

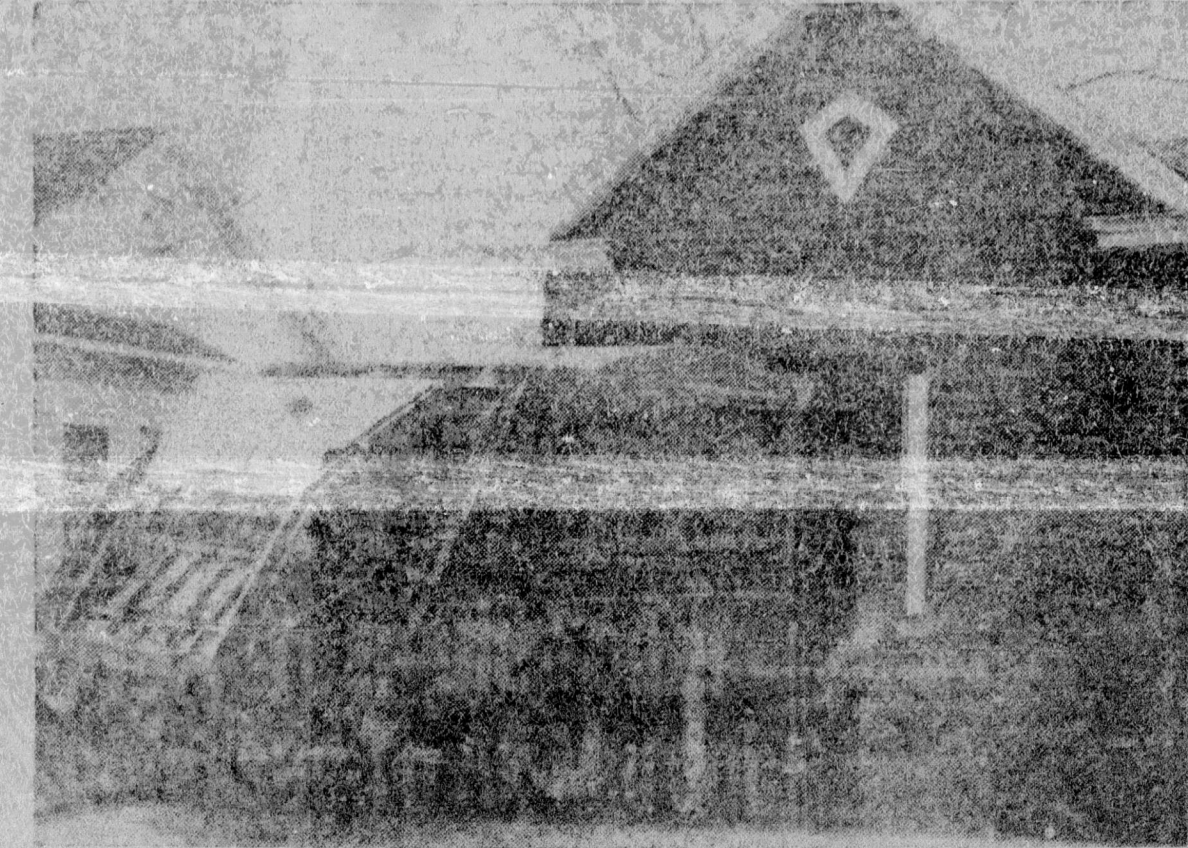
NAACP HEAD ASKS REPEAL OF BIAS LAWS

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Kills Sleeping Hubby With Axe

Girl In Flower's Case



Calls Upon Governor To Abolish Laws

Governor Hodges was called upon Saturday to help abolish all racial segregation laws in North Carolina.

The request came from Kelly M. Alexander of Charlotte, president of the state conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Accompanying it were copies of 27 suggested bills eliminating all reference to segregation in the state's general statutes.

Among the suggested bills which Gov. Hodges was asked to present to the legislature was one which would repeal the act forbidding marriage between whites and Negroes.

In his letter to the governor, Alexander said: "We hope that you will join with us in urging all representatives and senators to support it. Meanwhile, we hope to have an expression of support from you in this democratic cause."

5,000 IN PITT COUNTY BACK LEM CROW BILL

GREENVILLE — Petitions listing nearly 5,000 names of Pitt County citizens supporting Rep. Sam Worthington's bill aimed at maintaining segregation in North Carolina's public schools were sent to Raleigh last week.

In accepting them, Worthington said: "As a whole, the Negroes do not want to be segregated with the whites. However, there are certain groups and people in this country, at this time, for racial and political reasons want to impose upon the people something which they do not want."

Other Changes Asked

The NAACP asked changes in laws which require separation of races in public transportation. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 11)

Drinking Party Ends In Slaying Of Woman

WINTON — A drinking party which resulted in the death of a woman and the sentencing of the man to life in prison was rehearsed in Superior Court here this week.

Joe Garris was sentenced to life for the murder of his common-law wife, Mrs. Leola Johnson, by Judge Leo Carr.

Garris submitted a plea of guilty of murder in the first degree when his case was called for trial. He told the court that his wife was under the care of a physician at the time of her death and that the two of them had been drinking on the fatal night. He could not remember when he

CHARM WOMAN ENTANGLED AT GATE CITY

GREENSBORO — Police this week were holding Miss Augusta Jones, 26-year-old modeling instructor of Chicago and Durham under \$3,000 bond on six charges of forgery and two counts of worthless checks totaling \$569.05.

Miss Jones was arrested Friday night and police said that she admitted all of the counts. They say further that she had received suspended sentences in two similar cases in High Point last week.

According to the warrants, the checks were passed between Feb. 18 and Feb. 23 through the purchase of small items in five different stores.



TOY GUN BANDIT GETS 8 TO 10 YEARS

GREENSBORO — Samuel McGreer, unemployed tobacco worker from Winston-Salem, who actually lost money in the Feb. 21 stickup of the Western Union office here, was given an 8-10 year sentence for highway robbery in Superior Court here Monday.

Just a few days after the robbery was reported, McGreer was arrested as he fled from an inter-urban bus in Junior-Salem, toy pistol in hand. Arresting officers reported that the man had \$29 of \$32 taken when he was seized.

The holdup actually netted McGreer nothing, since he had to buy the toy pistol and pay for his bus transportation from here to Winston-Salem. Although admitting having served two previous sentences in Pennsylvania for toy gun stickups, McGreer denied that he is the man wanted by Charlotte police in connection with a similar holdup of the Western Union office there.

4 Nabbed After Auto Chase in Burlington

BURLINGTON — Four Greensboro residents were stopped by local police Saturday morning, after the car in which they were riding bumped a gas station pump and failed to stop at a red traffic light. Police charged James Kelly, the driver, with running a red light, having improper brakes and failing to stop for a police siren. The car owner, James Thomas, was charged with public drunkenness. Police say that they found 18 gallons of gas in the tank. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 11)

Segregation Sinful, Evangelist Charges

WASHINGTON — "Racial segregation is sinful," Evangelist Billy Graham declared here Sunday night during a TV-radio interview on "Meet the Press."

According to the Scripture, Graham stated, "God has made all nations of one blood and I think that anything that causes races to feel inferior, one from another, or the making of second-class citizens is not only un-American; I think it's un-Christian."

"And I have taken a strong stand on this," the evangelist continued, explaining that his meeting, held in New Orleans and

TOO CLOSE FOR COMFORT

Mrs. E. S. Garner of 300 Arling Street, Greensboro, had just left her living room to brew a cup of tea in the kitchen last Thursday morning when this smiling 4-year-old crashed through the wall at a point where she had just been standing. In second photo, Mrs. Garner surveys damage to a console television set, other furniture and the wall. A new living room suite due for delivery that day fortunately had not arrived. Tilmann Alexander, driver of the truck said that his brakes failed as the truck descended a steep grade. Sam Miller, a passenger, was taken to L. Richardson Hospital where it was reported Monday that he was recovering satisfactorily from a bruised right shoulder and a slight concussion. Fortunately, the five Garner children were at school when the accident occurred. (Record Staff Photos)

TIRED OF LIVING; ENDS IT ALL

DURHAM — A verdict of suicide was handed down in the case of Gus Mack, 39-year-old local man, after he reportedly shot himself in the mouth with a .22 caliber rifle at his home here, killing himself instantly.

Still Time To Win A Prize In Big Carolinian Contest

Contests in our state-wide subscription contest now being staged by the CAROLINIAN have exactly 12 more days before the curtain will fall. This means that if you have not been working, you had better get busy if you expect to win one of the three big prizes.

The person who sells the largest number of yearly subscriptions over 50 will receive a Maytag Deep Freezer. This good looking piece of household equipment will be the answer to your freezing problem and think what little you have to do to win. All you have to do is get your relatives, your neighbors, your church members, your fraternal persons and even your mother-in-law to subscribe for the state's largest weekly newspaper for the small sum of \$4.50 a year.

The second prize is a Maytag Washing Machine. Perhaps you have always wanted to get away from the drudgery of having to

launder your clothes. Now you can have a Maytag washing machine. This is a great deal on racial relations in the United States "because I think that it is one of our sore spots."

Earlier in the day Graham had preached at the National Presbyterian Church where one of his listeners was President Eisenhower.

Nashville were unsegregated. "We are trying to set an example to encourage the breakdown of segregation."

PROSECUTION THREATENS TO JAIL VICTIM

The prosecuting witness in the Robert L. Flowers rape case has failed on three occasions to appear in City Court and state her side of the alleged incidents of Wednesday, February 16.

According to the clerk of City Court, three subpoenas have been issued to Miss Sadie Maxwell, the plaintiff, to be present for the hearing.

The subpoenas were allegedly served by the sheriff of Wake County, Robert Pleasant, to a deputy in the vicinity of Zebulon, where the girl is said to be staying. The deputy, in turn, reportedly delivered the subpoenas to the young lady in person, but she has failed to respond each time. The case was originally set for February 22 but was continued twice.

Flowers, who is being defended by attorney Sam J. Morris of Raleigh, was in City Court Tuesday morning for several hours. He was told by Morris at approximately 11 a.m. that Miss Wells had not shown up. Flowers left the courtroom at this time.

The girl has contended in a warrant drawn two weeks ago that Flowers, who resides at 1307 E. Hargett Street here, raped her three times on the night of February 16 while she was in Raleigh in search of a job.

If a capias is issued for Miss Wells she will be arrested and required to post a bond of not less than \$25.

BLEEDS TO DEATH AFTER AUTO CRASH

CARTHAGE — When his car went off the road and overturned, Elbert Cobb, 25, of Route 3, bled to death in the wreckage while (CONTINUED ON PAGE 11)

BROKEN THUMB WORTH \$7,705

GREENSBORO — Suit for \$7,705 was filed in Guilford Superior Court here Monday by Mrs. Addie Fowler against Wiley T. McKee. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 11)

Attention Auto Owners

If you drive an automobile, if you have an opportunity to be a winner. The CAROLINIAN, in connection with the management of Dunn's Esso Service, Cabarrus Street at Bloodworth, in an effort to be of greater service to persons who own automobiles and read the paper, have decided to give a free grease job to the person whose license tag number is marked by an (*) asterisk each week.

Watch the paper each week and see whether your number is marked. If you are the owner of the lucky number, all you have to do is to take your car to Dunn's and you will receive a complete grease job, absolutely free. The numbers will not be confined to Raleigh. Any car, licensed in North Carolina could be the winner. Look for your number each week.

The numbers this week are: 93-145; 73-877; X02-022; 666-040 and 65-947. This offer expires Wednesday, March 16, 1955.

TO LABOR CONFERENCE—J. Ernest Wilkins, Assistant Secretary of Labor, prepares to board a Pan American World Airways plane at New York's International airport bound for Paris. He is attending the annual conference of the International Labor organization at Geneva, Switzerland. (News-press Photo)

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Wife Used Axe On Mate As He Slept

NEW BERN — Mrs. Norma Armstrong's frank confession of how she "killed" her alleged common-law husband while he slept, startled the arresting officers here when she stopped their patrol car Thursday night to report the murder.

The confessed slayer related a woeful tale as to how she lived in fear of her life, due to many threats made by Russell Armstrong. She is said to have armed herself with an axe and as her mate slept in their shambles of a home, strode to the bed and, with direct aim, plunged the blades of the axe into the back of his head.

State News Brief

COUNTY SCHOOLS SLATE SCIENCE FAIR

Schools in Wake County will hold a Science Fair at the Dulles Elementary and High School, Wake Forest, Tuesday, March 12, from 10:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. On Thursday, March 17, the fair will be held at the Apex Elementary and Junior High school. Expo sessions will be at 7:30 p.m. Each school in the county is scheduled to have students and science teacher representatives present to give demonstrations in the fields of other physical, chemistry or biology.

WHITTYVALE—The body of Franklin Currie, 43-year-old Chatham resident, who was reported missing on Thanksgiving Day, 1954, was found Tuesday in a pond on the farm of Jake Worrell about 2 1/2 miles west of Chatham. The corpse was found by a tenant farmer on Worrell's place. No one had reportedly been in the area of the pond for the past two months. Currie is said to have been an habitual drinker and was allegedly nearly intoxicated when he left home. No evidence of foul play was found by the coroner.

SHOT IN 'TUMMY' HERE

J. W. Barnes, 30, of Daker Street was shot in the stomach during an argument here Monday night, according to a report coming from police headquarters. He is described as "serious" by officials at Saint Agnes Hospital where he was taken following the incident. Edward Andrews of East Davis Street is alleged to have shot Barnes. Andrews, who had not been apprehended at present, is believed to have headed for parts unknown. The two men are said to have engaged in an argument at Gales' Sweet Shop over a Miss Sarah Adeock of 1140 Rock Quarry Road. The proprietor of the shop told officers that he ordered the men to leave his premises after the argument began. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 11)

FEELING HIGH AFTER WHITE SOLDIER ATTACKS GIRL, 3

PAYETTEVILLE — Feeling ran very high here Saturday night when Pfc Charles R. Fisher, white, attached to the 50th Airborne Infantry Regiment, was alleged to have been caught in a clump of bushes on Alfred Street near Vanstory, playing with or sexually fondling the three-year-old daughter of Fred Harrington.

An investigation revealed that Fisher had been a frequent visitor in the section and had become very chummy with Harrington, who runs a barbecue place. He is alleged to have taken the child from its parents home, under the pretext that he was going to buy her some candy. The father became alarmed when he did not

Interracial Use Of YWCA In Greensboro Defended

GREENSBORO — Officials of the downtown YWCA here were quick this week to defend the interracial use of the building against the biased attack of a lone white objector to the organization's policy.

Eugene A. Hood, in a widely-circulated letter, had attacked the interracial practices of the YW, inferring that the YW pool had been used generally by white and Negro groups.

Mrs. David M. Brown, president, and Miss Mary Lacey, executive director, revealed that the pool this winter had been used for a group of seven children from the Greensboro Cerebral Palsy School, which operates on an interracial basis.

Glad To Help Children

"The Greensboro Astatic Club and the school's physical therapists thought that the seven children, one of them a little Negro girl, would benefit by swimming classes. The YWCA was delighted to have the chance to help these afflicted children," Miss Lacey said.

She added that the pool has never been opened to the Negroes of the community. "There never has been any request by Negroes for use of the pool," she explained.

Mrs. Brown, pointing out that there are four Negroes on the 23-member board of directors, said: "We believe in representation as (CONTINUED ON PAGE 11)

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