

Negroes Push For Freedom And Jobs In Fayette, Mississippi

NAACP Branch Leads Massive Demonstration

FAYETTE, Miss. — Pushing strongly for freedom, dignity and jobs, Negro citizens in this southwest Mississippi town, under leadership of the Medgar Evers Jefferson County Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, scheduled a massive all-day Christmas Eve demonstration.

Charles Evers, NAACP field director for Mississippi and brother of the martyred NAACP leader for whom the recently organized branch is named, mobilized community support for a boycott of downtown stores after city's political and business leaders refused to grant a series of 16 demands covering desegregation of public facilities, upgrading of Negroes in public and private employment, equality of courtesy and other amenities.

Meanwhile, an NAACP drive substantially increased the number of registered voters to a total of 2,700, almost double the 1,500 white voters in the county. In a communication to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of Fayette and the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors, the NAACP reminded them of this new political fact of life.

Although the boycott has had a devastating impact on the commercial life of the city, particularly in this Yuletide season, white merchants and political leaders refuse to grant the full demands of the Negro community. Evers and Fred Allen, president of the branch, have vowed to keep the boycott going until they win a just settlement of the Negroes' grievances.

The newly-won political advantage cannot be invoked locally until mid-1968 when the primary for the next municipal election will be held. However, Fayette Negroes are not waiting until then to press for enjoyment of denied rights.

Viet Nam War Rates Top For '65 News Story

NEW YORK — The war in Viet Nam is the overwhelming choice as the news story of 1965 in the United States.

All but a few ballots cast in the annual poll of daily newspaper editors placed the war in the first spot. A year ago it ranked fourth in interest.

Civil rights, a continuing story for more than a decade, was second. The 1965 category included such developments as the Selma to Montgomery march and the passage of the voting rights bill by congress.

The Negro riots in the Watts section of Los Angeles ranked third and man's continuing assault on space was fourth.

U. S. editors top 10 for 1965:

1. The war in Viet Nam.
2. Civil Rights.
3. Negro rioting in Los Angeles.

4. Space.
5. Electrical power failure.
6. Dominican revolution.
7. Pope Paul VI visits N.Y.
8. Passages of the Medicare bill by congress.
9. Death of Churchill.
10. India and Pakistan war over Kashmir.

MT. OLIVE MAN PROMOTED TO LIEUT. COLONEL

MOUNT OLIVE—Maurice C. Lane, son of Mrs. Frances W. Lane of 128 Hillsboro Street, and the late Solomon L. Lane, was recently promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel in the U. S. Army.

A graduate of Carver High School and A. and T. College, Greensboro, La. Col. Lane is currently assigned to the Army instructor unit, ROTC at Southern University and A. and M. College, Baton Rouge, La. where he is assistant professor of military science.

He entered the Army in March, 1950.

36 XMAS SHOPPERS DIE

MIDDLEBURG, So. Africa—A five-ton truck crammed with more than 100 Africans headed for a Christmas shopping spree crashed into a wall Thursday then plunged into a ravine, killing 36 Africans police reported here.

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Acquittal CR Volunteers By Judge Haile As Precedent



SOMETHING FOR CHRISTMAS—Members of the Off-Campus Women's Club of North Carolina College pitched in to contribute a gift of food and toys

to a Durham family which otherwise would have had a bleak Christmas. Shown preparing to pack the items are six of the members of the organization,

from left: Hilda Alston, Ossie Ingram, Lena Atkinson, Carolyn Webb, Hazel Ingram and Catherine Jordan.

17 Protested Chase Bank Loan Policy

NEW YORK—The American Jewish Congress hailed a decision Monday, Dec. 20, by Chief Judge John M. Murtagh of the New York City Criminal Court acquitting 17 civil rights volunteers as setting a new precedent in cases involving peaceful non-violent demonstrators.

The 17 demonstrators were arrested on March 19 at the headquarters of the Chase Manhattan Bank in the Wall Street financial district. They were part of a large group that was protesting the bank's granting of loans to the Government of S. Africa, charging that loans were strengthening the government's policy of apartheid.

The civil rights workers were charged with "disorderly conduct" for sitting on the sidewalk as part of the demonstration and with "resisting arrest" for going limp after being notified by police that they were under arrest.

Marvin Karpatkin chief defense counsel and chairman of the Commission on Law and Social Action of the New York See ACQUITTAL 2A

Former Durham Banker is Promoted to Asst. Vice President of Freedom Nat'l Bank, N.Y.

Word was received here this week that Raymond R. Brown, former resident of Durham, has been promoted to the office of assistant vice-president

of the Freedom National Bank in New York City. The announcement was made this week by William R. Hudgins, president of the bank.

Brown, who worked at the Mechanics and Farmers Bank here for seven years, now becomes one of the four executives of the just-under a year old firm. This is the second promotion for Brown who has been with the Bank since its opening in January, 1965. He was elevated to the position of administrative assistant in September.

After working in Durham for seven years, Brown moved north and was employed for four years by the Bankers Trust Company of New York. He left this firm in November 1965 to join the new bank. Brown now resides in Queens and is married with two daughters, 9 and 11 years of age.



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Leontyne Price To Receive Spingarn Medal Sunday

NEW YORK—Soprano Leontyne Price will be presented the 50th Spingarn Medal of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People by the man chiefly responsible for her singing with the Metropolitan Opera Company, Rudolf Bing, the company's general manager—NAACP executive director Roy Wilkins announced this week.

Bing will make the presentation at the NAACP's 1966 annual fellowship dinner, Sunday evening, January 2, at the New York Hilton Hotel.

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Progressive Nat'l Baptist To Meet In St. Louis, Jan. 19-20

CINCINNATI, Ohio — Baptist leaders from all sections of the nation will gather in St. Louis, Mo., January 19-20, 1966 at Christ Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, 1341 N. Kings-Highway Boulevard, with Rev. Earl Williams, host pastor, for a meeting of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.

The meeting will have the backing of Dr. Earl Nance, President of the Progressive Baptist State Convention of Missouri as well as all the pastors of St. Louis. It will mark the first time that leaders of the PNBC have held a Mid-Winter Meeting since the convention's organization in Cincinnati, Ohio in 1961.

Since the illness of President T. M. Chambers of Los Angeles, California, Dr. Gardner C. Taylor of Brooklyn, N. Y., Vice President, has been serving as Acting President. Dr. Chambers is reported to be recovering nicely and informed sources say that he is both delighted and pleased with Dr. Taylor's leadership. Progressive leaders will meet under the theme: "1966—the Year of Progress." There is a real consciousness on the part of these leaders, that 1966 is the year in which great strides in growth can be made through a program of civic and religious responsibility.

The eyes of the nation are focused on the group's Fifth Annual Session which is set to convene in Memphis, Tenn., September 6-11, 1966 with Metropolitan Baptist Church serv-

ing as general headquarters. It will be in this session that the first group of officers will be replaced under the Convention's Tenure Laws. Other major transactions will include the adoption of a Publisher to provide Sunday School and B. T. U. Literature and the launching of a mammoth Headquarters drive.

Standing left to right are: William Clement, graduate student at the University of Pennsylvania, who read the scripture; Wesley Clement, Morehouse College, a panelist; David Cooke, III, North Carolina College, Offertory Prayer; Nat White, Jr., Duke University, a

KELLY ALEXANDER

N. C. NAACP Pres. Not Bitter Over Bombing

COLUMBIA, S. C. — Kelly M. Alexander, President of the North Carolina NAACP, who was a victim of the recent bombings in Charlotte, addressed a Civil Rights Meeting Friday night, December 17, at the Second Nazareth Baptist Church in Columbia, S. C.

Speaking to the freedom rally the NAACP official told of the night bombings at his home on November 22.

"I should be bitter," Alexander said, "but I'm not. The bombings were good in a way, because they knocked Charlotte out of its apathy. They proved that 'Liberal' North Carolina still has bigots, extremists and segregationists and that these have not given up. They are still trying to turn the clock back and impede justice."

"Don't you think for one minute that the very same thing couldn't happen in Columbia, So. Carolina, either," Alexander said.

Alexander, a member of the

NAACP's national board since 1949, promised that such things as the bombing of his home would not stop the Negro on his drive for freedom. He said the Negro must reconfirm his belief in achieving his status through legal, and democratic means.

"The day after the bombing, the Charlotte Branch (of the NAACP) could have said the word, and the city would have had a full-scale riot on its hands," Alexander said, "but our leaders took a path of reasonableness and calmness to avoid racial conflict. Alexander said Negroes in Charlotte will not compromise on principle or deviate from the goal of complete and absolute equality. We have always used the tools of democracy. We have never lurked in the dark or worn hoods. We have not asked for special privileges—but we do reject the society that classes a man by the color of his skin."

Alexander, a member of the

panelist; Michael Holt, Jr., graduate student, North Carolina College, moderator; Chrystal Brown, North Carolina College, gave the invocation; Rita Alston Winston-Salem State, a panelist; Amelia Thorpe, graduate student, North Carolina College, a panelist; Lila Ellison, North Carolina College, Chairman, Interview Panelist;



QUARTET ON VISIT TO HOLY LAND—Mrs. Carlotta R. Holmes, left, of 804 Price Ave., Durham, and three Raleighites left the Raleigh - Durham Airport Dec. 11 for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Others in the pic-

ture are Mrs. Margaret Quance, second from left, Mrs. Marie Brodie, and Mrs. Frances Falvey.

The ladies will stop in Madrid, Spain, and Athens, Greece before arriving in the Holy Land where they will visit the Baha'i World Center in Haifa, Israel and other points of interest. They will return home early next month.

Noted D.C. Minister Speaker For Emancipation Service

Durham's 1966 celebration of the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation will be held at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 2315 Fayetteville Street, Saturday, January 1, at 11:00 A.M. The Rev. W. H. Fuller is host pastor.

The program as has been the custom for the past several years is being sponsored by the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Durham and Vicinity. Under its leadership some of the nation's most noted personalities have been scheduled each year to deliver the annual message for the occasion. The Rev. L. P. Perry, president of the Alliance will preside.

This year Dr. E. Franklin Jackson, minister of the John Wesley AME Zion Church, Washington, D. C., will deliver the address for the occasion.



DR. JACKSON

In addition to being the pastor of one of the leading churches See EMANCIPATION 2A

Frank Sinatra Buys NAACP Life Mem'ship

NEW YORK—Frank Sinatra has become a Life Member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, it was disclosed this week by Miss Lucille Black, the Association's secretary for memberships.

Sammy Davis, star of the hit Broadway musical, "Golden Boy," presented Sinatra his NAACP Life Membership plaque during his birthday celebration in Hollywood, Sunday, December 12, Miss Black said.

Davis, a longtime friend and associate of the famed singer-actor, was in California to film segments of his new nationwide network television show which begins Friday, Jan. 7.

Miss Black said this was the third plaque presentation Davis has handled for the NAACP this year. Davis and all the members of his family are NAACP Life Members, she added.

Jimmy Brown Wins Jim Thorpe Trophy for Third Time in Career

NEW YORK — Jim Brown, Cleveland's explosive fullback, was named recipient of the 11th Annual Jim Thorpe Trophy Tuesday for the third time in his nine year career in the National Football League.

The award goes annually to the most valuable player in the league as voted upon by the players on the active rosters of the 14 NFL teams. Brown more than doubled the votes for his nearest competitor, Johnny Unitas of the Baltimore Colts.

Brown, who has led the league in rushing all but one of his nine years in the circuit, won the award for the first time in 1958 and tied with New York's Y. A. Tittle for the honor in 1963.



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The trophy will be presented to Brown in Green Bay Sunday preceding the championship game between the Browns and the Green Bay Packers. After

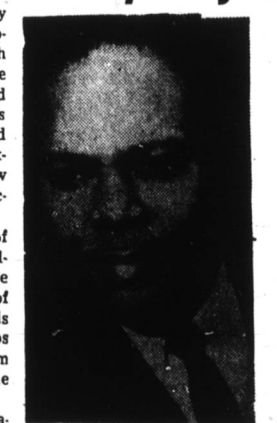
Brown receives the trophy, he will turn his attention toward helping his teammates defend their National Football League championship.

James Farmer Resigns From CORE to Head Literacy Project

NEW YORK—A new agency to help solve minority problems is being organized with the assistance of the Office of Economic Opportunity and representatives of civil rights organizations, business and labor. The key figure in working an agreement for the new agency was OEO Deputy Director Bernard L. Boutin.

James Farmer, director of the Congress of Racial Equality, CORE, will resign to take over as executive director of the new corporation. The heads of all major civil rights groups or persons they select will form the board of directors of the corporation.

The program of the corporation is designed to assist all minority groups including Mexican Americans, other Spanish-speaking Americans, American Indians and Negro Americans



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in both the rural South and urban ghettos in the North. See FARMER 2A



STUDENT NIGHT — White Rock Baptist Church's Annual College Student Recognition Night was held Sunday, December 26 at 7:30 P.M. in the sanctuary, climaxing the monthly Youth Sunday. A panel on "Science and Religion," was given. The Youth Choir with Miss Phyllis Jeffries, Virginia State College, at the organ and

Mrs. Virginia Alston, Director, rendered music. Standing left to right are: William Clement, graduate student at the University of Pennsylvania, who read the scripture; Wesley Clement, Morehouse College, a panelist; David Cooke, III, North Carolina College, Offertory Prayer; Nat White, Jr., Duke University, a

panelist; Michael Holt, Jr., graduate student, North Carolina College, moderator; Chrystal Brown, North Carolina College, gave the invocation; Rita Alston Winston-Salem State, a panelist; Amelia Thorpe, graduate student, North Carolina College, a panelist; Lila Ellison, North Carolina College, Chairman, Interview Panelist;

Fern Thorpe, North Carolina College, Interview Panelist; Constance Jackson, Duke University, Interview Panelist; Valjeanne Jones, U.N.C., Greensboro, a panelist. Lorenzo A. Lynch, Pastor, brought remarks and thanked the panel and students for the program.