

School Integration Problems

Not Too Serious To Handle

With the current interest in school integration, it is hoped and proper that the New York World Tribune has scheduled its 23rd Annual Forum with the following theme: "The Progress of Freedom in the U. S. A. with some of the country's leading educators and civic leaders participating."

The forum will be open at 8 p. m. on the 15th at Hunter College and will be devoted to discussion of progress towards integration in the schools since the May 17th Supreme Court decision directing the end of racial segregation in education.

On progress in integration the forum will concern itself with such issues as the meaning of the Supreme Court ruling, as far as the south is concerned along with the south's resources for meeting the challenge presented by the decision with regard to the leadership available for exploiting these resources.

The program will open with a dramatization of the fight against

aggregation that led to the Supreme Court decision, presented by two central figures. The decision itself and its meaning for the South will be discussed by Harry S. Ashmore, executive editor of the "Little Rock, Ark. Gazette" and author of the recently published study, "The Negro and the Schools," sponsored by the Ford Foundation for the Advancement of Education.

The South's resources for meeting the challenge posed by the Supreme Court opinion will be discussed by Dr. W. H. Watson, principal of the new J. W. Ligon High School in Raleigh. My visit was short, but I have been a teacher nearly all my life, and if this was not a first-class school, I was deceived. The principal was Dr. Watson, who I was told later, was the highest-paid principal in the city.

MAGAZINE LAUDS DR. W. H. WATSON IN RECENT ISSUE

The current issue of Collier's has a feature story by Alan Paton entitled "The Negro in America Today" in which Raleigh's Ligon High School was featured.

Recalling his visit with Dr. Watson, principal of the new J. W. Ligon High School, Author Paton writes: "I visited one of the new Negro High Schools in Raleigh. My visit was short, but I have been a teacher nearly all my life, and if this was not a first-class school, I was deceived. The principal was Dr. Watson, who I was told later, was the highest-paid principal in the city."

We discussed the pending Supreme Court decision, which Dr. Watson predicted would bring school segregation to an end. "The changes won't be so drastic as many people fear," Dr. Watson was quoted as saying. "What is there to be afraid of? Isn't this a fine school? Our teachers are trained every bit as well as white teachers. Whether they are teaching white children or Negro children, they will give their best. I



PROTEST INTEGRATION—A tense crowd of white natives of Milford, Delaware gathered in an open field recently to hear Bryant W. Bowles' plea to keep their children out of school rather than bow to the recent Supreme court decisions against discrimination in public schools. Bowles is president of the National Association for the Advancement of White People. Milford, with a population of 5,700, of whom 2,000 are Negroes, was the scene of much bitterness and threats of violence after Bowles' address. (Newspress Photo)

Collier's Features Ligon School

GI Held In Pistol Murder



Officers of the Raleigh Citizens' Association shown above are Mr. L. C. High, treasurer; President (Rev.) George A. Fisher, and Mrs. Minnie Freeman, secretary. The Rev.

Fisher authored the recent letter sent to Negro teachers of the Raleigh public schools regarding the controversial open house for teachers on a segregated basis as sponsored by the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company. In response to the letter sent, 69 responded, while a like number were non-committal.

SOLDIER KILLS WORKMAN AFTER VISITING JOB

GREENSBORO — That ever-present woman showed up in a murder scene here this week when William E. Blocker went to a loading platform Monday and killed Albert Pulley in the act of the loading operation.

Pulley, according to fellow workers was going about his chores when Blocker arrived.

Pulley's companions told arresting officers that there was no indication on the part of the killer that there was any difference between the two and when Pulley was felled by the bullets, they stood in amazement.

The "woman angle" crept into the killing when officers revealed that the two men had had words about the dead man's wife. It was not ascertained whether there had been an affair between the killer and the wife of the victim.

Pulley is said to be a soldier, stationed at Ft. Bragg and was here on furlough. He was held in jail on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. It appears that only one shot was fired.

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Healthy Baby Contest Offers \$500



WEIGHING IN — Bernard Rogers, Jr., 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Rogers, Sr., is shown above observing his weight in connection with the Healthy Baby Contest now underway in Raleigh and surrounding cities. Looking on is Dr. C. B. Middleton, local physician, in whose office young Rogers was examined. — STAFF PHOTO BY CHAS. R. JONES.

An all-out effort is being made starting this week to find the healthiest baby in the Raleigh area whose parents are readers of The Carolinian. To the infant chosen for this honor will go a cash prize of \$500.

In a special announcement appearing elsewhere in this paper, the Carnation Company of Los Angeles, California, gives readers full details of the First Annual Homeown "Healthy Baby Contest," an unusual venture for the furtherance of research on its famous brand of evaporated milk.

Over fifty years ago when the Carnation Company was formed, research became a major part of its program. It has served as a means to constantly improve its product as a safeguard to millions of infants. Today this Carnation research program has among its facilities one of the most remarkable farms in the world, Carnation Farms, near Seattle, Washington, are known to dairy farmers everywhere as the home of a famous herd of 600 Holsteins from which has come nearly half of the greatest butterfat and milk producing cows of all time. In addition, Carnation has a research laboratory, second to none. This laboratory helps maintain rigid standards which have given both parents and doctors complete confidence in the Carnation brand.

Because so many babies have been and are being reared on Carnation formula, this contest has been instituted to discover some of these fine youngsters who have thrived on Carnation Milk.

This is a contest restricted to Raleigh and suburbs. It is one of

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McLEAN SPEAKS AT SHAW UNIV.

Charles A. McLean of Winston-Salem, field secretary for state chapters of the NAACP, spoke to Shaw University students in Greenleaf Auditorium Wednesday. He said that North Carolina as a whole is beginning to accept the NAACP, as never before, primarily because of integration in the schools.

He pointed out that integration is going on in fields other than education; and cited a plant in Winston-Salem where Negroes are employed on a higher level than as laborers. McLean thinks that integration will extend job opportunities for Negro youth in many areas. "Our job," he declared, "is to get the parents of both racial groups to let us alone."

He informed that through the NAACP there are scholarship funds up to \$3,000 a year available for post graduate work, and for high school graduates.

He urged the students to encourage the NAACP, as they return to their communities.

The speaker was introduced by Carl E. DeVane, chairman of the division of Social Sciences at Shaw. David Stevens, a senior and president of the group presided.



'STAY AWAY' — Bryant W. Bowles, fiery president of the National Association for the Advancement of White People, is shown as he urged a crowd in Milford, Del. recently to keep their children home from school until the issue of segregation versus integration was resolved. Bowles formed his group this year in opposition to the NAACP. He claims a membership of 50,000. (Newspress Photo)

CHURCH MONEY LIFTED FROM PLATE SUNDAY

"Faith By Which Men Live", theme of the Rev. Tecumseh Cornelius Hamans, pastor of the Manly Street Congregational-Christian Church, surely fell on deaf ears last Sunday during the Morning services. Just after services a vigilant check failed to reveal the collection plate with approximately \$105.00.

The amount of the take has been arrived at through a check of the regular congregation who individually vouched for their respective contributions. No one seems to know just how the money was taken. The Rev. Hamans has pastored this church for the past 22 years and during all of this time it has been the practice to place the collections under the table in front of the pulpit until after the services and then one of the deacons carries it to the church office where it is then counted.

On last Sunday following the benediction and while the congregation quietly filed out so did the plate containing the money. Hardly a minute passed before the extensive search began. It has been reported a check was among the offering and it is hoped the "borrower" of religious money will be apprehended.

CITIZENS LOSE JIM CROW FIGHT

Members of the Raleigh Citizens' Association are reportedly very disappointed in the fact that Negro teachers of the city, openly disregarding their written request to refrain from attending an "Open House" affair, sponsored by the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company, last Thursday night.

Of the city's approximately 138 race instructors, it has been reported that there were 69 in attendance.

The local citizens' group, which is headed by Rev. George A. Fisher, allegedly sent typed letters to all teachers in the city school system, urging them not to attend the Open House because it was to be segregated.

It was brought out that Raleigh's white teachers attended an Open House at Wachovia Tuesday night of last week. The letter, which was signed by Rev. Fisher, reiterated the fact that the move was "A deliberate attempt on the part of the bank to continue segregation practices in the light of the rapidly changing structure of affairs."

A CAROLINIAN reporter, who was on the scene as the teachers entered Wachovia, noted that several who had previously related to the Raleigh Citizens' Association that they would not be in attendance, were among the first to arrive.

Several civic organizations are allegedly alarmed as to how to get Raleigh's Negro teachers to abstain from being a part of Jim Crow movements.

The recent invitation of the (CONTINUED ON PAGE 13)



FIRST CLERK SWORN IN HERE — Orrin Ray Haywood, 29, is shown above on the right being congratulated by Raleigh postmaster D. Staton, Inscow, following his appointment as the first Negro clerk in recent history at the local post office. The swearing-in ceremonies were held in Inscow's office last Thursday morning. Haywood is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Haywood, Sr., 720 S. East Street. He attended Washington High School and Shaw University. Married to the former Miss Pearlina Smith of Elizabethtown, he is the father of two children. — STAFF PHOTO BY CHAS. R. JONES.

Church Founder Buried In Nash

By J. B. HARRIS

ROCKY MOUNT—Death claimed this city's oldest active minister, Bishop Cornelius Remus Whitley, early Sunday morning, following a prolonged period of illness, thus ending a fifty-year preaching career, which had its beginning in the remote areas of the deceased's native Greene County, near Snow Hill.

APOSTOLIC BISHOP 35 YEARS

The 85-year-old Rev. Whitley had been Vice Bishop of the Apostolic Church of God, Inc., for 25 years and was in charge of four churches at the time of his death, although he had not been physically able to carry on the services, handing these duties over to his son, the Rev. Elisah Whitley, who conducted the extensive business affairs of the industrious Bishop Whitley who was reputed to be rather wealthy. Members of the family decline that compliment, preferring to say only that their father "was a good liver."

BURIAL AT SPRING HOPE

Burial will be at Spring Hope for the minister who started preaching with the United Holiness Church of America, later withdrawing and building his first Apostolic Faith Church at nearby Spring Hope, which church he served until his death, along with

the local church which had its beginning about 1826. Recently, alterations were begun on this structure. Whitley also served Rocky Chapel church at Summs, in Wilson County, and a church in Norfolk, Va.

BISHOP GRANT CONDUCTS RITES

Senior Bishop R. C. Grant of Baltimore, was scheduled to conduct the funeral services at the church here and in Faith Hope Apostolic church, in Spring Hope, during this week.

SURVIVORS

Surviving, besides the widow, who was the former Miss Mary Jane Grimley, also of Greene County, are five children and six grandchildren. The children are: Niveah Whitley, Mrs. Cornelia W. Greene, both of New York City; Mrs. Madie W. Hassell, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Mrs. Carrie W. Davis, New Haven, Conn. and Rev. Elisah Whitley, Rocky Mount.

Bennett Dedicates Building

GREENSBORO — Three new buildings were dedicated on the campus of Bennett College Tuesday evening by trustees, faculty, students and friends which were reported to cost more than \$300,000.

The money for the buildings was given to the school by the United Negro College Fund, of which the college is a participating member. A Fine Arts Building, a new Faculty and Children's House were turned over to the college in a formal ceremony held in Pfeiffer Chapel.

Dr. W. J. Trent, Jr., executive director of the fund, in delivering the principal address said that more than \$500,000.00 had been given to the school out of the 25 million that had been raised for 31 private southern colleges.

The speaker took time out to tell the audience that the ruling of the Supreme Court did not mean that such institutions would not continue to serve a great purpose. He felt that Greensboro would always have in Bennett College an institution that would offer the best in education to all who found need of its facilities. He did not say what races would accept or reject Bennett's facilities.

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Librarian Honored

DURHAM—Mrs. J. C. McLendon, librarian of Ligon Junior-Senior High School, Raleigh, has recently been inducted into Pi Lambda Sigma Library Honor Society at Syracuse University.

Mrs. McLendon is also Executive Secretary of the Association of North Carolina High School Library Clubs.

She completed her work for the M.L.S. degree at Syracuse University, August 6.

Mrs. McLendon received her B.L.S. degree from North Carolina College in 1946.

She received a citation from N. C. Negro Library Association for her outstanding work in pioneering the founding of the High School Library Association.

She has contributed articles in her field to the Library Science Review and other publications. Mrs. McLendon makes her home in Raleigh with her husband, C. H. McLendon at 121 South Tarboro Road.



MRS. JOYCE MCLENDON Receives Honor

NC Woman Lands Police Job

WASHINGTON — This quaint little eastern town was all ears this week when it was announced that two women had been named to the police force.

The fact that the two race women were named was a little unusual, in view of the fact that no women had ever been named to the law enforcement group.

Mrs. Richard Thompson and Emmet Little were given the honor of being the first two of the fairer sex to be sworn. The two will work at school crossings as part of their duties and Mrs. Thompson is scheduled to check downtown parking meters. It could not be ascertained as to what Mrs. Little would do to round out her full-time duties.

This is believed to be the first time that Negro women have been given full police duties in the state. There has been one Negro man on the force for (CONTINUED ON PAGE 13)

State News Briefs

WIFE SHOT SPOUSE HELD LUMBERTON — Mrs. Linda Bell, 21, of Lumberton, R. I. is in fair condition at Robeson Memorial Hospital from gunshot wounds, and her husband, George A. Bell, 26, is being held in jail charged with the shooting which occurred earlier this week. Mrs. Bell sustained wounds to her right shoulder, neck and head from a double barrel shotgun. The gun has not yet been recovered. Bell was arrested at the hospital at about 2:30 a. m. and charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. Mrs. Bell was taken to the hospital by an unidentified man.

EMERLY MAN KILLED FAYETTEVILLE — A 60-year-old local resident died in a hospital (CONTINUED ON PAGE 13)

Booze Causes Youth's Death

LAGRANGE — Whiskey is believed to have been the cause of 44-year-old Ben Kittrell's death here Saturday night, after an altercation.

The killer is reported to have been drinking shortly before the killing. Harris is said to have

objected to the language Kittrell was using and showed his dissatisfaction by striking the older man in the face. Kittrell is said to have not turned the other cheek, but pulled his "blade" from his pocket. The statement is said to have further revealed that Kittrell lunged toward Harris, knife in hand.

The knife is believed to have slashed his jugular vein and Harris aided to death before medical aid reached him. The affray happened at a local store and drew several spectators, who looked on in horror. Kittrell (CONTINUED ON PAGE 13)