

YOUR PICTURE-NEWS WEEKLY



CAPT. ERIC C. MICHAUX

The Lawyer is A Durham, N. C. Black Man

DA NANG AFLD, Republic of Vietnam (7AF) - Assistant staff judge advocate Capt. Eric C. Michaux has had years of practice with racial discrimination. He's a lawyer, and he's black.

Being the only black lawyer with the Air Force in the Republic of Vietnam makes the Durham, N. C., native distinctive. Coupled with professional skill and an impressive trial record, that fact has made him well known to black and white airmen here.

Using virtually every form of transportation available, Captain Michaux traveled all over Southeast Asia, counseling and defending airmen. His travels have also taken him as far as Okinawa and Thailand.

In his role as a trial lawyer he has become familiar with the subject of discrimination and probable areas of racial tension. He feels the primary causes of these problems center on "poor management techniques and an unknowing, deprived individual."

"Blacks have certain rights, as do all men," Captain Michaux said, "and as far as I see, they don't have all of them yet."

"But on the other hand, some whites complain about reverse discrimination or rights given to appease blacks yet denied to whites. This, combined with poor understanding at the supervisory level, causes racial tension," he remarked.

An undergraduate at Bos-

ton University Law School in North Carolina with help and encouragement from two old family friends: the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and Dr. Alan Knight Chalmers, retired professor of theology at Boston and past president of the Legal Defense and Educational Fund of the NAACP.

At that time he began to take an active interest in integration and mutual cooperation between blacks and whites. After graduation from law school, both he and his brother applied for membership to the North Carolina Voluntary Bar Association, a state affiliate of the American Bar Association. Previously, no blacks had belonged to it.

Captain Michaux explained his desire to join. "If the lawyers of a state can't sit as a group and discuss problems, how can we expect people with less education to do so." Membership privileges were not extended and Duke University promptly withdrew its affiliation from the organization.

Having earned a commission through the Reserve Officer Training Corps program at Boston, he entered active duty following his admission to practice before the North Carolina Supreme Court. With his active duty status he finally realized membership in the American Bar Association. Assigned to the Air Reserve Personnel Center in Denver, he soon earned a reputation

for defending cases in which there was a possibility of discrimination.

Racial problems in the military stem from the nature of the black man and his introduction into the military, according to Captain Michaux. "In some instances this is his first discipline, but with it comes his first freedom...a problem magnified here in Vietnam."



DR. ANDREW KOLI

S. C. State Prof Attends Meet Of Chemists

ORANGEBURG, S. C. - Dr. Andrew K. Koli, associate professor of chemistry at South Carolina State College, will present a paper at the American Chemical Society's meeting scheduled for New Orleans, La., December 2-4.

His presentation is entitled "Reduction of Benzanthrone by Organolithium Compounds and Preparation of Stable Carbonium Ions."

He is a member of American Chemical Society and The Society of Sigma Xi.

Dr. Koli is a native of Bombay, India. He received his bachelor's degree from the University of Bombay, and the master's and doctorate degrees in organic chemistry from Howard University, Washington, D. C.

Last year he presented a paper at the ACS meeting, also. This is his third year at S. C. State College.

Greensboro Store Robbed Of \$20,000

GREENSBORO - Two men robbed a Greensboro department store official of more than \$20,000 in cash and checks Monday as the merchant was leaving the store to go to a bank.

Sam Holland, assistant manager of Paul Rose Department Store in Friendly Shopping Center, said he was leaving the back door of the store about 4 p.m. when two men armed with pistols stopped him. He told police the pair ordered him to hand over the money, then asked him to open his coat.

The men, apparently satisfied that Holland was not armed, let him go back into the store. Police said witnesses told them the bandits drove away in a car with a Durham license but abandoned it only a block away in the same shopping center. They said the two fled in another car with a third man inside.

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"Good Enough"

By DONALD LOVE

We should take an inventory of ourselves to find out our shortcomings as to why we are not good enough for God. To actually know how good we should be, it is necessary for us to know God's requirements or His standards for us. We can not do what He wants if we do not know what He wants.

God told Adam what He wanted, but Adam failed to meet His demands. He had Noah to tell the world; the world failed but Noah obeyed His commands. He told Lot, Abraham's nephew, to tell a city. The city failed.

The prophet Elijah complained how hard-hearted the Israelites were. They had killed other prophets and now were seeking his life. God told Elijah, "He had seven thousand who had not bowed to the wishes of the Devil."

Moses desired to lead the Israelites into the promised land, but it was not the plan of God that he should. The question - Was Moses good enough?

Jonah found out that he wasn't good enough until he carried God's message to his people.

Christ hand-picked twelve men to school for His special work, but Judas was not good enough. There are many patriots who could be used or mentioned.

We have had in our day renowned men and women that we placed high on our agenda due to their humane activities. There was President Theodore Roosevelt; the Kennedy brothers, John and Robert; Martin L. King, to mention a few. Did any or all of them meet all of God's standards? We have no way of knowing, but assume that they did and above all hope that they did.

There was a very good

friend of mine who was not a Christian nor did he profess to be. There were families he knew that needed all the help and support they could get. He would go to grocery stores, buy great quantities of food and spread it out between these families. As good as he was in this respect, was he good enough? He knew that he wasn't before his death. As good as he was in his early life, if he had let God into his life, there is no telling how magnifying he would have been.

We have death in our families, our bad ones are taken, we seem to be shocked more. During the waiting period between the death and the burial, most of us find joy in drinking as though this is the thing to do. Everything and everyone is forgotten. The day of the funeral and burial, our countenance changes, we get sad and watery eyes. As we lineup from the house going to the church, no one speaks. The funeral is the climax.

Arriving home when it is over, we go right back to our selfish acts. I have wondered, what affect did this death have on a member of the family or friend? As good as the deceased could have been, just why didn't some of that goodness rub-off on us?

As a rule any generation refers to the earlier days as "The good old days." If we so intrigued with old things and old days, what is wrong with the old time religion? The song once used "I need the old time religion; for it's good enough for me. I want that old time religion, it is good enough for me. It is good when you're dying, it is good enough for me." Let us say what we mean and mean what we say.



FUTURE NURSE - Miss Linda Fuller, (right) student of Wayne Community College in Goldsboro, niece of Lawrence Harper (in wheel chair). Miss Fuller is aspiring to become a nurse. The picture the two are holding is familiar to every-

one, is offered mentioned by Mr. Harper. Even though confined to the wheel chair, he still can smile and has an optimistic outlook on life. Those caring to send a contribution to Mr. Harper, may do by addressing your mail to 310

Baxter St., Durham, N. C.

SIGN OF THE TIMES
A sign on a church bulletin board in Los Angeles: "You Can't Shake Hands With a Clefched Fist."



CARPET TALK - Mrs. Dorothy Witcher, N. C. State University program aide, discusses carpet samples with prospective residents who will soon move into their new Turnkey III homes in Raleigh.

Bribing The Judges

MOSCOW - The government newspaper Izvestia reported that judges of the Soviet Supreme Court think there is too much bribery in Soviet courts. The Izvestia report indi-

cated Soviet courts investigating bribery cases sometimes accept bribes themselves.

The first Oscar was awarded to the 1928 Paramount movie "Wings."

Phi Beta Sigma Conclave to Be Held in Winston

NEW YORK - To plan and put into execution programs in business, education and social actions that are beneficial for Blacks because of their relevancy and accountability which will bring about a change for the betterment of the status of Blacks during the seventies, will be the objectives of 1,500 delegates who are expected to attend the 56th Anniversary conclave of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated.

The convention, which will convene in the Robert E. Lee Hotel of Winston Salem, North Carolina from Saturday, December 26th, through Wednesday, December 30, 1970, will be hosted by Delta Alpha and Delta Sigma Chapters of the national fraternity, located in the North Carolina area.

S. L. Hamlin of Winston Salem is Conclave Director of the four day meetings. Other Winston Salem members of Sigma who head Committees charged with assisting in the preparations for the deliberations that will be conducted through general meetings and workshops are: F. King Thomas, co-Directors; C. J. Washington, Registration Chairman; J. D. Ashley, Souvenir Program Chairman; H. E. Staplefoot, Publicity Chairman and George W. Allen, President.

In announcing the general format of the convention, Dr. Alvin J. McNeil, National President of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated, characterized the convention's goals as relevant to today's happenings as Blacks press for educational, business, political

and social goals which will account for changes during the seventies as Blacks seek to participate to their fullest capabilities in the American mainstreams of endeavors. Dr. McNeil also said that William E. Doar, Jr. of New

York National Executive Secretary of Phi Beta Sigma, had been named General Conclave Chairman and Clarence L. Townes, National Treasurer, of Richmond, Virginia, will serve as Treasurer of the Conclave.

Says Nixon Policy Hides Racism Of Government Contractors

NEW YORK - Public funds being paid out to government contractors in building and construction trades are subsidizing racial discrimination in employment, says Herbert Hill, national director of labor of the NAACP. Writing in the current issue of Social Policy magazine, Hill charges that the Nixon administration "has abandoned even the pretense of enforcing federal guidelines to implement Executive Order 11246 which prohibits discriminatory practices by government contractors."

Hill says, "High government officials who piously demand 'law and order' from Black Americans are the same public officials who refuse to enforce the law in protecting the rights of Black workers against discrimination in employment." This double standard "mocks the law and breeds contempt for it," says Hill.

He says the irony of calling for "law and order" while ignoring illegal job bias is not lost upon the Black citizens of cities where their rates of unemployment and underemployment have reached crisis proportions. Hill scores the

Nixon administration for "destroying the Philadelphia Plan" which would "break the 'lily white' union monopoly in the building trades by placing thousands of Black workers on federal construction projects throughout the country." He charges that abandonment of the Philadelphia Plan is a payoff to the building trades unions for their support of the war in Indochina.

As a substitute for the Philadelphia Plan, the U.S. Department of Labor is promoting and funding so-called "Hometown Solutions" for government contractors which, he says, neither establish contractual duties nor contain legal sanctions. Hill asserts the Nixon policy permits the "hard-hats" to perpetuate their racist policies when fulfilling government orders.

Pope Carries Greetings to Australians

SYDNEY, Australia
Pope Paul VI came to this predominantly Protestant land Monday bearing special greetings for "all the brothers of the Christian churches." A slim crowd of about 4,000 was at the airport to see him arrive from the Philippines.

After Graduation from High School, Now Recording Session

By "COUNT AUSTIN"
Not every teenager would turn down recording and performance offers from New York music figures in favor of finishing high school.

Four young Durham men did that last winter, but they have now graduated from Hillside High School and their first record will appear in three of Durham's largest record stores Friday.

The Modulations - Larry "Nick" Allen, Hoyal "Hoss" Saunders, Larry "Little La" Duncan, and Henry "Hank" Chandelle - have been singing together for three years, but it has been a long way from a talent show at the T. A. Grady Community Center to a professional performance at New York's Apollo Theatre in Harlem.

The route was more or less direct, though. That first talent show appearance - "with no band or nothing," according to Larry Duncan - led to more talent shows - "we played a lot of talent shows, and a lot of community centers before we ever got paid," says Larry Allen.

There were paid performances, the first one in Durham's Barbecue Palace, before the All-North Carolina talent show in Rocky Mount which sent them to the Apollo Theatre.

They were still amateurs, however. The Apollo appearances were in Wednesday Talent Night presentations, where they competed with groups from all over the nation for four straight weeks.

"Any group winning four straight times is given a chance to appear on the Apollo's regular bill for a week, with professional groups, and with pay," said Hoyal Saunders.

The regular Apollo performance brought music world contacts, with record producers from such companies as Atlantic and Motown. The Apollo Talent Nights were on the route to stardom for such groups as the Temptations, the Jackson Five, and the Intruders, and for soloists like Nancy Wilson, all of whom won there.

The four Modulations were offered chances to join traveling shows, or to record "flip" sides for the big companies, but they did not accept.

"Everybody had hopes of making a record, but we decided to finish school before we got the record out," Hoyal Saunders says.