Minority hiring rises in U.S. drug industry

WASHINGTON — A marked increase of colored white collar workers and generally expanded minority hiring in major drug companies was announced today by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Food and Drug Administration, in analyzing the impact of their joint program to raise minority participation in the nation's drug industry.

EEOC Chairman Clifford L. Alexander, Jr., and Food and Drug Commissioner Herbert L. Ley, Jr., Monday released statistical results of that program, submitted by 22 major drug companies involved.

Minority workers accounted for over 50 per cent of the companies' workforce expansion in the first half of 1968. Of all black employees added during this time, 50 per cent received white collar jobs.

Commenting on the data, Chairman Alexander noted a considerable range of progress among the companies. "Advances were by no means uniform; significant progress occurred only in those firms where vigorous efforts were made. For other firms, which failed to take any meaningful action, results lagged far behind."

The EEOC is instituting Commissioner's charges against several participating companies whose particularly poor records, together with other information on their employment practices, suggest the need for compliance procedures to be undertaken.

The EEOC-FDA program was initiated by a White House meeting in October, House meeting in October 1967, at which the presidents of major drug companies were presented with EEOC statistics on their industry's minority employment record.

The data showed serious underutilization of minority workers, with participation especially restricted in the various white collar occupations and virtually nonexistent in the salesman category.

An analysis of 22 companies' annual reports on workforce composition and special reports on their progress as of July, 1968 indicated the project's considerable impact on the participating companies' hiring patterns.

As of July 1968, Negro employment had increased in every company, even in those four firms where total employment declined.

Of the increased workforce reported among the 22 companies over relevant time periods:

7.4 per cent were colored during the twelve months ending January 1967, well prior to announcement of the October 1967 meeting.

20.4 per cent were colored during the next twelve months, encompassing the White House meeting and early EEOC/FDA follow-up visits.

48.7 per cent were colored in the six months ending July 1968, following completion of all visits.

The overall increased hiring of black workers is itself only significant in light of accompanying gains in minority utilization at the white collar level.

In releasing the analysis of drug company hiring patterns, Chairman Alexander pointed out, "The successful programs conducted by various companies in raising colored Negro participation at the white collar level indicate the kind of progress that can be achieved rapidly, if an effort is made. Similar effort, and similr results, must be accomplished at every level of the industry — and by all its representatives."

GI's mother sobs with joy when told of son's release

By ALVIN B. WEBB JR.

Landing Zone Liberty, Vietnam (UPI) — Freedom is a tiny tear in the corner of a young soldier's brown eyes, a shaky handpat on the cold metal nose of a helicopter, a chance for a moment to forget feet swollen by miles of forced marching.

So it was at 10:42 a.m. New Year's Day, when three 21-year-old American GIS who wondered whether they would ever see home again walked through a desolate, scrubby little field in Vietnam and crossed the boundary between captivity and liberty.

A Viet Cong leader droned out their names in a singsong monotone — "Spec. 4 James W. Brigham . . . Spec. 4 Thomas N. Jones . . . PFC Ronald G. Smith . . . " But they seemed not to hear.

Above their heads waved the Communists' red and blue flag with its gold star, but they did not look up.

To their front five Communists and five U.S. military representatives carefully, formally intoned the rites of official prisoner releases. But the young Americans stared straight ahead, or at the ground, and almost did not seem to hear.

Then, "Dustoff," Lt. Col. John V. Gibney, 38, of Oakdale, N.Y., head of the U.S. delegation, curtly called — the signal for a helicopter to land to pick up the three men.

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Jim Brigham, of Ocala, Fla., had been a pisoner of the Viet Cong since he was captured on a road sweeping mission Sept. 13. Jones, of Lynville, Ind., was last seen driving a truck last Aug. 25. Smith, of Akron, Pa., had been in Communist hands since last May 13.

"We came a long way, very far through swamps, marshes and woodland," said Brigham, who was the healthiest.

"I'm just happy to be released and hoping to return to my family."

The other two pale looking soldiers did not talk to newsmen.

The New Year's Day rendezbous paid off in the release of the men where a first U.S. Viet Cong meeting on Christmas day had failed.

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In Ocala, Fla., Brigham's mother sobbed when she heard of her son's release.

"My prayers have been answered. I want to see my boy just as soon as I can."

Mrs. Mary Louise Brigham, a domestic who supports 11 children, broke into sobs during a telephone interview.

"I'm just so thankful to everyone who remembers James in their prayers," she said.

Mrs. Brigham said the people of Ocala have shown her "Wonderful kindness" since the first news of James' pending release was heard.

A lawyer in Ocala has offered to pay her fare "anywhere she likes" to greet her oldest son. A local TV store has given her a brand new TV set, so she can keep up with the latest news. (Both men wish to remain unidentified.)

"People from all over Florida, as far as Louisiana, have sent her money to help educate her children.

Her second son, Gregory, is at Fort Bragg, N.C. and expects to go to Vietnam this month.

He has contacted his mother saying, "I just hope I get a chance to see James before they send me off."

"Right now I'm just too happy to even think about making plans. I don't know what I'm going to do. But I want to see my boy just as soon as I can," said Mrs. Brigham.

FREEDOM — S/4 James Brigham of Ocala, Fla., left, and one of his two fellow prisoners, S/4 Thomas Jones march through a desolate little field from captivity to liberty on New Year's Day at Tai Ninh, South Vietnam. They were turned over to American negotiators by Viet Cong guards. (UPI Radiophoto)

—Banks weighs

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weekend, but that he was unable to set up the meeting because of previous commitments.

Earl is on the program for the American Football Coaches Association's conference next week in Los Angeles.

He is slated to deliver a lecture on "Building a Winning Streak With a Ball-Control Offensive," on next Thursday's morning agenda.

He is expected to leave Los Angeles as soon as possible after his talk, and fly to the Southern University campus.

The Baton Rouge post, in addition to carrying big money inducements, is regarded as one of unusual security.

Since 1935, Southern has had only three football coaches. For 30 years, the head man was the late A. W. Mumford.

An assistant, R. H. Lee, took over as Mumford's replacement, but he was, in turn, succeeded by Smith in 1965.

The Jaguars have been a football power in the Southwestern Athletic Conference for two decades. They shared the title with Security View in 1966, but last year finished with a 4-6-0 record . . . SAM LACY

—Tax men

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trustee, and general manager and senior vice president of a Chicago Life insurance firm.

He is also director and treasurer of the Service Federal Savings and Loan Association of Chicago, which he founded in 1950, and is a former head of the Chicago NAACP chapter.

The indictment was returned before U.S. District Court Judges Edwin A. Robson along whom an arrest warrant which stated Jones could be released on a $1,000 personal bond.

Jones was not in his office or at his South Side home at the time.

The indictment was announced simultaneously in Chicago and by U.S. Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark in Washington.

Each of the four counts carries a maximum penalty of three years in prison and a $5,000 fine.

The first count alleges that Jones failed to declare $5,693 in fees from a mortgage broker, $150 in director's fees, and $471.39 in interest income on his 1962 return.

The second count charges that he omitted $4,236 in fees from a mortgage broker and $400 in director's fees from his return for 1963.

The third count alleges that fees from mortgage brokers totaling $4,283 were left out of Jones' 1964 return along with $350 in director's fees.

The fourth count alleges that Jones failed to declare $1,154 in mortgage broker's fees on his 1965 return.

-Surtax to stay

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would have to be retained if the nation "is going to go further in space and at the same time do anything more in urban problems."

Brooke said he personally knew of "more than two colored men" Nixon had talked to in regard to a cabinet post.

He mentioned that he will be making some foreign trips on behalf of Nixon, but said he did not as yet know where he would go.

Caucus persuades SDS not to roil Dick's big day

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (UPI) — The National Council of Students for a Democratic Society Tuesday overwhelmingly rejected a proposal to stage demonstrations at President-elect Richard M. Nixon's inauguration ceremonies.

However, one delegate who declined use of his name predicted that some members may demonstrate anyway.

Before the show of hands vote, the some 600 delegates listened to the arguments of a black caucus group which had urged SDS not to demonstrate in Washington Jan. 20.

"We do not see a march on Washington at the inauguration as being in the interest of the black community. Before we do anything like this, we've got to ask ourselves whose heads are going to be busted," said Leonard Williams of Flint, a leader of the black caucus group.

Mark Rudd, one of the SDS members who had introduced the proposal and the leader of the Columbia University demonstrations earlier, had argued that such a demonstration in the nation's capital could be used "to clarify our opposition at a time when the ruling class seeks to inaugurate its newest spokesman, to counterpose our politics against the sham of the inauguration itself.

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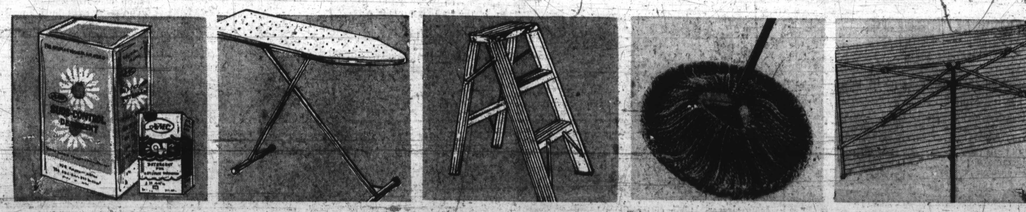

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Gadabouting in Baltimore with *Lula Jones Garrett*

Holiday parties sparkled like forest of Yule trees

After one week of truly immense affairs where one feasted their eyes but seldom got in speaking distance of all their friends, townsfolk smuggled into smaller and more intimate parties this week. But these sparkled like a forest of Christmas trees, lighting up the whole horizon.

One of the lovellest parties was in the Hilton Street home of Charles Howard, where the Attorney and Catherine garnered huge arrangements of red and gold poinsettias to spark their elegant living room, dining room, fountain room and hall.

Where they provide a lavish board of hors d'oeuvres (which her mother, Mrs. Felicia Taylor, and aunt, Mrs. Corrie Sesney, both of Washington, had especially prepared).

Where they banked a fire in the living room and lit Yule Logs in the dining room . . . and added an all silver Christmas tree for an exquisite setting for glamorous guests.

The hostess wore a beige mini lace frock with silver hose and shoes, as she reeted:

Messrs. and Mesdames Benjamin Franklin, Mervin Clement, Joseph Beavers and Bernard Smoot of Washington;

Messrs. and Mesdames Howard Patterson, Jim Person, Paul Moss, Herman Sydnor, William Sykes, Baird Michaelson, Paul Smith, Gerald Smith, Whitney LeBlanc, Joseph Obey and Judge and Mrs. Joe Howard.

Drs. and Mesdames Curtis Adams, Earl Clay, William Hall, John King, Arthur Lamb, George Phillips, Vernon Pennington, Archie Williams, Louis Randall, Bruce Russell, Archie Robinson;

Mesdames Elsie Goings of Washington and Verdena Williams.

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Mrs. Medford Reynolds hosted a charming egg nog party for Dr. Sajette Crank, director of the South Atlantic Region of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, who holidayed here with her sister, Lou Derrin.

The early afternoon affair was attended by Emma Bright, Flozella Clark, Yvette Murphy, Alma Gray, Elsie Sessoms, retiring basileus of local AKA's, and Bernice Humley, recently elected basileus.

Incidentally, the graduate chaper has new members: Jewell Moseley, Elizabeth Walker, Rowena Lewis, Marion Oliver, and Maybelle Taylor, student at Vassar, was initiated at the session.

And then there was the beautiful luncheon which the Northwest Club gave at 3900 for their debutante, Janet Waters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Walters, who will be presented at the Me-De-So's Spring Cotillion.

Miss Waters is a freshman at Western College, Oxford, Ohio. For the party she was most attractive in burgundy silk enhanced by a multi-colored scarf. She had as guests, special friends, Harolyn Clark, Evelyn Datcher, Janice Bowie, Da Verne Nicholson, all freshmen at Howard University; Rhoderica Johns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Johns, Candy Scott and Mary Driver.

Jimmy LaForest arranged the luncheon. Presiding was Anita Myers, vice president of the Northwest Club. (President Anetha Williams had succumbed to the "bug.").

Members attending included Elsie Scott, Mary Sprow, Margaret Driver, Ruberta Waters, Vyna Skinner, Alice Payne, Gloria Phillips, Jimmy LaForest, Anita Myers, Clarice Parrish Flozella Clark and Lucille Cephas.

The Sorors of Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority enjoyed a gala luncheon on Saturday afternoon at the Statler Hilton Hotel.

Amid beautiful decorations and elegantly wrapped gifts they renewed friendships and partook of delicious foods.

Following the exchange of gifts and carol singing, plans were completed for the celebration of Founders Day. This will be a luncheon meeting on Saturday, January 25, at the Sheraton-Baltimore Inn. The speaker for the occasion will be Mrs. Zefferene Garth. Mrs. Margaret Yates is chairman for the affair. Mrs. Imogene Douglas is basileus.

Members in attendance for Saturday's festive occasion were:

Gladys Baird, Martha Snowden, Frankie L. Hinchen, Naomi D. Johnson, Kathleen B. Newsome, Ethel Covington;

Fannie Ewell, Eulalia Fannie Ewell, Josephine Maxwell, Eulalia Stevenson, Bertha Sembley, Melissa Fox, Alma Redden, Imogene Douglas, Barbara E. Ballin;

Joan Marie Smith, Margaret Yates, Esther Morris, Veta L. Grig, Ida Wroten, Mrguerite Wilkins, Mary Mitchell, Myrtle Jones, Louise G. Turks, Thelma Addison, E. Louise Anderson, L. Olivia Bates;

M. Ovella Queen, Doris Williams, Elizabeth Day, Betty M. Shelton, Hattie Tilghman, Zerlia T. Skates, and Sandra Fleming.

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Came New Year Eve, and Jim and Yvette Murphy held forth at a party to welcome 1969 . . . a sort of annual exchange between several couples.

About for the usual gaiety were:

The Maurice Adamsees, Hiram Butlers, Ted Phillips, Fred Adamses, Elmer Pattersons, Bill Charles Kings, Earl Poindexters of Dayton, Ohio, Medford Reynoldses; Gertrude Urquhart, Olga Chambers and Bernard Cooper.

Dot Woods was hostess to the Kappa Silhouettes recently.

The president, Doris Tarter, presided.

Members present included:

Doris Turler, Helen Guttis, Marian Russell, Carolyn Smith, Margaret Smith, Cleaver Paog, Bernice C. Brown;

Elva Edwards, Nannette Mitchell, Anita H. Watson, Anne S. Davis, Jeanne Davis, Ruth Ross, Jean Adams, Brenda Patterson.

Juanita G. Harris, Annette Brown, Venciedora H. Kane, Bernice Bradshaw, Sherry Etienne, Carolyn Tutman;

Gerry Fowlkes, Betty Mello, Mary R. Patterson, Virginia V. Watkins, Lillian Mc Donald, Dorothy Wood, Madge Rice;

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Pot-Pourri: Miss Patricia A. Carrington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Carrington, spent the holidays in Houston, Texas, as house guests of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Gary.

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