

Promised No Speech For Elks Says Bunche

SAN FRANCISCO (ANP) — Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, head of the UN Trusteeship division, last week denied that he had ever scheduled to address the recent Elks convention here in San Francisco while he was in the city to address the California state bar convention.

Explaining his position in the Elks situation, Dr. Bunche said he had been invited several months ago to address the convention, but he had said that the urgency of the UN business would probably keep him away. Since then, he said, he had heard nothing from the Elks.

Here in San Francisco, most people were led to believe that Dr. Bunche would appear at the Grand IBPOEW International Ceremony at which the public paid to see.

Dr. Bunche in speaking to the state convention of lawyers said he regretted that the Los Angeles group excluded Negro lawyers while the state group admitted them. He also declared that the UN is the key to peace in the world of the future.

Death Sentence For Florida Pair

TAVARES, Fla. — Two Florida youths were sentenced to death and a third to life imprisonment Saturday night as a climax to the alleged rape of a 17-year old farm wife which led to a reign of terror marked by the burning of Negro homes and evacuation of Negroes from the vicinity of Groveland, Fla.

Sentenced to die by the verdict of an all-white jury were Samuel Shepherd, 20, and Walter Irvin, 22. Recommended for mercy because of his youth and the lack of positive identification was Charles Greenlee, 16.

NAACP attorneys who have undertaken the defense of the trio were hailed in their effort to obtain a change of venue for the trial on grounds that newspaper publicity and mob violence hounded off by reports of the incident, make a fair trial for their clients impossible in Lake County.

Four men were accused of the attack. One of them, Ernest Thomas, was killed by a "posse" which sought to capture him several

weeks ago. The three now on trial are Walter Irvin, 22, Samuel Shepherd, 22, and Charles Greenlee, 16.

WOMAN TESTIFIES
Testifying before an all-white jury on Friday the alleged victim said that the four youths had fought with her husband, beat him senseless and threw him into a ditch.

She said that they then forced their way into the car and drove to a lonely spot where each in turn raped her at the point of a gun. A similar story was told by her husband.

The business of selecting a jury for the trial of the three Groveland youth accused of rape began in Lake County Circuit Court here at ten o'clock Thursday and by court adjournment time the NAACP had exhausted ten of the thirty peremptory challenges or prospective jurors and in addition had challenged four other jurors for cause.

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Scores Injured at Peekskill, N. Y.

(Special to the CAROLINIAN)

PEEKSKILL, N. Y. — Despite the presence of more than 1,000 law enforcement officers, the efforts of Paul Robeson to deliver an open-air concert here flared into open violence on Sunday night for the second time within eight days.

Rioting which resulted in the overturning of six automobiles, the stoning of buses and cars carrying concertgoers as well as other Negroes who had no connection with the affair, hospitalization of 25 persons and the arrest of 23 others marked the affair which involved an estimated 14,000 persons.

Sunday night's concert was a follow-up of a similarly attempted concert last Saturday which was broken up by veterans groups who paraded in protest of Robeson's pro-communist utterances and leanings.

PROTEST
During the week between the two riots Robeson supporters protested to Governor Dewey concerning the alleged failure of state and local police to provide police protection at the first "concert" which was blocked by the overturning of a number of autos and a three-hour pitched battle between the veterans and Robeson followers.

After drafting their plans for the holding of the second concert, the Robeson group sought an injunction to block a protest parade and

demonstration planned by fourteen Westchester County veterans units. This plea, which was filed by Dr. Frederick Gottlieb, chairman of the Westchester Citizens Committee for Law and Order, which had extended the invitation to Robeson to appear for the Sunday concert, was denied by Federal Judge John J. Cliney.

JUDGE FLARES UP
Judge Cliney, in a clash with Charles Rothenberg, attorney for the citizens committee, declared: "I don't know where you get the notion that I can interfere with state officials. This court has no jurisdiction in this matter. What if the veterans come here and asked me to stop you because they assumed there would be violence and I granted it? You wouldn't like that. You would think it an outrage, wouldn't you?"

Governor Dewey, upon receipt of the protests of the Robeson group ordered a full report of the earlier incident and ordered all available state police to the scene to prevent a recurrence.

District Attorney George M. Fanello of Westchester County conferred with police chiefs of 32 municipalities in the county who assured him that they would have available every man from their forces who could be released for (Con'd on back page, this section)

2 Die, 11 Hurt In Car-Truck Crash

SHALLOTTE — Twenty-four picnickers were thrown from a truck and narrowly escaped with their lives in a truck-car crash which resulted in injuries for nine persons who were in the truck and two of the marines who were in the other vehicle.

According to State Highway patrol reports of the crash which occurred on Monday night near Shallotte, the truck, filled with 24 per-

sons returning from a Labor Day picnic, was sideswiped by a speed-passer passenger car carrying four marines from Camp LeJeune.

Two of the marines, Austin I. Love, 21, and Jerald J. Greenault, 18, were killed when the car smashed into the side of a bridge spanning the Shallotte River. The other two marines, Bill Ford, 19, and Cpl. Joseph Heady, 20, were also (Con'd on back page, this section)

"Ph.D." Proves A Phony No Record At McGill

Self-styled "Dr." J. Clement Faige, who crashed the pages of the Congressional Record as well as several North Carolina dailies and virtually the entire Negro press by virtue of his own claims of having earned a Ph.D. at the age of 19, never attended McGill University, it was learned this week.

"Dr." Faige, who laid claim to having earned a Ph.D. in physiological psychology from McGill, a master's in bacteriology from CCNY in 1947, and his BS in the biological sciences from A. and T. in 1945, was revealed by A. and T. authorities to have finished from that school in 1943.

he was a less than B average student while at A. and T. and no transcript of his record has ever been sent to any institution for advanced or graduate study.

Among those whom "Dr." Faige hoaxed were the officials of Bethune-Cookman College where he taught for a while as "Dr." Faige. In stories which were carried last week he was listed as "the youngest Negro ever to receive a Ph.D."

In a picture carried in the CAROLINIAN he was "shown receiving congratulations from Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune after receiving an invitation to present a paper before the British Association of Science."

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GAS FOR SPELLER

Lott Carey Elects Dr. O. S. Bullock

LAWYERS PLAN FOURTH APPEAL IN BERTIE CASE

WINDSOR — Raleigh Speller, a mentally deficient farm hand and odd-job worker, heard himself sentenced to death for the third time Monday after being declared guilty by an all-white jury which deliberated for 18 minutes.

Speller is charged with a criminal assault upon Mrs. Aubry Davis of Bertie County on July 18, 1947. His attorneys, C. T. Gates of Durham and Herman L. Taylor of Raleigh, immediately announced intent for the filing of an appeal and were given 60 days in which to do so.

Sentenced to death originally in October of 1947 by a Bertie County jury Speller was granted his first reprieve when the state Supreme Court sent the case back to the lower for retrial on grounds of irregularities in jury selection.

Tried again, he was convicted a second time, and again the Supreme Court on back page, this section



AS CITIZENS PROTESTED RESIGNATION—E. L. Raelford, chairman of the Raleigh Citizens Association and executive secretary of the Laddworth Street YMCA (standing) is shown as

he joined with scores of Raleigh civic, business and organizational leaders to protest the resignation of City Manager Roy S. Braden in the wake of a whispering campaign which it was charged

had been aimed at the forcing of just such a move. Following a protest by more than 500 citizens the City Council refused to accept the resignation and it was withdrawn. CAROLINIAN photo by Shephard.

RALEIGH PASTOR IS ELECTED LOTT CAREY PREXY

NOFOLK—Dr. O. S. Bullock, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Raleigh, was elected to succeed the late Dr. N. L. Scarborough as president of the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Missionary Convention at its fifty-second annual session held last week at Norfolk, Va.

Over 1,500 delegates and visitors attended the fifty-second annual session of the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Missionary Convention in session here at First Calvary Baptist Church, pastored by the Rev. C. Z. Griffin.

Meeting jointly the Women's Auxiliary and Junior Young People's Department at the convention, a panel at New Calvary and Queen Street Baptist Churches, pastored by the Rev. Samuel Wilson, and J. J. Freeman.

Opening here on Monday evening, August 29, in the municipal auditorium, with a mass music program under the direction of Prof. (Continued on page 8, this section)

Change Plans For Housing Project

A number of "ifs" moved into Raleigh's housing picture Tuesday.

Appearing before the City Council, Builder Willie York made a request for the extension of city sewer and water lines into twenty acres of land adjacent to the city line on which he holds options and on which he had previously planned construction of a 272 apartment housing project for Negro tenancy.

The request was made by Mr. York following his withdrawal of application for City Council approval of plans for apartment type housing project.

Instead of the apartment type project Mr. York is now considering the construction on the site of 148 single-family homes designed for Negro ownership.

The change in plans followed several months of efforts to secure approval for the apartment project which were marked by objections from residents of adjacent Longview Park who contended that erection of a low rent apartment type project would result in the lowering of the value of their homes.

After withdrawing his request for approval of the apartment project Mr. York informed the Council. (Continued on page 8, this section)

TOTS FIND POLIO BRACE, GET \$500

DETROIT (ANP)—Two four-year-old boys, one colored, and the white, became \$250 richer last week when they found a brace belonging to a seven-year-old polio victim.

They split a reward offered by the Detroit News when the parents of a little white girl declared that some one had robbed them and taken the child's brace. Their child had never walked.

Bobby Hall and Tony Sanchez, white, found the brace while playing "cowboys and Indians."

INDIANAPOLIS GETS 1ST NEGRO P. O. SUPERVISOR

Indianapolis (ANP) — Alfred Grayson, veteran mail carrier and member of the Indianapolis Postal Alliance, became last week the first Negro carrier-supervisor in the Indianapolis postal system when he was appointed carrier chief in charge of mail.

Carrier Postmaster George J. Ross made the appointment in line with his statement, "I am the postmaster of all postal employees and I intend to be fair in all of my rulings and assignments."

Mr. Grayson, a scoutmaster for 17 years, is also active in the N. A. A. C. C. Y. M. C. A., and the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity.



SENTENCED TO DIE — Monroe Medlin, 23-year-old former busier was sentenced Saturday to die in the gas chamber at Central Prison on October 11 for the murder of his former employer, Mrs. E. O. Anderson, Charlotte social leader.

He was convicted by a jury of ten white and two Negro men which made no recommendation for mercy. Apprehended the day following the slaying, Medlin confessed. Several articles from the home of the slain woman were in his possession at the time of his arrest.

Braden Remains As City Manager

BY JOE SHEPHERD

City Manager Roy S. Braden received a vote of confidence from the citizens of Raleigh Tuesday.

In an hour-and-a-half session marked by drama, humor, and above all, sincerity, citizens from all walks of Raleigh life made it clear that they were on the side of the city executive who has been the target for a six-week whispering campaign of character assassination.

When scores of citizens began showing up an hour before the Council meeting scheduled to act upon Mr. Braden's resignation, the meeting place was moved successively from the Council chamber to the municipal courtroom and thence to the City Auditorium.

The tenor of the meeting was set by C. A. Dillon, first of a line of about 30 persons who denounced the smear campaign, urged the Council to refuse to accept the resignation and called upon Braden to withdraw it.

WOULD BE TRAGEDY
Mr. Dillon said that Mr. Braden had given the city "an effective and progressive government" and that his resignation would represent a "tragedy."

Dr. A. J. Chesson, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce; Lester Rose, executive secretary of the Chamber of Commerce; Dr. (Continued on page 8, this section)

U. of Oklahoma Will Enroll Six Negroes

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. (ANP) — Six of the estimated 75 Negroes who attended the summer sessions at the University of Oklahoma plan to enroll in the school in the fall semester.

These students are: James Ewery, seeking his master's in music education; G. W. McLaurin, for a doctorate in education; Malcolm S. Whitby, master's in audio-visual education; Mrs. Orpherita Daniels' master's in social work, and Mrs. Ada Lois Fisher and T. M. Roberts, law.

They will attend classes with the white students but will be segregated from them in the classroom just as were the 75 summer school students.

Negroes were allowed to attend the University of Oklahoma and other state schools that were all-white for the first time this summer when the state legislature passed a law opening courses not offered at Langston university, the all-Negro state school, to colored students.

FACES IN THE NEWS



HEADS BAPTIST BODY—Dr. O. S. Bullock, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Raleigh, who was elected president of the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Missionary Convention at the group's annual convention held last week in Norfolk, Va. (Story on this page).



BATTLING BARRISTERS — Attorney C. J. Gates of Durham and Herman L. Taylor of Raleigh (above) have waged a determined and relentless fight to save the life of Raleigh Speller, three convicted of criminal assault upon a white Bertie County resident. The two have filed another appeal in the case, charging jury panel irregularities in Vance County where the panel was drawn in the latest trial of their client.



IMPROVING — Dr. L. T. DeLaney, prominent Raleigh physician whose condition was reported by officials of St. Agnes Hospital as slightly improved this week following a heart attack last Saturday afternoon.



ON COMMISSION — The Rev. K. Irving Boone, pastor Central Baptist Church, Wilmington, and president of the Negro Citizens Council of Wilmington, was this week notified by the Mayor's Office of his appointment to the City's Commission on Parks and Recreation. This Commission is composed of twelve members, including three Negroes. Other Negro members, in addition to the Reverend Mr. Boone, are F. J. Rogers, principal of Williston Industrial School and W. E. Bess, of the Community Boys' Club.