

POLL TAX HITS CALL SESSION



HITS RED ARRESTS

POLL TAX BILL IS SEEN BLOCKING SESSION ACTION

WASHINGTON — President Truman's call for a special session of Congress was answered this week by a chip-wearing and disgruntled group of legislators representing both parties and hoping fervently for failure of the session.

In the Republican camp were those who charged that the session had been called for the sole purpose of putting the GOP on the spot through calling for immediate enactment of legislation to which the Party has committed itself in its 1948 platform.

On the other side of the fence were those members of the new "Dixiecrat" party and their sympathizers who have charged the Truman group with selling out the traditional pre-Rooseveltian Democratic ideals in an effort to woo the Negro vote and to regain party support which is inclined toward the Wallace camp.

As a result the new session found itself confronted with a Republicans plan to use their congressional superiority of numbers and control of committees to bring to the floor one of the most controversial of the Truman proposals, abolition of the poll tax.

Such legislation, passed by the House in three successive Congresses only to be killed in the Senate, has drawn the determined opposition of the Southerners who deny plans for a filibuster, but express an almost certain need for "detailed and lengthy discussion of the measure."

While the Republican leadership has expressed the intention of making every possible effort to pass the legislation, other members of the Party who decline to be quoted by name have expressed the conviction that the special session will break up as a result of a filibuster.

Strength has been given to this belief the declaration of party (Continued on page 8, 1st Section)

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DEATH CLAIMS TWO IN CITY

HEART SEIZURES PROVE FATAL TO 2 RALEIGH MEN

RALEIGH — Funeral services were held three days apart this week for two well-known Raleigh men who died suddenly of heart attacks on Thursday and Sunday of last week.

The first victim, who was buried Sunday afternoon was William W. Capehart of 509 Oberlin Rd., who was stricken in New York City while visiting his sister, Mrs. Myrtle Capehart Howard of that city.

The second victim, for whom last rites were held on Wednesday afternoon was C. H. Dunston who died suddenly at his home at 1216 East Martin Street on Sunday morning.

Mr. Capehart, member of a well-known Raleigh family, had gone to New York for a rest and was viewing a television broadcast at his sister's home when he died.

Funeral services for Mr. Capehart were held from the St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church and were conducted by the Rev. D. P. Duffart.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Margaret Capehart; two daughters, Geraldine and Myrtle, a sister, Mrs. Howard, and three brothers, John T., Edward and Dr. L. Capehart of New York City. He was a member of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. (Continued on page 8, 1st Section)



4 NURSES FLOWN TO SAINT AGNES FOR POLIO DUTY

Mrs. W. Y. Colbie of Raleigh, Secretary of Nurse Enrollment, a Volunteer Job, for the Wake County Chapter American Red Cross, received requests, during the month of July from St. Agnes Hospital in Raleigh, for four registered nurses to assist in the present Polio epidemic.

These requests have been met and the four nurses are now on duty with eleven polio patients in St. Agnes Hospital.

Nurses on duty are: Miss Henrietta Colbert, 350 10th St., N. W., Miami, Fla.; Miss Clara E. Bridges, 1310 Marcey St., S. E., Atlanta, Ga.; Miss Manna M. Beaman, 1114 St. Paul St., Richmond, Va.; Miss Mada Ann West, (Continued on page 8, 1st Section)

ABA Approves Reappointment Of Judge Moore

WASHINGTON (ANP) — The American Bar association, known to be anti-Negro, unanimously approved the reappointment of

Judge Herman E. Moore to the bench of the U. S. District court of the Virgin Islands, it was revealed here this week.

The Bar association announced its approval in a letter to Sen. Alexander Wiley, chairman of the state judiciary committee. In approving Judge Moore the group said:

"The general character and reputation of the nominee are excellent.

"The nominee is a man of notable judicial temperament, and his qualifications for the particular judgeship to which he has been appointed are outstanding. In our opinion, no further evidence of these qualifications should be necessary than the unanimous action of the members of the bar of the court of which he is judge and the strong endorsements of members of the court to which appeals from his court lie.

"The association statement concluded, "Accordingly, on behalf of the American Bar association, we recommend that the nominee (Continued on page 8, 1st Section)

ANSWER POLIO CALL

Above are shown four registered nurses who were flown to Raleigh last week by the American Red Cross to answer an appeal from St. Agnes Hospital for additional nursing help on the polio ward which is being operated at the hospital for victims of the disease.

They are being welcomed by Superintendent of Nurses Montcrief shortly following their arrival in Raleigh. From left to right they are: Miss Clara E. Bridges, Atlanta, Ga.; Mada A. West, Atlanta; Miss Montcrief, Miss Manna Beaman, Richmond, Va., and Miss Henrietta Colbert, Atlanta. Story elsewhere on this page.

Mixed Dancing Causes Jailing Of 16 in Atlanta

ATLANTA (ANP) — Four Negroes and 12 whites were arrested here because of their presence at a "mixed race" dance last week at the Georgia Workers' Education Service hall.

The sponsors of the social event, the Fellowship of Southern churchmen, said that this was "a regrettable affair" and that they "had no intention whatsoever of stirring up trouble."

The group was arrested on a complaint from the neighbors who were white.

The Rev. A. J. Riechie, white, arrested with the dancers, said that he was director of an interracial, inter-denominational group meeting at Gammon Theological seminary on the campus and sponsored by the Fellowship of Southern churchmen. Economic Study

The students were interested in studying economic conditions of the south, he said. When accused of being Communist-sponsored, he said, "We are merely a group who believes that if a man is a Christian or a churchman, his denomination or race doesn't matter."

The Rev. J. S. Thomas, acting president of Gammon, said that his school was not responsible for the social event which aroused the white neighbors. He said, "If the clock could be turned back, and the incident erased — that would be fine."

Rev. Riechie said that he and (Continued on page 8, 1st Section)

Coop Group Ready To Open New Food Store In Cooper Building

RALEIGH — A splendid demonstration in the beginning of cooperative activity has been made by a number of Negro citizens, representing all sections of Raleigh, during the past twelve months through the organization of the Wake Consumers Mutual Association, Inc., a member of the Carolina Council of Credit Union.

The new organization had planned to open a cooperative food market early last fall, but because the owners of the building were not able to honor the lease the new market has been delayed in opening. Recently the Wake Consumers

Mutual Association has filed a five-year lease on the new building located on the corner of Bloodworth and Cabarrus Streets. This will be the home of the Cooperative Food Market, which will carry a complete line of first-class groceries, meats, fish, and fresh vegetables.

This type of store is not a strange sight in the town of Raleigh, but the point of emphasis is that the project is being made possible by the cooperative efforts of many people. It may be a new idea for Raleigh — but not in the nation — More than two and a half million Americans, own, use and control cooperative stores and other services sharing equally and proportionally in the profits. Such as, farm supplies, all kinds of housing equipment, auto supplies, medical supplies and general merchandise.

OPEN TO ALL

A cooperative is open to all. A genuine interest in the welfare of the community is the only requirement. Each member, of course, must provide part of the necessary capital to operate the business. You may begin with a modest investment and bring it up over a period. The lowest income family may become part-owner in a cooperative business, along with the families of higher income.

The cooperative food market is owned, used, and controlled by its members. Each member has one vote in the operation and establishment of policy for the organization. The profits belong to the members.

SOUTHERN NEGROES SUPPORTING TRUMAN

RICHMOND (ANP) — The President has the Negro vote in the south pretty well under control according to a preliminary check since his acceptance speech in Philadelphia early Thursday morning, July 15. He has won Negro voters by his courageous stand for civil rights.

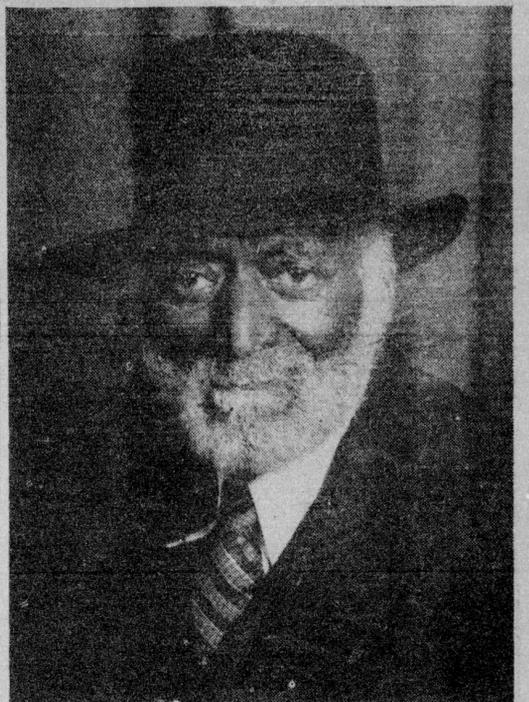
I have heard more Negroes in Virginia say they intend to vote for Mr. Truman than for any other president in 25 years. That the President would mention his stand for civil rights while delivering his acceptance speech in Philadelphia shows his deep convictions about the matter.

New Voters

In one day alone I was told by over 20 Negroes in casual conversation on politics that they will vote for Mr. Truman. Some Negroes who told me last week they will vote for Mr. Truman were residents here whom I thought had never voted.

I find that President Truman appeals to all classes and types of Negroes. Negroes in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Mississippi, Georgia, Tennessee, Texas, Missouri and Oklahoma, according to recent reports are almost solid for President Truman. His popularity has gained steadily among Negroes in these states as it has here in Virginia.

There are evidences that the revolt of southern Democrats (Continued on page 8, 1st Section)



CENTENARIAN PLUS — Miles Twine Nixon, of Goldsboro, N. C., who continues to play an active part in the operation of two businesses despite his having reached the age of 100 years.

A member of the North Carolina Legislature during the period following the Civil War, he formerly taught school, served as a postmaster, customs employee and teacher. Story on page 7, second section.

Fear Campaign Is Charged By Henry Wallace

BY MARK HYMAN

PHILADELPHIA (ANP) — Henry Wallace told the Philadelphia press Friday that the indictments of leading Communist officers including Ben Davis, New York City councilman, and Henry Winston, organizing secretary of the Com-

munist party, were interesting and highly significant, that these red scares over the past two or three years have been timed to silence the opposition to new turns in the bi-party get-tough-foreign policy.

In an answer to a direct question, Wallace said that the indictments are an attempt to promote new fears. They are another in a series of diversions, he said, created for Americans who are complaining about mounting inflation, the stupid bungling in Berlin, and other problems.

He emphasized that both the administration and the bi-partisans in congress make allegations to make headlines, they make headlines to make fear, and make fear to stay in power.

"While I favor strong action against any individual who commits violence," Wallace said, "it has been my observation that violence in the United States has been generally committed by the very people who would suppress the free speech of the Communists and other groups with whom they disagree."

Wallace insisted that defense of the first line of defense of the liberties of the American people. He said that the history of Germany, Japan, Italy and Franco Spain should teach us that the suppression of the Communists is but the first step in an assault on the democratic rights of labor, national, racial, and political minorities.

The Progressive party nominee felt strongly that the courts will eventually find the Smith act unconstitutional and that the act violates the first amendment to the constitution, and infringes on free speech.

We may expect further red scares, Wallace said and further attacks on minority groups charging hostility to the government. He said he expects attacks on the New party with all manner of false charges. The new organization will fight and continue to fight in defense of the American people, he said.

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4 Million Negroes May Go To The Polls In 1948

NASHVILLE (ANP) — A prediction that 4,000,000 Negroes will vote in the 1948 Presidential election was made during the closing sessions of the Race Relations Institute at Fisk last week by Henry Lee Moon, director of public relations for the NAACP.

The total, Moon said, would be four times the number of colored voters in the 1944 elections. The voting of 1,000,000 Negroes may spell the "emancipation of the wide southern voter and the end of the one party system," he said.

"Increased voting by both Negroes and poor whites will in the long run result in the election of legislators more responsive to the needs of the southern masses of both races."

Moon did not predict a Negro "bloc" of votes, but felt that colored votes would be equally divided among the Republican, Democratic and Third parties. Colored votes can be the decisive factors in the election of several senators and at least 75 representative in 17 non-southern states, he added.

This year's institute is the fifth annual meeting to be held at Fisk. It is sponsored by the American Missionary association. Students from all over the nation attended the meeting, and more than 40 lecturers and consultants served on the faculty during the three week meeting.

MEDFORD NAMED SUCCESSOR TO BISHOP ALSTORK

Following the death of Bishop F. W. Alstork of Washington, D. C. July 5, 1948, the Board of AME Zion Bishops met in Washington and assigned Bishop H. T. Medford of that city to superintend the Alberman and Virginia Conferences, over which the late Bishop Alstork presided.

Bishop Medford is a native of North Carolina, a portion of which state comprises the Alberman Conference assigned to his charge. He is one of the three Bishops elected at the recent General Conference of the Church at Louisville, Ky., and assigned to the Foreign Conferences of the denomination in West Africa. Prior to his election Bishop Medford served twenty years as Secretary-Treasurer-Editor of the Department of Foreign Missions of his denomination.

Edinwidge Institute at Dinwiddie, Va. near Petersburg, Va. (Continued on page 8, 1st Section)

'Peaceful Mission' Ends In Shooting and Man's Being Run out of County

CARTHAGE, MISS. (ANP) — A colored man reported to have had relations with a white woman in this vicinity, took a hint from a group of armed white men on a "peaceful mission" and left his home here last week.

The man, Martin Flowers, 40, is reported to be headed for Chicago where he has a daughter. As he left, the security of two of his relatives was not idly sure.

Police have captured one, James Flowers, 24, and are seeking another, Harness Flowers. These men are believed to have shot at the "peaceful group" of whites as they left the Flowers home, injuring two, one severely.

The group counted 24 bullet holes in their automobile and truck. William Dickens, shot in the neck, is reported to be steadily improving in a Jackson hospital.

Martin Flowers was released here after police assured themselves that he had nothing to do with the shooting. Deputy Guy McGivney said, "I think he has gone to Chicago where he has a daughter."

James Flowers told police that he had nothing to do with the shooting. Both he and Harness are veterans of World War II. They are cousins of the man who was "advised" to leave town because the white did not approve of his activities.

Sheriff F. F. Munday will make no charges against the white group because he said their mission was "entirely peaceful."

2 Brothers Drown In Goldsboro Lake

GOLDSBORO, N. C. (ANP) — Two brothers drowned at Newsome's lake in New Hope township last week as one boy unsuccessfully tried to rescue the other. A third brother screamed for help which came too late.

The two dead boys are Rehe Howard, 6, and F. B. Howard Jr., 14. The younger boy was in the branch of a tree on the west side of the lake and fell in as he was trying to catch a duck. The older boy drowned when he tried to save him.

A third brother, Jim Barry Howard, 9, screamed for help. The dead boys' bodies were recovered almost an hour later.

The boys were the sons of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Howard, tenants of the Giles Newsome farm.