

COMMISSION WOULD DROP JC SCHOOL LAW



FULL HOUSE—Mrs. Everett Taylor, Charlotte housewife, shown with triplet girls—first for her, first for the hospital and first for the attending physician, Dr. R. M. Wyche. The girls weighed 5 lbs., 8 1/2 ounces, 4 lbs., 12 ounces and 4 lbs., 10 ounces. (Charlotte Observer Photo)

State Urged To Erase JC School Law

North Carolina's requirement that the races be segregated in the public schools should be eliminated because it is obsolete in view of the U. S. Supreme Court ruling holding segregation unconstitutional.

A commission working on reorganization of public school laws suggested the change in its report to Gov. Luther Hodges.

The commission headed by Fred Polner of Mount Airy, also recommended that the hiring of teachers should be on an annual basis, thus doing away with the teachers' continuing contract law. This latter change was proposed, it is reported, because of concern among some public school officials about a teacher employment situation that might result, if, under the Supreme Court ruling, Negro teachers should insist upon teaching in schools where whites were enrolled.

"Influence" Court N. C. Speaker Urges

Despite reports of the Governor's Special Advisory Commission on Education, House Speaker Harry Moore last Thursday voiced the opinion that the General Assembly will introduce a policy declaration on desegregation in an effort to "influence" the U. S. Supreme Court.

Would Decentralize

In line with legislation already proposed in both houses of the legislature, the commission further recommended decentralization of authority over the schools by placing in the hands of county and municipal school administrative units authority that heretofore has been exercised solely by the state.

5,900 Sign For Pro-Segregation

CHAPEL HILL—The pro-segregation petition originated by Dr. W. C. George, of the University of North Carolina medical school faculty, with 5,900 signatures, has been presented to the governor and the legislature, it was reported here this week.

Said Dr. George: "Our petition was based on the belief that bringing the two races together in intimate social and semi-social relations would further their fusion into a mixture and that such fusion would greatly harm and perhaps destroy American civilization."

Rep. Pou Headed In The Right Direction

No democratic vehicle is more acceptable and representative of the people than the ballot. This leads us to the discussion of the bill proposed by Representative Edwin S. Pou to elect the Raleigh School Board.

In sponsoring this bill Mr. Pou seems to be cognizant of the right of the people to choose their board members. This is as it should be in a democratic way of life.

The CAROLINIAN believes public office holders should be of, by and from the people. If the electors make a mistake in their selection of an office holder, the voters alone are to blame. This is their God given right. They should not become pawns in the hands of power-seeking appointees who make their choice of persons over whom they have control. When this is done it usually militates to the disregard for the rights of the people the selectors are supposed to serve and in many instances to the embarrassment of the persons who demand favors for their selections.

Methodist Women Aid School Desegregation

CHARLOTTE—Methodist women of the Southeast already have taken steps to implement the U. S. Supreme Court decision outlawing segregation in the public schools, the annual meeting of the Women's Society of Christian Service was told here Tuesday.

Charlotte Minister Seeks \$8,500 From Insurance Co.

GREENSBORO—The \$8,500 suit of the Rev. Joseph M. Frayton of Charlotte against the Royal Exchange Assurance Company continued before Judge Johnson J. Hayes in U. S. Middle District Court here Tuesday.

Denies Attacking White Woman, Man Gets 2 Yrs.

HIGH POINT—Despite his contention that police had manhandled him and coerced him into a confession, Erskine Vauss, 29, was sentenced to serve two years on the roads after a Guilford Superior Court jury found him guilty of assault on Mrs. Pauline Billings, white, one night last October.



OBERLIN BAPTIST CHURCH BURNS—The Oberlin Baptist Church, which is said to have been standing at 804 Oberlin Road for 72 years, was severely damaged by a fire which is believed to have originated from faulty wiring last Sunday afternoon. Dr. Grady D. Davis, pastor, said that the extent of damage has not been determined, but only the pews are expected to be worth salvaging.

Worship and Church School services will be held in the auditorium of the Oberlin School temporarily, the minister said. Evening services have been discontinued. Dr. Davis has pastored the church for approximately a year. The Oberlin Church is reputed to be one of the city's oldest. —STAFF PHOTO BY CHAS. R. JONES.

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Race Girl Heads Mixed "Y" Group



Miss June McMillan, 14, is still thanking his lucky stars that he doesn't work in a skyscraper building. He fell from the top floor of a Manhattan building recently, when he stepped into a "lift" that wasn't there. He wound up in the hospital with bad face cuts, instead of the morgue, only because the distance of the fall was less than 20 feet. (Newspress Photo)

Twin-City Girl Tops Selection

Delegates to the North Carolina State Y-Teen Conference, which was held at the Central YWCA, January 28, 29, 30, got a step on their elders when they elected Miss June McMillan, Winston-Salem high school junior, to the presidency.

Miss June McMillan and Mrs. Thomas H. Anders, Teen-Age Program Director of Central and Branch respectively served as hostesses. All of the Associations of N. C. were represented with Branch Association coming from Durham, Charlotte, Greensboro, High Point and Raleigh. Pauline Wynn and Lucy Burch were delegates from the Raleigh Y-Teen group. Both of these girls have had previous conference experience of this nature.

The purpose of the Conference is to help teen-agers to live out their purpose as YWCA members and to help them to keep the Y-Teen program in place in individual clubs. They play, sing, eat and study together. The schedule of activities include club clinics in which individual club problems are discussed and workshops.

The workshops were arranged by the Durham and Raleigh Associations. Mrs. E. M. Morgan Kelly, instructor of Music at the Ligon Jr.-Sr. High School, Raleigh, directed the Music Workshop. Crafts was done by Mrs. Mary E. Cunnage, instructor at the Washington Junior High School. Miss Nancy Barron, Director of Religious Education at the White Memorial Presbyterian Church took charge of the Workshop. Horace Dawson, member of the faculty at N. C. College, Durham, directed the Workshop in Public Relations while Miss Ester Bennett also of NCC directed the Workshop in Recreation.

A non-segregated banquet, held Saturday afternoon, was the highlight of the conference and Mrs. Evelyn Gaylord B. Noyce of the United Church, as guest speaker, Durham Central and Branch girls participated in a Fashion Show emphasizing the Centennial Celebration of the YWCA. Mrs. Emma (Continued on Page 11)

Woman Gets \$4,000 For Auto Hurts

GREENSBORO—Mrs. Elsie Crawford, hurt in an auto accident here last Feb. 4, was awarded \$4,000 by a Guilford County Superior Court jury here Wednesday in her suit against Mrs. Lorraine L. Reeves and her husband. Mrs. Crawford had told the court that negligence of the defendants had caused her serious and permanent injuries when the car in which she was riding and one owned by the Reeveses collided at a Belmont intersection almost a year ago.

Judge F. Donald Phillips of Rockingham and the jury spent most of the day hearing evidence in the case.

Funeral Of Virginia Man Delayed As Relatives Bicker Over Corpse

DANVILLE, Va.—Charles Eubanks, a native of Halifax County who died in Philadelphia, was finally given burial here last week, but not until after the sheriff, the commonwealth's attorney and a group of lawyers had intervened.

Eubanks' daughter commissioned a South Boston undertaker to take the body to Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Hyco community and fixed the date of the funeral. But the widow of Eubanks, meanwhile, had commissioned another funeral home to get the body and to keep it until a son came from a distance for the funeral.

Although Commonwealth Attorney Frank McKinney took the view that the widow had first claim on the funeral arrangements, the daughter declined to yield, and the body was removed to the church while relatives went home for a family dinner to precede the rites.

3 Trapped As Fire Sweeps Lenoir Home

KINSTON—Mrs. Isadora Rhodes, 40, and her grandchildren, Yvonne, 7, and Rudolph, 3, died Saturday, when fire of undetermined origin swept through their seven-room frame house.

The victims were all sleeping in a rear bedroom where they were trapped, firemen say. There were no other occupants of the house. The one-story building caved in as firemen arrived in sub-zero cold. The flames spread to another house and did extensive damage there before being brought under control.

SCALES FACES GRAND JURY IN TWO SLAYINGS

GREENSBORO—Appearing without counsel and pleading not guilty, Richard Scales, 29, was bound over Monday from Municipal County Court to Guilford Superior Court charged with the Jan. 19 slaying of Mrs. Bertha Cook, 31, and her six-year-old daughter, Betty Marie.

Scales, an ex-convict of 280 Dick Street, was taken to Guilford County jail where he will remain without bond for the next grand jury sitting, scheduled for Feb. 7.

Lawrence Gaston, whom Scales earlier implicated in the double crime, but who was later freed when Scales allegedly confessed responsibility for both killings, was freed. According to Deputy Sheriff Thurman Jones, Scales implicated Gaston out of spite because he feared that Gaston, who tipped off police as to his whereabouts, had squealed on him.

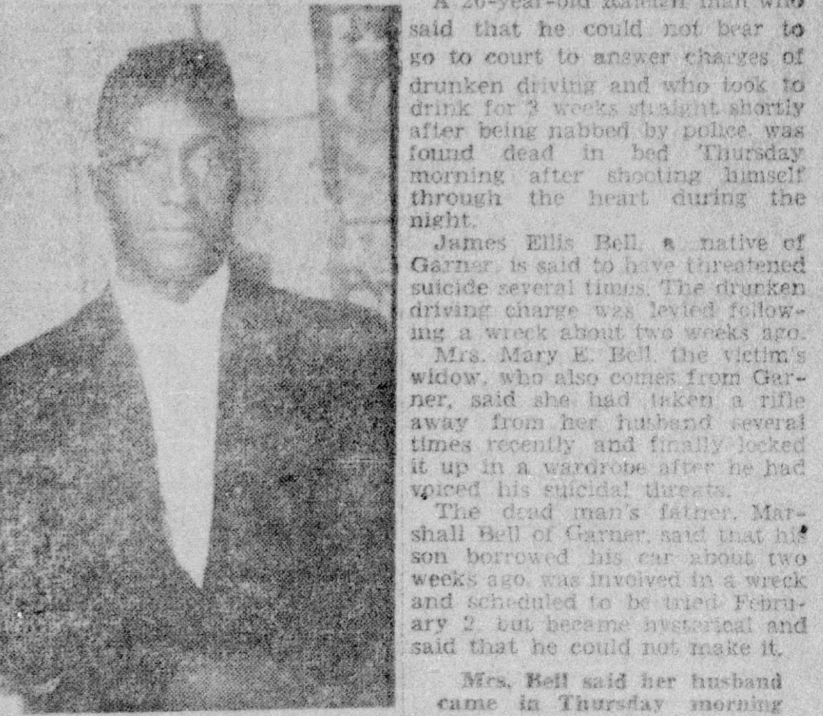
The gashed bodies of the Cooks were found by neighbors in the kitchen of the Cook home on the rural New Garden Road, six miles from Greensboro on the afternoon of Jan. 19. Less than 24 hours later, police had arrested Gaston and Scales. (Continued on Page 11)

Father, Son Jailed On Child Rapes

WASHINGTON—Should the next term of Superior Court, held in Beaufort County, find Floyd Willie Johnson, 39, guilty of rape and his son, Willie Morrison, 17, also guilty of the same offense, it can be truthfully said "Like father, like son." They are both being held in the county jail in default of bond, for raping teenage girls.

The father was arrested Saturday and charged with raping Mary Thomas, 14, of Chocowinity, in June, 1954. The Thomas girl (Continued on Page 11)

Said Despondent Over Court Case



JAMES BELL

TOBIAS SAYS REMOVE ALL RACIAL BARS

GREENSBORO—"I look for the day when no question will be asked at any branch of the YMCA except whether a youth has need of its services," Dr. Channing H. Tobias declared here, Saturday night.

Dr. Tobias, chairman of the national board of the NAACP, and a former member of the national staff of the YMCA, was the principal speaker at the 16th annual dinner meeting of the Hayes-Taylor Memorial YMCA held in the Student Union at Bennett College. "I object to racial segregation." (Continued on Page 11)

Carolinian To Stage Subscription Contest

The management of the CAROLINIAN announced this week that the most gigantic subscription contest that has ever been staged in the state will get underway February 10th and end March 21, lasting for six weeks.

There will be all winners and no losers. The person who turns in the largest number of subscriptions to the CAROLINIAN equivalent to 50 yearly subscriptions will receive a Deep Freezer. Subscriptions are not limited to one year. A subscriber may purchase as many yearly subscriptions as desired; and any present subscriber may add as many years to his or her current subscription as wanted.

The person who reports the second largest number will receive a Standard Television Set. The person who turns in the third largest number will receive a Washing Machine. All contestants will receive 15% of all monies turned in. (Continued on Page 11)



4-H BOARD MEMBERS—Board members of the 4-H Club Foundation of North Carolina, Inc., who met at A&T College in Greensboro last week, check specifications of the proposed 4-H Club Camp to be completed at Hammocks Beach in Onslow County in time for the opening of the regular camping season in June. Left to right: W. J. Kennedy, president of the N. C. Mutual Life Insurance Company, Durham; John H. Wheeler, president of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank, Durham; and Dr. F. D. Buford, president of A&T College. (Photo courtesy Greensboro Daily News)

HIGH SCHOOL BARS DOWN IN ST. LOUIS

CHARLOTTE—Dr. Hardy Linton, president of Johnson C. Smith University, was elected a vice president of the North Carolina Council of Churches as that body closed its 13th annual meeting here.