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GENETICS RESEARCH AT NSCU—Counting the various mutations which result from crossing the lines of fruit flies is one of the duties of Mrs. Justina Williams, research assistant in the genetics department at N. C. State University.

N. C. Leads in Conducting Defensive Driving Instructions

RALEIGH — The Driver Education and Accident Records Division of the Department of Motor Vehicles has just received word that North Carolina leads all other states in conducting defensive driving courses for 1968.

In reaching the number one spot, the Tar Heel State reached 94 percent of its 1968 goal during the first seven months of the year.

C. S. Waters, director of the division, said the National Safety Council set North Carolina's goal at 25,382 for 1968. During the first seven months of the year the division trained 19,105 persons. "We'll certainly set a new record by the end of the year," Waters said.

The Department of Motor Vehicles is one of 19 different agencies conducting defensive driving courses in North Carolina and is the only agency offering the course free to the public.

The course consists of eight hours of intensive training in driving techniques developed to help the motorists survive in today's traffic.

North Carolina's number one position is due in part to the large number of state employees who have participated in the training course.

Waters, believing that good driving like charity begins at home, set out at the beginning of the year to try to teach defensive driving to every member of the State Employees family during 1968.

The big push got underway among State agencies in July. We're going to just keep on working until every State Employee has been reached," says Waters.

By the end of July, more than 16,000 State employees had received the full eight hour course. A majority of motor vehicle employees and an estimated 10,000 of the approximately 12,000 Highway Commission employees boosted considerably the total number of State employees.

Other State agencies that have participated include the Welfare Department, Health Department, Administration Department, Archives and History, Personnel Department, Board of Pardons and Probation Commission.

Motor Vehicles Commissioner Ralph Howland and Assistant Commissioner Joe W. Garrett are among the graduates. Both are completely sold on its merits as a weapon in the continuing war on traffic death and injury.

During the past two and one half years the Department has carried the course to thousands of drivers through civic, church and fraternal groups and through private industry.

The course has been conducted for members of senior citizens groups and for groups of teenagers. If a person drives a car, he can benefit from the course regardless of his age, Waters feels. "It is really a very practical thing," he says.

The veteran Motor Vehicle employee admits that he and his half force of 59 are "selling defensive driving" with evangelistic zeal.



CONTRIBUTES TO KING SCHOLARSHIP FUND — Jack Vaughn, Director of the Peace Corps, presents Dr. Hugh M. Gloster, President of Morehouse College, with a contribution for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Installs New Officers

At a recent meeting of Beta Theta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, the following officers were installed by Rev. E. T. Browne, Pastor, Mount Vernon Baptist Church:

President, J. R. Butts; Vice President, Rafael Thompson; Secretary, Roamless Hudson; Assistant Secretary, C. B. Nixon; Financial Secretary, H. R. Edwards; Treasurer, A. P. Dumas; Chaplain, Rev. E. T. Browne; Editor to Sphinx, L. B. Frasier.

A report was made by Roamless Hudson on the activities of the National Conference held in Detroit, Michigan. A. J. H. Clement, III, reported on the activities of the Black Solidarity Committee.

The American Petroleum Institute reports that, "Many of the nation's oil companies are playing an active part in Project Transition—a program that provides returning military veterans with the specialized training needed to find civilian jobs."

Martin King Scholarship Fund Receives \$10,625 from Donors

ATLANTA, Ga. — Jack Vaughn, Director of the Peace Corps, presented Morehouse College officials with a check for \$10,625 to be applied to the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund in a ceremony at the Atlanta Institution on Thursday, September 19.

After making the presentation to Morehouse President Hugh M. Gloster, Vaughn said the funds were collected in a spontaneous movement immediately following Dr. King's assassination last April. Contributions came from individual Peace Corps staff members, Volunteers in 59 countries around the world, returned Volunteers and staff members in this country, and friends of the Peace Corps. Vaughn said that the gift represented only "a small initial contribution." Contributions are still arriving in Peace Corps headquarters in

Washington from remote areas of the world where Peace Corps representatives are working.

In a letter accompanying the check Vaughn wrote President Gloster, "I am very pleased and proud of the spirit in which the Peace Corps has responded to the establishment of this memorial fund. The letters from Volunteers in the field have been especially heartening. Their expressions of gratitude for having this small opportunity to participate in a tribute to Dr. King have been a source of inspiration to all of us."

"We of the Peace Corps are honored to have shared his vision for a world in which all men can live in dignity, equality and peace. In Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Morehouse College gave this nation its finest talent."



MRS. MOSBY

Funeral Service Held for Mrs. Nancy Mosby

Funeral service was held for Mrs. Nancy E. Mosby, Saturday, August 31, at 1:30 p.m. at New Bethel Baptist Church. The Reverend L. W. Reid, minister. Mrs. Mosby, daughter of the late Peter and Emma Bagley, was born September 8, 1903 in Fairfield County, South Carolina. She departed this life on August 26, at Immaculate Hospital, Jamaica, N. Y.

Mrs. Mosby is survived by her husband, the Reverend Tally Mosby; a daughter, Emma Lovette; two sons, Milledge and Talmadge; six grandchildren; six sisters; five brothers and a host of relatives and friends.

Vets Failing to Use Valuable Ins Opportunity

Thousands of disabled veterans—largely young veterans—are failing to take advantage of a valuable insurance opportunity, the Veterans Administration said today.

The VA said it gives disability ratings to some 7,000 veterans each month and each man is encouraged to apply for special low-cost RH insurance.

However, said the VA, currently only about 16 per cent submit applications despite premiums so low that a 25-year-old veteran, for example, can start a \$10,000 insurance program for only \$2.60 a month.

RH National Service Life Insurance is available only to veterans separated from service after April 24, 1951, who have been rated by the VA as having a service-connected disability.

After the rating is established, VA insurance offices in Philadelphia or St. Paul inform each veteran that he is entitled to apply for low cost RH insurance.

Applications must be submitted within one year from



FOCUS ON REPAIR — Doby Howard (left) repairs a Kodak Instamatic camera as Harold Mars, general manager of Camura, Inc., watches him finish the job. Camura, Inc. is a Negro-owned and operated business in Rochester, N. Y.'s inner city that held its grand opening last week. Doby is one of five employees. Camura is sponsored by the Urban League, and was set up under the guidance of Rochester Business Opportunities Corporation, and will have Kodak as its first customer.

the date the disability is established.

The VA emphasized that veterans who receive disability ratings may apply for RH insurance whether or not they converted their Servicemen's Group Life Insurance (SGLI) to a private policy after they got out of military service.

Even if the veteran converted his SGLI policy, the VA encourages him — if he can afford to do so — to apply for the RH insurance.

He Wanted to Build Houses; His Talent: Building Lives

GREENSBORO — Charles W. Fairley always wanted to build homes for people. He wanted to be a contractor.

As circumstances would have it, Fairley never became a contractor. But there is no doubt that he has helped to build a better way of life for hundreds of his fellow citizens.

A 48 year-old graduate of A&T State University, Fairley last week resigned his job as director of project operations of the Greensboro Redevelopment Commission.

He will become the executive director of the Urban Redevelopment Commission for the City of Fayetteville. Fairley will be the first Negro in the Southeast and only the second black man in the nation to head an urban renewal program.

"I consider this a tremendous opportunity," said Fairley, shortly after his new appointment. "I just hope to be able to improve the quality of life for someone."

At the outset, Fairley will supervise a \$2 million operation in Fayetteville. The Department of Housing and Urban Development has earmarked that much for projects there.

Fairley is a long-time advocate of urban renewal. "Some critics of urban renewal say that it only removes Negroes," he said. "I say it does remove Negroes. It removes them from blight, slums, and substandard housing. That's what it removes them from."

He said the bitter critics of urban renewal are usually those who have a vested interest in



ANOTHER "FIRST" FOR HIM

—Charles W. Fairley, 48, of Greensboro, last week became the first Negro in the Southeast and only the second in the nation to head an urban redevelopment commission. Fairley was named executive director of the Fayetteville, Urban Redevelopment Commission.

maintaining the status quo. "These are the slum landlords and people of this type," he added.

"Slums cost everybody," said Fairley. "The people in the slums pay the price of good housing, whether they actually get good housing or not."

Achieving a first is nothing new to Fairley. He was the first Negro Boy Scout field executive in Greensboro. He was the city's first Negro mail carrier and he was the first Negro public housing manager in Greensboro.

ANIMATED CHILDREN'S CLASSIC ON TV



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TV producers have found a sure-fire way to score high marks among television audiences. First, find a children's book. If it's a classic, better still. Get an outstanding writer-illustrator team together to bring it to life. If they've worked together before, great. Add a narrator who's one of the most versatile talents in show business and you've just created a television special with all-family appeal.

Babar the Elephant, who has delighted over a million picture book readers will soon be enchanting television viewers across the country when NBC-TV airs its half-hour color special on October 21st at 7:30 P.M. The family program is being sponsored by Viking Carpets, Inc.

The same team which created the Charlie Brown show (writer-producer Lee Mendelson and animator Bill Melendez) has teamed up with author Laurent De Brunhoff to bring this delightful children's classic to life. The story of how Babar exchanged forest life for civilization, how he returned to be elephant king, and a trunkful of other adventures will be narrated by two time Emmy and Oscar winner Peter Ustinov.

Some Disabled Children Get Social Security

One of the least known Social Security benefits is the childhood disability benefit, according to Mrs. Nina H. Matthews, Manager of the Durham Social Security Office.

This is the same cash benefit paid for children under age 18 or students between 18 and 22. The major difference is that to be eligible, a child must have become disabled prior to age 18, and continued to be disabled and unable to engage in any substantial gainful work.

The child must also be eligible on an insured parent's record. The parent must be deceased or entitled to retirement or disability insurance benefits. Often the mother caring for the disabled child is also eligible for benefits.

Mrs. Matthews went on to say that many workers nearing retirement age have disabled children but do not know that this benefit is available. Because of total family social security benefits payable it is often possible for a worker to retire or work part time without a reduction in family income.

If you have a child with a severe disability and would like more information about childhood disability benefits, contact your Social Security Office at 2022 Guess Road in Durham.

Peace Doubtful

LAGOS — A Nigerian official said Sunday the Biafran decision to "fight or die" has effectively killed all hope for a negotiated settlement of the bloody 15-month-old civil war. "Any peace proposal would be implicitly unacceptable," he said. "The only solution is a military victory. There is no basis for discussion whatsoever."

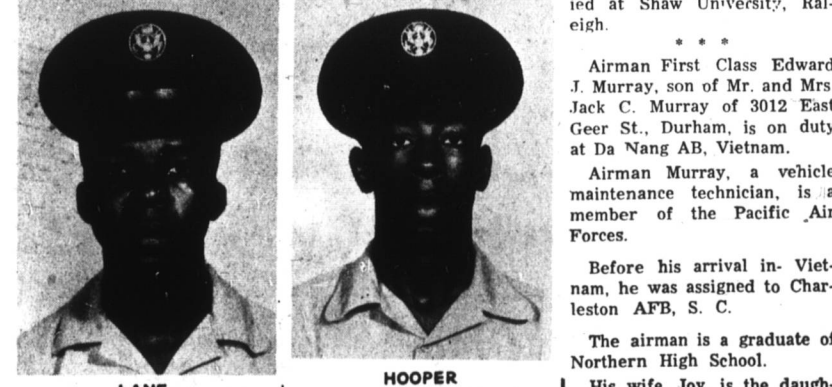
With North Carolinians in the Service



JOHNSON
Airman James W. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Johnson of 623 Waco St., Charlotte, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to the Air Force Technical Training Center at Keesler AFB, Miss., for specialized schooling as an air traffic specialist. Airman Johnson is a 1967 graduate of Second Ward High School.

L. J. JOHNSON
Airman Lewis J. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Johnson of 1805 Jester Road, Durham, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to the Air Force Technical Training Center at Chanute AFB, Ill., for specialized schooling as an aircraft equipment repairman. Airman Johnson is a 1957 graduate of Jordan High School.

GRANDY
Airman Clemuel D. Grandy Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Clemuel D. Grandy of 1005 Crete St., Durham, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to the Air Force Technical Training Center at Lowry AFB, Colo., for specialized schooling as a supply specialist. Airman Grandy, a 1967 graduate of Hillside High School, has studied at Shaw University, Raleigh.



MURRAY
Airman First Class Edward J. Murray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack C. Murray of 3012 East Geer St., Durham, is on duty at Da Nang AB, Vietnam.

MURRAY
Airman Murray, a vehicle maintenance technician, is a member of the Pacific Air Forces.

Before his arrival in Vietnam, he was assigned to Charleston AFB, S. C.

The airman is a graduate of Northern High School.

His wife, Joy, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Warner of 556 Aragona Blvd., Tidewater, Va.

According to the American Gas Association, Inc., the world's largest transportation system is the 800,000-mile network pipelines and mains that carry natural gas from producing fields to homes, businesses and industries.

LANE
Airman Johnny Lane, son of Mrs. Annie L. Broadhurst of 902 B. Poplar St., Goldsboro, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He is now assigned as a supply specialist with a unit of the Military Air-Lift Command at McGuire AFB, N.J. Airman, Lane, a 1967 graduate of Dillard High School, attended Wayne Community College.

HOOPER
Airman James T. Hooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson A. Hooper, Sr. of 118 N. Ninth St., Wilmington, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He is now assigned as an air operations specialist with a unit of the Military Air-Lift Command at McChord AFB, Washington. Airman Hooper is a 1967 graduate of Williston Senior High School.