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U.S. backs $50,000 in LDF fees

WASHINGTON, D.C. (NBNS) The Justice Department has come to the aid of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, which is seeking to collect more than $50,000 in courtroom expenses incurred in winning school desegregation cases.

After several years of hostility toward civil rights lawyers, the Justice Department under its new solicitor general and acting Attorney General Robert H. Bork has shown a recent change of heart.

In a brief filed with the Supreme Court, the department agrees that the NAACP Legal Defense Fund should be awarded fees for work and court costs in 1970 and 1971 that resulted in greater citywide desegregation in Richmond, Va.

At issue is $43,355 in attorney fees and $13,064 in court costs that the NAACP expended and which the Richmond school board would have to give the group if the civil rights organizations win the case.

U.S. District Judge Robert H. Merhige Jr., ordered the school board to pay the money but was reversed on a divided vote by the Fourth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. The NAACP appealed the decision to the Supreme Court.

Acting Atty. Gen. Bork said the circuit court decision conflicted with recent Supreme Court rulings giving awards to legal groups for winning "common benefits," pecuniary or otherwise" for large numbers of affected people.

The Supreme Courts decision is likely to affect public interest law suits brought by environmental, consumer and other such groups.

KEY OFFICERS for the National Council of Negro Women greet Marshall Bass (C), manager, personnel development at R. J. Reynolds Industries Inc., with an early morning smile. Reynolds sponsored a breakfast for NCNW life members during the organization's 36th annual meeting in Washington, D.C. last week. L-R are: Mrs. Maida Kemp, NCNW vice president from Chicago; Mrs. Dorothy Tolson, NCNW vice president from Washington, D.C.; Mr. Bass; Mrs. Dorothy I. Height, NCNW president and Mrs. Odessa Skeen, chairperson for life members from Brooklyn, N.Y.

Feb. culture event slated

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. — Mrs. Inez Singletary, executive director of the Westchester Day Care Council, and a resident of Pleasantville has been named co-chairperson along with James Hicks, executive editor of the New York Amsterdam News and a resident of Ossining, of the Sixth Annual Panorama of African-American Culture in Westchester, which will take place at the county center in here from Feb. 8-

The Panorama is sponsored by the Afro-American Cultural Foundation of White Plains in cooperation with many other organizations in this county.

John H. Harmon, Executive Director of the Afro-American Cultural Foundation, will be honored at the 1974 Panorama as the Fonder of the Panorama and for his devotion to the cause of Black History and Culture.

In view of the current crises both nationally and internationally the slogan adopted for this year's panorama is: "People United for Survival."

SCLC supports Ga. town in election overturn bid

ATLANTA, Ga. — The Southern Christian Leadership Conference has decided to support citizens of Sandersville in their quest to have a recent local election overturned due to alleged discriminatory irregularities.

Sandersville citizens have charged that some blacks were prohibited from voting even though they were registered.

While election officials conducted themselves in a hostile manner, they also refused to allow the news media to view and observe the election, it was stated.

During inclement weather, the election was held in open tents which black citizens feel was done deliberately to discourage black voters.

Some 350 absentee ballots were cast during the election that seemed highly irregular to some because the town's population is only 3,400.

"We are calling upon the U.S. Justice Department to immediately begin an investigation of the Dec. 5 election in Sandersville, Ga." stated the S.C.L.C.

Girlie magazine looks for 'real love stories'

LOS ANGELES Wanda Coleman is looking for love stories for Players magazine. The saddest part of her job as editor of the black version of Playboy, she says, is that no real love stories about a black man and black woman have been submitted.

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"I haven't seen one and I think it's indicative. A lot of people have been out on the street corners and the evolution of human relationships on a one - to - one basis has lagged behind," she said.

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Miss Coleman, an unpublished novelist, is becoming an expert in nude photography. She is all for realnation scar, a few photogenic goose pimples but stretch marks are definitely out.

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The magazine represents a challenge, she says. One reason she took the job, she says is that white counterparts of the magazine generally mistreat black women.

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It's not that they have different standard equipment, she says, but rather that the wide range of options has not yet been explored in the general press.

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Miss Coleman said the magazine would help open career possibilities the way its white counterparts did ism a well - laced vaccifor white starlets.

Student gets scholarship from firm

NASHVILLE — Leroy T. [illegible] freshman medical student at Meharry Medical College, was awarded a New York Life Insurance Company scholarship under a program involving 12 colleges in the U.S. and Canada.

A graduate of the University of Miami with a B.S. degree and a major in chemistry, Jackson attended Harvard University last year. He is the son of Mrs. Ginnie B. Jackson of Miami, and the late Leroy P. Jackson.

Other recipients of New York Life medical scholarships [illegible] Robert Winston, sophomore medicine, Tenn.; Eva Harris, junior medical student of Somerville, Tenn. and Rebera Foston, senior medical student, of Gary Ind.

Each year 45 students selected by the 12 medical schools, receive a scholarship.

Opera firm appoints director

JACKSON, Miss. — Leon Thompson, noted conductor and director of the New York Philharmonic's education division, has joined the staff of Opera South as music director and is currently auditioning singers for its upcoming production.

Thompson's recent opratic credits include "La Boheme" and "Cavalleria Rusticana" with the Hollywood Opera Showcase, and "Don Pasquale," "Don Giovanni," "Faust" and "Magic Flute" for the University of Southern California.

Thompson has worked with a number of young artists and is interested in expanding Opera South opportunities to as many new singers as possible.

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Singers with professional credits, who are interested in auditioning for Opera South can send resumes and audition tapes to him, in care of the New York Philharmonic, Lincoln Center Plaza, New York 10023.

Kiss breaks up encounter group

WASHINGTON — A pilot Navy confrontation session on race relations has been cancelled in Charleston, S.C., due to a kiss.

During one of the sessions which was attended by some 23 civilian workers, Charles H. King Jr., the consultant hired by the Navy to conduct the session, planned a kiss on the cheek of his white assistant.

In carrying out his "creative confrontation," King used strong "bedroom' language and raised the old stereotyped myth of black male sexual prowess.

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An irate white woman attending the classes strenuously objected to the demonstration kiss and the project was subsequently scuttled.

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King, the former leader of the session, heads an organization called Urban Crisis Inc., in Dayton, Ohio and was under contract to the Navy for $27,000.

Concerning the project's termination, the Navy department here announced: "The pilot human awareness program which was being conducted at Charleston, S.C. was terminated been completed and a second course begun because of objects from the participants.

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"The Navy believes the program may have the potential for inclusion in its overall human awareness program and that enough information was gained in the Charleston pilot effort to which to make a determination.

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The Navy said Dr. King had been informed of the evaluation of the project at navy offices here.

They said a decision would be rendered in several weeks. In the meantime, King continues to receive a salary.

Naval authorities believe the termination of the pilot Charleston project would have no effect upon the overall human awareness program nor the equal opportunity objectives of the service.

However, there are fears that the Charleston incident may give ammunition to the critics against the recently established programs for racial harmony in the branch. There were instituted by the Navy's Chief of Staff Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt.

after one full cycle had

Medical school planned in Ohio

WILBERFORCE, Ohio — Dr. Lionel H. Newsom, president of Central State University and Dr. Robert T. Conley, vice president and director of health affairs at Wright State University, have announced that plans for a medical school to be located at Wright State located at Wright State with Central State and Miami Universities as cooperating institutions, will go ahead despite recommendations to the Governor's Task Force on Health Care.

The recommendations submitted in November to the executive committee of the task force suggested that the medical school and another planned for northeast Ohio be replaced by regional "graduate medical education centers."

Defining the medical school, Dr. Conley said, "The medical school, as far as I'm concerned, is on schedule. We are in operation and until the legislature tells us different we're going to continue."

"I call upon the Governor and the General Assembly to facilitate creation and funding of the Wright State University School of Medicine."

The state legislature earlier this year approved $613,000 in operating funds for the medical school and authorized $6 million in revenue bonds for the construction of two medical school buildings on the WSU campus.

POPULAR LASS — Wanda L. Lewis, a junior social welfare major at Livingstone College, Salisbury, N.C., is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Lewis of Newburgh, N. Y. Wanda was chosen Miss Junior Class 1973-74. A dean's list student, she holds membership in the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, the Marching Band, and the Julia B. Duncan Players (drama group).

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Dollars seen in hiring minorities

ATLANTA — American business has to realize that there is a "hard dollar return" in the hiring and promotion of minority group members, the director of Chrysler Corporation's Urban Affairs department said here.

Albert J. Dunmore, speaking at Atlanta University's School of Business Administration, said, "It has become a hard-dollar necessity to regard all employees as equal with equal opportunities for advancement, because there are increasing percentages of minorities who simply must have an unequal outlet for their ambition if their companies are to flourish."

Industry has had its eyes opened, the Chrysler executive said, to making the best use of available talent regardless of color, sex or religion.

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While much has been accompanished in the arena of equal opportunity, Dunmore said, there is still much to be done by business, industry, government, the courts union, schools and by the individual members of minority groups if the "hard dollar return" is to be fully realized.

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Dunmore joined Chrysler Corporation in 1968 as an urban affairs specialist in the public relations office.

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Guinea-Bissau resists attacks with SAM-7

NEW YORK — Africans of Guinea - Bissau have received Soviet-SAM-7 ground - to - air missiles to resist the Portuguese Air Force due to unfriendly acts of the United States toward the liberation army in Guinea Bissau.

Since last spring, the liberation army has succeeded in shooting down at least 20 Portuguese Air Force planes with the Soviet SAMs.

The west African nation which is half under the control of Portugal and half - liberated, has strong support at the United Nations to be recognized as the legitimate government of the west African nation.

The Azores, an island chain of prime importance to the U.S. in resupplying Israel since neutral Europeans closed their air space to American planes are owned by Portugal.

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There is some fear that Portugal will pressure the United States into using its veto power to block the admission of Guinea - Bissau to the United Nations.

In February, U.S. base rights at Lajes on the Azores will be considered for renewal by the Portuguese. The Portuguese are expected to drive hard bargain by not only getting the U.S. to use its veto power against Guinea - Bassau in the UN, but by also asking for U.S. arms.

As in many similar colonial wars of liberation, the U.S. must decide whether to win the friendship of the revolutionaries or risk their being tied to Soviet supplies and policies.

IN LONDON — Joseph Mobutu Sese Seko, the President of Zaire, rides in an open carriage with Queen Elizabeth II. The Zaire leader arrived last week for a three-day visit. He and his wife stayed at Buckingham Palace. (UPI Telephoto)

Stability Boosts Zaire Militance

KINSHASA — Having consolidated his power and brought Zaire's economy to a high pitch, President Mobutu Sese Seko has moved more firmly onto the international scene.

Zairean troops are training Holden Roberto's Provisional Government of Angola forces for an offensive next month against the Portuguese.

Mobutu says Portugal "is an economically, socially, culturally underdeveloped nation. It has no democracy; no military force. Its sole record is that of having the highest illiteracy rate in Europe."

With Mobutu's active assistance, Roberto is conscripting 5,000 Angolans in Zaire to bring his forces to 20,000.

Portugal's "force and arrogance are supplied by its membership in NATO," Mobutu says, "because Portugal and its sources are strategically necessary to the organization.

"The volume of investment and capital coming from the West to Portugal's colonies increases daily."

The Angola operation is also being backed by the presidents of Tanzania and Zambia.

These projects are undoubtedly the product of economic and social growth. Copper production has surged since nationalization, with British, American, Belgian and Japanese companies rushing to develop new mines under government auspices.

There are now 10,000 students in national universities and abroad, compared to the 20 university graduates said to have been in the country at independence.

Primary education has increased 100 per cent, secondary education by 1,000 per cent and higher education by 3,000 per cent.

Two major economic weaknesses remain, dependence on wildly fluctuating copper prices and agricultural shart-comings. Crop and animal production has not reached the levels achieved under colonial rule.

The new militance toward Portugal explains the government's anger at reports that oil from the newly-found off-shore deposits will be pumped through Cabinda, a Portuguese enclave.

Proven reserves are sufficient only for Zaire's needs, a spokesman said, rebutting an earlier report that they were on the magnitude of those in Kuwait.

The suggestion that Zaire would link its oil to the Portuguese was regarded as an insult, the spokesman said.

Little Youth Culture In Soviet

By Robert Thomas Publisher, Milwaukee Star-Times

It was a cold, grey day in Tashkent, the largest city in the Soviet Republic of Uzbek. We were standing on a street corner near the technical school when we noticed a group of conservatively dressed Soviet students in their mid and late teens. It was with them that I had my first conservation about the young people of the USSR.

They were agricultural students at the multi-racial technical school and were waiting for a bus to take them to the fields for the rice harvest. They opened the conversation by offering me five to ten roubles about $15 for my $125 watch.

Later, they wanted to trade. But my guide translated rapidly and told them there was obviously no room for barter. So, in hesitant English they began talking about and admiring my "foreign" clothes and later our conversation shifted to American youth and the lives of the Russian youth.

From their conversation and from what I observed during our ten-day September trip, the typical Soviet youth appears to be a straight, even conservative person with an enthusiasm for sports, academic and cultural activities. He frequents few hangouts, stays off the streets, has close family ties, and rarely owns an automobile.

Much of their young lives are colored by Lenin's thoughts. The text and story books in the state subsidized nursey schools sport pictures of Lenin and are accompanied by stories on his love for children.

Lenin said: Study, study and more study. This seems to be the general flavor of most of the Russian youth. It was reported that one-third of the Russian people are in school and it's very evident that young people have a high regard for education.

The parental ties in a Russian family are extremely strong. There did not seem to any apparent rifts between parents and child and often, when a young couple marry they move in with their parents. (One reason for this is the scarcity of apartments and housing in the Soviet Union.) Parents also approve marriages though they don't arrange alliances. However, if the couple makes a mistake it costs them only 50 roubles (about $75) to get a divorce.

A noticeable difference between the Soviet Union and the U.S. is the youth-worship syndrome. There is comparatively little youth-culture in Russia and very little emphasis is placed on youth being a premium. An airline stewardess can be 50 years old and weigh 200 lbs. if she wants to. The Russians seem to put more value into the total development of a person. For them, youth is a time to prepare oneself for life as an adult.

Perhaps this is why there is an absence of youth culture in the Soviet Union. There are no fads; Russia does not push fads — a change from the numerous fads academic pursuits.

When they are not studying they are crazy about in much the same way Americans are.

There also seems to be a real enthusiasm for cultural expression among the Russian youngsters. They visit museums and monuments with astonishing zeal. In "Hero City" Moscow I saw thousands of young people flocking to St. Basil's Cathedral and the Monument to Space Heroes.

And everywhere we went the Red Square, the Kremlin, the University on Lenin Hill, Alexander Pushkin's monument, the Bolshoi theatre they were there, dressed conservatively, admiring works of art, and inevitably walking down Gorky St. arm in arm with their parents. In this country and so, most of the young people are similarly dressed.

There is nothing to identify hang-outs where youngsters gather aimlessly to fritter away time. Roving bands of youth, a characteristic of most large Western cities, were noticeably absent from Russian cities. The Russian youths walked the streets in twos and threes and always looked as if they had a purpose.

Youth and street crime is almost zero and there is practically no dope problem. However, Russian officials anticipated some truancy this year because of a new forced secondary education law.

Their dating patterns are also different from those in America. Young men and women meet at various activities: lectures, operas, clubs, excursions and sports events. House parties are uncommon.

Liquor is hard to get — one to be over 18 and be able to prove it.

The Russian youth is not as sexually promiscuous as his American counterpart. For one thing, they are rarely left alone and another young people can not afford cars. I did not see a single used-car lot during our entire trip.

However, like the American teenager, the Russian youngster also works at various part-time jobs. Unemployment is rare and young people, both boys and girls, get jobs easily, many of them are waiters, farm workers and factory workers. In a textile mill we visited in Tashkent, the average age of the workers is about 26 years. Several of them were 18 and 19 years old and 75 percent were women, 22 and 23 years of age.

Money is one of the incentives the Russians use to keep the young on the farms. Agricultural workers are paid more than factory workers and even while in school, students help out on farms during emergencies. After they graduate at 18, several young men go into military school while other graduates seek employment on farms or in factories. Others go on to college.

The Russian youth then, lives a comparatively simple life and as he approaches adulthood he sees a secure future. He is willing to take the responsibilities and duties of his parents. As adults both men and women work at the same jobs with adequate pay.

In short, the Soviet system seems to work for them just as ours does for us. If then as ours does for us if they crime or if they young people value culture and academics more it's because they are brought up to think that way.

Yet, our democratic system with its inherent freedom is still the best. We only need to work towards democracy and equality at all levels of society.

REPORT FROM EUROPE

Palestinians: key to crisis end

Ollie Steward

PARIS — Why should I pull my brains apart when others say what I think better than I can say it? To wit:

"For years Israel has bluffed the world into believing that it is a small and helpless state. Yet never before in the history of mankind has such a small country caused much harm to so many countries surrounding it, and indirect harm to countries far from it geographically.

"Israel has succeeded in dragging the superpowers into its affairs, threatening the whole world with the horror of nuclear war twice (in its attack in 1967 and again after expansions following the Oct. 22 ceasefire).

"It succeeded in causing harm to the West, made an enemy of almost the entire continent of Africa, and damaged whoever stood by it.

"It's no wonder. This is a country which existed because of a war and which has not succeeded in living without war."

The above letter to the editor of the Paris Tribune was written by a man in Geneva, Switzerland, but he omitted the big thing.

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The big thing is, the state of Israel sits astride the land that belongs to the Palestinians — and the world will have no peace until these people get their homeland back.

Not Henry Kissinger nor anybody else can stop recurrent wars in the Middle East until this is done.

There would not now be an oil crisis if the Palestinians had the part of Israel they should have.

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Black Africa would not now be in a ferment. The Suez Canal would be open. But most of all, I would not at this moment be worrying about being cold this winter if the Palestinians were resettled — and I do not like to be cold.

And with that said, a big Merry Christmas to everybody!

But it's hard to be merry this year at Yuletide. Very hard.

Among other things, a survey made in Paris near the end of December shows that fresh vegetables have gone up in price by 38 per cent in one month.

But that's only for starters. In one year the price of eggs has zoomed up a whopping 55 per cent.

And in the past six months, at least 10 percent has been added to health services, restaurants, fuel, rent and cotton goods.

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But nobody pays me a penny more for what I do. Everybody takes more, and gripes about even the suggestion of giving more. It must be at least ten years since I got a boost for my work.

It's a crazy system. Or am I nuts for continuing to talk it?

Merry Christmas? Well, maybe just a wee bit. I'm not in a hospital, they haven't had to cut off a part of me (say, an arm or leg because I have cancer, and my eyes are still good enough for me to see flowers and birds.

Even better than that I can read book, papers and magazines. I can see how to walk the streets, shave and ogle the pretty girls.

Every year along about Christmas, I run a check like this on myself — and each time I find out I have more to be merry about than I'd imagined.

Much more. Because in some parts of the world there are hungry people.

Somewhere stupid people are shooting at other people trying to kill them.

Somewhere men and women because of color, religion or national origin — and are bombing their children in their schools.

Maybe I'm not so bad off after all. Actually, I am feel glad [illegible] everybody a second Merry Christmas.

Black Muslims deny money, crime proving threat to sect's dynasty

NEW YORK — Despite assertions to the contrary, the American Black Muslim religious sect is, according to reports, beset with internal problems revolving around financial worries and a turn to crime by some of the members.

New York Times reporter Paul Delaney examined the current problems of the Muslims, aided by a lengthy investigation of the group and information gathered by police and other government agencies.

Dulaney found the sect is believed to be in dire need of cash and technical and managerial skills. The need is reported to be so grave that the business empire, valued at $70 million, is said to be in danger of falling.

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However, Louis Farrakhan national representative of Elijah Muhammad, the Black Muslim leader denied Delaney's assertion that the group is facing any kind of monetary crisis.

"If you say we are in financial trouble," declared Farrakhan, "then check our records. [illegible] Muslims, having trouble with businesses, attempted to attract educated blacks not belonging to the religious group, it was reported.

A muslim leader was quoted as saying: "Coming from the streets and prisons, we have reached the limit of our ability to manage such a financial empire, and we need the help of professional blacks."

It was stated that with the sect plagued with money worries, some members decided to resort to criminal activity.

One source explained his idea of the alleged involvement in crime: "The businesses and the paper (Muhammad Speaks) weren't making money, so a lot of guys went back to their old ways.

"Remember, the Muslims were big recruiters in the jails and prisons. And Philadelphia has a history of gangs, so it was rather easy for the gang members to take on the trapping of the religion, change their names and keep on operating as they had."

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As one source further elaborated: "Muhammad [illegible] and they must pay for them

whether or not they sell them. And with the background of many members, it wasn't too difficult to go out and rob and extort."

Another source added: "The involvement in crime, while apparently restricted to the East Coast, with some in the West, has a lot of people worried that it could spread across the country.

"It represents a potential dangerous threat to the black community, as most certainly an internal struggle could eventually spill over to the general community."

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In discussing the question of crime, Farrakhan held that the Muslim sect "cannot be held responsible for any deviation from the divine law of God of any of its members."

Those found guilty of crime would not remain as members, he suggested.

In addition, Edward L. Kerr, director of the Newark Police Department declared that the majority of sect members appeared to be sincere followers of the faith who only a small number of Muslims engaged in crime.

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MS. JEAN HAGOOD MISS VINETTE E. JONES HYPOLITE B. SOSA

NEW YORK, William S. Liddie has been named a sales representative in metro New York for Seagram Distillers Co. Liddie joined Joseph E. Seagram and Sons Inc. in 1943. He held administrative posts before entering union field sales work for affiliated sales companies. A Brooklyn native, Liddie attended Long Island University. He and his wife, the former Bernice Russell, live in Brooklyn. The family includes four children.

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NEW YORK—Dr. Edward S. Lewis, dean of cooperative education and community relations at the Borough of Manhattan Community College, was honored recently at Alderson-Broaddus College, Philip, W. Va. He was one of nine leaders cited for "significant leadership in cooperative education in the United States." He was the only one of the group affiliated with a community college. Dr. Lewis joined the college department in 1964 and became dean in 1971.

NEW YORK—Hypolite B. Sosa has been named administrative assistant in the Eastern division offices of Calvert Distillers Company. Sosa held a comparable post with an affiliated sales company for the past year. A native of Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, Sosa earned a certificate from Cambridge University at St. Mary's College, and an associate degree from Government Teachers' College, both in Trinidad. He also has a diploma in computer programs from Uni-Tec Automated Institute, New York.

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WASHINGTON—Vinette E. Jones of Boston has been named New England regional director of Action, the federal agency for voluntary service. Miss Jones, 41, will continue to direct Action volunteer recruitment in the northeastern United States. Miss Jones joined VISTA in 1966 as a recruiter after teaching in Baltimore and Sunderland, Md. schools. A native of Red Bank, N.J., she is a graduate of Bowie (Md.) State College.

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NEW YORK—Mrs. Hazel Lee has been named industrial sales representative in the Rust Rust coatings division of Exxon Chemical USA. She is responsible for marketing the company's protective coatings to industrial consumers in the New York area. Previously, Mrs. Lee was a senior research chemist for Exxon Chemical's technology organization in Linden, N.J.

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MILWAUKEE—Everett Tunson has been appointed Milwaukee Sales Representative for Miller Brewing Co. Tunson, previously had been an area manager for Miller's Midwest Region, and also worked as public relations coordinator in the Milwaukee region. A native of Napoleonville, La., Tunson attended both Southern University and Milwaukee Area Technical College. He has been with Miller for two years.

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GREENVILLE, S.C.—Miss Tommie J. Hagood has been appointed executive director of the new Greenville County Human Relations Commission. She has been an admission specialist at the Technical Education Center. Miss Hagood is now publicizing the services of the 30-member commission because, while blacks may be aware of them, poor whites and other minority groups also need to know of the new body.

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WASHINGTON—Dr. Ira C. Robinson, dean of the Howard University College of Pharmacy and Pharmacal Sciences was recently elected chairman of District II of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP). Earlier this year, Dean Robinson was elected secretary-treasurer of the Council of Deans of the AACP.

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COATESVILLE, Pa.—Dr. Charles Butler has been elected president of the Pennsylvania NAACP Conference. He has headed the local branch since 1970. Dr. Butler, an 18-year resident, was honored by the optimists last year for his work with drug addicts.

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TUSCALOSSA, Ala. — George S. Shirley, president of the First National Bank of Tuscaloosa, is the 1974 chairman for the annual United Negro College Fund drive. Shirley, a Tuscaloosa native and graduate of the University of Alabama, has served as president of First National Bank since 1970. Long active in civic affairs, he was honored as Tuscaloosa's Citizen of the Year in 1971.

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NEW YORK — Robert S. Cherry Jr. of Danbury, Conn., has been named project coordinator for the ROTC Minority Officer Procurement Program, NAACP Executive Director Roy Wilkins announced here last week. Mr. Cherry, past president of the Danbury NAACP Branch, assumed his new responsibilities in August and will be responsible for recruitment from Maine to Virginia. A veteran of 16 months in Vietnam, former Sgt. Cherry became a counselor for the Connecticut Talent Assistance Cooperative at Wesleyan University in Middletown, the post he held prior to his present position.

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LOUISVILLE, Ky. — William B. Gatewood administrator of the River Region Drug and Alcohol Program has been named assistant to Mayor Harvey Sloans for economic development. He will be working with the Human Relations Commission, Community Action Community Action Commission and Department of Human Resources to reduce the problems of low income communities.

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GARY, Ind.—Mrs. Addie B. Gordon will leave "home" next month to head a new Social Security office in Merrillville. She has worked in the administration's Gary office since 1940 and is now operations manager there. New office will serve south Lake and Newton counties.

DR. EDWARD S. LEWIS WILLIAM S. LIDDIE

EVERETT TUNSON HAZEL LEE

Balzano at Kenya event

WASHINGTON, D.C. Michael P. Balzano Jr., recently headed an American delegation as a personal representative of President Nixon at ceremonies commemorating the 10th anniversary of the independence of the Republic of Kenya.

Among those making up the delegation was William O. Walker, publisher of the Cleveland Call-Post, who was also named a representative

Nairobi to get $-million airport

NAIROBI — (NBNS) — Work has started on a new $31 million airport, which will be able to handle jumbo jets.

The airport, which is expected to begin operation in 1976, will be located at the Kenyan coastal tourist center of Mombasa.