

WAKE COUNTY LEADS IN BOND SALES TO DATE

RALEIGH — M. Bailey County Chairman of the U. S. Savings Bonds Committee for Wake County announced, last week week that, according to information received from Allison James, State Director of the U. S. Savings Bonds Office 1 Greensboro, sales of U. S. Savings Bonds for the period Oct. 1 through Oct. 31, for Wake County totaled \$350,622.50. Broken down into the three series were: \$5,598,882.10, \$10,619,000; and G Bonds \$24,500.00. Only Mecklenburg sold more E, F and G Bonds in October than Wake.

State sales of Savings Bonds for North Carolina for the same period were: Series E, \$3,629,749.50; Series F, \$3,629,933.00; Series G, \$1,546,200.00. Total sales for the three series were: \$5,598,882.50. This was a 10 per cent increase over total state sales in September, reflecting not only a seasonal increase in bond buying in many farm counties, but in the industrial counties as well, the report stated. For the same period, however, Wake increased its bond purchases 20.9 per cent.

The people of Wake County really appreciate these Bonds. More of these types of Bonds are owned by the people of the county than were in their hands at the end of the war. More than \$20,000,000 is now saved in these Bonds and available for such use as may be necessary.

County Chairman Bailey said that although counties had not been assigned sales quotas in 1947 the state as a whole has a sales objective of 94 million dollars as its share in the plan for managing the national debt in 1947. Mr. Bailey said that Series F and G Bonds are excellent investments for industrial and business concerns as well as for individuals and recommended that firms check to see whether they have as yet bought their limit of \$100,000 of the calendar year.

The county chairman urged every citizen and firm who possibly can to buy Savings Bonds now to help fight inflation, to save for the future, and to help the nation properly manage the national debt by spreading it among all white people.

Savings Bonds make an excellent Christmas gift for members of the family, he concluded.

BOARD STANDS BEHIND POLICY OF RACIAL BIAS

WASHINGTON (ANP) — The policy of segregation white and Negro children was held by the District Recreation board to be in accordance with public law creating the board and the board's own by-laws, here last week. The board was answering three more complaints from civic groups against racial segregation in playgrounds.

In addition, it reaffirmed a ruling made last month that a pre-segregation speech during a citizens' association meeting in a school house was no reason to revoke the group's permit to meet there. The issue surrounded a speech made by Clifford H. Newell, then president of the Federation of Citizens associations, in support of segregation practices.

The board told the federation, as it had the Lincoln Civic association last month, that Newell had broken no rules in making such an address. Last month, the board refused to cancel the permit of the Brookland Citizens association to meet in Brookland school where Newell spoke.

Juanita Freeman Wins Homecoming Honors

RALEIGH — During the week, while Coach "Pete" Williams was busy whipping the "Little Blues" into shape for the homecoming game with West Charlotte High the students were concentrating on electing a homecoming queen. In spite of the sharp competition between classes for the honor, Juanita Freeman of the Sophomore class was declared the winner because of her ability to sell the greatest number of tickets for the homecoming game on Friday night.

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So. Regional Council To Push Civil Rights In 1948; Dr. Trigg Elected

Atlanta (ANP) — Action on civil rights in the southern states will be the keynote of the program of the Southern Regional Council in 1948. It was decided at the annual membership meeting of that organization last week at Atlanta university.

The council, which draw its membership from both white and Negro southerners, has as its objective the development of a southern region toward a higher standard of living and well-being for all the South's people.

The 1948 program charted will stress civil rights equal services to all southern veterans under the GI Bill of Rights, recognition of progressive leadership in the southern, and increased vocational education in agriculture and industry.

The council members voted that a study be undertaken of state laws intended to safeguard civil rights and of their enforcement. The results of the study will be published and made available throughout the south as a basis for community action. It was recommended that public meetings be held to discuss the vital question of civil rights in the south, recently given national prominence by the report of President Truman's Committee on Civil Rights.

The failure of the Veterans Administration to provide a fair share of its services to the Negro veterans of the south was considered by the meeting. It was pointed out that in some areas of the south there are almost no contact, organization, and supervisory Negro personnel attached to offices of the Veterans of St. Augustine's college in Raleigh, N. C., and Dr. Guy B. Johnson, professor of sociology at the University of North Carolina, were elected vice-presidents. Both are former executives of the council.

CORONER CLEARS SIX POLICEMEN IN GI KILLING

ROCHESTER, N. Y. (ANP) — The six policemen who fatally wounded Roland T. Price, 26-year-old ex-serviceman, following an argument over short-changing in a restaurant, were cleared of guilt by Coroner David H. Atwater here last week. The coroner's verdict held that the victim "came to his death from gunshot wounds inflicted by members of the police department in line of duty."

During the four-hour inquest at which 16 persons testified, the six policemen told how they fired a total of 23 bullets into Price's body. The man allegedly threatened to snoot and had made a move as if to pull a gun from inside his shirt. Later it was discovered that Price was unarmed. Most of the shots fired were in a single last volley.

The police were called after Price claimed he had been short-changed in a restaurant. According to Mrs. Beatrice Violet, white, who answered the public call for witnesses, she said that Patrolman William Hamill had backed Price down the street, but that Price had both hands "close to his sides" and did not have his right inside his shirt.

Freeman of the Sophomore class was declared the winner because of her ability to sell the greatest number of tickets for the homecoming game on Friday night. As a result of the elimination contest held on Tuesday, the competing candidates for the finals were Ninth grade, Bernice Whitaker; Tenth grade, Juanita Freeman; Eleventh grade, Josephine Russell; Twelfth grade, Ernestine Moultrie; Eleventh grade, Josephine Russell.

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Turban Makes It Just A Little Different

NEW YORK (ANP) — The Rev. Jesse W. Rountie, 39-year-old pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran church here, recently spent a week in Mobile, Ala., where he was treated by white civic social and political leaders as a visiting dignitary all because he wore a rented turban and spoke with a slight Swedish accent.

The minister had gone to Mobile to fulfill several engagements as a singer and pianist and to lecture at a Negro church. Recounting his experiences, in an interview here last week, he said he had decided that "in some parts of the south, they judge a man by the kind of hat he wears."

The "new look" was the result of a discouraging trip he had made to Mobile in 1943, on which occasion he had been "insulted and pushed around."

Purchasing a turban from a New York costume, he embarked on his recent trip to test the effect of his changed appearance. He donned the turban and began speaking with a Swedish accent a few moments before boarding a white passenger car of a segregated train in Washington. From that time on he played his role to perfection until reaching home again.

He ate in dining cars reserved for white passengers and also in Mobile and Montgomery restaurants which admitted no Negroes. He was told in one that "No Negroes would dare come in here to eat." Police also told him that "if a Negro gives any trouble, we just knock him down."

The startling part about his trip was that no one asked him if he were a Negro, but he said he felt at times "like a paratrooper behind enemy lines."

Born in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Rev. Rountie is a graduate of Augustana College and Theological Seminary, Rock Island, Ill. He was ordained by the New York United Lutheran synod in May, 1932 and has been pastor of Holy Trinity for 13 years. He is married to the former Enid Gomez, whom he met during his post-graduate studies at Columbia University in 1938. The couple has four children and Mrs. Rountie conducts a real estate business. He was one president of the Queens Lutheran Pastors association.

Rev. Rountie said his disguise was not aimed at "trying to fool anybody," but to "learn something." He observed, however, that "the lot of the Negro in Alabama now is better than in 1943."

CRAIG SEES LOSS VOTES BY DEMS

ATLANTA (ANP) — Gene Craig, vice president of the Atlanta Real Estate board, made the prediction last week that if the Truman forces are successful in dissolving real estate covenants barring Negroes and Jews from certain neighborhoods, the Democrats would lose a lot of southern votes.

The realtor referred to Atty. Gen. Tom Clark's insistence to intervene in the covenant cases now in federal court and his charges that covenants weaken the very foundation of democracy.

The white real estate man opined that the mere fact of Clark's request for intervention would reflect a loss of some votes.

Louisburg Church Pled \$2,145.00



REV. OTIS E. DUNN

LOUISBURG — More than 500 persons were present at the First Baptist Church Sunday when the congregation pledged \$2,145.00, the amount required to set the church's renovated and building program under way, following a powerful sermon by the Rev. Otis E. Dunn, pastor of the church.

Under leadership of the Rev. Dunn the church will undergo a renovation in which a hearing plant, lavatories, choir stand, and a new organ will be installed and concrete walkways constructed before the entrance of the church.

The self-styled "church" with a program has recently painted the church both inside and outside.

A resident of Wake last week, Rev. Dunn is a graduate of the liberal arts college and the School of Religion of Shaw University and holds the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Theology degrees from Shaw. He was recently praised for the excellent work he has been doing at the First Baptist Church.

URBAN LEAGUE SUBMITS PLAN FOR HOUSING

ATLANTA (ANP) — The Atlanta Urban League last week submitted a housing plan for six Negro residential areas to the city slum clearance committee which it adopted is believed will alleviate present overcrowded conditions in existing Negro residential areas and lessen friction between the races.

The plan involving residential areas in Fulton, DeKalb and Clayton counties would be expanded along flexible delineated lines according to the plan which was drawn up by the Atlanta Housing Council and presented by the Urban League. The housing area study is said to be the result of a study by competent white and Negro leaders.

The Atlanta Housing authority has submitted to the slum clearance committee a map of Atlanta, showing areas where public housing projects were being planned. The largest for Negroes is an area of about 30 blocks of dwellings on the West side of town bordered by Sunset Avenue, Thurmond, Davis and Carter Streets, near Atlanta University. Another area included in the five-year slum clearance campaign, which in scope has been included in housing authority plans, reveals a large area of white and Negro houses in the northeast section between Merritts and North Avenue.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced that approximately 43,107,000 bushels of United States grain and grain products were exported in October 1947.

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ATLANTA CASE ENDS AFTER SIX-DAY TRIAL

ATLANTA (ANP) — The six-day trial in Federal Court of Atlanta teachers' case against the School Board for equal pay ended last week.

A. T. Walden, chief counsel for the plaintiff, vigorously attacked the Atlanta Board and School Superintendent Jarrell's testimony that there was "fair play" in the matter of teachers' salaries. The defense had testified that discriminatory patterns were never allowed in the matter of teacher pay.

The plaintiff presented a clearcut case of discrimination, showing that white elementary teachers were paid more than Negro teachers possessing master's degrees.

The court's attention was called to previous teachers parity suits, whereby the courts had ruled unanimously in favor of the teachers, decreeing that the "intangible qualities" to which the Atlanta board gave weight in grading teachers "is not sufficient answer to account for the wide gulf of differentiation" in white and Negro teachers' salaries. Walden hit the "yes men" of the board who might have taken the witness stand to "merely ditto what the board had done."

A statistical analysis of the salary pattern was presented the court by J. B. Blayton, defense counsel, and he said it would not break it down.

Speaking of the pay schedule, Walden declared that the board members knew nothing of its operation, the defense counsel knew nothing about it and "we don't understand it." He said that only Supt. Jarrell "understands it in a way that no one else can" and apparently for the reason that it contains "a reservoir of intangible evaluations."

"Race and race alone" is the only plausible answer for salary disparity, the attorney contended.

The court and counsel agreed that additional briefs in the case would be filed January 3 and answered to these briefs should be filed January 9. After this, Judge E. Marvin Underwood, who heard the case, will be open to make a ruling.

SS ROOKER T. ENDS ACTIVE DUTY AT SEA

New York (ANP) — The SS Booker T. Washington which has been commanded by a Negro skipper since it entered the service in 1942, ended active service and took down its colors here recently at the 52nd Street pier in Brooklyn. It was under the command of Capt. James H. Brown, Jr., who took over the ship to relieve Capt. Mulzac who entered the Marine Hospital several months ago for treatment.

The famous ship was commanded by Capt. Hugh J. Mulzac, the first Negro in history to become master of a merchant vessel, and carried 10,500 tons. Named after the famous Tuskegee educator, it was christened by Marian Anderson, famous contralto and manned by mixed personnel.

The Booker T. Washington transported safely some 14,000 troops to safety and made about 27 trips to foreign ports. It is one of some 16 named for outstanding Negro leaders.

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March of Dime Workers Convene at Tuskegee Inst.

TUSKEGEE (ANP) — Mobilizing for the 1948 March of Dimes which will be conducted January 15 to 30, white and Negro leaders from 10 states met here Friday and Saturday to develop and discuss campaign procedures and techniques.

The conference opened with a discussion of the program and services of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis in which representatives of the national office participated. This was followed by a fund-raising panel led by Warren Coss, director of fund raising for the foundation.

Negro discussants included Merl Epps of Nashville; Mrs. Larnie Williams of Birmingham; George L. Washington of Columbia, Miss.; and Mrs. Fannie Ponder of St. Petersburg, Fla. Discussants from the national office were George LaPorte, director of public relations, and Charles H. Bynum, director of interracial affairs and general chairman of the conference.

Conference highlight was the banquet address by Miss Sallie Lucas Jean, director of health education for the national foundation. Miss Jean outlined the program and services sponsored by the foundation at national headquarters. A three point program is under way for epidemic aid, research, and education, and Miss Jean pointed out the highlights relative to this program.

To insure an adequate supply of properly trained professional people to implement its program, the national foundation, stated Miss Jean, offers scholarships for the

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training of pediatricians, orthopedic surgeons, sanitary engineers, public health nurses, physical therapists, and medical social workers. During the 1947 fiscal year 31 fellowships and scholarship awards were made to Negroes; more than 100 awards have been made in the past five years. These awards went to men and women living in 29 states and the District of Columbia.

Tolson Opens Lecture Series At Langston

LANGSTON, Okla. (ANP) — M. B. Tolson, interpreter, poet, and professor of creative literature at Langston University, opened the 1947-48 artist series here last Monday evening with an interpretative lecture on poetry, before an appreciative audience in historic Page Hall auditorium.

Mr. Tolson, whose "Rendezvous With America" (Dodd, Mead, 1944) is in its third printing, opined that "poetry is the greatest art in the world" and that one must draw a distinction between the versifier

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