

APTISTS FIGHT TO END INJUSTICES

J. C. SMITH HEAD RUMORED TO RESIGN POST

South Offers Greater Opportunities

ATLANTA, Ga. — The greatest opportunity of the Negro is in the South, C. C. Spaulding, president of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, told the National Baptist Convention here Friday night.

He said that most of the Negro-owned insurance companies are in the South and that north of the Mason and Dixie Line there is only one Negro-owned bank.

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35,000 Witness

Daddy Grace's Parade

CHARLOTTE—Dr. H. Hardy Liston, Ex. V. President of this city's Second Ward area Sunday, to watch Bishop C. M. "Daddy" Grace stage a parade over a mile long, and baptize many eager candidates in the pool at The House of Prayer For All Peoples on South Long Street. From as far away as Florida in the South, to Pennsylvania in the north, there came followers of the bishop, as the annual Convocation Service came to an end in the big Sunday affairs, after a week.

The streets around the church were packed with a milling mob of humans popcorn and soda water stands did a flourishing business; shoe shine boys were ignored as the crowds pushed and shoved in their efforts to see either the baptism or "Daddy" Grace himself. They saw both.

When the big parade started Sunday afternoon it required one hour and three minutes to pass a given point, according to the watch. The streets were lined with whites, as well as with Negro watchers, all of them anxious to see the bishop whose leadership power had made possible the display, which was termed as one of the greatest examples of Negro unity ever seen in Charlotte.

"Daddy" rode in a sea-going amphibious jeep, which incidentally had been bought here in Charlotte last year. Attendees held an umbrella over his head, and others carefully waved fans to drive off the blistering heat which suddenly came, after a morning of sultry skies.

The youngsters took the spotlight in the parade, with several really snappy drum majors and majorettes, doing the "cane walk", cutting a rug, and performing other fancy moves in the line of march. The Grace Scouts were in evidence in a big way, with many groups of the young boys, even including several boys bands.

There were misters, too, in the parade. Some of them were gray-haired women, other were men who seemed to get a kick out of showing off fancy steps, despite their advanced age. It was a carefree parade group, and members of the costumes drew the applause of watchers along the line. But the youngsters had the day. They stole the

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COMMUNITY CHEST SETS 1946 GOAL

RALEIGH — A goal of \$135,095.33 for the 1946 Community Chest campaign was set late yesterday by the Board of Directors. The drive will be held from October 24 through November 5, under the chairmanship of Earl Hostetter.

The goal was determined after a two-month study of agency budgets and needs had been made by thirteen local citizens who compose the Chest budget committee. Raymond Snow, chairman of the committee, in his report to the board showed that the goal represents the absolute minimum which is necessary for the continuation of the local, state-wide and national agencies which are members of the Chest.

The Chest invited all agencies which are raising funds in this county to join forces in one annual campaign for joint budgeting and fund raising, thereby relieving the public of the expense and annoyance of many campaigns. Among the agencies which have joined are the North Carolina League for Crippled Children, Salvation Army, Bloodworth Street YMCA for Negroes, the national appeal of the Salvation Army, North Carolina Commission on Interracial Cooperation, and the USO.

Other agencies which conduct campaigns locally declined membership or were forbidden by their national organization to join a federated community appeal.

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Officer Aids Man In Escape

Fugitive Has Narrow Escape In Fleeing Mob Vet Charged With Leading Fight Against Miss. Peace Officers

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — An unidentified peace officer is credited with blocking a possible lynching here recently by misleading an all-white posse in search of Johnny Craft, marine veteran, who is being held in the Hinds County jail on charges of being the leader in the battle of Sullivan's Hollow in Smith

LOCAL MINISTER PUBLISHES BOOK

RALEIGH — The Rev. M. W. Williams, minister and author and president of the Raleigh Citizens' Committee, has just gone to press with the first edition of his latest work, "The Deacon, His Duty and the Doctrine of the Baptist Church," a 200-page volume which will be off the press in about three weeks. He has already published several editions of "Who's Who Among Negro Baptists in North Carolina," and "The Deacon's Place in the Church," and while publishing the various volumes has maintained a vigorous pastorate as minister of the First Baptist Church, Franklinton, and the Springfield Baptist Church at Auburn.

Hospital Patients To Get X-Ray On Entrance

RALEIGH — Preparations have been completed for a national anti-tuberculosis campaign to promote routine chest X-raying of all hospital personnel and to a statement issued recently by the American Hospital Association, the U. S. Public Health Service and the National Tuberculosis, joint sponsors of the program. In a message to hospital trustees

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DR. JEMISON SOUNDS NOTE IN BAPTIST MEET

BY WILLIAM A. FOWLKES

ATLANTA (AP) — Dr. D. V. Jemison, president, and the entire state of incumbent officials of the National Baptist Convention, Inc., were reflected by roaring acclamation Wednesday, a few hours after the nation's largest Negro organization opened officially and immediately following the reading of the sixth annual message of the Salem, Ala., leader to the mammoth gathering at City auditorium. Upward of 20,000 Baptists gathered from the far flung corners of the nation, taxed Atlanta's convention hospitality and in many instances, because of the rush and press of the throngs, some were denied accommodations of housing until the convention meeting was spent.

Dr. Jemison's message, read to the convention by the Rev. J. C. Washington, of Alabama, challenged America and the world to face treatment of the Negro, pointing to the recent massacre near Monroe, Ga., as a blot to the nation's history and as a reason some delegates might have refrain from coming to this part of the country for the convention meeting.

Citing the history of the American Negro's loyalty to and defense of his country, Dr. Jemison laid down a platform of race relations expressing what the Negro "stands for" and what he believes to be right, just and fair for our group. The platform declared:

"We do not desire, when a Negro has committed a crime, that he be shielded or harbored by members of his race. We want, when a Negro has committed a crime that he be given a fair trial before an unprejudiced, interracial jury, and not have to suffer mob violence.

"We plead for equal rights in the courts of the country.

"We want the anti-lynching bill which has been a clench in the nostrils of congress, to be passed.

"We want the Fair Employment Practice commission bill to be passed. The passing of this bill will

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Miss Gloria Grant, Research Assistant of the Southern Negro Youth Congress discusses contents of pre-convention bulletin with Louis Burnham, Organizational Secretary while Miss Virginia Cox, stenographer, takes notes.

Miss Grant has just completed a pamphlet entitled "Ending the White Supremacy Myth." This is one of a series of pamphlets the SNYC is publishing as background material for the use of delegates to the SOUTHERN YOUTH LEGISLATURE which meets in Columbia, S. C., October 18-19 and 20.

BREAK EXPECTED IN LOUISIANA LYNCHING CASE

NEW YORK — What is described by a NAACP official as "the most dramatic break in the current wave of lynch terror involving southern Negro communities" is expected almost momentarily. The lynching of John C. Jones, Negro war veteran whose mutilated body was found in a Louisiana swamp, may provide the opening wedge in the desperate drive being conducted by the Association to drive lynch mobs out of existence.

Focal point in the drive is Albert Harris, shy, gaugling 17-year-old Negro youth who owes his life to the bungling of Louisiana "law enforcement" officers and the Louisiana lynch mob which apparently possessed a rather startling knowledge of developments in the local sheriff's office.

The testimony of young Harris

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NEW FIGHT FOR MUCH NEEDED LEGISLATION

WASHINGTON (AP) — Declaring that existing laws restrict federal action in cases such as the recent lynching in Georgia, and are ineffective as instruments of criminal law enforcement, Theron L. Caudle, assistant attorney general, said last week that "necessary reinforcement" of existing law is needed to "reaffirm our faith in our great nation."

Speaking in the North Carolina bar association, Caudle, who is national president of the Federal Bar association, pointed out that although \$42,000 has been offered in the Georgia lynch case, still no "break" has come. His attitude seemed to confirm the statement of Edward B. Smith, Scripps-Howard reporter, that "indifference and inaction" are contributing to the failure of federal and Georgia state authorities to solve the heinous murder.

Congressional facts show that the house has passed a federal anti-lynch bill, and probably would again. But the senate, where unlimited debate prevails, will not even vote on such a bill so long as filibusters chiefly southern Democrats, can avoid it. Such a bill has a chance of passing, if it were brought to a vote. Filibusters know this, and prepare for it. One chance for the bill is through change in the roster of the senate through this

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University Officials Lack Knowledge Of Resignation

By TREZVANT W. ANDERSON

CHARLOTTE—35,000 Negroes thronged the streets of Johnson C. Smith University, reportedly said last week that he had no knowledge of any plans of the retirement of Dr. Henry L. McCrorey, president of the university, which was recently stated to take place this year. Dr. McCrorey has been identified with Smith University for 51 years; 12 as a teacher, and 39 years as president.

An article in a local daily paper recently stated that Dr. McCrorey would retire this year, ending his more than a half century of service, which has seen the university grow from a minor place to a national status in educational fields, with emphasis on religious education.

Investigation by a reporter disclosed that the basis of the article in the local daily was the reported statements given in two Northern journals, The Philadelphia PRESBYTERIAN, or the CHURCH TIMES, the latter published in Utica, New York. Their stories came from the May session of the Northern General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., which met in May at Atlantic City, New Jersey, and followed statements made, after Dr. McCrorey received no ovation when

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WALTER WHITE SAVE LIVES OF INNOCENT GROUP

NEW YORK—It was disclosed at NAACP National Office today that the prompt action of Walter White, executive secretary, in urging Lt. Governor Fielding Wright to use his powers to avoid threatened lynchings during the recent episode in Smith County, Mississippi had undoubtedly saved many lives. A reliable source on the scene stated, "He saved the lives of innocent Negroes who no doubt would have been slaughtered wholesale."

According to the same source it was disclosed that the situation grew out of a feud among the whites due to labor conditions. Since then it has been fairly well established that the press was actually guilty of gross misrepresentation since the Negroes never fired on either a car or upon the law enforcement officers as charged. Significantly, several Mississippi white men have been arrested in this connection recently.

Gary Wipes Out Special School For Negro Children

GARY, Ind. (AP) — Special schools for local Negro children will disappear with the opening of the new 1947 fall term.

Announcement of the historic move to banish jim crow from this city's public school system by the Gary board of education came prior to the return of children to school here Tuesday in an unprecedented ruling that outlawed the long-standing policy of special schools for Negroes.

All children may attend school in their immediate vicinity, which means that Negro children will no longer be compelled to go out of their school zones to attend Froebel, East Fulaski and Roosevelt schools. "Children under the jurisdiction of the Gary public schools shall not be discriminated against in the school districts in which they attend because of race, color or religion," the school board ruled.

"In pursuance of these democratic educational ideals the board of education is determined to end discrimination in the public schools and to adopt such measures as may be deemed advisable and necessary to put a program of equal access to education into effect.

Kay Kyser Cites Need For Medical Schools In N. C.

GREYHOUND CONTINUES SEGREGATION

FREDERICKSBURG, Va. (AP) — Several instances of intimidation of Negroes to segregated rear sections of Greyhound buses have been reported here within the past few weeks. In one instance, local police were called when Negro passengers refused to leave their seats. Finally the persons changed "to avoid trouble," this source disclosed.

In another case, the driver attempted to force a Negro passenger, who was seated beside a white woman, to change his seat for accommodating a white passenger. The Negro passenger refused to change. Police were called but failed to appear. So the driver left the station with the same seating.

Unauthorized sources report letters sent to all drivers of this company from the president, requesting that they ask all colored passengers to sit in the back. However, they were instructed to refrain from any rough play or display attracting unusual attention.

BY CAROL LEH

ROCKY MOUNT (Special) — A special Negro medical institution for training North Carolinians was advocated here last week by Kay Kyser in a plan which started a tremendous statewide movement for better health.

Addressing 200 leaders representing a cross-section of "far heel bus-

Nursery School Opens At Shaw University

RALEIGH — Registration for the Shaw University Nursery School will be held at the school Thursday and Friday mornings September 12 and 13 from 10 until 12. Parents of children who were enrolled in the school last year will be expected to register then Thursday. A few new pupils will be accepted. Nursery school hours will be from 8 in the morning until 3 in the afternoon.

Mrs. B. Yancy Jervay will serve this year as director of the school. Mrs. Jervay, who holds the B. S. degree from Hampton Institute and the A. M. degree from Columbia University, is an instructor in the Home Economics department at Shaw. Three teachers will complete the nursery school staff: Mrs. Alma Trotter, Mrs. Irene Clarke Scates and Bessie O. Incape, all graduates of Shaw University.

ness, professional, agricultural, religious activities, the former Rocky Mount resident, now big-time entertainer, declared:

"There are less than 16 hospital beds for Negro patients per 1,000 colored population in the state, whereas the national minimum requirement is 4.5 beds per 1,000 population.

"There is only one Negro physician for every 7,971 Negroes which means North Carolina needs 650 more Negro doctors to meet normal health standards.

"There are only 11 Negro hospitals throughout the entire state. Less than 1,000 is being invested by the state of North Carolina on the education of Negro medical students this year — and enrollment must be in out-of-state colleges.

"North Carolina's selective service record revealed that the state had the highest number of rejects in the nation; 74 per cent Negroes, 55 per cent whites.

"Any over-all state health plan must face intelligently the acute Negro health problem," stated Kyser.

This means, he said, more Negro doctors, nurses, dentists hospitals and clinical facilities, provisions for the indigent.

Shouting "Hallelujah" the bandmaster added "... and we've already raised \$100,000 to light a

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South Still Schemes To Bar Negro Vote

COLUMBIA, S. C. (AP) — Various schemes have been adopted by southern states to circumvent decisions of the U. S. Supreme court prohibiting election officials in the south from barring Negroes from the Democratic primaries. It was disclosed last week by a review of events in several localities by Negro leaders here and in other sections of the south.

More Negroes voted in this year's primaries in the south than ever before. In the Democratic primary in Georgia alone about 100,000 Negroes cast their vote helping to swell the majority received by James Carmichael who was defeated by Eugene Talmadge who captured a

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majority of the units in the state.

Georgia Democrats resorted most to intimidation in present Negroes from voting. In some instances Negroes were told repeatedly that blanks for registration were "wanted." In other cases as in Fulton County election officials arbitrarily purged the qualified list of voters by removing names of Negroes from the roll. Wholesale elimination of Negro names was reported in Fulton County.

Negro voters in all sections are determined to uphold white supremacy in politics and in job employment. In Arkansas strategists

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