

Bus Companies Face Suits Of \$110,000



Part of the capacity audience which filled the Hillside high school's auditorium here last Wednesday night to hear Lib-
ian Ambassador C. B. D. King (shown at speakers stand) deliver the key note address for the 54th session of the National Lott Carey Convention. More than 3,000 had flocked to the city by mid-week for the four day session, held here at the Mount Vernon Baptist Church for the first time. See story on this page.

Old Pocketbook Gag TRICKED OUT OF TOBACCO \$\$

Police Force Gets Two More Negroes Here

Durham got two more Negro police officers this week to bolster the number of Negroes on the Force's payroll to an even dozen.

The rookie policemen are Charlie Webb, Jr. and Owen Justice, both ex-servicemen. Webb, who lives at 116 Booker Street, was formerly employed with a construction firm. Justice, who makes his home at 213 Lawson Avenue, was employed by a local laundry firm. Both are married.

Two new white policemen were added to the Force also, along with Justice and Webb. They are Clarence C. Jones, Jr. and Thomas A. Parker.

Durham's Negro citizenry was generally elated that two more Negroes had been added to the force. But, according to comment received, several are wondering when one of the ten will be promoted.

Patrolmen C. L. Cox and James Samuels, although having served seven years on the force, retain the same rank they received when they were hired.



WILLIAM EARL WILLIAMS

Well-Known Resident Dies

Funeral rites for William Earl Williams, well-known resident of this city, were held at the Baptist Church here Thursday at White Rock Baptist Church here Thursday afternoon at 3:30.

Reverend M. M. Fisher, pastor of White Rock, officiated at the church service and at the interment, which was at Beechwood Cemetery.

Williams, born October 19th, 1900 at Mathews, Virginia, the son of the late George L. and Sarah Williams, died at Lincoln Hospital Monday.

He attended the public schools of his home town and later entered Hampton Institute, where he completed a business course in 1922.

He began with North Carolina Mutual as a clerk in 1922 in the statistical division and gradually advanced until he became chief clerk of his department. He was later named statistician for the

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Judge Rules Against Integration Move In Plymouth School Equality Case

Washington — A motion to permit Negro students in Washington County to attend the white schools was denied here Tuesday by Federal Judge Don Gilliam of the District Court, who heard the case of a group of Plymouth Negro citizens seeking to get equal school facilities.

The motion was made by Durham Attorney M. Hugh Thompson, arguing the case for the Plymouth citizens.

The hearing began early this week and was scheduled to end Friday.

Washington County School Board official admitted that the school facilities for Negroes are inferior to those offered white students. But, they plan to construct one consolidated high school at Roper for Negroes which they contend will keep education in Washington County "separate but equal."

There are three consolidated high schools in Washington County for whites.

Plymouth citizens represented by Attorney Thompson feel that the addition of the consolidated high school at Roper would not equalize facilities for Negroes, however. They point out that a great many of Negro students would have to travel seventeen miles or more, one way, to reach the proposed school at Roper.

Attorney Thompson told the TIMES this week that the integration motion, which he and the group which he represents feel is the cheapest way out of the school dilemma, will be renewed in an appeal to the Circuit Court.

Meanwhile this week, a Negro lawyer from Newport News, Virginia who is representing another faction of Negroes in the county who are willing to go along with the board of education plan to build the one consolidated high school at Roper, said that he was struck over the head with a blackjack at Roper by a policeman who identified himself as Robert Sawyer.

Robert S. Sawyer, chief of Police at Roper, could not be reached for comment.

William D. Butts, the lawyer who is representing the faction opposing Attorney Thompson's plaintiffs, said from Plymouth hospital that he was struck after the man told him "you are blocking the sidewalk," and later informed him that he was un-

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KKK Bluffs Suit

Leesville, S. C. — Despite the long record of Klan violence and threats to both Negro and white citizens, the Carolina's Ku Klux Klan warned Tuesday that it would sue the North Carolina Junior Chamber of Commerce, unless the Jaycees retract their recent denunciation of the KKK as "un-American."

The Klan letter from Grand Dragon Thomas L. Hamilton to the North Carolina Jaycee president, Harry Stewart, of Raleigh, S. C., stated, "Now, unless this statement is retracted and the word un-American as pertaining to the Klan is removed, we will be forced to enter suit."

But a no-backing-down stand was indicated by the Jaycee president on Wednesday, Sept. 5, when he announced that if Hamilton wishes to bring suit, "That's his privilege."

The Jaycee protest against the Klan came after the recent Whiteville, N. C., demonstration of the KKK, which was followed by several alleged Klan actions including the threatening of the Negro editor, Thomas C. Jerry, of the *Wilmington Journal* and the beating of two Anderson, S. C., white farmers.

Issued on August 26 during a two-day meeting at Rocky Mount, N. C., the Jaycee resolution called for "strict enforcement of existing laws restricting

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Negro Enrolls

Richmond, Va. — Miss Jean L. Harris, of this city became the first Negro to be enrolled in the Medical College of Virginia here this week.

Miss Harris, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Vernon Harris, was graduated from Virginia Union University last year where she majored in Chemistry and maintained an all "A" average.

Negroes have been trained in nursing at the school since 1920, but Miss Harris is the first to enroll as a medical student in the school's history.

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REV. A. S. CROOM

25th Anniversary September 9-16 Union Baptist To Observe Pastor's

The 25th anniversary of the pastor of the Union Baptist Church will be celebrated here September 9-16.

Reverend A. S. Croom is the church's pastor.

The Reverend Croom, prominent minister of this city came to Durham from the First Calvary Baptist Church in Salisbury in 1926. At the time he assumed the pastorate of the Union Baptist Church here, the condition of the church was very unfavorable. The 25-year pastorate of Reverend Croom has seen the membership, spiritual and financial growth of the church, increase to the extent that it is now one of the leading congregations in the city.

The church has recently purchased property for building purposes at a cost of approximately \$10,000, where a new edifice is to be erected to take care of the present and future growth of the church. Already a large sum has been raised on its building program and although the date for its beginning has not been set, it is expected to take place in the near future.

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Case To Court

Charleston, S. C. — The Clarendon County school discrimination case is now of the official docket of the Supreme Court.

A three judge federal court ruled against the plaintiffs in the case heard in Charleston some months ago. The case was brought by a group of Clarendon County citizens with the assistance of the NAACP. The NAACP appealed the decision to the Supreme Court.

The nation's highest court is scheduled to start its Fall term in October.

Durham Man Dies In Wreck

Announcement was received here that Pfc. Alphonso McLaughlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. McLaughlin of 203 Johnson Street here, was among the 20 persons killed in a train wreck near Metz, France.

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Trade Unions Hit Kluxers

Winston-Salem — The Executive Board of the Tri-State Negro and Allied Trade Union Council denounced Ku Klux Klan activities in a resolution sent to Gov. Scott on the day of the KKK rally at Whiteville urging him to stop the demonstration.

Attending the NATUC meeting on August 18th were representatives from Charleston, S. C., Asheville, Durham, Rocky Mount and Winston-Salem.

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Guesting



Lena Horne will play a featured role in the first segment of the two-part "The Oscar Hammerstein Story" when it is presented on Ed Sullivan's CBS-TV "Toast of the Town" show, Sunday, Sept. 9. Oscar Hammerstein II, Mimi Benzell and Robert Merrill are other guests who will take part.

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New Teacher

City schools of Durham opened this week and returning Negro students will get some instruction this year which they have not been getting heretofore.

Superintendent of City Schools L. S. Weaver announced last week that John P. Reneau, Jr., Beloit, Wis. native, has been employed for speech correction. He is a graduate of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis. where he received a B. S. degree in speech correction.

Supt. Weaver also announced that he was unable to find a speech specialist for the white city schools.

Woman, 50, Loses \$248 Tobacco Crop Money To Two Sharpsters In Dunn

Dunn — A 50 year old woman of Erwin was a wiser but much sadder and less rich here last week after her adventure with two sharpsters who hoodwinked her out of \$248 of hard earned tobacco money.

Mrs. Nancy McLean told Dunn police that as she left the Commercial Bank here where she had just received \$248 for her tobacco crop, she saw two Negro men stoop to pick a pocket book which appeared to be literally bulging with money of large denominations.

One of the men, a six footer, promptly agreed to divide the findings with the woman but needed some smaller bills to make change.

Mrs. McLean eagerly handed over the \$248 in hopes of getting much more from her investment. She was instructed to wait there for the man to return. Finally, she grew tired and called the police.

She admitted that she had never seen either of the men before and could give only scant information as to their description.

GI'S In Korea Choose Marian

Although the judging in the Bull City Sporting Club's first annual Bathing Contest is all over and probably forgotten—in these parts, that is—American GI's in Korea are still voting for pretty young Marian Evans, who, incidentally, didn't place in the contest.

Another letter received early this week at the TIMES from a company of Combat Engineers now fighting in Korea shows Marian still the favorite and top vote-getter among the GI's.

Last week the TIMES received a letter from a Tank Company in Korea (see page three), selecting Marian as their pin-up girl.

Both selections, by the Tankers and the Engineers, were made from a group of seven contestants whose pictures were printed in the August 11 issue of the TIMES.

The latest letter, written by another Durhamite, Pfc. Nick Elliott for the me nof the 73rd Engineers combat Battalion, gives Marian nearly one third of the sixteen votes cast for seven of the contestants.

Marion McLain placed second in the Engineers' poll and Lucille McAllister, Mary Petersen and Peggy Payne tied for third.

The text of Pfc. Elliott's letter is as follows:
Dear Mr. Austin,
I am writing you on behalf of all the fellows in my section. My mother sent me some clippings out of the TIMES (containing) pictures of participants in a beauty contest which was to be held at the Durham Athletic Park on August 23.

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Bias Blast Ends Lott Carey Meet

The 54th session of the National Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention, meeting here for the first time last week, wound up on a note of defiance of segregation as nearly 1,500 delegates and visitors to the convention heard former U. S. Congressman Arthur W. Mitchell from Chicago declare that "We're going to beat it, we're going to tower over the opposition."

The former Republican delegate to the House of representatives spoke at the convention's concluding session at the Hillside High School Friday night. Over 3,000 had flocked to the city by the middle of the week for the four day convention which began proper on Tuesday morning.

Pilgrimage To Liberia
The convention's executive secretary, Dr. W. C. Somerville, told the body that it had collected over one hundred thousand dollars during the past year. He also announced that the convention will send a pilgrimage to Liberia in November.

The convention's retiring president, Dr. O. C. Bullock, pastor of Raleigh's First Baptist, was succeeded by Rev. U. G. Wilson, pastor of Mount Zion Baptist church of Portsmouth, (Please turn to Page Eight)

Foreign Students Rebuff Jim Crow

Bloomington, Ind. — Foreign students undergoing orientation here at the University of Indiana under the State Department's program of spreading democracy refused to knuckle under to Southern Jim Crow and cancelled a scheduled tour of the Tennessee Valley Authority last week because of the racial discrimination they would have had to confront at Knoxville, Tenn.

Although only two of the group of 53 students would have had to suffer from Tennessee's Jim Crow laws, the remaining 51 white students unanimously agreed not to subject their two fellow students from Panama to the indignities of racial discrimination.

Professor David H. Dickason of the Indiana University department of Speech, who is in charge of the students during their six-weeks orientation program, said that arrangements had been made to room the two students from Panama at Knoxville College for Negroes during the group's three day stay at Knoxville.

Tennessee's Jim Crow law would have prevented the white students from staying at the Negro college, too.

The plan, Dickason said, was for the two Panamanian students to meet the white students daily at a downtown cafeteria for meals.

When the 51 white students learned that the two students from Panama would have to be segregated from them, they voted to call off the entire trip. Instead, they will remain on the Indiana campus here until Sept. 8, when the orientation program ends.

Indian GI Denied Sioux City Rites Interred Among Nation's Heroes

Washington, D. C. — All the nation stirred last week when an American Indian, Sgt. John Rice, killed about a year ago in Korea, was denied burial rites in the Sioux City (Iowa) Memorial Cemetery because he was "not a member of the Caucasian race."

Hasty efforts were made to make amends for one of the foul-

est deeds in U. S. history after President Truman's statement that he was both "amazed and indignant that such a thing could happen in America."

At the President's request, a full military burial was given the Indian soldier at Arlington National Cemetery.

It is reported that at Sioux City unsuccessful attempts had

been made to circumvent the cemetery's race-segregation rules by getting the soldier's wife to sign a statement that her husband had "white blood."

The burial was halted by Sioux City cemetery officials just as the Sergeant's body was about to be lowered into the grave.

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