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RECOMMENDED BY NAACP TO GEN. BRADLEY

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Non-segregated veterans' hospitals, full use of qualified Negro doctors, nurses, specialists and administrative personnel is veterans' hospitals and facilities, inclusion of qualified Negroes in whatever division is set up to investigate complaints, use of qualified Negroes in all administrative and clerical departments of the Veterans Administration itself and reiteration of the NAACP recommendation first made to President Roosevelt in 1944 that a qualified Negro be appointed at the policy-making and policy-executing level were the recommendations submitted here today to General Omar Bradley by Walter White Executive Secretary of the NAACP Jesse D. Dedmon, Veterans' Secretary and Judge William H. Hastie Chairman of the Association's legal committee.

The Association's representatives discussed at length with General Bradley the special problems and difficulties Negro veterans face, particularly in the light of employment cutbacks General Bradley, with whom Mr. White had worked in the European Theater of Operations, expressed deep concern regarding the elimination of discrimination against veterans. He stated, however, that certain Negro doctors were urging him to establish all-Negro hospitals is order that they might have opportunity to work in them. The Association's representatives assured General Bradley that many Negro doctors do not favor segregated hospitals and that he had obviously heard only from those who for personal or other reasons want segregated hospitals established. General Bradley was informed that if the Negro doctors who are opposed to segregation knew of the representations which had been made to him by doctors who favored separate facilities for Negroes, the opposition would be exceedingly vocal and widespread.

General Bradley informed the delegation that he and Major-General Paul R. Hawley, who is in charge of veterans' hospitals, are familiar with the experience in the European Theatre of Operations where non-segregation had worked out favorably and without difficulty. He expressed concern, however, as to whether or not the South had progressed to the point where non-segregated hospitals could be successfully maintained there. The N. A. A. C. P. representatives urged that the experiment be tried and pointed out that considerable progress had been made during the war towards integration which was less expensive and more effecient than the maintenance of dual systems of hospitals.

It was pointed out to General Bradley that at present there are approximately six thousand Ne-

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Birmingham, Ala.: So that servicemen may learn of the privileges granted them under the GI Bill of Rights, Jesse W. Word (center), director of the Fourth Avenue USO, has introduced a USO program of round table discussions. Assisted by Chief Petty Officer, USNR, J. H. Smith (left), and (right) Molton H. Gray, Commander of the George Ruffin Council of Negro Veterans, Inc., Mr. Word has lead three discussions to date and because of popular demand, plans to continue them indefinitely.

ANTI-POLL TAX BILL REPORT URGED BY NAACP

NEW YORK — The NAACP this week called upon Senator Carl H. Hatch (D., N. M.), Judiciary Subcommittee Chairman handling HR-7, the Anti-Poll Tax Bill, to make a speedy and favorable report on the measure.

Leslie Perry of the NAACP, Washington Bureau writing to Senator Hatch declared: "Your subcommittee has had HR-7 under consideration since June 16, 1945, a few days after it passed the House by an overwhelming majority. This legislation is not new to you or to the other members of the subcommittee. After extensive hearings bills identical to HR-7 received the approval of Senate Judiciary Committees in the 77th and 78th Congress. At a time when this country is demanding "free elections" in Bulgaria and other European countries we find it extremely difficult to understand why there should be such hesitancy by your subcommittee in reporting out a bill to permit "free elections" here at home.

The NAACP expressed the fear that the committee will try to compromise by reporting out SJ-92 a bill to outlaw the poll tax by a constitutional amendment which was introduced a few days ago by a committee member, Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney. A constitutional amendment must be ratified by 36 states in order to become law, which the NAACP says, would take years.

As a member of the Judiciary Committee Hatch voted against the Anti-Poll Tax Bill last year. It is believed he favors the constitutional amendment approach. All NAACP Branches were asked to send wires to the subcommittee urging it to report out HR-7, and not the constitutional amendment bill.

Members of the Judiciary Subcommittee are:

Senator Carl Hatch (D., N.M.) Chairman.
Joseph O'Mahoney (D., Wyo.)
Burton Wheeler (D., Mont.)
Kenneth Wherry (R., Nebr.)
E. H. Moore (R., Okla.).

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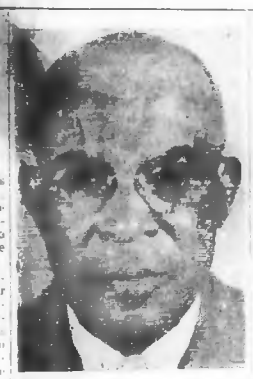
Republicans Join Demos In Condemning Primary Vote Denial

ATLANTA— Members of the Fulton County Republican club, J. C. Long, president, went on record last week as endorsing the action of other local political and civic groups in filing complaints against Atlanta officials who denied qualified Negroes the right to vote in the so-called "white primary" election of September 8.

Meanwhile, Negroes elected not to go to the polls in the September 19 runover of the city primary election. Local leaders have combined to begin court action and to pressure Attorney General Tom Clark into action in the court details.



J. W. HOLMES

VETERAN SAINT AUGUSTINE'S WORKER PASSES

RALEIGH — John W. Holmes 73, for many years superintendent of building and grounds at St. Augustine's College, died in St. Agnes Hospital last week. Mr. Holmes retired from the staff of the local college in 1944, after 40 years of continuous service.

Before he became superintendent he was a trustee of material additions of the present buildings on the campus were built under his supervision, and for the greater part of his service at St. Augustine's he was supervisor of the plant of St. Agnes Hospital.

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One-Fourth Fayetteville Covered With Flood Water

By E. A. ARMSTRONG

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C. — The dynamic effect of "Old Man River" upon the life of a people and communities, as its turbulent waters whip a thriving people into a forced and almost unconditional surrender, was felt here, when on Tuesday the mighty waters of the Historic Cape Fear poured rushingly into the area, flooding sections for many miles.

According to city engineer, W. W. Baker, an estimate of the area covered was made as the Cape Fear River reached an all-time record of 68.9 feet level at the river bridge.

More than a quarter area of the city of Fayetteville, housing a third of the residents was covered with water, and as the water began to recede slightly, after the unprecedented record had been reached. Prior to this flood, the greatest recorded height of the river reached in the city has been reported at 66 feet in 1908.

An area covering nearly one and one-half square miles equivalent to 160 city block was covered by advancing waters. Back waters extended in places several miles from the banks of the Cape Fear River, the river channel being discernable by lines of foliage not caught moving currents visible 1000 feet aloft.

On the north, northeast and southeast the flood waters extended the size of areas under continuous water ranging up to a half mile square.

Person Street from Liberty point to the river bridge, adistance of one mile, resembled a canal with the exception of a small strip of unwatered area near Person Street School having the appearance of an island in relation to the total picture.

The Atlantic Coast Line railroad track, crossing the Cape Fear River, with its trestle, was covered with water. Two radio towers of WFNC stood, but the small building housing the broadcasting machinery was not visible to spectators. Breece's Landing Pavilion and surrounding buildings, and two large yachts were seen riding high in the stream and now located hundreds of feet from nearest landing.

Green street was covered with water almost to the Confederate monument with waters overflowing from the creek at McNeil's bridge.

Buildings, stores, mills and residences were drowned to a point of inactivity and great damage to property was done.

Many cars, trucks, were maroon-

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Truman Mum In FEPC Action

BY ERNEST E. JOHNSON

WASHINGTON (ANP) — President Truman has failed to indicate how he intends to continue the FEPC through the period of reconversion in spite of his promise, both to the committee and in his message to congress.

Meanwhile, the committee is in a dilemma as to what to do, first with cases pending before it and, second, with regard to its own future.

Five members of the committee called on the President on August 22 and handed him a memorandum containing a proposal for handling the work of the group. He assured them he would give serious consideration to their proposals and that they would hear from him by a

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GI'S PUZZLE OVER RED CROSS ATTITUDES

By GEO. COLEMAN MOORE

ARLES, France (ANP)—Officially the American Red Cross declares it practices no racial discrimination.

Observation of its operation in the overseas field in established clubs and mobile units justfies quarreling with that assertion, however.

There apparently is no hard and fast overall policy concerning ARC's pattern of race relations for in Ireland, England, France and Luxembourg it runs the gauntlet from the ridiculous to the sublime.

In Wewry, Ireland, during the summer of 1943 for instance only one ARC club was opened — for whites only. The provost marshal with the rank of major was so violent and vulgar in enforcing this rule no single agency would town he was finally reduced and removed.

At Nantwich, England, very near the 19th Repl. Depot there was a Red Cross club but Negro soldiers were warned the town was off limits to them. When on pass they had to travel 25 miles to Crew where there was no club.

War Dept. Publication Criticizes Segregation

WASHINGTON (ANP) — A war department publication says that "the ultimate in teamwork cannot accrue where lines (of segregation) are drawn" and proceeds to say that although segregation in some communities must be recognized as a fact and its adoption represents "wiser long-run policy," certainly "through the educational process," groundwork for its eventually elimination should be laid.

In the pamphlet titled "Civilian Personnel Officer's Employee Relations Manual," the army service forces has attempted to convey to its representatives in industrial installations operating under army jurisdiction sound principles of personnel management.

In June, 1944, there were some 118,522 Negroes, or 13.5 percent of the total force employed by the war department, the largest employer in the country.

The ASF publication discusses courteous and equitable treatment of employes, calls attention to the presidential order establishing the government's non-discriminatory

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Students Stage Hate Strike To Oust Negroes from High School

GARY, Ind. (ANP) — For the second time in a score of years a hate strike is being staged by white students in this steel mill city on the edge of Chicago to stop mixed attendance in local high school. Approximately 1,000 white students from Froebel high, which was a mixed student body, and from Tolleston and Horace Mann Highs, the latter all-white, are taking part in the anti-Negro demonstration which has strong backing from parents, many of whom participated in the similar strike of nearly 20 years ago.

It is also believed that the organization similar to the Ku Klux Klan may be involved.

The situation has become so tense and serious that a meeting was scheduled for Tuesday night between a committee representing striking students and parents and the board of education. The demand has been made on the board that either the 850 Negroes be removed from Froebel or the 1,000 whites there be transferred to other schools.

Charles H. Lutz, school superintendent and Richard Strauss, Froebel principal, have refused to accede to these demands. Lutz would not meet with a committee from the strikers and issued a statement saying, "Gary schools will be open to all students wishing to attend them."

This committee was appointed at a mass meeting of pupils and parents at nearby Tyler park a week ago Tuesday, the day after the demonstration began. At this meeting, some parents asked the students to return to their classes and the majority urged them to remain away until some action is taken by the board. The students then appointed delegations to visit lily white schools and enlist pupils in a sympathy strike.

The anti-Negro action was an outgrowth of a fight between a colored and a white student at the Froebel-Horace Mann football game a week ago Saturday night.

Strikers, however, declare their fight is not with the Negroes but with the school board, which has

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BAPTIST CONFAB TO CONVENE IN OXFORD

The 78th annual session of the General Baptist Convention of North Carolina will be held October 30-November 1, at the First Baptist Church of Oxford, N. C. it was announced this week by Executive Secretary Thomas Kilgore.

In announcing the meeting, the Rev. Mr. Kilgore revealed that the discussion and planning of the gathering would center around the opportunities of the church in community resource development.

With headquarters on the campus of Shaw University in Raleigh, the convention employs eleven full-time workers to promote a program of Christian missions and Christian education through preaching and teaching Christian stewardship to its 275,000 members.

The convention, a cooperative project with approximately 750 churches actively participating, has a

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Girl Raped, Murdered, White Suspect Unmolested

CONWAY, S. C. (ANP) — A white man suspected of raping and then killing a 16 year old high school girl, remained free it was learned here Tuesday, three weeks after the incident.

The girl, a member of the Cartier family at Pine Island, 14 miles from here and six miles inland from Myrtle beach, left home to make a purchase at a store, stopped by married sister's enroute home and then disappeared. Late that afternoon, a searching party led by her father came upon her violated body with its head resting in a roadside ditch.

The numerous reports on the slaying, reports which are spread over the entire lower section of the state, agree on essential details. A family living on the island is said to have permitted a white insurance agent who worked the territory to wash blood from his hands the afternoon the girl was raped and murdered. The agent said he had cut his hand on a glass in his car.

Sensational interest in the case developed during the week when county officials arrested the girl's father and uncle in connection with the death. While no official announcement of charges against the men has eboen made, it is believed the arrests may have been made for the reason that the father, failing to get county action after repeated requests, had announced he was going to seek vengeance upon the agent if he ever saw him.

County law officers say they are investigating the girl's death but have few clues to work on. It is not known whether charges against the agent, made by residents on the island, are being investigated.

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ARTIST GETS PURPLE HEART AFTER 27 YEARS

WEST CHESTER, Pa. (ANP) — Horace Pippin, artist, has been given awarded the Purple Heart after serving 27 years.

Wounded in the Campaigne sector of France, September 29, 1918, while serving in the infantry, Pippin was notified Tuesday that he has been awarded the Purple Heart by the war department.

CAMPAIGN NETS TWO WOMEN OFFICERS IN S. C.

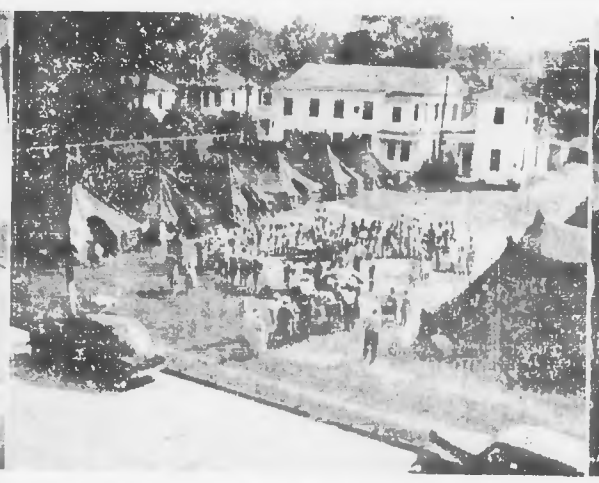
COLUMBIA, S. C. (ANP) — The statewide campaign for colored police officers in South Carolina, supported jointly by the Progressive Democratic party and the state conference of NAACP, bore its first fruit this week when on Wednesday Police Commissioner Gary Pashal announced two women would be employed by October 1.

The women, while performing the same duties as white policewomen, would carry the title of "truant officers," would supervise school traffic at dangerous intersections and when possible check on hooky players. Their pay is to be the same as that of white women.

Meanwhile, the battle continues both in Columbia and other cities. Leaders said Tuesday that nothing short of policemen would satisfy their program but felt that Columbia would add these soon now that the ice has been broken.

Residents eating at Tent City in flooded Fayetteville, N. C.

Mighty Cape Fear overflowing banks and dmaaging WFNC Radio Station and other buildings.



Tent City where 728 people were housed and 800 fed during flood disaster.

Young Holmes being ambulanced after drowning in flood.