

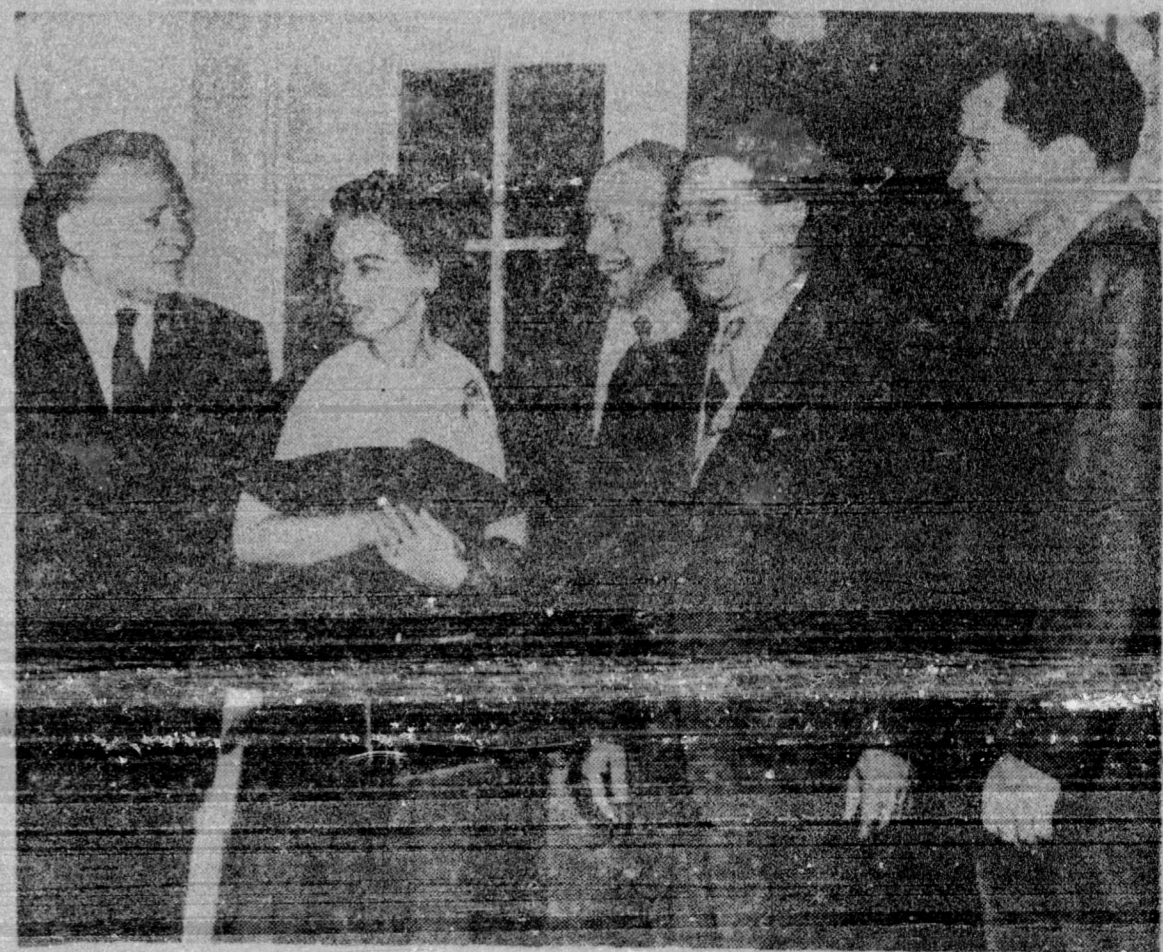
# LOCAL COMMITTEE OFFERS REPORT ON SEGREGATION

## THE CAROLINIAN

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### Alamance Farmer Murders Man; Claims Self Defense

Integration Begins:



AN HISTORIC FIRST — The first Negro in the history of the United States to participate in a cabinet meeting as a departmental head, James E. Wilkins, assistant secretary of labor, is shown with other cabinet members outside the White House after a recent cabinet meeting with President Eisenhower. Mr. Wilkins, formerly a Chicago attorney, substituted for secretary of labor James Mitchell, who was out of Washington. From left to right are postmaster general Arthur Summerfield; Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby; attorney general Herbert Brownell; Mr. Wilkins and vice president Nixon. (Newspress Photo)

### DETROIT MAN GETS U. S. JOB

WASHINGTON — John W. Roxborough, II of Detroit, Michigan, has been appointed Consultant to Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles. Mr. Roxborough is a member of the distinguished Roxborough family of Michigan. He already has a well established legal career in spite of his youth. Mr. Roxborough is only 32 years old having been born January 7, 1922. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)

### Nat'l Negro Insurance Meet Told To 'Fear Not'

DURHAM — P. L. Pratts, executive editor, Pittsburgh Courier, told the Tuesday night session of the 34th annual session of the National Negro Insurance Association, at the B. N. Duke Auditorium, that Negro insurance had nothing to fear from integration. The newspaperman was speaking from the subject "Insurance and Integration." He traced the history of Negro business and pointed out the fact that business knew no barriers and any barriers that the companies might have feared would melt away. E. Frederick Morrow, business advisor, Department of Commerce brought greetings from President Eisenhower. It is to be remembered that the invitation to the chief executive to address the convention brought local Republicans to the fore. Morrow made no reference to the failure of the President to appear.

### SBI REPORT IN PRISON DEATH SCHEDULED SOON

The restraining cuffs and gag which were placed on Miss Eleanor Rush prior to her death recently are alleged to have been removed from the isolation cell when the coroner and the examining physician arrived to investigate the mystery death of the supposed "problem prisoner." No reason has been advanced as to why the apparatus was taken off of the young woman. According to an interview with Wake County's Coroner Marshall W. Bennett, the inquest into the death of Miss Eleanor Rush, 18-year-old former inmate of Woman's Prison who was found dead in the early morning hours of Saturday, August 21, is to be held following a report of the State Bureau of Investigation, which is



RE-ELECTED — Josie Williams, a junior from Greensboro, S. C., will reign again as "Miss ROTC" queen of the Air Force and Army units at A&T College in Greensboro. The attractive and petite Delta Sigma Theta pledge was reelected to the title a very unusual occurrence at the Greensboro institution.

now completing its investigation. Informed sources believe that the SBI report will come Friday of this week. There has not been any definite confirmation of this belief, however. A preliminary autopsy report has attributed the death of Miss Rush, a former Albemarle domestic worker, to a broken neck. The girl's hands had been tied behind her and she had been gagged with a towel which was tied between her teeth and knotted at the back of her neck. Attorney J. Wilbur Bunn, retained by I. D. Hinton, Superintendent of Woman's Prison, to (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)

### All-White Catholic High Admits Three Negro Girls

With the opening of schools this week in many sections of the country much interest was shown in what treatment the recent supreme court decision would have on southern schools. It appears that 23 different sections which have practiced segregation have accepted the decision and proceeded to integrate. Here in Raleigh, the Cathedral Latin Catholic High School broke the ice when three Negro girls, whose identity is still unknown were admitted to classes. The CAROLINIAN made an extended effort to get the names of the girls. Officials at the school and high Catholic parsonages refused to release the names, giving as the reason that they did not want to cause any disturbance and thought it best that the incident be taken as a usual course.

NEW YORK (SPECIAL) — When the school bell rings this month, Negro and white children will be sharing classrooms in a number of Southern localities where strict school segregation formerly was maintained by state law, according to a survey of the Southern school situation being made by the NAACP.

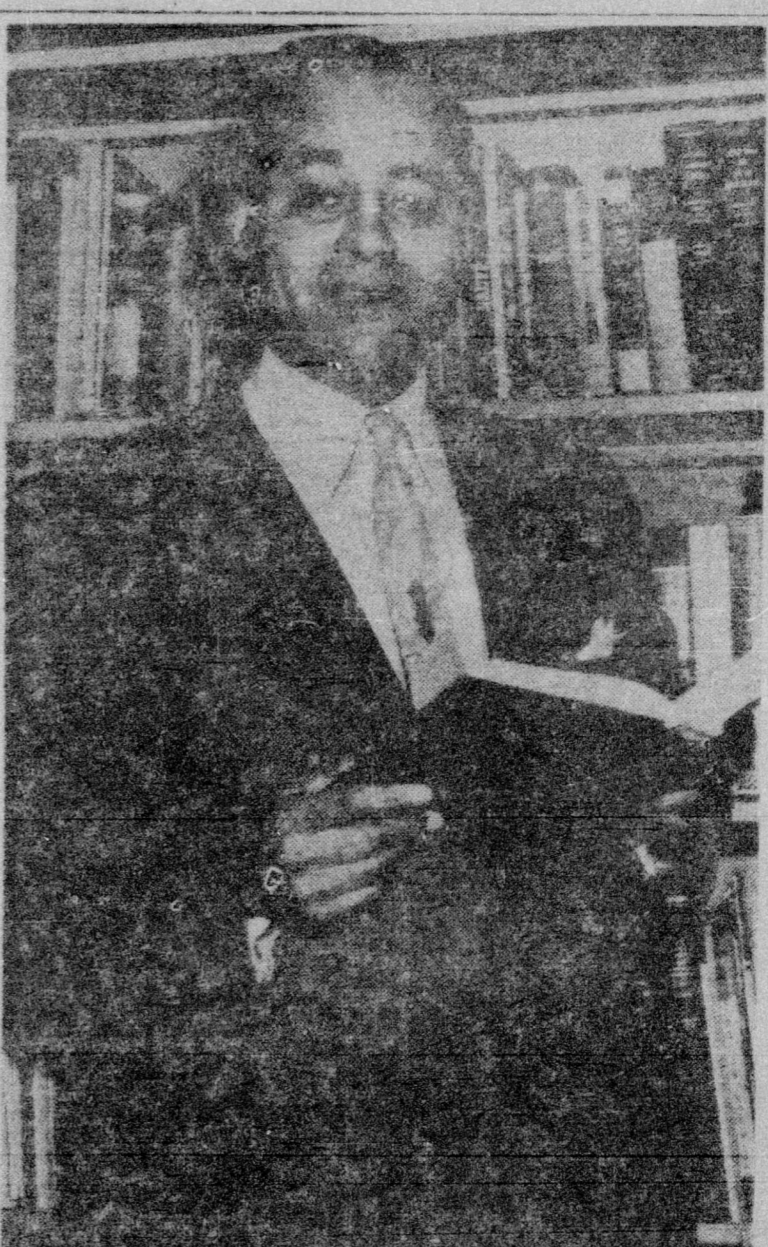
Without waiting for the Supreme Court to issue decrees implementing its decision which held public school segregation to be unconstitutional, at least 23 Southern localities simply are integrating their public schools at the beginning of the fall term. The Association's survey shows that several Southern colleges and universities, as well as by some private schools in the South. The Supreme Court decision banning segregated schools was the result of cases brought to the high judicial authority by the NAACP.

Communities and cities located in five Southern states have announced public school integration for this month, according to an incomplete tabulation still underway in NAACP offices. These states are West Virginia, Missouri, Arkansas, Maryland and Delaware. In addition, public schools in the District of Columbia will be integrated for the first time this September.

In the five Southern states where school integration already is scheduled on the local level, a total of at least 23 towns or cities and one county have set the action for this month. In some cases, integration has been accomplished during the summer term. In Kansas City and Columbia, Mo., and in Wilmington, Del., Negro students were enrolled this summer in what was previously been all-white public schools. MISSOURI AHEAD — Of the five Southern states in which public school integration plans are proceeding on the local level, Missouri is out front in desegregating her schools, judging by preliminary results compiled (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)

### IRATE FARMER HELD IN JAIL WITHOUT BOND

GRAHAM — Two tenant farmers disagreed here Sunday night, an argument ensued, a 38 calibre pistol was brought in to play, Wilbert Lee Williamson, 39, felled dead, with a bullet through his heart. Charlie Paul fled the scene and Sheriff Moore went into action. This is the report that the CAROLINIAN got as the result of a fracas that started near Albert Garrison's store and ended in death. Investigation shows that the two men began arguing and Paul claims that he shot in self-defense, when Williamson advanced on him with a knife. Sheriff Moore explained, Paul left the scene after the shooting but surrendered at the sheriff's office a few hours later. Coroner J. B. Walker ruled that the death was caused by gunshot wounds. A preliminary hearing will be held. Williamson and Paul were tenant farmers on property owned near Alamance by Lillian Ross, Sheriff Moore said.



IN PROMOTION — Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, Nobel Peace prize winner and director of the U.N. Trusteeship division, is shown in his office after secretary-general Dag Hammarskjöld announced that he had been selected as one of the 12 new under-secretaries of the U.N. Bunche, if approved, will hold the highest post of any American diplomat in the United Nations. (Newspress Photo)

### Local Group Still In Dark

The third meeting of the citizens group to study and plan the best way in which Raleigh can comply with the Supreme Court decision on segregation was held Wednesday night at the Central YWCA, located on W. Jones Street. The main business was progress reports on what the three committees appointed by the Interim Committee had accomplished. The first committee reported that it had made contacts with several officials as to what the state and or city plans to do in regard to the Supreme Court decision. Its findings were not made available to the press. This committee also offered several written suggestions to persons interested in the citizen's (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)

### WAYNE FARMER DIES IN DITCH; ACCIDENT RULED

By H. C. MITCHELL — Ned Braswell, 73-year-old farmer of Macclesfield, here in Wilson County, was found dead in a ditch Monday morning by two passersby. Coroner Dr. Robert E. Goudy of Wilson County, ruled that Mr. Braswell met his death Sunday night by accidental means. After a thorough investigation by the coroner and W. E. Pridgen, deputy sheriff of Wilson County, it was unanimously concluded that Braswell did not meet with foul play. The elderly man's body was found by William Lee Mix and Willie James Atkinson Monday morning around 8 A. M. lying in a ditch about 11 miles north east of Wilson on highway 42. The sheriff's department was not notified about the death until around 10 A. M. because the two men who found the body were walking. The cause of death was attributed to a broken neck, resulting from a deep fall into the ditch by (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)

### Mr. "Civil Rights" Honored By Elks

By J. B. HARREN — Public Relations Chairman N. C. Association IBPOEW CHICAGO, Ill. — In an appropriate setting at a special Civil Liberties breakfast here Monday morning in the famous Triannon ballroom, Frankford Marshall, N. A. C. P. Local Defense Council chairman, was signally honored when he was presented the Lovejoy Medal for outstanding achievement in spearheading the fight which won the recent U. S. Supreme Court decision banning the separation of races on the basis of color alone in public schools.

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### N. C. News In Brief

SCHOOL TEACHER INJURIES CHILD — Albert Thomas Whitaker, 32, a science instructor in the city school system was cleared in an accident that hospitalized a 5-year-old girl of 517 W. Lenoir Street Tuesday. Jo Ann Cannady was said to have been knocked down by a car being driven by Whitaker. She was treated at St. Agnes Hospital Tuesday afternoon for a skinned elbow and a bruised right foot. Witnesses told the investigating patrolman that the child ran from behind a car on West South Street and into the path of Whitaker's car. VANCE BOY IS 7TH FATALITY — Henderson — Vance County's seventh traffic fatality of the year occurred at noon Tuesday when John Henry Richardson, 11, was struck by a truck at the city limits on the Townsville Highway. Later arrested in connection with the fatal accident was Clarence Evans, 21-years-old, of Townsville. Officers said he first denied hitting the boy and then admitted striking him as he rode into the path of the truck that Evans was driving. Police reported that Evans was driving a ton and a half truck belonging to a Townsville firm. The victim was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny S. Richardson, who reside just inside the Henderson City limits. PRINTERS VISIT CAROLINIAN — Three students at the Rochester Institute of Technology and visiting the offices of the CAROLINIAN last Wednesday while they were the guests of the C. G. Irwings of 615 S. East Street. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)

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### N. C. Law School Gets Recognition

DURHAM — Officials at North Carolina College were notified recently of the "full approval" of the college's Law School by the American Bar Association. "Full approval" for NCC's law unit places the college as one of the two existing law schools with predominantly Negro enrollment on the ABA roster. Howard University's Law School in Washington, D. C. is believed to be the other. Fifteen applicants, including 13 North Carolinians, have applied for full term classes.

Announcement of the ABA accreditation was made in Durham last night by President Alfonso Elder and Dean Albert L. Turner of the Law School. Although NCC's Law School has enjoyed "provisional approval" since February 27, 1950, it was only after adoption of a resolution by the ABA's section on Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar at the annual meeting in Chicago on August 18 that the Durham law school got the unofficial endorsement of the nation's leading bar association. John G. Harvey of Oklahoma City, adviser to the association's legal educational and admissions section informed NCC officials of the association's approval. Also granted approval at the same time with NCC's Law School was the law school of Franklin University in Columbus, Ohio. Dean Turner, who has been in charge of the law school (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)

### Elks Re-Elect Johnson

By J. B. HARREN — N. C. Elks Publicity Chairman CHICAGO, Ill. — The official opening of the 53th annual sessions of the IBPOEW (Elks) here Tuesday morning (August 24th) heard the report of the credentials committee headed by Oscar Price which showed that there were 1096 official delegates at that time with the expectation of at least two hundred more to register. SYLVANH NOMINATES — Following this report, Grand Exalted Ruler Robert H. Johnson of Philadelphia made his annual report and was unanimously re-elected for a second two-year term without opposition. Johnson expressed his gratitude to the delegates for the confidence bestowed upon him by the reelection. J. Luther Sylvan of Syracuse, N. Y. made the nominating (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)

### Local Youth, 13, Drowns

Coroner Marshall W. Bennett reported to the CAROLINIAN Wednesday that James Moore, 13-year-old youth of 517 Cannon Avenue, drowned Tuesday while bathing in Banks pond near Reedy Creek State Park, Cary. Young Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. James O. Moore, was on a church picnic off the Reedy Creek Road, about three miles northeast of the fairgrounds. The youth is reported to have strayed from the picnic group and to have gone to the water and into a boat without a paddle. He is said to have been killed in the middle of the pond as no wind was blowing. After becoming panicky the lad jumped from the boat into the water and drowned. He was reportedly attempting to swim to shore. Moore went under at about 2 P.M. and his body was found by

KAIN MARS PARADE — Following the election of the Grand Exalted Ruler, the Grand Lodge was immediately adjourned for this parade the spirits of (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)