



TOP RHYTHM & BLUES SINGER—Radio audiences can now hear the nation's top rhythm and blues singer, Aretha Franklin, singing the famous jingle for Coca-Cola. Aretha is the latest addition to a special group

of entertainers who sing, "Things Go Better With Coke," in their own distinctive style. The commercials for Coke by Aretha vary in length from 60 to 90 seconds and may be heard on radio stations across the nation. Aretha's recordings are continuously at the top of record poll listings. Only recently, Aretha set an all-time attendance mark at the Regal Theatre in Chicago.

NAACP Halts Construction on Interstate Hwy.

NASHVILLE — Construction of an interstate highway that could have brought "destruction and irreparable damage to Negro-owned businesses, colleges, universities, schools, churches, and residential areas" in this city was halted this week by the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. (LDF).

LDF attorneys won a temporary restraining order in the Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

Jack Greenberg, LDF director-counsel, said that "this marks the first time that highway construction has been halted via litigation based on racial claims."

LDF attorneys will appear in the U.S. Court of Appeals in Cincinnati on December 8 to present oral argument to sustain their temporary victory.

The LDF complaint named Governor Buford Ellington, Highways Commissioner Chas. W. Spright, and Nashville Mayor Beverly Briley.

It said the officials erred on the following grounds:

- no public hearing was held to discuss construction plans prior to their approval and implementation
- the highway was arbitrarily routed through the Negro district
- the routing was not coordinated with any comprehensive plan of land use.

LDF attorneys are representing the Nashville 140 Steering Committee, an unincorporated group of Negro and white citizens formed to protect the North Nashville section of the city.

Among the institutions represented on the committee are Fisk and Vanderbilt Universities, Scarritt, George Peabody, and Meharry Medical Colleges, and St. Vincent dePaul Parish and School.

Others include the Metropolitan Human Relations Committee, Nashville Christian Leadership Conference, the Baptist Sunday School Publishing Board, and numerous local church groups.

LDF attorney Avon Williams is the local counsel. He is joined by LDF Director-Counsel Greenberg, James M. Nabrit III, Charles H. Jones, Jr., and Michael Davidsor, all of New York City.



AID MISSISSIPPI FAMILIES—Mrs. Margaret L. Belcher, center, of Columbus, Ga., president of the National Association of Negro Business & Professional Women's Clubs, Inc., presents check for \$1,000 to Mrs. Thelma Sanders, president of the Jackson, Miss. BPW Club for aid to families

in Mississippi. The check represents personal donations by members attending the recent convention, plus matched funds given by the National Association

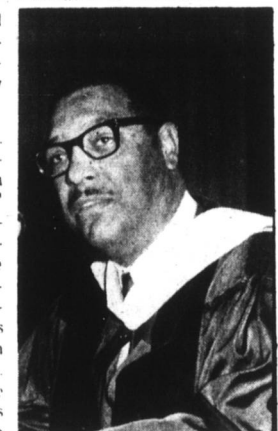
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Dr. Samuel Proctor Founder's Day Speaker at Shaw University

RALEIGH — "On the big issues, our goals are the same, although the generation gap is a great gulf when it comes to techniques and methods," Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, Jr., told an audience of 2,000 gathered in Memorial Auditorium last Friday (November 17) for Shaw University's 102nd Founder's Day convocation address.

He said he was not privileged to vocalize, to articulate, to do anything about this awareness until now. "No longer is it necessary for the old to teach the young the meaning of life, whether individual or collective."



DR. PROCTOR

Introduced by President J. E. Cheek, Dr. Proctor addressed himself to the subject, "Can You Trust Anyone Over 30?" The present Director of Services to Education, Inc., Washington, D. C., asserted, "The first half of the twentieth century has seen a variety of efforts accelerated, but perhaps the most successful has been the emancipation of the young."

Hardly anyone would agree that any of these accelerations have been complete, but some have: the emancipation of women, of labor, the gaining of independence of the new states of Africa, Asia and the Caribbean. And, of course, in the past two decades, the American Negro has shown more impatience than before with the slow pace of change.

A former president of A&T State University, Greensboro, and Virginia Union University, Richmond, Proctor insisted, "As a group, the young have it made. They have cut those umbilical cords that bound them to paternal authority, to ancestor worship and to docile acceptance of creeds and mores passed down from one generation to another."

The speaker declared, "Youth has always known its distinctiveness from its surrounding adult mass, but it has never

Four Tar Heels Die in Vietnam

WASHINGTON — The Defense Department released the names Monday of 115 men killed in action in Vietnam. Among them were:

Killed as a result of hostile action, Marine Corps — Pfc. Willie L. Broadnax, son of Mrs. Verlene Lewis, Jackson, N. C.

Missing to dead — hostile, Army — Spec. 4 James W. Plynt III, son of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Plynt Jr., Pittsboro, N. C. Pfc. Prewel Grissette, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Grissette, Rt. 1, Shallotte, N. C.; Pfc. Richard F. Mason, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Mason, Erwin, N. C.

Turks Study Greek Move Over Cyprus

ANKARA, Turkey — The Turkish cabinet met in emergency session Monday amid optimistic predictions it would decide on peace instead of war over Cyprus.

The cabinet met to discuss the Greek reply to Turkish demands that the Athens government remove its troops and make other concessions over Cyprus.

U.S. presidential envoy Cyrus Vance brought the reply from Athens after long discussions with Greek officials.

Informed sources said the Greeks accepted the basic Turkish demands but added some conditions which could be solved by negotiation.

Sources close to the Turkish government said the reply opened the road to a solution through diplomacy.

On Alert

Turkish land, sea and air forces remained on the alert on the Turkish-Greek border and in ports along the south coast from which they could invade Cyprus, only 40 miles away.

On Cyprus itself, President Makarios told United Nations representative Jose Rolz-Bennet he agreed to the full withdrawal of all Greek and Turkish forces from the island.

"I don't think there will be a war," Makarios said. In Athens, a government official said: "As long as we keep talking, there is no fear of war. If the talks fail, then we shall see."

The sources in Ankara were supported by reliable informants in Athens who said Greece has agreed to take its 9,000 regular troops off Cyprus and has gone some way toward meeting Turkish demands that the withdrawal start immediately.

The Turkish sources said one of the conditions Greece asked was a guarantee the Turks would not land major forces on the island as soon as the Greeks left.

General Angers Marines

WASHINGTON — Gen. William C. Westmoreland of the Army was reported by Marine Corps sources Monday to have recommended in writing that Lt. Gen. Lewis W. Walt, the former commander of the Marine force in Vietnam, be named the new commandant of the corps.

By this intervention in the intense political struggle within the corps over the selection of the next commandant, General Westmoreland, commander of the United States military forces in Vietnam, has outraged the cliquish Marine corps hierarchy.

It was not immediately clear to whom Westmoreland had addressed his recommendation — whether to the White House, the Defense Department of Marine Corps headquarters. In any event, his recommendation landed on the desk of Gen. Wallace M. Greene Jr., the outgoing commandant, and set off rumbles of indignation in the corridors of Marine Corps headquarters.

Jealous Preserve

Under ordinary circumstances, the Westmoreland recommendations might be interpreted as a routine tribute to a former subordinate and comrade-in-arms. The difficulty was, however, that Westmoreland, an Army man, was treading into a preserve that the Marine generals tend to guard jealously.

For an Army general to intervene thus in Marine Corps affairs is widely regarded by senior officers of the Corps as not only a breach of military etiquette but also as the grossest impertinence.



THE THINGMAKER with Fun Flowers (from Mattel Toys) can provide for young America a glorious garden of artificial flowers of myriad shapes and colors, to use in bouquets,

flowers arrangements, or in personalized decoration of such household articles as lampshades, wastebaskets, or cigar cases. In photo above, 9-year-old Antonia Houston, left,

shows twin Annette how colorful liquid Plastigoop may be heated in the safe Thingmaker molds, resulting in the fanciful flower creations being shaped by Annette. Molds in-

cluded in the set will form an intriguing variety of 35 blossoms, leaves, funny face centers, stems, butterfly, ladybug, pinholder and flower base.

With Our Men in the Service



LOWE

Airman Goll Lowe Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Goll Lowe of 148 South Bridge, Leaksville, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He is now assigned as an administrative specialist with a unit of the Air Defense Command at Kincheloe AFB, Mich. Airman Lowe is a 1966 graduate of Douglass High School.



O'NEILL

Airman Michael L. O'Neill, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. O'Neill of 1802 Hillcrest Drive, Durham, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He is remaining at the Air Force Technical Training Center for specialized schooling as a security policeman. Airman O'Neill is a 1965 graduate of Asheville Catholic High School.



BALDWIN

Airman Robert H. Baldwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Baldwin of 608 Meares St., Wilmington, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He is now assigned as a security policeman with a unit of the Air Force Systems Command at Edwards AFB, Calif. Airman Baldwin is a 1967 graduate of Williston Senior High School.



BRACY

Technical Sergeant Fred L. Bracy, whose mother is Mrs. Sarah Williamson of 417 Wilson Ave., Wilmington, has received the U.S. Air Force Commendation Medal at Lowry AFB, Colo. Sergeant Bracy, a telephone equipment technician, was decorated for meritorious achievement at Can Tho AB, Vietnam. He is now at Lowry as a mem-

Red Toll Up At Dak To

SAIGON — The Communist death toll in the battle of Dak To rose even higher Monday with discovery of 224 more North Vietnamese bodies by U. S. troops probing the hills near the borders of Laos and Cambodia.

The U. S. Command reported the Red toll stands now at 1,641 men killed; the number of wounded is unknown. U. S. forces lost 287 men killed and 1,000 others wounded in the three-week battle, bloodiest of the war.

U. S. Commanders at Dak To expressed belief the North Vietnamese have had enough and are pulling out toward Cambodia to the southwest. American and South Vietnamese troops searched for their trails, hoping to inflict still higher casualties on them.

Saigon headquarters said that of the 1,641 enemy dead, U. S. forces killed 1,208 and the South Vietnamese 433.

The South Vietnamese described their casualties in the battle as light; they do not disclose them numerically.

Airman Joseph J. Fennell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Fennell of 5 Custer Circle, Durham, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He is now assigned as an administrative specialist with a unit of the Strategic Air Command at Clinton-Sherman AFB, Okla. Airman Fennell, a 1966 graduate of Jordan High School, attended Louisburg Junior College.

Seaman Recruit Joe A. Taylor, USN, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Taylor of Rt. 5, Cheek Road, Durham, has been graduated from nine weeks of Navy basic training at the Naval Training Center here.

ber of the Air Force Communications Service. The sergeant is a graduate of Williston High School.

Christmas Seal Chairman Ellis Rallies Forces

WILMINGTON — The 1967 Christmas Seal Chairman for North Carolina, Rear Admiral R. B. Ellis (USN Ret.) of Wilmington, rallied his forces this week as he prepared to move the current campaign into high gear.

In a statement issued from his office at the Battleship North Carolina, Ellis said, "Tar Heels are a spirited lot. We've never backed away from a fight, just as the Battleship North Carolina never turned from the enemy during World War II. I'm confident we'll show this same spirit in the struggle against respiratory diseases."

The 1967 campaign is now entering its third week and indications are that this year's drive will be one of the most successful in history.

The Campaign Chairman, in his annual message concerning the drive, said that with a determined effort the menace of respiratory diseases can be defeated in the Tar Heel State.

"The magnitude of this struggle is startling," he said. "Over 28 million Americans suffer from tuberculosis, hay fever, asthma, and chronic bronchitis or sinusitis. If we add figures from the other 13 respiratory diseases, it's easy to understand that Americans lose 300 million working days yearly because of these disorders."

"But we're fast gaining on tuberculosis in North Carolina," he added. However, Admiral Ellis cautioned against apathy where tuberculosis and respiratory diseases are concerned. "Many a battle has been lost by easing off too quickly on the pressure," he said. "Even as we close in on tuberculosis, the enemy is opening up new fronts under the code name of emphysema and air pollution. We need a sustained, all-out assault."



IT'S A HOWL OF A PARTY Marvel shown in center. Mrs. L. Billups, in stripes, prepare recently at DBC. Shown above are some of the weird costumes which included The Masked

Stewart, of Faison; Rauelette Smith of Coveseville, Virginia; and Judge Monk, Jacksonville, N. C.