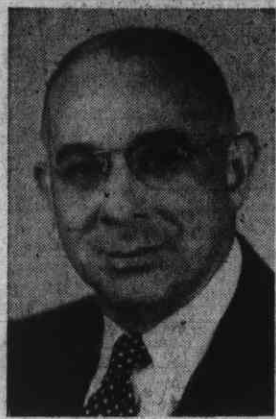


BOMBING NOT RACIAL, SAYS POLICE

Chief Discounts Gravity Of Incident



Durham Police Chief W. W. Pleasants told the TIMES Wednesday that daily press coverage of the bombing of the home of the Rev. Warren Carr had overemphasized the seriousness of the incident.

Chief Pleasants made this statement in response to questions as to whether the department planned any special protective measures for the Rev. Carr or his home.

No special measures have been taken nor have they been requested by the Rev. Carr,

Chief Pleasants said. "I don't believe it's that serious," he said.

"The papers have played this thing up more than it's worth. I don't believe it had anything to do with this interracial thing."

Popular speculation following the Monday night blast of a firecracker like bomb at the Urban avenue home of the Rev. Carr was that it was connected with his job as chairman of the city's newly formed interracial Human Relations Committee.

Both Durham daily news-

papers, morning and afternoon, carried front page stories of the incident, and the morning newspaper devoted its lead editorial on Tuesday to the bombing.

The theory which Durham police seem to favor is that the bombing was work of young hoodlums with whom the Rev. Carr had discontinued working. The Baptist minister said a group of youngsters he had helped but had been forced to stop helping had shown resentment toward him in the past.

Though Chief Pleasants discounted the gravity of the episode, the bomb fragments are being taken to Fort Bragg for examination to determine its identification, and possibly furnish police with "leads" in the case.

The Rev. Carr, pastor of Watts Street Baptist Church, has been the target of harassment since his acceptance as chairman of the Human Relations Committee last Spring.

He told the TIMES Wednesday (continued on page 8)



Miss Beulah Council, North Carolina College alumna from Hamilton, center, has been elected "Miss North Carolina College Summer School of 1958". Shown with the new NCC Summer Queen are runners-up Miss Pauline Dixon of J. F. Gunn, Elementary School, Burlington; and Miss Miriam Cowan, R. A. Cleveland, Cleveland. Selection was made via campus-wide voting.

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Roanoke Man Appointed

L. C. Downing On C-R Unit's Advisor Group

ROANOKE, Va. — Dr. L. C. Downing, prominent Roanoke physician and civic leader, was appointed to the advisory committee to the Civil Rights commission, it was announced this week.

Dr. Downing was one of seven named to Virginia advisory committee. Each state will supply an advisory group for the commission. So far, committees have been appointed for Texas, Indiana, and Florida in addition to Virginia.

Virginia's advisory committee appointees were announced by Dr. John A. Hannah, chairman of the Commission.

Former Governor John S. Battle of Charlottesville, a member of the Commission, commenting on Virginia's advisory group, said: "I am extremely pleased that these outstanding Virginians have agreed to serve as members of the Virginia Advisory Committee."

Dr. Downing is a veteran physician and leader in many civic activities in Roanoke. A graduate of the Howard University Medical School of 1912, he is chairman of the Colored Citizens Committee of Roanoke, a member of the city school board and has served as assistant coordinator of the Roanoke Civilian Defense Council.

He is also active in national medical affairs. He is a former vice-president of the National Medical Association, the National Hospital Association, and has served as president of the Old Dominion Medical Society and the Magic City Medical Society.

Dr. Downing is a former member of the Virginia Division Board of Directors of the Cancer Society, and is holding membership in the following professional and scientific organizations (continued on page 8)



DR. PLUMMER

Last Rites For Dr. J. O. Plummer

RALEIGH — Funeral services for Dr. John Owen Plummer, distinguished veteran physician of Raleigh, were held at St. Ambrose Episcopal Church Sunday afternoon at four o'clock.

The Reverend Samuel D. Rudder officiated. He was assisted by the Reverend Fred J. Hunter.

Dr. Plummer died at Lincoln hospital on July 4 after a short illness. His death culminated a successful practice as an eye, ear, nose and throat specialist which spanned 55 years.

During this period he was a teacher at the Shaw University school of medicine, twice president of the National Medical Association and, as NMA president, was influential in straightening out the big problem which the Veteran hospital at Tuskegee posed in the 1920's.

Born in Warrenton in May 1880, Dr. Plummer was graduated from A and T College then the Leonard Medical School at Shaw University. During his practice, he held at one time the following positions: Otologist, Laryngologist, Rhinologist and Ophthalmologist at Lincoln hospital; member of the St. Agnes hospital visiting staff; and physician to the State Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institute at Raleigh.

From 1910 until 1919, he was professor of Anatomy at the Leonard Medical school.

His civic and professional affiliations were widespread. In addition to his membership in many professional and scientific organizations, he was a member of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, superintendent of the St. Ambrose Church Sunday School, and was listed in Who's Who in America.

Dr. Plummer personally financed the education of a large number of young people.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Clementine K. Plummer; two daughters: Mrs. Marie P. Orset, Petersburg, Va., and Mrs. Owen P. Clark, Durham; one son: John Owen, Jr., Washington, D. C.; two sisters: Mrs. Beulah Fitts, Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. Courtney Fitts, Wilson; and one brother: Baker, Warrenton.



HARRISON

Harrison Elected Assistant Cashier By Mechanics And Farmers Bank

David L. Harrison has been elected assistant cashier of the Mechanics and Farmers bank, it was announced this week by bank president J. H. Wheeler.

The action was taken by the firm's board of directors.

Harrison has been employed as an installment loan teller by the bank since 1953.

Before he joined the bank's staff, he was business manager of the Isaac H. Smith Realty company of New Bern.

The new Mechanics and Farmers bank officer is a native of Nashville, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Harrison. He graduated from Nash County Training high in 1934 and entered the army where he served an overseas tour with the 93rd infantry in the Dutch East Indies.

Harrison entered North Carolina College after his army discharge, and earned a Bachelor of Science in Commerce degree in 1951.

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Dr. Battle Leads July 4 Memorial To John Brown

HARPERS FERRY, W. VA. — Some one thousand members and friends of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World (IBPOEW), Dr. Robert H. Johnson, grand exalted ruler, gathered here for the annual Fourth of July celebration and memorial services in tribute to the noted anti-slavery martyr—John Brown—paused for devotional exercises led by grand lecturer Rev. K. P. Battle of Rocky Mount, N. C., as Charles P. McLane, grand commissioner of public relations conducted the program.

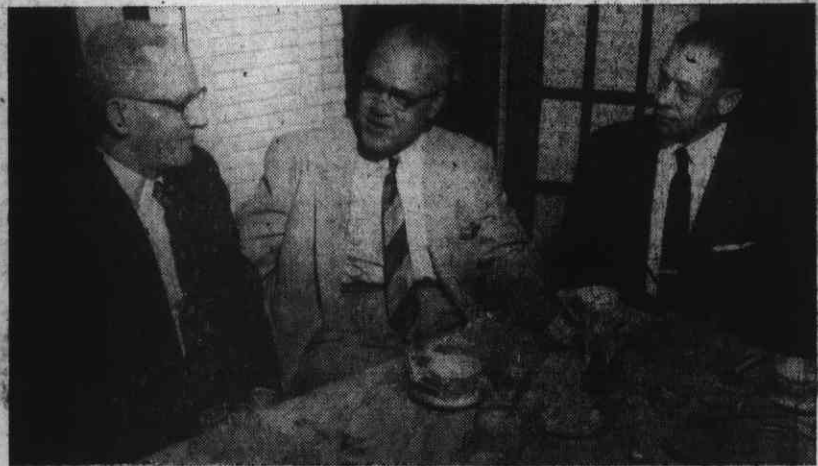
Johnson endorsed during the program which featured Steelton, Penna., youth who spoke on the Constitution of the United States and the ideals of John Brown, who has been dubbed: "God's Angry Man", the Elks and Daughters-Elks assembled unanimously adopted a resolution endorsing Robert H. Johnson and his cabinet for re-election at the forthcoming 60th anniversary convention in Washington, D. C., August 24-28th.

McClane, who is also director of the Shrine Department of the grand lodge along with Mrs. Bertha McKanias (only woman past grand exalted ruler in Elksdom), announced that the grand lodge and delegates would meet here August 23 on the 255-acre John Brown Farm eight miles north of historic Harpers Ferry, where John Brown made his never-to-be forgotten stand with 25 of his relatives and friends, including Negroes, in an abortive attempt to free the slaves in 1859. For this Brown tried for treason and later hanged, as were others of his followers.

The old John Brown Farm home, later called Samples Manor, is now being developed in a recreation center for outdoors-lovers who desire a quiet retreat far from the hustle and bustle of city life. A large hall has been constructed which will accommodate several hundred persons for any type service or amusement. The Old John Brown Homestead (where Brown hid his men for weeks prior to the capture of the U.S. Arsenal here) has been turned into a museum since a new modern home has been built for Maynard Henderson, the caretaker.

This pre-convention meeting of the grand lodge on this "Shrine to Freedom" will be for the purpose of formally dedicating the home of the white man who picked up a black child on his way to the gallows at nearby Charles Town, W. Va., (then in Virginia) and said: "I am dying for you that some day you may be free." "Greater love hath no man than that he lay down his life for his friend," reads the Bible.

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Dr. Frederick D. Patterson, (center) president of the National Business League which will meet in convention in Durham with two other allied organizations in late July, chats here with Durhmites J. H. Wheeler, right, and Dr. Alfonso Elder, left. Both men are members of a committee planning to entertain the Bankers, Housewives and National Business League convention in Durham.

Effectiveness Of Durham Joint Conventions Cited

NEW YORK — The potential effectiveness of the simultaneous meeting of three national organizations in convention in Durham, N. C. in late July was singled out this week by head of one of the groups.

In a comment on the forthcoming conventions of the National Business League, the National Bankers Association and the National Housewives League July 30-August 1 in Durham, Business League president Dr. Frederick D. Patterson said:

"The joint meetings of these three national organizations insures a wide representation of distinguished leaders in the economic field. Together the delegates will study the economic problems confronting us.

"The Housewives will want to know," Dr. Patterson continued,

"how they can, in the face of steady inflation, get more for the family dollar in terms of basic purchases."

"The National Business League will consider how it can help expand the productivity of operating business establishments."

"The League will also discuss the fields its members should enter to better serve the needs of their respective communities; and review, with members of the National Bankers Association, practical ways and means of financing business at the local level."

The National Business League, which Dr. Patterson heads, is the oldest economic organization (continued on page 8)

Langston May Close

OKLAHOMA, CITY, Okla. — Langston University may within the next few years become a victim of the trend toward integrated public education.

State regents, confronted with

the high cost of maintaining dual school system, are considering abolishing the all Negro school.

Regents chairman John Rogers said at a recent meeting of the regents board that he is ready to recommend that the school become a junior college beginning in the Fall of 1959, "and on down the line until it is completely eliminated."

Several other regents agreed with him.

The reason given for taking such action was that the low student enrollment at Langston pushes education costs for the state out of line.

Negroes may attend state supported colleges and universities in Oklahoma.

Little Rock, Durham, Winston-Salem Youths Among 52 Awarded Grants



Ernest Green, first Negro to graduate from Little Rock's Central high school, Bennie Booker, graduate of Hillside in Durham, N. C., and Fred D. Tanner, graduate of Atkins in

among 53 Negro high school seniors to receive scholarship aid from the National Scholarship Service Fund for Negro students, it was announced here this week.

Green's award is from the American Conscience Fund and will supplement a full tuition scholarship to Michigan State College. Booker's award is for Wooster College of Wooster, Ohio, and Tanner's scholarship is to the Baldwin-Wallace Conservatory of Music at Berea, Ohio.

Announcement of the awards was made by John Monro, chairman of the trustees of the supplementary scholarships of the

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NCC READING CLINIC STAGES ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE — Pictured here are some of the 72 persons enrolled in North Carolina College's 12th annual Reading Clinic under the distinguished leadership of Mrs. Lucy S. Herring of Asheville. Group holds its annual open house Friday from eight to five in the Commerce building. In addition to Mrs. Herring, other faculty members are Mrs. Loris Ray, Mrs. Annie Davis and Mrs. Velma Daniels. Dr. Rose B. Browne is Clinic supervisor.