

Man And Son Escape Lynch Mob; Unfold Tale Of Woe

BY LIN HOLOWAY

RALEIGH—If you can't lick 'em, leave 'em—and if you can't leave them any way—is the gist of an "Insider In The Dust" tale told here last week by a seventy-old Florida farmer who had arrived a few hours earlier and even fewer steps ahead of a lynch mob.

James Gallen, 70-year-old landowning farmer of near Greensboro, Florida in Gadsden County, and his son, James Jr., 25, are now some where between Raleigh and New York City, and how—they hope—will be putting more distance between themselves and "The Sunshine State".

James Jr., a tall, gangly youth with more than an "average" amount of intelligence, helped his father, unfold to this reporter a story of Justice—Southern style. The tale, with its probable hidden pathos and intrigue unfolds in the following manner:

"I reckon they just figured I was an 'nigger' or something."

Mr. Gallen noted as a preamble to his revelation.

"You see, I own a few acres of land, and the boy here, James Jr., and I brought a 1935 truck recently, then too we had a family car."

"But the reason we're here now, and going up North is because of what happened the other day."

"It was one of those business conferences. The kind a farmer has to get into about this time every year."

"The boy, James Jr., and I went on to Mr. Fletcher's Store. Mr. Fletcher is about the biggest man in the town—owns a lot of property, and then he's got this store."

"Mr. Fletcher's store is where we get all kinds of farm supplies, seeds, feed for the stock, plow lines, and all that."

"Well, I've been dealing with Mr. Fletcher for something like 30 years, but last year, you see, we had something of a misunderstanding."

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2 More Seek Elective Posts In N.C.

INCUMBENT IS CANDIDATE IN FAYETTEVILLE

Dr. DeVane One Of 17 Seeking 5 City Council Positions

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FAYETTEVILLE—Dr. W. F. DeVane, first Negro elected to the City Council here, has decided to again seek the seat to which he was voted in May, 1949. In making a bid to retain the seat, Dr. DeVane is one of 17 persons seeking for five available posts on the local body.

In the 1949 campaign, a record-breaking election was staged, with a total of seven thousand votes being cast locally. Dr. DeVane received 2,413 of the votes cast, being the high man in the race.

CHANGE FORMS
It was during the 1949 balloting that the old form 8-man aldermanic government here was replaced by a 17-man City Council-City Manager government.

ELECTIONS ALTERED
In the current year's voting, another innovation has been made. A primary will be staged May 1 to determine which of the 17 candidates will have entered for the post, all to be entered in the general election. The five persons polling the greater number of votes during

VET FRAUD ARRESTS TOTAL 75

IT HAPPENED IN CAROLINA

Wings Again

DURHAM—Wilbert Taylor, son of Hillside High School here, and son of local publisher Eugene Taylor, has won another round in American Legion oratory at Hillside's Mount Bright Baptist church Sunday, marking his second win in District Seven competition.

The youth is now scheduled to represent the District in the State contests at Asheville May 31.

They'll Be There

LEESVILLE, S. C.—Indication has been given here this week that the rally of the Ku Klux Klan to be held in Dorchester County Saturday night will be well attended by North

BEAUTY SCHOOL STUDENTS, HEAD FACE US COURT

Winston - Salem School Head Faces 9 Counts

BULLETIN

WINSTON-SALEM—The Tuesday arrest of Jack D. Gibson of 910 E. Twelfth Street brought to a total of 75 the number of persons arrested in a fraud case involving a local beauty college.

Gibson is the 74th student—all male—who has been arrested on charges of defrauding the Veterans Administration.

Mrs. Ola Hill, the college's president-owner has already been indicted on similar charges.

WINSTON-SALEM—Arrests stemming from an investigation of the records of the La Mse Beauty



FAYETTEVILLIAN A R M Y NURSE—Lt. Emma G. Hinnant, Army Nurse Corps, daughter of Mrs. Lula C. Hinnant, 1912 Ramsey St., Fayetteville, is at Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, completing basic military training in the Women Officers' Basic Course at Medical Field Service School. She will report for duty soon to the U. S. Army Hospital, Fort Bragg.

NCFederation of Women's Clubs Slates Annual Meet

DURHAM—Miss Ruth R. Bush, president of the North Carolina Federation of Negro Women Clubs, announced here this week the program of the organization's 42nd annual sessions to be held in Shelby on May 12-19. The conference will meet at Cleveland School.

The highlight of the session this year will be an address by Mrs. Madie Hall Tuton of Johannesburg, South Africa. The speech will be delivered at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, May 19.

On the opening session of Friday morning, Miss Bush, professor of education at North Carolina College, will preside. J. D. Haskins, principal of Cleveland High School, will welcome the group and the school glee club will furnish music. The club's state chaplain, Mrs. Emma Stubbs will conduct devotionals. A review of the 1950 meeting will be given the delegates by various officers and committee heads.

The organization's interest in public welfare programs is reflected in the Friday afternoon session's series of reports on activities of progress at the State School for Negro Girls, the Morrison Training School, and the Children's Ward of the Sanatorium.

A. H. BRYANT IS CANDIDATE AT ROCKY MOUNT

Civic Leader Files As Candidate In City's Sixth Ward

ROCK MOUNT—A. H. Bryant, local business leader and president of the Rocky Mount Civic Forum, has announced himself as a candidate for election to the local Board of Aldermen during the forthcoming municipal elections. It was revealed here this week.

Mr. Bryant, who holds a B. S. degree from Johnson C. Smith University, is a member of the local First Baptist Church, the U. B. P. O. E. W., the Community Council, Sate Negro Business League, and Rocky Mount Hospital Association. He is also president of the local Pan-Hellenic Council and is chairman of the executive committee of the Lincoln and Booker T. Washington Parent-Teachers Associations.

Mr. Bryant was first to receive the "Man of the Year" award made annually by the local Civic Forum.

PHOTOGRAPHER A 'FIRST' AT UNC

DURHAM—Charles R. Stanback, staff photographer of the North Carolina College News Bureau, last week became the first Negro to attend the University of North Carolina's Short Course in Photography.

Stanback, a veteran free lance news photographer, attended the course as a regular student. The course is sponsored annually by the University's extension division.

Among the outstanding teachers at the special press photographers' Short Course were Ray Macklin, picture editor, Life Magazine, and Frank Scherschel, assistant picture editor, Life Magazine.

PRIMARY BALLOTING STAGED

Negro Vote Proves Worth In Durham; Taylor Wins

DURHAM—The ever-increasing power of the Negro ballot was demonstrated here Tuesday when all candidates for city offices and bearing the endorsement of the powerful Committee on Negro Affairs and Labor triumphed in preliminary balloting to become candidates in May 8's general municipal election.

Among the five persons of eight seeking primary nomination as candidates for the local City Council was James T. Taylor, instructor at North Carolina College and the sole Negro candidate in the race.

A panel on "The 1950 White House Conference on Children and Youth" will conclude Friday night's activities. Participants include: Mrs. David Jones, chairman Mrs. Ada Jamison, Mrs. Josie Pittman, Mrs. Pittman Kyle, Miss Mae D. Holmes, and Miss Ernestine Herbin.

The Holly Oak Recreation Center will be the scene of a reception sponsored by the Shelby Federated Clubs, Friday night.

John R. Larkins of Raleigh, welfare consultant, will discuss Fortnight Legislation of the 1951 General Assembly at closing sessions Saturday afternoon. Earlier in the day, the group is scheduled to hear a series of addresses and final reports and recommendations for officers for 1952. Mrs. Clara



TALE OF VIOLENCE UNFOLDS—James Gallen, Jr., 25, of Greensboro, Florida, (standing) tells CAROLINIAN writer editor Lin Holloway how he and his father, farmers in the Florida town, narrowly escaped a lynch mob. The interview was staged in the CAROLINIAN's Raleigh office. Discernible in photo is a portion of funds tendered the Gallens by CAROLINIAN staffpeople to ride them out. (SEE STORY THIS PAGE)

Policemen In Two Cities Probe Assaults On Women

RALEIGH—In two North Carolina cities this week—Durham and Raleigh—police officers are probing assaults upon young women.

In Raleigh Monday night a dance was being full blast at the Memorial A.itorium, officers were advised that a "group of men" had been seen in the area "messing with a woman."

These investigation officers, led by Sgt. Jones, a graduate nurse, now a cleaning establishment in view of the Shaw University campus had had in a rather unobtrusive. Subsequent investigation showed that the young woman, whose age was listed at "about 24" had been the apparent victim of attempted criminal assault.

None of the "officers" who reportedly were conducting the woman being at the scene of the investigation.

Miss Jones, whose home address could not be obtained, remained unconscious overnight at the local Saint Agnes hospital and was discharged from the institution on Tuesday. She was not contacted by the hospital.

IS YEARLY OLD VICTIM

At Durham Tuesday, a 16-year-old girl was ambushed and assaulted as she walked through a sparse neighborhood.

Miss Shirley Andrews was admitted to Durham's Lincoln Hospital. (Continued on page 8, this section)



SPEAKS AT NATIONAL CONVENTION—Dr. Allen Ericson Weatherford, II, professor health, physical education, and sociology at the North Carolina College at Durham, became the first Negro to address the National Research Council of the American Association for Health, Physical Education, and Recreation at its 51 Annual Convention which met in Detroit, Mich. on April 15-20.



NEVER TOO OLD TO VOTE—Henry Bobbitt, Raleigh resident, who says that "to the best of his knowledge" his age is 184 (one hundred-four) is pictured last Saturday at Precinct No. 16 at Raleigh's Crosby-Garfield School

making ready to vote on Monday, April 30 by registering with Miss Vivian Irvin, precinct registrar. Observing the proceedings is William Trevan, also an aged Raleigh resident who registered Saturday. According to Miss Irvin

approximately 275 new names were added to registration books in Precinct 16 during the recent registration. Attorney Herman L. Taylor is among candidates seeking City Council post in the April 30 balloting.

TWIN CITY CITIZEN ACCEPTED

UNC Medical School Will Admit First Negro Student

WINSTON-SALEM—Edward O. Diggs, 39, local man who this week became the first Negro granted admission to the medical school at the University of North Carolina, has announced himself "elated and honored to have been chosen" the person to break the 162-year-old lily-white policy of the state-owned and operated institution.

Mr. Diggs was granted admission to the UNC school Tuesday after a six to one vote by the school's admissions committee. He was "competitively qualified." The vote makes him eligible for admission to the school in September.

SETS PRECEDENT
The action on the part of the Medical School admissions committee was in itself precedent-setting. It marked the first time a South-ern college has admitted a Negro without a court order.

FATHER OF THREE
Mr. Diggs, who works at the (Continued on page 8, this section)