

Fourteen Durham Girls Seen In Sigma Deb Ball

The Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority held its tenth Debutante Ball on Friday evening, December 15, in the Hillside High gymnasium.

Fourteen lovely girls were presented. Mrs. Frances Eagleston, registrar at North Carolina College, delivered the welcome address.

W. L. Bradsher, principal of Lyon Park School, introduced the debutants.

--Emancipation

Continued from front page at 11 o'clock at the Gethsemane Baptist Church of South Roxboro Street.

The program will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the famed document issued by President Abraham Lincoln. It set free all of the American Negro slaves.

This year's program for the celebration will follow those of past year's sponsored by the Alliance. The Emancipation document will be read by Mrs. Ocia Brown, of White Rock Baptist Church.

Brief messages from local business, civic, educational and other community organizations will be given by various spokesmen. Included among these will be spokesmen for the beauticians, Durham Business and Professional Chain, the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs, Mechanics and Farmers Bank, Mutual Savings and Loan Association, the NAACP, North Carolina College, North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, and the public schools.

The Rev. C. E. McLester, pastor of Morehead Avenue Baptist Church will introduce Rev. Roland, Rev. A. L. Thompson, president of the Alliance, will conduct the program. Rev. V. E. Brown, pastor of Gethsemane, will be host for the program.

The speaker, Rev. Roland, is a native of S. C. and a graduate of Howard University. He has stud-



SIGMA GAMMA RHO DEBS—1st row from left to right: Sandra Knuckler, Faye McCray, Sandra Wray, Beatrice Murry (queen), Barbara Bellamy, Jacqueline Davis, Cora Coles, Shirley Henderson. 2nd row: Ruth White, Gladys McDonald, Laura Brewer, Joyce Suggs, Jo Ann Martin and Barbara Wade.



Queen Sabrena Cooper (front, center) and King Bernard Morrison (center, rear) with other children in Sigma contest.

ied further at Boston University.

Rev. Roland held a pastorate in Charleston, S. C. before coming to Durham to accept the pastorate of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church. He resigned in December of 1960 and

Durham Residents of Duncan St. Display Lane of Christmas Trees

Early in December, the residents of Duncan Street were called together in a meeting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Ezra L. Totton for the purpose of organizing for a neighborhood project during the Christmas Season. The idea of a uniform outdoor Christmas Tree display, was presented by Mrs. Totton. This plan was received with a great deal of enthusiasm and the residents agreed to cooperate in the project. A committee was appointed to select trees of uniform size and arrangement. On Saturday morning, December 15, 1962 at 11 o'clock, all the residents, including the two families whose corner lots border on Duncan Street, were found setting out and decorating trees. The selecting and purchasing of trees were made by Totton, and L. B. Frasier supervised the other activities. That evening at 5:30 o'clock twelve beautiful fir trees were profusely lighted on Duncan Street from Pekoe to Nelson. This was a cooperative program of the Duncan Street neighborhood that was conceived by one energetic, progressive person Mrs. Christine Totton.

The residents are inviting the entire citizenry of Durham to visit their "Christmas Tree Lane." Plans and the executing of these plans were done in an atmosphere of friendship, love and a neighborly spirit without any thought of competition. Everyone was interested in the entire twelve trees along the street. Those taking part in the project are: Mr and Mrs A. B. Massey, and Mrs W. H. Cole, Jr. of Pekoe Street, Mrs. Janie M. Wheeler, Mrs. D. L. George, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Lewis, and Mrs. Robert Frasier, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Frasier and Dr. and Mrs. Ezra L. Totton all of Duncan Street.

NCC Omegas Induct Thirteen

On Saturday, December 8, Tau Psi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity officially inducted "13" new brothers into the Fraternity. The induction ceremonies took place late Saturday afternoon and was followed by an extravagant banquet at the Biltmore Hotel. Dr. Charles Ray, advisor to the chapter, was guest speaker at the banquet. The Saturday festivities were capped off by a lively party in the Science Building. Everyone enjoyed this gala affair.

The thirteen "neophyte" brothers of Tau Psi, who came from all parts of North Carolina, Virginia, and Massachusetts, are as follows: Richard Mizelle, Allen Williams and Clifton Johnson of Williamston; Arnold Sessoms, Ahsokie, Willie Cooper, Windor, Robert Seldom and Lester Moore, Norfolk, Va.; Donald Potts, Boston, Mass.; Fulton Hayes, Clinton; Lee McClean, Laurinburg; Claude Sawyer, Plymouth; Leon Stanback, Hillsboro; and Joseph Williams, Wilson.

With the induction of these new members, Tau Psi is now twenty-nine strong. One very encouraging fact about the "Neophyte" brothers is their academic achievement. The "Ne-

Sandra Cooper Is Sigma Queen

The Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority the first time a group of small children in a queen and king contest. Sabrena Cooper from the Pearson School was crowned queen. Bernard Morrison as king.

The following children are: Philip Carrington, Abbie Covington, Marsha Edwards, Phyllis Harrington, Faith Lambeth, Cheryle Ruffin, Phyllis Vanhook, Elvin Dawson, Renee Decatur, Manley Michaux, Otis Scott, Lennox Smith and Henry Tyson.

Lenoir Freshman Gets Scholarship

RALEIGH — Miss Eunice F. Fox, a freshman of Lenoir, was awarded the first Catherine Hughes Waddell Scholarship. An amount of sixteen hundred dollars (\$1600) for achieving the highest score on special tests administered by the college was her reward.

A graduate of Freedman High School where she was valedictorian of her class, Miss Fox was awarded scholarship certificates in mathematics, algebra, biology, and physics for four consecutive years.

For the school year 1961-62, she was unanimously chosen "Senior of the Year" by her high school classmates.

Miss Fox's hobbies are growing pot flowers and reading.

ophytes" had a cumulative average of 1.9, almost a "B" average. Also in this group are some brothers of great talent. Robert Seldom is an accomplished amateur designer; Richard Mizelle is a very good singer; and Donald Potts is a member of the North Carolina College track team.

Three Children Injured In La. Church Bombing

NEW ORLEANS, La. — Three children were cut by flying glass and twenty-five narrowly escaped death when their church and parsonage were bombed in Birmingham, Alabama, on December 14. The Federal Government must help to stop this violence and bring the culprits to justice.

This was part of a telegram sent to U. S. Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy by Methodist Bishop Edgar A. Love, Baltimore, president of the Southern Conference Educational Fund (SCEF), after the latest act of terrorism in Birmingham. The bishop urged Kennedy to "act at once."

The bombing was the third in recent years at Bethel Baptist Church, formerly pastored by the Rev. Fred L. Shuttlesworth, militant integration leader in Alabama. The minister and his family barely missed being killed or seriously injured in the first bombing in 1956.

The Rev. Mr. Shuttlesworth is director of SCEF, a South-wide integration organization with headquarters in New Orleans. He has sparked the civil rights drive in Birmingham as president of the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights (ACMHR).

Shuttlesworth called the most recent bombing "an act of vengeance and retaliation." He said the segregationists are "frustrated because of the gains being made by Negroes in Birmingham."

"We have been having many victories and Negroes are going to places where they never went

before," he pointed out. "Our economic withdrawal from the downtown area has been effective. The Federal Court is about to decide the suit to open the schools. The parks are closed because of a court order to integrate them."

"More Negroes are registering to vote and are voting. The Negro vote was crucial in changing the form of city government from three-man rule to control by a nine-man council and mayor. The present city commissioners, including Police Commissioner Bull Connor, are angry over this because it will mean loss of power for them."

"Negroes have suffered more in Birmingham than in any other spot on the globe outside of South Africa. I have always been a symbol of the Negro freedom movement here and that is why the church where I used to be pastor has been bombed again. This is Birmingham's shame and America's tragedy."

At the request of Mr. Shuttlesworth, SCEF and other groups began raising money to repair heavy damage to the church, the parsonage, and the home of the chairman of the trustee board of the church. Other houses in the vicinity were also damaged by the blast, which dug a hole two feet deep in 29th Avenue North.

One of the children injured was Kimbly McWilliams, 2 year old granddaughter of the trustee chairman, James R. Revis, who has been active in ACMHR. He said they will continue.

Shuttlesworth declared that acts of terror will not slow the freedom movement. He pointed out that mass meetings have been held in Birmingham churches every week for six years and he said they will continue.

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Continued from front page and indirect jobs, and to retain nearly 15,000 workers with new and marketable skills, at a total Federal investment of \$67 million.

Of this amount, Batt pointed out, \$219,000 has thus far been invested in the State of North Carolina, to help areas review their potentials for economic development, and to retrain 500 jobless workers. An additional \$8 million in redevelopment projects is currently being processed which could provide employment for 2,300 jobless workers.

returned to Orangeburg, S. C., where he is currently pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist.

During his leadership of Mt. Gilead, the congregation erected a new structure on Dowd St. to replace the old building.

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