

CROSSES AGAIN BURN IN CAROLINA

AS NAACP DRIVE BEGINS



KEYNOTES NAACP SESSION
—Charles McLean, field worker in North Carolina for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) was keynote speaker at a meeting held at Raleigh

Sunday to launch a county-wide NAACP membership drive. The Raleigh branch of the national group is seeking to extend its membership to 1000 during its current effort (SEE STORY IN THIS ISSUE) —Staff photo by Chas. Jones

NAACP Drive Underway At Raleigh

Mass Meet Heralds Launching of Drive For 1000 Members

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RALEIGH — An NAACP rally held Sunday, July 26 at the Mary Street Christian Church to launch a big membership drive proved to be a very successful occasion.
The main speaker for the rally was Charles P. McLean, field secretary for the State NAACP. He spoke on "Segregation—Disgrace of Democracy." Many of the staunchest supporters of Jim Crow laws have Negro domestic servants working in their homes, enervate the care of their children to colored women, are waited on by Negro servants, and are daily in close contact with dark-skinned men and women," McLean said. "Segregation is the last refuge of the incompetents of both races. Those whites who fear to meet Negroes in free and open competition cling to this false protection. Those Negroes who profit by segregation are in measure of..." (Continued on Page 8)

New Union Formed In Eastern NC

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RALEIGH — In recognition of this area's rapidly expanding construction programs, construction laborers of the area have banded themselves together in a new union.
A unit of the International B. T. Carriers, Building and Common Laborers Construction and General Laborers Union of America, Local No. 63 (AFL of L) with jurisdiction covering at least 75 miles has been organized here.
The purpose of this organization is two-fold: 1. To improve working and living conditions of construction workers through wage scales in keeping with union scales now current throughout the country through collective bargaining between union officials and building contractors, and 2. To guarantee a constant supply of dependable, competent workers to builders and contractors thereby eliminating costly work stoppages.
It is also the aim of the Union to improve relationships between employers and employees.
Work stewards, trained to detect flaws and errors committed by workmen are employed by the union to check union jobs constantly thereby assuring employers of consistent efficient work performance.
John W. Pollard, international consultant and coordinator for N. C. with 20 years of experience as an organizer and coordinator, expressed... (Continued on Page 8)

Leaders All

WASHINGTON, DC—At his regular dinner for "leaders in all fields" held at The White House, President Eisenhower on Monday night included two Negro guests.
They were A. A. Alexander, Washington contractor, and Dr. F. D. Patterson, resigning president of Tuskegee Institute. "Leaders all" is the theme of the President's gatherings.

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After "Whipping His Head" TOWN COP SHOTS HANDLESS MAN

Fiery Cross Burns On Gre'boro Schoolground

GREENSBORO (Special) — The burning of a cross in an area populated by both races here about two weeks ago has been officially acclaimed the work of pranksters.
The firing of the Klu Klux Klan violence symbol, however, almost had serious complications when residents of colored homes near the place where the cross was burned brought out their shotguns and other weapons in defense of their homes.
Scattered gunfire was heard in the area for about two hours local officers report, but injury was sustained neither by the Negroes whose homes were the obvious targets of the cross-burners nor by the cross-burners.
When the hue and cry had died down, however, four young white men were being charged officially on a nuisance charge, and a 19-year-old colored youth faced charges of firing a firearm in the city limits.
Site of the action was the Bragg and Person Street area. A Negro community stands opposite the Caldwell School located on the corner. On the grounds of the school, the cross was set afire near 11 p.m. last Thursday, and a group

SON OF FORMER STATE LEGISLATOR DIES



FORMER LEGISLATOR'S SON DIES IN NEW BERN — Isaac Hughes Smith, Jr., 53, second from left, son of a Republican member of the North Carolina House of Representatives from Craven County in 1899 and son-in-law of the late Dr. James E. Shepard, is shown here second from left with members of his family during the 1951 commencement exercises of the N. C. College at Durham, Smith died at the Good Shepherd Hospital in New Bern at 4:30 Sunday afternoon, July 26. Survivors pictured are from left Miss Carolyn Smith, teacher at St. Augustine's College, Raleigh; Mrs. Annie Day Shepard Smith, the widow, New Bern; and Mrs. Eugene Davidson, a social worker in New Bern. —Photo by Stanback

Here's How

KANNAPOLIS—Mrs. Maimie Canten, born a slave 100 years ago in South Carolina, gives the following formula for longevity:
"If you live right, the Lord's let you stay here as long as you want to."
"I've lived for God — that's the reason I've lived so long. Now I'm waiting for my crown."

Man Shot By Cop After He Is Beaten

Man Without Hands Black-Jacked, Shot In Washington, NC

WASHINGTON, M. C. (Special) — Because he stated that he had rather be killed than to bear the humiliation of being "black-jacked" whipped by a white town policeman here, a handless Negro was brutally shot and almost killed by another local "peace" officer here last week.
William Oscar Graddy is in a local hospital undergoing treatment for pistol shot wounds sustained last Wednesday night when he was observed that he "had rather be killed," etc., following an argument, an altercation and the resulting head-whipping.
Graddy, about 30, whose left arm has been amputated above the elbow and whose right hand has been amputated, was shot in the back by town policeman Charles Miller near the corner of Fourth and Gladden Streets Wednesday night about 10 o'clock.
Witnesses say that Graddy, along with several other men, had been in the vicinity of the intersection engaged in idle conversation when the brother of Graddy's girl friend and Graddy got into an argument concerning the girl friend.
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BAPTISTS CONVENE IN WILMINGTON TUESDAY

WILMINGTON—With the theme "Christian Education and Christian Service: The Root and the Fruit of Christian Living," the seventy-second annual session of the State S. S. and B. T. U. Conventions, bringing representatives from all sections of the state, will get underway here in Wilmington, with Central Baptist, the Reverend R. Irving Boone, pastor, as host church, Tuesday morning, August 4th, 10:00 o'clock, and continue through Thursday afternoon.
Highlights of the convention will include: inspirational addresses, sermons, class periods, panel discussions, music, and oratorical test, and recreation.
Tuesday night's session will feature the local program, with official greetings, on behalf of the city, being extended by Mayor E. L. White. Also on Tuesday night will be delivered the theme address by O. A. Dupree, principal Sampson County Training School. The Wednesday night session will feature the state-wide oratorical contest. Special music for these sessions will be by an inter-church junior chorus, with Mrs. H. V. Gattison directing.
Presiding at the several sessions will be E. M. Butler of Wilmington and J. T. Hawkins of Durham, presidents, respectively, of the S. S. and B. T. U. Conventions.
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RADIO SERVICES APPLAUDED



CONDUCTS WIDELY ACCLAIMED SERVICES—The Rev. Paul H. Johnson, pastor of Raleigh's Martin Street Baptist Church, during the month of July conducted a widely-acclaimed radio worship service which emanates from the Raleigh church, and is to be heard through the facilities of Radio Station WFMY, Raleigh, on the first two Sunday mornings during August. The broadcasting of the regular 11 o'clock services from the church marks the first time in broadcast history in this area that the Sunday morning worship of a Negro congregation has been presented as a public service feature. The conduct of the service has been hailed by persons of all races and creeds in the area covered by the only 10,000 watt station in the area. Staff photo by Jones



MAKES SOLO FLIGHT — A first solo flight was made by Naval Aviation Cadet Roderique A. Challenger, son of Mrs. Josephine Challenger of Ashton, Md. Before entering the Naval Cadet program he attended Technical High School, Springfield, Mass., and Howard University, Washington, D. C. He entered the Naval Cadet program through the Naval Air Station, Anacostia, Washington, D. C. The flight was completed at the U. S. Naval Auxiliary Air Station, Whiting Field, there. The Cadet will now receive instruction in precision air work and aerobatics along with his regular solo flight.—Official U. S. Navy Photograph.

YMCA Drive Report Made

RALEIGH—The YMCA membership campaign had on July 20 raised a total of 1105 and was extended to permit additional time for the completion of reports. A total of 636 members including boys had been enrolled and special efforts are now being made during the next two weeks to exceed the campaign goal of 1000 members.
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The Carolinas--In Brief

MAN DIDN'T ACT VERY NEIGHBORLY

DURHAM—A 32-year-old Durham man was being held by police here this week pending the outcome of the condition of his next-door neighbor, who was seriously cut about the neck and right arm Saturday night.
Lonnie Marshall of 502 Bernice St. was arrested about midnight Saturday, several hours after he allegedly attacked and wounded Atlas Thompson, 48-year-old resident of 504 Bernice St. and his son, James Thompson, 23, of 1809 Brown St. Marshall was charged with assault and battery with a deadly weapon, officers said.
Lincoln Hospital attendants reported the elder Thompson's condition as "fair" last night, considering the large amount of blood he had lost.
Police said Mrs. Johnnie Thompson, Atlas Thompson's wife, told them that her husband and son were standing in the front yard at 504 Bernice St. with Marshall and his brother. The younger Thompson was apparently arguing with the Marshall boys, police reported, and Thompson's father had gone out to bring his son into the house.
As the elder Thompson took his son by the arm Lonnie Marshall turned on them both and cut the older man, police quoted Mrs. Thompson as saying. The victim ran through the house and collapsed on the back porch, police said.
The younger Thompson was cut about the neck and back and was treated at Lincoln Hospital and released, police reported.

MAYS AND CROAT TO LEAD ALLSTARS

DURHAM — Former NY Giants star Willie Mays and ex-Duke University luminary, Dick Groat, lead the list of stellar players who make up an all-star baseball team which is to play the Service X championship Camp Lejeune Marine team in the 9th annual "All Star Classic" to be played at the Athletic Park here Sunday, August 2.
Mays, now playing with the Fort Eustis, Virginia, service team, will be starred with the star team which boasts some of the top collegiate and service personnel in the nation.

CATTLE SHOW TO BE FAIR FEATURE

SHELBY—The Western District junior cattle show will be a feature of the 26th annual Cleveland County Negro Fair October 7-10, it was announced this week.
The show will be staged at 11 a.m., October 8.
The show will be open to agricultural workers in seven counties: Cleveland, Catawba, Gaston, Iredell, Mecklenburg, Cabarrus, and Alexander—and is under sponsorship of Cleveland County Negro Fair Association.
Prizes totaling over \$1,500 will be awarded to exhibitors at the fair if entries are made in all divisions of 16 general departments.

NORTH-SOUTH TILT SETS MANAGERS

GREENSBORO — Leymon Yokely, veteran manager of the Baltimore Elite Giants, will pilot the North All-Stars in the 14th annual All-Star game at Memorial Stadium August 9, according to announcement by Promoter A. J. Hammonds.
Yokely will pick his players from the Giants, the Philadelphia

NEW PRINCIPAL AT THOMASVILLE

THOMASVILLE—Nathan Glenn Perry, 43, of Elizabeth City, has been elected as principal of Church Street School here.
The new principal is a native of Pittsboro and a 1937 graduate of A and T College, Greensboro. He succeeds C. C. Griffin, resigned.

MEN NABBED AFTER SHOP IS ENTERED

WINSTON-SALEM — Two men were arrested in a confectionery shop early Monday after officers discovered that a lock had been broken from the front door.
Essau Robinson, 31, of 734 East Eighth Street and Norman Williams, 25, of 294 Urban Street, were charged with storebreaking, larceny and receiving. They were held in City Jail in lieu of \$500 bond each for their appearance in Municipal Court.
Investigating officers said that the two men admitted breaking into Junior's Confectionery, 203 East Seventh Street, shortly after 3 a.m. Entrance was gained by breaking the door-hasp with a hammer, officers said.
The two men were charged with stealing cigarettes, candy bars, soap, soap and pork and beans valued at \$5.80.
Officers were not as fortunate in solving a second breaking reported Monday.
G. A. King, 2734 Patterson Ave. reported that someone broke the lock of his home and stole approximately 5 prison-made wallets. The wallets, he said, were in a suitcase



TO NEW YORK INSTITUTE FOR THE EDUCATION OF THE BLIND — Mrs. Leola G. Hayes, a native of Rocky Mount, North Carolina, but has made her home in Raleigh for the past seven years. Mrs. Hayes has been employed at the State School for Blind and Deaf since 1945. She is a graduate of the Winston-Salem Teachers College and New York University. Mrs. Hayes is now studying at New York University where she plans to receive a second M.A. in Guidance and Supervision in the summer of 1954.
Mrs. Hayes will work at the New York institution for the education of the blind in the capacity of educational and vocational guidance.

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