

## Developers Of Breakthrough Site Named

WASHINGTON, D. C. - Site development contracts have been signed for Operation Breakthrough site in Indianapolis, Ind., and Memphis, Tenn., the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has announced.

Urban Systems Development Corp., of Arlington, Va., in association with the College Park Corp., of Indianapolis, was named to take charge of the Indianapolis site under a \$1,997,000 two-year contract. Approximately 300 units will be built on the site, one of 10 Breakthrough sites throughout the Nation.

The Alodex Corp., of Memphis is named for the Memphis site in a two-year \$1,917,000 contract. Approximately 450 units will be erected on the Memphis site.

Operation Breakthrough is HUD's major research and demonstration program to find

solutions to the problems impeding vitally needed large scale production of housing in many areas of the Nation.

Developers have previously been named for the sites in the State of Washington and in Jersey City, N. J.

HUD officials said discus-

sions and negotiations are going on to select the site developers who will serve on the other seven sites of the program, and the remaining developers are expected to be named within a few weeks. Sixty-eight companies made applications to serve as site developers.

## Announces "Project Rehab" To Rebuild Slums On Large Scale

WASHINGTON, D. C. - Secretary George Romney of the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has announced details of HUD's new Project Rehab, a plan to help cities undertake large-scale, low-cost rebuilding of run-down housing.

The new project, launched quietly last winter, has thus far helped get big rehabilitation efforts under way that will in-

volve nearly 22,000 housing units in 10 cities. All units are in absentee-owned slum buildings. Work has already begun on more than 6,000 of the units the Secretary said.

"Few things," the Secretary said, "can provide more immediate and more tangible improvement of living conditions in slum areas than volume rehabilitation. It can also provide much needed jobs and entrepreneurial opportunities to residents of the affected neighborhoods, especially members of minority races."

The first cities getting HUD approval of plans, technical assistance, and program funds are Cincinnati, Detroit, El Paso, Hartford, Indianapolis, Memphis, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, and Seattle. Mr. Romney said more cities are expected to get plan approvals within a few weeks.

"We have held up announcement of the program," the Secretary said, "because of the need to develop special procedures required for large-scale rehabilitation projects. We have had to innovate in developing this program. Now we are confident we have the tools to do the job."

HUD fund assistance includes financing under the low-rent public housing program, rent supplements, and mortgage interest subsidies for both rental projects and homes bought by lower income families.



**SAY PATIENCE OF BLACK AMERICANS EXHAUSTED**-Washington: Black Democratic Congressman (L to R): Augustus F. Hawkins of Calif., William L. Clay of Mo., and Louis Stokes of Ohio, told president Richard M. Nixon in a letter last week that his civil rights policies tend to limit the rights black people were promised in the constitution, adding that the patience of many black Americans is exhausted, it was reported July 25. They called on Nixon to take the case for racial equality or civil rights to "white America," adding that he can inspire many white Americans to embrace and work for changes in society. (Hawkins, '66 photo, Clay, '70 photo, and Stokes, '68 photo). (UPI).

## Deltas' Summer Enrichment To Be Extended

ORANGEBURG, S. C. - A summer enrichment program for elementary school children in Orangeburg has been so successful that it will be extended for an entire year.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., for the past six weeks, has

been holding enrichment sessions for over 50 children in an attempt to give them a broader background when they enter class next semester.

The students are involved in activities which will improve

their reading and study skills. They work with film strips, tap recorders, records as well as the famous SRA Reading Laboratory. They also have taken field trips to beautiful Edisto Memorial Gardens, the South Carolina State College Swimming pool at the Smith-Hammond - Middleton Memorial Center and the Fish Hatchery, among other places.

The sorority furnished lunches, insurance and all materials for the youngsters and the parents furnished transportation to Whitaker School where the program was held.

## VA Hospitals Doubles Beds For Intensive Care Patients

Veterans Administration hospital beds for intensive care of acutely ill patients were doubled during the fiscal year that ended June 30, and more will be added this year.

Chief Medical Director Marc J. Musser reported that 45 intensive care units with 634 beds were built or improved during the past 12 months, and construction of 19 additional

units is planned during the current fiscal year.

Intensive care units provide continuous and specialized care for patients with acute coronary, medical or surgical problems by professional personnel.

Specialized life-saving measures are available constantly, and the professional staff is specifically trained to monitor patients' vital signs with the help of advanced electronic equipment similar to that used to check astronauts during space flights.

## \$50,000 Grant To Skills Center

DURHAM - North Carolina Central University's Academic Skills Center has received a \$50,000 grant from the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare for the addition of a special services component to the center.

President Albert N. Whiting announced receipt of the grant Friday afternoon.

Approximately 40 additional educationally disadvantaged students will be enrolled in the center as a result of the grant, according to Harold W. Alexander, director of the center.

The funds will be used to employ additional staff members for the school year 1970-'71, Alexander said, as well as for additional equipment for the center. Approximately 250 students were enrolled in the center in 1969-'70.

Students enrolled in the center are educationally disadvantaged youth who would not otherwise be eligible for admission to the university, Alexander noted. He said that the approximately 100 grants made by HEW's Division of Student Special Services, under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 as amended in 1968, are aimed at providing services to financially and educationally disadvantaged youth.

## Fund-Raising Drive Begun By SC Students

DENMARK, S. C. - Voorhees College students have decided to initiate a fund-raising drive themselves to buy furniture for two recently completed men and women residence halls, Robert Landrum, Student Government Association President, announced recently. The drive began July 20, and will culminate October 20, said Landrum.

In announcing the drive, Nathaniel Jackson, senior Business Administration major and chairman of the drive, stated that various methods would be used to reach their goal of \$150,000. "We'll use direct mail, solicitation, canvassing, and campus talent, including various organizations and fraternal groups. We, the students, feel we can reach our goal," stated Jackson, "and with the help and cooperation from the whole Voorhees family, as well as the community. I don't see how we can fail."

L. A. Warner, Director of Development, state, "I am confident that these students will succeed in their efforts--this has been evidenced by their enthusiasm and willingness to work, and a desire to fulfill a pressing need. As the old students return and the freshmen enter for the fall session, we are hopeful that they, too, will be caught up in the enthusiasm displayed this summer."

## Margaret Cabiness Is Elected Campus Queen

LAWRENCEVILLE, Va. - Miss Margaret Cabiness, a rising senior at Saint Paul's College here, and a native of Alberta, Va., was elected by vote of the student body as "Miss Homecoming - 1970-'71" and thereby campus queen for the upcoming academic year. The results of the semester-end voting were just released for publication.

Other candidates for the queenship, were Miss Marva White, of Charles City, Va., runnerup, and Miss Ardeania Wesley of Bronx, New York. Miss Katrina Hamilton of South Boston, Va. won the con-

test for junior attendant, winning over Misses Brenda Reese of Kenbridge, Va., runnerup and Linda Griffin of Danville, Va. Miss Anita Miller of Nathalie, Va. copped the sophomore attendant race, winning over Misses Gwendolyn Allen of Dry Fork, Va., runnerup, and Jeanette Newby of Smithfield, Va. The freshman attendant will be elected in the fall when the Class of 1974 matriculates.

The balloting was certified by Samuel E. Roberts, Miss Emma D. Nunery, and Miss Joyce Cousins, election judges, and Mrs. Jugulia Y. Byrd, faculty-staff adviser.

## World War II Vets Home Loans To End July 25

July 25 marked the end of home loan benefits for World War II veterans but does not affect current home loan benefits for other veterans--including Vietnam era veterans--Administrator of Veterans Affairs Donald E. Johnson said pointed out.

Johnson said, on the eve of the July 25 deadline, that two million World War II veterans had not utilized this home loan benefit. He noted, however, that nearly eight million G, I, and direct loans, valued at about \$80 billion, were made under the program initiated shortly after World War II.

More than five and one-half

million of these loans went to World War II veterans, and the balance to Korean and post-Korean veterans, he said.

He added that veterans have proved to be good credit risks, paying off nearly four million loans in full, and defaulting on only about three per cent of their obligations.

Loan guarantee benefits for Korean conflict veterans will continue until Jan. 31, 1975.

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The number of women workers in the United States rose to 30.5 million in 1969, an increase of 1.3 million from 1968.

## Cosmetics Company Opens \$1-Million Plant

ATLANTA-The ability of black businessmen to succeed in the national marketplace has been demonstrated anew by the Cannolene Company, manufacturer of cosmetics, with the opening of a new \$1-million plant here that incorporate the most modern production technologies.

The dedication ceremony was attended by government and business leaders, including Secretary of Commerce Maurice H. Stans, Whitnev Young, executive director of the National Urban League, and H. P. Smith, vice president of E. W. Woolworth Co.

Although the Cannolene Co. is 46 years old, its current substantial growth began only three years ago when it expanded into the national market, explains Robert O. Cannon, presi-

dent who is the son of the founder, W. S. Cannon.

Sales topped \$1 million in 1969 and company officials are projecting annual sales of \$6 million in the near future.

"With our new plant and broadening marketing facilities we now are able to take full advantage of the greatly improved earning power in the Negro market," said Cannon. The company manufactures a line of beauty products for distribution in the South and in a major metropolitan centers of the U. S.

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