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## N.C.'S INDIANS MUST PROVE RACE

A "Living Madonna"



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## FUNDS SOUGHT FOR MENTAL INSTITUTE

About 2 Million

### Needed to House Feeble-Minded

RALEIGH — One of the first matters which will be acted upon by the N. C. State Legislature when it meets next year will be a proposed request that the state allot funds to the State Hospitals Board of Control for use in the building of a training school for feeble-minded Negroes.

The proposed training school will be similar in function to the Caswell Training School at Kinston, and institution where-in feeble-minded white citizens of the state are given corrective treatment.

The school is being requested by the Hospitals Control Board, which has asked the Advisory Budget Committee to include in its request another for nearly \$2 million to be used for construction of a school at Goldsboro to accommodate 600 persons.

**GREAT NEED**  
The Hospital group and Governor Scott only this week acknowledged the great need for additional corrective institutions for mental patients.

**FEARS 'WHITE FOLKS' FLEES**  
TAMOR CITY — Because he was "afraid the white folks would kill him," Clyde Daniels, 29, left the scene where the truck he was driving struck a 65-year-old white farmer near here Sunday.

**NEW SCHOOL TO COST \$215,000**  
LUMBERTON — Contracts have been let here for construction of the new Marietta School. It was announced this week. The contract call for expenditure of \$215,000.

The new school will contain eight class rooms, a library office and combination lunchroom and auditorium.

### rites Held For Mrs. E. B. Cheek

RALEIGH — Funeral services for Mrs. Emma Bond Cheek, well-known Wake County educator who died at Duke Hospital in Durham Thursday, December 14, were conducted Sunday, December 17 from the First Baptist Church.

The principal eulogy was given by Dr. O. S. Bullock, pastor, who hailed the late educator and church leader as a person who had chosen the best in life and as one who had made a distinct contribution in cultivating the Christian spirit in the home, church and classroom.

Other tributes to her life were paid through expressions from the County Wide PTA of Warren County made by James Carter Jones, president of the Warren County Sunday School Convention, the Washington High School PTA by C. H. McLendon, principal; Jeffrey's School and PTA by Mrs. Odellie Leathers; N. C. Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers by Mrs. Ada M. Jarman, executive secretary; and the

**BENNETT GIVEN \$75,000 GRANT**  
GREENSBORO — With the announcement of a \$75,000 conditional gift last week from the Kresge Foundation of Detroit, Mich., the Bennett College Quarter-Century Fund now has achieved a total of \$136,550 in gifts and subscriptions according to N. S. Calhoun, general chairman.

The splendid contribution is a real tribute to Bennett College and brings us slightly beyond the halfway point toward the \$250,000 goal, said Mr. Calhoun. It is now all the more important that Greensboro achieve its \$20,000 home contribution from the Kresge Foundation is a conditional gift which will be granted to the college only if the balance of the \$250,000 objective is raised by the end of 1951, according to Mr. Calhoun.

With over \$50,000 in Greensboro subscriptions now officially reported and audited, it is hoped that delayed and postponed gifts from

Nobel Prize Winner Makes Son's Art Work

**BIGGEST PRIZE OF ALL—Nobel Peace Prize Winner, Dr. Ralph Bunche, beams with fatherly pride at the tribute given him by Ralph Jr., while Mrs. Bunche casts a look of unspoken praise towards her famous husband. Dr. Bunche urged the whole world to pray for peace when he accepted the Nobel Prize in Oslo last week.**



## It Happened In Carolina

Started Young

THOMASVILLE — The report on the case of the death of James Buchanan here this week gives indication that Buchanan must have started at least one aspect of it very early in life.

The report on the death as issued by Davidson County Coroner Dr. David E. Plummer revealed that Buchanan, whose body was found at his home Monday, died of acute alcoholism. The man, a furniture worker, was 23 years of age.

**Blues Beat Skink**  
ROXBORO — North Carolina's

most colorful high school basketball coach, "Skink" Royce, of Roxboro, training for varsity and varsity cage squads go down in defeat last Friday night.

The Little Blues from Washington High School in Raleigh beat "Skink's" teams 40-33 in the varsity clash and 34 to 20 in the junior V. G. G.

**Bad, Bad Whiskey**  
MEBANE — If bandleader Angus Milburn had been on the scene here Sunday morning, he probably would have rendered his top-selling tune, "Bad, Bad Whiskey" with

reference. Bad, bad whiskey it said by local officials to be the reason that Nobel Timmer, 42, is dead, and his wife, Mae Ruth, 37, is awaiting trial.

Officers report that Timmer returned to his home here early Sunday morning under the influence of some BBW and ordered his wife to go out and get some more. In an ensuing fight, the woman allegedly shot the husband with a .22 calibre rifle. Bad, bad whiskey!

**Happens Again**

DURHAM — The "no vacation" (Continued on page 8, this section)

## Matron Saves 3 Tots

DURHAM — A woman who risked her life in removing three children from a burning house is being widely hailed here this week as the heroine she is.

Drawing plaudits from near and far is Mrs. Alma Morris of 1213 Dawkins Street here who braved the fury of raging flames to remove from the house in which she lived the three children of her landlady, Mrs. Bessie Shepard.

Mrs. Morris was alone with the children in the one-story frame house at about 11 a.m. Monday morning when the fire broke out.

The flames ate their way from the back-porch toilet of the house and began to spread into the kitchen. The children, all highly excited, carefully obeyed Mrs. Morris' instructions to attempt to protect themselves from the rancid smoke, crawled into her arms and were taken outside.

Mrs. Morris was overcome by the smoke and flames and was taken to Lincoln Hospital here where emergency treatment was administered.

After the woman had removed the children the fire fighting equipment subdued the flames, leaving the house damaged to the extent of \$1,700.

Firemen were profuse in their praise of the woman's bravery.

## EASTERN TRIBE SEEKS TITLE TO PROPERTY, ETC.

Waccamaw Have Been Accorded Treatment Given To Negroes

WACCAMAW, N. C. (AP) — This story might well be captioned "If You're Not White, You Must Be Negro," for that's what 70 families — remnants of the Waccamaw tribe of Indians — are up against.

The Waccamaws, a tribe which has been by-passed and forgotten by the outside world for two centuries, must prove they are Indians in order to gain title to their lands, recognition and status as Indians, such as granted other tribes by the federal government. But the tribe is finding it difficult to prove its racial identity.

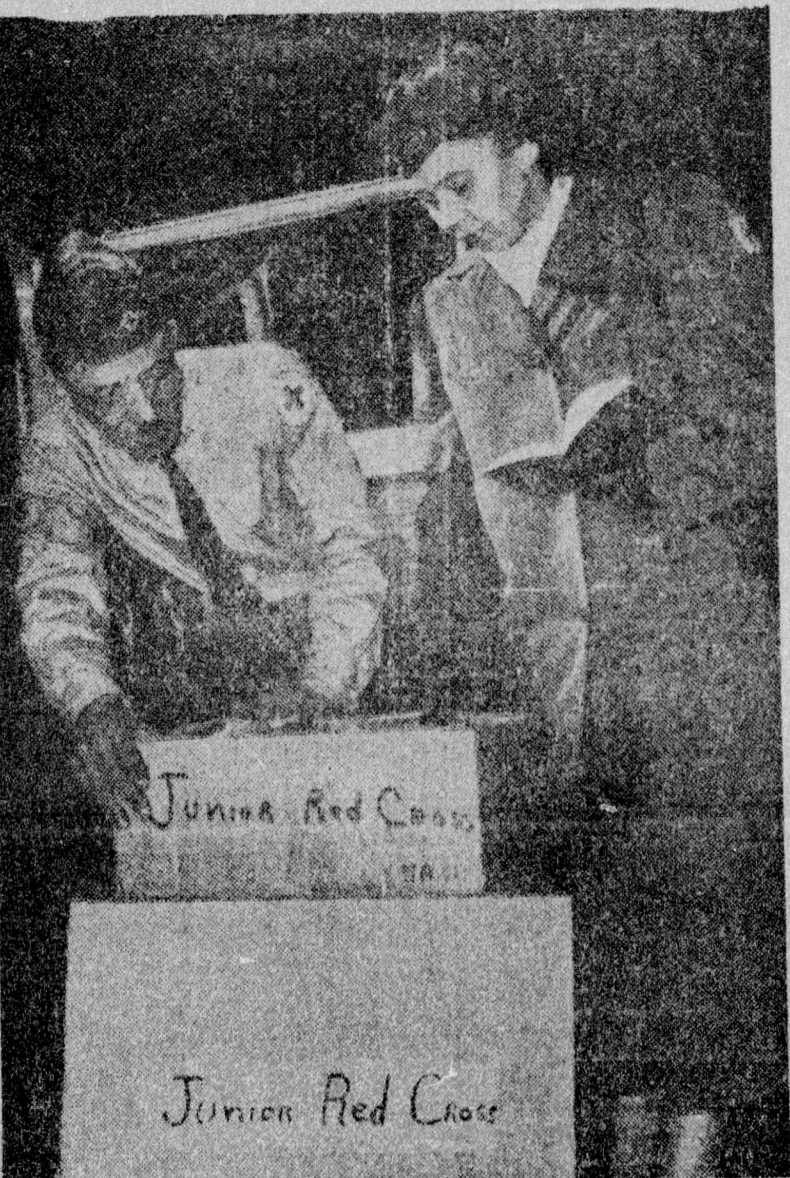
The tribe lives almost entirely in the impenetrable green swamp at the edge of Lake Waccamaw — from which it takes its name — 37 miles from Wilmington. According to legend, the tribe settled there after a falling meteor carved a lake out of what was then a river. When the waters cooled and flowed over the spot, a lake and surrounding swamp were created. The name Waccamaw means "lake of the fallen star."

The main problem facing the survivors of the tribe is the color prejudice of white residents in the region. According to the local whites, there are only two sides to the color line, and since the Indians are obviously not white, they must be Negroes.

As a result of this, the tribe has been the victims of anti-Negro abuse perpetrated not only by the white residents but also by local officials. In one instance, a deputy sheriff and two white men paid a visit to an elderly tribal member at his home and beat him so badly.

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IT'S THE READING MATTER THAT MATTERS. Junior Red Cross members in Baltimore, Md., collect reading material for patients in the Crownsville State Mental Hospital for Negroes, near Annapolis. Volunteers in Red Cross Major Service deliver it to the hospital. Here Mrs. Philip Valentine and Mr. L. Bradford James, Co-Chairman of the Baltimore Chapter's President Major Service check on a load going out.