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# \$100,000 Suit Filed In Students Killing



ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK received the NAACP Freedom Award at the Baltimore Branch Life Membership Dinner, at the Sheraton Belvedere Hotel. Clarence Mitchell, Director of the Wash-

ington Bureau NAACP, presenting the award, praised Clark for his outstanding leadership as the government's representative in courageously pressing Congress for the passage of the

1968 Federal Civil Rights Act which includes Fair Housing and increased criminal penalties for those who intimidate and deprive colored citizens of their civil rights.

## Couple Asks Investigation Into Dynamiting Of Home

### Parents, Child Barely Escape Death Attack

PIKEVILLE, Ky. — Alan and Margaret McSurely have asked for a federal investigation of the dynamiting of their home near here Dec. 13.

The McSurelys and their year-old son, victor, narrowly escaped death when the dynamite bomb missed their bedroom window. It hit the side of the house instead.

The McSurelys charged in affidavits filed with the U. S. District Attorney that the dynamiting was a part of a conspiracy against them on the part of coal operators and politicians in Eastern Kentucky. They said the conspiracy, designed to prevent organization law in 1967; the law was later declared unconstitutional.

The dynamiting came a week after the Kentucky Un-American Activities Committee (KUAC) held another in a series of hearings here. The McSurelys are field workers for the Southern Conference Educational and (SCEF), which has been under attack by KUAC.

Mrs. Anne Braden, associate director of SCEF, sent telegrams of protest to Gov. Louie B. Nunn and State Sen. Scott Miller, Jr., chairman of KUAC.

She charged that "this criminal act (the dynamiting) was provoked by the fear and hatred generated by your Committee. In Eastern Kentucky, this Committee is serving only the interests of the coal opera-



CARVER PROCLAMATION — Pittsburgh Mayor Joseph M. Barr and Dr. Alma Illery, founder and president of the National George Washington Carver Commemorative Day Assn., display the mayor's proclamation setting aside the week of January 5-11 to honor the famed Negro scientist and humanitarian. The nation's first Carver Week was observed in Pittsburgh 25 years ago. Between them is Miss Kim Smith, a sixth grade student in St. Richard's School, who sold Ma-

yor Barr a set of special Carver stamps, depicted in the insert. Behind them are Roy E. Kohler, Carver Week co-chairman; Rev. J. A. Williams of Pittsburgh's Baptist Temple, a general co-chairman; and John Cicco, Carver Week chairman. Mr. Cicco is deputy superintendent of the Catholic Diocesan schools of Pittsburgh and Mr. Kohler, manager of Special Projects, Public Relations Department, Gulf Oil Corporation. About 600 people will attend

the annual Carver Week luncheon January 6 in Webster Hall to hear Dr. Bennetta B. Washington, Director of the Women's Centers of the Job Corps and wife of Washington, D. C. Mayor Walter Washington. Other activities during the week will include special programs in both parochial and public schools, and student exhibits, some of which will be displayed in windows of the Union Trust Bldg. and the Gulf Bldg. in downtown Pittsburgh.

## Action Brought Against S. C. Highway Comm.

COLUMBIA, S. C. — The first of a series of suits seeking payment of \$100,000 damages to the estates of three young Negroes killed at Orangeburg last February was filed in the United States District Court here, Dec. 18, by Matthew Perry, special counsel of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The students were killed, reportedly by State Highway patrolmen, during a protest demonstration on the campus of the predominantly Negro South Carolina State College. The State Highway Department is the defendant in the suit. Some 30 others were injured in the conflict. The state NAACP rallied to the support of the students, organizing a withholding of patronage campaign in Orangeburg and providing legal assistance.

The decision to file the damage suits followed failure to prosecute anyone in connection with the killings and filed on behalf of Mrs. Rether Middleton, mother of Delano Middleton, 17, who was killed.

Perry said that suits on behalf of the estates of the other slain youths would be filed within a week. Personal injury suits are in preparation for 18 students who sustained injuries during the conflict.

## FBI Director Reports Crime On The Increase In United States

The FBI's Uniform Crime Reports, a compilation of statistics submitted voluntarily by local and state police agencies, discloses that for the first nine months of 1968 crime in the United States increased 19 percent over the corresponding period of 1967. These figures were released today by Attorney General Ramsey Clark.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover pointed out that violent crimes as a group increased 21 percent nationally. When viewed individually, these crimes showed 32 percent increase in robbery, 17 percent in forcible rape, 15 percent in murder, and 13 percent in aggravated assault. Each category of the more voluminous property crimes recorded increases with thefts over \$50 in value up

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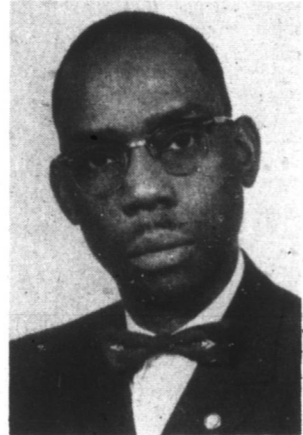
## Bryant Calls for Support of Black Solidarity Boycott at Meet

By John Phelps

A prominent civic and business leader threw a strong challenge Sunday night, Dec. 22, at "that small segment of our black community...with tired black blood" who fail to give their full support to Durham's Black Solidarity boycott.

R. Kelly Bryant, Jr. an executive of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co., issued the challenge at last Sunday's mass meeting of the Black Solidarity Movement, held at St. Joseph's AME Church on Fayetteville Street.

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## LDF Asks Supreme Court Relief For Negro To Die For Burglary

### Only Man Under Death Sentence In United States

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The U. S. Supreme Court today was asked to review the case of the only man in the United States now under a death sentence or burglary.

Albert Bobby Childs, a Negro from Buncombe County, North Carolina, was sentenced to death in 1965 after a jury found him guilty of rape and burglary.

Childs' case is being supported by the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc.

In its Supreme Court brief, the LDF challenges North Carolina's lack of standards for jury sentencing determination and the simultaneous determination on the issues of guilt and punishment.

The LDF will seek to have Childs' sentence reversed if and when the Court agrees to hear the case.

Neither a wise man nor a brave man lies down on the tracks of history to wait for the train of the future to run over him.

—Dwight D. Eisenhower

## S. C. Teacher One of Finalists for Look Magazine Annual Award

SUMTER, S. C.—Look Magazine has picked Mrs. Agnes Hilderbrand Wilson as one of five finalists for the National Teacher of the Year award. The South Carolina instructor believes in treating every student as an individual.

The national teacher of the year award is presented annually to the teacher "who can best instill intellectual curiosity and a love of learning in students."

The first Negro ever to be chosen South Carolina Teacher of the Year, Mrs. Wilson, is an instructor in French and journalism at Lincoln High School in Sumter.

George Cureton, first grade teacher in Newark, N. J.; Archie W. Demmert, sixth grade teacher at Sitka, Alaska; Barbara Coleman, language arts and head of the English Department at Miami, Fla.; and Richard A. Hanson, mathematics teacher and football coach at Burnsville, Minn.

Mrs. Wilson moved to Sumter in 1947 with her husband, the Rev. Thomas E. Wilson, now dead, to take a job in a rural school in the county system.

She told the 12 members of the senior class that she would help them prepare for college if they would promise to go.



MRS. WILSON (See TEACHER page 5)

She tutored and encouraged them. All entered college in the fall.

The awardee believes that "late bloomers" are among the most interesting challenges for teachers and that finding the "elusive key which opens their door to learning is a prize to be cherished."

Mrs. Wilson, a 1955 Fulbright Scholar at the Sorbonne, Paris, holds a bachelor degree from Allen University in Columbia and a masters degree from Temple University. She has also studied at the University of Missouri and Rutgers University.

## NAACP Annual Meet Set For N. Y. Jan. 13

NEW YORK. — Executive Director Roy Wilkins will report to the annual meeting of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on the "state of the NAACP" at the Park Sheraton Hotel here, Monday morning, Jan. 13.

Wilkins will report on the various activities of the Association during 1968 covering programs carried out by the several NAACP departments, significant achievements, membership and income figures, and highlights of branch actions. He will also indicate major programs and activities for the year 1969.

The results of the election of members of the Board of Directors will also be announced at the annual meeting.

The meeting will be preceded by the annual fellowship dinner to be held at the New York Hilton Hotel. The dinner and the meeting are attended by NAACP leaders and representatives from all sections of the country.

"After years of living with the coldest realities I still believe that one reaps what one sows and that to sow kindness is the best of all investments."

Joseph W. Martin, Jr.



50TH NAACP LIFE MEMBERSHIP FOR KAPLANS—NAACP Executive Director Roy Wil-

kins, center, presents NAACP Life Membership plaque to Dr. Alexandra Gilden Kaplan,

daughter-in-law of NAACP President Kivie Kaplan and Mrs. Kaplan, left, as her hus-

band looks on. This is the 50th NAACP Life Membership for the Kaplan family.

## Role of Religion in Solid South to Be Discussed at Duke U.

What role does religion play in keeping the so-called solid South really solid? And is the "solid South" an identification that soon will be no more? discussions centering on these thoughts will open the Jan. 9-11 conference here on

"The Bible Belt in Continuity and Change" at Duke University. The gathering for educators and theologians is sponsored by the Duke Center for Southern Studies.

Dr. Samuel S. Hill Jr., professor of religion at the Univer-

sity of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, will open the conference at 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, with an address: "Religion and the Solid South."

Offering a commentary to the remarks will be Dr. Edward A. Tiryakian, professor of So-

ciology at Duke and now involved in research into the historical role of religion in societal change.

Hill, who also serves as chairman of the religion department at UNC, has special

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