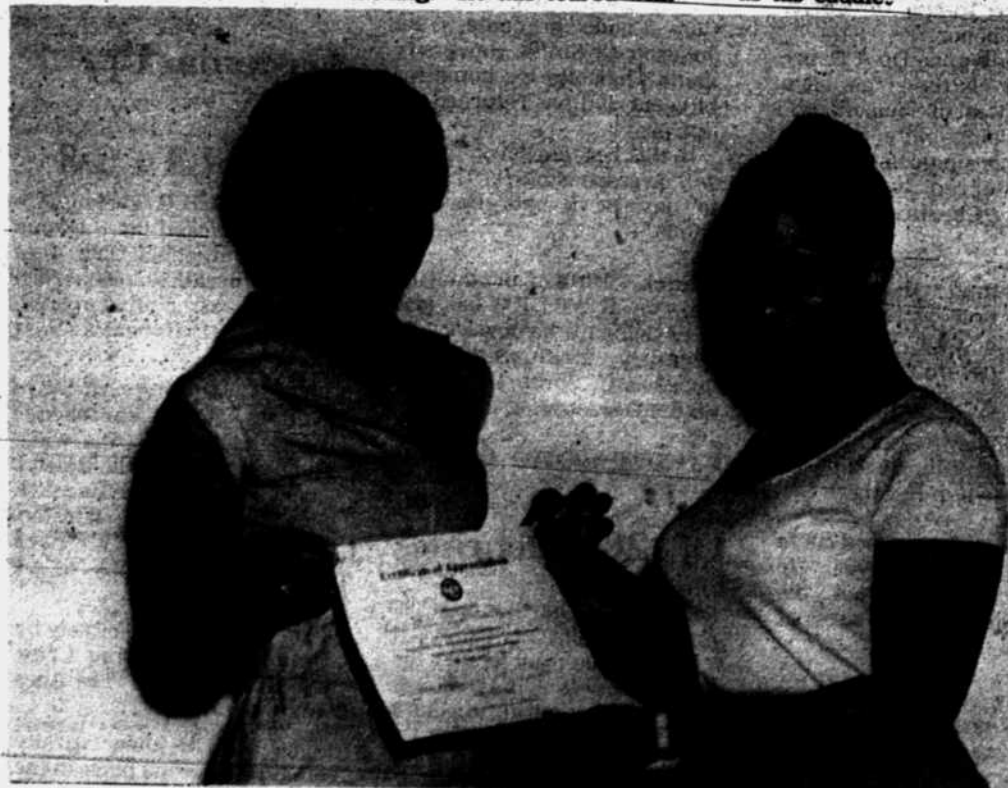
Roy C. the Thames, Maxine Brown, Jimmy Pellen, Little Richard, Don Covey, and Aretha Franklin. He has also worked at the Apollo theatre for a time.

Frank attended Schavis High School in the Charleston area. Shortly after graduation, he played baseball for a while as a pitcher. Frank says that he averaged 14 to 16 strike outs per game. He did this until a shoulder injury abruptly ended that career.

Peter Turns

A gambling czar kidnaps Malcolm and demands as ransom Pete's aid in protecting the czar's golf-pro son after a death threat, on "Switch," Sunday, July 23, at 10 p.m. on WBTV, Channel 3. Jack Kruschen, Howard McGillin, Val Avery and Laura Baugh guest star.

Pete has to enter a golf tournament to protect the competing son, taking Maggie as his caddie.



Soror Daisy Stroud, chairperson of the Five Point Project Committee, is presenting a service certificate of appreciation to Soror

Rogerline Lee, president of the Charlotte Alumnae of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc.

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