

300 LEADERS PROTEST JIM CROW SCHOOL BILLS



Governor Luther Hodges shown with part of citizens group which visited him at the Capitol on Tuesday afternoon to tell him of their opposition to legislation which would decentralize the state's school system. Chief executive showed keen concern.



John H. Wheeler, president of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank of Durham, and spokesman for the delegation as he addressed joint education committee of legislature at Raleigh.



Part of packed conference room as some 300 representative citizens from all parts of the state converged on Raleigh to tell legislators of their opposition to bills aimed at decentralizing the state's school system.

CONTEST STANDINGS

Contestants in the CAROLINIAN'S big subscription contest are reminded to get their votes in not later than noon on Tuesday, March 1 in order that their names may be included in the standings which will be published next week. Hurry, if you don't want to be left out!

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BIG COOKING SCHOOL

Calling all housewives! Be sure to watch next week's paper for announcement of the third annual CAROLINIAN Food Show and Home-maker's Exposition. There will be loads of prizes, free food books and cookbooks for all, plus demonstrations of various methods of preparing your favorite dishes.

Legislators Cordial To Race Group

By ALEXANDER BARNES
A delegation of citizens from all parts of the state converged on the Joint Education Committee of the Senate and the House here Tuesday and in no uncertain terms told the committee that not only were they against any effort to decentralize the state's school system, but they were also against any move to reorganize the school districts and asked that the legislature take steps to allow the fears that are now plaguing the teachers.

Verdict Near In Suit For 100 G's

GREENSBORO—The \$100,000 personal suit which has claimed the attention of the Guilford County Superior Court, brought by Frank Spencer against W. M. Ketchie and the Southern Railway Company, went to the jury Tuesday morning. The jury deliberated five hours and was sent home by Judge P. Don Phillips at 8:45 P.M. A verdict in the case was expected Wednesday. Spencer's suit was based on his claim that Ketchie slashed him with a blackjack in March, 1953, during a squabble at the Salisbury train station.

Subpoena 87 For Trial Of N.C. Webster

GREENSBORO—Presidents of two colleges, a city councilman and a half dozen ministers are among 87 witnesses subpoenaed for the trial of N. C. Webster, former A&T College bursar which got underway here Tuesday in Guilford Superior Court. The trial of Webster, on five counts of embezzlement of more than \$9,000 from the state-supported institution, is expected to take all of this week and may extend into next week. The defendant entered pleas of innocent to the charges.

Girl, 16, Says Flowers Raped Her 3 Times

Robert L. Flowers, 45, well-known local citizen, faces a possible death sentence following the alleged rape of a 16-year-old Raleigh girl here last Wednesday. The accused is said to have occurred at 1307 E. Hargett Street, where he resides. Miss Eddie Mae McLean, the victim, reportedly told investigating officers that she was enticed by Flowers to come to the Capital City to seek employment at an anonymous grill. Upon reaching the city, she said, it was apparent that finding her a job was not uppermost in Flower's mind. The girl charged in a warrant drawn last week that she was raped by force and against her will three times on February 16.

Racing Car Kills Three In Guilford

KERNERSVILLE—J. C. Rice missed a sharp curve and was called out by death, while Bobby F. Pennington failed to take the proper shift off the backboard of the speed that the car in which they were riding, at a reported 100 miles per hour, and he, along with William A. Mitchell, is dead. The trial died as the result of what was termed "Guilford" (CONTINUED ON PAGE 11)

State News Brief

SCHOOL PLANS EXPANSION—GREENVILLE—Final inspection is set this week on the general contract of the new additions to the South Greenville Negro School. The new wing will contain six classrooms, a cafeteria, kitchen, auditorium and library. The new facility is expected to be available for use at the opening of the fall semester of next year.

Summons Firemen Instead Of Cops

GREENSBORO—When someone is beating you over the head and shoulders with an axe, you want help fast, no matter from which quarter it may come. At least that was the thinking of Miss Minnie Free, 39, of 157 W. McCullough Street, who was fined \$10 and costs and given a 30-day suspended sentence in Municipal Court for turning in a false fire alarm.

WOMAN KILLED, 3 INJURED IN CRASH

DUNN—Monroe Mitchell, 28, a civilian employee of Fort Bragg, made the fatal mistake of disregarding a stop sign on highway 219, about 10:30 Saturday night at a point two miles south of Lillington, and the result is that he is languishing in the Harnett County jail. Mrs. Elizabeth James is dead. Ernest James is hospitalized with severe internal injuries. Annie Baugh is exhibiting scars and Garfield Bailey thinks he is lucky after being treated for lacerations.

Late Contest Entries Spur Carolinian Race

The second week of the subscription campaign now being staged by the CAROLINIAN, look on real stature when more persons enrolled to capture the more than \$1,000,000 worth of prizes. From the way late entries are coming in, there will be more than 100 contestants. The management of the paper said this week that it bids fair to being the most successful contest ever staged in the state. Entries are from most of the

'Other Woman' Said Basis of Shooting

DUNN—That old story about the eternal triangle landed Van Greenboro, Mr. Charles Crumpton, Winston-Salem, Feb. 21, and Britton, Gastonia, Rev. C. T. Tharrington, Henderson, Mrs. Evelyn Arcana, Gastonia, Mr. C. M. Palmer, Durham; Mrs. Parthana Pratt, Durham; Mrs. Sarah Gal-

No Public Funds For Private Schools, Gov. Hodges Asserts

Emphatic opposition to a proposal to keep public school segregation through the use of public funds to support private schools, was voiced by Gov. Luther Hodges last week. Until the U. S. Supreme Court has acted further on the school segregation issue, said the Governor, the plan proposed by Rep. Sam Worthington of Pitt County is "unnecessary and untimely."

Riverside Inn Gun Battle Brings Injuries To Three

Located on Peole Road about six miles east of the city, Riverside Inn, which has made news on other occasions, cropped up in the news Sunday morning when it was the scene of a gun battle, in which two brothers were fired upon. The proprietors, Henry Godson and Charlie Watkins, did not like the conduct being displayed by the late brothers, who are said to have accosted an unidentified person.

N.C. State To Welcome Ag. Agents Despite Protest

Negro farm and home agents will attend a three-week course for extension workers at North Carolina State College, despite the objection of Trustee John W. Clark, Dr. Carey B. Boston, chancellor, made clear last week. Clark, a textile manufacturer of Greensboro and Franklinton, in a letter to Sen. John H. Kerr of Watkinson, said that admitting the Negroes to the courses was an effort to drive an "opening wedge" for racial integration.

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