

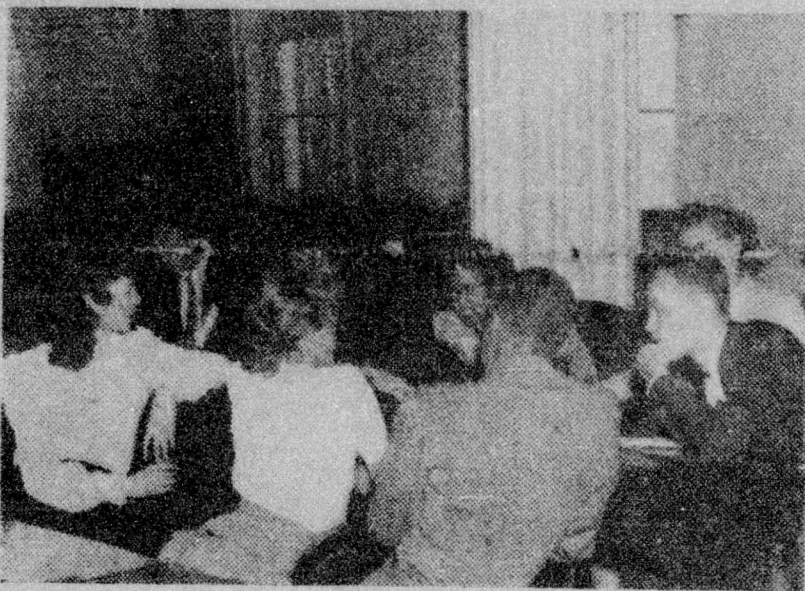
JAIL DEATH VICTIM EXHUMED

'DRAFT STRIKE' STARTED, SAYS REYNOLDS

Fleming Death Probe Hinges On Autopsy Report

FAYETTEVILLE — In an effort to remove the mystery which surrounded the death in the Fayetteville jail nearly two weeks ago, the body of Allen Fleming was exhumed Monday morning and sent to Duke University Hospital Monday morning under the careful supervision of city and State Bureau of Investigation officials.

The exhumation and second autopsy on the body were carried out by the order of a special Blue Ribbon coroner's jury, following a four-hour inquest Friday night which revealed sharply conflicting interpretations of medical evidence uncovered during the initial post-mortem which was conducted by Continued on page eight



AS STUDENT LEGISLATORS MET — The above scenes took place at North Carolina's College and university students took over the Capitol Friday and Saturday for their annual Student's legislature.

At the top Governor Gregg R. Cherry is shown addressing the junior legislators and welcoming them to the Capitol. Also shown are House Speaker Charlie Long of UNC, Pete Lerner, UNC parliamentarian; Stanley Powell, Meredith College, reading clerk; and Milton Russell, Campbell College, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Below is shown one of the many caucuses on proposed legislation which preceded the actual sessions. In the group are Thomas Williams, North Carolina College, Miss Shirley Powell, and Elsie Cobbett, Meredith; John Turner, Miss Aylene Turner, Miss Mabel Whithead, Miss Gwendolyn Brownley and W. A. Johnson, all of North Carolina College.

— Carolinian Photos

Murray Debunks Equality Myth In Rights Fight

BY GLADYS P. GRAHAM

NEW YORK (ANP) — Philip Murray, president of the CIO, and one of 15 winners of the Thomas Jefferson prizes for the "Advancement of Democracy in 1947," conferred at a dinner at the Waldorf Astoria by the Council Against Intolerance in America, told a huge audience here Sunday night that discrimination and social equality were entirely different and the latter, he said, was the only way to do with the former.

"The confusion of the two terms is what has caused us trouble," said the union leader. "Social equality is an individual matter, while we determine personality for ourselves. Whom we will associate with and who comes in our homes are among our freedom under the heading of social equality. Discrimination comes from fear of competition and lack of understanding, among other things."

Mr. Murray declared also that he was proud of the work that his organization's National Committee to Abolish Discrimination had done to further the cause of democracy and brotherhood.

Going on the air also over WMCA at the council's dinner to honor the awardees was Ford Frick, president of the National Baseball League, who along with Branch Rickey and Jackie Robinson had broken the color barrier in American baseball. Mr. Frick said, "I accept this award humbly on behalf of baseball which is truly representative of American life and American living. Men and women of good-will have fought against intolerance all down through the ages. To live in peace and in dignity is a process which we must keep alive. Emotionalism must make way for thinking and reasoning of a calibre that is sound. I believe in a democracy of mind, and spirit and a world of peace for all men and women of common sense."

Dorothy Hemer of the Harlem Assembly accepted the Thomas Jefferson award for the Rev. Herbert King, who along with the Rev. B. B. Bohannon, from Quincy, Mass., were honored for bringing Negro and white children of their congregations into one another's homes enabling them to experience the spot relationships with each other in the largest Negro community.

George Houser and Bayard Rustin were also present.

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REV. BATTLE

Negro Minister Joins Rocky Mt. Aldermanic Race

ROCKY MOUNT — Rev. Kemp Plummer Battle, who has filed candidacy recently from the Second Ward, is the first Negro to serve notice for a position on the Rocky Mount Board of Aldermen since 1897.

The Rev. Mr. Battle is a native son of Rocky Mount, and Edgecombe County, N. C. He attended the public schools of Rocky Mount and has done further study through the Baptist Training Extension work of Shaw University sponsored by the Neuse River Missionary Baptist Association at Brick, N. C., and Southern School at Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C.

He completed his units of work required for a certificate from the Department of Religious Promotion of Shaw University June 14, 1946. Raleigh, N. C., and was elected president of this department.

He is a son of the late James Battle.

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GOLDSBORO INMATES RIOT

U. S. Court Kills S. C. Primary

TEAR GAS USED TO QUEL RIOT AMONG INMATES

GOLDSBORO — Goldsboro and State Highway police were called to use tear gas Tuesday night to quell a two-hour riot among inmates of the North Carolina Hospital for Colored Insane which followed a fight between two patients at the institution.

The fight, according to Hospital Superintendent Dr. W. C. Long, began in the recreation room shortly after the dinner period. When the two inmates began fighting, authorities said, 23 other patients surrounded the recreation room doors and turned it into a free-for-all.

When the hospital officials were unable to quell the disturbance, they called Goldsboro and State police for aid. After the arrival of the police save seven of the patients involved left the recreation room without further disturbance.

NO WEAPONS

Early reports that the patients were armed with razor blades, wire cutters and other improvised weapons were entirely without foundation according to hospital authorities who said that a search for weapons in the incident disclosed no weapons on any of the patients.

While several of the patients remained in the recreation room, Continued on back page

Spaulding Urges UNC Admission Of Negro Students

DURHAM — Declaring that the Governor's regional school plan will not work, C. C. Spaulding, president of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co., this week urged admission of Negroes to the University of North Carolina as day students.

Mr. Spaulding's statement followed the recent application of four Negro students for admission to the University of North Carolina Law and Medical schools.

While the business leader emphasized his interest in admission of Negroes to UNC as day students only, he was no less clear in his statement that he did not think that the regional plan would work.

"I don't believe it is possible to operate schools under any such plan," he declared.

REFUSES TO HEAR S. C. APPEAL OF VOTE BAN RULING

WASHINGTON — The long fight to guarantee the ballot to Negroes in Southern states without state or local interference moved a step nearer to full realization Monday when the U. S. Supreme Court outlawed efforts of South Carolina Democrats to bar Negroes from primaries by operating as private clubs.

The Supreme Court action was a negative one in refusing to hear an appeal filed by Richland County, S. C. Democratic officials from a lower court ruling.

The ruling was handed down by the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals at Richmond, Va., in the case of George Elmore versus the Richland County Democratic officials after the Negro had been denied the right to cast a ballot in the 1946 primaries.

LOWER COURT RULING

The lower court verdict, handed down two years after the U. S. Supreme Court outlawed the white primaries in Texas and Louisiana, held that:

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State Civil Rights Body Organized In Missouri

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (ANP) — A last minute resolution introduced by Rep. Josiah Thomas of St. Louis in the Missouri house of representatives was passed last week and established a state civil rights committee.

This group will be known as the "Missouri Equal Rights committee" formed to "investigate and determine how to implement provisions of the 1945 constitution to make the

practice of democracy consistent with its pronouncement of equality."

Five members of this committee will be selected by Speaker Murray E. Thompson. This group will be authorized to hold hearings and use services of the legislative research committee on the rights and status of minorities in Missouri. It will report its findings to the house later for legislative action.

Dixie Must Really Provide Equal Schools, White La. Daily Warns In Editorial

BATON ROUGE, La. (ANP) — Young southern whites unlike their elders are rapidly awakening to the realization that true democracy can only come when all peoples, in matter what their race, creed or color, are accepted and afforded equal status in the social and economic structure in this country.

An example of this mounting tide of liberalism was displayed in a recent editorial by the Daily Reveille, official organ of the white Louisiana State University here.

It spoke of the recommendations of a joint committee of six, drawn

from the University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma A. and M. to the state regents for higher education that bonds of segregation be relaxed to permit Negroes to enroll in the graduate schools, outlined the state's refusal to permit Negro attendance at these schools and setting up of an "entirely inadequate" law school in the Oklahoma capital as a branch of Langston University.

The editorial said, "The developments in Oklahoma and in other states throughout the south portend a growing chance in our social and

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Urge Senate Defeat Of Regional School Plan

NEW YORK, N. Y. — Continuing the fight against congressional approval of segregated regional educational institutions, Walter White, NAACP secretary, this week urged 75 members of the Senate "to oppose this measure if and when it reaches the floor of the Senate."

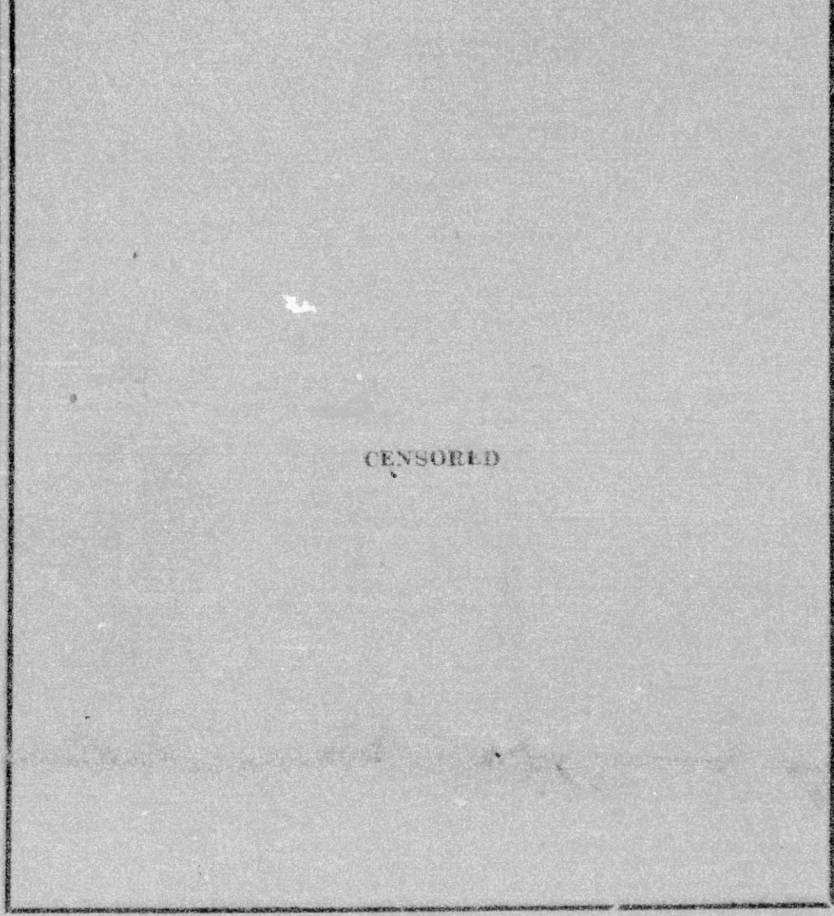
Action of the Senate Judiciary sub-committee last week favoring the Jim Crow plan was condemned by the NAACP and a director of the southern governors to circumvent the Supreme Court decision in the Gaines and Spaulding cases.

The committee approved the plan

by a 6 to 2 vote. Voting for were Senators E. H. Moore, Okla.; Paul McCarran, Nev.; J. William Fulbright, Ark.; Forrest C. Donnell, Mo.; James O. Eastland, Miss.; Alexander Wiley, Wisc. Senators Homer Ferguson, Mich., and William Langer, N. D. voted against approval. Senator J. Howard McGrath, R. I., abstained from voting.

In his letter which went to all Senators except those from the deep South, Mr. White expressed "shock" that the committee had approved the plan "in the face of the unanimous opposition to the

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THE PICTURE THAT ISN'T THERE — What would have been the picture does not appear because Coroner Joe Pinkston of Fayetteville felt that his undisclosed reasons for censorship were

of more importance than the public's interest or the right of a newspaper to publish news and photographs of interest to the community. Carolinian Photo. Censorship, Coroner Joe Pinkston

Dedication Of New YW Branch

RALEIGH — City Manager Roy S. Braden will be the principal speaker at dedication exercises for the new YWCA branch which will be held Sunday at 4:30 at the branch's new home at 316 East Davis Street.

A social hour and open house will follow the program, which will consist of remarks on the YWCA and the Community by Miss Ruth C. Wilson, Mrs. G. P. Hook, Miss Elsie Salt, C. A. Haywood and Mrs. J. A. Boyer.

Music for the affairs will be presented by the Y-Teen Ensemble of the Washington High School. Presentation of the building will be made by A. L. Furrington, Community Chest president. Acceptance will be made on behalf of the Committee of Management by its chairman, Mrs. H. C. Perrin.

Presentation of membership campaign awards will also be made by Mrs. Perrin. The social hour will

follow the benediction and will be conducted by the Women's Activity Committee, Mrs. W. S. Lockhart, Mrs. Perrin and Mrs. W. B. Inouard, secretary.

BULLETIN

Legislation to draft men of 18 through 25 was introduced in the House Tuesday by Representative Andrews, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee. All men between 18 and 36 would be required to register for training and service in the event of a national emergency.

Segregation Banned In Child's Conference

MOBILE, Ala. (ANP) — The International Council of Religious education held a Children's Regional conference here Thursday and Friday of last week, at Government Street Methodist Church when 163 persons enrolled from six states, with 36 colored persons from Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana.

There was no segregation and as Mrs. R. M. Blount, secretary of the Mobile Regional Children's conference, expressed it, "here was grand Christian fellowship." Mrs. Blount is also secretary of the Mobile Council of Churches. Mrs. A. L. Coleman, wife of the pastor of the State Street AME Church in Mobile, is a member of the executive committee.

The printed program announcing the meeting proclaimed, "This meeting has been planned from the beginning on an interracial basis. There will be no segregation."

Former St. Paul Pastor Is YMCA Guest Speaker



DR. STEWART

WILL URGE CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE IN JIM CROW FIGHT

WASHINGTON — The sharp differences of opinion between top Negro leadership on efforts to break down military segregation through refusal to serve in Jim Crow armed forces continued to hold the national spotlight this week.

Walter White, executive secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, discovered "civil disobedience" as an effective technique for solving the race problem.

Grant Reynolds, ex-U. S. Army chaplain and former Republican candidate for the U. S. House of Representatives, told a House Armed Services sub-committee of the organization of a nation-wide campaign of civil disobedience against a Jim Crow draft or universal military training law.

WHITE'S STATEMENT

White's statement was contained in a letter to Senator Wayne Morse, a member of the Senate Armed Forces Committee and a member

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Women Sue Embalmer For 'Mislaying' Body

CHICAGO (ANP) — Because the wrong body was placed in the right coffin and buried in the right plot, R. A. Cole, operator of the Metropolitan Funeral parlor here, faces a \$20,000 damage suit in circuit court.

The body that should have been in the coffin was that of Mrs. Jessie Booker, 39-year-old daughter of Mrs. Priscilla Cleveland and sister of Mrs. Irene Shelton, 38.

The two women brought suit through their attorney, Powers McGuire, charging they suffered mental anguish and embarrassment last February when the undertaker "lost or mislaid" the body of their relative and substituted another body.

Cole had been paid \$585 for the funeral on February 6 and burial was three days later. On the day of the burial, Cole informed the surviving relatives that "a terrible mistake had been made." Later the body of Mrs. Katie Pierce had to be removed from Mrs. Booker's grave and correct burial completed on February 12.

The two women were said to have protested at the wake that the body in the coffin was not that of their relatives, but that the undertaker allegedly explained he used a new embalming process which had changed the deceased's appearance.

Funeral Rites Slated For Mrs. Geneva M. Williams Friday At 2

RALEIGH — Mrs. Geneva Merrick Williams, widow of the late Dr. Peter H. Williams of this city died early Wednesday morning at her home at 233 E. Lenoir Street.

A native of Durham, N. C. and daughter of the late John Merrick of that city, Mrs. Williams was 66 at the time of her death and had lived in Raleigh for more than 30 years.

Funeral services will be held Friday at the Saint Paul AME Church. She is survived by a son, Peter H. Williams, Jr., and a daughter, Mrs. Martha Williams Wheeler.