

# Raleigh Couple Gets Long Terms In Abortion Death



DEATH'S GRIP WAS STRONGER — Trying to breathe life into the limp body of nine-month-old Walter Johnson, Jr., fireman Albert Anderson lost his struggle against death. The tiny tot suffocated in a recent fire at his home in Erie, Pa., despite Anderson's efforts in this dramatic study. (UPI PHOTO).

## High Point Plays Host To State's PTA Convention

HIGH POINT—The big saw parties has fallen into place and everything is all set for the N. C. PTA's 1958 annual convention. High Point is host city with headquarters at the William Penn High School, November 21, 22, 1958. S. F. Burford, Jr. is principal, and Mrs. Annie McKenzie is president of High Point City Council, local host.

Greetings, warm welcomes and many more delights at seeing old friends and making new acquaintances will be the order of the day as hundreds of delegates file down the registration line on Friday morning, November 21, beginning at 9:00 a. m. Voices will echo a rich variety of accents from all parts of the state, representing the eleven districts and 100 counties. But beneath all of the

outward differences these delegates will be one in their concern for children and youth and in their desire to act for them.

The convention theme is "Imparting to Growth in Home, School and Community," and we will come seeking guidance and tools for doing a better job and in understanding our role as PTA leaders and workers; for a chance to stretch our mental muscles and to be inspired by addresses, reports and recent findings to our concerns that will set goals and chart the course for children and youth in North Carolina for another year.

Some of the special features are: Symposium—"The Challenge We Face—Are These Our Children?" and will include such outstanding leaders as Charles H. Bynum, head

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## Escaped Prisoner Nabbed As Police Use Tear Gas

HOMESTEAD, Pa. — A prisoner with a wounded hostage held the Homestead police station for 90 minutes Monday before police flushed him with tear gas and shot him to death.

The hostage, Ted Beam, a policeman and father of two boys, was shot three times and gave only a 30-50 chance to live.

Police Chief F. R. Dewitt broke a bone in his left hand during the wild melee, a jailer was slugged and two women clerks trapped in the jail with the gunman were treated for shock.

The hour and a half ordeal for Beam started when Robert Shaffer, 26, a Negro jailed Sunday for disorderly conduct, called out from his cell. "I'm sick," Jailer Frank Welch opened the cell door and Shaffer jumped him.

The prisoner wrestled away Welch's club, struck him down with it, and ran toward the front of the building where Beam was sitting at the duty desk.

Shaffer hit Beam from behind and opened a gash in his head. The two men grappled for Beam's gun. Shaffer got it and shot Beam in the side of the back. He fled and was later captured with tear gas.

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## Arkansas Rep. Hays Declares Integration Christian Duty

SILVER SPRING, Md. — Rep. Brooks Hays (D-Ark.), President of the Southern Baptist Convention, said Tuesday it is the "Christian duty" of the south to grant equal rights to Negroes.

Hays, who was defeated Nov. 4 by a write-in segregationist, said "God is not well pleased" with the south because it is not acting in a Christian manner toward the Negroes.

He said the south must build "bridges of understanding" between Negroes and whites. He said this should be done by the churches, not by the politicians.

Hays said the Baptist church needs to do more than just "preach to the choir" on southern racial tensions because it is the most numerous

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## "Social Jungle Called Dixie"

MONROE — Robert F. Williams, president of the Union County chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, who recently asked President Eisenhower to look into racial incidents here, said Monday he had received three threatening letters—each bearing postmarks from last Saturday. The letters came from Lafayette, La., Greensboro, and Morrisstown, Tenn.

Williams had telegraphed the President after two young colored boys were sent to reform school because they killed a white child in Monroe. In his telegram to the President, Williams said:

"Please tell me, Mr. President, when Negroes may expect your Justice Department to introduce the 14th Amendment to the U. S. Constitution to the social jungle called Dixie."

## PTA TALKS UNDER WAY

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## Hodges Says His Stand Unchanged

# Rape Trial Nears End

## State Seeks Death For 7 Youths

GOLDSBORO — The state sent three more witnesses to the stand Tuesday in the slow-moving trial of seven youths charged with raping a young white housewife.

Court attaches said the trial, which began last Wednesday, probably will last at least another two days. The Negroes, ranging in age from 14 to 22, face possible death sentences if convicted by the all-white all-male, Wayne County Superior Court jury.

In testimony last week, Mrs. Lesie G. Strickland, 21, identified the defendants as the youths who raped her near her home here the night of August 24.

Witnesses called included the physician who examined and treated Mrs. Strickland, an expectant mother, following the attack and

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## Machinist's Mate Dies Of Wounds

NEW ORLEANS — A Negro machinist's mate was slashed to death with an axe Monday on the flight line at Alvin Callender Field near here.

Base officers said Airman 1-C Joseph J. Givens, 33, of New Orleans, died of "several blows from an axe."

Naval Intelligence officers quizzed a white enlisted man in connection with the axe slaying. The suspect under questioning was identified as Anthony Shurri, 34.

Lt. Comdr. W. B. Noble, base public information officer, said the slaying occurred in a flight

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LITTLE HELPER — Little Pedro Colon, 3, helps Manhattan borough president Hulan E. Jack turn up the first spadefulls of earth for the planting of fifteen trees last week in ceremonies in front of Union Settlement in New York City. The event was part of a "Salute to Fall" sponsored by the Department of Commerce and Public Events to help beautify the city. (UPI PHOTO).

## Top Bonus Money Given Congregational Church

The First Congregational Christian Church, of which Rev. H. W. Cunningham is pastor, swept into first place in the Bonus Money Program by turning in \$3,607.40 in purchase slips and receipts from merchants who advertise in the CAROLINIAN Newspaper. An award of \$900 will be given.

In second place came the Davis Street Presbyterian Church which reported purchase slips and receipts in the amount of \$2,618.35. Rev. Robert L. Shufley is the pastor. The church will be awarded \$250.

Third in the running was the Fayetteville Street Baptist Church, of which Rev. J. W. Jones is pastor. An amount of \$205.51 in purchase slips was reported as of noon Monday, November 17. Third prize is \$150.

For the last three Bonus Money months, these three churches have been awarded

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## Would Take Same Steps Again: Gov.

If he had to do it all over again, Gov. Luther H. Hodges says he would have to take the same moderate stand on the integration battleground.

Hodges told newsmen Friday that he does not know if he could agree with Rep. Brooks Hays (D-Ark.) who said a moderate stand on the racial question is "political suicide."

"Regardless of what it means politically, I'd have to do it again," Hodges said. "I've never thought of it that way."

He explained that he has agreed to serve on a committee of "Americans Against Bombs of Bigotry" because its purpose is in keeping with the position he has taken. Hodges has called consistently for respect for law and order in the racial integration dispute.

Hodges said church and school

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## Hold 2 Boys On Charges Of Vandalism

CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va. — Two boys, aged 7 and 10, were arrested Monday and charged with vandalism in a paint-flinging window-breaking, furniture-smashing rampage in an art instruction room at integration-closed Lane High School.

Detective T. H. Adams traced one of the boys through a 6 1/2 inch footprint found in the watercolor paint on the floor of the room. The boy, 7 years old, admitted his guilt and named his accomplice.

Officers said they did not

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### State News Brief

WILSON MAN SHOTGUN VICTIM — Wilson—Riley Lee Barnes, 23, was killed when shot in the stomach with a shotgun by another colored man here in front of his home last week. Riley Speight, 33, has been charged with murder. Dr. Robert E. Goudy, city-county coroner, said Barnes died shortly after being taken to a local hospital.

Officers searched for Speight for about three hours following the shooting and finally the wanted man called police headquarters and asked for the chief. Not being in, detectives substituted for Chief A. A.



MRS. CORA P. ALSTON



ERNEST R. PERSON

## Prison Cells Again Await Ex-Convicts

BY STAFF WRITER

Two persons were sentenced to long prison terms Tuesday in Wake Superior Court after being charged with murder in an abortion which led to the death of a 14-year-old Oberlin girl.

Mrs. Cora Paschall Alston, who served two terms in prison on abortion rape, was sentenced to from 12 to 15 years after she pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the death last September 8 of Miss Ernestine Person.

Ernest Roosevelt Person, the dead girl's father, who with Mrs. Alston was charged with murder in the criminal abortion, was sentenced to serve from 5 to 7 years in prison.

The state accepted pleas of guilty to manslaughter from both defendants Monday. However, Judge Jemarr R. Clark of Fayetteville, postponed sentencing until Tuesday.

According to testimony revealed in the case Monday, Person took his daughter to the home of Mrs. Alston at 907 E. Jones Street so

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## Decision Of Court Final, Lawyer Tells Local Group

Joe B. Tally, Jr., white Fayetteville attorney, might not have made a hit with his Raleigh audience Monday night, but according to a local daily he made it clear that the decision of the United States Supreme court, in the matter of desegregation, was the law of the land and that anyone who thought they could evade, circumvent, disregard or resist was either foolish or wicked.

Lawyer Tally was the main speaker at the Capital City

Kivans Club's annual Ladies Night. According to the newspaper he said, "There is a middle way of decency, honor, leadership and progress." He called for a middle-of-the-road leadership in the South's struggle with public school integration. "Extremists on both sides of the issue are either wicked or foolish." History will not support them. The law is a

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## Drifter Murders 2 Women After Gaining Home Entry

RICHMOND, Va. — William Brown, 56-year-old Negro drifter, was placed in the Virginia State Penitentiary Saturday to await trial for the merciless killing of two white women in their home at Bowling Green, Va.

Circuit Judge Leon M. Bazile ordered him held without bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing on two murder charges against him next Thursday in Caroline County

State police interrogated the accused, holding them here for an hour Saturday but said he "knew the same story he had before."

Brown, who said he was born in Shelbyville, Tenn., told police Friday he had gone into the home of James S. "Cap" Brooks, a restaurant operator, Thursday night only to get food and did not mean

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## NC Federation Of Women's Clubs Set 50th Anniversary

Special to the CAROLINIAN

WILSON—Mrs. E. M. Spellman of Elizabeth City, President of the North Carolina Federation of Negro Women's Clubs, has announced that this organization will observe its 50th Anniversary June 4-6, 1959, in Wilson, North Carolina. A special 50th Anniversary program committee, with Mrs. J. T. Newsome of Rich Square as chairman, is working out the details for the event. A comprehensive program, which includes a banquet and many outstanding speakers, has been planned. The theme for the program is "Woman's Role in World-Wide Brotherhood and Peace."

The North Carolina Federation of Negro Women's Clubs has counted among its membership some of the most outstanding women of the race. Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown,

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REMOVING A FLAG — A state trooper picks up the American flag from amid the debris in the class room of a junior high school in Osage, Va., which was dynamited last week. The integrated school was heavily damaged. A dynamic charge exploded in its front hall and a wall section, bowed a reinforced concrete ceiling, and shattered every window in its 17 floors. (UPI TELEPHOTO).