

Columbia Univ. Begins Plan For More Black Physicians

FIRST BLACK TO HOLD SELECTIVE SERVICE POSITION



Merry Christmas



Words of Wisdom

Avoiding danger is no safer . . . than outright exposure. Life is either a daring adventure, or nothing.
—Helen Keller

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BLACK-POLITICAL POWER candidates to become city's first Black mayor, next year. In center is the Honorable Carl B. Stokes, first Black Mayor of Cleveland, who was principal speaker at affair. Flanking him is Maryland's first Black Congressman-elect, Parren J. Mitchell, the Senator's uncle.

Special Pre-Med Opportunity Program Starts In Manhattan

NEW YORK — In an effort to satisfy the urgent need for more black physicians in America, Columbia University's School of General Studies has begun a special program to train minority college graduates for entrance into medical schools.

Called the "Special Pre-Medical Opportunity Program," the effort is being carried out in cooperation with the Manhattan Central Medical Society, an association of black physicians who are helping to recruit and screen candidates for the program.

"In proportion to the total number of physicians in this country, there are fewer blacks entering medical

schools today than there were 40 years ago," says Floyd M. Shumway, assistant dean of the School of General Studies and director of the program. The total number of doctors in the United States, now 300,000, has approximately doubled over the last 40 years, while the number of black physicians increased from 3,810 in 1932 to only 4,500 in 1966, Dean Shumway said.

The program has recruited 10 minority college graduates this year who are interested in a medical career but who lack the necessary background in mathematics, chemistry, biology and physics for entrance into medical schools. (See PHYSICIANS page 2)

RNA Launches Massive New Housing Drive

NEW ORLEANS, La. — The first step in a massive effort to end Black unemployment and give thousands of Black families new housing and a fresh start toward a good life was confirmed here today by the Republic of New Africa (RNA).

The heart of the program is a series of New Communities to be built on virgin land all across Mississippi, a state heretofore known for violence and repression of Blacks. In its projected 1971-1972 pilot stage, the program has a minimum price tag of 150 million dollars and would re-locate 10,000 families now living in 20 different states. In development. (See DRIVE page 2)



WARM WELCOME — Harold Russell (left), Chairman of the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, welcomes Dr. Paul B. Cornely, Chairman of the Department of Community Health Practice, College of Medicine, Howard University, Washington, D. C., to the President's Committee's Executive Committee. Dr. Cornely has been appointed a new member of the 50-member Executive Committee which determines the policies and programs of the national hire-the-handicapped effort.

REV. L. H. WHELCHER TO DELIVER EMANCIPATION DAY ADDRESS FRI.

WILMINGTON — The Union Baptist Church, Sixth and Ann Street will be the host church for the 1971 Emancipation Proclamation program Friday January 1, 1971 at 11:30 A.M., Rev. A. B. Sutton, pastor. The program will be sponsored by the Wilmington Interdenomi-

national Ministerial Alliance and vicinity, Dr. J. W. Barnes, President, Rev. L. G. Williams, Pastor of Holy Trinity Church is the Chairman of the Program Committee. Rev. L. H. Whelchel, Pastor of the Russell Memorial CME Church of Durham, will (See WHELCHER page 2)

Plans Are Complete For Two A.M.E. Zion Church Meetings

Dr. Barnes to Head Ministers In Wilmington

WILMINGTON — The ministers of the Wilmington area elected Dr. J. W. Barnes, Pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, to head the reorganized Wilmington Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance in a meeting Thursday evening.

The Rev. Dr. Barnes, before coming to Wilmington, was a social studies teacher at (See BARNES page 2)

In an announcement made by the Public Relations Department, A.M.E. Zion Church, plans are complete for two national meetings for the denomination. The National Youth Council will meet in Metropolitan A.M.E. Zion Church, 2944 Prospect Avenue, Kansas City, Mo., December 27-29, and the Board of Bishops and the Ministers' Laymen's Association will convene at Mt. Siani A.M.E. Zion Church, 2909 Nebraska Avenue, Tampa, Fla., Jan. 6-10.

The Rev. O. D. Carson will host the youth meeting, with Bishop J. D. Cauthen as the host prelate. Rev. Alexander Jones is the host-pastor for the Tampa meet and Rev.

William M. Smith is the host-prelate.

The young meet is expected to attract young people from throughout the denomination, due to the fact that it will report and discuss the happenings of the quadrennial meet of the General Assembly and Christian Education, held at Livingstone College, Salisbury, August, 1970.

The bishops will review the work of the general Assembly and administrative boards and implement the program of the denomination at the Tampa meeting. It will be the first time a national meeting has been held in Tampa. Tampa was selected (See ZION page 2)

Last Rites Held For James L. Pearson Jr. After Lengthy Illness

James Louis Pearson, Jr., a former resident of Durham, died in Washington, D. C., Friday, December 11, after several years of declining health.

Pearson was born in Durham, the son of the late James L. and Mary Bailey Pearson. He attended Durham City Schools, North Carolina Central University and Howard University in Washington.

During World War II he served in the United States Navy. After the war he was manager of the Lincoln Theater in Washington, a position which he held until his retirement.

He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. C. C. Spaulding, Jr.,

of Durham and Mrs. Edward L. Hayes of Washington, and one brother, Attorney W. G. Pearson, II of Durham.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, December 16 at 2:00 P.M. in the chapel of the Scarborough Funeral Home, the Reverend Philip R. Cousin, pastor of St. Joseph's A.M.E. Church, officiating.

Interment was in Beechwood Cemetery. The Reverend Lorenzo Lynch, pastor of White Rock Baptist Church, said a final prayer at the graveside.

Palbearers were Benjamin Page, E. W. Midgette, F. H. Alston, William A. Marsh, J. I. Bolden, W. Wayne Perry, Lee Smith, Robert McAdams, and Samuel Mapes Miles.

38-Year-Old Virginia Coach Gets Important State Position

WASHINGTON, D. C. — A 38 year old Black educator and coach soon will become the first Negro ever to be appointed a Director of Selective Service in one of the 50 States. He is Ernest D. Fears, Jr., of Chesapeake, Virginia, who will become the Virginia State Director on January 1, 1971. Fears' appointment is being made at GS-15 level,

paying him \$22,885 a year.

Fears' appointment was announced jointly today by the offices of Virginia Governor Linwood Holton and Selective Service Director Dr. Curtis W. Tarr. Under Selective Service law, State Directors are nominated by Governors and appointed by the Director of Selective Service, acting for the President.

State Directors of Selective Service initially were authorized in 1940, at the passage of the World War II draft legislation. Since that time, Negro officers have served as Directors in the District of Columbia and the Virgin Islands, which also have headquarters similar to those in the 50 States. However, these (See SELECTIVE page 2)

Durham Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Fetes Senior Citizens



PERSONS WHO ATTENDED THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR SENIOR CITIZENS (See Story page 9)