

# PERSONALS

Miss Olivia Dula was called to Lenoir, N. C., to attend the funeral of her brother.

Miss Gra Lee Smith, Miss Mattie Smith spent the week-end in Anderson, S. C., with their mother, who is ill.

## Negro Births

Jerry and Gertrude Patillo, 1052 Armstrong, a girl, February 10.  
Mackey and Louise Jennings, 1804 Water, a girl, January 28.

Abraham and Ruth Walker, 1306 East Market, a girl, February 14.  
Jessie and Pearlina Carlos, 103 Argyle, a girl, February 15.  
Harold and Francis Lyles, 604 High, a girl, February 13.

S. B. and Lydia Martin, 1704 East Market, a boy, February 13.

## Dudley Band Concert March 3

### Two Concerts To Be Given, Matinee At 2:00 and Another At 8:30.

The 1942 concert season of the Dudley High School Band opens Tuesday, March 3, with two concerts: Matinee at 2:00 for elementary school children, and an adult concert that evening at 8:30. The concerts will be given in the Dudley High School auditorium, and will be the only concerts presented at that auditorium during the season.

#### Students Do Planning.

The planning of the band programs has been done by the band personnel organized under a general cabinet patterned after the organization of the federal administration. The members of the cabinet are: Director of program department, Doris McKethan; chief of bureau of publicity, Charles Lawrence; director of board of finance, Alvin Guy; chief of the house staff, Reginald Reeves; chief of the stage staff, Ernest McClinton; co-concertmasters, Irvin Stokes and Lonnie Byarm; quartermaster, John Gilmer; librarian, William Skelton, and bank clerk, Grace Morrow. Each member of the band is a worker in some one of the divisions. From the selection of the concert season repertoire to the training of ushers the members of the band have managed the entire program.

#### Dudley Band Largest.

The Dudley Band is the largest Negro band in the state. It has grown from 25 to 93 members since September, 1940. In addition to this band there are also at Dudley a second band of 46, a third of 28 and a small girls' drum and bugle corps. The band is also fed by organizations in the Negro grade schools of the city with membership totaling 92.

#### Parsons to Conduct.

The conductor for both concerts will be J. B. Parsons, director of instrumental music in the Negro schools of the city since September, 1940. Parsons returned again this year despite a draft number of 31, and has been allowed an additional deferment until the close of the present school year. He came to Dudley from Lincoln university, Missouri, where he served as band and orchestra director for six years. He received his training in band at James Millikin university and the University of Wisconsin.

## ASHEBORO MAN IS HELD IN SLAYING

ASHEBORO. — James Connor, Rameur Negro, was bound over to Randolph Superior court early this week under \$1,000 bond for the murder of Ray McKenzie the night of February 23 at Rameur.

According to investigating officers, Connor said he shot McKenzie with a shotgun for "messin' with my wife." McKenzie died at Randolph hospital a few hours after the assault.



MR. ROBERT TERRY.

Mr. Robert Terry, flight instructor in the civilian pilot training course at A and T. college, who has flown over 3,000 solo hours without an accident, certainly believes in being first or near first in his activities as an aviator. Mr. Terry began his career as an aviator in 1932, when he enrolled as the first student of the Somerset Flying School of New Jersey. Very few institutions received Negroes for flight training at that time. The total cost of a commercial pilot's course was \$3,800.00. He was able to defray his expenses by working at the school.

Upon the completion of the course, Mr. Terry was employed by the Standard Flying Service, Basking Ridge, N. J., as flight instructor. He was the second colored instructor in the country and now holds a primary and secondary instructor's rating. While hired by the Standard Flying Service, his duties included flying for an aerial photographer who made pictures for real estate firms. He also demonstrated new aircraft, Waco and Taylor craft, to prospective buyers.

Mr. Terry came to A. and T. college on June 15, 1940, and has since been successfully engaged in the duty of turning out private pilots.

## CITY PREPARES FOR TESTS OF AIR RAID

Preparations are being made for a fourth air raid test warning for Greensboro, declared City Manager C. W. Smedberg, who said no date has been set pending arrival and installation of a whistle to be lent to the city by C. W. Ashby, Southern railway division superintendent.

Two test warnings were staged some time ago with Proximity Manufacturing company's "wild cat" whistle, which was inadequate, and a third was given with aid of a whistle at city pumping station.

The next warning, City Manager Smedberg stated, "will be given by the 'wild cat' whistle, and whistles at city pumping station was one taken from a ship captured by the United States in the first world war. City Manager Smedberg said he understands that the whistle lent to the city by Ashby and installed at city pumping station was one taken from a ship captured by the United States in the first world war.

No plans for a blackout will be made, Smedberg stated, until orders for such procedure have been received from fourth corps area with headquarters at Atlanta, Ga.

## Daughters of Conference Holds Meeting Recently

The Daughters of Conference of Trinity A. M. E. Zion church held their meeting in the home of Mrs. Brison on McGee street Friday evening, February 20th, at 8 o'clock.

### HOW THEY ARE MEASURED.

Scientists in measuring the distance of a star from the earth, view it from two points 185,000,000 miles apart. The earth's orbit has a diameter of 185,000,000 miles, so scientists plot the position of a star, then wait six months until the earth is at the opposite side of the orbit, then plot it again.

## Greensboro Miss Is Twice Winner In Contest

### Miss Booker Is the Lucky Winner Twice Within a Year.

Little Ella Bernardine Booker is the charming little Miss being talked about. Is she lucky? Twice within a year she has won in contests sponsored by organizations in St. Matthews Methodist church of the city. A few months ago, having raised the largest amount of money, she was the bride in a Thom Thumb Wedding. She was also successful in a Baby Contest recently sponsored by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of St. Matthews. Bernardine represents the Wesleyan Service Guild. The second highest amount of money was raised by Little Claudia Flury, representing Circle No. 6 of the society. The other babies participating were little Phyllis J. Young, Monroe Peeler, Joanne Halford, Brenda Bethel.

As a crowning feature of the contest a Children's Concert was held at the church, January 26, at 7:30. My, what an exhibition of talent. There were instrumental solos, vocal solos, dramatic readings and choral groups. Those participating in the program were Helen Avery, who served as Mistress of Ceremony, the J. C. Price Boys' Choir, directed by Mrs. G. M. Hammond, the J. C. Price Psaltery Group, directed by Miss C. L. McCollough, Little Jean Morris, Isabelle M. Taylor, Carbot Drake, Charles Jones, Harold Campbell, Maebelle Cornelious, Solomon Saey, Hagolene Saey, Raymond Hannah, Anne Carolyn Harris, Geraldine Dillard, Fannie Caldwell, and Lorraine Kerr.

A pageant, "These Are My Jewels," written by a member of the Guild, was presented as a means of crowning the winner. Miss J. Wilsona Butler served as reader in the pageant while Mrs. L. P. Dyson bestowed the honors upon the winner. The program was arranged by Mrs. O. S. Grandy and Miss C. B. Minor, all members of the Wesleyan Service Guild.

A Fellowship Dinner was served at the church on the evening of the concert. This feature as well as the concert was well attended and much enjoyed. The entire effort netted the society approximately \$125.00.

The Woman's Society of St. Matthews church, of which Rev. J. E. Brower is pastor; is integral part of the life of the church. It serves as aid to the pastor in realizing the church's budget; it tends to promote spiritual growth in the church; and it is a means of a social outlet for the members and friends of the church. The program of the society is even more far reaching than that. There is a definite attempt to aid in community problems, and help in the missionary efforts of the Methodist church. Mrs. D. D. Jones is president of the society.

## Party Given Honoring Mr. Bromont Hagey

There was a party given in the home of Mr. George Garrett on South Ashe street recently honoring Mr. Bromont Hagey from camp in Louisiana. He will be here for a 16-day furlough at the home of his brother and sister-in-law at 163 W. McCollough street.

The evening of fun was enjoyed by all. Those present were Vera Purvis, Lella Phifer, Luella Phifer, Claudia Scott, Rowena Alston, Martha Rickard, Catherine Marsh, Minnie Brown, Robert Brower, Norwood Hunter, Clarence Youse, James Reeves, Manning Jackson, Elroy McAden, Coy Goosby, James Benton, J. V. Shoffner, James Scott, Thomas Carter and James Woods.

### Chorus Practices

The Gospel Chorus of St. Matthews church held their practice Tuesday evening in the home of Mrs. R. C. Sharpe at 7:30 o'clock at 717 Ashe street.

## DUTCH MINISTER TALKS ABOUT EAST INDIES

CHAPEL HILL, Feb. 17. — Many questions with respect to the impending crisis in the rich Dutch East Indies, next major objective on the Japanese time table, was answered here Wednesday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock when Dr. Alexander Loudon, Netherlands minister to the United States and Washington representative for the Indies, spoke at the University of North Carolina under the auspices of the International Relations club.

Back from Washington, where he and the club's vice president, Wesley Bagley, were dinner guests of the minister and his wife during the week-end, Club President Roger Mann reports that Dr. Loudon has promised to discuss the situation in the Dutch Indies "frankly, even bluntly, and to reveal many facts with respect to the situation there that are not generally known to the American public."

President Mann says the minister has also promised to present a complete analysis of the military situation in the Indies and to clarify many controversial points.

"Dr. Loudon has promised to make a fighting speech," Mann added. "He will speak extemporaneously, and the address will not be broadcast."

The address is the next in a "victory series" being sponsored by the club this quarter. China's ambassador, Dr. Hu Shih, spoke here last week to a large audience, and the ambassadors of several other members of the United Nations are scheduled for addresses later on Czechoslovakia's representative is next on the list, and he will be followed by Mexico's ambassador.

Dr. Loudon's address was originally scheduled for Wednesday night, but it was moved up to avoid a conflict with the basketball game Wednesday night.

### Mrs. Youse Still Ill

Mrs. Oley Youse, of 166 West McCollough street, is still ill in her home, but she has shown improvement.

### Mrs. Williams Improved

Mrs. Lucinda Williams on Whittington street, is still among the shut-ins, but is much improved.

### Rev. Brower Leads Service

Rev. J. E. Brower, pastor of St. Matthews church, and congregation worshipped with Rev. R. C. Sharpe at Brown's Memorial church on East Market street Sunday evening, February 15th, at 8 o'clock.

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