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DIXIE CATHOLICS

"Accepting the Negro as a creature of God with identical essential rights," the workshop findings declare we call upon the Christian churches of this Southeastern region.

More than 500 persons of both races crowded the largest meeting room of Lexington's Phoenix hotel to participate in the workshop session sponsored by Monsignor McNamara. Three other workshops on labor unions, rural life and education were going on in smaller rooms.

"Catholic theology is absolutely no use for the vicious doctrine of a superior race," declared Very Rev. Daniel J. Bourke, Albany, Ga. "Even if it did not pay off financially, there is only one correct way to treat the Negro."

Anyone claiming to follow the teachings of the Catholic Church cannot look upon his dark-skinned brethren as inferior. They have rights no whit different from their white fellow citizens and it is sinful to deny them the exercise of their rights."

N. C. BUSINESS

are scheduled to address the group, and conduct clinics on various phases of business activity.

Mayor P. D. Stines will speak during the public session, and the Washington High School Band will play at that station.

TO FIGHT FOR BIAS

Extra meetings of the fighting include a motorcade of Raleigh and a barbecue in Cravens Park sponsored by the local league.

Serving on the local entertainment committee are L. T. Jackson, C. R. Frazer, Miss Vivian Irvin, George Mitchell, Ollie L. Harston and A. E. Brown. A. J. Turner is president of the league.

FILE DURHAM SUIT

wheeler.

Named as defendants in the suit were the Durham Public School District; the School Committee of the Town of Durham, sometimes described as the Board of Education of the City of Durham; L. Stanley Weaver, superintendent of schools; J. L. Woodward, business manager of Durham City Schools; N. C. State Board of Education; and Dr. Claude A. Elwyn, state superintendent of public instruction.

In listing the inequalities of the white and Negro school the complaint pointed out that the city's 5,471 white students attend "all modern schools" which have been organized under the 6-3-3 plan into nine elementary schools, three junior high schools and a senior high school.

On the other hand the plaintiffs continued, Durham's 4,794 Negro pupils attend seven elementary schools which run from the first through the seventh grades, and one high school which carries classes from the eighth through the 12th grades.

The system under which the colored schools operate is described in the suit as an outmoded seventeen plan which "perpetuates all the undesirable conditions the six-thirteen plan is designed to eliminate."

In describing the differences between operation of the two systems the attorneys for the plaintiffs claimed that the six-times-three plan provides for a natural and desirable separation of pupils according to age while the latter plan does not.

Further contrast between the facilities offered white and Negro pupils was brought out in the case of the city's two high schools.

The enrollment of the Durham white high school, it is pointed out, is 917, while that of Hildebrand Negro high school is 1,421.

"Yet," the brief continued, "Durham high school has twice the acreage, personnel, facilities and one thousand fewer students."

It also has a well-equipped science laboratory, sufficient vocational equipment, adequate space and facilities, gymnasium, swimming pool, football field, cafeteria, four tennis courts, outdoor tract and a home economics cottage.

"Practically none of these advantages are offered to or provided for Negro children. The vocational shop equipment is completely inadequate. The science laboratory consists only of the installations and the equipment is so negligible as to be entirely unfit for effective teaching."

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RITES HELD FOR

a radio call, noted Richard L. Coley, wife of 302 S. Person St. at the corner of Euclid and Second Avenue.

Coley, a laundry maintenance employee, admitted striking Mr. Morgan but told the detectives that he had "got scared" and left the scene when a crowd began gathering. He had planned, he said, to go back later after the arrival of police.

According to Coley's version of the fatal accident, the aged man walked in front of the death car which was travelling at about 30 miles per hour.

Coley was released under \$300 bond pending an investigation of the accident.

CITIZENS SPARK

for last year's general election.

No special registration will be held for the bond issue but voters who are in doubt as to whether their registration is in order are urged to check their registrations on this Saturday, the 21, which will mark the last opportunity for registration before the vote on the bond issue.

The new policy, which began early in 1948 as a routing staff study, is effective immediately and under present plans is to be completely in operation on or about December 31, 1949.

Lockbourne Air Force Base

will not be inactivated. It has not yet been determined what unit will replace the 332d Fighter Wing at that station.

MOB FLEGS MAN

same one was reported to have beaten a white woman who lives near the Lorick's and who has assisted them occasionally in times of illness.

Confirmation of the woman's beating, however, could not be obtained from the reported victim.

At the time of his kidnapping Lorick was asleep when four midnight intruders broke into the house, struck him with a blackjack and carried him out to one of their cars.

A son who attempted to aid his father was forcibly restrained by members of the mob. Mrs. Lorick, who is 76, lay ill in another room at the time of the abduction.

During the ride to the site of the beating Lorick was questioned repeatedly by his captors concerning visits of white persons to his home.

White had always come to his home to buy chickens, eggs or other farm produce.

When questioned about having hauled wood to the home of a neighboring white widow, the farmer said that he had been paid to do so by a white man for whom the woman's husband had formerly worked.

When the scene of the beating was reached, Lorick was dragged from the car, his nightclothes had been stripped off during the earthen struggle and beaten, kicked and stomped until he was barely alive.

Somewhat later he was able to make his way to a home about two miles away where he was given clothing. He then made it back to his own home from which he was rushed to a hospital.

Relatives of the aged couple have been discussing plans for taking them away from Lexington, Ky., so that there will be no possibility of further violence.

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