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# Teachers Reject Anti-NAACP Oath In S. C.; Court Test Looms

## At Ellore, 21 Refuse To Ink Contracts In Which Clause Inserted



An impressive ceremony during which the Durham Housewives' League accorded a special honor to Mrs. Mary Tilley took place on the lawn outside the Hardside Baptist Church in Mill Grove community on Mother's Day. Mrs. Tilley was selected by the League as the Ideal Mother on the basis of an essay written by her daughter, Charline, eight grader at Whitted Junior High. The essay contest is sponsored each year by the League. In the above picture, Miss Sarah Dotson, president of the League (extreme left) is shown pinning corsage on Mrs. Tilley while her daughter and Mrs. Genester Jackson, treasurer of the Housewives' League took on. The flowers were donated by Aney's Florists and Mrs. Tilley received a basket of groceries from the League.

NEW YORK — Roy Wilkins, NAACP executive secretary, last week pledged the full support of the Association to 21 teachers in Ellore, S. C., who have refused to sign a new anti-NAACP membership oath.

The 1956 General Assembly of South Carolina enacted legislation barring NAACP members from state, county and municipal employment.

The oath was inserted in teacher employment applications for next year. Eighteen of the 21 Ellore teachers resigned. The other three refused to resign, and were given until May 31 to sign the oath or resign.

In his message, Wilkins said the new South Carolina law "should be tested in (the) courts as soon as possible on grounds that it is (a) flagrant violation of basic American civil liberties."

"Such tactics to stamp out freedom of association and opinion," the NAACP official declared, "can lead only toward (a) police state in which any individual who expresses disagreement with customs of (a) local community is penalized."

The telegram, sent to the Rev. James M. Hinton of Columbia, S. C., president of the South Carolina State NAACP, expressed Wilkins' "admiration" for the teachers for their "courage" in a "difficult situation."

Previously, a staff writer for a New York newspaper reported from Orangeburg, S. C., that the principal of an all-Negro school there expected his contract to be terminated this month under the same state law.

## Dr. R. B. Browne To Address NAACP Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Durham NAACP chapter will be held Sunday afternoon at four o'clock at the St. John Baptist Church on Third Street.

President of the Durham chapter Rev. William Fuller announced that the meeting will have as its main speaker Dr. Rose Butler Browne, professor of Education at North Carolina College. She is scheduled to be introduced by Dr. C. E. Boulware.

Special music for the meeting will be furnished by the St. John's male chorus and the Welltown Community male chorus.

In addition to the address by Dr. Browne, reports from various committee chairmen are expected to be made at the meeting. Attorney Floyd B. McKissick, first vice president of the organization, and chairman of its membership drive, will report on memberships. Thomas Bailey, treasurer, will also make a report.

Attorney William A. Maran, second vice president, will serve as master of ceremonies.

Rev. L. M. Gooch is pastor of the church.

## Durham Legionnaires To Honor War Dead In Memorial Rites; Alexander To Give Main Speech



W. H. COLE      ZACK ALEXANDER

The Weaver-McLean post 175 of the American Legion will hold its annual memorial day services Sunday at the White Rock Baptist church.

Zachariah (Zack) Alexander, III, of Charlotte, commander of Division VI, department of North Carolina, will be the principal speaker.

Features of the service will be graveside rites at the Beechwood cemetery at five o'clock, during which graves will be decorated by members of the legion and the women's auxiliary, the firing of a rifle salute and the blowing of taps.

Special music for the church service at three o'clock will be furnished by the Mt. Olive Male chorus.

Officials of the Durham Legion who will take part in the program are W. H. Cole, commander of the Weaver-McLean post, Zollie B. Jolley, post chaplain, and J. Fred Pratt, post bugler.

Following the church service, a parade composed of legionnaires, members of the ladies auxiliary, and the Hillside high school band will form at Pearisontown school, two, and proceed to the cemetery for the graveside rites.

Cole issued a special invitation for all gold star mothers, and widows of World War victims to attend the services.

## AMEs End Session Reid Has 2nd District; 5 New Bishops Named

MIAMI, Fla. — For the next four years, the presiding Bishop of the second Episcopal district of the African Methodist Episcopal church will be the Rt. Reverend Frank Madison Reid of Columbia, S. C.

Bishop Reid was assigned to the second district in the re-assignment of the church's bishops at the 35th Quadrennial of the denomination which closed here Tuesday.

The second district includes the states of Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina and the district of Columbia.

Bishop Reid was moved from his post as presiding prelate over the 7th district. In addition to presiding over the seventh, the bishop was also serving the unexpired term in the second district of the late Bishop L. L. Hemmingway.

The reassignment of the church's bishops was just one of the highlights of the closing session of the conference.

Five new bishops were elected by the conference, including a native African. The Rt. Rev. Francis Gow of Capetown Africa was elected on the first ballot Saturday to the highest position in the A.M.E. church. A hot contest developed for the other four vacancies, and it was not until late Monday that the other four positions were filled.

The four other new A.M.E. bishops are S. R. Higgins of Columbia, S. C.; E. L. Hickman, Louisville, Ky.; O. Sherman, Little Rock, Ark.; and W. F. Ball, Miami.

The conference also acted to reassign all of its bishops, in accordance with the eight year plan, formulated at Kansas City in 1948. However, the length of the term was cut from eight to four years.

Re-assignment of the bishops saw G. W. Barber move to the first district; E. C. Hatcher, (Continued on Page Eight)

## Woman Receives Verdict Calmly; Could Get Forty Year Jail Term

NEW YORK — Despite all the pleading by the defense that the government was trying to jail Rep. Adam Clayton Powell's secretary, Mrs. Hattie Freeman Dodson just as it could "brainwash her" and get enough evidence to prosecute Powell on kickback charges, the smiling Mrs. Dodson was convicted on nine counts of evading \$5,000 in income taxes and of illegally receiving \$2,000 in tax refunds.

A Federal Court jury convicted the business secretary of Powell and Abyssinian Baptist Church, which Powell pastors. She burst into tears when the jury received the case but was calm as the verdict was announced two hours later.

She will be sentenced on June 4th. The maximum penalty on each count is five years' imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine.

Highlight of the trial was the testimony that Mrs. Dodson kicked back her Congressional salary to Powell. Powell took the stand to deny it. Then the defense counsel charged that Powell was the real target in the case.

The jury, however, believed that Mrs. Dodson willfully evaded taxes by filing two returns—one jointly with her husband and the second under her maiden name and in listing false dependants, some nonexistent.



Miss Mary Mills, Army nurse assigned to the United States Mission in Lebanon, is (left) being greeted at Raleigh-Durham Airport by Mrs. Lucille Z. Williams, superintendent of Nursing at Lincoln Hospital where Nurse Mills received her basic training. Miss Mills had just arrived from Tuskegee where on Monday she had been awarded the honorary Doctor of Science degree. Also in picture is Miss Mills' mother. Miss Mills' trip to the United States was paid for by Congressman Francis P. Bolton of Ohio, a member of the Board of Trustees at Tuskegee. She is enroute to Beirut where she will be chief nurse for the Point Four program.

## Red Carpet Out For Firm's Top Salesmen

The North Carolina Mutual Life insurance company will roll out the red carpet this week-end for 23 of its officials and salesmen who were winners in the company's recently concluded sales production campaign.

They will be guests of the home office in Durham for the week-end, during which they will be treated to a round of honors, culminating in the firm's fourth George Wayne Cox Sales Convention.

The convention is named for the firm's vice-president-agency director who, along with the company's agency staff, will act as official hosts to the visiting salesmen.

In addition to the company's top brass, representatives of the National Insurance Association will be on hand to take a part in the convention.

One of the highlights of the convention will be a banquet Thursday evening at which C. L. Townes of Richmond, Va., chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Insurance Association, will be guest speaker.

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The 29 award winners who are being honored by the com-

## Seaboard Nurse Loses Permit

SEABOARD — Indications that reprisals have been exacted from Negroes who protested a registrar's refusal to register them were seen this week in light of recent developments here.

On May 12, Mrs. Maggie Garris and Alexander Faison were denied registration by Mrs. W. L. Taylor. They sought the advice of Attorney James R. Walker of Weldon who accompanied them later during the same day on a return trip to the W. L. Taylor store where the registration office had been set up only to be denied registration a second time.

Attorney Walker subsequently called for dismissal of the registrar and asserted that the examinations she had used were "improper and unfair."

On the same night, Walker was arrested on charges of trespassing in the Taylor store and was fined and given a suspended sentence last week in a trial at Northampton County Recorder's Court.

On the following night, Faison told the TIMES he was threatened with prosecution for a check he had written in Dec. This week, Mrs. Garris said she received a letter from the County Health Department advising her to turn in her permit to practice as a midwife on the first of June.

Faison is an air force veteran and freshman at North Carolina College. Mrs. Garris, a long-time resident of Seaboard, has practiced as a midwife in the county for the past 20 years.

According to Mrs. Garris, she received a letter last week from Dr. Raleigh Parker, health superintendent of Northampton County, which stated that because she had attended two cases which hadn't been properly cleared through the clinic she would have to turn in her permit on the first of June.

Mrs. Garris said she called Dr. Carroll Robinson of Jackson before going on the cases and he advised her to proceed and call him if she had any trouble.

Northampton County health officials denied that the suspension of Mrs. Garris' license had anything to do with her involvement in the registration dispute. They also maintained that the two cases referred to in the letter were not the ones on which she had consulted Dr. Robinson.

Mrs. Garris said she had never received any warning or reprimand before from health officials. She also said she had maintained an "A" rating each year since 1936, with the exception of one year when she

## Baptist Minister, Educator Are NCC Speakers

Dr. William Holmes Borders, pastor of Atlanta's Wheat Street Baptist Church, and Dr. Karl W. Bigelow, Professor of Education in the Department of Educational Administration of Teachers College, Columbia University, will be the final speakers at North Carolina College's 45th Commencement program. Dr. Borders' Baccalaureate sermon will be given in the Men's Gymnasium at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, June 3. Bigelow's address to some 400 candidates for graduate, undergraduate and professional degrees will be given at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 5 in the Gymnasium.

The Baccalaureate speaker is a native of Macon, Georgia. He received the A.B. degree at Morehouse College, the B.D. at Garrett Theological Seminary, and the M.A. degree at Northwestern University. He has done additional study at Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University.

In addition, Dr. Borders has conducted a successful program in Atlanta for some 13 years. An aggressive advocate of full civil rights for American minorities, Dr. Borders has opened his church to controversial speakers and he has been outspoken in his criticisms of social injustice.

The final speaker, Dr. Bigelow, received the Bachelor's degree from Clark College, Worcester, Mass., in 1920 and the Ph.D. from Harvard in 1929. He graduated from Clark College Magna Cum Laude. He holds the honorary degree L.H.D. from Clark College and LL.D. from Parsons College. He has been instructed in economics and sociology at Cornell, Harvard, Radcliffe and the University of Buffalo.

In 1936 Dr. Bigelow joined the staff of Teachers College as professor of education. He was given leave to join the Council of Teachers of Education of the American Council on Education as director until September, 1944.

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Combination district manager, A. J. Clement, Jr., Newark, N. J.; combination staff managers, Lorenzo Rowland, Philadelphia; H. H. Carter, Washington, D. C.; Robert Lightfoot, Washington, D. C.; J. D. Walker, Richmond, Va.; D. F. Jackson, Richmond, Va.; R. M. Denny, Savannah, Ga.; J. T. Cary, Greenville, S. C.

Also ordinary staff manager, L. Z. Craft, Newark, N. J.; combination agents Eugene Turner, Philadelphia; B. F. Bethes, Columbia, S. C.; D. L. Temple, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. Susan M. Baker, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Ollie Boney, Pittsburg, Pa.; A. L.

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