



**VIETNAM VET ASSIGNED TO STAFF OF ALMA MATER—** Maj. William Graves, right, who recently returned from a year's tour in Vietnam, is welcomed to the A&T State Uni-

versity campus by Lt. Col. Herbert G. Parker, professor of military science. Maj. Graves, native of Greensboro, and 1963 graduate of A&T, has been as-

signed to the University as an instructor in the ROTC program. He is married to the former Addie M. Gory of Steubenville, Ohio.

### Four Sworn in For Foreign Service Jan. 5

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Three Negroes and one Puerto Rican were sworn into the 82nd Class of the Foreign Service in the Department of State on January 5, 1968. The new junior officers are:

Miss Sylvia Stanfield of Dallas, Texas, a 1965 graduate of Western College for Women, Oxford, Ohio. Miss Stanfield received her Master's Degree in Asian Studies from the University of Hawaii and also studied the Chinese Language for eight months at the University of Hong Kong. Just prior to her appointment, Miss Stanfield worked for several months in the Civil Rights Documentation Project which is funded by the Ford Foundation.

Jose Villalon of Aquadilla, Puerto Rico, a 1963 honor graduate of the University of Puerto Rico in San Juan. After traveling for several months in Europe under a University sponsored program, Mr. Villalon entered the University of Puerto Rico School of Law in August, 1963 where he majored in International Law. He received his law degree in May, 1966 and was admitted to the bar in Puerto Rico in the spring of 1967. Mr. Villalon had also completed work toward a Master's Degree in Public Administration when he accepted a summer internship in the Department of State last July.

James E. Walker of Roosevelt, New York, a 1965 graduate of Fisk University. Mr. Walker received his Master's Degree in International Relations from Georgetown University in Washington, D. C., last fall. In the summer of 1965 he travelled through 11 countries in Europe on a study tour sponsored by Hope College.

John W. Graveley of Cincinnati, Ohio, a 1962 graduate of West Virginia State College, received a career appointment in the Department's Foreign Service Staff Officer Corps. Mr. Graveley saw service in the Army both at home and abroad from October, 1962 to July 1967. He achieved the rank of Captain. He is the recipient of several awards and certificates of achievement for his work with the military. His last assignment was as Adjutant General Staff Instructor in the U.



"AFFIRMATION AND JOY SERVICE"

### Duke University Students Join in W. Durham Church Service

Duke University B. S. U. Students joined in with the Young People of West Durham Baptist Church in presenting a service of "Affirmation and Joy" at a recent evening service.

The Rev. James Y. Green, Director of B.S.U. activities served as leader. Special music was rendered by a sextet made up by the Young People. Miss Dianne Harrington was special soloist. Miss Harrington is a senior at Hillside High School. Rev. F. D. Terry, the host minister had high praise for the cooperative work the young people from West Durham Baptist and Duke University have carried out throughout the school year.

Students from Duke have been a part of Youth Day Activities each month at the church. Mrs. Helen Jones is advisor to the Young People's Missionary Department, and Mrs. Ruth McCowan is Chairman of the Youth Day.

### SS Payments Increase; Aid To Beneficiaries

By NINA H. MATTHEWS District Manager

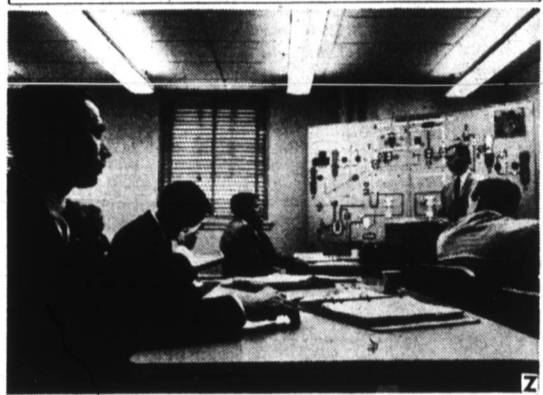
In my last article, I discussed the increased social security payments that would be coming to persons now on the social security benefit rolls in early March as a result of the amendments signed into law by President Johnson on January 19.

The effect of the new legislation is also to increase the benefits of all future beneficiaries a minimum of 13 percent. A person whose earnings under social security had averaged \$350 a month would, under the old law, get a benefit of \$124.20 upon retirement at 65, or \$186.30 for himself and his wife if she was also 65 upon his retirement.

Under the new law, based on the same average earnings of \$350 a month, his retirement benefit will be \$140.40 per month, or \$210.60 for the couple—\$24.30 more a month.

The maximum retirement benefit under the old law would have been \$168 a month (\$252 for a couple) payable to a worker 29 years old in 1968 and retiring in the year 2004, with average earnings of \$550 a month, or \$6,600 a year. Under the new law, this same worker can look forward to a

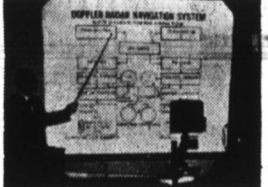
### Captains In The Classroom



It's a good thing Bob Kritzer likes going to school! He's going to spend a lot of time there during the next 33 years in his career as a Trans World Airlines pilot. For today's airline pilots spend fully 10%

of their careers in the classroom—long enough to earn two master's degrees, a Ph.D., plus a good start on a third M.A. Even the most experienced jet commanders are put through the mill regularly, sharpening the vast number of skills that modern flying demands. TWA's Jack Frye International Training Center in Kansas City, Mo., recurrent training is an around-the-calendar affair. Constant monitoring comes from a team of instructors who go back to school on an annual schedule themselves.

For the beginners especially—including those with thousands of hours of previous jet piloting behind them, such as in the military, training is extremely rigorous. It's only after a minimum of 235 hours over a close-packed 7 weeks in the classroom and jet simulators that a new TWA man moves into the third seat in a real cockpit—on training flights without passengers. When he's finally assigned to the line, veteran flight engineers come along for the ride for several weeks to monitor his performance.



Every year thereafter, he'll return for recurrent training until he graduates to captain. Then he goes back to Frye every six months for the rest of his flying career.

**NORTH CAROLINA DURHAM COUNTY ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE**  
HAVING QUALIFIED as Administratrix of the Estate of James Fletcher Strickland, deceased, late of Durham County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against said Estate to exhibit them to the undersigned at 1025 Kent Street, Durham, North Carolina, or 203 1/2 East Chapel Hill Street, Suite 9 and 10, Durham, North Carolina, on or before June 23, 1968, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment.

THIS 19th day of December, 1967,  
(Mrs.) Annie K. Strickland, Administratrix of the Estate of James Fletcher Strickland, deceased.

William A. Marsh, Jr., Attorney  
Dec. 23, 30, 1967; Jan. 6, 13, 1968

monthly payment of \$189.90 (\$284.90 for himself and his wife).

Thus for these workers who have been earning and who will continue to earn wages of \$6,600 a year or less, the new amendments will mean sizable increases in their future benefit payments—and without comparable increases in the social security tax contributions they were scheduled to pay under the old law.

A worker earning \$6,600 a year will pay exactly the same amount of social security taxes in 1968 as he paid in 1967. In 1969 and 1970, he will actually pay \$6.60 less for the year than he would have paid under the old law. In years after that he will pay only slightly more, with his maximum contribu-

tion no more than \$1.38 more a month than he would have paid under the law as it stood before the enactment of the benefit increases. These contribution rates also include the portion he pays toward his medicare protection for his old age.

Higher social security contributions are scheduled, however, for the one out of four wage earners who earns over \$6,600. He will be paying social security contributions on up to \$1,200 more of his annual earnings.

Beginning with 1968, earnings up to \$7,800 a year will be subject to social security contributions and will also count toward social security benefits.

**DECORATOR'S NOTEBOOK**  
by Lois Munroe, A.I.D.  
Bates Fashion Director

**Head-y Beds**  
Once upon a bedtime, headboards were merely functional— for leaning against, propping pillows against, or hanging night lights on. But today, headboards treated with a little attention are adding a decorator touch to rooms.

Personalized headboards are so easy to create. All you need are the basic materials, plus some creativity and time. I've found this to be a wonderful way to add a different touch to a bedroom with relatively little expense.

**Pick A Picket**  
Children will love the bit of whimsy that an imaginative headboard brings to their room. To complement Bates "Old MacDonald's Farm" bedspread—a gay spread covered with delightful animals—I'd pick a picket fence. A little wood goes a long way for this lively headboard. Just take five pieces of wood of equal size, shape the ends into pickets and nail two pieces of wood across. Sand the edges for safety's sake and paint the picket headboard a bright color like orange or yellow. This bed-header will win cheers from the little folk.

**Regal Elegance**  
For the master bedroom, I advocate an elegant touch. A regal canopy over the bed creates a sleeping chamber fit for a king and queen. I like the traditional look of a demi-canopy—made by taking a window cornice the width of the bed and covering it with material, then swagging narrow draperies on either side. "Her Majesty's Needlepoint"—a handsome Bates spread that recreates the craft of rose-strewn needlepoint—is the perfect spread to use on this bed and for matching accents on the canopy. Whatever your decor or the mood you're trying to evoke, it's easy to make a matching headboard that will give your bedroom a different touch and the decorator look sure to command everyone's attention.

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