



BARBERS GIVE CHRISTMAS CHEER — The Capital City Barbers Association and Barbers Auxiliary met recently at Macon's Barber Shop to distribute Christmas cheer baskets to families in the Raleigh area. Members present: Mrs. Irene Hall; Mrs. Gloria Hall; Mrs. F. E. Wilson; Carlton Nicholson, president;

W. L. Han, vice president; Fred Moore, secretary; Eddie High, treasurer; Carl Crews, chairman of sick committee; Charles Freeman, asst. secretary; S. J. Macon, past president and Edward Brodie. Absent were Sylvester White, and Rufus Whitley, public relations.

Veterans Corner

EDITOR'S NOTE: Veterans and their families are asking thousands of questions concerning the benefits their Government provides for them through the Veterans Administration. Below are some representative queries. Additional information may be obtained at any VA office.

Q — During the Christmas season, I realized that as a World War II veteran family we should be doing something to help the young veterans returning from Vietnam, especially the ones who are injured and sick. What can my wife and I do to help?

A — Telephone or visit the chief of voluntary services at the nearest VA hospital. There are many voluntary services that persons from the elderly to teenagers can do to make life better for hospitalized veterans.

Q — My brother is a Vietnam Era veteran and our doctor says he is mentally ill and needs treatment. We want to put him in a VA hospital, but there is some question about whether his sickness is service connected. If it isn't will VA help him?

A — Yes. Rehabilitation at VA hospitals and through use of the GI Bill is part of VA care for non-service-connected psychiatric patients.

Q — Is there a special dividend on World War II GI life insurance that still hasn't been paid to some veterans, or to their widows like me?

A — No. There is no special dividend. Only those who still have policies in force are eligible for the annual dividends.



OMEGAS INSTALL OFFICERS — Picture left to right: Shelby Taylor, James Byers, Harold High, James Faulcon, Ray Chance, George Coburn, George Jones, Lawrence Williams, and Nelson Harris congratulating the basileus.

Carver Wk. In Observed

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — George Washington Carver Week got under way in Pittsburgh last Tuesday with observances in many public and parochial schools and a photographic display at Selma Burke Art Center January 2 through 6 was George Washington Carver Week in commemoration of the life of the great black scientist.

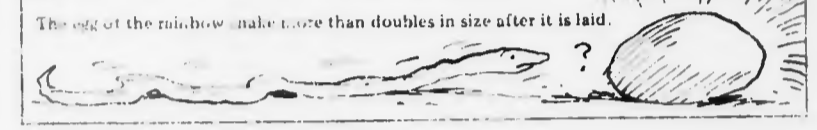
January 5 was declared National Carver Day by the Congress of the United States in 1915, through the efforts of the late Dr. Alma Ilery of Pittsburgh, Pa. This year a unique feature of the Carver Week activities was a photographic display of the last six years of the life of Dr. Ilery, who died in July of 1972.

Mrs. Lois Weissflog, an award winning photographer for the Gulf Oil Corporation, is the featured photographer in the exhibit which shows scenes of Dr. Ilery at previous Carver Week activities and at the site of Camp Achievement, a camp for underprivileged boys and girls which she founded.

The photographic display was held at the Selma Burke Art Center at 8118 Penn Circle South. The public was invited to attend.

Monsignor Paul Bassompierre, who in past years has worked with Dr. Ilery on George Washington Carver Week, was among those who spoke to children in Pittsburgh Catholic Schools about the life of Dr. Ilery and George Washington Carver, the famous scientist, who discovered several hundred uses for the peanut and the sweet potato, revolutionizing the economy of the South. There were also assemblies and exhibits scheduled for most of the city's Catholic schools.

The public schools scheduled special activities for Carver Week. Opening exercises each morning included a tribute to Dr. Carver throughout the school system. Speakers and film presentations were scheduled, as well as special social studies and science projects.



The egg of the rainbow make more than doubles in size after it is laid.

INSIDE HOLLYWOOD

National Black News Service

OBSERVATION IN COVERING THE NIGHTBEAT — Jerry Butler, one of the country's top record stars, landing for the first time as Jules Ponzell's Capablanca with his own revue. Jerry has sold over 17,000,000 records. Henry Mancini and Johnny Mercer gave Jerry the opportunity to be the first person to record "Moon River," and his rendition of that song, has in itself, become a classic. A prolific songwriter, he wrote and has his own songs and others have been recorded by other artists. Butler now records for Mercury, where he produces his own records for himself and for Peaches, the back up group who are with him at the Capablanca.

A member of the Peaches is Brenda Lee Eager, who sings with Jerry on Gold Record, "Ain't Understand Me Now." Brenda will also do some numbers at the Copa as part of the revue. Also a member of Peaches is Jerry's sister, Mattie. Vivian Reed starring in "Don't Bother Me, I Can't Cope" in Chicago at the Happy Medium, starred in the same role on Broadway with rave reviews. Vivian is loaded with talent and told us at lunch in the Playboy Club, "Nothing ever happens by luck." In spite of the fact that she is one of the stars of the musical, Vivian told me, "It's still a struggle. I've done top night clubs but I'd love to do a movie."

She has appeared on all the top talk shows and her favorite host is Mike Douglas. Reason: her manager had been trying to get her on Mike's show with no success. A family friend, the late Jackie Robinson, said to Mike, "Here's a singer you ought to hear." Result: Viv was on the show and was the intro act when Mike starred in Las Vegas. Viv said, "I'm invited back to Mike's show anytime I'm able to come back and that's a lot of times." Experts predict a big future for Vivian Reed. She recently gifted her manager with the new magnavox odyssey game set for him to use at his free time. Muddy Waters is a very good cook and often makes cakes and bread. His grandmother taught him the know how. The general audience has been banned from seeing "The Godfather" in South Africa. Maybe the government is afraid it will give the oppressed majority ideas. Jazz trumpeter Miles Davis resuming his career after months of recuperating from an auto crash. Latest celebrity to be plagued by drug possession laws is a one time top fashion model, Redd Foxx, star of "Sanford & Son," said he would like to make an overseas trip with Bob Hope sometime. "I ain't never been out of the country," he told me, which is amazing for such a veteran nightclub performer. Redd just presented his producer with a case of TEACHER'S HIGH LAND CREAM SCOTCH for his past kindness and cooperation on this very successful series. A young TV star and his gorgeous wife are the subjects of West Coast gossip because of their bizarre sexual practices. Seems the couple like to drive around picking up handsome young men, whom they take back to their plush pad. What happens there is anybody's guess.

Flip Wilson just gave his best gal-pal CHADBOURN'S new Bodysuit made specifically for evening wear. I bet she looks stunning in it. An airline lost three trunks belonging to singer James Brown, who estimates that the wardrobe of handmade duds which they contained were worth about \$25,000. CPM Programs, Inc., is placing in production in Los Angeles a weekly one-hour program for syndication titled Black Omnibus, with noted actor James Earl Jones as host. The series will explore the involvement of Blacks in many phases of American life. Musical super star Isaac Hayes, who won an Academy Award for his score of "Shaft," was ordered to pay \$50,000 annual child support and \$20,000 alimony to his wife, Emily, when she was granted a divorce in Memphis, Tennessee, recently. Isaac's bitter-half charged in her divorce suit that Hayes had beaten her, tried to choke her, had engaged in adultery and had fathered a child by another woman. Songstress Sarah Vaughn is the latest star to join the distinguished company of

music personalities who will salute Duke Ellington in a 90 minute tribute to the world-renowned jazz musician and composer, "Duke Ellington-We Love You Madly," to be aired on February 11th at 9 p.m.; CBS-TV.

Toothpastes Don't Just Clean Teeth

A "History of Dentistry" written in 1726 recommended "wet sponges as well as medicated herb roots" for cleaning the teeth. Handkerchiefs, rags, and sponges dipped in wet salt were also used before toothbrushes and toothpastes as we now know them came into being.

Today, in addition to vast changes in toothbrush designs since the original one - a twig - there is also a wide choice of dentifrices to choose from - many of them developed to meet specific situations.

There are creams, powders and liquids to cleanse teeth, some of them containing fluoride and other ingredients to help prevent cavities, others with "special tooth whiteners," and one containing a harmless strontium chloride (Sensodyne) to desensitize "touchy teeth."

The toothpaste is also reported to remove plaque and polish teeth effectively when used correctly. In this jet age, there are many toothpastes that do double-duty. One cleans and polishes teeth - and acts as a mouthwash at the same time. Toothpastes also come in a variety of flavors. Stores that sell "novelty" items have been known to offer toothpastes flavored with a choice of scotch, bourbon or other liquor, as a spirited way to start the day.

A dentist is the best person to consult about the kind of dentifrice that is best for you.

Toothpastes have become more sophisticated and so have many of the persons who use them. According to an article in Drug & Cosmetic Industry, dentifrice sales in 1955 amounted to \$150 million. In 1971, they rose to almost \$408 million, it was learned from a recent check with the research editor of American Druggist, another pharmaceutical journal.

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REVIEW LINGUISTIC READING PROGRAM — Educators from Washington, D. C. school system review a Health Miami Linguistic Reading Program during two-day seminar at D. C. Health and Company headquarters in Lexington, Mass. Stanley Starkman, vice president of the educational publishing subsidiary of Raytheon Company, holds a classroom visual aid used in the reading program now in use in the District of Columbia school system. Among those attending the orientation program were, left to right: Mrs. Judine B. Johnson, Title I project coordinator (standing); Mrs. Louise M. Taylor, a parent of 2017 Partner Place, N. W., Washington; Mrs. Anne W. Pitts, executive director for Title I programs; and Mrs. Lillian J. Neville, of the Title I staff.

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