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NAACP Secretary Defies Kluxers To Make Speech At Dallas Texas YMCA

NEW YORK, May 11.—Threats by the Ku Klux Klan to injure Walter White, secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and riot-inciting stories in two daily newspapers in Dallas, Tex., failed to prevent the New Yorker from delivering his speech in Dallas Friday, April 29, it was revealed here today by the national office of the NAACP.

Mr. White, on a tour of southern states, was scheduled to speak to the Dallas Interracial Commission at the white YMCA Friday afternoon, April 29, but after an advance notice of his speech had been published in the daily papers April 28, a movement was started by the Klan and the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the Daughters of the Confederacy to prevent his speaking. Earl E. Hurt, Commander of the Texas division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, protested against the appearance of Mr. White.

Mr. Hurt called on District Attorney Andrew Patton to ascertain if there were any legal method of preventing Mr. White from making his speech, but was told by Mr. Patton that there was no law forbidding such a speech.

"The Southern white people of this city, as well as the entire South, should vigorously protest against any Negro coming into our midst, lecturing or talking on issues inimical to the interests of both white and Negro races, such as the talk scheduled to be made by this Negro, Walter White," Hurt said.

Papers Incite Riot Spirit
The other papers, the Journal and the Times-Herald, also incited riot spirit.

the best newspapers in the south, was the only journal to refrain from sensationalizing the appearance of the NAACP secretary. It carried only two short items.

The other papers, the Journal and the Times-Herald practically urged a race riot in their accounts. The Journal used the following language in a front story: "a muttering threat of violence and riot raised ominously throughout the city."

This newspaper continued the campaign in the same story by quoting an anonymous telephone call from a man who is said to have told Police Chief R. L. Jones: "I am not going to stand for this Negro talking." Chief Jones, however, informed the Interracial Commission that it could have police protection for Mr. White if they wanted it.

Pressure on the white YMCA was so heavy, however, that on the morning of April 29 they cancelled the meeting at their building and immediately the gathering was transferred to the Moorland YMCA (colored).

The Dallas Journal, which did everything possible to stir up race feeling, quoted George K. Butcher, leader of the Ku Klux Klan, as saying, "The Negro will not speak to the white women of Dallas tonight. The Negro is leaving town, that is if he can be found. I am ready to start anything they want me to. I am not going to stand for these niggers any longer. If they schedule the meeting somewhere else, I will be there. And I won't be alone, either, you can tell the world that."

Despite the threat of Klansman Butcher, Mr. White did speak at

MAKING GOOD



GILBERT DERR, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Skidd Simms of Durham, who is making and enviable record as a student at Hampton Institute. Mr. Derr has recently been elected president of the senior class for next year, president of the newly-organized debating society of Hampton. Young Derr has also distinguished himself in athletics by winning the C I A A championship in wrestling.

the Moorland YMCA and answered questions from the audience on the anti-lynching bill fight. About seventeen white people were present, including a white woman who is chairman of the Texas division of the Association of Southern Women for the Prevention of Lynching. Also present were two instructors from Southern Methodist University (white) and a number of their students.

Kluxers at Airport

Mr. White reported to the national office in New York that when he arrived at Love Field, the Dallas airport, by plane from Tulsa, Okla., a committee of colored men met the plane and completely surrounded him, escorting him to a waiting automobile. Also present at the airport was a group of white men headed by the Klansman Butcher.

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Lang'n. Hughes Speaks At N.C. College

Langston Hughes, the young poet who has won for himself international note for his contributions to American literature spoke twice to the students of North Carolina College Friday, May 6.

Mr. Hughes, a graduate of Lincoln University who has travelled extensively in foreign countries has recently returned from Spain where he took advantage of the opportunity to study the existing conditions and factions while reporting for an American weekly newspaper. Many of his recent poems were inspired by the things that he saw in Spain.

The poet has often been termed a radical because in most of his poems there is the element of social criticism. He has his own views about the things that exist and he has the courage to express them. He is always on the side of those who have been downtrodden and who are fighting for right. Because of his fearlessness and his desire to help those who need the help that he has to offer, Langston Hughes has suffered greatly and seen others suffer.

Hughes wrote his first poem when he was in high school, and

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



REV. A. CLAYTON POWELL, Jr., pastor of the Abyssinian Baptist Church New York City, who will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at North Carolina College on June 1, and the commencement address at Shaw university on May 31.

was elected class poet in his senior year. He was early influenced by Paul Lawrence Dunbar and Carl Sandburg. It was because of his admiration of Dunbar's writing that he wrote many of his early poems in dialect. The influence of Sandburg can be seen in his poems about workers, written in free verse. He read the students two of his poems as examples of the results of these influences. They were "Dressed Up", and "When Sue Wears Aed."

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LIVINGSTONE COLLEGE ANNOUNCES COMMENCEMENT SPEAKERS

The Fifty-sixth Commencement exercises of Livingstone College will begin Sunday, May 29 and continue through Tuesday, May 31. The Baccalaureate Sermon will be delivered at 3 o'clock Sunday, May 29 by Bishop E. L. Madison of Pittsburgh, Pa. Bishop Madison, an alumnus of Livingstone College, has been for years an outstanding leader in the AME Zion Connection. Before election as Bishop of the Ninth Episcopal District in 1936, he was Financial Secretary of that denomination. He was for many years a resident of Salisbury before moving to his present address.

The Commencement Address will be delivered by Rabbi Louis Binstock of Temple Shalom, "The Temple on the Lake", Chicago, Illinois. Commencement exercises begin at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, May 31.

Besides these exercises, there will be held the annual and traditional student programs during the commencement period. Outstanding among these will be the following: Cap and Gown—Day, Wednesday, May 25 at 11 o'clock A. M.; Piano Students' Recital Thursday, May 26 at 8:15 P. M.; Senior Class Day exercises Friday evening, May 27, 8 P. M.; Junior and Freshman Oratorical Contests, Monday, May 30, at 10 P. M.; Presentation by Dramatic Club, 8 P. M.; Alumni Banquet and Reunion Classes of 1928 and 1933, 9 P. M.

SPRING BRIDE



MRS. HUGH CLIFTON BELLE, the former Miss Dolly Funderburk, charming daughter of Mrs. H. Funderburk, Durham resident. The announcement of her marriage which took place secretly on March 18, 1938 at the home of Rev. M. Carter, was made Sunday evening at the Mt. Olivet Baptist church. Mr. and Mrs. Belle will make their home in Durham.

Old North State Medics Convene In Henderson May 17, 18, And 19th

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, May 17, 18, 19, the Old North State Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Society, Inc. will hold its fifty-first annual session with the Sixth District Medical Society at Henderson, North Carolina. Having been founded in 1887, the Old North State Society is the oldest Negro Medical Association in the world and is a member of the National Medical Association and the National Hospital Association. The scientific policy of the Society is based on the conviction that medicine is a science as well as an art.

The officials of the Old North State Medical Society are urging all of its members to come on the 17th and remain through the 19th because these mornings and evenings will be well filled with good programs, good clinics and good times. Aside from the regular business sessions there will be picnics, sightseeing trips, fishing, boating, dancing, etc.

The first business session will be held on Tuesday evening at the Henderson Institute, and the main address will be delivered by Dr. C. C. Spaulding, President of the North Carolina Medical Society at Henderson. Dr. Max C. King, President of the Medical Society will also give an address and new officers will be elected. A reception for the members and visitors will be given at Fulton Hall.

Medical and surgical clinics will be held Wednesday morning at Jubilee Hospital, after which the group will return to Henderson Institute for a symposium on public health medicine which has been arranged by Dr. C. V. Reynolds, State Health Officer for North Carolina. Papers will be read by Doctors, W. J. Hughes, F. S. Fellows, E. A. Branch, J. M. Cooper and J. H. Hamilton, members of the state board of health. Dr. A. D. Gregg, state officers for Vance County will also be present.

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Taylor Reelected Precinct Chairman; Martin Secretary

Durham Negro political leaders made history here this week when they succeeded in electing two additional members of their race as precinct officials in meetings held here last Saturday at the various voting places. James T. Taylor, dean of men at the North Carolina College was re-elected chairman of the Court-house precinct. Mr. Taylor has held the position for two years.

Mrs. Nora Hughes, Pine street resident was elected vice-chairman. Chas. Parrish (white) was elected secretary.

D. B. Martin, agency supervisor of the North Carolina Mutual

Life Insurance Company was elected secretary of the Brady Store precinct, making the third member of the race to be elected to a precinct office. Mr. Martin has been a consistent and earnest worker for the political advancement of his group here in Durham, and elevation to the secretaryship of his precinct came as recognition for his services.

The Brady Store precinct, although having a large number of white people is predominantly colored, and it was by mere chance on last Saturday that a Negro chairman was not elected.

ALPHONSO PRINCE PASSES

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday May 10th for Alphonso Prince 35 years old resident of Richmond, Va. He is survived by two sisters and six brothers, mother and father. Prince died at his home Saturday May 7th.

The meeting of the Durham County democratic convention will be held Saturday at the courthouse. All chairmen of the precincts constitute the executive committee; hence this year's convention will have one Negro, Prof. James T. Taylor as a member of the executive committee.

Jim-Crow Bus Case Take To State Supreme Court

C. J. Gates and Edward R. Avant, attorneys for Miss Ellen Harris, defendant in the recent bus case in which the defendant was tried and convicted in recorders court, and the Durham county superior court for violation of the Jim Crow law on a bus operated by the Durham Public Service Company, announced here this week that the appeal to the North Carolina supreme court had been perfected. The attorneys announced that the case would be argued before the state's highest tribunal on May 24.

Miss Harris was arrested when

she refused to move from a seat next to the last one in the rear of the bus on last February 12, after being asked to do so by a white male passenger.

Attorney Gates stated that he and his associate expect a favorable verdict from the highest court on the grounds that the Durham Public Service Company, operator of the vehicle had failed to comply with the law, and post signs in the bus, designating the proper place for white and colored passengers to sit.

Miss Harris is well known (Continued on page eight)

BICYCLE WINNER AND LEADING CAROLINA TIMES NEWSIES ARE FETED WITH REPAST



The above photo is that of the leading newsboys of the Carolina Times who were recently feted by the Times circulation manager, W. A. Tuck on the event of the awarding of a brand

new bicycle to the winner of the nine weeks circulation contest staged by the Carolina Times. James Rogers standing directly behind the bicycle and holding

it was the winner of the prize for maintaining the highest average and putting on the largest increase during the contest. The boys were also given a repast

and taken to the theatre by the circulation manager. The Carolina Times has 40 boys in Durham, but only the 27 in the picture qualified for the repast and the free theatre ticket.

Durham Stunned At Resignation Of Two Popular School Heads

A shakeup that rocked Durham educational circles took place here this week when two of the city's most popular Negro principals, Mrs. F. K. Watkins and Prof. J. W. Davidson, tendered their resignations to Superintendent W. F. Warren of the city schools. The resignations of both Mrs. Watkins and Mr. Davidson will take effect at the close of this year's school term.

Prof. Davidson gave as his reason for resigning that he was doing so to do further graduate work. Mrs. Watkins' resignation gave no reason for her action. Prof. Davidson has been in the Durham city school system for ten years or twelve years. Since coming here he has made an en-

viable record as an educator, both as an instructor and principal. Prior to being promoted to the head of the Lyon Park elementary school he was an instructor in physics and assistant principal at Hillside Park high school.

Mrs. Watkins has been principal of the East Durham elementary school for practically nine years. Prior to coming here she taught in Greensboro. She is considered very capable among among educational circles. Although the two resigning school officials gave no other reasons for their actions, there are many and varied rumors being spread.

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