Optimist Club Donates Smoke Detectors

The East Winston Noon Optimist Club, in observance of "Fire Safety Week," donated smoke detectors to several elderly residents of East Winston. Each smoke detector was installed by Optimist Club members and the area fire station unit personnel. Each recipient was instructed in the function and maintenance of the detector.

The following persons received smoke detectors: Ida Cates, Anna Cherry, Nettie Green, Ethel Griffin, Louise Hawkins, Emma Kellum, Willie Mae Parks, Alpha Pearson and Florence Rice

Key individuals to the success of this project were, Willie Dixon, optimist project chairman; Mary Johnson, assistant fire marshall; Lester Ervin, fire chief and optomist member and fire units 1, 3, 4 and 12.



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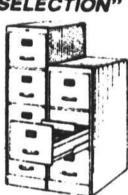
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One of the frustrations Williams says he recalls was the time he won an opera competition at Bob Jones University in Greenville, S.C. He says the details are now sketchy, but that he does remember how he was received after he won the competition.

"It was interesting but I got through it," he says. "Because I had on a light-colored dinner jacket, they (competition officials) went out and bought me (another) one before I could perform that evening. They said it was flashy."

He also says the Bob Jones University, audience was somewhat taken aback when they found out he was black.

After college, Williams says he realized he wasn't quite ready for New York, so he began looking to the banking business as a stable career option.

"I was fortunate to get into the banking business," says Williams. "I enjoy it and I've been in it ever since."

In the Williams household, three kinds of music are favored. Williams' wife, whom he says is an avid reader, is an Issac Hayes fan; his 11-year-old son is into "thump" music, more commonly referred to as disco; and Williams, of course, tunes it all out with his classical selections.

He says he doesn't like to criticize others for their choice in music. But when it comes to record dollars, Williams says, "I'd rather spend mine on classical music."

N.C. Central

North Carolina Central University has announced that a least one section of the schools graduate courses will be offered after 5:30 p.m. during the spring semester beginning in January.

All graduate courses in business management and administration, home economics and parks and recreation management will be available during the evening hours, as will graduate level courses in music, English, history and sociology. Some graduate level courses in education, psychology and mathematics will also be available.

The school of law also conducts an evening law program as a separate program from its daytime schedule.

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