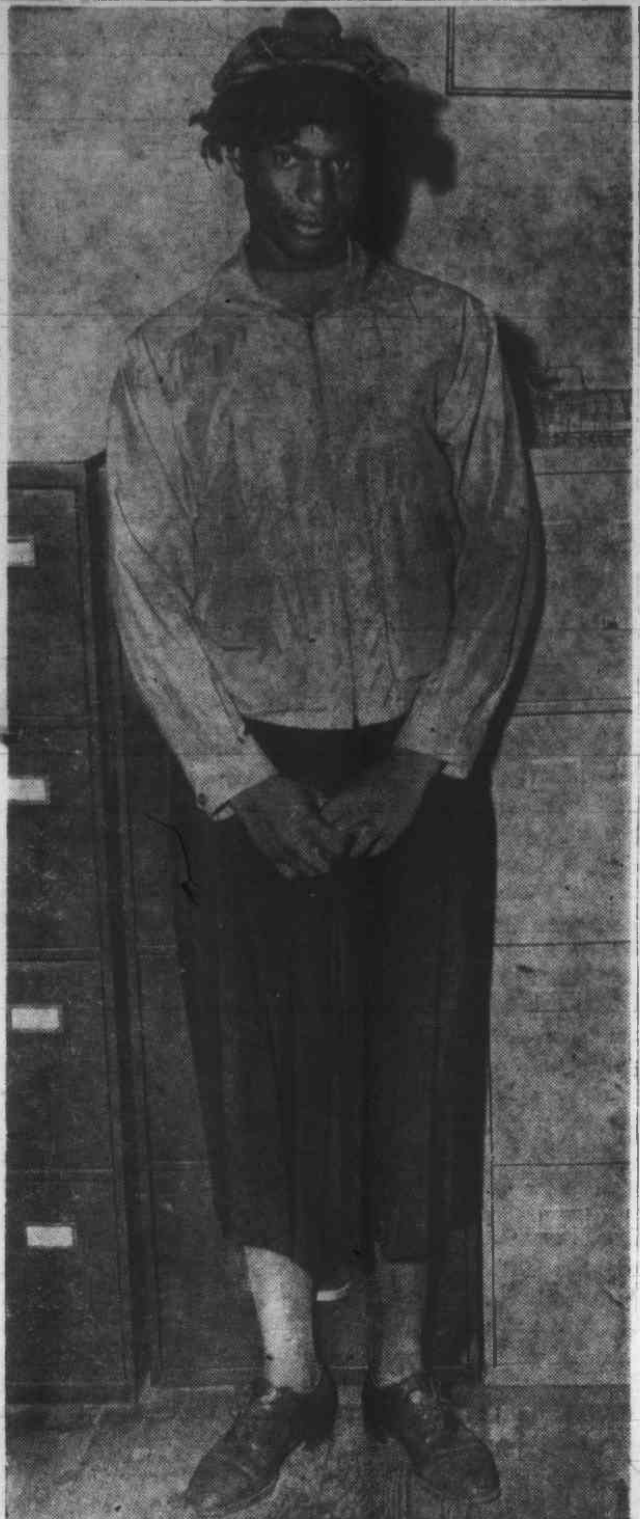


BANS SEGREGATED BUSES

Ushers Launch Investigation Into State Hospital For Insane



Willie Hilliard whose big feet let him down when he attempted to escape the toils of the law by disguising himself as a woman. Hilliard is wanted in South Carolina for taking five bags of pecans. He was spotted in the Raleigh bus station attired as above. — Photo, Courtesy News and Observer.

Head Of Goldsboro Institution Asked For Information

The North Carolina Interdenominational Ushers Association this week launched a full-scale investigation into the State Hospitals system.

L. E. Austin, publisher of the CAROLINA TIMES, who is president of the usher's state association said here Wednesday he started the investigation with a nine-point questionnaire which he sent to Dr. David Young, State Superintendent of Mental Hygiene, and Dr. Henry Lineberger, Chairman of the State Hospitals Board.

Mr. Austin's letter to Dr. Lineberger referred specifically to conditions at the State Hospital for the Negro Insane at Goldsboro. Within the past several months a wave of violence allegedly attributable to "snake pit" conditions has resulted in the death of several inmates and serious injury to other inmates and attendants.

Citing the most recent case of violence in which two inmates in the criminally insane ward sought unsuccessfully to escape, Mr. Austin said press association reporters quoted the men, Albert Hill and Willie Black, as blaming their escape try on "inadequate food and improper medical care."

In his letter to the chairman of the State Hospitals Board, Mr. Austin wrote: "It is our understanding that facilities at Goldsboro as well as at the other mental institutions throughout the State are being expanded, and we should like to know whether the improvements now in process at Goldsboro are designed to meet fully the alleged inadequacies cited by Hill and Black."

It is understood that the ushers' president went to review previous records of violence at Goldsboro. A Durham Negro school principal died in Goldsboro late last Spring after he

had gone berserk and killed his young son. There was considerable talk of negligence on the part of hospital authorities at the time, but officials at the institution said the man took his life at an early hour shortly after.

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Big Feet Fail Man's Effort To Disguise As Woman

RALEIGH

Willie Hilliard's big feet let him down here Tuesday when he attempted to escape the law disguised as a woman.

Hilliard was spotted at the bus station by police who might not have detected that he was a man attired in the clothes of a woman had it not been for his big feet and the men's shoes he wore.

Hilliard is wanted in Orangeburg, South Carolina for taking five bags of pecans, he told police.

When Hilliard was first arrested and handcuffed at the bus station he was placed in a police car for his ride to headquarters, but ran when Officer John R. Smith's foot slipped and he nearly fell as Hilliard was following him. Hilliard sped east down Davie Street, handcuffs and all.

He showed up again at the police station, minus the handcuffs and attired as a woman plus the cosmetics, plus the big feet.

Hilliard told officers that the handcuffs were taken off him when he told someone that his girl-friend put them on him while playing with him.

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N.C. Joins Fight To Uphold J. C. School

Will Aid Texas In Opposing Negro's Entrance To Univ.

RALEIGH

North Carolina officials here December 7 when Attorney General Harry McMillan announced that his office would cooperate with Texas Attorney General Daniel and other Southerners in an effort to halt the trend toward integration of Negroes into graduate and professional schools in the South.

McMillan's actions came at a time when the Federal Council of Churches in America meeting in Atlanta, Ga., acted to pledge renewed support of H. M. Sweatt of Texas to enter the University of Texas law school.

It is apparent from McMillan's decision to file a brief in the Sweatt case which will be heard by the Supreme Court on January 15 that he will follow Texas' example in trying to ward off the attempts of Harold T. Epps and Robert B. Glass to enter the law school at the University of North Carolina.

The overall implications of McMillan's actions, however are far-reaching. (1) They reveal openly for the first time that North Carolina openly will act with Dixiecratic States in preserving racial segregation. (2) They belie the notion of some Negroes and many whites that the "great liberal State of North Carolina will lead the South in a moral regeneration which will usher in the brotherhood of man here and now." (3) They serve notice that, openly or surreptitiously, strong reactionary forces of many years standing in this State still control the policy-making decisions at the highest.

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FHA To Ban Aid To Segregated Housing

NEW YORK

Amendment of the rules of the Federal Housing Administration to ban future government aid to the financing of dwellings the occupancy or use of which is restricted by race, creed or color, was announced here today by Solicitor General Philip B. Perlman at the conference of the New York State Committee on Discrimination in Housing.

This announcement, Mr. Perlman said, was authorized by President Truman, Home Finance Administrator Raymon M. Foley and Attorney General J. Howard McGrath. It came months after the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People submitted a lengthy documented memorandum to the President, urging speedy executive action to end federal support of racial restrictions in housing.

Under the new amendments to be issued by FHA, the solicitor general asserted, "no property will be eligible for FHA mortgage insurance if, after a date to be specified in the amendments and before the FHA insured mortgage is recorded, there has been recorded a covenant racially restricting the use or occupancy of the property."

This decision, he said, had been "reached after consultations held at the White House."

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Judge Frees Man For Shooting Police Without Warrant

KINSTON

Judge W. P. Horton, presiding over the Lenoir Superior Court, allowed a motion of non-suit here last week in the case involving the shooting of a police officer by a Negro last Christmas eve.

Dewey Merritt, the officer, was seriously wounded at the time of the shooting and arose from his hospital bed to testify against the Negro, Woodrow Gooding, who is alleged to have fired the bullet.

Charged with aiding and abetting in the assault were John Taylor and his wife Mrs. Eunice Taylor. Both were freed along with Merritt on the non-suit motion.

Appearing for the defense were Attorneys McKinley Bat-

tle, Negro, and John G. Dawson, white, both of Kinston. Attorney Battle made the motion for non suit.

The State presented a string of witnesses Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning in building its case against the three Negroes with evidence that tended to show that Merritt and Bates, went to Gooding's home here on Christmas eve night to arrest Gooding on a warrant charging him with a razor assault on Lewis Cannon, Kinston Negro. Cannon accompanied the officers to the Gooding home.

On reaching the house, they were met at the door by Mrs. Eunice Taylor, and told that Gooding was not there. They sought and were granted per-

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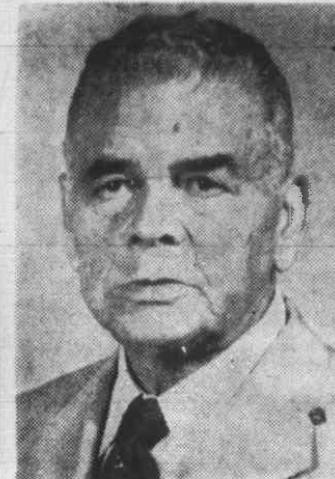
Speak Here Sunday



John Wesley Dobbs, Grand Master of the Masons for the State of Georgia, will be presented here in a public meeting December 11th, an official of the Prince Hall Masons of this city are composed of two lodges; Doris No. 28 and Dorcas No. 460.

According to the announcement, Mr. Dobbs, who is also president of the Georgia Civic and Political League, will be introduced by the Rev. G. D. Carnes, Grand Master of the North Carolina Jurisdiction.

The program, which is scheduled to be held in the First Calvary Baptist Church, will begin at 3:30 o'clock and is open to



the public. All masons are requested to dress as Master Masons.

John Morgan, Worshipful Master of Dorcas Lodge No. 28, will preside. Others participating on the program will include the male chorus of the host church, C. W. Lawrence, Grand Secretary of the North Carolina Jurisdiction, and the Rev. H. H. Hart, pastor of the First Calvary Baptist Church.

The complete program is as follows: Invocation, Rev. J. H. Peppers; Selection—Male Chorus; Scripture—C. W. Lawrence; Introduction of Speaker—G. D. Carnes; Address—J. W. Dobbs; Offering, Selection—Male Chorus; Benediction—Rev. H. H. Hart.

FAO Rejects Site At Maryland After Group Protests Bias

WASHINGTON

Following heated debate prompted by an NAACP wire charging the University of Maryland with racial discrimination, the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization voted this week by a count of 30 to 28 to choose for the organization's permanent headquarters and Italian site rather than one in the United States.

Last week Roy Wilkins, acting secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, wired the ambassadors and ministers of 13 countries participating in the FAO Conference, calling their attention to the exclusion of Negroes from classes and campus facilities at the University of Maryland. Acceptance of the university's offer of a permanent FAO site, Mr. Wilkins asserted, "would repudiate the high principles on which the United Nations is founded."

Elks To Observe Memorial Day Sunday

The Bull City Elk Lodge No. 317 will render its Annual Memorial Day exercise Sunday, December 11 at 3:30 o'clock at Saint Paul Baptist Church on Juniper Street.

The public is cordially invited to attend. Rev. Miles Mark Fisher will be the principal speaker. E. J. McCoy is Exalted Ruler and J. T. Hawkins is Secretary.

Marshall, Mayes Speak At Hunter College

NEW YORK

"We stand before the world as a model for all that individual freedom really means. We must be careful to remove the notes from our own eyes as we seek to clear the eyes of the world," General of the Army George C. Marshall told a capacity audience at Hunter College Assembly Hall last night at a symposium on higher education sponsored by the city clubs of eight major colleges, the municipal branch of the American Association of University Women, and the United Negro College Fund. Dr. Benjamin E. Mayes, president, Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia, also spoke, and Mrs. Mildred McAfee Horton, former president of Wellesley College, chaired the meeting.

General Marshall, evaluating the Marshall Plan, said: "Its first two years, according to my information, have been successful beyond our initial hopes — knowing the state of affairs in Western Europe in the late spring of 1947, the desperate, hopeless feeling of the people and their abject poverty and consequent state of hunger, the same scene two years later is bright beyond belief, however great the present problems and dangers."

"We are now entering the

Discrimination In Interstate Travel Voided By Court

CINCINNATI

Regulations by bus lines and other public carriers requiring segregation of passengers in interstate travel were invalidated by a decision handed down this week by the United States Court of Appeals sitting here.

The court's decision, based on the Supreme Court ruling in the Morgan case, held that the regulation of the Southern Bus Lines separating passengers according to race placed an undue burden upon interstate commerce.

"The requirement that she (Miss Elizabeth Whiteside, the complainant) change her seat with all her accompanying impedimenta the moment she crossed the Kentucky line, was," the court found, "a breach of

that uniformity which, under the Morgan case, is a test of the burden placed upon interstate commerce."

The case was carried to court by lawyers for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, following the forcible ejection of Miss Whiteside from a bus en route from St. Louis to Paducah, Ky., on May 6, 1946. After the Federal District Court in Paducah held the bus regulation reasonable, NAACP Attorneys Robert L. Carter of New York, Martin A. Martin of Richmond, and Joseph Freeland of Paducah carried the case to the Court of Appeals, where it was argued before Judge Hicks, Simons and McAllister on October 18, 1949.

UNC Professor Deplores South's Fight On Democracy

COLUMBIA, S. C.

Speaking at a forum of the Adult Opportunity School near here last Sunday, Dr. Gordon Blackwell, professor of sociology at the University of North Carolina, told his listeners that "the South must move into the stream of real democracy before being coerced to do so by the federal government."

Dr. Blackwell spoke at a forum on "Education As A Basis For Social And Economic Progress In South Carolina." The South Carolina Department of Education, the South Carolina Education Association and the Opportunity School sponsored the program.

The speaker traced Southern progress in industry, education and living standards.

On the matter of civil rights Dr. Blackwell said, "The white North wants the whole United States to practice what they preach now. The white South is thus placed on the defensive, and wishes to solve this problem slowly and in its own way."

"Education has changed the Negro. It has made them aware of their rights, which they not only ask for but demand."

Christmas Drive Launched For Durham Needy

The Citizens headed by I. R. Holmes and the Carolina Times launched their 1949 Christmas Cheer Club drive this week with letters, being mailed to a large number of colored citizens and organizations by the president of the club. This is the second annual drive to aid needy families.

Donations to the Christmas Cheer Club began December 1st with the Community Mission Club of which Mrs. Bertha Allen is president, made the first contribution of ten dollars. The Durham Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity was next with a contribution of \$25, and \$10 from the Junior Mother's Club. Other cash contributions include the Junior Dorcas Club with a \$5.00 donation and \$7.00 from the Cosmetology Club.

In addition to cash contribution, the Community Mission Club is providing Christmas for two needy families.

Twelve Pound Tumor Taken From Woman In Dunn Hospital

DUNN

Dr. C. B. Codrington, Negro member of the staff of the Dunn hospital, reported this week the removal of a 12-pound fibroid tumor from a 35-year-old woman who discovered it only a few days ago.

The emergency operation was performed by Dr. Codrington and Dr. W. W. Stanfield, chief surgeon of the hospital.

Dr. Codrington stated that the woman did not know she had the tumor until last week when she suffered pains and consulted him. His examination and diagnosis disclosed presence of the tumor.

Three blood transfusions were necessary prior to the operation which is usually regarded as a serious one. Wednesday the woman's condition was reported as satisfactory. She is expected to recover barring no complications.

The physicians stated that the tumor must have weighed 15 pounds, but that they lose blood and shrink very rapidly during an operation.

The tumor was larger than a large-size baby at birth and extended all the way from the patient's pelvis to her breastbone. Ordinarily tumors are about the size of an orange. When one reaches the size of a grapefruit, it is considered unusually

large. Dr. Codrington is the only Negro physician in Dunn and has been on the general staff of the hospital since it was erected in 1941. He has absolute freedom in the use of its facilities and full cooperation of the other members, all of whom are white.

It is interesting to note that the mayor and city fathers refused to O. K. funds for the erection of the building until it was definitely understood that Dr. Codrington would be allowed full use of its facilities.

Woman Found Dead In Field

SANFORD

Mrs. Bessie Reaves, 60, of Siler City, who had been attending the A. M. E. Zion Church Conference in Sanford last week, was found dead in the woods about two miles from Sanford Saturday afternoon.

She was last seen after the Sunday meeting on a golf course. According to the local sheriff an intensive search of the nearby woods was made.

Two young boys found the body in a thickly wooded area. They then notified the Coroner who said the death was apparently caused by exposure.