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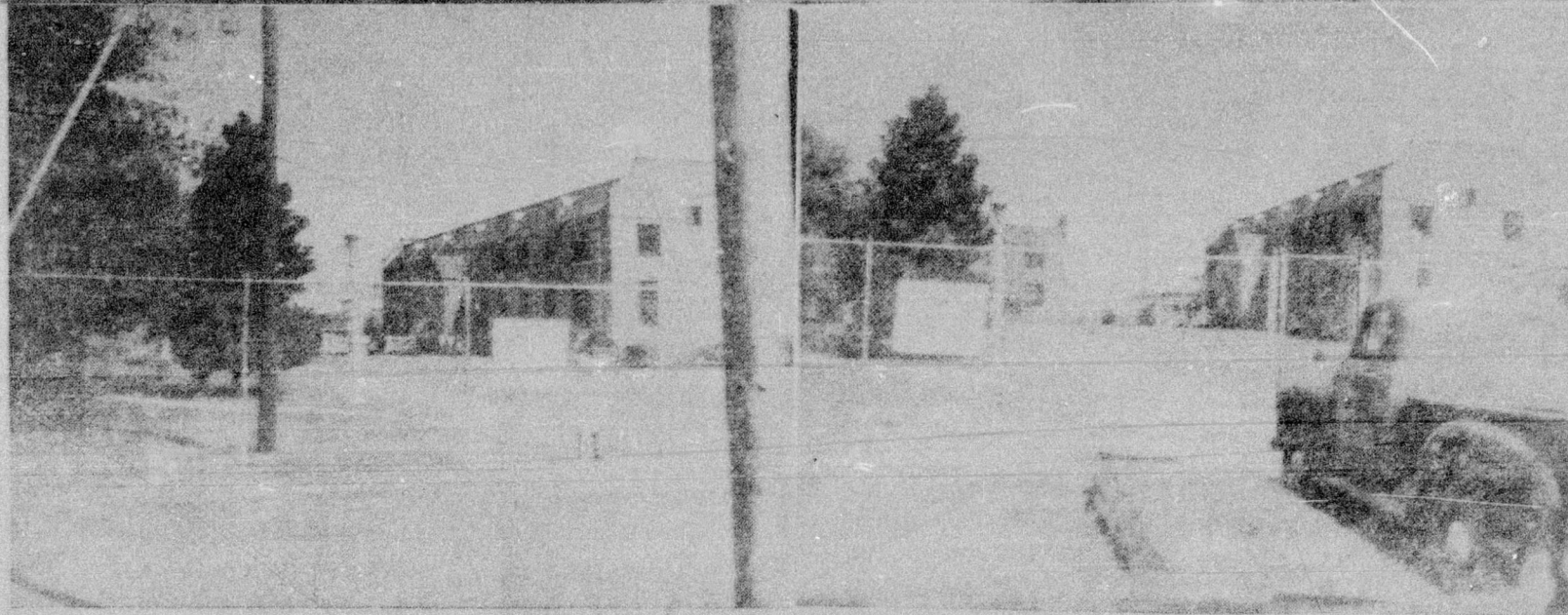
GROUP VOWS TO FIGHT RACE INTEGRATION

Secretary of State Thad Eure's office issued papers of incorporation to an organization designed to "preserve segregation where possible within the law" earlier this week.

The North Carolina Association for the Preservation of the White Race, Inc., a non-stock corporation, listed its headquarters as 112 N. Queen Street in Durham.

The incorporation papers were signed by five Durham men: R. T. Pitts, V. D. Estes, H. D. Daniel, D. O. Brodgen and J. E. Byrd.

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WOMAN'S PRISON SCENES—In the top photo is shown Elcase Jackson, 16-year-old native of Charlotte, shortly after she was captured after a short-lived stint of freedom Saturday afternoon. Elcase, serving a term of 15 to 18 months for breaking, entering and larceny, was a cousin of Eleanor Rush, 18, whose death late

Friday night at Woman's Prison created a riot among inmates of both races. Elcase is said to have been one of the leaders in the riot. Photo at bottom right shows where the girl escaped. Right photo gives a side view of the building in which Eleanor Rush died. The guards are unidentified.

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Series Of Incidents . . . And Now

DEATH STRIKES AT WOMAN'S PRISON

Apex Chief Sued For \$30,000

Girl Dies Mysteriously At Prison; SBI Enters

The mysterious death of Miss Eleanor Rush, 18-year-old former Albermarle domestic worker, in a six by nine foot isolation cell at Woman's Prison last Friday night, has brought forth much heretofore suppressed public sentiment.

Miss Rush, described by prison officials as a "problem prisoner," was sentenced to prison last May 7 to serve a six month term for forcible trespass and was reduced to "C-grade" on June 1 for allegedly creating a disturbance in her cell block.

Prison records show that she had been confined to the isolation cell for seven days before her death. The cell is equipped with a mattress lavatory and commode.

Twenty-five minutes before her death, her hands had been trussed behind her back by Prison Superintendent I. D. Hinton and approximately three guards in an apparent effort to restrain her from disturbing the peace of the other inmates. Shortly after midnight she was found dead, her head hanging off a mattress.

In an interview with Wake County Coroner M. W. Bennett, the CAROLINIAN learned that no reason could be advanced at this time as to how Miss Rush could have broken her neck. Bennett did relate, however, that it was possible that her death could have been caused by her continual straddling.

The examining physician, Dr. C. E. Flowers, termed the cause of death as a "dislocation of neck with compression of the cervical."

Shortly after the girl's death was discovered Saturday morning a riot ensued. The majority of the approximately 200 Negro and 150 white prisoners became hostile and hurled threats and accusations at officials of the institution. The riot lasted for three and half hours.

Elease Jackson, 16-year-old prisoner of Charlotte, who claimed that she was a cousin of the dead girl was heard to exclaim "they killed my cousin" shortly after the rioting began. After law enforcement officers had somewhat subdued the disturbance, Elease escaped but was captured a short distance from the institution.

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CHIEF BAGWELL
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Two Apex Girls Sue Chief Bagwell For False Arrest

Actions of Arrest and Bail for \$30,000 was filed in the Wake County Superior Court Friday, August 20 against Apex's Chief of Police Sam L. Bagwell.

The actions, filed for two teen-age girls, charge false arrest. Attached to the court papers were requests for orders for Bagwell's arrest. The arrest orders were signed by J. Russell Nipper, clerk of Superior Court, and he set bail bonds at \$4,000 in each of two civil suits involving Lucille and Mennie Lee Smith of Apex.

Under the law the Sheriff's department has 20 days to serve the arrest and bail orders, a court official said. They had not been served at press time.

Bagwell read the complaints in the Wake County Sheriff's office. Mennie Lee, 16 and her sister, Lucille Smith, 13, earlier swore out warrants against Chief Bagwell, charging him with kidnaping and making immoral propositions to them on April 25.

Bagwell was tried in Apex's Recorder's Court on the immoral proposition (assault) charge and was acquitted last June 2. Judge C. C. Cunningham also found no probable cause against the chief on the kidnaping count. He ruled that Bagwell, in ordering the

girls to accompany him to the Apex Town Hall, was acting in his scope as a law enforcement officer.

Both of the girls testified that the chief, apparently drunk, came to the farm dwelling near Apex where they resided with relatives and ordered them to accompany him so that he could question them about a fight that had occurred at the house.

They said when they arrived at the Town Hall, he drove behind the building and proceeded to make improper advances toward them.

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Ike Salutes Elks At Chicago; "Tar Heels" Among 40,000

K. P. BATTLE HEADS N. C.'S DELEGATION

By J. B. HAREN
Public Relations Chairman, N. C. Association IBPO Elks of the World

CHICAGO, Ill. — Among the expected 40,000 Bills and Daughters of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World gathered here this week (August 21-27) there is a liberal sprinkling of North Carolina members of the "grand old order" present.

BATTLE AND SMITH LEAD
Headed by State Pres. Rev. Kemp P. Battle of Rocky Mount, N. C., and State Daughter President, Letitia Smith of Hickory, the Tar Heels began arriving as early as Thursday for the various caucuses and pre-convention meetings which go to shape the general program.

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SHAW TO HOST NCTA CONFAB

The first annual Leadership Conference for leaders of local units of the North Carolina Teachers Association will convene at Shaw University, Raleigh, August 27 and 28, 1954.

Principal speakers for the conference will be Dr. Charles F. Carr, N. C. State Superintendent of Public Instruction, who will address the group at its luncheon Thursday, August 26, 1954, Miss Margaret Stevenson, Assistant Executive Secretary of the National Education Association, Department of Classroom Teachers, who will serve as general consultant, and Mr. C. L. Blake, president of the North Carolina Teachers Association.

Local leaders of all NCTA units have been invited to attend all sessions of the conference, which is being sponsored jointly by the National Education and North Carolina Teachers Associations.

The conference director, W. I. Norris, NEA-NCTA Field Representative, urged all delegates to register for the conference Friday, August 27, between 2:00 and 4:00 p. m.

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Two Teen-Age Youths Are Held In Hit-&-Run Death

SILER CITY — Two Siler City boys, Charles Lous Burnette, 19, and Andy Carter, 18, are being held in the Chatham County jail in Pittsboro in connection with the hit-and-run death early Monday morning of Nathaniel Brewer, 10, of Route 3, Siler City.

Brewer's body, found in the middle of the Alston Bridge Road across from the Siler City swimming pool at 2:25 a. m. Monday by Bill Lowe and Bobby Stovall, was allegedly in a very badly mutilated condition.

The two boys notified State Highway Sergeant Victor Aldridge.

Man Held On Kidnap Rap

DUNN — A man, who has not been identified, is being held in jail here pending investigation of the kidnap and abandonment of a three-year-old boy in Dunn sometime Saturday.

Meanwhile, Chief Alston A. Cobb said that the infant has been hospitalized here and doctors report his condition as serious.

Cobb said the mother of the child, Miss Annie Ruth Short, 16, reported him missing Saturday around 1 p. m. However, she was unable to give any clues as to

what might have happened to the child at that time, Cobb said.

Police officers K. M. Fall and R. H. Alpin spent considerable time Saturday looking for the missing boy, but were unable to locate him. The chief reported the search was continued Sunday by Officers E. J. Whaley and E. C. Johnson who were also unsuccessful in finding him.

Around 8 a. m. Sunday, Clarence Washington, who lives near Harnett County Training school, reported finding the infant in

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Numbers Suspects Fined

With Judge Albert Doub presiding in City Court last Thursday morning, Raleigh's alleged numbers bankers learned that the old saying "crime does not pay" is more fact than fiction.

The conviction of three men charged with operating a numbers racket here is "just the beginning" of an investigation on the better and egg lottery the City Detective Division promised Friday.

Found guilty by Judge Doub were Bill Bell, 29, white, of 1225 Clark Avenue; Charles Dean Neal, 33, of 313 Fayetteville Street, an employee of the Old North State Building, located in the 400 block of East Hargett Street; and Fred D. Bridges, 731 S. Bloodworth Street, operator of Bridger Place, Corner of Worth and

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North Carolina State in Brief

SLEUTHS BREAK UP BOOZE PARTY

GREENVILLE — A week end party was broken up by Pitt County ABC officers resulting in the arrest of a man and his wife on charges of possessing non-tax paid liquor here last week end. Arrested were Mrs. Mildred Jones and her husband, Sam. ABC Officer Jim Ward said that Mrs. Jones was attempting to pour out the "bootleg" liquor when the raiders invaded their home. The two are slated for trial in an early session of the local court.

SEGREGATION UN-CHRISTIAN

DURHAM — Methodist youth from Eastern North Carolina echoes their belief that "segregation is un-Christian" and voted at Duke University to present resolutions urging support of the recent supreme Court decision. By a vote of 191-15, with some of the 400 delegates abstaining, the third annual conference session of the N. C. Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship passed a proposal of its Christian Citizenship Area Committee to present nearly identical resolutions to both

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