

All-White Jury Clears White Man Of Rape On Negro Girl

DUNCAN IS NEW LIVINGSTONE HEAD

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Wilson Acclaims Businessman

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Appeal Golf Sentence

Six Receive Jail Terms

GREENSBORO
The two year old trespass case against six Negroes who won the right in federal court to use the city owned golf course here is expected to be heard in the State Supreme Court in early April. This fact became apparent Monday when attorneys for the six defendants announced that they would appeal the sentence of the Superior Court which found them guilty at the end of a trial last week. The sentence, 15 days in jail, was handed down by Judge L. H. Fountain. The trial ended last Friday, but Judge Fountain withheld sentence until Monday. Bonds of \$100, for appeal, and \$300, for appearance, were set for the six.

Counsel for the defense argued during the trial last week that the six men could not be guilty of breaking a law since a federal court had ruled they had a right to use the city-owned Gillespie Park golf course. Defending the six were At- (continued on page 8)

Elks Finances Good; McKeldin Urges Voting

By J. B. Harren
PHILADELPHIA, Pa.
Speaking to 300 members and friends of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World at the Elks annual Education-for Citizenship banquet held in the Crystal Room of the Broadwood Hotel here last week, Gov. Theodore R. McKeldin of Maryland said, "it is no longer a matter of obtaining the rights of complete democracy for minority group citizens that has already been established. The 'up-South' governor said it is now up to minority race groups to exercise their constitutional rights which have been reaffirmed by the courts. McKeldin also warned that it is no longer the major responsibility of the majority race group to take initiative in the implementation of these rights which the courts have repeatedly declared as belonging to minority citizens. Bates, Fine and Ashmore Although the banquet was the kick-off for the Elks \$100,000 educational fund drive on behalf of the "Little Rock Nine" and other students who have braved the taunts of segregationists to pioneer in opening up educational opportunities, it took on a civil rights flavor with the appearance of Mrs. Daisy Bates, "the Angel of Little Rock"; Dr. Benjamin S. Fine, New Times education editor; and Alexander Wilson, editor, Tri-State News, Memphis, Tenn. All three of these persons, who were in the thick of the "battle of Little Rock", spoke with modesty and feeling of their parts in the drama which stirred the civilized world. Each (continued on page 8)



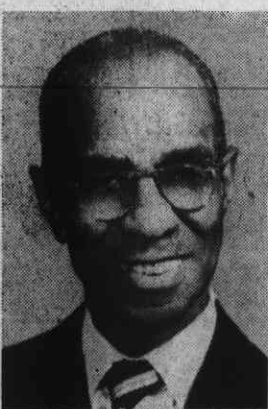
Chairmen of the Sub-Committees of the North Carolina NAACP Church Committee shown here in meeting last week in Durham are, left to right, Charles McLean, State Field Secretary; Reverend Alfred White, Chairman of Registration and Vote Committee;

Reverend Carl Fuqua, Chairman of the State Church Committee; N. L. Gregg, NAACP, Treasurer; Reverend Grady Davis, Chairman of the Spiritual Motivation Committee; Reverend Melvin Chester Swann, Chairman of the Life Membership Committee.

Church Aid Planned

Details To Be Given In March

Chairman of sub-committees of the Churches for Freedom movement of the North Carolina NAACP met in a planning session in Durham last week at St. Joseph A.M.E. Church. Host to the meeting Rev. Melvin C. Swann said the group will outline details of its plans at a regional conference to be held in Greensboro in early March. Rev Swann is chairman of the Life Membership Committee of the church movement in the state. The "Churches for Freedom" program is a project of the NAACP's national church department and is designed to enlist increased support of churches in the organization's overall program. A relatively new unit of the NAACP, the Church Department grew out of a resolution passed at a national NAACP convention (continued on page 8)



William Hines, prominent businessman of Wilson and well-known throughout the state, was singled out for his "unselfish" contributions to the city. Administrator of Mercy Hospital in Wilson, Hines was awarded an engraved plaque by Wilson citizens. See details page seven, this issue.

High School Supervisor Is Fifth President

SALISBURY
The election of Dr. Samuel E. Duncan to the presidency of Livingstone College was announced here Wednesday. The announcement came from Alexander Barnes, public relations director of the A.M.E. Zion Church. Barnes said Duncan was elected by the school's board of trustees who were meeting in semi-annual session here Wednesday in conjunction with the college's observance of Founder's Day. State supervisor of Negro high schools, Duncan will replace Professor J. H. Brockett of the Livingstone faculty who had been appointed acting President of the college. (continued on page 8)

North Carolina NAACP Leads All Southern Units, Director Says

CHARLOTTE
Fifty NAACP board members and branch officials gathered here February 8, at the call of State NAACP-president Kelly M. Alexander to hear the outline of the 1958 NAACP registration and vote campaign and resume of the work done during 1957. Chairman of the southeast regional NAACP registration and voting committee, Alexander urged the formation of local registration committees "in every town, county and hamlet" in and all-out drive for 300,000 additional race voters in the estate by 1960 elections. The overall goal of three million colored voters in the southeast by the next presidential election. Treasurer Newton L. Gregg's report indicated a healthy gain in finances collected during the

past year, with the new NAACP "Mother of the Year" program playing an important part. Gregg emphasized the need of communities getting their 1958 "Mother of the Year" contestants named and the communities—NAACP members and non-members alike—working to make her win an all-expense-paid trip to the national convention in Cleveland, Ohio in July. Field secretary Charles A. McLean urged the keeping of proper records of all branch affairs as he, also, urged an all-out voting effort and a watchful eye on the housing and labor programs, particularly where federal assistance is used. Any desired information can be secured on any phase of NAACP activity by writing Charles A. McLean, 1453 Hattie Avenue, (continued on page 8)



Participants in the Race Relations Service at St. Joseph's A. M. E. Church last Sunday evening were left to right: H. M. Michaux, Jr., Attorney W. A. Marsh, Jr., The Reverend Robert Watson, Rector, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Guest Speaker; Dr. Cecil L. Spellman, The Reverend Melvin Chester Swann, The Minister. Music was rendered by the Male Chorus of A. & T. College under the direction of Howard T. Pearsall.

Jury Returns Verdict After 45 Minutes

CLINTON
An all-white, male jury took slightly less than 45 minutes to return a verdict of acquittal in a case in which a white man had been charged with raping a 16 year-old Negro girl. The verdict, coming in Sampson County Superior Court here last Friday, brought to an end a week-long trial which had attracted much attention throughout the area. Charged in the case was Devane McLamb, resident of Honeycutt township and a World War II veteran. He was accused of raping 16 year-old Lula Bell Lamb on last November 11. The prosecution, headed by district solicitor Walter Britt, placed the girl on the stand who testified that McLamb came to her home and persuaded her mother to allow her to return with him home on the pretense of baby-sitting for him. Her testimony further alleged that McLamb drove around for a while on a back road then pulled up inside a barn, dragged her out of the car and forced her, with a bottle, into having relations with him. She charged that after he finished, she ran from the barn and flagged a passing motorist who returned her home. Testimony indicated that her skirt was torn when she returned home. The main contention of the defense was that the girl willing- (continued on page 8)



MRS. ELIZABETH BAMPFIELD, second from left, who celebrated her 100th birthday in Durham on February 12, is shown here surrounded by her relatives who journeyed to the city to join her on the occasion. Seated, left to right, are Albert Bampffield Augusta, Georgia; Mrs. Bampffield, Robert Smalls Bampffield, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Julia B. Stinson, Cleveland, Ohio. Standing

are Mrs. Ariana Boulware, Durham; Mrs. Janet Davidson, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Elizabeth Hall, Washington, D. C.; and Mrs. Helen Givens, Charlotte. Mrs. Bampffield, who makes her home on Lawson Street with Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Boulware, was congratulated in a letter from President Dwight D. Eisenhower on her birthday. See page eight for text of letter.

Swift Case Closed; Physician Improves

As far as police are concerned, the accidental shooting case in which a prominent Durham physician sustained a head injury is closed. Dr. Leroy Russell Swift told Sheriff E. G. Belvin at Duke hospital Tuesday that he shot himself accidentally, according to the sheriff. "It was purely an accident,"

the sheriff said the doctor told him in his first interview with the injured man. Belvin said Swift stated he was showing his wife how to handle a pistol and the gun went off in his hands. "By some means which I can't explain, the gun went off in my face," the sheriff said Swift told him.

Previously, the doctor's wife had told the sheriff that Swift shot himself while showing her how to operate the pistol. The accident occurred at the doctor's residence on Fayetteville road on Jan. 31, but the sheriff had to wait until Tuesday before Duke doctors permitted him to talk. The pressure on his windpipe coupled with a temporary surgical measure taken by Duke doctors to permit breathing is thought to have prevented him from talking earlier with Belvin. The bullet entered Dr. Swift's right temple and ranged downward into the throat, putting pressure on the windpipe and a blood vessel supplying the brain. The pressure on the blood vessel caused a temporary paralysis of the physician's right side. Dr. Swift's condition was described as "improving" by his attending physician, Dr. Guy Odum Wednesday. Dr. Odum said his patient is getting out of bed now and that his overall strength is increasing. He also revealed that the pa- (Please turn to page Eight)

Ex-Tarheel In N. Y. Honored

NEW YORK
A city-wide Sponsoring Committee will hold a testimonial banquet at 7:30 P.M. Thursday, Feb. 20, in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Diplomat in New York City, honoring the Rev. Dr. Thomas Kilgore, Jr., on the occasion of his tenth anniversary as Pastor of Friendship Baptist Church. At Dr. Kilgore's request, all proceeds from the \$10-per-plate banquet will go to The House of Friendship Community Center and Mental Health Clinic, 170 West 130th Street, which he founded in 1955. The more than 100 members of the sponsoring committee come from all walks of life. They have joined members of Friendship Church, 144 West 131st Street, to pay tribute to Dr. Kilgore not only as a pastor but as an outstanding leader in the Harlem community. Dr. Kilgore, who accepted the call to the pastorate of Friendship Church in 1947, was formerly Pastor of Friendship Baptist Church in Winston-Salem, N. C., Chaplain of Winston-Salem Teachers College, and Executive Secretary of the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. (continued on page 8)

Official Predicts Pro-Civil Rights Southerners To Be Elected Soon

ST. LOUIS, MO.
The election of pro-civil rights representatives and senators from the South was foreseen by an NAACP official here last week as the probable result of enforcement of the federal civil rights law and extension of a register and vote campaign throughout the South. Addressing an Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority public forum at St. Louis University on Feb. 2, Clarence Mitchell, director of the NAACP's Washington bureau, declared that the election of pro-civil rights persons to Congress is "perhaps the greatest challenge we face today." The Republicans have been challenged to build "an effective political party in the South" but cannot accomplish this "as long as the present type of G.O.P. Congressmen run for office," Mitchell maintained. "Representative Joel Broynhill, (continued on page 8)



PROF. N. A. CHEEK

Durham Scout Official Gets High Award

N. A. Cheek, principal of Pearson elementary school in Durham and a Scouting veteran of 18 years, received the Silver Beaver award at a dinner for a Durham Boy Scout Troop Monday night. Cheek, who has worked at various levels in Scouting since 1940, becomes the sixth scouter from the Durham Division to be awarded the Silver Beaver, highest honor which the Council can bestow. The award was presented to Cheek by R. Kelly Bryant, Jr., vice-chairman of the Durham Division, at the annual banquet held for White Rock Baptist Church Troop 55. The new holder of the Silver Beaver was one of nine men designated from the Oconeechee Council to receive the honor. It is given on the basis of (Please turn to page Eight)

Urban Renewal For Hayti To Be Discussed

L. B. Frasier, president of the Durham Business and Professional Chain, announced this week that members of the City Planning Department will give a "repeat performance" on the proposed Urban Renewal program for the city of Durham to members of the Chain. This program will be on Sunday, March 9th, at the W. D. Hill Recreation Center, Fayetteville Street. In making this announcement Frasier said, "The Chain is sponsoring this program in order that business men and citizens of Hayti may become acquainted with the aims and purposes of Urban Renewal." At a meeting at City Hall on January 28th, members of the City Planning Department, assisted by students in the Department of City and Regional Planning at the University of North Carolina, told some 100 persons that the 200-acre "blighted area" in Hayti could be made an attractively clean and modern residential section for a net cost of \$600,000 to the city of Durham. The federal government would (continued on page 8)