## NATIONAL ROUNDUP

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PEOPLE AND PLACES: Dr. Allix B. James, president of Virginia Union University in Richmond, Va., will leave the Old Dominion university in July. He has been the prexy there for nine years. Dr. James' retirement came in the wake of a flurry of rumors that he would quit when a "phony" ad appeared in the classified section of the April 30 issue of the Chronicle of Higher Education. The ad, described by Union spokesmen as "phony," sought applicants for the presidency at the traditional black, private institution in Richmond. . William Rubin Bracey, assistant chief of New York City's Police Department and a member of NOBLE (The National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives) has been appointed chief of patrol of New York City. Bracey, the highest ranking black police official in NYC, now commands the department's 17,500 uniformed officers, ...Laura B. Samuel, one of 10 firefighters graduated from the D.C. Pirefighters School recently, is the second black female firefighter in the District of Columbia department. She will be assigned to a fire station on a

When Jeanus B. Parks, Washington attorney, leaves his post as a member of the C. Board of Elections and Ethics on June 30, he will be replaced by Albert J. Beveridge, III. Beveridge will serve out the expired term of Parks. He was nominated for the post by Mayor Marion Barry Jr., who also nominated Virginia Moye for a three - year term on the board. Moye, 43, is a former employeee of the State Department's Aid Program Latin American bureau and was active in Barry's 1978 mayoral campaign. Moye and Beveridge are Democrats while the third member of the board is James Denson, president of the D. C. Chamber of Commerce, who is a Republican. Incidentally, the D. C. Board of Elections and Ethics had been under fire for the past three years because of foul-ups and delays in the counting of votes in elections, but the smooth operation of the May 1 special election in the city drew praise all around.

one-year probationary status.

A daughter of Dr. Charles R. Drew, the blood plasma discoverer,

- Charlene Drew Jarvis, has entered Washington politics in a winning way.

She won the Ward 4 city council seat in the recent special D.C. election.

. Anita Bellamy Shelton, 44, recently was named director of the Office of Human Rights in Washington. She is the former executive director of the National Committee on Household Employment. . . Marvin Gaye, who got his musical start in Washington, is featured in this year's Father's Day feature, "Pops, We Love You," the official National Father's Day song. . . M. A. Maganga of the Tanzania School of Journalism, was in the United States for a four-week visit, stopping in Washington, New York City, Milwaukee, New Haven, Los Angeles and Houston.

Dr. Katie E. Whickham, long time head of the National Beauty Culturists' League, Inc., is taking bows for the recent purchase of the \$3,450,000 Cambridge Apartments at 1221 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., in Washington, D.C. The purchase represents "the fulfillment of one of our most cherished dreams," Dr. Whickham, who has headed the 60-year organization for the past 20 years, said. Besides serving as an excellent investment and a dormitory facility, the building will be the headquarters for the Institute of Cosmetology for the training of beauticians.

Leon N. Perry recently was awarded the NASA Space-Ship Earth Award for 1979. The presentation took place at the NASA Awards Ceremony in Washington. . . Dr. Edward Kirby, recently concluded his first year as president of the Washington Psychiatric Society. He is the first black ever to serve the society in this capacity.

KEEP YOUR EYES on Lt. Gen. Arthur J. Greeg, director, Logistics Directorate, Office Joint Chiefs of Staff, who is currently the highest ranking black officer in the U.S. Army. If things go as expected, by the time you read this, Gen. Greeg may be the country's second black 4-Star general, and the Army's only black 4-star. The late Gen. Daniel [Chappie] James was the first black four-star general but he was in the Air Force.

Dr. James Van Der Zee, dean of the black photographers, is still going strong. He was a recent honoree at the tenth anniversary of Harlem on My Mind: Cultural Capital of Black America, with his new bride Donna Van Der Zee.

AFRICA ROUNDUP

NAIROBI — There is growing concern here that victory over Idi Amin by Tanzanian forces and Uganda exiles may further isolate Kenya from the other two African nations which once shared a prosperous East African trade area. Kenya, with its private enterprise form of "African Socialism" is being increasingly surrounded by socialist leaning economies supported by the Soviet Union and China. President Daniel Arap Moi recently completed an unusual 10-year defense pact with the military led Bthiopian government to protect Kenya's northeastern border with rival Somalia, but this western backed nation has tried to maintain neutrality in the Uganda-Tanzanian conflict despite pressures from all sides. However, Kenya kept its border open for Ugandan trade and refugees and there are signs that Tanzania is anxious to reopen its border with the country once the war with Amin is completely settled.

The UNESCO sponsored International Year of the Child was observed here recently with week-long royal fanfare as former American Ambassador Henry Laboutssechaized an opening symposium on the problem of children in developing nations. Over 50 percent of Kenya's 16 million population is less than 16 years old. Dr. Erajaj Patel traveled to the U.S. recently to give a boost to world wide family planning efforts when he told Congress that voluntary childbirth spacing actually results in an increased population growth rate in African countries because family planning decreases the high mortality rate caused by disease, poverty and improperly treated pregnancies. Labouisse agreed that most Americans are ill informed about UN efforts in developing areas. . . The United Nations Commission on Human Settlements (Habitat) also moved into the Kenyatta Conference Center with a multi-million dollar, two week confab on the need for greater urban planning and environment protection with two thirds of the population of most of the world's cities living in slums, ghettos and shanty towns . . . Habitat is moving its entire 200 man staff to Nairobi with Mrs. Margaret Kenyatta, daughter of late president, Mzee Jomo Kenyatta appointed UN representative.

Washington's Patricia Eaton, sister of D.C. clergyman David Eaton, was in the country to set up a U.S. League of Women Voters' scholarship project for African women. . . Dr. Mae Reggy, formerly of the Federal Czy College (now University of the District Columbia) and the University of Maryland faculty, is supervising editor at the Pentacostal church supported Evangel Publishing House. . . Dr. Reggy has authored five children's books—one for each of her children. . Publishers here are seeking African writers as the market booms. . Evangelist Dr. Harold Woodson of Cleveland, Tenn., conducted a massive, "soul saving and healing" revival as thousands of "wananchi" flocked to his sermons in Kumakunje Park, but he resented comparisons with the ill-fated Rev. Jimmy Jones in the Guyana jungle . . . The George Zobias' parents were here for a month-long safari . . . He's the ex-Howard County coach at the University of

The Jacksons' Destiny album moved up on the popular music charts to number three in one week as their TV series also began on the government owned Voice of Kenya TV network... Dr. Brmon Kamara, deputy director of the Kenya Peace Corps, traveled to Busia on the Uganda border to make a presentation of U.S. contributions to Member of Parliament Judith Odiambo on behalf of the African Council of Women's many charity programs... Harambee fund raising techniques here have developed into an art which many U.S. ministers could imitate as various schools, churches and organizations collect thousands of shillings weekly by calling for donations from wealthy and prominent members of the audience at any affair ranging from a political rally to a dinner dance...

The All Africa Conference of Churches is beginning a news service to provide Africa based news to the world and the Organization of African Unity is continuing with plans for a Pan African News Service to be staffed by correspondents from Nigeria, Ghana and Bast Africa. The AACC service will have bureaus in Kinshasha, (Zaire) Abidjan (Ivory Coast) Addis Ababa (Bthiopia) Khartoum (Sudan) and Nairobi, according to director of information Kenneth Best from Monrovia. The upcoming OAU summit session in Monrovia will bring world wide focus on Africa as the heads of states continue to wrestle with conflicts in Chad, Sudan, Bthiopia-Somalia and East Africa.



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