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Last Rites Held For Bishop D. O. Walker In Kansas City

Bishops Reid And Nichols At Missionary Meet

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Early arrivals for the Third Quadrennial Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the African Methodist Episcopal Church began gathering in Washington this week for their six-day parley, which begins Saturday, July 9.

They are the first of some 3,000 women from A.M.E. Churches throughout the world who will meet here next week. Meetings are scheduled for Metropolitan A.M.E. Church, 16th and M Streets, n.w., and Turner A.M.E. Church, Sixth and Eye Streets, n.w. Special convention programs will be held at Uline Arena, Third and M Streets, n.e., and Griffith Stadium, Georgia and Florida Avenues, n.w.

Heading the group, which is believed to be the oldest organization of Negro women in the United States, will be Mrs. Anne Heath, of Philadelphia, W.M.S. president, and Bishops D. Ward Nichols, of New York City, and Frank M. Reid, of Columbia, S. C. Bishops Nichols and Reid are currently presiding over the Second Episcopal District which comprises Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, and the District of Columbia. The District will serve as convention host.

The convention program includes meetings of the group board of directors and executive committee on Saturday, a formal opening ceremony at Uline Arena Sunday at 3:30 p.m., and business sessions which begin Monday morning at Metropolitan Church. Other program features include a series of eight workshops devoted to the convention theme, "Seeking Christ Amid World Tensions," and two pageants. (Please turn to Page Eight)

Three NCC Coeds In Friends' Summer Project

Three North Carolina College coeds, the Misses Ernestine James, Shirley Cannon, and Arnee Dupree, are participating in some of the American Friends Service Committee's Summer Projects in various parts of the United States.

Miss James, rising senior from Camden, S. C., is in Saint Charles, Illinois. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. James, 1726 N. Campbell St., Camden.

Miss Florence Arnee Dupree, "Miss NCC of 1955" and a magna cum laude graduate in home economics, is in Richmond, Va. Her parents are the Rev. and Mrs. H. D. Dupree, 710 North Main Street, Sumter, S. C.

Miss Shirley Elayne Cannon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Cannon, 43 Madison Avenue, Asheville, N. C., is at a Friends project in Maine.

Miss Doris Ragland, South Boston, Va., rising senior president-elect of the college's YWCA, is currently enrolled at NCC's Summer Session. She is actively planning the Y program for the coming school year.



FORT LYAUTEY, French Morocco (REINO) — Marine Cpl. James E. Hines, a member of the Marine Corps Security Force at the Naval Air Facility here, received the Good Conduct Medal in April. His Company Commander, Capt. Douglas E. Cameron, makes the presentation.



FORT LYAUTEY, French Morocco (REINO) — Marine Cpl. Ervin L. Watts, a member of the Marine Corps Security Force at the Naval Air Facility here, receives the Good Conduct Medal in April. His Company Commander, Capt. Douglas E. Cameron, makes the presentation.

Watts is the son of Mrs. Mary S. Woods of Route 6, Statesville.

Before entering the service in March 1952 he attended Trinity High School, Trinity, N.C., and was employed by the Baltimore Construction Company, Baltimore, Md. The Commandant of the Marine Corps issues the Good Conduct Medal to only those Marines who have demonstrated the highest achievement in conduct and proficiency in rank throughout a continuous three year active duty period.



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Marshall, Davis, Bond To Address Annual ATA Conference In Texas

MONTGOMERY, ALA. — Delegates to the 52nd (1955) annual convention of the American Teachers Association, which meets at Texas Southern University in Houston on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, July 24-26, will hear three outstanding speakers at the three respective evening programs.

For the opening public program at five o'clock on Sunday afternoon, July 24, Attorney Thurgood Marshall of the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc. will deliver the keynote address on the convention theme, "The Resistant Task." From his vantage point, Attorney Marshall will interpret the implications and differentiations which citizens and teachers now face as a result of the second Supreme Court pronouncement of May 31. For the public program at

eight o'clock on Monday night, July 25, Dr. John Warren Davis will suggest the role of teachers and of professional organizations in the expanding scope of education in our nation and our world. Dr. Davis is a past president of ATA and has also served NEA in several major capacities. He had a distinguished career as president of The West Virginia State College before his more recent service as administrator for the U. S. Point Four program in Liberia. Dr. Davis is now engaged in several areas of special consultative service which include the National Science Foundation and The Teacher-Security Project of the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund.

For the climaxing open program-banquet on Tuesday night, July 26, Dr. Horace Mann Bond, president of LIA (Please turn to Page Eight)

Federal Court Orders School Doors Open For Race Students In Ala.

Russians Won't Live With Race In United States

(Calvin's News Service)

WASHINGTON — A living example of just how much Russian Communists are fond of the American Negro came to light this week when an apartment building at 3519 13th Street, N.W. — for many years tenanted by Russian families was "turned over" to Negroes. The Russians quickly moved out.

Up until a month ago, owners of the building Charles Baron had 13 units occupied by Russians and the remaining five by white Americans. With the rest of the neighborhood going Negro — Baron put the sign "For Colored" on his lawn. Baron noted that right away the Russian tenants began giving notices of moving. Two Negro families moved in two weeks ago with seven more just coming in. However, eleven of the Russians have been gone and the last two are expected to go in a few days. The white American are still in the building.

Commented Baron: "They are always talking about Americans. Their propaganda is that the American people are oppressing the colored people. But after the colored people began to move in..."

At the Soviet Embassy, the press attache claimed he did not know anything about the families in the 13th Street apartment.

Bars U. S. Funds For Aid To J. C. National Guards

WASHINGTON

In view of the current controversy over segregation and discrimination in the National Guard, Congressman Charles C. Diggs, Jr. (D-Mich.) last week asked Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens for clarification of the proposed basic training course for 12,000 Guardsmen, which is to begin July 1.

A copy of the telegram to Secretary Stevens was sent to Secretary Designate of the Army Wilber Brucker because, the Congressman said, in the interim before the Secretary Designate takes office, he felt he ought be apprised of any proposals to change the policy of his department.

The full text of Congressman Diggs' telegram read as follows:

"Honorable Robert T. Stevens, Secretary of the Army Department of the Army The Pentagon Washington, D. C. "We have noted an official announcement of a program beginning July 1, 1955 providing for 12,000 National Guard troops each year to take basic training at active army installations. The announcement indicates that these National Guard enlisted men will be integrated with other train-

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — The University of Alabama was ordered last week by a federal court to admit two Negro students it had refused admittance three years ago because of their race.

The case is the first to reach the federal courts since the Supreme Court issued its recent May 31 implementation decree ordering "prompt" desegregation in the five school segregation cases.

Federal Judge Hobart Grooms, in issuing the order to restrain the University from refusing to admit the students because of race, declared that "this case places grave responsibility upon this court." But that the court is bound by the U. S. Supreme Court decision to issue the order.

However, the judge reserved decision on the question of whether the suit applied to all Negroes in Alabama who might seek admission to the University.

The suit was brought against the University of Alabama by two young Negro women, Autherine J. Lucy and Polly Ann Myers, in September 1952. They sought courses in journalism and library science and had received letters of welcome from the president of the University. Letters of welcome had also been sent to them by the Dean of Women who had assigned the two students to rooms in the Adams-Parker dormitory.

However, when on September 20, 1952, they presented themselves in person to the office of the dean to complete their registration, the dean (Please turn to Page Eight)



J. H. Wheeler, chairman of a joint committee of the Durham Branch of the NAACP, the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs and the Durham Ministerial Alliance, that will appear before the City Board of Education on Monday July 11 to discuss the question of integration in the public schools of Durham with other members of the Committee. Wheeler is president of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank, and nationally known in business, religious and fraternal circles.

250,000 Negro
Voters For
North Carolina
By 1956
A VOTELESS PEOPLE
IS A HOPELESS
PEOPLE.

Noted Prelate To Be Buried At Wilberforce, Ohio

REAL ESTATE MEET SET FOR NCC JULY 23

The Commerce Department at North Carolina College will be host to the Third Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Real Estate and Builders Association in Durham on Saturday, July 23. Sessions will be held in the Moot Court Room of the NCC Law School.

Dr. Lincoln J. Harrison, recently named head of NCC's Department of Commerce, in announcing the meeting, also announced a special conference and said, "The central theme will be 'Current Problems in Real Estate Construction, Management, and Home Financing'. Dr. Harrison said details regarding the participants and their specific areas of discussion would be announced later. The meeting will be open to the general public.

The meeting will feature addresses and panel discussions on mortgage financing, the 1955 housing market, problems in buying, selling, and management of property, etc. Some of the leading governmental specialists in the field of real estate, finance, and other well-known persons in private business will participate, together with faculty members and students at NCC.

KANSAS CITY, KAN. — Final rites for Bishop D. Ormonde Walker, presiding prelate of the Fifth Episcopal District of the A. M. E. Church were held at the Trinity A. M. E. Church here on Tuesday morning, July 5, at 11 o'clock. Following the services, the body was taken to Wilberforce, Ohio for burial.

The noted prelate, who was elected bishop on May 5, 1948 in Kansas City, Kansas during the 33rd quadrennial general conference of the A. M. E. Church, died Tuesday afternoon, June 28, at the Douglas Hospital in the same city where he was elevated to the Episcopacy and appointed successor to Bishop Neah W. Williams to preside over the largest district geographically in the A. M. E. Denomination.

Bishop Frederick D. Jordan, now stationed in South Africa, the son of the late D. J. Jordan, who for many years was instructor of history and psychology at North Carolina College, was present to deliver the eulogy. Bishop Jordan flew from South Africa for the occasion.

Other Bishops participating on the program were Bishop Joseph A. Gomez who presided; Bishop H. Thomas Primm, Bishop George W. Baber and Bishop W. R. Wilkes.

Bishop Jordan delivered the eulogy from the pulpit of the same church which the deceased re-dedicated on Sunday, June 19, when he served as the principal speaker at the 50th anniversary and re-dedication service of the Trinity Church.

This was Bishop Walker's last official act as he was fatally stricken on Monday night, June 20, at the Episcopal residence at 532 Washington Boulevard.

Bishop Walker was born in Layou, St. Vincent, British West Indies on January 5, 1890, the son of George Oswald and Marian Jeffers Walker. He came to this country at the age of 17. He worked his way through Howard University and Boston University where he prepared for the ministry.

Known as the "layman's bishop," Bishop Walker held many important pastorates and positions in the A. M. E. denomination prior to becoming presiding officer over the Fifth Episcopal District.

He was the pastor of the St. James Church in Winston-Salem, N. C., from 1920 to 1923, where he purchased land for a new parsonage and doubled the congregation's "dollar money." As pastor of the St. Paul Church, Raleigh, N. C., from 1923 to 1925, Bishop Walker also doubled the "dollar money" and bought land on which he built a parsonage.

Besides pastoring several of the churches in the country with distinction, Bishop Walker served as president of Wilberforce University from 1936 to 1941. As head of this historic institution, he brought about its accreditation by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

In 1915, Bishop Walker was married to Miss Eva Ravallion of Chelsea, Mass., who survives him. They had one daughter, Deon Yvonne also surviving. Several other relatives also survive.

Va. School Board Approves Principle Of Integration

NORFOLK, Va.

The Norfolk Board of Education issued a statement following a meeting here last Friday, in which it stated that it approved the principle of integration as laid down by the United States Supreme Court with regard to the public schools.

It was the first crack in the solid front of state officials on the matter of racial integration and came as a distinct surprise to many, Norfolk is the largest city in the state and it is expected that sooner or later others will follow.

Said the statement: "We intend, without mental reservation, to uphold and abide by the laws of the land." The statement said further that the Board was powerless to make the shift from Virginia's historic policy of segregation until present state laws are changed.

Norfolk has a population of approximately 300,000. About one-third of the school population is Negro. The last session of school showed 28,742 white pupils and 11,598 Negro pupils. The figure is expected to jump to 34,000 whites and 12,878 Negroes by the school term of 1956-57.

Just last week Governor Thomas B. Stanley announced that Virginia would continue an official policy of "separate

but equal" on the matter of segregation in the public schools, at least for the next session.

The statement of the Norfolk Board of Education was the

first indication that a state official body might attempt integration any time in the near future.

Raleigh School Board Holds To Segregation

RALEIGH

School officials of the city of Raleigh stated here Tuesday that no change was contemplated in the public schools for the 1955-56 term as a result of the May 31 decision of the United States Supreme Court.

The Board issued the following statement Tuesday concerning the policy of the Board during the coming term:

"Due to the fact that the Raleigh public schools were well underway in organization for 1955-56, and the employment of staff for the same year was

so far advanced when the Supreme Court decision was handed down on May 31, 1955, it will not be feasible to proceed during the forthcoming year in other than the pattern which has been followed in the past years.

During the year 1955-56, the board will study carefully the Supreme Court decision for the purpose of best determining how the local schools are to be affected by the ruling of the court, in the hope that some specific action may be taken before the beginning of the school year for 1956-57."