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Trial Of Former A&T College Bursar Opens Monday

CHARGES PERSECUTION IN ABORTION ARREST

Body Thrown From Hearse; Widow Sues For $23,000

MRS. ELLEN ALSTON

ASHEBORO—Charging that the hearse bearing the body of her late husband was wrecked because it was traveling at an "unlawful and terrific rate of speed," Mrs. Viola Swaringen of Trotter Street here, filed suit for $23,000 damages against a Greensboro undertaker this week.

Named as defendants in the complaint filed in the office of the Randolph County clerk of court are Perry J. Browne Funeral Directors and two of his employees—Maurice W. Waddington and Cecil Thomas, all of Greensboro.

According to the complaint Mrs. Swaringen charged that on Nov. 17 a funeral procession bearing the body of her late husband, Clarence, was halted by a wreck involving the leading family car and the hearse, driven by Waddington and Thomas, respectively, about 15 miles west of Asheboro.

The procession, which left Greensboro late in the morning, was traveling, Mrs. Swaringen charged, at speeds ranging from 65 to 75 miles per hour. Thomas, driving the hearse, she said, attempted to swerve when Waddington, driving the lead car, suddenly slowed down but the hearse skidded and turned over, barring the body out.

Mrs. Swaringen charged that the body, mutilated by cuts on the face and forehead, was left on the highway for nearly three hours while another casket was brought. As a result of the delay the procession finally reached its destination near Monroe well after 6 p.m. and the body was "buried in the dark of the night."

Professing "great unreasonable mental suffering and injury to her feelings," Mrs. Swaringen, a grandmother, asks for personal injury damages of $3,000, punitive damages of $10,000 and another $10,000 for the grief and anguish she suffered.

TWO DIE IN DISC JOCKEY INJURED IN WRECK—Shown above is the twisted wreckage which claimed the lives of Alonzo Dove, 45, of Kinston and Roy Lee Lee, 29, white, also of Kinston. Viola R. (Hotfoot) Lawson, popular Kinston disc jockey and driver of the auto shown in the photo, sustained head and chest injuries and is listed as "critical" at Wayne Memorial Hospital. The wreck occurred Saturday. Lawson's station wagon is alleged to have skidded out of control after rounding a curve on Highway 11, four miles north of Kinston and collided with a pickup truck. Dove, who was riding with Lawson, is said to have died from a broken neck. (Photo courtesy of the Kinston Daily Free Press)

Ex-Bursar at A&T College Up for Trial

GREENSBORO — The long-delayed trial of Nathaniel Webster, 53, for 30 years bursar at A&T College on charges of embezzling funds from the state-supported institution is expected to get underway Monday in Guilford Superior Court with Judge Susie Sharp of Raleigh presiding.

Webster, released from the college two years ago on a $15,000 bond. Although he is on 23 counts of embezzlement he will be tried on only six of the charges.

Case Postponed

The total amount he is charged with embezzling is $116,121.13, but he will be charged with only $51,870.65 for his own use. The case has been calendared many times and was expected to come to court last November but was postponed when Webster's attorney said that he could not prepare for that time.

Because many of the witnesses which the state expects to call will come from scattered sections of the United States, it is expected that the trial will be a long one.

Dismissal of Webster by the executive committee of the A&T board of trustees followed a preliminary report issued by Auditor Henry L. Bridges who had a team of investigators working at the college three weeks prior to the action of the trustees.

Trustees Statement

At the time of his dismissal the trustees, in a statement to the press, said:

"The executive committee met Monday afternoon, February 28,

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2 Girls Deplore Tactics Of Police

Mrs. Alston Woman of Yr.

Mrs. Ellen S. Alston, outstanding educational, civic and religious leader has been chosen Raleigh's "Woman of the Year" by the Ministerial Alliance in cooperation with the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority. This Sorority has sponsored the honoring of a leading woman citizen annually for the past eight years. Qualifications include outstanding achievement in human relationships, community welfare and religious expression.

Various means have been used to make the bestowing of this honor an activity for and by the people: clubs and organizations, general supporters of the movement and Greek letter groups have

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Gun Held By Boy, 13, Kills Baby Brother

Following a coroner's jury here Sunday returning a verdict of accidental death in the shotgun slaying of 2-year-old Moses Johnson, Jr., Brown, 13, at Wade Crews that afternoon.

The child was shot at close range with a 20-gauge shotgun. The charge tore his mouth and tangled a large portion of his face.

According to Erwin's testimony, he had fired a gun at a bird in the back yard and had aimed at it when his younger brother stepped in front of the gun just as he fired. Death was instant.

Young Brown ran to the home of a neighbor, Wade Turner, and told him what had happened.

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'Mr. Civil Rights' Wife Dies After Brief Illness

NEW YORK — Mrs. Vivien (Buster) Marshall, wife of Thurgood Marshall, died Friday at her home, 409 Edgecombe Avenue after a short illness. She was 44.

Mr. Marshall is head of the NAACP Legal Defense & Educational Fund which spearheaded the school segregation cases that resulted in the May 17 Supreme Court decision outlawing segregation in public and elementary schools. He is also special counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Mrs. Marshall, affectionately called "Buster" by her friends across the country, was born Feb. 11, 1911 in Philadelphia. She was the daughter of Christopher and Maude Burey. She and Thurgood Marshall were married Sept. 4, 1929 while he was still a student at Lincoln University.

She was taken ill last October and was in the Flower and Fifth Avenue Hospital for a few weeks. Since leaving the hospital, she had been confined to her home. She died on her birthday.

A loyal supporter of her husband throughout the years in his continual fight against inequality,

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WHITE CLUB TOLD OFF BY COLLEGE HEAD

ROCKY MOUNT — Dr. Travis White, president of Atlantic Christian College, rocked the Current Topics Club here Monday night when he told the members that segregation in anything was against the tenets of both the Christian religion and true democracy.

The president took those people to task who would attempt to circumvent the ruling of the United State Supreme Court by gerrymandering the districts and making such laws as they feel would keep segregation in vogue. He said, "Desegregation puts to a test the best Christianity in us." He called attention to the fact that no problem could be solved by running

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Michigan Congressman Raps Opponents Of Integration

WASHINGTON — American Negroes should "flush out and expose elements who resist integration because they are dependent on our segregated economy for survival," a U. S. Congressman told delegates to the NAACP National Youth Legislative Conference here last week.

Rep. Charles C. Diggs (D-Mich.) urged also that Negroes, "in this era of integration," expand their interests outside the field of civil rights. He asked the delegates to work for an increased federal minimum wage, greater income tax exemption and revised Taft-Hartley law.

Another speaker at the conference, Mrs. Juanita Jackson Mitchell, said the NAACP needs young people to "ring doorbells and get people out to register and vote."

Use of Vote Urged

"The potential of the Negro vote in the South is the swiftest way to clean up segregation," she declared.

Mrs. Mitchell is secretary of the legal redress committee of the Association's Baltimore branch. She called Maryland "the N. A. A. C. P.'s workshop" because "it is a state with a real Southern ex-

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DR. EDDY TO SPEAK AT YMCA MEETING

Dr. Sherwood Eddy, author, lecturer and world traveler, will address the annual meeting of the Bloodworth Street YMCA, Thursday, February 24, at 8 p.m.

He will be introduced by Dr. N. H. Harris and C. A. Haywood, Chairman of the Board of Management will preside. Music will be furnished by the St. Paul Choristers with Mrs. L. F. Perrin directing.

R. H. Toole, chairman of the nominations committee, will make the report for the committee and six members of the association will be elected to the board of management. Service awards will be conferred by F. J. Carnage to men

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Subscription Contest Draws Much Interest

The statewide subscription contest which was launched by the management of the CAROLINIAN last week, seems to have struck a happy cord with the people of the state. Entries have been coming in at a rapid rate and from the reports, it bids fair to be the most successful campaign ever held in the state.

The contestants will be vieing to win over $1,000.00 worth of prizes which will be given away on March 26th. The first prize is a Maytag Deep Freezer. The second prize is a Maytag Washing Machine and the third prize is a Zenith Television Set. There will be no losers in the contest. All of the contestants will receive 15 per cent commisison on all subscriptions turned in. There is still time for entries. Send your name and address to the CAROLINIAN, 518 E. Martin Street, Raleigh.

Persons entered up to press time were: Mrs. Odessa B. Alexander, Durham; Mrs. Hattie B. Williams, Durham, Mrs. T. P. Dubart, Chapel Hill; Mrs. A. G. Rankins, Concord; Mrs. A. T. Evans, Lexington; Mrs. S. P. Hudson, High Point; Mrs. Avis Wilkins, Salis-

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State News —IN— Brief

SHAW PREXY HEADS COMMITTEE

Dr. William R. Strassner, president of Shaw University, has been elected chairman of the joint committee on Theological Education, at its recent meeting in Chicago, Ill. The committee is composed of representatives of the American Baptist, Convention and National Baptist Conventions. The purpose of the joint committee is to work in the interest of theological education, to set up theological centers in Baptist church-related colleges that have schools of religion. The ultimate objective is that these schools of religion will be so strengthened as to receive accreditation by the American Association of Theological Schools.

GOLD PERSON MAN IN SHOOTING

HENDERSON—Stephen Baird Jackson, 28, of Albemarle township, is being held in the Person County Jail without bond in the shooting of Henry Lawson, 25, of the same community. The alleged incident occurred Saturday night. Information has trended to show that an argument started between the two last Friday at Roxboro's gas station over Lawson's wife. Jackson is said to have visited Lawson's house, but was run

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2 MEN INJURED IN COLLISION WITH "HOT FOOT"

Elizabeth City—Patrolman [illegible] Eaton and Patrolman B. Otto Pope, Jr., got too hot on the accelerator of a station wagon in a shower of rain four miles out on highway 17 Friday and the result, two injured and a "Hot Foot" is in a burn ward on at Benoit Memorial Hospital.

Lawson, who had just been released from the hospital, was driving the station wagon which is used over a Kinston radio station daily.

Pope, who was driving the officers car, was thrown by Lawson across the wet road and crashed into a truck driven by Robert Earl Dobbs, Jr., white, Richmond, Va. Lawson, Miller, a negro, The impact of the crash threw both Lee and Miller out of the truck, with Lee landing under it where he suffered fatal head injuries. Miller escaped injury.

Amos Dove was riding

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Hold Close Friend In Poison Death

GRAHAM — After a coroner's jury gave its verdict that Eugene McCauley, 41 of Mebane met his death by arsenic poisoning, Tom Tate, a close friend and neighbor was back in jail on a charge that he could have caused his friend's death.

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Teacher Group Visits Legislative Committee

The Legislative Committee of the North Carolina State Teachers' Association, headed by Dr. Malcolm D. Williams, called upon the Joint Appropriations Committee here Tuesday and outlined to the solons some of the things that they felt the schools of the state needed.

The committee along with officials of the State Board of Education and representatives from the National Education Association were joined by a committee from the United Forces for Education. The latter group set out a long range 5 point program. Requests were made for all the schools of the state rather than for any race or special schools. They were as follows:

Clerks for principals; Attendance officers; That salaries of teachers holding "A" certificates begin at $2600 and extend to $4100. (This proposal also suggested that other state workers receive corresponding salary increases.); That teachers be hired for a period of 9 and 1-2 months. (This was sired so that the teachers could have 2 weeks of orientation, and That a special teacher be hired for every 20 teachers. State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Charles Carroll, presented the case for the State Board of Education. He asked that the same salary scale be adhered

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NATIONWIDE HOTEL OPERATORS MEET IN RALEIGH—Members of the Nationwide Hotel Association Inc., Region 3, met Monday at the Deluxe Hotel, Raleigh and heard national president Byron A. Brooks report on actions taken by the Board of Directors to improve conditions in the industry. They also received plans and projects for NHA's Annual Convention slated for Detroit, Michigan October 17-20. Shown in the above photo, seated, l to r, are Andrew F. Jackson, Public Relations Counsel, Washington, D. C.; Miss B. L. Griswold, Treasurer; Mrs. Helen Starks, Starksville Guest House; Mr. Brooklins, Rio Plaza Hotel, Newark, N. J.; Mrs. Melvina Jackson; A. H. Johnson, Johnsons' Tourist Home, Orangeburg, S.C.; Standing, l to r, R. A. Markham, 2nd Vice President, Mark-Haven Beach Hotel, Tappahannock, Va.; Mrs. J. M. Johnson, Orangeburg, S. C.; Mrs. Bonnie McEachin, National First Vice President, The Plaza Hotel, Norfolk, Va.; and William E. Brooks, Member Board of Governors, Colbrook Inn, Chester, Va. The next meeting will be held at Bayshore Hotel, Buckroe Beach, Va., on call of the president of Region 3, Dr. Robert L. Gordon, Dillon, S. C.

"ONLY BELIEVE"

(AN EDITORIAL)

The growing crisis in the South following the impact of the Supreme Court decision resulting in loss of jobs to Negroes in shipping, but nowhere in the South should the Negro let hate, anger or intolerance drive him to fear or distraction.

When the Negro was brought to the shores of this now great Republic and allowed to stay until he created a problem by liberation from slavery, scientists and sociologists were content to believe that the destiny of the young and tender Negro race would doom him to his own destruction.

While our forefathers may have been discarded to frustration, through being trampled, sinered, abused and given little opportunity to grow along with other Americans, they conquered their spirits and submitted meekly to a philosophy of delivering through the greatest of all influences in the life of a man, family, state or nation . . . a belief in religion . . . God Almighty—the Father of us all.

It was this spirit and philosophy that gave the Negro the most pronounced growth that an oppressed people have ever encountered in the history of mankind. God Almighty will not and has not let his people down. He will not let us down now if we do as the song says, "Only Believe."

Mahatma Ghandi, a present-day symbol of peace and prayer won freedom for his people and the plaudits of the world. Prayer and perseverance delivered India from the chains of bondage with little or no bloodshed for reward.

Negroes are naturally a prayerful race. This is the most paramount need of the nine million Negroes in the South today—an abiding faith in the power that erased the stripes from the face of the earth by sacrificing His Son, Jesus, that men might again see the light.

Our forefathers saw the light. Their only weapon was prayer and faith for salvation. They survived. We are today because of their unfailing faith, courage and fortitude. Let us pray, work and seek the tomorrow, even beyond our present conditions and circumstances, if we use our heritage of great spiritual wealth through prayer. Pass it on to our children through our behavior based on the same Christian grounds of faithful and prayerful religion. This is our heritage; this is our salvation—"ONLY BELIEVE."