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TRUMAN TO FIGHT LOW RENT HOUSING WINS OK

COUNCIL VOTES APPROVAL FOR 450 NEW HOMES

Raleigh moved a step closer to relief of its housing headache Tuesday when the City Council voted approval of the Raleigh Housing Authority's proposal for erection of 450 federally financed low rent housing units within the next two years.

Under the initial phase of the program, scheduled for the first year, 84 units will be constructed adjacent to the white Haddox Court project and 95 units will be built near the Negro Chavis Heights project.

During the second year 300 more units designed for Negro occupancy will be constructed on a yet undesignated site. The entire project is scheduled to be financed with federal funds and work would get underway in about four months.

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MARK ACHIEVEMENT WEEK

Above are shown officers of the Iota Iota Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity of Raleigh as they were hosts to Dr. Harry E. Pean and H. Carl Moultrie, national basileus and national executive secretary respectively. Those shown are from left to right: R. S. Turner, keeper of records; Mr. Moultrie, Dr. Nelson Harris, basileus of the host chapter and Dr. Pean.

LIONS CLUB TO HAVE DINNER FOR WAKE CO. BLIND

The Annual Lions Clubs Turkey dinner and party to the blind persons of Wake County will be held at the Woodworth Street YMCA Friday at 6:00 P. M.

A special program of entertainment has been arranged and will feature a quartet from the State School for Deaf and Blind, M. H. Crockett, principal and Mrs. L. W. Finch, soloist. Arrangements for the event are being made by the Lions Clubs Blind and Sight Conservation Committee with Howard Weeks, chairman, Mrs. Doris Eason of the Wake County Welfare Department, Mrs. Harriet Smith Jones, and E. L. Radford, president of the Raleigh Citizens' Association.

NO HIDING PLACE

CHICAGO (ANP) — A \$12,000 shoe was discovered by police last week when they arrested Jack Bradley in his home. They found a shoe with a bag containing the amount of money in it. Bradley told officers that he had taken it from a sale of the Consumers Iron and Steel company in Racine, Wis.

Term Regional Pact Unconstitutional

Knoxville, Tenn. (Special) — Authorities on Constitutional Law attending the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association expressed the opinion here last week that proposed Jim Crow regional schools are unconstitutional.

The meeting at the Andrew Jackson Hotel heard the segregated regional schools discussed by Ex-Gov. Caldwell of Florida, and several other Southerners, including representatives of the Southern Regional Council.

Chairman of the discussion of the Southern Regional Schools Plan was Dr. John S. Rankin, professor of political science at Duke University, Durham, N. C.

Assail Columbia U. Bias In Fellowships

NEW YORK (ANP) — Columbia university last week was placed in the same category with Mississippi's Jefferson Military college for accepting grants of money from donors who stipulate that only white students are eligible for the fellowships.

The university chapter of the NAACP, which made the charge, referred specifically to the Roberts Fellowships limited to members of the Caucasian race. Established in the will of Mrs. Lydia Roberts

Rights Group Asks Extradition Halt

WASHINGTON (ANP) — The Civil Rights Congress, this week asked all Governors of Northern States to go on record refusing extradition of Negroes to Southern States, where unconstitutional judicial and penal practices prevail.

"Other," the Congress said, "The Governors are aiding and encouraging terror against the Negro people in the South."

Recent investigations have highlighted the fantastic and inhuman brutality of punishments for prisoners in the South, as well as the odious methods of Southern "justice" at trials.

Sarbanic penal practices in Virginia shocked investigators in the case of Lester Tate, also known as Albert L. Gee, Negro who is faced with extradition to Virginia from California. On chain gangs, sometimes as many as a thousand men work and sleep chained together. Steel topped whips are in frequent use.

Methods of treating prisoners in Georgia were condemned as cruel and inhuman punishment, by the United States Court of Appeals.

PLEDGES BATTLE ON CIVIL RIGHTS IN TWO SPEECHES

WASHINGTON — Reflecting the growing awareness that America must herself be free before she can bring freedom to the rest of the world, President Truman pledged no retreat in the battle for enactment of civil rights legislation in two speeches delivered during the past week.

Speaking Friday afternoon at a luncheon meeting of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and passage of rights legislation which he followed with a declaration that "Those of us who believe in God can never be content to live for ourselves alone."

DECLARING that the tomb of the Unknown Soldier which he had visited earlier in the day symbolized the brotherhood of man and the unity of all Americans, he said, "No American knows, and no real

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AIDES GET STIFF QUIZ ON SCHOOL SITUATION IN N.C.

Staff Correspondence

The scene of the "Durham law suits" shifted to the Governor's office in Raleigh this week where Capital Hill observers say Gov. W. Kerr Scott called in his two chief advisors on Negro affairs, Dr. N. C. Newbold and Dr. H. L. Trigg, for what one report said was a "full-scale dress-down."

Dr. Newbold, director of the State's Division of Negro Education and Dr. Trigg, Raleigh Negro member of the State Board of Education, reportedly "positively assured" Scott that the State was giving "due consideration" to the needs of Negro citizens.

It was reported here over the weekend that Scott had become increasingly concerned over the court litigation arising variously over the unaccredited Negro law school in Durham and the suit instituted by 26 Durham Negro students for equal facilities in that city's schools.

Last May 5, Attorneys M. Hugh Thompson and John H. Wheeler of Durham filed action in Middle District Federal Court, naming the Durham City Board of Education, State Superintendent of Public Instruction Clyde A. Erwin, and others as defendants of the suit.

Earlier this month Judge Johnson H. Hayes, in a comprehensive decision, ruled that the Board of Education and the State must answer the suits, although State Attorney General Harry McMillan and the Board have continued to protest that the State can not be sued.

The Durham defendants requested and were given a postponement to prepare answers to 72 interrogatories submitted by Thompson.

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Fugitive Is Returned To Georgia

WASHINGTON (ANP) — Leon Johnson, a fugitive from a Georgia prison where he was serving a life term for killing a Negro woman, was denied a writ of habeas corpus by the U. S. Supreme court here last week, when the tribunal upheld efforts of the state of Pennsylvania to extradite the man back to Georgia.

Johnson had escaped prison and he was captured in the western part of the state and jailed, pending extradition papers. Through his attorneys, he sought to block extradition by filing habeas corpus proceedings in Pennsylvania courts.

In his brief, he charged he had received cruel treatment in Georgia. However, his petition was turned down by the courts, which looked upon him as "an untrustworthy witness." An appeal to the U. S. District court in Pittsburgh was rejected, but when the appeal reached the circuit court in Philadelphia, Johnson won a ruling that the district court had improperly dismissed his request.

Asked if there had been any change in the institution's policy of "working the Negro insane," an official at Goldsboro said, "Not that I know of." He admitted work was the only kind of treatment available to most inmates.

In Durham, an official of a Negro woman's organization said conditions at Goldsboro had been acute for some time. It was not indicated whether this organization would join other Negro groups in protesting conditions at Goldsboro.

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NO "MEDDLING" — M. Hugh Thompson, Goldsboro native, militant Durham lawyer representing with Atty. J. H. Wheeler, 26 Durham Negro students in a suit for equalization of the city's schools, reiterated previous statements this week that Durham suits are "entirely of local origin."

Thompson, who organized George H. White Bar Association, Durham Negro lawyers group was pioneer North Carolina lawyer to study possibilities of legal action to correct inequalities in State's educational facilities. Attorney Thompson was emphatic in his statement that no out of state "meddling" is involved.

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Appeals Are Denied For Heller And Reid

Two North Carolina men, one convicted of first degree murder of his wife in October of 1948 was Lee Heller of Catawba County whose plea for a new trial on the grounds of new evidence was turned down early this month by the State Supreme Court.

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The 22-year old wife, her face shattered by a lead from the shotgun and given only a 50-50 chance of survival, told police from a hospital bed that the shooting which also brought death to George McMillan, 25 was the result of a "frivolous argument."

Held without bond in the Harnett County Jail is 23-year old Herman Black, a Norriston farmer, who is charged with the shootings. According to Harnett County (Continued on page eight)



OMEGAS PRESENT DR. HANCOCK — Dr. Gordon B. Hancock, noted scholar, educator, preacher and columnist, who will deliver the Achievement Week address for Wilmington's Omicron Alpha Chapter Sunday, November 20 at 4 p. m. at the St. Stephens AME Church, Fifth and Red Cross Streets.

Hospital Board Probes Break Try

GOLDSBORO (Special) — A full report of last week's attempted prison break here by 14 inmates of the State Hospital for the Negro Criminally Insane has been forwarded to the State Hospital Board of Control, in Raleigh, it was learned here this week.

Inquiries at Raleigh, however, failed to reveal any new information on the so-called "Snake Pit" conditions at the Goldsboro Hospital for the Negro Insane.

There was neither confirmation nor denial of the allegedly filthy, crowded conditions which the inmates complained about after three groups of law enforcement officers quelled last week's attempted break.

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SPAULDING IMPROVED

DURHAM (Staff Correspondence) — President C. C. Spaulding of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance and the Mechanics and Farmer's Bank is making "splendid progress" according to attachments of Lincoln Hospital here, where Dr. Spaulding has been under observation since Nov. 7.

Dr. R. E. Dawson, Durham eye specialist said here this week that doctors at Duke Hospital had been called in for consultation regarding Dr. Spaulding's eye ailment.

At this time Dr. Spaulding's vision in his right eye is impaired.

Brown-Bethune Rift Is Denied

WASHINGTON (Special) — High North Carolina public officials, reportedly including Senator Frank P. Graham and Clyde E. Hoer, have acted to erase the red smear from the record of famed North Carolina educator Charlotte Hawkins Brown.

The reported action of the Tar Heel politicians came at a time when friends of Dr. Brown and Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune were busy deny-

U.S. Court Will Hear Sweatt Case in June

NEW YORK — The legal staff of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People learned this week the United States Supreme Court has granted a writ of certiorari, agreeing to hear early in Jan. an NAACP appeal in the case of Herman Marion Sweatt, Houston Negro who was denied admission to the University of Texas law school solely because of his race.

Thurgood Marshall, NAACP special counsel, indicated that the NAACP attaches special importance to the Sweatt case because it is the first major legal test of segregation per se in university graduate schools and a victory in the case would cause a major break in the segregation system of higher education. A brief amicus curiae was filed in support of the NAACP petition for certiorari, by the Committee of Law Teachers Against

Cleared of Charge Of Beating Mother

For almost a week the neighbors and friends of Matthew Jones, 37, had been arrested on charges of assault and battery on his aged mother, on the complaint of neighbors who claimed that he had forced the 75-lb. woman to drag

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