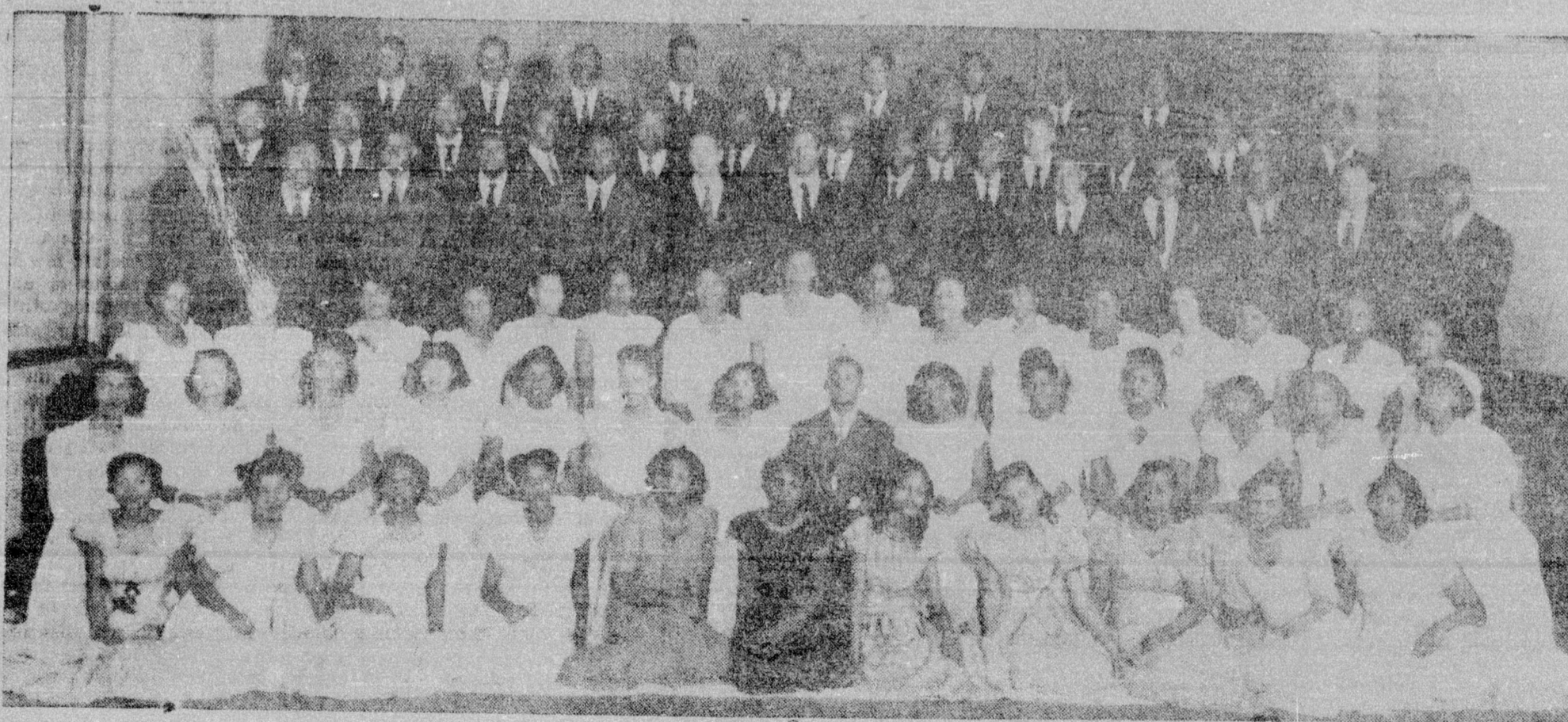


Norfolk Division Choir In First Concert



Featured above is the choir of the Norfolk Division of the Virginia State College which appeared in its first concert of the year Friday night before an enthusiastic and appreciative audience at the Center Theatre in Norfolk, Va.

D. C. Launches '48 NAACP Drive

WASHINGTON, D. C. — With a goal of 20,000 members, the Washington branch launched its membership drive on January 16, under the direction of Thomas Johnson, director of the District Group, Section, Department of Labor. The Washington campaign will be the first major membership drive of 1948.

Following Judge's Advice Man Takes A Second Wife

Kinston — Wesley Johnson, Le noire county resident, Saturday claimed he had followed instruction of the court when he went forth and married his second wife without legally divorcing the first and the facts in the case tend to justify his story.

Johnson and his first wife were having marital difficulties and he was brought before Sam D. McCullen, former recorder at La Grange, and charged with assault on Mrs. Elmo Stagg Johnson, his first wife.

consulted, he thought he had been divorced in the La Grange Recorder's Court, but officers finally convinced him that a higher court would have to rule on divorce.

Judge Henry L. Stevens allowed a prayer for judgment for two years and ordered Johnson to legally divorce his first wife and remarry his second.

NAACP MEETS AT YMCA THURSDAY

The Raleigh Branch N. A. A. C. P. will hold its monthly meeting at the Bloodworth Street YMCA on Thursday, January 29, 1948 at 7:30 P. M. when the officers for the new year will be installed.

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Army, Navy Officials On Hampton Founder's Day Celebration On Feb. 1

HAMPTON INSTITUTE, Va. — Chief Counsel for the NAACP, who closed the events Sunday evening with "The Full Us of Negro Manpower in Future Emergencies."

Among other notable taking part in the week end ceremonies, as announced earlier, will be James C. Evans, Advisor to the Secretary of Defense; Colonel Campbell C. Johnson, Executive Assistant to the Director of the Office of Selective Service Records; and Hampton Trustee Lester B. Granger, Executive Secretary of the National Urban League and a special advisor to the Secretary of Defense.

Themes of the Founder's Day exercises will be "The Negro in the Armed Forces of the United States," Dr. John Hope Franklin, Professor of History at Howard University, will deliver the opening main address Saturday night, "America's Negro Fighters," Dr. Henry Wilson Foote, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees, will deliver the Founder's Day sermon Sunday morning, "Our Debt to the Past... Our Obligation to the Future," and Charles Houston.

EX-GI USES JUDG ON JILTED JODIE

NEW YORK (AP) — What an ex-GI learned in the Pacific about treating the other fellow to the gun saved him from physical harm last week and caused L. Roy Hodge, ex-jodie sweetheart of a Harlem housewife, to be held in a \$1,500 bail pending grand jury action.

According to the story told in felony court, Judge phoned Gladys Rudeck, whose husband is an ex-GI also, and warned her that he was going to "blow you away," if Mrs. Rudeck continued to refuse to see him.

L. A. Sentinel Receives Editorial Award For 'Best Editorial Page'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Los Angeles Sentinel, first and only Negro weekly admitted to membership in the California Newspaper Publishers' association, last week won an award for the second best editorial page in competition with 375 weekly newspapers.

STATE OFFICIALS AND EDUCATORS MEET AT DURHAM

DURHAM — Thirty-one state officials and educators from all sections of North Carolina met at the North Carolina College here last Saturday and discussed the part the institution can and will play in the experimental educational program which has been launched by the Commission on Resource Use Education.

The group resolved that a conference designed to create greater interest in the program will be held at N. C. College February 26, and that more than 200 persons within a radius of 50 miles of Durham will be invited to participate.

Miss. Daily Deplores Education Of Negroes In Recent Editorial

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — A local daily, the Jackson Daily News, indicated the education of program for Negroes in Mississippi, in a recent article, and said the state spends more money for the transportation of white children to and from school than for the whole educational program of Negro children.

CIVIC FORUM

RALEIGH — The East Raleigh Civic Forum will hold an important meeting Sunday, February 1, at 3:30 p. m. at the Maple Temple Christian Church.

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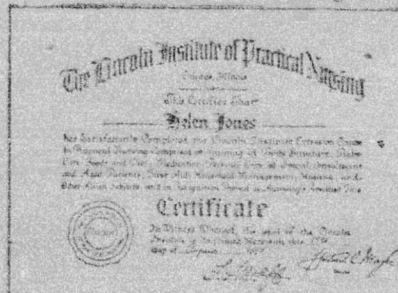
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'YW' Membership Meet Held At St. Paul Sunday

The Fourth Annual Membership Meeting of the Sojourner Truth Branch YWCA was held Sunday, January 25th, at the St. Paul AME Church with Mrs. Louise F. Farris, Chairman of the Committee of Management, presiding.

Special features of the meeting was an address by Dr. Mary Lynch Johnson of Meredith College. The subject of her address was "A Postive Religion and How it Relates to Everyday Living."

She emphasized the fact that a religious life was a pleasant, happy life and should help us to make better adjustments to our problems. Miss Ruth C. Wilson, YWCA President and Miss Elsie Sull, Executive Director of the central YWCA were introduced.

Another feature of the meeting was the beautiful candle light service led by the Y-Teens. The entire audience joined in this service.

Music for the occasion was furnished by Miss Marjorie Williams, who sang "I'll Walk Where Jesus Walked" and the Washington High School Glee Club under the direction of Mrs. E. M. Kelly.

Mrs. John R. Larkins, Chairman of the Membership Committee, made the appeal which officially opened the membership drive. The goal for 1948 is 500 members and the membership fee has been raised to \$1.50. The extra 50 cents is a contribution to World-wide Reconstruction Fund.

Cancer And Heredity Not Racial, ACS Says

NEW YORK — Regardless of race or color, cancer has NOT been proven hereditary, says the American Cancer Society, in a statement this week, but play it safe, the statement continues.

"Doctors say, if your parent dies of cancer, or if this disease is frequent in your family, then you should be alert, cautious and intelligent in detecting and reporting any sign or symptom of cancer in your own body."