

JURY SYSTEM SUCCESSFULLY CHALLENGED

Week-end's Violence Claims 10 'Head Beating' Is Still Stylish Down Home

MAN FACES TRIAL FOR 1931 MURDER

CHARLOTTE (CNN) A man who was hunted for 16 years on a murder charge and then was adjudged mentally incompetent when he finally confessed to the slaying and was ordered placed in a mental institution for 4 years will learn this week whether it is possible or not to hide from Justice — even after running.

Frank Clifton will go on trial before Judge Dan K. Moore here this week in connection with the 1931 slaying of Fred Irvin.

Clifton, who successfully eluded the law for 16 years following the slaying of which he is charged, surrendered himself to police officers in Philadelphia in 1948 and admitted that he was sought in connection with Irvin's death.

A Mecklenburg County Superior Court jury found Clifton mentally incompetent in 1948, however, and ordered him placed in the State Hospital for the Insane at Goldsboro.

Clifton was recently returned from the State institution and will be tried by another Mecklenburg Superior Court jury this week.

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By Shirley

QUESTION: In your opinion, what do you think can be done to aid in eliminating the teenage dope influence?

THE ANSWERS

MRS. HUBERT HAYES of Hayes-Jackson Electric Co., Raleigh.—Since in most communities, the masses of people are contacted through church, schools, and Y's, I think these places would be a good starting point. I did not mention the home because parents are usually the ones to know, and the habit has been well formed, in many cases when brought to the attention of the parents.

In most instances, youngsters are adventurous and courageous. With this thought in mind, I think to attack the use of dope as a coward's act would do a lot in deflating the idea of its use in conjunction with emphasizing the mental and physical effects.

C. H. DAVIS, manager, Carver School Cafeteria, Winston-Salem.—"In view of the fact that there are numerous youth organizations in existence, it seems that much could be done through these groups to aid in eliminating the teenage dope influence."

"Since the leaders of these organizations are usually well-trained, youth can be better reached in this manner than through the home, and given a better understanding of the hazards of dope. It could be in this manner that group discussions could be brought about with the teenagers carrying on the discussion; using as a topic, the cause and effect of dope in regard to the body and mind."

MRS. QUENTIN E. GAILLARD, teacher, Shaw University, Raleigh.—"In my opinion, more information should be released concerning the dope influence among teenagers. Literature should be circulated about dope, and how the body, physically and mentally, may be harmed by the use of narcotics."

"Teenagers are fascinated and curious about the supposedly 'pleasant feeling' Mrs. GAILLARD from dope; but they are not sufficiently warned about the inevitable unpleasantness of it. Individuals are always lured by the unknown, hence, give the teenagers books, movies, courses, and magazines with information concerning the composition, occurrence, and the effects of dope."

THREE SOLDIERS ARE SENTENCED IN MASS RAPE

CARTHAGE (CNN)—In a decision that a prosecuting attorney noted would be "heard around the world in 15 minutes" three white paratroopers were sentenced here last week for the mass rape of a young Negro mother, wife of a soldier now serving in Korea.

A jury composed of eleven white men and a Negro man, ruled that the three Camp Campbell, Ky., soldiers were guilty of the crime, assault on a female. The men were sentenced to 15 to 20 months on state highways.

The men, identified as Harold L. Hill, Louis Wilson, Jr., and Alex Felder, Jr., were all charged with assaulting 19-year-old Mrs. Lela Mae Artis of Carthage and Baltimore, Md. during the staging of the huge Army-Air Forces maneuvers "Operation Southern Pines" near here last August 15.

The men according to testimony heard in the case, forced Mrs. Artis to submit to their advances while they held a teen-aged Negro youth at bay at gun-point and forced him to watch the mass attack.

Through cooperation of civilian and Army officials, the men were traced to Camp Campbell, Ky., where two of them readily confessed to having taken part in the affair.

Six men were originally charged with attack upon the young mother of three children who is now expecting a third child.

The Army failed to release one of the men, another is listed as AWOL, and another was absolved of blame in the case.

Making the observation that the decision reached in the case would be "heard around the world" was Attorney C. A. Pearson of Durham, who aided in the prosecution of the case.

Attorney Pearson is the chairman of the Legal Redress Committee of the North Carolina branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

DEATH CAUSES DIFFER AS 10 DIE IN STATE
Drowning, Stabbing And Shooting Vie With Road Mishaps

RALEIGH (CNN)—At least ten North Carolina Negro residents lost their lives through violence during the past week-end, a Carolinian News Network survey reveals.

The deaths were attributed to automobile accidents, shooting, stabbing and drowning.

Declared dead as the result of a highway mishap were seven-year-old Mildred Lewis and Miss Yvonne McCromin, 18, both of Wilmington, in a head-on collision of two cars near Council.

The two victims' bodies were dragged from the car in which they were riding after the vehicle burst into flames.

DROWNINGS
David John Durham, 49, and Wilbert Raynor, 41, were drowned Sunday afternoon. (Continued on page 8)



WHAT DO YOU THINK? — Noted English actor James Mason thinks that actress Lena Horne, pictured here with Durham, N. C. Magistrate Judge F. K. Watkins, is one of the ten most beautiful actresses in Hollywood.

Durham Bank Declares Common Stock Issuance 100 Per Cent Dividend

DURHAM (ANN)—The Mechanics and Farmers bank which also has a Raleigh branch and is the largest Negro-operated bank in the world, will declare a 100 per cent common stock dividend, Dr. C. C. Spaulding, president of the 45-year-old bank said last week.

The company's stock will be doubled from \$14,000 to \$28,000.

Commenting on the announcement, Dr. Spaulding said, "We amended our charter at a special stockholder's meeting to provide for issuance of a \$14,000 stock dividend to be paid from earnings in the form of additional stock to stockholders on record as of Dec. 31, 1951. The present dividend represents accumulation of net earnings, in addition to regular dividends, since 1933."

Dr. Spaulding also said that the bank expects its resources to be approximately \$5,650,000 by the end of the year. This would mean \$800,000 more than at the close of 1950.

During the financial crisis which resulted in the 1933 "Banking holiday," the Mechanics and Farmers Bank was one of the few to survive. The bank's net earnings since that time have exceeded \$311,000.



WALCOTT SET FOR RALEIGH — World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Jersey Joe Walcott, left, is scheduled to be featured personally at a Celebrity Day event scheduled for Raleigh February 10. Walcott, who defeated then champion Ezzard Charles last year after "putting himself in the hands of God," is pictured above with former New York State Athletic Commissioner Edward Eagan, and

NEW CAROLINIAN SERVICE HAILED

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WHITAKERS COUPLE PARENTS OF 27 CHILDREN OVER 31 YEAR PERIOD

Four Sets Of Twin Included In Record Farm Family; Ages Range From 7 to 26

By CNN STAFF WRITER
RALEIGH — Definitely "in the running" for the State title as "Champion Parents" are Mr. and Mrs. Jolly Barnes of near Whitakers, who — in 27 years of happily married life—have become the proud parents of 31 (count them) children.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnes, who live on the L. V. Pittman farm, through their family "census" take the lead over Edgecombe county's late Joe Cherry, who had been conceded the title "Champion Papa" by virtue of having fathered 26 children — 14 by his first wife, seven by his second and five by others.

Mr. Cherry died recently at the age of 76, shortly after Child Number 26 was born.

FOUR SETS OF TWINS
Four sets of twins have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Barnes during their period of tenure as man and wife, the oldest twins being 27 years of age.

TWO SETS OF RECORDS
Mrs. Sarah Barnes, the champion mother is 42 years of age while her husband, Jolly, is 41. They are engaged in farming operations.

Upon recent suggestion of Carolinian News Network J. B. Harrison of the Rocky Mount district, Mrs. Barnes has set about setting up two sets of records of her record family in two Bibles.

The suggestion was based on the premise that one of the valued accounts might be destroyed.

In Florida, currently the seat of

(BY CAROLINIAN NEWS NETWORK)

College Building Dedication

CONCORD, N. C. — Barber-Scott College dedicated the new administration and library buildings on Founders Day, Sunday January 27 at 2:00 p.m.

The dedicatory address was delivered by Dr. Dean C. Cavell of Evansville, Indiana, a member of the controlling board of the institution. On the same day Doctor Mordica Johnson, president of Howard University delivered the Founders Day Address. At 4:15 p.m. the new building was open for inspection.

Playing Proves Fatal

KENANSVILLE — Ernest Bright of Magnolia was held without bond in jail here Tuesday charged with murdering his wife. Bright had brought his wife, Inez, suffering from shotgun wounds. He told the officers he was tussling with his wife over a .32 caliber pistol when it went off. He said they were just playing. A shot entered just below the woman's heart and came out above her right hip. There were no powder burns and the woman was dead when she reached the doctor's office.

The Bright home showed signs of a violent fight. Coroner Gorman Powell held an inquest and ordered Bright held.

College Woman Dimes Worker

GREENSBORO, N. C. — Miss Sarah G. Hannan, assistant dean of women at A. and T. College is chairman of the March of Dimes Campaign Committee for the college. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)

Death By Fire Total Now 16

By Carolinian News Service
EDITOR'S NOTE: During the period January 1 through March 30, 1951, a Carolinian survey recorded 42 deaths due to fire among North Carolina's Negro citizens. Already during 1952, 16 such deaths — including four this week — have been recorded.

RALEIGH — The State's death-by-fire figure for the current year among the Negro populace reached the alarming total of 16 this week as four small children succumbed in fiery death pyres.

Washington, N. C., and Jacksonville are the locales of this week's death as two children in each of the towns perished.

The children, aged 9 months and two years, children of Mrs. Florence Coleman, 26, died when fire destroyed their home at Washington.

Three children of the Coleman family suffered critical burns before the flames were extinguished. (Continued on page 8)



RECENT HEAD BEATING E FLORIDA STYLE

FLORIDA HOODLUMS SHOW OLD FAD STILL POPULAR

By Carolinian News Network
RALEIGH — Despite indications to the contrary in North Carolina recently, "head-beating" by white hoodlums as a manner in which to "reprimand" Negroes is not altogether a thing of the past.

North Carolina's recent wave of violence, especially in the Klan-ridden Whiteville area, has for the most part been white versus white. In a few cases, however, Negroes have been subjected to "kinking" treatment.

In Florida, currently the seat of racial tension in the South, the "accepted" mode of Southern life still exists, however.

Only recently a young taxi-cab driver of Winter Garden was shot at, flagged and beaten by a group of white men who said their attack upon him was to serve as a lesson to other Negroes.

Victim of the vicious assault was Arthur Holland, 26. (SEE PHOTO ABOVE).

Holland's story states: He was enroute from Winter Garden to Tidenville with a 15-year-old boy, Joe C. Calloway, when a group of men in three cars shouted to him to stop at 9th St. in Winter Garden.

Holland sped up his old model taxi cab, but at a nearby stoplight heard a gun blast and stopped.

One of a group of white men in a pursuing car struck him on the head with a blackjack (NOTE ARROW) and put him in the hospital. (Continued on page 8)

SPECIAL JURY HEARS TRIAL IN LEXINGTON

Attorneys Win Tiff Over Jury Issue In Davidson County

By Carolinian News Network
LEXINGTON — A leading North Carolina attorney exponent of civil rights in the judiciary has this week fostered concrete evidence that North Carolina's "usual" jury system can be successfully challenged.

Lexington-Salem lawyer Hoses Price and his assistant, Harold Epps, defense counsels for a young Negro man facing trial for the alleged murder of a white woman last August, not only successfully challenged the jury question in which Negroes have been systematically excluded from duty, in cases of the kind being heard, but also — by having the trial jury selected from a special venire have been conceded victory in a game of legal gymnastics in having the home county of jurors for the trial is removed from the site of commission of the alleged crime.

FOUR ON JURY
Four Negro men have been selected for the jury. (Continued on page 8)