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MITCHELL FIGHTS JIM CROW CASE HILLSIDE HOLDS 44th COMMENCEMENT KILLING OF BOY STIRS DALLAS

Dr. Mills Gets Nearly 3,000 Votes In Race For County Commissioner

DURHAM — A total of 2,807 votes were cast in last Saturday's primary for Dr. J. N. Mills, Negro candidate for County commissioner. Although the number of votes cast were not sufficient to elect the popular Durham physician, it was a deciding factor in showing the solidarity of the Negro vote.

It is estimated that the new registration closed with not more than 2,500 Negro names on the books, and from the count it appears that several hundred White persons voted for Dr. Mills.

Attorney Edward Avant, campaign manager for Dr. Mills, had the following to say today in the way of thanks to those who voted for Dr. Mills:

"To the 2,807 voters who marked their ballot for Dr. J. N. Mills we the undersigned wish to employ this means to publicly thank you."

We recognize that it was through your vote and influence that Dr. Mills was enabled to make the good run for County Commissioner that he did.

The vote cast served in a measure to indicate that while democracies are crumbling all around us; this one of the United States continues to recognize that all citizens may have the opportunity to share in the operation of democratic government. To that end your vote not only

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DR. J. N. MILLS

represented a vote of confidence in Dr. Mills but also expressed a desire to perpetuate our democratic form of government.

We wish again to thank all for the interest manifested.

J. N. MILLS, M. D.
E. R. AVANT, Manager
Elsewhere in this issue of the CAROLINA TIMES is a paid advertisement, Dr. Mills has expressed his personal thanks to those who supported him in his campaign for County Commissioner.

E. End School Closes Year

BY W. L. BRADSHAW
On Wednesday, May 29, the E. End school held its closing exercises in the school auditorium. A brief talk was given by the principal, Prof. F. D. Marshall. He commended the entire student body for the high type of scholarship and deportment that was maintained during the school year, and expressed appreciation to the parents for their fine spirit of cooperation and interest. He admonished their studious habits in order that their future school records will compare with those maintained at East End.

Perfect attendance certificates were awarded to thirty six members of the student body, and twelve pupils were presented scholarship certificates. Students of the sixth grades who won individual awards were: The B. B. Rogers award for highest scholarship average, Robert McKinnis. The Dr. Plummer award for excellence in spelling, Alice Lloyd. The S. B. Walker award for efficiency in Arithmetic, N. Please turn to Page Eight

INVITE MOTHER OF JOE LOUIS TO EXPOSITION



A special invitation was recently extended in Detroit to right, Emmett S. Cunningham, Mrs. Lillie Brooks, mother of Joe Louis, world's champion heavyweight fighter, to attend the American Negro Exposition at the Chicago Coliseum from July 4 through Sept. 2. The photograph, taken at Mrs. Brooks' residence, shows, left to right, Emmett S. Cunningham, member of the Detroit Commission for the Chicago Exposition; James W. Washington of Chicago, founder and president of the Exposition Authority, and Mrs. Brooks.

Death of Youth Discovered By Texas NAACP

DALLAS, Texas — Because of the local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was not satisfied with explanations given out by officials of the state training school for boys, in connection with the death of 15-year-old Ernest McDay on Wednesday, May 14, one of the most brutal police crimes against Negro youth in the history of Texas has been uncovered.

Young McDay, Theodora Muldrow, 18; and Albert Wesley, Jr., had been charged with fatally attacking a 51-year-old white woman on April 23. Muldrow was sentenced to death by an all-white jury that handed in its verdict within 20 minutes. Wesley's trial comes up May 27. McDay was sentenced to serve not less than four years in the State training school for boys, thus escaping the death penalty because of his youth.

According to local newspaper reports McDay, who had appeared before Criminal District Judge Henry King on Tuesday, was delivered to the training school the following morning at 9:25 by B. O. Snellen and E. K. Wallace, assistant county juvenile officers. Wednesday evening at 6:30 p. m. a report was given to Earl R. Parker, county juvenile officer by officials of the institution stating that McDay had just died of coronary thrombosis, and a blood clot in the heart, that developed from the effects of syphilis.

Congressman Pleads Own Case In Fight Against Jim Crowism

CHICAGO, (ANP) — Appearing before three federal judges, sitting en banc in the United States Circuit Court here Monday, Congressman Arthur W. Mitchell made an effective plea for the abatement of the "Jim Crow" car evil on American railroads as he argued for the up-setting of the adverse Interstate Commerce decision handed down in March, 1939. The case originated on a complaint by Mr. Mitchell when a conductor of the Rock Island R. R. Co., forced him from a Pullman car into a "Jim Crow" coach a trip between Memphis, Tenn., and Hot Springs, Ark. Backed by his counsel, Atty. Richard Westbrook of Chicago, who supplemented the Congressman's opening statement, Mr. Mitchell told Judge Evan A. Evans, Michael Igou and Charles Woodward, all three of whom were hearing the case, that he had not made his complaint because he was interested in riding with white people, but because he was an American citizen and entitled to equal accommodations under the law. The court took the case under

ENDS FIFTY YEARS' SERVICE



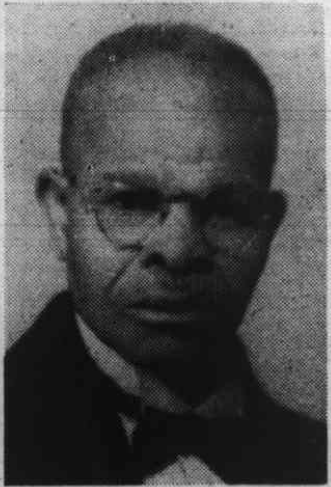
PROF. W. G. PEARSON, 81-year-old principal of Hillside Park high school who was honored with a luncheon by the 34 teachers who serve under him Wednesday at noon. He has served the Durham city school system more than fifty years and will be succeeded in the fall by William McElrath who comes to Durham from Kinston. Prof. Pearson will be given "other duties" in the city system according to Supt. W. F. Wilburn.

advisement and ordered the attorneys to file briefs.

"I have sat in the Congress of the United States for six years," Mr. Mitchell said. "I have watched and helped in the formation of laws which govern the economics and social behaviors of this country," he continued. "I know that when a black man comes to court, he must face the latest prejudices which exist in every white man and that he has two strikes upon him before he comes to bat. In these troublous days, when democracy is being threatened throughout the world, I am ashamed for the great government which I represent, as I see an assistant attorney general of the United States, rise in this court to help fasten the chains of inequality and segregation around a fellow citizen, a member of a race which has been loyal to this country, which has performed its labor and shed its blood for its preservation," Mitchell said.

Argument before the court by the battery of eight lawyers representing the Rock Island and the other defendants, the Illinois Central Railroad, the Pullman Co., and the United States attorneys representing the Interstate Commerce Commission, showed that Mr. Mitchell, on April 20, 1937, had purchased a Please turn to Page Eight

HONORED



W. B. BRUCE

Bull City Lodge No. 317, IBPOE of the world, has honored W. B. Bruce with a life membership in recognition of his long, faithful, and serviceable career in Elksdom.

Mr. Bruce attended the Order's first Grand Lodge session held at Norfolk, Va. in 1901 when the total membership was only about 500. Today, under the leadership and guidance of Mr. Bruce and some of his brother Elks of the old school, the order has a membership of over 700,000.

He is a Past Exalted Ruler of the local lodge and has served the order for several years as Deputy of the Western North Carolina territory. He is an honored member of the State Association and the Grand Lodge Convention.

The local lodge conferred this honor upon Mr. Bruce upon the instructions and approval of Hon. J. Finley Wilson, Grand Exalted Ruler, IBPOE of the World.

Teachers Honor Retiring School Head, Assistant

DURHAM — At the end of the award day exercises Wednesday morning, May 29, the teachers of the Hillside Park high school honored retiring principal W. G. Pearson and his school cafeteria. Herma H. assistant, J. M. Schooler with a testimonial luncheon in the Riddlek was the witty master of ceremonies for the occasion and words of tribute to the services of these men came from the heads of the various departments of the school.

The Luncheon was sponsored by the school finance committee which is headed by Mrs. G. A. Winslow, Hillside's most experienced teachers.

Prof. Pearson will assume other duties in the city school system, next fall after having served here as teacher and principal since the organization of the Durham city system more than fifty years ago. Mr. Schooler has been appointed principal of the Lyon Park Elementary school in the western part of the city after serving for 11 years as science instructor and five years as assistant principal at Hillside.

During the luncheon, the following departments were presented with expressions: mathematics, Mrs. F. L. Holmes; English, Miss D. V. Croom; civics and history, J. E. Peale; science, A. B. Massey; library, Mrs. L. Elder, commerce, Miss M. E. Tonkins; music, Miss T. E. Claggett; foreign language, Miss J. E. Bass; art, Miss J. M. Duggs; industrial arts, N. E. Nance; home economics, Mrs. I. E. Coleman.

Near the close of the luncheon, Miss M. L. Fisher presented hand some and useful gifts to the honorees. Prof. Pearson received a traveling bag while Mr. Schooler was presented a combination bill-fold memorandum book.

NEW ICE CREAM SALON

OPENS SATURDAY

By Herbert Tilley
DURHAM — Saturday marks the opening of the new Redwing's ice cream and sweet shop, located at 610 Fayetteville Street in the heart of Hayti's business section. The new ice cream salon when completed Please turn to Page Eight

153 Students Receive Diplomas Thursday

BY WILLIAM A. TUCK

DURHAM — The forty-fourth class to be graduated from the Hillside Park High school numbered 153 and was the largest in the history of the school. These 153 boys and girls received their diplomas from the hands of Dr. William H. Wannamaker, chairman of the Durham board of education, as a climax to the commencement program held at the City Armory Thursday night, May 30.

The commencement program was preceded by a thirty-minute recital by the Hillside band under the direction of W. H. Cole. The mixed chorus of the school directed by Miss T. E. Claggett sang during the program, "All Creatures of Our Lord and King," "Deep River," "The Sea Hath its Pearls" and "The Hallelujah Chorus." Student speakers on the program were Leo Townsend, who delivered the welcome; Miss Daisy Walton, the main speaker whose subject was "Youth and the Working World" and Miss Lillie Dickerson, who gave a touching farewell address.

LAST COMMENCEMENT FOR
PRINCIPAL PEARSON

Throughout the commencement program there was a tinge of sadness that naturally accompanies the fact that this forty-fourth commencement for Hillside as a high school was the last at which Prof. W. G. Pearson will preside as principal. Durhams have known no other high school principal here, as Prof. Pearson has been serving as teacher and principal since the beginning of the Durham School system more than fifty years ago. In his remarks he expressed sincere appreciation for the fine cooperation and confidence of the friends of the city and state during his years of service here.

Superintendent W. Frank Warren of the Durham City Schools praised highly the services of Prof. Pearson and announced that he would be given "other duties" in the school system beginning next year. He also introduced the newly appointed Hillside principal, Prof. William McElrath who comes to Durham from Kinston where he was principal of the Adkins High

School. He received his bachelor's degree from Shaw University and his masters from Columbia in New York. He has also served as principal of the high school in Wake Forest.

Supt. Warren also announced the appointment of Prof. J. M. Schooler as principal of Lyon Park School as successor to Prof. N. A. Cheek who will take charge of the W. G. Pearson Elementary school.

AWARDS

The following awards were made to the members of the senior class: medal for best all-round girl, and activities medal, Miss Josephine Shearin; medal for best all-round boy, Walter Barnes; first scholarship honors and scholarship to Dillard University, Warren Strudwick; second place scholarship honors and scholarship to Bennett College, Miss Minnie Taylor; third place scholarship honors and scholarship to Stillman Institute, Miss Daisy Walton. Miss Lillie Dickerson and Albert Johnson received scholarships to A and T College and Ward Parham has a scholarship from Knoxville College.