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Dr. Brumfield Johnson

Founder Of Holy Church Dead

CRJ Body Vows To Free Man

Rev. Leon White, director of the N. C.-Virginia office of the Commission for Racial Justice, charged here Monday afternoon during a press conference held in his office that Rev. Ben Chavis is being held as a political prisoner but vowed that the commission and other black leaders have consented to fight for justice until Rev. White is set free.

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White Man Killed, Accomplice Says

Black Man Fired Gun

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Race Members Urged To

Seek Precinct Positions

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'Must Be Officials' Edwards

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ANGELA ESCORTED BY LAWYER, SUPPORTER—San Jose, Calif.: Angela Davis (C) is escorted February 29, by her chief defense attorney Howard Moore, Jr. (L.) and Franklin Alexander (R.) of the Committee to Free Angela Davis. Miss Davis, photographed through a security fence, was leaving the courtroom where she is being tried during a recess. (UPI)

National Black Caucus Sends A Telegram To Angela's Backers

Editor's Note: Following is the text of a telegram from the Congressional Black Caucus to Angela Davis' Defense Committee, supporting her immediate release on bail. We have long maintained that the denial of habeas corpus to Angela Davis is an abridgement of her rights as guaranteed by the U. S. Constitution. It would appear that the original ground for proscription of bail has been eliminated. If that be the fact, then we would urge that reasonable bail be set and that Angela Davis meeting such bail be released immediately pending the determination of her trial.

Honorable John Conyers, Jr., Chairman Justice and Civil Liberties Committee of the Congressional Black Caucus, Honorable Shirley Chisholm, Honorable William Clay, Honorable George Collins, Honorable Harold Bellamy, Honorable Charles Diggs, Honorable Walter Fauntroy, Honorable Augustus Hawkins, Honorable Ralph Metcalfe,

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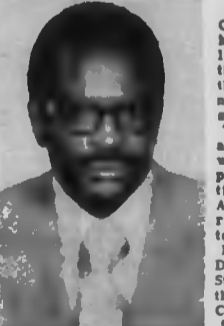
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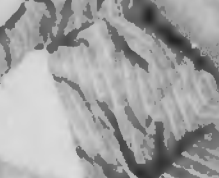
From Raleigh's Official Police Files
A review is produced in the public interest with an aim towards eliminating its contents. Numerous individuals have requested that they be given the consideration of overlooking their listing on the police blotter. This would like to do. However, it is not our position to be judge or jury. We merely publish the facts as we find them reported by the arresting officers. To keep out of the Crime Beat columns, merely means not being registered by a police officer in reporting his activities while on duty. He simply keeps off the "blotter" and you won't be in the Crime Beat.



REV. PERCY L. HIGH

NAB SHOPLIFTERS

Miss Joyce Johnson, an employee of Blangell's, Inc., clothing store, 124 Fayetteville St., told Officer M. Blazette at 1:28 p.m. last Tuesday, that she saw four subjects take two ladies' dacron polyester slacks, valued at a total of \$18.98 and put them in a car, parked on the street. The four were located and identified by the woman. Jailed for larceny were: Misses Clementine Hedgpeeth and Vanessa Wright. Also arrested were Earl L. Seawell and Bobby J. Brewington. (See CRIME BEAT, P. 2)



AMONG 4,000 LEFT HOMELESS - MAN, W. Va.: Margaret Michelle Jackson sleeps with protective arm around her younger sister Donna Sue February 29 in refugee center set up in Mena High School. The youngsters are from Kistler, one of the towns in the Buffalo Creek Valley devastated by February 26 flood which killed 70 persons and left 4,000 homeless. (UPI)

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Says Political Leaders Are Now Being Displaced

NEW YORK, N.Y.—New York City's Irish political leaders have been displaced from their leadership posts because of their inability to communicate their concern for the plight of nonwhites, a noted social scientist believes. This development has come about despite the great success which the Irish have had in picking up the American political style, writes Father Andrew M. Greeley in the current issue of the magazine "Intellectual Digest."

Fingers D. Bryant

A fellow accomplice, turned state's witness Tuesday and "fingered" another man in the fatal mouth-shooting of a 48-year-old white man here last October 14. James Henry Williams, 17, declared that he saw Delmos Bryant holding the shotgun when Thomas Massey, then acting as a temporary



DELMOS BRYANT



JAMES WILLIAMS



STEVE HOLLAMAN



SHERMAN WHITE

Rocky Mt. Ready For Meeting

About 125 delegates from this area will attend the three-day curcul convention of Jehovah's witnesses in Rocky Mount, N.C. the weekend of March 3-5, according to a statement made here by Samuel Brower, resident minister. The meeting will be held at the Senior High School Auditorium on Tillery Street in Rocky Mount. (See ROCKY MOUNT, P. 2)

Officials: Edwards

DURHAM—On March 18, 1972, the County Board of Elections in every county meets to appoint new precinct election officials for every precinct in their county. "It is very important that more Blacks be appointed as precinct election officials," said John Edwards, director of the North Carolina Voter Education Project, in

Asks Action On Issues Of Liberation

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Viewing themselves as "the remnant, persecuted but not forsaken," the black caucus of the United Methodist Church urged action here February 26 on a variety of liberation issues. Some 400 delegates to the annual convention of Black Methodists for Church Renewal (BMCUR) heard criticism by their leaders of the nation, the church and some black leadership. They reacted by calling for prison reform, for greater support of higher education for minorities, for election of bishops with awareness and concern for blacks, for a changed approach to the war on drugs, for opposition to the war in Southeast Asia. Most of the challenges were directed to the church's policy-making General Conference meeting April 16-30 in Atlanta. The February 23-26 convention also re-elected most of

Case in the Miss indictment brought against him of February 25, Donald Nixon, who the state is using as its chief prosecuting witness against Rev. Chavis, is out on a \$3,000,00 bond while Rev. Chavis is placed on \$100,000. Any one can see that Rev. Chavis is being punished because of his political activities," Rev. White charged. In continuing his protest, White stated, "The state knows that there is no evidence against Rev. Chavis, therefore, placing him under excessive bond is

New Story Explodes Some Myths

WASHINGTON, D. C.—True or False? Continued economic growth is indispensable to achieving human equality. False, says an international group of scientists after intensive study of a computer model of the global system we live in. In a new book, The Limits to Growth, they say continuation of present world growth rates is "the greatest possible impediment to more equitable distribution of the world's resources."

The book will be released on March 6 by Potomac Associates, a Washington-based issues analysis firm, through Universe Books of New York. The study, sponsored by The Club of Rome and financed by a grant from the Volkswagen Foundation, reaches these main

Final Rites Conducted For Mt. Calvary Founder

BOSTON, MASS.—Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 23, 1972 for Bishop Brumfield Johnson, founder of the Mt. Calvary Holy Church of America, Inc. Services were held at the Headquarters Church in Boston, Massachusetts. At the time of his death, he was engaged in the services of his Lord and master and had just finished

INQUIRING REPORTER THEY SAY

BY STAFF WRITER
What effect do you think the trip to Peking by President Nixon will have on the upcoming election?

Mrs. Gracie Atwater, Chapel Hill
"I think the visit to China was good strategy on the part of President Nixon. I think it will pay off in the long run for him."
Mr. Oscar Little, High Point
"I did not follow his trip to China very much but I think it was all part of his strategy to get re-elected. I think it will pay off in the long run for him."
Miss Josephine Beck, (See THEY SAY, P. 2)



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