

# Durham Shopping Center Decision Put Off Again

IF YOU CAN'T MAKE THE BEACH...



the next best thing is to get under a spray of water, as these children did. Since the Durham area weather has come under the influence of a Bermuda high pressure system with hot, humid days, this scene has been repeated often in the wading pool of the Whitted Park, located behind the John Avery Boys Club on Proctor street.

Mrs. Agnes Pinchback, director of the playground, supervises the wading pool which is equipped with two shower jets which spray water to delight of the neighborhood children. In the

top photo, a group of youngsters cavort in the pool just after the spray had been turned on. In bottom photo, young bodies, getting accustomed to the pool fingers of water playing on their skin, seek in the cooling waters. Staff photos by Satterfield.

AFTER 12 YEARS

## Baptist Leader Retires

After 12 years as president of the New Hope Sunday School and BTU Convention, the Rev. Miles Mark Fisher, pastor of White Rock Baptist Church, retired at the 84th annual session of the convention held at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church this week.

The Rev. Fisher was honored with a gift in appreciation of his services. T. R. Speight has been elected to succeed him.

Other officers elected at the convention were: Dr. Minnie T. Forte, Durham, first vice president; Miss Lucille Jones, Chapel Hill, second vice president; Miss Peggy Hogan, secretary, succeeding Mrs. G. M. Williams who had served for many years in that capacity.

Mrs. Ella True, asst. recording secretary; Mrs. Georgia Barbee, auditor. James Allen was elected president emeritus of the convention.

Added to the executive board were Rev. J. A. Brown and L. W. Reid. Other board members were The Revs. J. R. Manley, J. H. Jones, James Stewart, C. E. McLester and William Fuller, Mrs. C. E. McLester, A. L. Filmore, Georgia Barbee, Pecola Hogan, Nathaniel Mayo and Lewis Caldwell.

The State Baptist Sunday School Convention is set to be held in Charlotte at Shiloh Baptist Church, Aug. 8-10. Theme for the convention will be "The Bible—A Blue print for Christian Living."

The opening day address will be delivered by the Rev. Miles Mark Fisher of White Rock Baptist. The Rev. O. R. Burston will deliver the annual address.

Wednesday's program will be highlighted by the Annual Address by E. M. Butler, president of the state convention. The evening services will be spotlighted by keynote speaker Louis E. Austin, publisher of the Carolina Times.

Highlighting Thursday's program will be the James F. Wertz Oratorical Contest of which Miss Clarence Christmas is director and Mrs. Lillian Pittman is associate.

THE WAR THAT MADE US FREE—Part I



## The Losers Seem Proudest of All

By VERNON JOHNS

Editor's Note: Beginning this week, the TIMES will present a series of articles on the Civil War by the distinguished writer and historian Vernon Johns. Dr. Johns has done considerable research into the lives of abolitionists, and is preparing a book-length story on the life and times of John Brown. He is also editor of Second Century, a new magazine devoted to aspects of Negro life in the second century after emancipation. The series on the Civil War will be continued next week.

The Civil War, which is one hundred years old this annum, ranks easily among the most determining struggles in human history.

The nation which remained undivided as a result of the victory of the Union has salvaged world civilization once in the last fifty years and helped to salvage it the second time.

The great political benefit from the result of the war was Union, a nation Undivided. The great moral benefit was liberty—the emancipation of four million slaves.

One of the oddities of this centennial is its most enthusiastic celebrant. The North does not seem over enthusiastic. The victory in retrospect does not seem so impressive after one hundred years as it did when it was snatched.

## Poor Teachers on the Way Out In N. C., State Official Declares

The era of poor teachers in North Carolina is fast coming to an end, an official of the State Department of Public Instruction declared in Durham this week.

The speaker was Dr. Charles Carroll, State Superintendent of Public Instruction. He was addressing a seminar at North Carolina College's Summer school on Wednesday.

"I have no reluctance in saying that one of the main reasons I supported this program was to try to induce enough good people to come into education to allow superintendents and principals to exercise selectivity in employment."

"If a person is not doing a good job of teaching, that person should not be retained. But there must be a supply from which to select better teachers."

He indicated that the increased

# WSTC'S ATKINS STEPS DOWN

## Veteran College Prexy to Remain As Teacher

WINSTON-SALEM — Dr. Francis L. Atkins, president of Winston-Salem Teachers College since 1934, announced his resignation Tuesday.

He will remain at the college in a teaching position this fall.

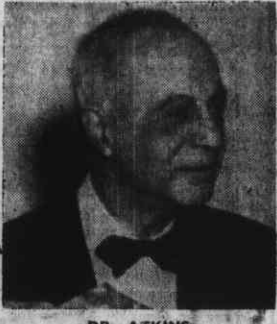
Announcement of the college president's retirement from the executive post came at the end of the board of trustees meeting.

Dr. Atkins told newsmen he had been thinking of stepping down for some time.

T. Winfield Blackwell, chairman of the Winston-Salem trustees, said an interim replacement would be named for Dr. Atkins this week.

A new president of the college will be elected later by the school's trustees.

In explaining his action, Dr. Atkins said he would reach 65 in December, the compulsory age for state employees. He added that he felt he should resign before the



DR. ATKINS

STATE NAACP HEAD SAYS:

## 'Appointments OK, But..'

## Alexander Says Far Reaching Moves Needed

The president of the North Carolina NAACP described the appointments last week of two Negroes to state boards as "good," but said they were not enough.

"The appointments of Dr. James Seabrook and Dr. Samuel Duncan to the Employment Security Commission and the State Board of Public Welfare are good appointments, but they certainly do not meet the demands of the Negro people at this time," said Kelly M. Alexander in a message from Charlotte to the TIMES.

"Negroes are still waiting for the Governor to appoint qualified Negroes to salaried positions to take a firm stand against discrimination in employment in state government," Alexander said.

"I'm quite sure that the unequivocal support Negroes of the State gave the Governor (in the elections) deserves more than the appointments which the Governor made, and there are many more departments in State Government we would certainly appreciate seeing opened to qualified Negroes."



KENNEDY GREETED NAACP—Above are, left to right, Bishop Stephen Gill Spottswood, chairman of the NAACP Board of Directors; President Kennedy; Joel Spingarn, NAACP president; and Roy Wilkins, executive Secretary of the NAACP.

The NAACP members above, along with 57 state direct executive board members and other NAACP officials were greeted warmly by the President in the Oval Room of the Executive Mansion last Wednesday as the NAACP leaders made a

special convention trip to Washington to confer with the President. The President reaffirmed his strong position on civil rights. Following a discussion, the President escorted them to Lincoln's bedroom and pointed out articles of historic interest.

## Durham Woman Honored By Calantheans

Mrs. Hattie Jenkins, a longtime native of Durham, and an active member of the Court of Calanthe Fraternity organization, was honored at the Annual session of North Carolina's Pythians and Calantheans Grand Lodge and Court for 1961, Tuesday at the Mt. Vernon Baptist Church.

In saluting Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Clara Williams Nesby, Grand Worthy Counselor labelled her as "one of the saints... who has contributed zealously and unselfishly to promote fraternalism."

Mrs. Jenkins has been a member of the organization for more than 40 years, much of that time she spent as Grand Register of Deeds.

Also saluted as a "grand and noble woman of fraternalism" was

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## Two Durham Men Were First Job Holders

RALEIGH — Two Durham men were the first Negroes appointed to major boards and commissions in North Carolina, a check of state records revealed this week.

They are W. J. Kennedy, Jr., chairman of North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company's trustee board, and William Rich, retired administrator and present consultant of Lincoln hospital.

This information was pointed out by Dr. John Larkins, member of the State Welfare Department staff.

Dr. Larkins also called attention to the fact that prior to the appointments of Drs. Seabrook and S. M. Duncan last week, five other Negroes had been appointed by previous North Carolina governors.

The TIMES listed only four last week, based on information furnished by Graham Jones, press secretary to Governor Sanford.

However, Jones referred the TIMES to Larkins, whom he described as "an authority" in this matter.

The TIMES' listing last week omitted Dr. Murray Davis, of High Point, who was appointed by Gov. Hodges in 1957 to the Prison Commission.

Kennedy's appointment by Gov. Cherry in 1945 to the Recreation Commission was the first made of a Negro to a major state agency.

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## Urban Renewal Body Seeks Time to Study Effect Of Proposed Center on One Planned in Mid-Hayti

The controversial Greenberg Shopping Center issue was temporarily lulled this week as the City Council delayed action for

three weeks to allow a market analysis of the areas involved.

Allston Stubbs, attorney for Abe Greenberg, said his client agreed to the three-week delay to which the Redevelopment Commission sought to have the survey made.

Greenberg is seeking to build a shopping center on Fayetteville Road near Mutual Heights. The Redevelopment Commission and the Durham Business and Professional Chain, representing some 133 small Negro merchants, had requested time to have a marketability report made to determine whether the Negro community in South Durham can support this center and another shopping center.

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LISTEN, GOVERNOR!—Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, president of A. and T. College, talks while Governor Terry Sanford of North Carolina listens and makes notes. The action took place following the appearance of Gov. Sanford as main speaker at a program of the annual Conference of Teachers of Vocational Agriculture held last week at A. and T.

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## BOYCOTT OF FIVE STORES CONTINUES

The selective buying program aimed at five Durham stores is continuing, a spokesman for the Durham Youth NAACP chapter related this week.

The five stores, charged by the NAACP with using discriminatory hiring and customer policies, are Robbins, A. and P.

and Winn-Dixie Super Markets, Walgreen's and Royal Ice Cream Company.

John Edwards, president of the Durham Youth NAACP, urged Negro shoppers to stay out of the stores "even though there are no pickets in front of them."

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## NEWS BRIEFS 14 in Charlotte 3 in Greensboro Are Integrated

GREENSBORO — Three more Negro pupils were assigned to Gillespie Park School, Greensboro's only desegregated school, this week by the city board of education. There had been 51 reassignment requests. Mark Levey Bowen was assigned to the fourth grade and Byron Keith Bowen to the second grade. They live at 1810 Britton St. Sheila Patricia Blair of 2005 S. Benbow Rd. was admitted to the eighth grade.

With the assignment of the pupils to Gillespie Park, desegregated in 1957, 17 Negroes will attend the school this fall. Five will return from last year. Five were assigned this spring and the board assigned four to the school recently after reviewing a mandate of court.

## 14 ASSIGNED TO CHARLOTTE SCHOOLS

CHARLOTTE — Fourteen Negro students were admitted to four predominantly white elementary schools this week by Charlotte-Mecklenburg County Board of Education.

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