

# Rape-Slayer Draws 199 Years Despite Not Guilty Plea

## Janitor Gets Long Term; 3 Other Charges Dropped

CHICAGO (AP) — A man who pleaded innocent to a charge of rape-slaying a 6-year-old boy in his home last April, was sentenced to 199 years in the penitentiary for the murder.

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## Plumber, 68, Is Teething For Fourth Time in His Adult Life

OSCEOLA, Ark. (AP) — James Plummer, 68-year-old plumber, is a man who has been teething for the fourth time in his adult life. He lost his front teeth when he was in his late 30s. Another grew in its place. Two years ago, Plummer had another one pulled out. Now, he is teething again. He lost his front teeth when he was in his late 30s. Another grew in its place. Two years ago, Plummer had another one pulled out. Now, he is teething again.

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Methodist Conference at Bennett  
College, Greensboro, last week. In front row is Miss

Fannie McAllum, dean of  
Greensboro. On same row is  
Miss Isabel R. Jones, of Asheville,  
who last year ended a long  
tenure as dean of the school.



## Gershwin Musicale With Miss Flowers Reaches Highest Expectations At Shaw

The Gershwin Musicale presented at Shaw University featuring Martha Flowers, soprano, Irving Barnes, baritone and Kelly Wyatt, widely known artists, came up to the highest expectations of the music lovers who attended Thursday.

The noise of the air raid sirens, traffic and church chimes failed to detract from the superb interpretations of each number. The audience seemed unaware of anything outside of Greenleaf Auditorium.

Numbers offered and well received are "Inquesta Tamas"

each song: "Summer Time," "The Strawberry Song," "My Mary Gone Now," sung by Miss Flowers, and "I Love You Foray," "Bess, You is My Woman Now," sung by Miss Flowers and Mr. Barnes.

Encore numbers were "I Ain't Necessarily So," and "I'm Going to March Down to Jordan," sung by Barnes and Miss Flowers, respectively.

IN GERMAN MOVIE—Clyde Richardson, 1955 graduate of North Carolina College, Durham, now with the U.S. Army's 104th Transportation Company in Germany, is slated to play an American soldier in a film to be released by Live Cinema, European movie firm, later this summer. The Henderson (NC) GI signed a contract with the film producers Denis Horne and Lorenza Mazzetti last April. At NCC, Richardson was a member of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity and student representative on the Athletic Committee.



MRS. CHRISTINE JOHNSON, a Chicago school teacher took off recently on a three week trip to Africa as part of the Council on Student Travel's joint cooperative program to West Africa. She will make stops in Nigeria, Ibadan, Benin City, Port Harcourt and numerous other African cities and villages.

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## Walking Minister Is Not Unfrocked

NEW YORK (AP) — Reverend Milton Perry, the young evangelist who walked from Jersey City, N. J. to Washington, D. C. to help dramatize the recent Prayer Pilgrimage to the nation's capital, said that although he drew the wrath of a presiding Bishop of the Church of God in Christ as wasn't unfrocked and put out of the ministerial order.

Currently conducting a tour of revival meetings in Harlem that is attracting widely varying crowds, the dramatic evangelist told reporters that Bishop O. M. Kelly of New York State was solidly backing him. Perry also stated that he gave up his residence in Temple in Jersey City since his troubles with Bishop James Wells.

Militant and outspoken on the civil rights question, Perry was rebuked by Wells for his behavior. This led many to think that the Church of God in Christ might support the Negroes' drive for civil rights which isn't true, he added.

To the contrary, Perry said, he found the church in back of his stand despite the one-man opinion of Bishop Wells. When he concludes

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## State-Wide Principals' Meet Set

DURHAM — The eighth annual statewide meeting of principals and supervisors will meet at North Carolina College this year August 28-30 as part of the 46th annual session of the American Teachers Association.

Announcement of the principals-supervisors' plans was made in a joint announcement by Dr. Joseph H. Taylor, NCC Summer School director, and Principal J. H. Twitty of John Chavis School, Cherryville. Twitty is chairman of the principals-supervisors' session which is sponsored jointly by NCC and the Principals-Supervisors group of the American Teachers Association.

Among speakers scheduled to address joint sessions of the two groups are U. N. Medisor, Frank Porter, Graham and Robert K. Gray, Special White House Assistant. Gray is a former newspaperman and college professor.

Cooperating with Twitty and Dr. Taylor in planning the eighth annual conference this year are W. L. Badsher, Durham; R. H. Cherry, Fremont; H. D. Cooper, Abbeville; F. J. Corbett, Arden; Dr. Samuel E. Duncan, Raleigh; Miss Maude M. Jeffers, Catawba; S. O. Jones, Salisbury; C. B. Stewart, Kinston; and Mrs. Mae Rudd Williams, Fayetteville.

## 4,711 Beneficiaries Receiving Monthly Social Security Checks

A total of 4,711 beneficiaries in Wake County were getting monthly social security payments totaling \$216,112 at the end of 1956. The number of beneficiaries increased by 700 over 1955 and the total of monthly benefits being paid a year ago. John Ingle, district manager of the social security office announced today.

These increases, he noted, result in part from the protection provided to farm families by the coverage of farm employment and self-employment under social security.

He pointed out that self-employed farmers were first brought under social security January 1955. Those over retirement age at that time, or who reached retirement age before the end of 1955, became insured if they reported self-employment income of at least \$400 in 1955, and again for 1956. These insured persons were able to qualify for old-age benefit payments during the latter year.

Ingle said that fewer self-employed farmers and their dependents filed claims for benefits in Wake County in 1956 than had been expected. The number of farm claims filed in 1957 will be much greater, Ingle said. For example, during the six months, January through June 1957, 1,396 farm claims for benefits had been filed in the Raleigh area.

Noting the impact of farm coverage in general on essentially agricultural areas like Wake County, Ingle said that a farm employee, for instance, who was already at retirement age by mid 1956, became insured as of April 1 of that year. He had taxable wages of \$400 or more in 1955 and of at least \$200 in 1956.

Benefits paid to farmers and their dependents, moreover, figured in the nationwide totals for 1956. At the close of the year, over 9 million people were receiving almost one-half billion dollars in monthly benefit payments.

In Wake County for the month of December 1956, 2,209 retired workers were getting \$127,556 monthly. Also, 345 wives or dependent aged husbands of retired workers were being paid a total of \$16,586 monthly. In the same county for December, a total of \$18,176 was being paid to aged widows or dependent aged widowers. This was an increase over the previous year of 36 percent in monthly payments to aged workers and

Commenting on the steady growth of the social security insurance program, Ingle said that three-fourths of all men becoming 65 this year will be eligible for social security benefit payments.