

Journal Publisher Named "Citizen Of The Year"

SHELTON WINS OMEGA MAN OF THE YEAR PRIZE

By JAMES H. KING
WILMINGTON

On the highlights of the Achievement Week celebration at Central Baptist Church Sunday night was the awarding of citations to the Citizen of the Year and the Omega Man of the Year.

This year, the local chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, sponsors of these awards, selected the help of the public in making nominations for the Citizen of the Year and the Omega Man of the Year.

T. C. Jervay, publisher of the JOURNAL, was voted the first citation and Lee A. Shelton, outstanding Wilmington leader, was awarded the second distinction.

Jervay was recognized for his "fight for the underdog, effort toward better educational facilities in Wilmington, successful handling of numerous civic drives and his persistent fight for Negro education."

Shelton was cited for his "leadership in church, civic, fraternal and other affairs."

Jervay is a graduate of Virginia State College; he is vice-president of that school's National Alumni Association.

The local owner and editor of the JOURNAL and owner of R. S. Jervay's Printing Company.

Two years ago he received national attention when he defied the KKK when it was raging in Southeastern North Carolina. As a result of this last year he was invited with leading publishers of the nation to visit the White House and presented President Truman for his fight for Human Rights.

He has edited his high school, college and hometown publications.

Here are his national and local affiliations: He is a member of the board of directors of the National Newspaper Publishers Association and recently read a paper at one of their meetings.

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WILMINGTON — OMEGAS MAKE AWARDS — Attorney Robert E. Bond is shown presenting T. C. Jervay, JOURNAL editor, with the certificate which proclaims him as "Citizen of the Year." Looking on is Lee A. Shelton, who immediately after, got his citation as "Omega Man of the Year."



WILMINGTON — DR. BOYD SPEAKS — Above, Dr. William Boyd of Atlanta University, is shown as he addressed an enthusiastic audience Sunday afternoon at Central Baptist church. Seated, right, is Ernest Swain, master of ceremonies, and N. McMillan, left, who offered the invocation. —Photo by Vanderbilt Studio.

DR. WILLIAM BOYD THRILLS CROWD HERE SUNDAY

BY LEE A. SHELTON
WILMINGTON

Central Alpha Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity brought to Wilmington last Sunday as guest speaker for its culminating public program in the fraternity's celebration of National Achievement Week, one of America's most able political scientists in the person of Dr. William M. Boyd, professor and chairman of the Department of Political Science at Atlanta University.

Dr. Boyd spoke on the theme "Opportunities and Responsibilities of Integrated Citizenship in Our Democracy." He explored the fact that although our nation was established upon two basic concepts — man as created in the image of God and endowed with the faculty of reasoning, and that the rule of law is basic in human freedom — as of the present time American Negroes enjoy only a hypothetical citizenship. After winning a long and arduous struggle for freedom from slavery, a decisive number of our white brethren proceeded to devise and institute every conceivable means of depriving our people of the rights of freedom with such devices as legal segregation, the poll tax, the "separate but equal" discrimination in employment, restrictive covenants, and the home training of their children to discrimination against men of colored skin. The

Dr. Boyd's speech was characterized by precise vocabulary, scholarly research, rhetorical excellence, and oratorical brilliance.

The musical selections rendered by the male ensemble of the Wilmington High School Glee Club under leadership of Willie Thompson were excellent.

Awards for "Outstanding Citizen" and "Outstanding Omega Man" were presented to T. C. Jervay, owner of the Wilmington Journal, and Lee A. Shelton, Chairman of the Sixth District's Talent Hunt Committee.

R. R. Swain and R. H. White were co-chairmen of this program. The program was resounded by Rev. R. Irving Moore in his closing prayer.

Behind Boyd, partially hidden, is the Rev. R. Irving Moore, bassist of the local chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. —Photo by Vanderbilt Studio.

IN THIS OUR DAY

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I doubt seriously that you have a right to regard yourself a well-informed person. If you do not possess a great deal of information regarding that of your own religion, Christianity. Thus, you should attend Sunday School simply as one method of increasing your general education. In a Christian Sunday School, the Holy Bible is the text, regarding which book John Quincy Adams, Jr. said "The first and almost the only book deserving universal attention is the Bible."

SOME OF LAND INCLUDES WHITE BEACH RESORT

WILMINGTON — For years wise crackers have said that the Freeman of Federal Point Township have away most of their valuable land for a ride on the late Captain Harper's train. Of course that was not the case, and the present suits filed in Superior Court here give the lie to that tale.

The fact seems to be that much of the land sold down Seabreeze way may not have been legally conveyed. Anyway, plaintiffs in the present actions are seeking to prove that sale papers were not signed by all parties concerned.

The cases partly have their beginning with the death of Robert Swain Freeman, who was a Cherokee Indian. Freeman was wealthy in land, and he died in 1902.

Some of the plaintiffs in the land cases are heirs of this man. The defendant in the case is Resort Development Company of Carolina Beach. Other plaintiffs are outsiders.

Involved is some of the land now titled

which Freeman bought in 1875 from the John Guard Grant which was No. 97. The original grant goes back to 1780.

The company is supposed to have bought the land from the Hechtman and the widow of Freeman during 1936-37. Plaintiffs say all of them did not sign for the sale.

The two suits ask for partition. The first case involves land lying north of the Freeman Homestead line, north of the town line, and extending about three blocks past the "old wreck." Plaintiffs for years have tried to get this suit to trial. Here, they own about one half of the land, whites own the other half.

A hearing on petition of this property was heard Tuesday by Clerk of Court Foster Edwards who passed it on to Superior Court because he lacked jurisdiction.



ALUMNI ASSN OFFICERS— Engaged currently in a drive to raise funds for their Alma Mater, officers of the national Alumni Association of St. Paul's Polytechnic Institute, Lawrenceville, Va., recently met at the college to further plans for the project.

Left to right: Jessie Byrd, executive board member, Lawrenceville; Mrs. M. G. Marks, rector, Institute, Lawrenceville; Henry Lipsey, president, Washington, D. C.; and A. J. Maddux, treasurer, Lawrenceville. (Broadnax Photo)

ELKS LAUNCH

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Appealed for cooperation from all other race organizations in this, after seeking "cooperation" to the national NAACP in its civil rights fight last August, the IPBOE of W. recently donated \$2000 to the NAACP as a beginning of this "cooperation."

On a national scale the Elks have launched a publicity program thru the Pittsburgh Courier designed to carry the "Elks' Message" to the nation in cooperation with local lodges and temples. The "Grand" asks that "all lodges cooperate with this program." The rapid increase in Elk membership is noted by the organization of 17 chartered lodges since the Atlanta convention in August. Mr. Johnson reports as he calls for a "dedication" to the five-point program.

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Directed by Dr. Long, extended over 2 years and was sponsored by the Minneapolis Mayor's Council and the American Missionary Society.

Dorothy Schramm, the third member of the November 13 Forum panel, will report on a community self-survey made in Burlington, Iowa, in which she was a volunteer worker. Mrs. Schramm, former chairman of the Burlington City Planning Commission, is the author of "You Are Democracy," a handbook on government.

The fifth in an annual series, the 1953 United Negro College Forum is sponsored jointly by the New York City clubs of 11 Eastern women's colleges, the American Association of University Women (New York City branch) and the United Negro College Fund.

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er, Linden Thurston of Wallace, Song Leader; and Della Faison of Kenansville, reporter.

Another highlight on the two hour program was the presentation of awards to boys and girls attending the most in 1953. J. S. Williams of Warsaw, crown of the tobacco champion 1953, received an award from the Blanchard-Farrior Warehouse of Wallace of \$102.00—\$800 additional dollars was awarded Williams by the Fayetteville Junior Chamber of Commerce for participation in the District Junior Dairy Cattle Show, Franklin Hill of China Grove received awards totaling \$91.00 from the Blanchard-Farrior Warehouse, and Napoleon Smith of Warsaw received an award of \$25.00 from the Blanchard-Farrior Warehouse.

A&T War Hero

GREENSBORO — The audience attending the annual alumni workshop service last Sunday morning at A. and T. College was told that a tragic mistake is made when a college education, alone, is falsely overrated. Lt. James O. Beckett, Jr., a recent alumnus of the college, who was decorated this year with the Distinguished Service Cross for valor in action in Korea, said, "The highest good is reached by those with college training only when we have learned the real value of dealing with people."

The young hero addressed a special challenge to the students of the college when he urged them to take advantage of every opportunity available to them here at the college so that they might be fully equipped to face the requirements of the day.

The speaker was introduced by E. E. Washell, Abertonia, president of the A. and T. General Alumni Association, who described him as an A. and T. product of whom all citizens of this country could be justly proud.

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law, or other civil rights legislation. Found's Day services at Shaw will begin at 10:30 a. m. when the student body, faculty, staff, alumni and friends will form around the grave of Dr. Henry Martin Tupper, founder and first president and pay tribute to his memory. Miss Clara Jean Harrison, a junior of Gastonia, and "Miss Sam" for 1953-54 will place the customary wreath on the grave.

The annual exercises are set for 1:30 p. m. in University Church. The Executive Board of the National Alumni Association, Inc. will meet in Greenleaf Auditorium at 1:30 p. m.

RIGHTS PLANK

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He described the Commission plan "as a possible first step in the direction of further Federal legislation."

He believed that such a proposal could be enacted, and would not be opposed by a filibuster," he declared. "It would serve the constructive purpose of presenting to Congress recommendations for necessary legislation and for appropriate actions by the administrative agencies of the government."

"It would be a searchlight for reason, intelligence, and good will. I believe that it could exert a constructive influence on national policy and would be a valuable instrument for securing further necessary legislation. Such a commission would fulfill, on the Federal level, the same vital role being filled on the local level by the Mayor's Council on Human Relations."

He pointed out that Minneapolis had both the Mayor's Council and a Fair Employment Practice Act. Progress toward improved inter-racial relations, he declared, is challenged today by "complicity, irresponsibility, isolationism, and fear."

The latter, he said, is "perhaps the most dangerous challenge to the whole fabric of our civil rights and our civil liberties."

"The real danger that we face from the 'reactionary' government of Richard Nixon has made us re-examine the responsibility to those who are 'sold at the approach of a friendly dog,' Senator Humphrey declared. "This hysteria is being cle-

Juvenile Delinquency Begins At Home

By J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

ONE EVENING a man, his wife and children returned to their home and noticed that the light was burning in their living room radio. Noises were heard in the rear of the house. The husband went to the back of the house to investigate and was shot and killed by two hoodlums.

Investigation revealed that two juveniles had entered the home and had tuned in to the local police broadcast so that they could be forewarned if a squad car was dispatched to the residence. The youths ransacked the house and stole miscellaneous jewelry, a child's bank, and a .22 caliber rifle.

Mr. Hoover

THE TWO BOYS responsible for this dual crime were 12 to 15 years of age. The failure of their parents to train them as good citizens resulted in ruining their lives and imposed agonizing grief on a law-abiding family.

The twelve-year-old boy came from a home where discipline was unknown and the children were left to their own pursuits. The other lad came from a broken home where

brutality had twisted and warped the minds of the children.

THE PROBLEM of juvenile delinquency is not confined to any particular economic or social level. It exists any place where indifferent and self-centered parents and short-sighted communities fail to discharge their obligations to the younger generation. A home which fails to reflect proper training, discipline, love, care, and guidance is a source of infection and the children within it are mentally starved.

If the spiritual structure of the home is weak, decay will result to the nation. It is fundamental, therefore, that the moral stamina of our country depends upon our homes.

THE AWFUL GASH which has cut into the surface of our society as a result of crime needs to be cured by a return to fundamentals and an abiding faith in God. No one can substitute for parents in teaching a child the beauties of liberty and freedom as distinguished from license and anarchy.

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