



North Carolina College Freshman Class President Elijah Fisher, left, is shown here conferring with his associates who include two other Durham students. They are Fred King, seated, treasurer, and Davene Wiggins, third from left.

## Magazine Survey Finds It Unnecessary To Wait For Integration Mandate To Begin Groundwork

**NEW YORK**

Public opinion surveys conducted throughout the U.S. during the past 14 years show that "it is not necessary to wait until a majority of whites are ready, to grant the Negro equal access to schools, buses and residential neighborhoods," according to an article appearing in the December issue of *SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN*, a monthly magazine published here.

The article states that in southern localities which have desegregated their schools since the Supreme Court's 1954 decision, "two-thirds of the white public continue to mutter that Negro children really should go to 'separate schools,' although 'the fact of integration has been accepted.' For this reason, the authors of the article conclude it is not necessary to wait for 'a majority mandate from the people' before proceeding with desegregation."

The article reports the results of surveys conducted by the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago. The authors are Herbert H. Hyman, professor of sociology at Columbia University, and Paul B. Sheatsley, director of the Eastern office of the National Opinion Research Center.

NORC surveys show that, "the long-term trend is steadily in the direction of integration," the authors say. They attribute this change, in part at least, to "revolutionary changes in ancient beliefs about Negroes" and to "the continued influx of better educated and more tolerant young people into the effective adult public."

Fired Belief Changed

An important change in fixed beliefs about Negroes, the article notes, is that concerning a survey question: "In general, do you think Negroes are as intelligent as white people—that is, can they learn things just as well if they are given the same education and training?"

"On this issue," the authors report, "there has been a dramatic change in people's beliefs, both in the North and the South. Fifteen years ago 50 per cent of Northerners answered 'No' to the question, but today only one Northern white person in seven says Negroes are inferior in intelligence. In the South a substantial majority today credit Negroes with equal intelligence, against only 21 per cent in 1942."

Nonetheless, the article points out, "it is obvious that favorable beliefs about intelligence do not automatically produce integrationist attitudes. A full three-quarters of the Southerners who concede the Negro's intelligence nevertheless still maintain a segregationist position. Plainly, however, their position is not as firmly based as it formerly was. Once the educability of the Negro has been granted, it becomes considerably more difficult to argue against integration in the schools."

## Honor Roll Students At Hillside Listed

H. M. Holmes, principal of Hillside High School has re-

Weaver, Shirley Massey, Doris Jones, Hazel Ellison, Jessie Giles, Marjorie Lennon, Michael Tucker, and Travis Williams.

## Ex-Washington Aide Lauds Views Of Boss

Booker Washington Birthplace, Va.—Dr. G. Lake Imes, former Secretary of Tuskegee Institute, who served five years under Booker T. Washington and twenty years under his successor, Dr. Robert R. Morton, states that Washington is honored today and will always be remembered for easing the tensions between the races following the Civil War and helping to build a new South to replace the South that passed away with slavery.

Dr. Imes served Tuskegee Institute for twenty-five years and knew Dr. Washington intimately. "Booker Washington", he said, "was a genius in the art of persuasion. He did not denounce those who made their appeals to the law, to the courts, and to legislation. It was unfortunate that his detractors could recognize no other instrument in the service of human rights than their own preferred weapons. Their antagonism toward the use of persuasion is a great testimonial to the power that lies behind it and to the man who used it so skillfully in the interests of his people."

In the fifth of a series of articles issued by the Booker T. Washington Centennial Commission, as part of the year-long Goodwill Building Crusade in observance of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the birth of the late educator, Dr. Imes

reviews the significant steps taken by Sidney J. Phillips, Centennial President, and his organization to perpetuate Washington's ideals and teachings. "The same kind of service to the South and the nation," said Dr. Imes, "has been resumed by Phillips who is a Tuskegee graduate, and a native of Alabama."

## Queen's Contest Is Announced By AMVETS Official

George Mayo, Chairman of the Roberson and Brown Amvets Post No. 510 Queens Contest, announced this week that the third annual Queens Contest is now on. This contest is sponsored annually by the Amvets to raise funds to provide Christmas food baskets in cooperation with the Durham Welfare Department for the needy families in Durham and Durham County.

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## NAACP Organ Analyzes Why Of Vote Shift

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An "election post-mortem" in the December issue of THE CRISIS, official journal of the NAACP, asserts that "the shift (to the GOP) in voting pattern of Negroes was undoubtedly influenced by the question of civil rights."

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SATURDAY, DEC. 15, 1956. THE CAROLINA TIMES

## Fayetteville State Students Pay Tribute To Retired President

As one of the finest occasions of the school year, the faculty staff, and students of the Fayetteville State Teachers College gathered in the Lilly Gymnasium on Saturday evening, Dec. 8, for a testimonial reception in honor of the thirty-four years of service—eleven as dean and twenty-three as the school's head—Dr. J. Ward Seabrook gave to the Fayetteville Community and to the South.

Dr. Seabrook heard his character, his personality, and his services to the causes of education and creative citizenship extolled by the several speakers. He retired as president of the college last June and has since accepted the position as acting president of the Johnson C. Smith University, his Alma Mater. He was succeeded at Fayetteville by Dr. Rudolph Jones, who like Dr. Seabrook, moved

from the deanship to the presidency. Dr. Jones served as headmaster for the affair.

Likewise was the occasion complete with tangible expressions of interest and goodwill. A junior, Velma Lavender, president of the local Young Women's Christian Association, presented Dr. Seabrook with a gift from that organization and the gift from the student body was presented by Roger Scales, a junior who is vice president of the Student Council.

And in presenting on behalf of the faculty and staff a gold watch and chain to the school's former head, James E. Coppage,

one of the oldest members of the staff in point of services, remarked "the contribution Dr.

Seabrook had made to the expansion of the college and to the betterment of the community and the state."

Any Southern opposition to its implementation is bound in the long run to fail," the editorial declares.

Another CRISIS editorial

hails the U. S. Supreme Court

ruling which banned bus segre-

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