

## REYNOLDS HIRES BLACK PUBLIC RELATIONS CO.



**A&T STUDENT COMMISSIONED IN ARMY NURSES CORPS**—Miss Magnolia Lucretia Lilly, senior nursing student at A&T State University, beams approval as she is commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Army Nurses Corps by Lt. Col. William Graves, professor of military science at A&T. A native of Hertford, Lt. Lilly will enter on active duty after graduation next June.

### Newly Acquired Firm to Provide Counsel for Negro Employment

WINSTON-SALEM — R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, Winston-Salem, has named D. Parke Gibson Associates, Inc., a New York-headquartered national public relations and marketing consulting firm, to provide counsel and services on matters involving the Negro market.

Reynolds Tobacco, which manufactures three of the four best selling cigarettes in the U. S. (Winston, Salem and Camel) retained Gibson Associates to assist in developing in-depth marketing programs to reach all consumers, and to communicate company activity in equal employment opportunity and related matters.

As part of the assignment, Gibson Associates will also be working with R. J. Reynolds Foods, Inc., a New York-based wholly-owned subsidiary of the



**MALE NURSE**—Binh Son, So. Vietnam—American Red Cross nurse Gene C. Holloman, 13322 Stanford Avenue, Los Angeles, California, examines young Vietnamese war refugee at one of 45 camps operated by the Red Cross in cooperation with U.S. Agency for International Development in war-torn South Vietnam. Holloman was one of 100 American Red Cross staff members working with South Vietnamese Red Cross counterparts in the refugee program. American Red Cross is recruiting additional male nurses for the teams. (ARC Photo by James Caccavo)

### Humble Receives Award From NAACP for Opportunity Efforts

HOUSTON—Humble Oil and Refining Company was presented an award of merit by Roy Wilkins, executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, on behalf of its organization's Houston chapter here recently.

The citation was given in recognition of outstanding and unusual contributions toward better race relations and the achievement of equal opportunity without regard to race, creed or color. It was based on the company's national efforts in the field of race relations and equal opportunity.

Accepting the honor at the Houston NAACP chapter's annual awards banquet, W. W. Bryan, senior vice-president of Humble, said: "This recognition of Humble's past achievements in this area serves as a spur to faster progress in providing equal employment opportunities to present and prospective employees. The award is not a signal to relax our efforts."



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### Vets Reminded of Available Educational Assistance by VA

WASHINGTON — Veterans separated from service after Jan. 31, 1955, were reminded this week by the Veterans Administration that they are now entitled to one and one-half months of educational assistance—up to a maximum of 36 months—for each month of military service.

A law which went into effect Dec. 1 liberalized the previous Post-Korean G. I. Bill limit of one month of educational assistance for each month of service for veterans with at least 181 days of service, including some after Jan. 31, 1955.

Another provision of the law which went into effect Dec. 1 grants veterans with at least 18 months of continuous service after Jan. 31, 1955, who have satisfied their military obligation, the maximum of 36 months of educational assistance entitlement.



**TO SING ON ED SULLIVAN SHOW**—Motown's Stevie Wonder will sing his hit record "For Once in My Life" on the Ed Sullivan Show this Sunday, December 15th (8-9 P.M. EST) over the CBS-TV network. Stevie's Tamla recording of the song is currently the number one record in the country, according to the trade press hit charts.

### War on Crime Calls for Advance In Police and Corrections Work

The most enduring protection against crime will come from "righting the wrongs and curing the illnesses that tempt men to harm their neighbors." This means that "warring on poverty, inadequate housing, and unemployment is warring on crime. . . . Money for schools is money against crime."

Beyond this it also requires that we improve the effectiveness of the police and the correctional system in dealing with crimes and criminals.

**THE CHALLENGE OF CRIME**, by Robert Rice, a new Public Affairs Pamphlet, is a concise, eminently readable summary of the major findings of the President's Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice. It is available for 25 cents from the Public Affairs Committee, 381 Park Avenue South, New York, N. Y. 10016.

Crime, Mr. Rice points out, has always been a more serious problem in cities than in rural areas, and more prevalent in poor neighborhoods than in well-to-do sections. The fact that crime is predominantly urban and committed by young men makes it obvious that "the agencies that need immediate shoring up with manpower, with equipment, with modern management methods, with procedural innovations, and with community concern and assistance are city police departments, city prosecutors' offices, city courts, city jails, and the entire system of juvenile justice."

Perhaps the best hope for controlling crime would be an "increased effort to help young delinquents and potential delinquents grow into constructive citizens instead of hardened

### FSC to Observe Week of 'Black Awareness'

FAYETTEVILLE — Fayetteville State College is observing a week of "Black Awareness" which began Monday of this week and will terminate Friday, December 13, a spokesman for the Afro-American Student Organization stated this week.

Howard Fuller, Durham activist, was scheduled to be the keynote speaker at the initial session Monday evening in the Seabrook Auditorium. The program will begin at 8 o'clock and was opened to the general public.

"The Word is Given Black Liberation" is the title of the play which was scheduled to be presented by the Black Revolutionary Theater in Seabrook Auditorium Tuesday evening, at 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday's activities was billed as a panel discussion during the college chapel hour. "The Role of Black Students" was discussed by Gloria Stubbs, Fred Hill, Betty Mickerson, and Larry McCleary.

The Multi-purpose room, Rosenthal Building, was the scene of a Black Culture program Wednesday evening, December 11, commencing at 7:30 p.m. "Black Man and Religion" will be subject of a panel dis-

### FAYETTEVILLE COLLEGE TO HOST ANNUAL DRAMA MEET ON DEC. 14

FAYETTEVILLE — Fayetteville State College will host the North Carolina High School Drama Association's Twenty-third Annual Drama Clinic on Saturday, December 14. Miss Lois Turner, FSC assistant professor of speech and drama, announced this week.

"Drama: Key to Communication" is the theme of the session that will bring together high school drama associations throughout the state. Registration will be held in the Seabrook Auditorium and will commence at 9:00 a. m.

Workshops, panel discussions and techniques, and procedures of costuming, acting, stage construction, lighting, and make-up will highlight the day-long session.

Two one-act plays will be presented by students from Ligon High School, Raleigh; and Dillard High School, Goldsboro during the afternoon session. Mrs. J. W. Lewis, FSC assistant professor of speech and drama; will act as consultant and critic for the presentations.

Fayetteville State College's Drama Guild will present "Never Too Late" during the final session in Seabrook Auditorium. Curtain call has been set for 7:00 p.m.

According to Miss Turner, FSC finds hosting this particular clinic significant, in view of the fact the college has added to its curriculum an area of Speech and Theatre. The college is hopeful that this will serve as a magnet to attract academically talented students with an interest in drama.

John C. Bias principal of Brawley High School, Scotland Neck, is the president of the NCHSDA.

### Dr. M. Thorpe is Named to NCACU Execut. Committee

ELIZABETH CITY — Keenly interested in furthering the cause of higher education in North Carolina, in accordance with the association's motto, Dr. Marion Thorpe, President of Elizabeth City State College, has been appointed to serve as a member of the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Association of Colleges and Universities (NCACU). According to a communique from Dr. Clyde A. Milner, Executive Director of the Association, this committee will meet in the near future to continue its regulatory functions for the year, prior to the 49th Annual Meeting of the Association, November 6-7, 1969, in Raleigh.

This is the third appointment that Dr. Thorpe has received since assuming duties as President of Elizabeth City State College on July 1, 1968. The other two previous appointments were to the Secretary's (HEW) National Advisory Committee on Dyslexia and Related Reading Disorders, and the Martin Luther King Fellowship Selection Committee—Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Fund.

### College Black Man Has Less Chance of Getting A Job

WASHINGTON—In an assault upon racial discrimination in higher ranks of employment, a government official declared that a college-trained black man has less chance of getting a job commensurate with his training than a white grade school drop out.

Clifford L. Alexander, Jr., Chairman of the U. S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, documented this fact at a symposium on "The Higher Education of Negroes—Key to Equality."

The symposium was sponsored by the United Negro College Fund and The Saturday Review and brought together an imposing array of leaders in government, business, industry, foundations, labor and education at a meeting in Washington last week (December 3).

Elaborating, Alexander noted that "a college-educated black man earns, at the median, less than a white high school dropout, and a barely two-thirds what a white man earns with a comparable level of education."

Continuing, he pointed out that "the disparity of income between black and white in America actually increases with the level of education attained. There is a closer approximation of equality in earnings among people with an elementary school education than there is among college gradu-

### Apparition of Virgin Mary Seen By Many Over Church in Egypt

CAIRO, Egypt—As Christmas approaches, a new joyous event of tremendous religious importance is happening near Jesus' birthplace. However, for some unknown reason, America has not yet been informed.

Eight months ago, two car mechanics, while working after midnight, thought they saw a potential case of suicide atop the church across the street. They immediately notified the police and a priest, who were quick to arrive at the scene.

This was the beginning of the most wondrous Christian event since the time of Christ. When the authorities arrived, the figure dressed in white above the church was recognized as being a miraculous apparition of the Virgin Mary.

Since April 2, 1968, the Virgin has made many such appearances over the Coptic Orthodox Church of the Virgin Mary in Zeitoun, a suburb of Cairo, Egypt. During the month of April, she appeared nearly every morning, including every day of Holy Week. From then until late September, she appeared on the average of two to three times per week. Since that time, she began appearing regularly on Sunday morning exclusively and is still doing so.

This event has caused such interest in Europe and Africa that more than 20,000 pilgrims a day are flocking to the site. The church is believed to be located on a stopping point for the Holy Family on their flight to Egypt.

In a world that largely does not believe in miracles, the events have proven particularly significant since a number of healings have occurred in conjunction with the visions, almost from the beginning.

Mr. Manfouz Doss, board chairman of the Los Angeles Foreign Press Association, regularly receives the Soptic newspaper, "Watani," from Cairo, which has provided much current information.

Doss reports cases of actual healing are published weekly in Watani, but only after they have been completely documented and verified by competent physicians and specialists who knew the condition of those healed, both before and after the miracle.

One example of miraculous healing is taken from the Oct. 27 issue of Watani: "On the previous Sunday (Oct. 20), the Virgin Mary appeared twice. The second time, her appearance was much clearer than the first time as she appeared in a glowing light. At that particular time many healings occurred. Others followed after the people went home."

"Mrs. Farka Gobrial, wife of a Cairo jeweler, had a serious heart condition, as well as arthritis and a serious disc condition in the back. Her problem was considerably worsened by the fact medicine for her back aggravated her heart, while her heart medicine aggravated her back."

"She went to the Coptic church and prayed fervently that she be healed. Suddenly she literally felt a hand going over her back—it felt cold like a chilled hand. She turned to see who was doing this but only saw a woman standing a few feet away, busy with her prayers."

"It was then that she noticed she could stand erect. Her back pain was gone. Later, she discovered her heart condition had been cured as well."

Many more people have been cured of disease, ranging from asthma to paralysis to terminal cancer.

Faith has not been a limitation.

Egypt is a Moslem country with about ten percent of the population belonging to the Coptic faith; one of the four original apostolic churches founded shortly after the time of Christ.

Many Moslems have been healed, as well as Christians since the apparitions began.

Brochures containing the full details and documentation of these events, which are far too numerous to give here, may be obtained by sending a stamped business-size envelope to Desert Hills, P. O. Box 1968, Lancaster, Calif. 93534.

Strangely, this phenomenon has been virtually ignored by most of the major news media in this country, despite many opportunities made available in Egypt to get the details.

Major corporations.

The corporations, he said, showed black people representing 1.4 percent of the salesworkers, 2.4 percent of the technicians, and only 0.7 percent of the professionals. Forty-five of the 100 corporations, he said, had no black salesworkers, 49 had no black technicians and 34 had no black professionals.

Despite the existence in New York City of Federal, state and municipal laws against job discrimination, campaigns by private agencies to increase Negro employment and the claims

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