



NEW OFFICERS OF MINISTERS INSTITUTE—The Town and Rural Ministers Institute, meeting annually at A&T College, voted to elect officers for the first time at its meeting held last week. The officers include, from left to right: (seated) H. M. McNeil, Greensboro, consultant; Bishop W. L. Williams, Four Oaks, president; Rev. W. Hairston, Reidsville, assistant secretary and Rev. A. G. Cheston, Trenton, vice president. Those standing are: Rev. K. O. P. Goodwin, Winston-Salem, coordinator and Rev. Cleo M. McCoy, director. Other officers elected included: Rev. J. J. Johnson, Fairmont, third vice; Rev. E. H. Martin, Wadesboro, first vice and Rev. J. A. Forbes, Raleigh, secretary.

Lawyers Guild Files Suit To Stop Brownell's Charges

NEW YORK, N.Y. — Royal W. France, Executive Secretary of the National Lawyers Guild announced today that the bar association had filed suit in the Federal District Court in Washington to quash the charges leveled against it by former Attorney General Brownell back in 1953.

The Guild has formally requested Attorney General Rogers in April of this year to terminate the "listing" proceedings, maintaining that the Attorney General had no constitutional power to list an organization and that "the idea of 'listing' as 'subversive' an organization of lawyers, a national bar association with a public record of twenty years of activity, whose members are admitted to practice in, and regularly appear before state and federal courts and administrative agencies, is inconsistent with traditional American principles of freedom of advocacy and association."

The Guild observed that the Department of Justice had failed to appeal the case of Association of Lithuanian Workers which had challenged the Attorney General's power to "list" organizations. The Guild quoted Justice Black's statement in the *Konigsberg* case that "It is also important both to society and the bar itself that lawyers be unintimidated—free to think, speak and act as members of an Independent Bar." The Guild had filed an amicus brief in the *Konigsberg* case and its position had been upheld by the Supreme Court. The Guild also noted that amicus briefs had been filed "with the consent of your Department in

a number of recent cases." Its letter to the Attorney General pointed out that the Guild's testimony "on pending legislation in Congress has been received into the record and has often paralleled the position taken by your Department." The letter also stated that the Department of Justice "subscribes to our quarterly law review, the *Lawyers Guild Review*, and to our reporter service in the field of civil liberties and civil rights, the *Civil Liberties Docket*. A recent article in the *Guild Review* served a basis for, and

was quoted in, one portion of a recent Supreme Court opinion. The Guild declared that the idea of listing a bar association was "inconsistent with the whole approach of the Supreme Court indicated in its most recent considerations of the proper tests for judging the 'loyalty' and 'good moral character' of members of the Bar in the *Konigsberg* and *Schwartz* cases." These cases held that a state may not deny admission to the bar merely because of an individual's political beliefs or associations.

The Guild declared it would be "incongruous to attack the very organization whose members have contributed to the changing constitutional climate which has been widely hailed" nothing that "leading Guild members have shown themselves to be the legal arm of the individuals and groups seeking to uphold constitutional rights, and in several decisive cases, the position urged by Guild lawyers has been upheld by the courts." The suit in behalf of the Lawyers Guild is being conducted by Osmond K. Fraenkel of New York, Joseph Fover of Washington and Earl B. Dickerson of Chicago.

Improper care of farm machinery costs North Carolina farmers thousands of dollars each year.

Boys' Club New Home Going Up

CHICAGO — (ANP) — Workmen broke ground last week for a new program to adjoin the present gym and swimming pool unit at the South Side Boys' club house.

The old building will be torn down in August. The club has been housed in the 85 year old building since 1924. In 1956, responsibility for operating and financing the club was assumed by Chicago youth center, an organization of business men and neighborhood leaders.

The new wing will cost about \$71,500. The largest contribution to date was a \$7,500 grant from the Wieboldt foundation. Lt. Michael J. Delaney, director of the police department's crime prevention division, cited the club for its work in preventing juvenile delinquency. The club serves a 267-block area, and has a membership enrollment of about 600 boys and girls, ages, 6-18.



COVER GIRL — Attractive Betty Edwards became the second coed of Florida A&M University to appear on the cover of a national magazine during the past year when her photo appeared on a recent issue of *TAN* magazine. Charlotte C. Carter, 1957-58 "Miss FAMU," was on the cover of *JET* last December. Betty is the junior attendant to "Miss FAMU," English major, and a Delta soror. She is a native Tallahasseean.



OFF TO EUROPE — Miss Constance Oden, of Bath, a June graduate of Bennett College, shown just before leaving for Europe on July 3 on the United States Lines "Independence." The trip is a graduation present, and Miss Oden, who will travel alone plan to visit the World's Fair in Brussels and also to see parts of England, Switzerland, Germany and Italy. She will return by air on July 23.

Probe White Teacher's Remarks About A Negro

PHILADELPHIA — (ANP) — Charged with making remarks about a Negro pupil's race and color before a packed class room, a white substitute teacher at the Overbrook high school was called to explain her actions to school authorities last week.

A sweeping investigation was conducted by David A. Horowitz,

associate superintendent of the School — Community Relations office. Horowitz conducted a direct investigation at the school. "If the facts justify, drastic action will be taken because this is completely contrary to the principles on which the Philadelphia public school system is operated," he said.



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