

# LBJ Adds Words Of Praise For Leadership Of Roy Wilkins

## N. C. Highway Patrol Seeking Applicants

### Job Now Open To Negroes Says Official

The North Carolina Highway Patrol is currently recruiting applicants to fill existing vacancies in the ranks of the "elite" law enforcement agency.

According to reliable sources, the State Patrol has approximately eighteen vacancies, and a concerted effort is underway to recruit qualified persons to fill the open slots.

In a telephone conversation with an official of the State Highway Patrol the Carolina Times was advised this week that Negro applicants for employment as highway patrolmen are now acceptable and will be processed or screened the same as others.

A special mobile unit, designed to offer visual information to interested citizens, and especially designed to implement the recruitment project is currently on tour in various sections of the State in an effort to secure Patrol candidates.

The mobile unit was scheduled to be in Roanoke Rapids on April 3 and 4, and was slated for appearance in Greenville on April 5 and 6.

The remaining itinerary for the mobile recruiting unit and Patrol recruiters include: Fayetteville, April 12 and 13; Wilmington, April 14 and 15.

See HIGHWAY 2A



DR. WILEY

### Emory Univ. Historian to Speak at NCC

Dr. Bell I. Wiley, eminent historian of Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia will deliver the Annual Spring History Lecture at North Carolina College at Durham, Friday, April 14, 8:00 p.m., in the Auditorium of the Education Building. His subject will be "The Common Soldiers of the Civil War".

Dr. Wiley received the doctorate degree from Yale University 1933. His doctoral dissertation, Southern Negroes 1861-1865, was published in 1938 by Yale University Press. Some of his other books are: The Life of Johnny Reb (1943), The Plain People of the Confederacy (1943), The Life of Billy Yank (1952), and the Road to Appomattox (1956).

Dr. Wiley has taught at Peabody College, Louisiana State University, University of Colorado and University of Alaska. During the academic year 1965-66 he was Harnsworth Professor of American History, Queen's college, Oxford University. He has been a professor at Emory University since 1949. In May, 1960, he was appointed Charles Howard Candler Professor at Emory. He also has held Julius Rosenwald, Rockefeller, and Guggenheim Fellowships. He is the recipient of honorary doctorate degrees from Asbury College, Lincoln College, Jacksonville University and Tulane University.

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FOR FIRST WEEK'S TABULATION

## Mrs. Carter Leads In Subscription Contest



**HOLDER OF THE LUCKY TICKET** for the brand new Westinghouse Frigidaire, given as a door prize, Sunday, April 2 at the 43rd annual Mid-year Session of the Interdenominational Ushers Association of

North Carolina was W. R. Gilchrist of Durham Gilchrist is shown with his wife being presented the bill of sale for the prize by S. C. Rigbee, president of the Rigbee Tire Sales, Inc. The local company is the

Durham representatives of the Westinghouse line of appliances. See other pictures of the Mid-year session in section A, page 8. All photos by Purefoy, Times Staff Photographer.

### Mrs. A. Baldwin Of Chapel Hill In 2nd Place

The first week's tabulation of reports of active contestants in the Carolina Times Big Subscription Contest which began Monday, April 3, revealed that Mrs. J. A. Carter of Durham was in the lead by a fairly safe margin. Mrs. Carter had registered a total of 255,000 points at the close of this week's tabulation at Wednesday noon.

Running close behind Mrs. Carter for second place was Mrs. Aline Baldwin of Chapel Hill with points totalling 225,000. Standing third in the race was Mrs. Oneida McGhee of Durham with points totalling 210,000.

The contest manager wishes to impress upon those sending in subscriptions to be credited to their friends working in the Contest, that subscription points, whether for one or more years, cannot be divided or credited to more than one contestant. He would also like to advise all contestants to mail or bring their reports by Monday noon of each week in order that they may be tabulated by press time Wednesday. Reports and subscriptions arriving after the Wednesday noon deadline will be credited to the contestant in the following week's tabulations.

STANDINGS 2A

### Touring NCC College's Choir

VIENNA — An American student choir sang spirituals in a Baroque church here Friday.

The Greensboro, N.C. College Glee Club is on an European singing tour



**FREEDOM AWARD PRESENTATION** — Secretary of State Dean Rusk presents 1967 Freedom Award to Roy Wilkins, executive director of the National Association for the Advance-

ment of Colored People, at Hotel Waldorf Astoria dinner attended by 1,200. Former Sen. Paul H. Douglas, chairman of Freedom House, is at left. President Johnson, last year's

Freedom Award recipient, sent a special message hailing the civil rights leader as "one of the true leaders, not only of our time, but of all time."

## NAACP Executive Dir. Is Given 1967 Award



### Pres. Johnson Sends Message To CR Leader

NEW YORK—Roy Wilkins, executive director of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People, received the 1967 Freedom Award Wednesday March 29, at a Hotel Waldorf Astoria dinner attended by 1,200 distinguished Americans.

Mr. Wilkins, who became executive director of the NAACP in 1965 upon the death of Walter White, received the award for "courageous and responsible leadership." He is the first civil rights leader to receive the award, one of the nation's top honors.

President Johnson, last year's recipient, sent the following message of acclaim to the civil rights leader:

"Since 1943, the Freedom Award has honored champions in the struggle for human rights at home and in the support of free societies and institutions abroad. "This year's recipient is a unique American whose contributions transcend the nation's top honors."

See WILKINS 2A

## A&T College To Observe 75th Anniversary Apr. 24-29

Greensboro.—A & T College will observe its 75th Diamond Anniversary during the week beginning on Monday, April 24, and culminating with a Convocation on Saturday afternoon, April 29, at 2:30 p.m.

The Convocation to feature the dedication and naming of three new buildings, will draw a long list of prominent leaders in education, business and the State and Federal Governments.

The three-structures, recently completed at a total cost in excess of \$3,500,000, include: The Student Union, The Biology Building and a dormitory for women.

A highlight in the observance is the appearance of Miss Margaret Tynes, noted opera soprano, alumna of the College and Greensboro

See ANNIVERSARY 2A

## NCC Professor to Deliver Two Addresses at Cornell Univ.



DR. NEWKIRK

Dr. Gwendolyn Newkirk, chairman of the Department of Home Economics at North Carolina College, will deliver two addresses at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, Friday and Saturday, April 7 and 8.

Friday she will be the keynote speaker at an international seminar with an audience comprising persons concerned with problems in international education. Her topic will be, "The Educated Woman: Her Status and Role in the Developing Countries in Africa."

Saturday she will deliver the principal address at the Cornell University College of Home Economics' annual Hon-

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DR. WATSON



DR. HOLLAND



DR. FREEMAN

## Hampton Alumni In Meet

The 27th annual conference of the North Carolina Region of the Hampton Alumni Association will convene here Saturday, April 8, it was announced Tuesday. The Statler-Hilton Inn, located at 2424 Ervin Road will be the seat of the meeting which will get underway at 10 a.m. when a chapter presidents' round table will be held

Albert Webb, presiding. A luncheon meeting, N. B. White presiding, will be held from 12:00 o'clock noon until 1:30 p.m. Speaker for the luncheon meeting will be Dr. J. H. Wheeler, president of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank.

The afternoon session will consist of a Centennial Workshop with Dr. William Watson, national alumni president, presiding Dr. W. Adrian Freeman, O. G. Taylor and Henry Goldman will preside.

See ALUMNI 2A

## Civil Rights Workshop Set For Rocky Mount April 15

### Last Rites Held Wed. at Saint Mark For Thomas J. Atwater

Thomas J. Atwater, well known churchman and community worker was funeralized here Wednesday, April 5, at St. Mark A.M.E. Zion Church. Rev. L. A. Miller, the pastor, delivered the eulogy.

Mr. Atwater, who was 89 years of age, was employed by the Liggett and Myers Tobacco Company until his retirement several years ago. During his employment he pioneered in organizing the first labor union for Negroes at Liggett and Myers.

For more than 60 years Mr. Atwater was an active member of St. Mark A.M.E. Zion Church. He worked zealously in the Sunday School.

As a token of appreciation and esteem a Sunday School Class was named for him and is presently known as the Atwater Bible Class.

He also served as Trustee, Church Clerk, Sunday School Teacher and Class Leader at various times over the years. Mr. Atwater is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mattie B. At-



MR. ATWATER

water; one niece, Mrs. Addie McCormick; three nephews, James Atwater, Paul Atwater and Clyde Atwater; and many other relatives.

Interment was at Beechwood Cemetery. Funeral arrangements were by Scarborough and Hargett.

RALEIGH — A large-scale civil rights workshop conference, geared to civil rights and anti-poverty efforts and designed primarily for Eastern North Carolina, will take place on Saturday, April 15, in Rocky Mount.

The affair will be held at the Mount Zion First Baptist Church—one of the largest churches in Rocky Mount. The Reverend George Dudley is pastor. John R. Salter, Jr., of Raleigh, who has done considerable civil rights work in various sections of the South, is organizing the conference. He said that it would begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 15, and would last for about twelve hours. Widely advertised not only in North Carolina but also in sections of Southern Virginia, it is open to the public and no admission will be charged.

The purpose of the workshop conference, Salter explained, "is to strengthen existent civil rights movement and related endeavors and to stimulate the growth of new movements where none now exist." He said that the conference would

See WORKSHOP 2A

## Housing Official Warns Pickets Face Arrest

Carvie Oldham, Executive Director of the Housing Authority of the City of Durham, threatened housing residents, applicants and supporters with arrest last Friday if they refused to move their picket line from the Housing Authority property at Few Gardens.

Mrs. Yvonne Harris an applicant for public housing and spokesman for a group seeking ouster of Mrs. Helen Goodwin, Tenant Selector, stated that while she and about twenty-five (25) others were picketing with signs, Oldham threatened them with arrest and called the police.

Mrs. Harris stated that Oldham took names of several of the pickets. He also asked if they were now living in public housing. Mrs. Harris stated that an unidentified cameraman took pictures of the group and was overheard to ask James Bennett, Assistant Director of the Authority, "What the hell are those niggers doing bunched up over there walking up and down the sidewalk?"

Mrs. Harris stated that her group seeks the ouster of Mrs. Goodwin because of her "nasty" treatment of applicants and tenants.