

## Mrs. Mamie Webb, Mother of Four, Is Assigned Duties as First Negro Policewoman For Weldon

WELDON — Mrs. Mamie Webb, 32-year-old mother of four, was recently employed by the city of Weldon as a policewoman to help protect the children from pending hazards of the heavy flow of traffic within the city limits. She, like

all other traffic cops, will control the traffic and aid the school children in crossing busy Third Street safely. Mrs. Webb is an outstanding mother and citizen, and the wife of Jeremiah Webb, a well-known

painting contractor of Weldon. She attended school in Jackson, North Carolina, and graduated from the Northampton County Training School in Garysburg, North Carolina. She is also employed at the Ralph J. Bunche High School as an assistant in the school cafeteria.



MRS. WEBB

## NCC's Bohannon To Judge High School Drama

RALEIGH—The North Carolina High School Drama Association will hold its annual statewide festival at Shaw University, Friday and Saturday, March 13, 14, in Greenleaf Auditorium.

The critic judge for this festival will be Miss Mary Bohannon, director, Department of Drama, North Carolina College at Durham.

The state festival will present the top-ranking plays from all the regions of the state organizations. These regions will be represented: The Northeastern Region, The Eastern Region and the Western Region.

The Shaw Players, under the direction of Guilbert A. Daley, executive secretary of the N.C.H.S.D.A., will play host to the visiting high schools. The festival will have approximately 15 to 20 plays.



Competing in a field of 42 contestants for the 1959 title of Tennessee State University's Miss Charm is North Carolina's Dordine J. Thomas of Winston-Salem.

## Mrs. Aggrey Addresses Livingstone Group Devoted to Overseas Affairs

SALISBURY—Mrs. Rosa D. Aggrey, educator and religious leader, was the featured speaker for the "Overseas Student Organization" of Livingstone College on Friday at the noon-day chapel program.

The program was given in observance of the second anniversary of the independence of Ghana, and to keep alive the long and friendly relationship between Ghana and Livingstone College.

The Overseas Student Organization seeks to stimulate interest in African culture, to provide programs and other cultural programs for community participation and to set up avenues of contact with the church so as to help foster Christian fellowship.

Mrs. Aggrey brings to this occasion many first-hand experiences. She is the widow of the late Rev. Dr. J. E. Kweyir Aggrey of Ananabo, Ghana, and a former professor of English language and literature, sociology and economics at Livingstone College. She also passed a great deal of time in Ghana with Dr. Aggrey, when he was principal of the Achimota school there. Mrs. Aggrey was the guest of the Ghana Government in 1957 when it was

granted its independence. The officers of the Overseas Student Organization are: D. Dorme Lartey, President; J. Aggrey Smith, Secretary; Cephas L. Acolatse, Treasurer; Herbert Nurse, Chaplain; Rev. Joshua Romao, Public Relations Officer; Rev. Joshua Romao, Public Relations Officer; Rev. Walter L. Yates and Dr. Peter K. Pak, Advisors.

## NCC Professor Serves as Expert In Conn. Talks

The Rev. Dr. J. Neal Hughley, professor of economics and college minister at North Carolina College, is participating in a National Consultation on the Negro in the Christian Ministry at Seabury House, Greenwich, Conn., March 6-8.

The National Council of Churches is sponsoring the consultation with the cooperation of a grant from the Lilly Foundation.

Other participants in the consultation and their topics are Dr. Harry V. Richardson, president of Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, "The Seminary Training of Negro Ministers" and Dr. J. M. Ellison, chancellor and former president of Virginia Union University, Richmond, "The Negro Churches and the Ministerial Placement—A Structural and Strategic Analysis."

A spokesman said the consultation is studying means of providing more highly trained Negro preachers. It is said that an annual need exists for more than 1,200 such ministers. At the present rate of preparation, only around 100 trained ministers are being produced among Negroes.

## Need for Dreamers and Idealists Continues, VSC Audience Is Told

PETERSBURG, Va. — A New York minister told a Virginia State College Founders Day audience that "these exciting and anxious days call for dreamers and idealists in race relations, international politics, religion, community development and democratic theory and practice even more than in the sphere of science which continues to leapfrog ahead of even time itself."

He was the Reverend Doctor James H. Robinson, Minister, The Church of the Master. The occasion was the 77th observance of Founders Day at Virginia State College.

Dr. Robinson continued by saying that "society owes such a great debt to its dreamers that it can neither repay them nor forget them. Yet our materialistic and machine combined society tries vainly to snuff out the dream and ridicules the dreamer."

"But young people are encouraged to be realistic; to seek economic security first and add culture later; to compromise idealism with practicality, to get ahead in life by knowing the 'right' people and by clever manipulation of situations to their own advantage; to take no risks they cannot calculate in advance; and to pursue no visions that have no basis in fact at the moment," he said.

The Founders Day program included the Campus Memorial which included the Morning Worship Service. Immediately following the Morning Worship Service the motorcade visited the graves of the Founders who are buried in

Blandford Cemetery, Petersburg, and Evergreen Cemetery, Richmond.

At the evening service Dr. Levi Whiting, Regional Vice President of the General Alumni Association presented commemorative remarks. President Robert P. Daniel presided at the services.

## Socialists Urge Quick End To School Jimcrow

NEW YORK — The Socialist Party-Social Democratic Federation is urging "all possible speed" in the desegregation of the nation's schools. A resolution adopted by the Socialist National Committee, meeting in Washington, D. C., also called on the 86th Congress to make educational funds available to states where schools have been closed to prevent integration.

The Socialists pledged their support to "those heroic Negro men, women and children who are setting new standards of personal morality and dignity for us all."

Asserting that the problem of civil rights was one of the leading issues facing the nation today, the Socialists demanded enforcement of laws new on the books aimed at protecting citizens from arbitrary arrests, police brutality and mob terror.

## Voluntary Plan Of Investment Is Inaugurated

CLEVELAND, Ohio—What may prove to be the beginning of a systematic plan to cause the Negro to become a significant factor in the American economy was seen this week with the announcement by Norman L. McGhee, investment brokerage firm head of this city, of the formation of what he has called "The American Family-Century Investment Club." Conceived as a voluntary association, it is likely to set in motion a savings habit of far-reaching economic consequences.

According to McGhee, The American Family Century Investment Club is designed as a voluntary association of American families who sign a declaration of intent to set apart from their daily earnings from twenty-five cents upwards for the purpose of making periodic investments in the shares of the principal industries of the United States that produce the goods and furnish the services for their daily needs.

When their savings, as result of

## Accident Takes Life of A and T Campus Guard

GREENSBORO—John A. Matherson, 63, campus police officer at A&T College since 1948, died at a local hospital on Wednesday, March 4, following injuries received in an auto accident.

The deceased was admitted to the hospital early Tuesday morning following the accident which occurred near the intersection of Lindsay and Nocho Streets. He died on Wednesday at 12:15 p.m.

Matherson was employed by the College in April, 1948 and worked there up to his death.

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Daisy Thompson; a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Steyens, Sarasota, Fla., and a son, Herman of New York.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed at this time.

following thru with their declared intent, have been converted into shares of stock equal to the amount of \$100.00 or more

## Livingstone Man Gets Grant

SALISBURY—Samuel L. Hopkins, associate professor of Biology Livingstone College, has been awarded a Danforth Special Teacher Grant. This grant is for twelve months and carries a stipend of \$4,800 plus tuition and fees.

Hopkins is a native of Salisbury and attended the public schools there. He received the A. B. degree from Livingstone College in 1942, and the M. S. degree from Fordham University in 1948. He is studying toward the Doctor's degree at New York University.

Hopkins is a member of the Soldiers Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church.



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## Woody Herman Band to Appear In Raleigh With Singer Dakota Staton

RALEIGH—Woody Herman and his Great Jazz Orchestra will co-star with Dakota Staton and other jazz artists at the first annual Jazz Fair at the N. C. State Fair Arena on Sunday, March 22nd.

This concert is being sponsored by the Capital City Jazz Corporation, who gave you the first annual Jazz Festival at the Arena last November.

Other jazz artists appearing in this concert include English jazz star Chris Barber and his band, Otilie Patterson, trumpeter Pat Helcox, drummer Graham Burdige and Monty Sunshine.

First there was "The Band That Played The Blues" and then there were the Great Hermands of the Forties and now, Woody Herman is out in front of the music business once again with "The Third Herd."

Each of these great bands —

bands that have made history — have been organized and led by the shy, clarinet playing ex-booster from Milwaukee, Woody Herman.

There are fans all over the country who say that the first of these groups was the greatest of them all; there are others who rate the Hermands of 1945 which won blue ribbons in five polls in one year; there are others who believe that the band Woody led in 1948 and 49—the band which won the Down Beat poll after it had been broken up — was the greatest of them all.

One columnist writing says "As one who has taken a dour view of the contemporary state of American Jazz, I would like to say that there is nothing wrong with it that a few more bands like the new Woody Herman aggregation wouldn't hurt within a reasonable time."

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