



Figure is Jervay showing off his C. Bullock of the Ligon High School Art Department.

## Bishop W. J. Walls is keynoter For NAACP Regional Meeting

CHARLOTTE — "No oppressed people have received their liberty without resistance" Bishop W. J. Walls told the delegates to the 5th regional meeting of the NAACP, at the Thursday night session, in the ballroom of the Queen Charlotte Hotel.

The prelate was here to receive the Buford F. Gordon Award for the contribution made to the militant organization. He traced the history of the Negro struggle in America and had the following to say, "Even though it has not been easy yet the Negro has given the world a formula in that he has his hope in God and an unflinching trust in the song of praises while he works long and hard for the change that is now taking place."

He continued, "America we have been waiting for you for 270 years and even though it looked at times that you would fail us we still know and will continue to believe that America is the country that will lead the way that Jesus taught and recognize the fact that God is no respecter of person and some day the ban-

ner of freedom will not only fly over America, but throughout the world.

The bishop was conscious of the fact that when change comes it comes to stay and there is nothing anyone can do about it, but improve on it. He pointed to the fact that the one thing that was more powerful than guns and arms was an idea whose time had come.

The Rev. J. J. Johnson presided over a banquet which was given in honor of Bishop Walls. The Rev. M. E. Cox, chairman, Florida State Conference Church Work Committee, delivered the invocation. Music was furnished by the Charles McRae's School of Music. Miss Juanita Smith sang a solo. Bishop R. L. Jones presented Bishop Walls. Mrs. Yvonne Reader, daughter of the late Bishop Gordon, presented a cup which bore the credo of the work done by Bishop Gordon, in behalf of the NAACP. Mrs. Gordon, widow of the late prelate, was in attendance. Mrs. Ruby Huzzey made the announcements and the Rev. H. L. Davis gave the benediction. He is president of the new Prichard, Ala., Branch.



HONORED FOR YEARS OF SERVICE — B. B. Rogers, left, is shown being honored here last month with gifts and words of praise for his long years of service as choir leader, choir member and officer of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church. Pastor of the church is Rev. A. D. Mosley, shown making the presentation in behalf of the officers and members of the church.

## Senior Citizens Honor Four at February Birthday Celebration

The February Birthday Party given recently by the Senior Citizens at St. Titus' Church honored four ladies: Mesdames Ada Alston, Alice Brame, Annie Laster, and Alice Tilley. The birthday table held a delicious birthday cake sent by Mrs. Bertha Shaw, a delectable lemon cake brought by Mrs. Alice Tilley from her own kitchen a pretty cocanut cake contributed by Mrs. Ada Leach, check-board ice cream given by Mrs. Genevieve Burke, a box of chocolates brought by Mrs. Lillie Thompson, and other goodies for nibbling brought by several members. Birthday napkins and a little sugarplum tree lent a gay atmosphere. One of the honorees, Mrs. Alston, had chosen the tree as a motif for the party. She had instructed each member to bring a Bible verse containing the word tree. All complied. A prize of a box of chocolates went to Mrs. Gertrude Wilson, whose verse matched the one attached to a sugarplum tree.

Miss Lola Allen taught the group. It begins, "Hooray, hooray!" and ends, "Honor to the memories of those we hold so dear, born in the month of February."

## Births

The following births were reported to the Durham County Health Department during the week of February 22 through 27: Primrose and Elizabeth Jones, boy; Daniel and Virginia French, girl; James and Wernetta Davis, boy; Nathaniel and Mary Fuller, boy; Frizelle and Carrie Yelverton, by; Albert and Virgie Alston, boy; abeth and IPELIZ mvm tmartmarar Sidney and Ethel Evans, boy; Robert and Betty Cannady, boy.

As the cakes were being cut, Mrs. Alston took the group "on a journey" which ended at a tree. For the journey she read "The Saints' Reward." This was a portrayal, from The Revelation of St. John, of Jesus presenting to the saints their crowns and their harps, and leading them finally to the Tree of Life. The singing by the group of Joyce Kilmer's "Trees" further carried out the theme. There was other group singing too: "Happy Birthday," of course; then a little song which

## Ligon Student Winner of Art Gallery Award

RALEIGH — On February 21, Paul Jervay, a tenth grade student at the John W. Ligon Junior Senior High School, Raleigh, was presented the Weatherspoon Gallery Art Award, during the Regional Scholastic Art Awards presentation ceremony held at Elliot Hall on the campus of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro. Herbert Falk, Sr., President of the Weatherspoon Gallery Association, presents these special awards to Paul Jervay, along with six other recipients in the State. Jervay's winning entry was a block print-

In addition to this honor, he was the recipient of a gold key signifying first place in the exhibit and a certificate of merit, denoting honorable mention for another of his block printings. Jervay's Gold Key art work will be sent to New York to be judged for national honors.

The exhibit contained 439 items of students art work selected from 2,882 entries submitted by art students in 102 junior and senior high schools in the central Piedmont areas of North Carolina and Virginia.

Miss Mable C. Bullock is art teacher at the John W. Ligon High School, Raleigh.

## EMPLOYMENT FOR MID-WINTER SHOWS GAIN

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Negro employment — unemployment picture at mid-winter reflected both the absence of workers incidental to the dock strike and the usual reductions for this period. However, the steady improvement noted by the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics in 1964 was apparent. For example, the 852,000 Negro workers reported as unemployed at the end of January 1965, were 106,000 less than the 958,000 reported at the end of January in 1964.

Concurrently, the 7,103,000 Negro workers reported as employed at the end of January 1965 were nearly 200,000 more than reported at the end of January 1964. Percentage-wise, Negro workers were 11.0 percent of the civilian labor force, 21 percent of the unemployed, and 16 percent of the employed workers' force in January 1965.

Among the long-term unemployed (unemployed 27 weeks and over), 13.3 percent of all Negro workers were unemployed in January 1965 and these were 29.1 percent of all the long-term unemployed, white and non-white. Comparable figures for January 1964 showed 12.7 percent of all Negro workers among long-term unemployed, 24.4 percent of all the long-term unemployed.

Reflecting the usual mid-winter slump and other factors, employed Negro workers were down from 7,436,000 in December 1964 to 7,103,000 in January 1965, and unemployed Negro workers were up from 717,000 in December 1964 to 853,000 in January 1965.

## Precaution Can Often Prevent Birth Defects

By ELIZABETH STEWART

Women's Medical News Service — One of every 16 babies born in the U. S. — or 250,000 a year — has a birth defect which, if untreated or undetected, can shorten life, cause disfigurement, or result in mental or physical handicaps. Thousands of these defective births can now be prevented or their effects minimized. Meeting the birth defect problem, however, calls for many steps, perhaps the most important of which is proper medical care before and during pregnancy.

A time of danger to the unborn baby is during the first few weeks after conception, says Dr. Josef Warkany, professor of research pediatrics at the Childrens Hospital Research Foundation, University of Cincinnati. It is at this early stage, he says, that certain factors in the environment — drugs, viruses, — can do damage. However, even later, serious brain and organ damage can result from certain infections and from drugs.

Another noted physician, Dr. Allan C. Barnes, professor and chairman, Department of Gynecology and Obstetrics, the Johns Hopkins University, points out that pre-natal care enables the doctor to "recognize and treat diseases or conditions a woman may have before she becomes pregnant, thus contributing to the prevention of congenital difficulties."

**FAMILY PLANNING IMPORTANT** — A visit to the family doctor by a couple, planning a family can result in life-long dividends of good health for parents and children. On such a visit a doctor will usually take detailed family histories. From these he may be alerted to the possibility of inheritable defects, and can take steps to minimize their effects. Blood tests will warn him of possible trouble which can be avoided if he is aware in time of danger.

## Former NCM Employees Form Club at Meeting

A luncheon last Thursday afternoon marked the first meeting of former North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company Employees. They came together in the dining room of the YWCA and considered proposals for organizing a Club of retired N. C. Mutual employees in the Durham community. The idea was sparked by C. M. Palmer, himself a former long-time employee of the insurance company, and still active in business, civic, and religious affairs in the community. According to Palmer the idea has been running through his mind for some time; recently he felt impelled to do something about it after noting the increasing number of retired N. C. M. employees in the local area.

The purpose of the club would be, primarily to maintain a fellowship among these former employees, and to cultivate common and useful interests. Activities would be along such lines as might appeal to them including civic, social, recreational, and cultural affairs. Mr. Palmer named 29 individuals living in the area who are former N. C. M. employees.

Mrs. Sophronia C. Green  
C. E. Reverra  
Merima Dunigan  
Hattie Meadows  
Mr. John Holloway  
C. C. Smith, Jr.  
R. C. Foreman  
They elected Palmer President of the organization and set the next meeting date as Thursday March 11, 1:00 p.m.; Dining Room Harriett Tubman YMCA.

## Jewish Festival Teaches Lesson For Oppressed

The colorful Jewish Festival of Purim which recalls the ancient Biblical story of Queen Esther and her fight to save her people from Haman, the Persian tyrant, will be marked by Jews all over the world in religious services and ceremonies beginning at Sunday, Wednesday, March 17.

The one-day holiday contains a contemporary message universally, echoed at this time — the dedication to assure religious freedom for all individuals.

The word "Purim" means "lots" and relates to the method devised by the Persian Prime Minister, Haman, to select the day on which the Jews would be destroyed. Queen Esther, the wife of King Ahasuerus, fought valiantly to save the Jews, and rescind the evil decree of Haman.

The legendary story of how Haman sought the genocide of his country's Jewish population is to be found in the Biblical book of Esther. Early in Jewish history, this book was copied on the rolled scrolls called Megilloth. While other biblical texts were similarly preserved, the reading of the Esther Megillah has always received special prominence in the Synagogal observance of the day.

Purim is a true holiday. The festive atmosphere predominates. As the scroll is read at the worship services, children and adults are encouraged to use noisemakers to blot out the sound of the name of the tyrannical Haman every time it is mentioned. Costume balls and parties are conducted in the religious schools and Purim plays are traditionally presented at this time.

The threat to the physical survival of the Jewish people as represented by this story was no mere folklore to the Jewish people. Throughout their long and often tortured history, Hamans have periodically sprung up to destroy Jews, using as their principal reason that Jews chose to remain culturally and religiously identified. Hamans in various guises constantly threaten the security of societies, diverse religious and ethnic groups.

## Girl Scouts

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present "Girl Scouting — A Promise in Action," on Sunday, March 14.

Senior Troop No. 177, sponsored by White Rock Baptist Church will have a "Court of Awards," Sunday, March 14, Mesdames Barbara Stroud and B. B. Allen, leaders.

Brownie Troop No. 619, Mrs. Laura Brewer, leader. Junior Troop No. 322, Mrs. Eunice McArthur, leader, sponsored by Russell Memorial CME Church, will present a program, "Getting To Know Us," on Sunday, March 14.

Many other program and service project activities will be held throughout the week.

## 32 Students at NCC are Nominated for Who's Who

Thirty-two North Carolina College students have been nominated for inclusion in the 1964-65 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges," Dr. Joseph A. Pittman, dean of the undergraduate school, announced this week.

Representing twenty communities in North Carolina, four in Virginia, and two in New Jersey, the honorees are pursuing majors in twelve of the college's departments. Biology and mathematics majors, with six persons each, dominate the group numerically while English majors, who number five, are second.

The students, their hometowns, and majors are:

Rose Briggs, psychology, Petersburg, Va.; Laura Brooks, mathematics, Jamesville; Dr. v Brown, biology, Philadelphia, Pa.; Dorothy Bullock, French, Fayetteville; Charles Cameron, English, Durham; Rose Cape, biology-chemistry, Morven; Hilton Cobb, political science, Macclesfield; and Willie Cooper, history, Windsor.

Cladine Doye, mathematics, Durham; Flora Faison, Spanish, Durham; Zella Farrar, business education, Apex; Brenda Fronberger, English, Gastonia; Valeria Haskins, business education, Erwin; Fulton Hayes, history, Rose Hill; Josephine Holman, Mathe-

tics, Bahama; Deloris J. Horne, Virgilina, Va.

Edward Irving, mathematics, Wilmington; Lizzie Johnson, biology, Shallote; Annie McDougal, accounting, Apex; Lillie McNeill, biology, Erwin; Janice Matthews, biology, Tarboro; Lester Moore, political science, Norfolk, Va.; Barbara Pigford, English, Kingston; Gwendolyn Peace, English,

Richmond, Va.; Bobby Richardson, biology, Knightdale; Winifred Richardson, psychology, Durham; Diane Riggs, mathematics, Camden, N. J.; Janette Rogers, business education, Wake Forest; Clark Scales, chemistry, Warrenton; and Herbert Watkins, mathematics, Lexington.

## LU to Participate in Africa Program

SALISBURY — Miss Millicent A. Lomax, 20 year old daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. R. S. Lomax, Philadelphia, Pa. and a sophomore at Livingstone College, has been chosen to go to Africa this summer under sponsorship of the Operation Crossroads Africa program, New York City.

A native of Danville, Illinois, Miss Lomax attended public school at Chambersburg and Philadelphia, Pa. graduating from Overbrook High School in 1962. She was very active in high school winning awards in band, gymnastics and for citizenship. She has leadership experience in the Allayne Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church where she

was organist, president of the Buds of Promise, the Usher Board and the Young Women's Missionary Society. At Livingstone she is a member of the college band and sings in the College Choral Union.

Aspiring for a career in some phase of medicine, Millicent is going to major in biological sciences and if she misses medicine will become a nurse or medical technician. Her hobbies include sewing, tennis and good music. She has a brother, Blaine, who is a sophomore at Livingstone and a sister Beverly, a freshman at the college also.

## Co-ed Week at NCC Set To Begin Fri., March 12

North Carolina College's sixteenth annual Coed Weekend is scheduled for Friday, March 12, through Sunday, March 14. Miss Louise M. Latham, dean of women at the college, announced this week.

Following the theme, "The Responsibility of College Women in Building Good International Relations as a Basis for World Peace," the observance, sponsored by the NCC Women's Assembly, will feature several government officials and experts on international relations as speakers during its various events. Foreign students attending the University of North Carolina and NCC female faculty members will also participate in special sessions.

Friday, beginning at 7:30 p.m., in four of the college's buildings, a series of coffee and conversation hours will present the following

UNC graduate students as speakers: Miss Fatma Ramadanoglu, from Turkey; Miss Gisela Trommsdorff, from Germany; Miss Yoko Ichihishi, from Japan; and Miss Maria DeTorre, from Colombia. Investigation leaders will be NCC female faculty members; presiding officers will be NCC women students.

On Saturday, a morning session scheduled for 10:30 a.m. in B. N. Duke Auditorium will have the following speakers: Dr. Marion Forrester, Division of Commercial Policy, Office of International Trade, U. S. Department of State; the University of North Carolina and NCC female faculty members will also participate in special sessions.

Mrs. Alex Quaison-Sackey, Ghana, wife of the President of the United Nations General Assembly; Mrs. Annie Lee Sandusky, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Washington, D. C.; and Mrs. Linnian Alurraldo, attache,

Argentine Embassy, Washington, D. C.

A Saturday afternoon session which begins at 2 p.m. in the auditorium, will include a charm clinic presented by representatives from the Patricia Stevens Career College and Finishing School. This will be followed by a reception at the college's New Residence Hall honoring special guests.

Popular singer Johnny Nash will perform Sunday evening at the annual coed supper and citation for outstanding women, scheduled for 7:30 o'clock in the R. L. McDougald Gymnasium. Honored will be Mrs. Harvey Beech, a member of the Board of Trustees; Mrs. Samuel P. Massie, wife of the college's president; and Mrs. Alfonso Elder, wife of the president emeritus of the college.



CONTEMPORARY DANCERS

## Dancing Company to Stage Performance at N. C. College

The San Francisco Contemporary Dancers Company will perform at North Carolina College Monday, March 8, in the fourth feature of the current year's lyric series.

The recital, which begins at 8:15 p.m. in the college's B. N. Duke Auditorium, is open to the public without charge.

The group's repertoire emphasizes theatrical dances as well as traditional ballets which demonstrate grace and control. Founded in 1954 by J. Marks, the company not only presents the most extensive seasons of dance in the Bay Area but also sponsors

Responsible for many "firsts" of all dance seen in California.

Responsible for many "firsts" of the dance, the company is credited with creating the first full-evening dance-drama, offering the first television series of dance in

the United States, giving the first performance to electronic music in the U.S., and being the first such group to win awards for creative work in both cinema and television.

Many of their most famous dances are based on well-known literary works such as "Anna Karenina," "A Season in Hell," "The House of Bernarda Alba," and "Rashomon." Much of the music for the dances is original, contributed by major composers of the century. The use of theatrical effects, scenery, costumes, and make up attains a new and dramatic meaning.

Leading dancers of the company include Jean Mathis, Diana Russell, James Creshaw, Raymond Evans, Louis Roedel, Nancy Wolfe, Gayle Howard, Helen Sanders, and Merry Barg.