

TOP NEWS EVENTS OF 1959

As the curtain rolls down on 1959, the public wants to recall the most significant happenings making top news.

In North Carolina, the foremost news story gives an account of Governor Luther Hodges laying out the red carpet for President Sekou Toure of the New Republic of Guinea.

Among the highlights in the Guinea President's visit was a special dinner in his honor in Raleigh by the governor and state dignitaries.

Perhaps the most interesting part of the Toure itinerary was the press conference in Chapel Hill. Questions ranging from whether he came to America

for financial aid or whether he came to see the relationship that exists between the races were shot at him.

The next news story that shocked the public was the account of the murder of Mrs. Helen Hairston, instructor at the Carver Consolidated School of Winston-Salem.

It is believed that she fell mortally wounded before she had time to lay down her books in her home. The killer blasted away without warning, in gangland fashion. Suspicions were pointed to her estranged husband, Ralph Hairston, who was later himself found dead in a wooded area.

Probably it will never be known who the real murderer was.

RISE IN MURDERS

The third and also a shocking narrative tells the story of an increased number of murders among the Negro population of Wake Co. in 1959 as compared with those in 1958. According to the Records Division of the Raleigh Police Department, 3 Negro males and 3 females were slain in 1958. The number jumped to eight in 1959 when seven colored men and one Negro woman were murdered.

Ranking fourth was the story that carried an account of the funeral rites of one of Cumberland County's oldest and most beloved citizens, Mrs. Martha Watson Graham, a 118-year-old mother.

Mrs. Graham, who lived to

see her sixth generation, was buried in Lewis Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery in Fayetteville. Her life was colored by the happy and tragic memories of the Slavery and Reconstruction Periods.

An interracial cortege paid its last respects to a woman who gave advice and encouragement to those seeking it.

Time marches on, but we must stop periodically and review events. The year 1960 will tell another story—much of it too, will be sad and tragic.

Greensboro College Authorizes Nearly \$1 Million In Buildings

GREENSBORO — Plans to construct buildings and other improvements at A&T College, to cost nearly one million dollars, were authorized last week.

The trustee board, meeting at the college last Wednesday, December 16, told architects to begin plans at once on projects for which \$976,000 has already been authorized and allocated.

The new projects include: chemistry building, \$450,000; classroom building, \$218,000; agricultural engineering building, \$68,000; renovations to Dudley Hall \$100,000; field house and athletic field improvements, \$150,000.

Dr. Warmoth T. Gibbs, president of the college, told board members that the college will ask other major permanent improvements during the 1961-63 biennium.

These included: new building and equipment for mathematics and business, a student union building, a biology building, major additions to the physical education and gymnasium building, renovations for several structures and additional equipment for all.

Board chairman Robert H. Frazier opened the meeting with special words of praise for Dr. Gibbs. He congratulated the president for his work in securing for the college full membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, a goal which the college had worked towards for the past four years.

calling another state?



MAKES HISTORIC N. C. VISIT — President Sekou Toure, right, of the Republic of Guinea, made a visit to North Carolina late in 1959 and was hosted by Governor Luther H. Hodges. It marked the first time that a North Carolina governor had ever played host to a Negro president of any country. President Toure is shown here arriving at the Raleigh-Durham Airport, and is accompanied by an unidentified government official on the left.



URNS PROFESSIONAL — Miss Althea Gibson, Wimbledon and U. S. Women's tennis champion, turned professional in 1959 and is now touring the country, with the Harlem Globetrotters basketball team. Miss Gibson and Miss Karol Fageros perform a show prior to the regular basketball performance.

"Palsy March" Of 53 Minutes Planned Soon

A new appeal for volunteers to take part in the "53 Minute March on Cerebral Palsy" was issued by Coach Frank J. McGuire, Head Basketball Coach, University of North Carolina and State Chairman of the 1960 campaign.

The campaign which will be conducted in January is in need of volunteers to take part in canvassing local communities, in operation "door-bell" as well as to assist with other necessary tasks in the UCP offices during the campaign. McGuire said.

In issuing the call for volunteers, McGuire said, "I am mindful that this is the Holiday season, and that we are all busy making preparations for the holidays, but in the spirit of holiday giving, I appeal to as many of you as can, to give part of your time — just a few hours — to the 53 Minute March on Cerebral Palsy this coming month.

"When the mystery of cerebral palsy is finally unraveled, it will be accomplished through the teamwork of the men of medicine and science and the men and women volunteers of this and other communities throughout the nation," McGuire said.

Final plans for a house-to-house canvass are now being completed, according to McGuire. Those wishing to volunteer their services should contact their local UCP chairman or call North Carolina State UCP headquarters in Chapel Hill direct.

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LYNCHED IN MISSISSIPPI — Mack Charles Parker, above, was reportedly lynched by a mob of white men in Poplarville, Mississippi in 1959. A veteran, Parker was awaiting trial on charges of allegedly raping a white woman in the area.

Crucial Issue For 1960 Seen As 'Mixing' Fight

NEW YORK, N. Y. — With the growing use during 1959 of the investigatory powers of state legislative committees as a device to destroy integration forces in the South, the fight which has been waged by 31 Americans, two of whom are now in jail, to preserve the First Amendment rights of free speech and association against encroachment by such committees, will be merged in 1960 with the struggle to end segregation.

Such a connection is seen in the similarity of the cases of Dr. Willard Uphaus, 69-year-old theologian, now imprisoned in the Merrimack County Jail, Boseawen, New Hampshire, and the cases of three Florida ministers recently threatened with jail sentences for refusing to turn over membership lists of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to a Florida state legislative committee.

Dr. Uphaus was imprisoned on Dec. 18 following his refusal for a final time at a unique "purge hearing" in Concord, N. H., to surrender guest lists of an inter-faith, interracial summer camp he directed to a one-man "subversive" hunting legislative committee run by N. H. Attorney General Louis C. Wyman. His refusal was based on First Amendment and on the Biblical injunction not to "bear false witness."

CLEMENCY FOR DR. UPHAUS WILL BE ALSO INTEGRATION VICTORY

Dr. Uphaus won a partial victory when an indeterminate sentence which would have kept him in prison for life was reduced to one year. The success of a growing movement for clemency, supported editorially by the New York Times, the Washington Post-Times Herald, the New York Post and other leading newspapers would also be a victory for integration forces.

The other First Amendment defendant already jailed is Lloyd Barenblatt now held in Federal Prison, Danbury, Conn., for his refusal in 1954 to testify or inform before the House Committee on Un-American Activities. None of the 34 defendants invoked the Fifth Amendment protections against self-incrimination but stood instead on the basic First Amendment rights thereby legally challenging the inquisitorial practices of the various committees. In all cases the professed aim of the committees was to hunt down "Communists" and "subversives," but the real purpose which has emerged is to destroy persons and organizations with dissenting views.

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