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URGES SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT — Gov. W. Kerr Scott, who this week stressed the need for improvement of minority

group schools in North Carolina during conference of officials of the central board for southern regional education. Story on this page.

Philly Lawyers Opposing Hastie

By MARK HYMAN

Philadelphia (AP) — Opponents sent a strong telegram to the office of Gov. W. H. (Bennie) Hastie's name for one of a contingent of six judges to be the federal judgeship openings in Circuit Court, who was not a native of this area. They declared here last week following meetings that such an appointment would be of Philadelphia democratic leaders' endorsement to the Negro members of our bar and would be confirmed by the general practice of the public

strongest objections, which come mainly from Negro lawyers, were declaration more or less proof that the Negro lawyers in greater Philadelphia are not capable of filling attitude of the powers that be that they are indeed unrepresentative. Only one Negro is capable of holding. The club suggested to preferring high responsible jobs, particularly in having a distinct court of loyalty, practical policies, and a position rather than a selected and selected sense of political reward, appointments because the district

When Hastie's appointment was named, which is a Justice court first hinted by Sen. Francis E. and later by the Association of Meyers of Pennsylvania, the John J. Murphy, Negro Justice, Delano M. Longton Law club, composed. Continued on page 8, this section

H. U. President Raps South's Cowardice

Greensboro, N. C. — Praising were some who believed in our white northerners who came to the highest responsibility and talked South following emancipation and with us, for the first time, on the treated Negroes as human beings, highest level of human intelligence. Dr. Morehead Johnson told a capa geno.

city audience at Bennett College recently that "one of the greatest trials the speaker said, in helping to godless in the South is the fundamentalism such institutions as the mental cowardice of Southern demonstrators the greatest act of white Christians."

Friendship one human being can keep away from Negroes except as condoning Southern white servants. The South is attracted leaders who did little or nothing to with the love of distance to help Negro progress. Dr. Johnson

Describing the conditions existing told his audience that "what is following slavery. In Johnson as Southerners were afraid of was in secret. We could have lost heart actually their greatest challenge and hope. But thank God, there in adventure."

UNCF Re-elects Dr. F. D. Patterson

ATLANTA, Ga. — Dr. F. D. Patterson, president of Tuskegee Institute, was re-elected president of the United Negro College Fund by a unanimous vote at the sixth annual meeting of its board of directors, held at Atlanta University October 4.

Dr. Patterson, who originated the plan of cooperative fundraising for certain colleges and universities which resulted in the establishment of the United Negro College Fund, has been its president since its inception in 1944.

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Alexander on NAACP Slate of Directors

NEW YORK — Five persons active in the work of the National Philadelphia Branch and of the Pennsylvania State Council for the Advancement of Colored People have been nominated for election to the Association's judicial board of directors. Dr. J. G. Leach, chairman of the nominating committee, announced today. In addition, eleven present members were re-nominated. Each branch will vote on the names at its annual meeting. The ballots are due in the national office by December 31 and will be counted at the annual meeting.

The new nominees are Kelly M. Alexander, president of the North Carolina State Conference of N. A. C. P.; Branches and organizer of the Charlotte, N. C. Branch; Dr. W. A. Montague Cobb, a member of the Board of Directors of the Howard University; members included Mrs. Daisy E. Lampkin, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Thompson, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Russell National Medical Committee; Wesley B. Johnson, Marshalltown, Ia.; W. W. Law, former president of the K. S. X. Asheville, N. C.; Judge Savannah, Ga.; NAACP Youth Hubert T. Delany, New York City; Alfred Baker Lewis, Greenwich, Conn.; and Dr. Leach, Flint, Mich., who was chosen chairman of the committee.

Also Dr. Harry J. Greene, mem-

ASKS SCHOOL ACTION Medical Student Stalled By UNC

MAY EXPECT UNC ACTION IN 1950 SAYS BOARD AIDE

After waiting for more than a year for action on his application to enter the University of North Carolina Medical School, James E. Thomas of Wilmington was informed this week that he might expect consideration by the board of trustees in January or February of next year.

Thomas, who was a honor graduate of high school and Shaw University completed the U. S. Navy Achievement's School at Cornell in the upper third of his class during the war, and first applied for admission to UNC's medical school in the spring of 1948.

At that time his qualifications were passed upon as acceptable, but he was informed that he could not be considered for admission because the school's quota of students for the 1948-49 school year was filled.

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\$100,000 Asked in Suit Against NAACP

STAFF CORRESPONDENCE

NEW YORK — The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, which has been on the filing end of hundreds of suits during its forty-year existence, this week found itself as the defendant in a \$100,000 suit filed in the Supreme Court of New York County.

The plaintiff in the suit is Fay Leving, the owner and operator of a dress shop located at Broadway and 148th Street in Upper Harlem, who charged that the NAACP had wrongfully accused him of racial discrimination in his employment practices.

The suit is the outgrowth of the picketing of the dress shop by the local branch of the NAACP and the Harlem Labor Union, which charged that the store forced drivers upon its three Negro employees which were not expected from its eight white workers.

The NAACP entered the case in the latter part of September, but, without benefit of the picket charge, that the defense fund date is aimed at the raising of \$15,000 earmarked for the securing of equal educational opportunities for the Negroes of North Carolina.

Mr. Alexander stated that the first efforts would probably be directed toward the breaking down of barriers to the admission of Negroes to the medical school of the University of North Carolina.

"We need many more Negro doctors in North Carolina," he declared. "That committee is headed by Domestic Relations Court Justice Hubert Delaney.

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WHERE MAN MET DEATH
The accident pictures above brought instant death Friday to McKinzie Horton, 40, of Zebulon, Ga., after he was thrown from the pickup and thrown to the pavement to be crushed by the overturning van. The pickup was driven by his father, Robert Horton, 73, who was only slightly injured in the crash which occurred on U. S. 64 about four miles from Zebulon.

Photo Courtesy News and Observer

BEGIN PROBE OF COMPANY UNION IN NAACP OFFICE

New York (AP) — More than 12 office employees of the NAACP were told last week that if they did not join a newly formed independent labor union, they would consider themselves dismissed as of Saturday.

The notice was signed by Roy Wilkins, acting secretary, and it was noted that a similar letter had been mailed to those involved last August.

It seems unorthodox as a matter of fact, a subcommittee of the NAACP's executive board is now investigating the situation to determine whether or not the office workers should be compelled to join the new union.

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Ky. Gets Negro Police Lt.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — A. Wilson Edwards, a veteran of 14 years service on the Louisville police force was promoted to the grade of lieutenant last week, becoming the first Negro to hold such high rank in any major city police department south of Washington, D. C.

Louisville Edwards, who is 31, has served on the Louisville police force since 1935 and has held the rank of sergeant since 1944. The promotion was made by Safety Director David A. McCandless and a three-man board following a competitive examination in which Edwards outscored two other Negro police sergeants who are on the force.

The promotion climaxes a long campaign by Louisville Negroes to secure a Negro police lieutenant on the force. The sergeant vacated by Edwards' promotion was filled by Patrolman Elmer M. Johnson.

The only Negro police lieutenant south of the Mason-Dixon line is believed to be the Lieutenant Daniel Pittman of Washington, D. C. who was named to that grade more than five years ago.

Edwards is a native of Frankfort, Ky., received his education in the public schools of Frankfort and Youngstown, Ohio, is married but has no children.

The new lieutenant, who had expressed the hope of someday holding his present rank, says now that he wants to be a captain some day.

Although his formal education ended at high school, Lt. Edwards has taken several correspondence courses at the International Correspondence Schools in addition to courses in elementary law at LaSalle College. He is now hoping to take a course in criminology at Indiana University.

VETERAN SCHOOL HEAD QUILTS POST AFTER FUSILADE

MARION, N. C. — The resignation of F. M. Beaver as principal of the Hudgins High School was handed in this week following a month of picketing of the school and a flare up of violence which saw stones thrown through windows and bullets fired through the door of Beaver's residence.

The resignation was handed in to school authorities on Monday afternoon and climaxed 3 years of opposition to the principal who had held the post for the past seventeen years.

When school opened last month scores of parents of the pupils formed a picket line about the school and declared that they would not permit their children to enter the school until Beaver had been removed.

As a result approximately 50 or 60 of the school's normal complement of 250 pupils were present to attend classes.

The parents, who remained adamant in their demands for the ousting of the principal, despite an apparent support by the school board, charged him with inefficiency in administration, lack of interest in the affairs of the community and inability to establish discipline among the students or teachers.

They claimed also that the school board had sought them that he would not seek to fill his position this year if he were permitted to complete the year school term.

The picketing of the schools by the parents which had proceeded in an orderly manner for several weeks took a violent turn last Wednesday night when three rocks were thrown through the window of the home of Green Corporeal where Mr. Beaver was a roomer.

The rocks were thrown around 10 p.m. and several hours later, about 11, five pistol shots were fired through the front door of the house.

This demonstration came after school officials had stated that the feeling against Beaver was dying down and that the public were returning to school.

School officials said this week that Mr. Beaver had left Marion to go home to Charlotte where his wife is reported ill and that he is not expected to return to Marion.

THREE DIE IN VA. AUTO COLLISION NEAR STATE LINE

SOUTH HILL, Va. — J. Walter Stewart, retired Washington, D. C. bondsman, and reportedly one of the wealthiest Negroes in Washington, was killed near here with two companions on Friday night when their Cadillac sedan collided with a trailer truck.

Killed with Mr. Stewart was his wife, Mrs. Cassandra Stewart, and Miss W. Gertrude Brown, director of Midway Hall a Washington government employee residence hall.

The three are natives of Charlotte, to which city they were returning at the time of the fatal crash which occurred about twenty miles north of the North Carolina state line.

According to police versions of the wreck the southbound Cadillac, driven by Stewart, swerved to the northbound lane where it ran into the truck driven by George Milton, 25, of Baltimore, Md. who was treated for shock.

The truck was owned by the Associated Transfer Company.

Funeral arrangements for the crash victims are being conducted by the McGuire Funeral Directors of Washington, D. C.

Mr. Stewart is survived by his half-sister, Mrs. Janie Johnson of Charlotte, N. C. Mrs. Stewart survived by three sisters.

Miss Brown is survived by a sister, Mrs. Adele Alexander of Memphis, Tenn.

Charge 'Whitewash' In U.S. Agency Probe

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The United Public Workers, CIO, this week charged that the Civil Service Commission and the Fair Employment Practices Board of that Commission are guilty of whitewashing charged of racial discrimination in the Bureau of Printing and Engraving, Washington, D. C.

In a letter to Civil Service Commission's chairman, Mitchell, Thomas Richardson, chairman of the Union's Anti-Discrimination Commission, stated that the Civil Service Commission's refusal to act on the charges of Negro discrimination represented an effort to protect those prejudiced officials in the agency who are guilty of racial discrimination.

The United Public Workers, CIO, has campaigned in the past three months in an effort to end discrimination and segregation in the Bureau of Engraving. The agency is the Federal Government's money factor and is a part of the Treasury Department.

The Union has repeatedly charged that the Bureau officials are guilty of the following:

1. Discriminatory displacement of hundreds of trained Negro women and their replacement by untrained workers at great expense to the America taxpayer. The Union charges that the treatment accorded the Negro Women is entirely different than that given the White Plate Printers.

2. The agency canceled extension of apprenticeship for Plate Printers after some forty Negroes had applied and qualified. One of the qualifications was

URGE ACTION IN BEACH PROJECT FUND RAISING

The Hammocks Beach corporation this week announced that \$77,548 has been raised in the South Carolina Teachers Association drive for \$100,000 to qualify for acceptance of the Onslow County beach property which has been offered the association as a recreational facility.

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Truman Is Asked To Reject Army Policy

NEW YORK (AP) — President Truman has been asked to overrule the action of Secretary of Defense Johnson and disapprove the new army program because it is ineffective in its elimination of segregation.

Grant Reynolds and A. Philip Randolph, co-chairmen of the Committee Against Jim Crow in Military Service and Training, in a letter to the Chief Executive, denounced the new army policy, and requested that he reject it.

The letter said, "There is nothing in this allegedly 'new' Army policy to benefit the mass of Negro servicemen or to forward the aims of your civil rights program." Concluding their letter, the leaders stated a belief that the President was morally obligated to reject the program because it does not live up to the terms of his executive order.

In defense of the new army program, a spokesman has made it plain that Negroes who qualify may be assigned to white units under certain special circumstances. This is to refuse the statement made when the order first came out that Negroes trained in service schools would be assigned only to Negro units or as overhead staff.