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## NAACP Sees Lag In Rights Act Enforcement

### 400 to Receive Degrees at NCC In Outdoor Commencement Event

Outdoor convocations, which marked two major events at North Carolina College last year, may become permanent features of the institution's activities. President Samuel P. Massie indicated yesterday.

The college's 1965 commencement, scheduled for Sunday, May 30, at 3 p. m., will be held on the lawn facing the college's James E. Shepard Memorial Library. In 1964, this area, used for the first

time in the college's history, was the site of two events—the April inauguration of President Massie and commencement in June. Some 5,000 persons attended each event.

"When weather permits," said Massie, "an outdoor convocation, in addition to reflecting the desired dignity and pageantry of the occasion, also makes us aware of the beauty and spaciousness of our campus. This is particularly impressive to parents, visitors, and other guests. I've been told that it also leaves with the graduate a nostalgic feeling for his alma mater that's unique and distinctly different from a feeling stimulated by another less attractive setting."

The James E. Shepard Library bowl, an expanse of lawn approximately two blocks square, can accommodate almost 8,000 people. Located well within the campus, the bowl, which is surrounded on 3 sides by buildings and trees, is in a depression which is considerably lower than the buildings which tower over it and dramatize its beauty. The area is flat, carpeted with grass, with paved walkways crisscrossing it.

"Unfortunately, since this spot cannot be seen from any of the streets adjacent to the campus, many people are unaware of the existence of this part of the campus," Massie said.

Behind-the-scenes planning for an outdoor occasion is extensive, occasioned primarily by the need to prepare an alternate site in case of inclement weather. A platform, chairs, and other facilities must be set up in the college's McDougald Gymnasium, which has a seating capacity of 4800 and which serves in this eventuality.

During the morning and early afternoon of the outdoor event, similar facilities, including more than 4000 folding chairs, are set up in the bowl. At the May 30 convocation, which will be addressed by John H. Johnson, president of the Johnson Publishing Co., of Chicago, some 400 candidates from the college's four schools will receive degrees.

### Mary Bethune Month Being Marked In N. Y.

NEW YORK—A proclamation declaring May 18 to June 17, 1965 as Mary McLeod Bethune Month was presented to Miss Dorothy I. Height, President of the National Council of Negro Women, and Miss Wilhemina Adams, member of the Council's Executive Committee by Mayor Robert F. Wagner at New York's City Hall on May 18—the tenth anniversary of the death of Mrs. Bethune. In making the presentation, Mayor Wagner pointed out that Mrs. Bethune convened the founding meeting of the National Council of Negro Women in New York City just 30 years ago. At present the National Council of Negro Women, which Mrs. Bethune served actively as president from its founding in 1935 to 1949, is conducting a nationwide campaign to erect a memorial to Mrs. Bethune in Lincoln Park, Washington, D. C.

The memorial, which is to be the first memorial to an American Negro ever erected on public ground in the nation's capital, was authorized by a Joint Resolution of Congress on June 1, 1960, with the condition that funds, sufficient to assure the completion of the memorial, be available, and that certain of the memorial be begun, within five years of the passage of the resolution. That deadline is June 1, 1965. The motion calling for Joint Resolution on the desirability of a living memorial to Mrs. Bethune, who dedicated her life to helping others, was introduced by Congresswoman Frances P. Bolton (R. Ohio) in the House of Representatives and Senator Murray (D. Montana) in the Senate in August 1959.

### A. T. Spaulding To Address ECSC Graduates

ELIZABETH CITY—Commencement activities at Elizabeth City State College of the seventy-first commencement season opened officially, Thursday, May 13, and will conclude on Sunday, May 30, with Baccalaureate and Commencement. Dr. Asa T. Spaulding, president of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, Durham, will address the graduates.

On Sunday, May 23, the College Choir Concert will be presented in Moore Hall Auditorium at 8:00 P. M., directed by Miss Evelyn A. Johnson.

On Wednesday, May 26 the candidates for graduation will be the guest of President and Mrs. Walter N. Ridley at a supper on the lawn. Later that evening, the seniors will be feasted at a party held at the National Guard Armory in Elizabeth City.

A college picnic for seniors at Mission 66, National State Park, on Thursday, and the class night program, Friday, May 28, in Moore Hall highlight student activities.

Alumni Day activities on Saturday, May 29, open with the General Alumni Association Meeting in Lester Hall at 11:00 A. M.; at 3:00 P. M. there will be a brief session for all graduates in Williams Hall, and at 7:30 the Alumni Association will meet in the

### President Names Mrs. Patricia Harris Ambassador to Luxembourg

WASH., D. C.—Shortly after President Lyndon B. Johnson took office he served notice of his intention to recruit more talented women for the Federal Service when he said, "I am unabashedly in favor of women."

That promise took on more significance as the Chief Executive set another historic precedent with his nomination of Mrs. Patricia Roberts Harris to be U. S. Ambassador to Luxembourg. She is the first Negro woman in history to be so honored, and is another star in the Johnson galaxy of appointments of outstanding Negro men and women. Those who have followed the career of this brilliant and beautiful young Howard University law professor knew that she was marked for greatness. A native of Mattison, Illinois, she has had a consistent record of scholastic achievements throughout her educational experience.

Mrs. Harris was graduated Summa Cum Laude from Howard University in 1945 with majors in political science and economics. She did post-graduate studies in government and industrial relations at the University of Chicago and at American University in Washington, D. C.

While earning her law degree at George Washington University in the District of Columbia, Mrs. Harris piled up an impressive list of scholastic honors including The Order of Coif; Associate Editor of the University Law Review; the John Bell Lerner Prize as First Scholar in 1960 Law School Class; the John Ordronaux Prize to the Second Year Student with the Highest Average; the American Jurisprudence Prize for the

Student with the Highest Grade in Course in Evidence; the Kappa Beta Pi Prize for women and the American Jurisprudence Prize for Highest Grade in Course in Personal Property.

Mrs. Harris began her work experience in 1946 as Program Director of the Chicago YWCA. In 1949, she came to Washington as Assistant Director of the American Council on Human Rights. Later she served for six years as Executive Director of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority National Headquarters in Washington.

It was during this period that she studied for her law degree. Upon being admitted to the District of Columbia Bar in 1960, she was an attorney for one year in the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice. She has been a member of the law faculty at Howard University since 1961. Mrs. Harris was co-chairman of the National Women's Committee for Civil Rights, appointed by the late President John F. Kennedy in 1963 and President Lyndon B. Johnson named her as a member of the Commission on the Status of Puerto Rico in 1964.

She was a delegate from the District of Columbia to the Democratic National Convention in 1964 and had the distinction of seconding the Nomination of Lyndon B. Johnson for the presidency. She and her husband, William Beasley Harris, who is also an attorney, maintain a law partnership in Washington; although her numerous civic duties and her faculty assignment give her little time for actual practice.

As "The President's Choice," the petite new lady ambassador to Luxembourg follows behind another diplomat, Mrs. Perle Mesta, who was ambassador to Luxembourg from 1963 to 1964. See AMBASSADOR Page 2-A

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## Dr. Howard E. Wright Resigns Presidency Of Allen University

### Run-in With the Trustees Said to Have Been Cause

COLUMBIA, S. C.—Dr. Howard E. Wright, president of Allen University since 1961, resigned his position Monday, apparently because of disagreement with the school's trustees.

The unexpected resignation rocked the entire AME Church with which the University is connected, especially the Carolinas and the states of Virginia, Georgia, and Florida.

Wright, who was chairman of the North Carolina College Department of Psychology before going to Allen, said his action came following the questioning of his programs at the University by certain members of the Board of Trustees.

The board's chairman, Bishop Carey A. Gibbs, however, praised Wright and commended the progress the University has made under his leadership.

A native of Philadelphia, Pa., and a graduate of Lincoln University, Wright was primarily responsible for organizing programs which led Allen to become the most outstanding institution of higher learning in the AME connection.

Founded in 1870, Allen has an enrollment of some 800 students.



EX-GOVERNOR-COMMERCE SECRETARY HONORED—Shaw University president, Dr. James E. Creek (left), confers the honorary Doctor of Laws degree on former North Carolina Governor, Luther Hartwell Hodges, at the 100th annual Commencement at Shaw University Monday. Governor Hodges, who retired this year as U. S. Secretary of Commerce, delivered the Commencement address. Asa T. Spaulding, Chairman of Shaw's Trustee Board is seen at the right.



DR. BROWNE



DR. FIAWOO

### Two to Receive Honorary Degrees At Livingstone's Col. 83rd Finals

Salisbury—An African minister and educator and the Project Director, Phelps-Stokes Fund will receive honorary degrees at the 83rd annual commencement at Livingstone College on Tuesday, June 1st.

The Rev. Dr. F. K. Fiawoo, president of Zion Wesley College (Secondary School) Dzelukofe, Ghana, West Africa, and an A. M. E. Zion Church presiding Elder, will get the Doctor of Divinity degree; and Dr. Aaron Brown, national known educator, former college president and now project director with Phelps-Stokes Fund, New York City, will receive the honorary Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) degree.

Born Ferdinand Kwasi Fiawoo at Wuti in the Volta Region, The Reverend Fiawoo received the B. A. (cum laude) and the B. D. magna cum laude at Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte; the M. Th. degree at Burton College and Seminary, Manitou Springs, Colorado; and the Ph. D. degree at McKinley-Roosevelt University, Chicago. Johnson C. Smith conferred the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree upon him in 1960.

He has served as general manager of the A. M. E. Zion educational enterprise in East Ghana; as co-founder Gold Coast Peoples College, Addome; First Dep-

uty Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, Ghana; and is author of several works in English and in Ewe. He has served as delegate to several American General Conferences of the Zion Church.

Dr. Aaron Brown, native of Pensacola, Fla., attended public schools there and was graduated from Talladega College, Talladega, Ala., with the A. M. degree from Atlanta University, and the Ph. D. degree from the University of Chicago, Lane College, Jackson, Tennessee awarded him the honorary degree, Doctor of Letters.

### 450 TO GRADUATE FROM A&T COL. IN CLASS OF 1965

GREENSBORO—Nearly 450 persons will receive degrees and certificates at the 74th annual commencement exercises to be held at A. and T. College on Sunday, May 30th.

The honors are to be presented at the finals program scheduled for the A. and T. Charles Moore Gymnasium beginning at 11 a. m.

Main speaker for the occasion is Hobart Taylor, Jr., Washington, D. C., associate counsel to President Lyndon B. Johnson. Ap- See A AND T 2A

### Organization Reveals New Plan To Spur Thrust at Civil Rights

NEW YORK—A comprehensive plan to expand the legal thrust of the civil rights movement was unveiled here this week by Jack Greenberg, director-counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, Inc. Greenberg's plan came on the eve of the 11th anniversary of the 1954 Supreme Court school integration ruling as well as a series of discussions entitled "New Frontiers of the Law," sponsored by the Fund.

Glaring inadequacies in enforcement of the 1964 Civil Rights Act were cited by Greenberg as he spelled out the Fund's new attack on discrimination in housing, education, employment, hospitals and criminal justice (capital punishment) particularly in the South.

Other speakers at the day-long meetings, held at New York City's Americana and Hilton hotels, repeated the theme that direct action, backed by litigation is a crucial combination.

These speakers included Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, who chaired the meetings; Judge Francis E. Rivers, president of the Legal Defense Fund; Mrs. Amelia P. Boynton, founder of the Dallas County Voter League, of Selma, Alabama; Author Ralph Ellison, and Manhattan Borough President Constance Baker Motley. Also Dean-elect Louis H. Pollak of the Yale Law School; Wiley A.

Branton, Executive Secretary of the President's Council on Equal Opportunity; Greenberg and Greenville Clark, 86-year old constitutional lawyer and former adviser to Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson.



DR. LEE

### Dr. Collins Lee Livingstone Col. Alumni Keynote

SALISBURY Dr. R. H. Collins Lee, minister of the Metropolitan A. M. E. Zion Church, Washington, D. C. and a member of the graduating class of 1925, will be the feature speaker at the annual Alumni Banquet and Public Service Program at Livingstone College during the Commencement on Monday, May 31.

Son of the late Dr. and Mrs. J. Francis Lee, he is a native of Greensboro, who began his ministry in 1921. He has done graduate study at Bonebrake Seminary, Dayton, Ohio, and Gordon College, Boston, Mass. He was ordained an Elder in the A. M. E. Zion Church in 1924, while serving in the historic Western North Carolina Conference.

He has served the following parishes, in addition to his present pulpit: Henryville, Sills Creek and St. John's Mocksville, in North Carolina; A. M. E. Zion Churches at Dayton, Ohio; Coropolis, Pa; Cambridge Mass; Big Zion, Mobile, Ala; Greater Walters, Chicago, and Martin Temple in Chicago, which he organized, built and was credited with founding. For four years he was a Chaplain with See LIVINGSTONE 5A

### GROUND BROKEN FOR NEW TRINITY A. M. E. ZION CHURCH OF GREENSBORO

GREENSBORO—The march of the redevelopment program of this city that has left its image upon both the religious and business life included the membership of the historic Trinity A. M. E. Zion Church and on Sunday, May 16 ground was broken at East Florida and Larkin Streets for a new edifice.

The congregation, led by Rev. Cecil Bishop and Elder C. W. Lawrence and General Officers D. W. Andrews and Alexander Barne took part in an appropriate ceremony that marked the beginning of an operation that will give Greensboro another modern church building that will add to the image that is now being created for a bigger and better Gate City.

The church building, one of the landmarks of the Negro community, located just off Market St., is one of the many that were torn down to make way for the redevelopment program. It has been the center of much of the city's church life. It has served both Bennett See CHURCH 5A



Participants in St. Joseph's A. M. E. Church Baby Contest held May 16, 1965. Left to right standing: Jewell Marsh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Marsh, Jr.; 1st Place winner; Pamela Marsh, daughter of Mrs. William Bivins, Jr.; 2nd Place; Daniel Smith, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Young and Mrs. Daniel Smith, 3rd Place; Shervette Herbin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shelton Herbin Jr.; 4th Place; Robert Young Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Young and Mrs. Daniel Smith, 5th Place; Cassandra Goldstein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Goldstein.