Prominent M.D. slumps at car wheel

WASHINGTON — Dr. Erman W. Edgecombe, the 57-year-old surgeon who was prominent in national and local medical organizations, died last week of a heart attack while driving to his Northwest Washington home from National Airport.

Dr. Edgecombe was the husband of former Richmonder Mrs. Theresa Coots Edgecombe. They were married about seven months ago. The widow married Dr. Edgecombe after the Aug. 14, 1974 death of her husband, Dr. William N. Coots who returned to Richmond in 1972 after practicing medicine in Tulsa, Okla. for 35 years.

Dr. Edgecombe was stricken while returning from the airport where he had taken a son to catch a plane for Providence, R.I. where he attends Brown University. Dr. Edgecombe and his son ran to the loading gate and the heart attack occurred minutes after the surgeon got in his car for the return trip home.

While driving across the 14th St. Bridge, the surgeon slumped over the wheel of his car. Mrs. Edgecombe, who was with him, stopped the car. He was rushed to Arlington Hospital where he was pronounced dead.

News of Dr. Edgecombe's death shocked Washington where he was active in civic and social activities. Typical was the reaction of Dr. Edward Cornwell, a close friend. "I can't believe it," he said, stunned. "I had just spent nearly six hours with the guy that very day."

Dr. Edgecombe, who was a former president of the Washington Urban League, was elected chairman of the board of trustees of the National Medical Association at its 81st annual meeting in Nashville, Tenn. He was a contributor to numerous medical journals.

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He also was chairman of the D.C. Commission on Judicial Disabilites and Tenure, which put him in the center of the still-unresolved question of a second term for D.C. Superior Court Judge Charles W. Halleck. Dr. Edgecombe supported reappointment of the controversial jurist.

D.C. City Council Chairman Sterling Tucker, who was executive director of the local Urban League when Dr. Edgecombe was its president, said the doctor was "an amazing leader who had a way of bringing together a number of different factions. He was president during a critical period, a bridge between the '60s and the '70s."

Dr. Erman Edgecombe

Born in West Palm Beach, Fla., Dr. Edgecombe was educated at Tuskegee College and Howard University Medical School, where he received a doctor of medicine degree in 1945.

He was a captain in the Army Medical Corps from 1951 to 1953, serving in Korea, and later was a senior assistant surgeon in the U.S. Public Health Service.

After a residency at Freedmen's Hospital here, during which he specialized in thoracic surgery, he joined the Howard University medical faculty.

He was on the staffs of several area hospitals and maintained an extensive private practice.

In addition to his wife, whom he married after the death of his first wife, Dr. Edgecombe is survived by two sons, Erman and Michael; a daughter, Denise Holland, of Largo; a sister, Naomi Horton, of Durham, N.C.; a stepson, Norvell Vandervall Coots; a stepdaughter, Elizabeth Graham and a granddaughter.

A requiem mass for Dr. Edgecombe was said Saturday at St. Luke's Episcopal Church where he was a former vestryman.

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JOHN W. WATSON

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SNOW BUFFS: Sharon Rory, 10; John Blake, 12 and his brother, Patrick, 11.

Consumers: How to stretch those coffee dollars while adding new d mensions to flavor

For consumers: A new way to save money on soaring coffee prices

Here's a tip for the browbeaten consumer: Chicory — long enjoyed by Europeans and Southern-born Americans — provides a way to make your own coffee last twice as long as regular coffee.

In many parts of the world, the root of this well-known salad plant is roasted and mixed with coffee to produce an exciting taste preferred by millions of people — and, at a savings in money.

For, while a pound of blended coffee and chicory costs about the same as a pound of regular coffee, you use only one-third to ½ as much of the blend. The chicory provides such robust flavor and depth of taste that you can use a significantly smaller amount of coffee and still enjoy a cup of full-bodied, rich tasting coffee.

Since retail coffee prices have generally doubled since July 1975, this can mean a savings of many dollars ($50-$100) a year to the average coffee-drinking American consumer.

How does a coffee-chicory blend taste? Delicious. Rich. Full-bodied. Millions of people around the world and in America can attest to that.

Chicory is a natural, mellow partner of regular coffee which enhances the flavor and aroma of the coffee beans. But, significantly, it is a blend preferred by millions of Americans.

In a blind taste test comparison recently conducted in Boston and Philadelphia by an independent market research firm, the blend of coffee and chicory, at approximately half strength, was favored by as many as the leading national brand of regular coffee. It is significant that these tests were held in the North and not down South where chicory has long been known and accepted as a partner of coffee.

Once someone tries a blended coffee and chicory brand — prepared properly, in the correct proportions — he or she is likely to start using it regularly.

So to consumers who want the most for their food dollar, an investment in a pound of blended chicory and coffee might well pave the way for substantial savings throughout the year.

Weeks Food Economies

1977 food prices should be a mirror of the moderate food price rise seen in 1976, says Georgia Stevens, Consumer and Food Economics Specialist, Cooperative Extension Service, University of Maryland.

The stability in food prices during 1976 should be examined in a long-run perspective. The 3 per cent rise in food prices in 1976 is in stark contrast to the headlines of just three years ago stating, "Food prices in 1973 have risen at the most rapid rate in over a quarter century."

Strong consumer demand for a variety of good quality foods; rising marketing costs including transporportation, packaging, and labor; seasonal price increases; and the increase in away-from-home eating will probably account for the roughly 3 per cent increase in food prices expected for 1977. Large food supplies will continue to hold down food price rises through the spring of 1977.

Small increases in prices this winter are expected for fresh vegetables, coffee, and away-from-home eating. By spring, food price increases will be brought by meat, poultry and fresh products. Higher prices are expected for imported foods.

Look for beef prices in 1977 to average about 10 cents per pound higher than the 1976 average of $1.39 per pound. Pork prices may average 5 cents or more lower than the 1976 average of $1.36 per pound. Consumer spending for meat in 1977 is expected to equal that of the past year, but beef will gain some at the expense of pork.

The outlook for fish is for generally tighter supplies through the spring of 1977. Imports of finfish, including cod, flatfish, haddock and ocean perch will be slow in the early months of 1977.

Larger milk supplies should results in ample milk and dairy products with prices only slightly higher in 1977. Egg prices through the spring of 1977 will decline seasonally from the higher fall levels to be near those prices of last January-June 1976. Sugar prices are back down so that consumption of this food stuff will increase.

Citrus fruits are plentiful this winter with oranges and grapefruit a nutritious addition to meals. Look for specials on cranberries, pears, potatoes, sweet potatoes, onions and chicken broiler-fryers.

Sauteed Chicken Livers

1 grapefruit
8 large chicken livers
2 tablespoons flour
¼ teaspoon onion salt
¼ teaspoon salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper
2 tablespoon butter or margarine

Mix flour, onion salt, salt and pepper. Roll livers in this mixture and saute in skillet until tender about 5 minutes, turning occasionally. To serve, place one liver on each prepared grapefruit half. Serves 8.

Coffee Butter Glaze is made with freeze-dried decaffeinated coffee. It adds eye and flavor appeal to cakes, cookies, and cream puffs.

Coffee Pecan Torte

2 tablespoons hot water
2 teaspoons freeze-dried decaffeinated coffee
½ cup butter
1½ cups unsifted confectioners' sugar
3 egg yolks
½ teaspoon vanilla
Two-third cup pecans, (finely ground)
1 frozen 16-ounce pound cake (8x4-inch size)
¼ cup pecan halves

(-) Pecans can be finely ground in electric blender.

Add water to coffee; stir to dissolve. Cream butter. Graduatly blend in sugar. Add egg yolks, one at a time, beating thoroughly after each addition. Stir in prepared coffee, vanilla and finely ground pecans; set aside.

Slice frozen cake horizontally into 5 layers. Spread each layer with about 3 tablespoons coffee-pecan mixture. Reassemble cake and spread remaining coffee-pecan mixture on top and sides of cake. Garnish with pecan halves and maraschino cherries, if desired. Chill until ready to serve.

Makes 8 to 10 servings.

Three coffee compatibles

"Tell Your Neighbor" Cake

1 package devil's food cake mix
1 package (4-serving size) chocolate instant pudding
1 cup water
4 eggs

Combine ingredients in large mixing bowl. Blend at low speed of mixer just to moisten. Then beat 8 minutes at medium speed or with wooden spoon.

Line bottom of 10-inch tube pan with brown paper; do not grease pan. Pour batter into pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 50 to 60 minutes, or until cake tester comes out clean. Cool right side up in pan 15 minutes; then remove from pan. Cool thoroughly on rack.

Cream Puffs

½ cup butter
½ cup water
½ cup sifted all-purpose flour
2 eggs
Ice Cream
Coffee Butter Glaze

Place butter and water in saucepan. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; then add flour all at once, stirring rapidly. Cook and stir until mixture thickens and leaves sides of pan — about 2 minutes. Remove from heat.

Add eggs, one at a time, beating thoroughly after each. Continue beating until mixture looks satiny and breaks off when the spoon is raised. Drop dough from tablespoon onto ungreased baking sheet.

Bake at 425 degrees for 45 minutes. (If crisper shell is desired, cut off tops. Remove any moist dough from tops and bottoms, place shells back on baking sheets, and return to oven for 5 minutes). Cool.

To fill, cut off a shallow top, fill with ice cream, and replace top. Spoon Coffee Butter Glaze over top.

Makes 6 cream puffs.

Coffee Butter Glaze

1½ cups unsifted confectioners' sugar
Dash of salt
2 tablespoons milk
1 tablespoon butter
2 teaspoons freeze-dried decaffeinated coffee

Combine confectioners' sugar and salt in a bowl. Place remaining ingredients in a saucepan over low heat; stir until butter is melted and coffee is dissolved. Gradually beat coffee mixture into sugar and salt in bowl. Makes about ½ cup, or enough to glaze a 9-inch tube cake, 2 dozen 2½-inch cookies, or enough to serve as sauce over 6 cream puffs.

JANUARY 18—

Ethnic crafts sale

Baltimore City Hospital's Auxiliary will sponsor a handicraft sale presented by Southeast Arts and Crafts (SEAC), Tuesday, Jan. 18 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the hospital's "A" Building lobby.

SEAC was begun in 1974 as a project of the Southeast Community Organization to provide extra income to senior citizens and to promote the ethnic heritages of Southeast Baltimore.

Items featured in the sale will be crafted by SEAC's Senior Citizen Sewing Centers, who produce the "Ethnic'ly Yours" clothing and handicrafts. Proceeds will go to the Senior Citizens Sewing Centers.

Members of City Hospital's Auxiliary will be on hand the day of the sale to answer questions. Applications for membership into the auxiliary will also be available.

For additional information contact Mrs. Jessica Boyd or Mrs. Carol Goldfarb at 396-8002.

Community calendar

Jan. 14

Alumni of the University of Baltimore School of Law will hold a reception in Parlor A of the Holiday Valley Inn. The reception is being held during the mid-winter meeting of the Maryland State Bar Association, 6-7 p.m.

Jan. 15 — 9 p.t.

Iota Chapter, Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority holds its regular monthly meeting.

"History and Horizons of Bowie" sponsored by Bowie State College and the Bicentennial Committee, Free State Mall, Annapolis Road, Bowie Md., 10 a.m. -3 p.m.

Auxiliary of the National Allinace of Postal and Federal Employees, Carnation Ball, Martin's West, 6817 Dogwood Rd., 10 p.m. - 2 a.m. Doris H. Jones, reporter and R. Chisholm, chairperson. Call: 265-5862, 367-2933.

Zeta Sigma and Epsilon Nu Sigma Chapters, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity and Alpha Zeta Chapter, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., celebrates Founders' Day. Martin's West, 6817 Dogwood Rd., 1-5 p.m.

Jan. 16

"Homage to verdi," film at the Central Pratt Library, 2 p.m.

Calvin Statham Singers, formerly the Clara Ward Singers at Lewin United Methodist Church, 4820 Reisterstown Rd., 3:30 p.m. The Rev. James Smith, pastor.

"Functions of Belief Systems: Humanist and Transcendental" by Dr. Jerome D. Frank, professor emeritus of Psychiatry, the John Hopkins University, Baltimore Ethical Society 3800 Gwynn Oak Ave., 10:30 a.m.

Begins Jan. 17

Maryland Eckankar Stasang Society, sponsors a 12-week course on the curative powers of herbs and the special role they play in our spiritual growth. Class will meet weekly on Monday nights, 8 p.m. Call: 484-1905.

Jan. 17

"Go Ask Alice," film at the Pratt Library's Kirk Avenue Center, 3:30 p.m.

Jan. 18

"The Enchanted Loom," film at the Central Pratt Library, 2 p.m.

Hon. Robert L. Karwacki, judge, Supreme Bench of Baltimore City will address the Northeastern District Police-Community Relations Council Meeting, Northeastern District Police Station, 1900 Argone Drive, 8 p.m. Public invited.

Jan. 19

"Arthritis," an informational program sponsored by the Arthritis Foundation and the Enoch Pratt Free Library, the Pratt Library's Waverly Branch, 1 p.m.

"The Lottery," and "The Occult: An Echo from Darkness," films at the Pratt Library's Forest Park Branch, 6 p.m.

Jan. 19-20

Robert Gerle soloist at the Baltimore Symphony Midweek subscription series concerts, Lyric Theatre, 8:15 p.m. Gerle plays Samuel Barber's Concerto for Violin and Orchestra.

Jan. 20

"Larry," film at the Pratt Library's Waverly Branch, 7 p.m.

Jan. 22

Iota Chapter, Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority celebrates Founders' Day luncheon, Martin's West, 6817 Dogwood Rd., noon. Guest speaker, TV personality Oprah Winfrey. Theme: "Positive Leadership for Purposeful Action."

Jan. 23

Ed Heath's Troubadours present "An Evening Song to Jehovah," featuring Ed Heath and the Marie Walker Singers at the University of Baltimore, Maryland and Oliver Street, 7:30 p.m. Call: 522-5763.

Jan. 25

"Roles in the Family—Grandparents, Parents, and Children" sponsored by Bowie State College, Bowie Public Library, Bowie, Md., 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 27

"The Effect of the Vietnam War on American's Sense of their National Tradition" sponsored by the University of Maryland, New Carrollton Library, Prince George's County, Md., 8 p.m.

Honorable Ida G. Ruben, Delegate, 20th district, Montgomery County and sponsor of the Protective Services for Adults Bill explains purpose and substance of the bill to members of the Maryland Advocates for the Aging and the general public, 10:15 a.m. Our Savior Lutheran Church, 33rd St. and the Alameda.

Jan. 28

Shriner's Ball, Martin's West, 10 p.m.-2 a.m. Call: 523-2800.

Mt. Holly Improvement Association, Annual Awards Dinner-Dance, Blue Crest North, 401 Reisterstown Rd., 9 p.m.-2 a.m.

Jan. 30

Willing Workers of Grace AME Church will present the Johnson Singers of Severna Park in concert, 6732 Winters Lane, 4 p.m.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. celebrate Founders' Day, Blue Crest North, 401 Reisterstown Rd., 3 p.m. Guest speaker: Karen Galloway, defense attorney for the Joanne Little Case.

GRoundbreaking ceremony for the Maryland Baptist Home for the Age, 2801 Rayner Ave. at 2:30 p.m. The Rev. Arthur E. Jones, president.

Feb. 5

Pre-Valentine Disco Dinner Party, by the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, 2257 Madison Ave., B.Y.OB., 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. Call: 542-6806.

Feb. 11

After-Five sponsores a shopping trip to Reading, Pa. Bus leave from Mondawmin Parking Lot, 7:30 a.m. Call: 669-1853.

Feb. 11-13

Henry McNeil Turner Society of Bethel AME Church sponsors a Pan-African Liberation Conference. Events include: a film premiere, presentation by representatives of the liberation struggles and a reception with Caribbean and African ambassadors. To register call: 837-5559, 837-7570.

Feb. 12

Professionals First Annual St. Valentine's Cabaret. Elks Home, 1528 Madison Ave. Purchase tickets at the Record Room, 1700 Gorsuch Ave. or call: 362-8964.

Merry Makers Annual Sweetheart Ball, Lafontaine Rouge, 3407 Belair Rd., 10 p.m. - 2 a.m. Call: 235-3453.

Feb. 13

A Chinese New Year Celebration will be held at the Jacob and Anita France Auditorium, Maryland Historical Society, 2:30 p.m.