

J.A. Brown Edges Williams To Hold Contest Lead

Bonus Votes Cast After April 9 Will Be Given Double Value

The first week of the closing period of the Carolina Times Ministers Popularity Contest found the standing of the contestants even a little tighter than last week's tabulation. Still in the lead was Rev. J. A. Brown of Durham who continues to hold to the top position although by the small margin of only 1,000 points. The only other major change was that Rev. W. L. Williams of Weldon who nosed out Rev. M. C. Swann of Durham for the second position.

DOUBLE VALUE FOR BONUS BALLOTS

With only one more week to go, the Contest Manager announced this week that double credit for all Bonus Ballots cast during the final week of the contest will be given beginning Monday, April 9 and ending midnight of Saturday, April 14 when the contest officially closes.

OFFICE OPEN UNTIL MIDNIGHT APRIL 14

He also wishes to inform all contestants that the office of the Carolina Times will remain open until midnight of the closing night in order to take care of

all contestants and their friends and supporters who wish to cast last minutes votes for their favorite ministers.

Tabulation of the ballots will be made the following Monday by a special committee of two ministers not participating in the contest and one layman. Announcement of the winners of the three roundtrip prizes will be made in the April 21 issue of the Carolina Times when the actual standing of each contestant will be published.

With only one more week to go the balloting is certain to increase in momentum and size. To take care of the large number of ballots that are expected to be cast during the final week the management of the Times has secured additional tabulation help that will be on hand the last two days and final night of the contest.

All contestants not having a minimum of 400,000 points have been dropped from this week's tabulation as not being a possible contender for one of the three prizes.

Relative standing of contestants this week is as follows:

Rev. J. A. Brown, Durham	1,976,000
Rev. W. L. Williams, Weldon	1,975,000
Rev. M. C. Swann, Durham	1,889,000
Rev. Johnny W. Barnes, Durham	1,682,000
Rev. Edgar W. Love, High Point	1,479,000
Rev. Wilson W. Lee, Statesville	1,366,000
Rev. J. C. Gray, Durham	1,358,000
Rev. A. J. Holman, Hillsboro	1,229,000
Rev. C. R. White, Durham	1,220,000
Rev. Morris T. Mitchell, Baltimore	1,115,000
Rev. R. L. Speaks, Durham	1,002,000
Rev. A. T. Smith, Durham	977,000
Rev. G. H. Brooks, Hillsboro	974,000
Rev. J. A. Stewart, Durham	902,000
Rev. Walter Yarborough, Franklinton	842,000
Rev. V. E. Brown, Durham	778,000
Rev. Z. D. Harris, Durham	771,000
Rev. A. D. Moseley, Durham	682,000
Rev. J. R. Manley, Chapel Hill	645,000
Rev. C. E. McEaster, Durham	594,000
Rev. L. T. Dye, Mebane	586,000
Rev. J. M. Vinson, Roxboro	564,000
Rev. S. G. Dunston, Louisville	563,000
Rev. A. W. Lawson, Durham	541,000
Rev. W. J. Hall, Brooklyn	540,000
Rev. T. C. Graham, Durham	538,000
Rev. Louis Wade, Oxford	406,000
Rev. D. F. Brown, Durham	405,000

AME Zion Mourns Church Editor

CHARLOTTE — Described as a man who sought his help from God, Dr. J. Van Catledge, 57, editor, Church School Literature, A. M. E. Zion Church, was eulogized from Greenville Tabernacle Church, Friday afternoon, by Bishop W. J. Walls, with Bishop Felix S. Anderson presiding.

Dr. Van Catledge succumbed in his office, suddenly, Monday, March 26, as he was preparing a treatise on mission preaching, which was to be used at institutes, to be conducted this summer, by the A. M. E. Zion Church. His offices were in the Publishing House, 2nd and Brevard Streets, where he edited the literature.

Bishop Walls pictured him as a man possessed with the courage of his conviction.

Bishops D. C. Pope, W. M. Smith and W. W. Slade took part in the ceremonies, along with Dr. A. P. Morris, Dr. S. E.

Duncan, president, Livingstone College, where Dr. Van Catledge was a member of the faculty, having served twice, read resolutions from the college. Dr. J. W. Eichelberger, secretary, Christian Education Department, Dr. G. W. McMurray, Birmingham, Ala., Dr. Van Catledge's home Conference, in Alabama, and the Minister's and Laymen's Association, Dr. J. C. Hoggard, secretary, Foreign Missions, made the acknowledgments for the family.

Rev. M. S. Cuthbertson, pastor of Greenville Tabernacle Church and Rev. K. Melvin Taylor, Clinton Chapel A. M. E. Zion Church, assisted in the funeral arrangements. Drs. A. P. Morris, J. S. N. Tross and W. R. Lovell, along with D. M. Andrews, R. W. Sherrill, and Lenny Barnes were active pall bearers. Alexander Barnes, Dr. E. S. Hardge.

Va. Civil Rights Leader Wins Moral Victory in Contempt Case

By SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

HOPEWELL, Va. — The Rev. Curtis Harris, civil rights leader here, was found technically guilty of contempt of Virginia legislative committee, but his lawyers called it a victory.

In an unprecedented courtroom situation, the Circuit Court imposed no fine or sentence. It simply told Harris to answer the committee's questions the next time he is called before it.

Observers said he is not likely to do so, in view of his previous refusal to answer.

Attorney Len Holt, of the Norfolk firm of Jordan, Dawley and Holt, which represented Harris, said the court's verdict was "a great victory for the civil rights movement in Virginia."

"It was not the astuteness of Harris' lawyers that won it," Holt declared. "Rather it was the people of Virginia - with their voices, with their protests, with their bodies in the courtroom."

Harris, who is president of the Hopewell Improvement Association, had been summoned before the Virginia Committee on Offenses Against the Administration of Justice. The committee is a relic of Virginia's massive resistance and has recently been investigating integration in its groups again.

Along with other leaders of the grass-roots civil rights organizations, Harris refused to answer the committee's questions. He contended that the committee was investigating integration in its groups again.

Livingstone, Norfolk State

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Teacher Faces Rap In Hit-Run Death Of Nine Year-Old Boy



Incident Is Described By Eye-Witness

A 32 year old Durham teacher was scheduled to face a preliminary hearing in Recorder's Court Friday morning on charges of manslaughter in connection with the hit-and-run death of a nine year old boy.

He is Zolzie Thomas Saunders, of Rt. 3, a member of the Fayetteville street school faculty. Saunders was arrested at his home late Saturday night and charged with the death of Robert Godbolt, of C-81 Barton.

He was released on bond of \$2,500 late Saturday and ordered to appear for the preliminary hearing Friday.

Young Godbolt was struck by a car Saturday night shortly before eight O'clock as he walked along the shoulder of Fayetteville street near Barton avenue. His body was hurled approximately 50 feet by the impact and landed in a nearby ditch filled with two feet of water.

He was pronounced dead on arrival at Lincoln hospital. Hospital authorities attributed death to a broken neck.

A witness told police the death car was a 1961 white Chevrolet, and said the right front fender of the car struck the youth.

Police reported that Saunders' See HIT-RUN, 6-A

INSTALLATION PRINCIPALS — High State and educational officials participated on Sunday, April 1, in the formal installation of Henry W. Parker, left center, as new superintendent of the Morrison

Training School at Hoffman. With the honoree are, from left to right, Blaine M. Madison, N. C. commissioner of correction, and Hugh Cannon, director, N. C. Department of Administration, who delivered

the main address, both of Raleigh, and L. C. Dowdy, acting president of A. and T. College, Greensboro, who presented a citation to Parker, an alumnus of the College.

Parker Installed As Training School Head

HOFFMAN — A recent graduate of A. and T. College was last week formally installed as superintendent of the Morrison Training School, here.

Henry W. Parker, 30, a 1955 graduate of A. and T. College, who last summer assumed the post at the State supported youth training center following the death of Paul R. Brown, who had headed the institution for 15-years, was officially installed and cited by his Alma Mater in ceremonies held here on Sunday afternoon, April 1.

In accepting the post, Parker said, "I will act always in the best interest of the students See INSTALLED, 6-A

CHICAGO PUBLISHER SAYS Negro Schools, Press, NAACP Essential to Freedom Quest

RALEIGH — "The elimination of the Negro College in the foreseeable future would spell doom for the Negro in his quest for freedom," said John H. Sengstacke, Publisher and Editor of the Chicago Daily Defender as he spoke to Shaw University Students and faculty Friday.

Sengstacke claimed that the Negro College, the Negro Press and the NAACP are the most unappreciated institutions by Negroes. "Yet," he declared, "This institution—this collection of colleges and universities which trains Negro young men and women, stands today as the symbol of the black man's yearning for knowledge, the See ESSENTIAL, 6-A

S. C. Students Case Taken to Supreme Court

NEW YORK — NAACP Legal Defense Fund attorneys asked the United States Supreme Court this week to hear the appeal of 187 Negro students who were convicted last year in an anti-segregation demonstration in Columbia, South Carolina. The students, many from See CASE, 6-A

Desegregation Gets Push From 2 U. S. Sources

Public school desegregation received new impetus from two different quarters of the federal government this week.

The executive branch, through Secretary Abraham Ribicoff, of Health Education and Welfare, ordered all funds cut off from segregated schools which serve U. S. service men.

A federal judge in New Orleans upset Louisiana's plan to hold integration to a trickle and ordered the first six grades integrated at the beginning of the next school term.

Secretary Ribicoff's action, which was announced last Saturday, would affect an estimated 1,600,000 children living in impacted areas which receive federal funds. Of this number, 45,000 are in states where large-scale segregation is practiced.

Actually, Ribicoff's announcement said beginning next September, segregated schools would be declared unsuitable for teaching children who live on military bases. The federal support these schools now receive for such teaching will be halted.

The announcement was made before the House Education subcommittee, chaired by Democrat Adam C. Powell, of New York. See DESEGREGATION, 6-A



NEW UNION LOCAL — Officers of a new union local, organized by workers in the Durham sanitation department, are pictured here following completion of the organization recently. The new organization is the Durham City Workers local 1184, of the American Federation of

State, County and Municipal Employees. Officers pictured on the front row, left to right, are Clifton Worsley, treasurer; Lee Johnson executive board member; Theodore McLaurin, board member; Roosevelt Nathan, assistant secretary. On the back row, in the same

order, are Iles Thompson, president; Weldon Rigbee, trustee; Arthur Hart, sergeant-at-arms; and Utah Webb, board member. The movement to organize a local of the union followed a strike last year by city garbage collectors. photo by Purefoy.



BURNETT GETS TOP SHRINE POST — Frank G. Burnett (right) receives the certificate of appointment as Imperial Deputy at Large of North and South Carolina and Virginia from Durham shrine officials J. Fred Pratt and H. C. McAllister in ceremonies

recently. Burnett, who was formerly Imperial Deputy of North Carolina, was promoted to the new post by the National Shriners organization. Pratt is Deputy of the Oaks of Durham and McAllister is illustrious Potentate of Zeta Temple, 178, of Durham.

MEDIATION BODY "EXHAUSTED"

Carolina Theater Controversy Is Now Strictly A Legal Fight



GETS ASSIGNMENT IN AFRICA

Thomas E. Robertson, North Carolina College graduate has been given a special assignment, his second, in Africa by the World Health Organization. He will serve three months as consultant in Health Education to the WHO regional office in Africa. Robertson earned the master of science degree in Public Health at NCC in 1948. He went to Africa for WHO on a similar assignment in 1955, when he worked largely in Liberia. Robertson is scheduled to return to the U. S. in June.

The issue of segregation of the Carolina theater in Durham is now strictly a judicial one. This was made clear at mid-week when the city's mediation body for racial troubles formally announced it was at the "end of its rope" in the matter.

Chairman Paul Hardin, of the Human Relations Commission, said following the group's regular April meeting here Wednesday that the committee "has exhausted any function we can perform" in the issue of segregation at the theater.

The Committee had tried for the past several months to bring both parties in the dispute over segregation together to negotiate the issue.

The youth chapter of the NAACP has been asking for an end to segregation at the movie house for the past several months. It began by petitioning the City Council last fall to act.

The City Council passed the issue to the Human Relations Commission, which, in turn, asked owner Charles Abercrombie to meet with the NAACP to negotiate the issue.

Abercrombie refused because, he said, the question of whether

See THEATER, 6-A

Walker Renamed President as CIAA Honors 3 Living Founders

Birmingham Strikes Back At Boycott

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Birmingham reacted sharply this week to plans by Negroes to stage a boycott of the city stores in protest against segregation and racially discriminatory practices.

Officials announced that the city would withdraw support from the county surplus food program for the needy.

Negroes comprise nearly 95 per cent of the persons receiving aid from this program.

"We've got to do something to nip this boycott in the bud," Mayor Arthur J. Hanes was quoted as saying after the three-man City Commission voted unanimously to withhold the city's \$45,000 share of the \$100,000 program.

City Commissioner Eugene (Bull) Connor made the motion. See BOYCOTT, 6-A

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Livingstone College and the Norfolk Division of Virginia State College were formally admitted to the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association this week-end.

Acceptance of the two schools brings to 18 the total number of schools in the conference. Action on their requests for entrance was one of the many issues tackled by the conference at its 50th anniversary meeting here this week-end.

L. T. Walker, of North Carolina College, was re-elected president.

G. C. Singleton, of Virginia State, resigned as treasurer and was replaced by T. H. E. Jones, of St. Paul's. Singleton had been treasurer since 1947.

The group also paid tribute to the three surviving founders of the organization, Charles R. Fraser, of Raleigh, N. C., J. W. Barco, of Virginia Union University, and Charles M. Williams, of Durham. See CIAA, 6-A