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Two Men Killed In Separate Automobile Accidents In Area

Four Injured In Durham and Chapel Hill

Two youths were killed and four persons injured in two separate auto accidents in the Durham-Chapel Hill area this week.

Fatally injured on Airport Rd. near Chapel Hill on Monday was Thomas Henry Johnson, 18 of Chapel Hill, Rt. 2, Charlie Alton of Durham, sustained a concussion and was taken to N. C. Memorial Hospital. A third youth in the car, Willie C. Price, 16 was shaken up.

Johnson's car ran out of control as he was driving on the airport road and crashed into a deep fill. The car was completely demolished.

Funeral services for Johnson were scheduled to be held Thursday at the Markham Chapel Church with the Rev. C.M. Gooch, pastor officiating. Burial was scheduled for the Markham Chapel Cemetery.

He is survived by his parents, Mack and Ross Johnson, a sister, Mrs. Leila Williams, and seven brothers.

In another auto accident, an 18-year-old youth was instantly killed when his parked car was struck head on by another car on Erwin Rd. about 2:20 a.m. Sunday.

Killed was James Reid, Rt. 1, Durham. Injured was Mrs. Zettie Garner Primous, 53, 116 E. Proctor St. and David Albert Mar. See KILLED, page 6-A

Program of N. C. Baptist Meet Outlined

RALEIGH—"Our God In These Times," the theme for the 94th Annual Session of the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina symbolizes the concern of the organization's 380,000 members in making God known to mankind.

The annual session will be held with the Sandy Run Baptist Church, Jacksonville, the Reverend E. W. Wooten, pastor, October 30 - November 2.

As usual, messengers representing churches, unions, associations, and other Baptist bodies will come together for the 4-day session.

The program committee has drawn up a schedule of events designed to show through sermons, addresses, and forums how Baptists can promote God's work. The featured sermon will be delivered by Dr. Earl Harrison, the well-known minister of Washington, D. C.

A usual feature is "Shaw Night," which will come this time on Wednesday, November 1. The Shaw Choir under the direction of Harry Gil-Smythe will render music. Dr. W.R. Strassner, the school's president, will deliver the address.

The convention's president, Dr. R. M. Pitts, will address the body. See BAPTISTS, page 6-A



MRS. AUSTIN

Mother of TIMES Publisher Dies

Mrs. Carrie Johnson Austin, mother of the CAROLINA TIMES publisher, Louis Austin, died Wednesday at the Reeves Convalescent Home after a longtime illness.

Funeral arrangements at press-time were incomplete.

Mrs. Austin had been hospitalized for several days two weeks ago and was released to return to the nursing home. She had been in the nursing home approximately two years.

A native of Edgecombe County, Mrs. Austin was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Johnson.

She was married to the late William Louis Austin who died in 1923. They lived in Enfield until 1919 and then moved to Durham. Following her husband's death, Mrs. Austin lived with her oldest son Louis Austin.

Besides her oldest son, Mrs. Austin is survived by three other children, Miss Maude Nelda Austin, a teacher at John Chaloner School in Roanoke Rapids; Jesse T. D. Austin of Jamaica, L.I., N.Y.; and Lodius Austin.

Surviving also are three grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Historians, African Envoys In NCC Event



Following preparations made over the past several months by a committee of local citizens and North Carolina College professors, the 46th annual meeting of the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History gets underway at NCC Thursday and continues through Saturday.

The public is invited. Dr. Charles H. Wesley, president of Central State College, Wilberforce, Ohio, and also president of the Association, will deliver the opening address Thursday morning at 11 o'clock in the B. N. Duke Auditorium.

Wesley will speak on "The Civil War Centennial and the Negro American." Wesley's address, in accordance with the conference theme will highlight contributions to American culture of the Negro in the one hundred years since the Civil War.

The overall theme is "One Hundred Years of Freedom, 1861-1961: Old and New Frontiers." A feature presentation is the banquet address Friday night at 8 o'clock by Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr., Harvard Professor of History who is on leave as a special assistant to President John F. Kennedy.

Following Wesley's opening address, the afternoon sessions will be devoted to scholarly papers under two headings, "Revolution and Religion" and "Negro Man Power in the Conflict." All group sessions will be held in the Education Building.

Thursday night's main speaker for the public meeting is John Hope Franklin, chairman of the department of history at Brooklyn College. Franklin will speak in the B. N. Duke Auditorium at 7:30 on "A Century of Civil War Observance."

Friday morning will be given over to group sessions under the titles "Some Unknown Moments of Transition" and "Aspects of the Contemporary Negro Life-U.S.A." These will be followed in the afternoon by a panel featuring two African ambassadors and the third secretary of the Nigerian embassy. They will discuss "Con-

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Rev. Turner for 14 years the pastor of the First Baptist Church here is a graduate of Shaw University, the Shaw Theological Seminary and holds a Master of Theology Degree from Midwestern Graduate Theological School, Indianapolis, Indiana.

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Airport Promises To Remove Racial Insult

The impending arrival of President John F. Kennedy for a ceremony at the Raleigh-Durham airport Thursday changed in three days what Negro leaders have been unable to do in several years.

Since the Raleigh-Durham airport was constructed, several years ago, Negro leaders in Durham and Raleigh areas have complained about the jim crow toilet facilities maintained there.

Five years ago, when the airport authority sought funds from the federal government for an addition, the TIMES publisher L. E. Austin posed for a picture beside the entrance to the men's rest room.

The picture, carried in the TIMES, showed him pointing to a sign on the door which read, "Colored Men."

The Durham Committee on Negro Affairs and a similar group in Raleigh presented formal protests to the airport authority.

Although their protests did not go entirely unheeded — the jim crow law was never enforced — the signs remained.

The situation lay dormant this way until early this week.

On Monday, it suddenly came alive when the Durham Youth and College Chapters of the NAACP asked local airport authorities to remove the jim crow signs from the rest room doors in view of the impending presence of the nation's executive.

John Edwards, chairman of the group, telephoned Airport Com-

mission chairman Attorney James Patton. Patton replied that there was nothing he could do, that



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state law required that toilet facilities for the races be segregated.

Edward Opton, another member of the group, called Dillard Teer, also a member of the airport authority, and told him of the organization's plan to wire President Kennedy if the signs were not removed.

According to Opton, Teer's reply was at once brief and colorful: "You can wire the President or any damn body you please!"

With this reception from the local airport authority, the young NAACP group dispatched the following wire last Monday to the President:

"Racial segregation is practiced at the Raleigh-Durham airport, at which you are scheduled to open the North Carolina International Trade Fair on Oct. 12, 1961. The chairman of the Airport Board of Control, Mr. Patton, has refused to remove the offensive racial signs from the airport rest rooms.

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Several Tar Heel Firms Are In Complaint to Federal Agency

WASHINGTON — Two railway companies, a trade union, a manufacturer of electrical equipment, a machine structures producer, a major tobacco firm, an aircraft manufacturer and a state agency — all located in the South — are

charged with racial discrimination in complaints filed here Tuesday morning (Oct. 10) with the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity.

Named in the complaints filed by Herbert Hill, labor secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, are the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad and St. Louis-San Francisco Railroad Company; the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; the Western Electric Company, Nashville, Tenn.; AVCO Manufacturing Corporation; Nashville, Tenn.; Liggett and Myers Tobacco Company, Durham, Douglas Aircraft Company, Charlotte, and the North Carolina State Security Commission, Durham.

In support of the charges of job discrimination, Hill submitted a total of 38 affidavits by Negro workers, NAACP members, who were filed with John Field, ex-had been denied employment, promotion or referral. The complaints ective director of the President's Committee.

Negro workers in St. Petersburg, Fla., and Memphis, Tenn., signed affidavits charging a broad pattern of collusion between the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen on the one hand, and the Atlantic Coast Line and the St. Louis-San Francisco Railroad companies.

They charge that the Trainmen's union conspires with the railroad companies to classify Negro brakemen as porters, to deny promotional opportunities to Negro employees and to depress their wages. They further charge that the union is a "lily-white" organization which accepts only white employees as members.

There are only eight Negro employees. See CHARGED, page 6-A

Georgia Delays Decision On Youth's Fate

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