

DR. BUNCHE SEES PROGRESS IN THE SOUTH

RALEIGH, N. C. — The last ten years have been marked by an improvement in race relations in the South, but this improvement still moves too slowly, Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, said here Monday afternoon in an exclusive interview.

The top-ranking diplomat pointed out that any change in social conditions moves too slowly, as long as one race is denied the full advantages of citizenship in society.

The interview was held in the living room of the home of Dr. Harold Trigg at St. Augustine's College, shortly before Dr. Bunche addressed an overflow crowd at the Memorial Auditorium.

The 3766 seat auditorium was filled to capacity at least ten minutes before the start of Dr. Bunche's address, and a crowd of close of 1500 persons had to be denied admittance because of the lack of space. (Continued on page 8, this section)

SENATOR ATTACKS FDR JR.

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BOJANGLES MANSION MAY BE SOLD

Los Angeles (AP) — Unless something unusual happens and soon, a historic mansion owned by the Rev. Clayton D. Russell, built by the late Bill Robinson at a cost of more than \$30,000 may be sold at an auction to pay for a \$644.36 debt.

According to advertisements appearing in local legal sheets, the home will be auctioned off because a jeweler, Anna Neft of the Neft Jewelers company, claims that Rev. Russell owes the company the \$644.36 for a ring he bought to attend the inauguration of President Truman last year.

COURT ORDERS MOTHER HELD FOR TRIAL

HENDERSON, N. C. — An unwed mother who buried her six week old daughter under eight inches of dirt and then placed a piece of tin over the shallow grave, was being held here Wednesday under a \$5,000 bond, on a charge of attempted murder.

The child had been buried for over six hours Saturday, before the mother, 22-year-old Gracie Lee White, broke down under intensive questioning and admitted to police that she had buried the baby.

Equal School Battle Opens In Wilson

WILSON, N. C. — The long promised fight to obtain equal public school facilities started here Tuesday, when more than 200 Negro students, their parents, and friends filed suit against city and state officials.

Named as defendants in the suit are the city school board, City Superintendent Sid G. Chappell, State Superintendent of Public Instruction Clyde A. Erwin, and members of the State Board of Education. The suit claimed the differences between the white and Negro schools in Wilson, constituted a denial of the equal protection of the law guaranteed by the Fourteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution.

In seeking relief the suit asked that a permanent injunction restraining the city from failing or refusing to provide for the Negro school children of Wilson, such courses of study, modern facilities and opportunities for physical and cultural development as are provided for the white children of the town. The suits had been promised for some time, but were delayed while attempts were made to reach an out of court settlement with school officials.

Man Appeals Conviction For Lack Of Cab Permit

Despite his heated and repeated claim that he picked up a passenger solely as a friendly gesture, C. J. Jackson, of 121 Johnson Street, was convicted in City Court, Friday, of operating a taxi cab without a permit.

Jackson, who has a police record of eleven prior convictions, angrily denied the charge, and after hearing Judge Albert Doup sentence him to a 4 months suspended sentence and a \$25 fine, filed notice of an appeal to Superior Court.

The main evidence against Jackson came from a white cab driver, who testified that he saw Jackson pick up a passenger at the Union Bus Station on January 26.

The driver said that on the night in question a woman came out of the station and signaled for a cab, but before one of the regular cabs could pick her up, Jackson called



PRINCIPALS — Principals in the Wilson County suit are shown in the left of filing necessary preliminary papers. From left to right: Dr. B. O. Barnes, Wilson, Atty. M. Hugh Thompson, Durham, Mrs. Eva L. Young, clerk of the Court, and Dr. C. C. Vancey, Wilson. The presiding judge is expected to be Don Gilliam of Tarboro. The case was filed in the Eastern District of the U. S. Federal Court.

New Trial Ordered For Young Doctor

ALEXANDRIA, La. — The cloud which has been following the Hines family seemed to be lifting last week when district court Judge A. V. Hundley granted Dr. James E. Hines a new trial by setting aside the "guilty" verdict brought in by an all white jury which heard the case in October. The crime? Let's begin at the beginning.

Young Dr. Hines and his wife and child are well thought of in Alexandria, La. The doctor has a nice practice, drives a nice car, is considered "successful." He's from Louisiana too. Of course, Mrs. Hines is from "up North," but she's "real nice." They helped lead the fight which enabled the Negroes of this town to retain the old USO building. Mrs. Hines used to work for the NAACP "up North," and you know what some "white folks" think of that... worse than communism.

Now the girl really needed medical care. The young doctor put her in his car, and took her to his office. His nurse was there. After

State NAACP Agrees To Finance 'Epps Case'

CHARLOTTE — The NAACP State Conference at its meeting here Saturday, passed a resolution to finance the "Epps Case," in which two Negroes are attempting to enter the University of North Carolina.

The conference also endorsed the Durham public school case against separate but unequal education, and decided to appeal the Daniels Cousins case under the twin stipulations that the NAACP will not be held responsible for the previous actions of the case, and that the N. A. A. C. P. will assume sole direction of the case.

This meeting was held at the Hotel Alexander, and was presided over by State President Kelly M. Alexander of this city.

Thirty-five board members and representatives from twenty branch chapters were present for the sessions. Youth Councils and College

In this its initial meeting of 1950, the Council outlined plans for a "progressive plan of action" to be started over the state in an effort to improve the educational standards of Negro citizens, to add 25,000 new members to the organization, and to secure the right to register and vote for the Negroes who have never exercised their franchise.

With this Epps case set for a hearing in April, Alexander, who recently became the second North Carolinian on the national NAACP board, reviewed the organization's role in the case.

The conference also claimed a victory in the Albert Brown murder case at Concord. Brown's life

East St. Louis Ends Segregated Schools

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill. — With out any fanfare an 85-year-old racial segregation policy ended quietly, early this week in East St. Louis public schools.

One hundred and nine Negro pupils enrolled in six schools formerly reserved for whites, and two white pupils enrolled at a school that had previously been limited to Negro students.

The Board of Education, voted last month to abandon segregation rather than lose \$674,980, year in state aid.

The Illinois Legislature at its last session, denied state funds to any school district that violated the state anti-segregation law. The law had been largely ignored in Southern Illinois, which borders on states with segregation policies.

Some white students remained away from school. Several parents, including Mrs. Layne, Donaldson, principal of Alta Gila elementary school, previously a white school that they had kept their children home because they objected to the new policy.

The transfer of pupils at the start of the second semester of the 1949-50 school year was approved only in cases where pupils attended schools formerly restricted. It was later to other schools.

There are about 8,950 white and more than 3,000 Negro pupils in East St. Louis public schools. The police reported "all" was peaceful. Eight police cars with six men each patrolled the school areas. The police had been placed on a twelve-hour day and all thorough cancellations.

SECOND DEGREE MURDER BRINGS 10-15 YEAR TERM

Carmel, N. C. — A 35-year-old man was found guilty in Pitt Superior Court of manslaughter, this week, and sentenced to 10-15 years in prison.

It took the jury a little over three minutes to reach a verdict and find Luther Mitchell guilty of the murder of Andrew Moore, last December 17.

Originally Mitchell pleaded not guilty to a charge of second degree murder, offering in his testimony that he stabbed Moore in self defense.

Mitchell offered no defense for his case choosing to question the prosecuting witnesses.

The testimony brought out the

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Rabbi Tells Students Freedom Must Be Won

DURHAM, N. C. — Rabbi Joseph G. Tolson, rabbi of the Congregation Beth Shalom, told North Carolina College students in the last of two addresses here Monday night.

The rabbi's address was the first of a series of lectures on the struggle of Jewish people.

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Shotgun Killer Convicted, Wife Held As Accomplice

BY FREDERICK L. BURNS

Fayetteville, N. C. — The trial of William Breese for the brutal shotgun murder of a local cab driver, as he sat in his taxi, came to a dramatic end last week in Cumberland County Superior Court, when Breese was convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment.

Immediately after imposition of the sentence, while the crowded courtroom still buzzed with excitement, Judge William T. Hutch ordered Breese's wife held without bail for the Grand Jury, as an accomplice in the murder.

According to the testimony of Breese and several eye witnesses, Mrs. Breese drove her husband to the scene of the murder, waited while he shot the cab driver, and then drove him home.

Following her arrest Mrs. Breese was placed under \$5,000 bond, which up to the present, she has not posted.

Victim of the murder committed last July 13, was Luther Levy Jr.

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Pastor Rebukes Sen. Hoey

RALEIGH — In a sharply worded letter, the Rev. O. L. Hairston yesterday, delivered a stinging rebuke to Senator Claude Hoey, for the latter's radio speech Sunday, in which he asserted that a segregated church is in keeping with the principles of Christianity.

The rebuke was contained in a letter sent by the Rev. Hairston, editor of the Baptist Informer, to the Senator who will seek re-election this year.

The Senator made his remarks before a Sunday School Class, as he spoke on "Christianity As A Universal Religion."

In his speech Hoey said that the average Negro church member is in favor of a segregated church.

The editor attacked the statement charging that the Senator is unaware of the meaning of "real and segregation of races."

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Mrs. Roosevelt Predicts Peace

DURHAM — Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, widow of America's war-time president and United States representative to the General Assembly of the United Nations, speaking at the annual women's assembly in Duke Auditorium at

North Carolina College today, expressed optimism regarding the long-term prospects of peace through the United Nations.

Mrs. Roosevelt, who arrived in North Carolina last Tuesday was introduced by North Carolina College Dean of Women Louise M. Latham, Dunn, LaGrange, and Mrs. Roosevelt's appearance at North Carolina College had been arranged through the courtesy of John Sanders, chairman of the Carolina Forum at the University of North Carolina where Mrs. Roosevelt is delivering a series of three lectures, which ended Wednesday night.

Throughout her address here Mrs. Roosevelt repeatedly emphasized the importance of human relations at national and international levels.

It is important, said Mrs. Roosevelt who is chairman of the United Nations Commission on Human

Rights, "that we realize that for the first time in human history human rights and freedom and the value of the human personality are being thought about and acted upon at international level."

Describing some of the difficulties which confront the delegates, Mrs. Roosevelt said in her main speech and reiterated in the question period following the United Nations organization is laying the groundwork for the pattern of peace which must eventually be mankind is to survive.

Mrs. Roosevelt scored the Russians whom she described as bent on world conquest, and she said the only safeguard which the Western world has to offset Russian aggression is convincing demonstration of the workability of democracy.

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Citizens Elect Officers

RALEIGH — With a small congregation, the Citizens Association elected a new group of officers on Sunday, at the organization's Annual Meeting at the Martin Street Baptist Church.

Before the elections, in a blazing speech, Lewis E. Austin, Durham publisher bitterly condemned the average minister whom he claimed is more interested in the material things life has to offer, than in the advancement of his

congregation. Austin also warned that America has been unable to stem the rising tide of Communism in the world, because this nation has made itself the "laughing stock of the world."

He refused to practice at home the democracy she would have other countries adopt.

New officers of the organization are, the Rev. P. H. Johnson, president; Mrs. Ellen S. Alston, vice

president; Mr. Charles Irvin, secretary and Mr. Zack Ellis, treasurer. Committee members are the Rev. E. C. Lawrence, chairman, Mrs. Harriet H. Young, secretary, and L. H. Lawrence.

In a partial summary of the accomplishments of the organization, Leondas Frazier, pointed out that while the group has aided in having two additional Negro policemen appointed to official positions, it is still waging a fight to have

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