

NCTA Secretary Scores Black Teacher In Halifax County

A recent article and editorial appeared in the Carolina Times expressing the disgust of the paper and the author with the "distressful situation involving and surrounding the case of Mrs. Pattie B. Cotton." The article continues and sets forth the need for "an organized effort to aid Mrs. Cotton in her defense against the persecution of The Halifax County School Board. That if some-

thing was not done in her behalf more such cases would result in the state making integration of the public schools a mere mockery in North Carolina." A final plea is made in the editorial for unity of black people and for financial contributions from civil rights, religious and fraternal organizations and individuals to provide legal assistance for Mrs. Cotton. While the writer of this

letter knows full well that the above mentioned paper, its editor and staff are serious about the need for unity of our people and their distaste for actions of racial discrimination and unequal treatment of blacks by whites, the writer is forced to call some astonishing facts to the attention of the public.

As schools desegregate in North Carolina more and more

black educators are phased out and replaced by whites. Negro administrators are being demoted to assistant principals, placed back in the classroom or eliminated altogether and replaced by whites. Negro teachers and some principals are placed in desegregated situations and at the "drop of a pin" are fired, sued or transferred to another system (by superintendents agreements).

Too often black teachers are desegregated and placed in areas for which they have not been certified, then released, because they are out of their field.

A more recent practice in eliminating the black educator "not to hire them". This sort of practice is evident in The Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System. In 1966 in Charlotte, 44% of the teaching force was

black. In 1969, only 22% of the teaching force there is black. For the 1968-69 school year Charlotte hired 722 new educators. Only 17 of these were black.

A Negro teacher assigned to a predominately white school runs a higher risk of being eliminated on grounds of being declared "incompetent", where they have taught for 18 years (as was a recent case in Pitt

County) or whether they are being dropped because of the drop in the average daily attendance, where they have taught for 36 years (as was the recent case in Lenoir County) or other causes. With this being the case, it is not understandable at all, as to why many of the black teachers do not see the trend of the problem facing them and the need for unity among them.

The most distressing thing of all is that the article referred to above makes a plea for financial assistance for Mrs. Pattie B. Cotton when there is really no need. Surely Mrs. Cotton belongs to one of her educational professional associations, The North Carolina Teachers Association or The North Carolina Education As-

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BENNETT SPEAKER—Whitney M. Young, Jr., president of the National Urban League chats with graduates and well-wishers after delivering the Commencement address at Bennett College last week.

U. S. Secretary Of Housing To Address NAACP 60th Meeting

2,000 Delegates Are Expected to Hear Geo. Romney July 3

NEW YORK — George W. Romney, Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, will address the 60th anniversary convention of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People meeting in Jackson, Miss., June 20 - July 5. The Cabinet member and former Governor of Michigan will address the 2,000 delegates on "Meeting the Need for Shelter" at the July 3 afternoon session.

The convention will be opened Monday night, June 30, with the keynote address by Bishop Stephen G. Spottswood, chairman of the NAACP Board of Directors. The following night the 54th Spingarn Medal will be presented to Clarence Mitchell, the veteran director of the Association's Washington Bureau.

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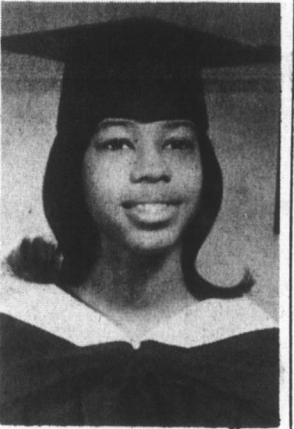
Durham Girl Finishes College in 3 Years; To Study Medicine

Edwina Barnett, 19, is a coed in an academic hurry. She will receive her bachelor's degree with honors in June after completing college in three years.

Miss Barnett took an accelerated program in high school, entering college at 16. After college she plans to enter Johns Hopkins Medical School for another accelerated program which will give her a doctor of medicine degree at 22.

During her sophomore year she discovered she could take more than the normal number of credit hours "without any trouble." Miss Barnett took an average of 22 hours each quarter and 27 hours last Winter Quarter.

In her first quarter at Ohio State she made a 3.2 point average. She said, "I blew it." Since then she has received better than a 3.5 each quarter, qualifying for the President's Scholarship Recognition Dinner. Conducts Research



MISS BARNETT As a zoology major, she is working on a research problem in addition to her regular courses. She hopes to disprove the theory that all of a female's prospective egg cells are

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Financial Crisis Of Education To Highlight SREB Miami Meeting

100 Prominent Southerners To Attend Meeting

ATLANTA — Straight talk about higher education's "other" crisis—the financial one—will highlight the Southern Regional Education Board's annual meeting Thursday and Friday (June 12-13) at the Americana Hotel in Miami Beach.

More than 100 prominent Southerners—from higher education, state government, business and industry—will hear a parade of distinguished speakers tackle major aspects of the deepening college money problem. Among the speakers: Clark Kerr, chairman of the Carnegie Commission on the Future of Higher Education and former president of the University of California.

Howard R. Bowen, president of the University of Iowa. Governors Buford Ellington of Tennessee, Marvin Mandel of Maryland and Robert Scott

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Former Principal Hillside High Passes Following Long Illness

Last rites for Prof. Harold M. Holmes, 68, former principal of Hillside High School, were held at St. Joseph AME Church here, Wednesday, June 11 at 3:00 p.m. The Rev. Lorenzo A. Lynch, pastor of White Rock Baptist Church, of which Prof. Holmes was a member, officiated.

Prof. Holmes was born and reared in Greensboro the son of Calvin and Mrs. Ella Ash Holmes. He attended the public schools of Greensboro, Lincoln University of Lincoln, Pennsylvania and Columbia University. He served as principal of Hillside from 1948 to 1962.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Felice Holmes of Durham, one daughter, Marian Holmes of Washington and one son of Morrisville, Penn.

The scripture was read by Rev. William H. Fuller, pastor



HOLMES of Mt. Zion Baptist Church; the litany was led by Rev. A. D. Logan, pastor First Baptist Church, Reidsville. Mrs. Jean Lucas sang a solo "I'll Walk With God". Acknowledgements were

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Capitol City To Furnish Location For New Venture

BALTIMORE, Maryland — Security Exchange Commission has approved the offering, circular for a group of 15 Negro ministers and businessmen to operate a major supermarket in the District. The group will operate a Super Jet Market in the inner-city of the District under a franchise from the Black-owned Jet Food Corporation.

Capitol City Foods, Inc., as the group is called, organized more than a year ago and represents ministers of all faiths and all sections of the District. The recent SEC approval of 60,000 shares of common stock enables the group to sell shares in their Super Jet Market. The stock at \$5.00 per share is now being sold. The site for the new market will be announced at a later date as soon as negotiations for same have been finalized.

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GETS HONORARY DOCTOR OF DIVINITY — Captain T. D. Parham, Jr., who recently completed his Foreign Assignments returned to the United States last week. On June 9, he received an honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from Ursinus College at Collegeville, Pa.

Local Survey To Be Made of Jobless By Bureau of Census

A sample of residents of this area will be included in a nationwide survey of employment and unemployment to be conducted during the week of June 15 by the Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce, according to Joseph R. Norwood, Director of the Bureau's regional office in Charlotte.

The monthly survey is conducted by the Bureau of the Census for the U.S. Department of Labor, and the information is used to calculate the

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15 Negro Businessmen To Operate Supermarket In D.C.

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NAACP MOTHER OF THE YEAR—Roy Wilkins, NAACP Executive Director, crowns the NAACP "Mother of the Year," Mrs. Elizabeth Sadler, Charlotte, and Mrs. Emily L. Russell, Warren County; during 1969 Freedom Day celebration in Raleigh Memorial Auditorium.



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LDF Wins Employment Suit Black Factory Worker In Ala.

Factory Workers To Get Job And 2 Years Back Salary

BIRMINGHAM, Alabama — A Federal court this week, ruling on an employment discrimination suit brought by the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. said that an Alabama Negro factory worker is entitled to have his old job back and nearly two years back pay.

Peter J. Wrenn was fired from his job at the American Cast Iron Pipe Company in September, 1967, shortly after his employer learned he has complained to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission about job discrimination practiced by the company against Negroes.

Company officials contended that Wrenn, an employee for over 20 years, was fired because he made "libelous, false and malicious accusations

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Hon. Henry E. Frye to Speak At West Durham Baptist Sun.

The honorable Henry E. Frye, of the North Carolina House of Representatives will speak at the West Durham Baptist Church, Sunday, June 15 at the 11:00 a.m. service. Attorney Frye is a native of Ellerbe, North Carolina and now makes his home in Greensboro.

Frye is a graduate of A&T University of Greensboro, where he finished with honors. His education was continued at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where he graduated from the Law School with a Doctorate in Law.

The young Lawyer has made several outstanding contributions at such an early age. He was the first of his race to serve as U. S. Assistant District Attorney for the Middle Dis-

trict of North Carolina. He was Professor of Law at North Carolina College Law School and has been in private practice for several years.

The speaker is active in christian and religious activities. He served as Sunday School Teacher and Deacon at the Providence Baptist Church.

Attorney Frye is one of the guest speakers serving the church during the absence of the pastor. The Minister, Rev. F. D. Terry, is serving with the 301st Armor GP in Camp Shelby, Mississippi. The minister has been Chaplain in the U. S. Reserve program for eight years and holds the rank of Major.

The Rev. Samuel Webb, Associate Minister, will speak at the 6:00 p.m. service.

Wheeler Delivers Hillside's 73rd Commencement Address

Hillside High School held its seventy-third commencement exercises here Friday evening, June 6, at the Durham County Stadium.

Following a concert by the Hillside band and the procession of graduates, Rev. V. E. Brown, pastor of Gethsemane Baptist Church, delivered the invocation.

The commencement address

was delivered by John H. Wheeler, president of Mechanics and Farmers Bank of Durham.

J. H. Lucas, principal of Hillside, along with several members of the Board of Education, presented the more than four hundred graduates their diplomas.

Rev. L. A. Miller, pastor of St. Mark AME Zion Church, gave the benediction.



Dr. Jas. Cheek New President Howard Univ.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Dr. James E. Cheek, a 36-year-old president of Shaw University in Raleigh, N. C., was elected last Thursday as president of Howard University.

Judge Scovel Richardson of Howard University. Judge Scovel Richardson of Howard Board of Trustees, said Dr. Cheek was the unanimous choice of the selection committee and the Board.

The new president is expected to assume his duties later this summer, Judge Richardson said.

Dr. Cheek, a scholar of theological history, took over the presidency of Shaw University in 1963 at a time when it was on the verge of bankruptcy, enrollment was down, financial support was meager and educational standards were so low as to jeopardize the school's accreditation. The institution faced a \$280,000 debt including its food bill. Dr. Cheek appealed directly to community and business leaders and in six months raised \$325,000.

Total expenditures of Shaw in 1962-1963 amounted to \$705,133 compared with a budgeted total this year of \$5,931,236.

Since 1964 Shaw has completed more than four million dollars in capital construction and development projects. Its total assets have increased from \$2,685,000 in 1963 to

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N. C. Ushers to Form Branch in Franklin County

The North Carolina Interdenominational Ushers Association will meet at the First Baptist Church, on Main St., in Franklinton, June 15 at 2:30 PM.

The main purpose of the meeting, according to Mrs. Louise Harvey, chairman of the expansion committee, is to enlist and organize the ushers of Franklinton as members of the state organization.

In view of the influx of new industries and the overall progressive trend of Franklin County citizens, it now seems to be an opportune time for the county to be represented in the state wide association of ushers.

The new unit will be known as the Franklin County Ushers Union.

Clifton Stone of Chapel Hill president of the state association and L. E. Austin, president Emeritus will be in attendance at the Sunday meeting.