

Dr. Wendell P. Russell Is New Virginia State Prexy

PETERSBURG, Va. - The Board of Visitors of Virginia State College has elected Dr. Wendell Phillips Russell as president of Virginia State College, Rector Elgin M. Lowe announced last week.

The election by the Board took place at a special meeting held Sunday, Sept. 27.

Dr. Russell, a native of Middlesex County, Va. and the son of a minister, is currently serving as director of public affairs for the American Can Company in Greenwich, Conn. He will assume his new duties as VSC president on November 1.

Dr. Russell holds degrees of bachelor of arts and bachelor of divinity from Virginia Union University, a master's degree from Western Reserve University at Cleveland, Ohio and a doctorate degree from the University of Virginia at Charlottesville. He has done further study in a special study on the problems of higher education at New York University in NYC.

He served as an assistant professor and director of public relations at Benedict College, Columbia, S. C., from 1951 to 1956, was an instructor of sociology at Virginia Union University in Richmond where in 1957 he became Dean of the Col-



DR. WENDELL P. RUSSELL, a position he held until 1969. At this time, he left the university and became associated with the American Can Company, the position he held when elected president of VSC.

In addition, he has worked with numerous institutes and projects related to the education and improvement of the disadvantaged, including the Neighborhood Youth Corps, Upward Bound, where he served as a consultant, and the Institute

for Teachers of Disadvantaged Youth.

He has also served on the board of Richmond Area Community Council, the Friends Association for Children, a Special Study Commission on Recreation and Leisure Time Activities for the City of Richmond, the Committee for Cooperation in Higher Education and the Advisory Board of the Virginia State Commission for Title II, Higher Education Act.

Dr. Russell served in the U. S. Army Air Corps during World War II, receiving a discharge in 1946 after a two-year period of honorable service.

The newly-elected president is a member of Phi Delta Kappa and Omega Psi Phi fraternities, the National Education Association, the National Conference of Academic Deans and the Focus Club of Richmond.

Born in June of 1926, the 44-year old educator is married to the former Miss Eleanor Shell of Spartansburg, S. C., and is the father of three children, 18-year old Vernon Lee, 13-year old Shelley and four-year old Wendell Phillips Russell, Jr. They will reside in the president's residence on the VSC campus.

TWO MINUTES WITH THE BIBLE

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OUR WEAKNESS AND GOD'S POWER

When our Lord was on earth He healed great numbers of sick and diseased people. The believers at Pentecost also healed many in name of Jesus, offering His return from heaven upon condition of their repentance (Acts 3:19-21).

All those who were healed, however, finally succumbed to physical infirmity or disease again and died after all. This was because the Lord Jesus was rejected as King both in His incarnation and in His resurrection. Rom. 8:22, 23, declares the result as we see it in our own day:

"...We know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first fruits of the spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, that is the redemption of our body."

But Christians in "this present evil age" need physical infirmity to draw them closer to God in prayer and faith. Paul himself said:

"...there was given to me a thorn in the flesh...lest I should be exalted above measure. For this thing I besought the Lord



HOSTS PRAYER MEETING THURSDAY

Evangelist Martha Link, 1204 S. Bloodworth St., will be hostess at prayer meeting, to be held at her home on Thursday, Oct. 8, at 8 p.m. The general public is invited to attend. Evangelist Link is well known in this area as a spiritual leader and healer. The meetings will be held each Thursday night thereafter.

Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



"The stock market will not affect church giving! ... the stock market will not affect ...!"

thrice, that it might depart from me. And He said unto me: My grace is sufficient for thee, for my strength is made perfect in weakness" (II Cor. 12:7-9).

The apostle's response to this is beautiful:

"Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me... I take pleasure in infirmities... for when I am weak, then am I strong" (II Cor. 12:9, 10).

"For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory" (II Cor. 4:16, 17).

Two Profs. Outstanding Educators

DENMARK, S. C.—Dr. Malkiat S. Guram, Academic Dean and Mr. Bernard Cummings, Acting Chairman of the Social Sciences Division have been selected to appear in the 1970 edition of Outstanding Educators of America. Nominated earlier this year, they have been chosen for the awards publication on the basis of their civic and professional achievements.

The Outstanding Educators of America is an annual program designed to recognize and honor those men and women who have distinguished themselves by exceptional service, achievements and leadership in education. Each year over 5,000 of our country's foremost educators are featured in this national volume.

Nominations for Outstanding Educators of America are made by the presidents, deans, superintendents and other heads of schools and colleges... individuals who have first-hand knowledge of their endeavors and accomplishments.

The educator's included in this biographical history receive a high honor. They are chosen for national recognition on the basis of local standards of excellence.

More than 6,900 minority youths have become apprentices through the Labor Department's Apprenticeship Outreach Program.

MEDITATION

A SERMONETTE BY COLIN DOUGLAS

"The Lord stood by me, and strengthened me; that through me that message might be fully proclaimed," Tim II 4:17.

It is wonderful to know that there is something worthwhile for each one of us to do every day, and, if we begin each day with prayer, we shall meet it successfully and happily. As we look to God for our inspiration, we prepare ourselves to go forward, strengthened in faith and receptive to new ideas.

If we are beginning something new today, God will give us the courage, wisdom, and power we need to accomplish it and if we need a fresh viewpoint and renewed faith to go on with what we have already started, we can surely gain them through our communion with the Father in prayer. There are persons who hesitate to try to fulfill their aspirations because they do not feel adequate to the demands of achievement, because they feel there is far too much to learn, far too much competition to meet.

Any accomplishment takes effort of course. But when we realize that we have the infinite power of God to draw upon and that accomplishment is a matter of day-by-day effort, then the fulfillment of our aspirations becomes possible. We feel equal to this day's learning, this day's application. As day follows day, our confidence grows within us—but we must keep in mind always that this springs from God, and that we can draw from His source only through positive prayer and positive application of His principles of good.

As we pray, we are revitalized in faith, courage, and inspiration—and as we press forward with our minds open to inspiration and our vision uplifted, we shall be successful and victorious—joyously triumphant!

"With good courage, we say, the Lord is my Helper." Heb. 13:6.

G. Elsey New Head of ARC

WASHINGTON, D. C.—There was a changing of the guard at American Red Cross headquarters last week as General James F. Collins retired and George M. Elsey took his place as the organization's president.

General Collins, who reached the mandatory retirement age of 65 this month has been president of the Red Cross since April 1, 1964, shortly after his retirement from the Army. At that time, the four-star General was Commander in Chief, United States Army, Pacific.

Elsey, former Red Cross vice president and White House aide, has had an active career which includes service with the Federal government, experience as a business executive, and volunteer work with numerous civic, welfare and professional organizations.

The change in president's took place this afternoon at a reception honoring General Collins for his years of service to the Red Cross and the nation.

During his term as the organization's chief executive, General Collins guided the Red Cross through some of its most trying and difficult years, his associates pointed out.

To serve members of the U. S. armed forces in Vietnam, he built the American Red Cross staff in Southeast Asia from a mere handful in 1964 to more than 350 workers a few years later.

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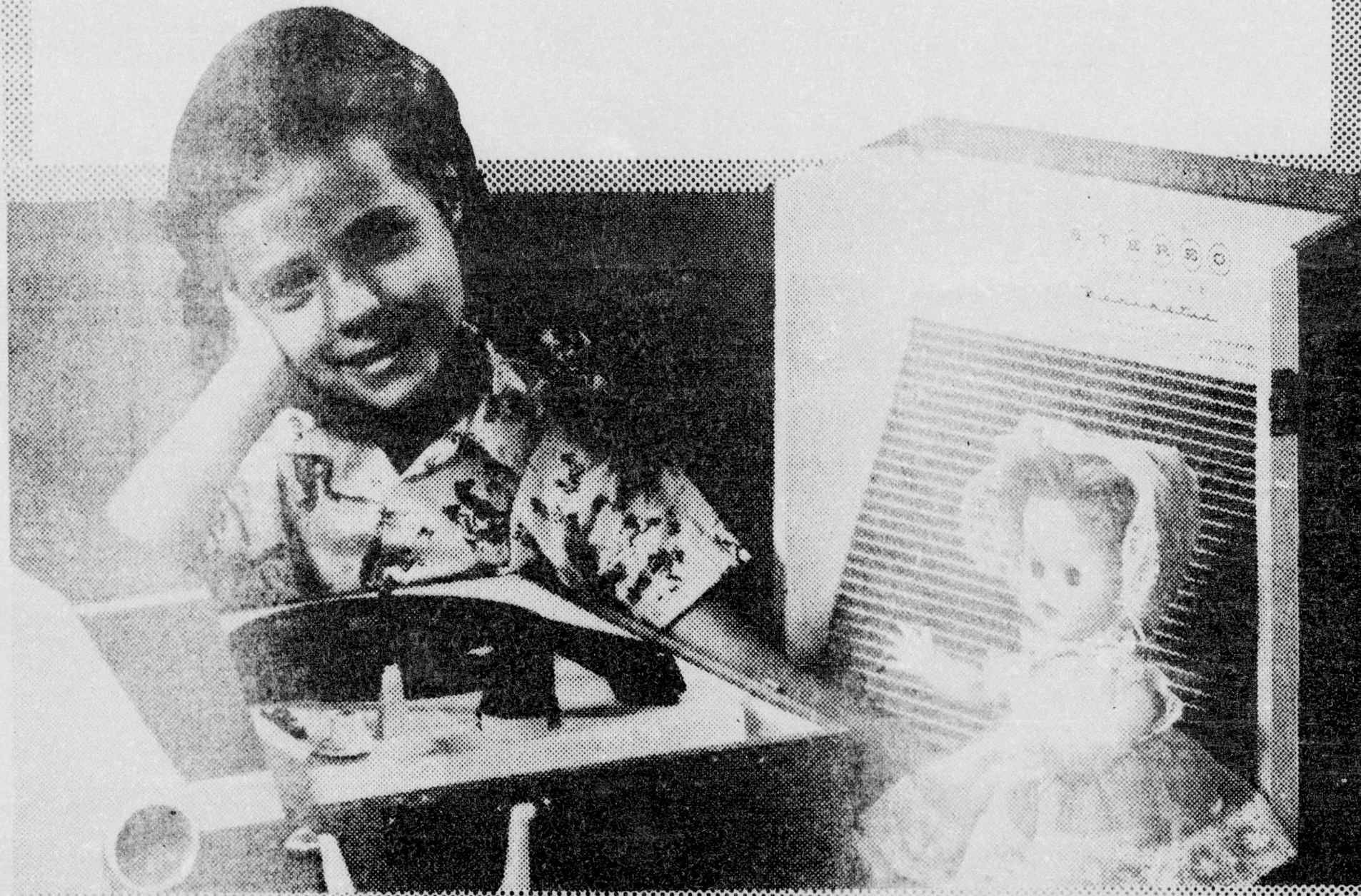
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Music Appreciation

I am not a musician, but as I write this I think back and realize how my taste in music has changed. Early in life, it took only the simplest childhood jingles to please me, then in school I was trained and taught to appreciate more intricate music. All through life I feel that my knowledge of... and appreciation for music has grown and matured.

Through study and help from others, I have also grown as a Christian and have a better appreciation of my Lord.

My knowledge of, and love for God increases with each church worship service... This way of life and worship, I would recommend to anyone. Won't you try it...



The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny, the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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