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BARS DROPPED; PATIENTS ENTER MERCY HOSPITAL

By CHARLES R. JONES

CHARLOTTE—Mercy Hospital, which is under the direction of the Catholic Sisters of Mercy, announced Tuesday that it is treating Negro bed patients.

This act marked the first time that any of the three white hospitals in this city have admitted Negro bed patients under any circumstances.

The admittance of Negro patients followed a request by Bishop Vincent S. Waters in October that hospitals of the Raleigh Diocese admit Negroes. Charlotte is under the jurisdiction of the Raleigh Diocese.

Sister Mary Peter, administrator at Mercy Hospital said, "This week, that the hospital is providing a section for its colored patients."

This hospital previously provided out-patient care for Negroes.

The NAACP, whose headquarters are located at Charlotte, and the local medical group, have waged a valiant fight for several years to have colored patients admitted to this city's hospitals. Most of (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)

KILLS GIRL FRIEND FOUND WITH MAN

WHITEVILLE—A local man is being held here pending a coroner's inquest after a Christmas Day incident here in which a Whiteville woman died from a gunshot wound.

Miss Mary McLean Pate, about 30-years-old, was pronounced dead on arrival at the Columbus County Hospital after being shot in the chest with a .38 caliber revolver allegedly in the hands of Roland Anderson, 28, who is being held.

The Flamingo Grill, a combination juke joint, cafe, was the scene of the fatal deed. The grill is located in the Negro section of this town and is known as "South Korea."

The Pate woman is said to have been seated at a booth in the company of another man at about 4:30 p. m. Christmas Day when Anderson entered the establishment.

Local police authorities said that Anderson claimed he was playing with the woman when he pulled the trigger on the firearm and had told her to (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)



SHORT-HAIRED SANTA — Mickey Finn, president of local 239 of the United Auto Workers, is shown playing Santa Claus (with an abbreviated wig) and surrounded by some of the 7,000 kids who attended a Christmas party given by the local recently for the children of union members at the St. Nicholas arena in New York. (Newspress Photo)

Brother Vs. Brother:

Refused To Change Tire, Killed

AMEZ BISHOPS TO HOLD JAN. MEET

NEW ORLEANS — (ANP) — Petty Memorial Church here will be host to the board of bishops of the AME Zion Church at a five-day meeting January 12-16.

Bishop Herbert Belle Shaw, Wilmington, N. C., primate of the ninth Episcopal district, will be host bishop and Rev. Cameron Aisarik, host pastor.

Petty Memorial, a new church, will be dedicated at closing sessions on Sunday with senior Bishop William J. Walls, Chicago, delivering the dedicatory sermon.

The church is named in honor (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)

LUMBERTON — A 26-year-old Fairmont man, Troy W. Stephens, was stabbed to death at about 3 p. m. Sunday and his brother, Robert L. Stephens, 19, is being held in the Robeson County Jail, charged with the stabbing.

Deputy Sheriff Charlie Pittman, who investigated the incident, along with Deputy Grady Jackson, reported that the two men were in a fight over changing an automobile tire when the stabbing occurred.

Robert told police that the fight took place at the home of their mother in the White Pond community.

The killer is said to have been lying on the bed in his room when Troy entered and asked him to assist in changing a tire on car.

When Robert refused to help him, it is said that Troy (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)

ROBBED TO PAY LAWYER'S FEE

HIGH POINT — A 15-year-old local boy, who admitted stealing \$1,800 from a safe at a local drug store to hire a lawyer to defend him in two earlier robberies, was bound over to Superior Court Monday. The youth is alleged to be a former employee of the drug concern.

Cicero Cadell waived preliminary hearing on the safe theft count in Municipal Court. His bond has been set at \$5,000.

Cadell now faces trial on three charges of breaking and entering, larceny and receiving.

He has admitted hiding in the McClellan Store here on two occasions last summer and taking more than \$1,000 (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)

Seeks Court Order To End Prison Segregation

WASHINGTON (ANP) — The U. S. district court was asked last week to order top officials of the justice department to put an end to racial discrimination in federal prisons.

A petition for writ of mandamus was filed Monday by Benjamin J. Davis, an inmate in the federal penitentiary at Terre Haute, Ind., filed in behalf of himself and other Negroes similarly situated in prisons and penitentiaries under the jurisdiction of the U. S.

U. S. Atty-Gen Herbert Brownell, Jr., and James V. Bennett, director, bureau of prisons, department of justice, were named defendants in the suit.

Davis, a former New York City councilman, is a native of Davidson, Ga., and received his education at Morehouse, Amherst and the Harvard law school. He began law practice in Atlanta in 1932.

He is one of 11 communist leaders convicted in 1949 on charges of conspiracy to teach and advocate the overthrow of the government by force and violence.

Davis, along with the other top communist leaders, was sentenced to serve five years in prison with time off for good behavior.

The U. S. Supreme court upheld the lower court decision in June, 1951. On July 2, 1951, Davis surrendered to the federal district court in New York City to begin serving his term. Four days later, he was transferred to the federal penitentiary at Terre Haute. He is expected to be freed in March.

The penitentiary at Terre Haute is one of six institutions operated by the bureau of prisons of the department of justice. It contains approximately 1,200 prisoners, 250 of them Negroes.

The petitioner claims that all Negro prisoners are confined to cells or dormitories which are located in a section reserved only for Negroes, while all other prisoners occupy cells or dormitories in a section reserved only for non-Negro prisoners.

The procedure upon entering the mess hall or entertainment halls is for Negro prisoners to enter as a group separately from other prisoners and to occupy separate tables in each hall.

In the auditorium, gymnasium and other places set aside for entertainment, all Negroes are seated (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)

Brownell Urged To Halt Housing Segregation Now

NEW YORK — Warning that a proposal of the National Association of Home Builders to erect houses for Negro occupancy only "if suitable sites" can be found means the development of more ghettos, Walter White, NAACP executive secretary, has urged U. S. Attorney General Herbert R. Brownell to take steps "to halt government participation in the practice of extending racial segregation in housing."

The Home Builders advanced this program at a Washington (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)

WHITE HOUSE INTERVENTION URGED BY TOBIAS

NEW YORK — President Eisenhower is to combat the "unbridled economic inroads" of Negro businessmen, farmers and laborers in Mississippi by certain white bankers, merchants and lending agents.

The request for White House intervention was embodied in a telegram to the President from Dr. Channing H. Tobias, chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, last week. Dr. Tobias's telegram, made public here recently, also asked for a conference with the President "for the presentation of factual evidence and a full discussion of this new threat to the wellbeing of our country."

"Negro leadership in Mississippi," the NAACP message charged, "is being subjected to undisguised economic infiltration and is being designed to curb civil rights and particularly to discourage registration and voting and to force abandonment of efforts to secure peaceful compliance with the May 20 ruling of the United States Supreme Court outlawing racial segregation in public schools."

The movement to use economic pressure to suppress demands by Negroes for an end to segregation was initiated by so-called citizens councils first organized in Mississippi. Recently, efforts have been made to extend the movement into Alabama and other southern states. Primarily, the movement has been aimed at NAACP state and local leaders. However, others who assert their citizenship rights have also been victimized.

A part of the text of the N. A. A. C. P. telegram to the White House, dated December 20, follows:

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FBI OPENS PROBE OF NEGRO COPS BEAT IN ALABAMA

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (ANP) — Two white police officers were dismissed pending an investigation by the police department of the beating of a Negro in a jail cell here last week.

The FBI was also known to be investigating to see if any federal statutes have been violated in the case.

The investigations are the outgrowth of an apparently innocent squabble over a parking space between Charles Patrick, 34-year-old cook, and the wife of one of the suspended policemen.

Patrick was fined \$25 for disorderly conduct as a result of the incident and was reportedly given a severe beating by one of the two policemen when they paid a visit to his cell in the city jail.

The two policemen were charged with conduct unbecoming an officer. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)

State News Brief

LOCAL RAPE HEARING CONTINUED

Two local youths who allegedly attempted to rape Miss Annie Ingram, race resident of 1909 St. Mary's Street recently, had their hearing continued in City Court Tuesday. Edward E. Lewis of 825 Jenkins Street and Charles Leon Merritt of 714 S. McDowell Street will face a preliminary hearing on January 30 on charges of assaulting Miss Ingram. Both of the youths are 17 years of age.

SOLDIER HELD IN SLAYING GREENVILLE

A 22-year-old man was shot to death here Sunday night by a blast from a gun fired by a soldier friend who is now dangerous a gun is. Dead said to have been participating in a dance at 232 Broadway Avenue. He was shot in the head over the right eye by a .38 caliber shell. The local coroner (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)



WAKE FAMILY ROUTED BY FIRE

A fire, which is believed to have originated from faulty wiring, completely destroyed a home located on Raleigh, Route 2 and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Willis E. Daniels

and three children, and Misses Catherine and Evelyn Young. When the blaze started only Mrs. Daniels and the children were at home and were rendered helpless since the residence was located outside the city limits. They are temporarily residing with a sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Hill of Washington Terrace. The fire occurred on Saturday morning about 3:30—STAFF TO BY CHAS. E. JONES.

CONGRESSMAN'S SECRETARY HELD ON TAX COUNT

NEW YORK — (ANP) — Indictments charging evasion of payment of federal income taxes were turned here last week against Mrs. Hattie Dodson, a congressional secretary to Rep. Adam Clayton Powell and her husband, Howard T. Dodson.

They were charged with evading \$5,000 in taxes from 1948 through 1952 and with receiving \$2,850 through false refund claims in that five-year period.

Mrs. Dodson's salary as a congressional secretary is \$5,200 a year. She also earns \$3,100 as business secretary for Abyssinian Baptist Church, of which her husband is chairman at \$3,000 a year. Rep. Powell is pastor of the church.

In September, it was testified before the Senate Banking currency committee, making into the housing scandals that Rep. Powell received a loan of \$3,000 to buy a sports car in 1952 from a building of an apartment in Co- (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)



B. F. FERGUSON

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FAYETTEVILLE — B. F. Ferguson, postal worker here for over 30 years and the first male president of the North Carolina Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers died here Tuesday morning.

Funeral services will be held Friday, December 31, at 3 p. m. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)

NEWSPAPERMAN SUES MRS. FINLEY WILSON AND JUDGE

WASHINGTON — (ANP) — Trezvant W. Anderson, Washington newspaper man, announced Tuesday that he had filed suit in the U. S. District Court of the District of Columbia, against Mrs. Leah Farrar Wilson, widow, executrix of the estate of the late Finley J. Wilson, for many years grand executor of the Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World. Coupled in the suit was Judge W. C. Hueston, secretary of the grand lodge.

The action seeks to recover, Anderson said, \$21,000 which he said had been fraudulently obtained as a profit when Wilson and Hueston sold the farm home of abolitionist John Brown located at Harper's Ferry, near Hagerstown, Md., to the Elks.

Anderson, who has been something of a stormy petrel in Elk at the last grand lodge in Chicago at the last grand lodge in Chicago for the office which Judge Hueston (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)

Man Gets In Bed With Couple

DUNN — A South Carolina man, who local officers say broke into the home of a Barnett County farmer and climbed into the bed in which the man and his wife were sleeping, has been jailed here without privilege of bond on charges of first degree burglary and larceny.

Chalmers Altman Afaard, the defendant, was arrested Wednesday night of last week. Sheriff Claude R. Moore said Woodrow Campbell, who lives on Highway 218 between Lillington and Angier, reported to officers that he was awakened during the night, turned on the light and found the South Carolina man lying in his bed beside his wife.

Afaard is said to have fled immediately.

It is believed that the man gained entrance to the home by breaking out a window in the kitchen and going up the hall into the bedroom.

The Campbell's infant baby was sleeping in a crib beside the bed, it is reported. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)

White Minister Says Have Courage In "Rights" Fight

NORFOLK, Va. — (ANP) — A white minister who defied a mob in Alabama during the historical defense of the Scottsboro boys told a capacity crowd at First Baptist Church here last week not to be afraid of trouble in its struggle for equality and civil rights.

The minister was Dr. Allen Knight Chalmers, professor of preaching and applied Christianity at Boston University, who was guest speaker for installation services for Rev. E. Paul Simms who succeeded (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)

Dr. R. H. Bowling who is now pastor emeritus of the church organized in 1800.

OFFICIALS IGNORE BOWL GAME PLEA

NEW ORLEANS — (ANP) — Announcement was made here this week that the usual Jim Crow seating would prevail at the annual Sugar Bowl football game to be played (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)



THE GRIND IS OVER — Visibly worn after nearly five days of deliberation, the Shoppard murder trial jury leaves Cleveland's Criminal Court building Tuesday, after finding the young osteopath guilty of the murder in the second degree in the Fourth of July slaying of his pregnant wife, Marilyn. Dr. Sam's lawyers will be granted a hearing on an appeal this week. Shoppard was sentenced to life imprisonment, but will be eligible for parole in 10 years. (Newspress Photo)