

Local Clerk Survives

APEX COP BEATING

Alfred Scott In Hospital Following Apex Attack

BY CHARLES R. JONES

"I leaned over to the front seat and begged Mr. Bagwell to please take me home and not to arrest me and the next thing I remember was seeing a fist crashing into my face and I blacked out."

This was the gist of a statement made to a CAROLINIAN reporter by Alfred Scott, 32, of near Apex, in relating the incidents leading up to an alleged brutal beating at the hands of Apex Chief of Police, Sam L. Bagwell last Saturday afternoon. Scott is now under treatment at St. Agnes Hospital here.

COLLEGE PREXY SEEKS NUMBER TWO POSITION

President S. D. Williams of Elizabeth City State Teachers College has been selected by the Nominating Committee of the North Carolina Teachers Association to be a candidate for the vice-presidency of the association, subject to the will of its members. Friends



PRESIDENT WILLIAMS
President Williams feel that he is currently qualified for the position which he now seeks. He has been engaged in the training of elementary teachers for nearly a quarter century at the Elizabeth City State Teachers Col.

SBI ENTERS CASE

Due to the gravity of the charges now mounting against Sam L. Bagwell, Apex Police Chief, for the alleged beating of Alfred Scott, in Apex Saturday, Paul Shelton, State Bureau of Investigation visited St. Agnes Hospital to ascertain the facts in the case, on Wednesday. The question of the violation of Scott's civil rights are believed to be involved.

Much interest is being shown in the case. The Hudson-Belk Company, by whom Scott is employed is said to have retained the services of Wright Dixon, local attorney to probe the entire incident. The firm of Taylor and Mitchell has been employed to represent Scott at the trial. The firm will be aided by Sam Morris. The time of trial has not been set, due to the fact that it has not been definitely known when Scott will be released from the hospital.

The fatal shooting of two Negroes by Bagwell coupled with other alleged checkered incidents in his record as an officer of the law are believed to be the basis of much of the concern being displayed in the case.

At this time Bagwell is said to have told Scott that he was a "smart son-of-a-bitch".

While leaning against the front seat crying and pleading with the chief to take him home, the man claims that he was brutally beaten.

He said that he must have lost what he recalled was being

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Executive Sec'y Examining Board Says Plumbing

EXAMS FREE OF BIAS

"We Must Not Lose Our Freedom", Dr. Jones Says



VICTIM IN APEX BEATING — Alfred Scott, 32, above, claims he was savagely whipped by Apex Police Chief, Sam L. Bagwell, last Saturday afternoon as he was returning home from an Apex cleaning establishment. Scott is now under treatment at Saint Agnes Hospital where the extent of his injuries has not been fully determined. Discernible in the photo is a black eye and several deep marks on Scott's throat. — Photo by CHAS. R. JONES.

SPEAKER KEY NOTES YMCA ANNUAL MEET

"We must not lose our freedom as we seek to defeat a selfish Communism. We do not inherit freedom — we learn it and hence must experience it or we shall lose it," declared Rev. Charles M. Jones of Chapel Hill, at the annual meeting of the Bloodworth Street Y. M. C. A., Tuesday night.

The annual report given by E. L. Ralston, general secretary showed that during the past year the Bloodworth Street Y. M. C. A. had a membership of 1,200 men and boys, sponsored 30 club groups and a membership of 412 regulars. The organization has 12 special events in 46 sessions.

Two Dead, 2 Injured In Harnett Crash

LILLINGTON — The old physical law which attempted to find out what happens when an irresistible force meets an immovable body, if applied to the head-on crash which happened here last week could be partially answered by saying it ends in death.

Death was the result of a head-on crash between a 1950 Buick, believed to have been driven by Raymond McKoy, and a 1949 Ford, alleged to have been driven by Herman Harris. When the crash

Invitation Extended To Witness Plumbing Exams

W. F. Morrison, Executive Secretary, State Board of Examiners, Plumbing & Heating Contractors, as the result of an investigation by the Carolinian, invited any person, who had reason to believe that the examinations and records pertaining to the issuing of licenses by his board, were not fair to

race applicants, to examine the records. Mr. Morrison attempted to outline the procedure of the examining board. He told his interviewer that any person who applies for an examination and submits the required fee is accepted wholeheartedly.

The CAROLINIAN made the investigation when it was brought out that the reason why there were so few licensed plumbers and electricians in the state, was due to the fact that race applicants were discriminated against. These charges were brought by Eugene Smith, chairman of the State Democratic Organization.

Smith, who lives in Asheville, made the blanket charges against the Board, in a statement earlier this week. He charged that Buncombe County Negroes were discriminated against, when they attempted to get license in the two fields. In answer to the charges, (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)



HISTORY-MAKING EVENT — Shown above is the picture of Della Mae Barnes, Rowan County record breaking mother who gave birth to the 5 1/2 pound baby boy, at the Rowan Memorial Hospital, Salisbury, last week. The attending physician reported that even though she was only 11 years old, that she and the baby showed no ill-affect from the ordeal. The baby is believed to have been the

N. C. News In Brief

SENTENCED IN WIFE SLAYING — GASTONIA — Otto Ashford, 23 year old Bessemer City resident, was sentenced to 15 to 20 years in prison Tuesday after he pleaded guilty to the second degree murder of his wife Dorothy. The woman was shot in the head two months ago.



VIRGIN ISLANDS GOVERNOR — Installed as the Governor of the Virgin Islands last month by President Eisenhower, 66-year-old engineer-contractor Archie A. Alexander of Des Moines, is hard at work getting used to the people of the picturesque territory. Graduated a civil engineer in 1912, Mr. Alexander established his own firm in 1914, and joined with classmate, M. A. Repass in 1929. The Alexander and Repass company has performed engineering tests all over the country. (Newspress Photo.)

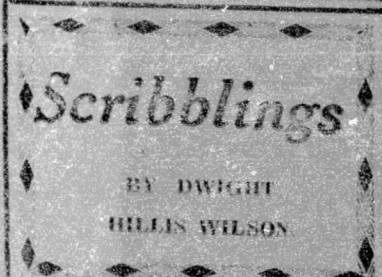
NAACP Political Action Meet Here March 20th

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C. — State NAACP president Kelly M. Alexander, Charlotte, announced that the State NAACP Conference would sponsor a special one-day Political Action Conference on March 20th (Saturday) at the Martin Street Baptist Church for the purpose of arousing state-wide interest in

getting out the vote for the coming congressional elections. The primaries will be held in May and they are the deciding factors in the November elections in many counties.

CLARENCE MITCHELL, READER FLORED — Expected at the Capital meeting to attend the voting record of all members of congress is Clarence Mitchell, NAACP Liaison Secretary, head of the Washington Bureau of NAACP at 100 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W. Mr. Mitchell presents the picture of how all congressmen voted on matters of racial discrimination to minority and labor groups. All other civic and religious bodies are urged to send representatives to the Capital meeting early in March. A thousand people are expected from over the state.

TO WASHINGTON CONFERENCE — On March 16th several hundred NAACP delegates from over the nation will converge on Washington for a special one-day meeting to be sponsored with a brief address by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. In 1947 former President Harry Truman addressed the national NAACP convention from the Lincoln Memorial, along with Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.



DR. WILSON on the job, one (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)

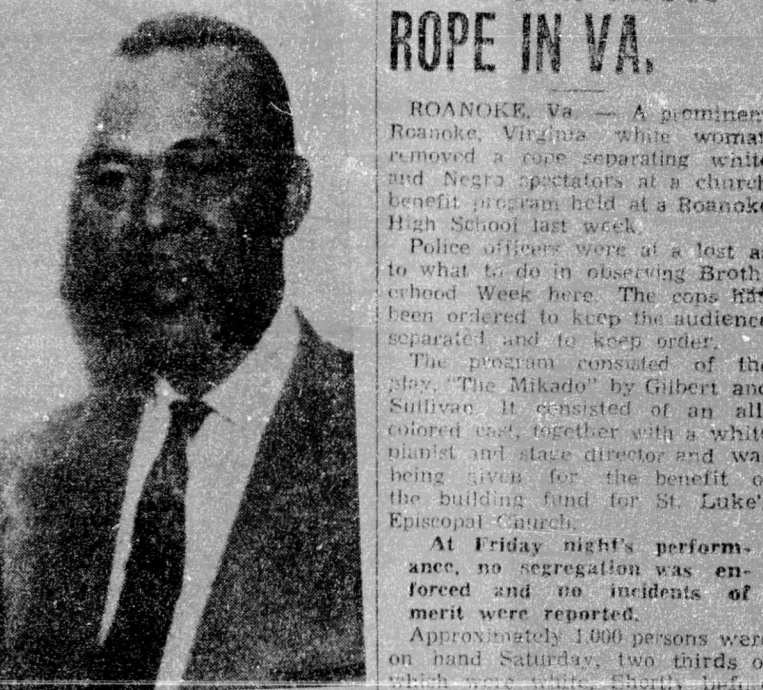
Local Pastor Is Delegate To National Church Meeting

Where Cross the crowded Ways of life,
Where Sounds the Cries of Race and Clan,
Across the noise of Selfish Strife,
We hear Thy voice O Son of Man.

The above lines, taken from the hymn, "Where Cross the Crowded Ways", might well have been the theme of a recent Convocation on "Urban Life in America", held in Columbus, Ohio the last week in February.

This great meeting, the first of its kind ever held in this country, was an outgrowth of a resolution advocated at the last general conference of the Methodist Church in California, a resolution pledging the Methodist Church to make a detailed study of urban conditions affecting problems of racial tension, discrimination, economic pressure and related subjects. The general conference, delegated to its council of bishops the task of organizing an interdenominational study group to study the problems involved and to report its findings to a national convention.

The entire country was divided into districts, each district to be represented at the National meeting by a pastor and a layman. The Rev. M. Sidney L. Gidney, pastor of Wilson Temple Methodist Church here was chosen as the pas-



REV. GIDNEY

Building Program Starts

FAYETTEVILLE — The Building and renovation program at the Fayetteville State Teachers College, Fayetteville, N. C. took a spiral upward when recently contracts were awarded for \$172,801 worth of construction work. Already preliminary details have been given by D. S. Coltraine, Assistant Director of the Budget, informed President James W. Seabrook that the North Carolina Budget Bureau had approved the projects.

On the agenda is the construction of a new infirmary at a cost of \$103,319.26; the enlargement of the Mechanical Arts Building for \$34,137.51; and repairs to the laundry that will run to \$35,344.24.

WHITE WOMAN CUTS JIM CROW ROPE IN VA.

ROANOKE, Va. — A prominent Roanoke, Virginia, white woman removed a rope separating white and Negro spectators at a church benefit program held at a Roanoke High School last week.

Police officers were at a loss as to what to do in observing Brotherhood Week here. The cops \$54 been ordered to keep the audience separated, and to keep order.

The program consisted of the play "The Mikado" by Gilbert and Sullivan, it consisted of an all-colored cast, together with a white pianist and a director and was being given for the benefit of the building fund for St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

At Friday night's performance, no segregation was enforced and no incidents of merit were reported.

Approximately 1,000 persons were on hand Saturday, two thirds of which were white. Shortly before the beginning of the program, Roanoke (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)