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MAN'S HEART SEWED UP

1,000 Club Women Meet At Fayetteville

AME Resolution For Integration

State News Brief

BARNES GETS HIGH POST
PITTSBURG, Pa. — Alexander Barnes, veteran newspaperman, was elected Public Relations Director of the AME Zion Church during the closing session of the 35th Quadrennial Session of the General Conference, which ended here Wednesday. Barnes is well-known in North Carolina as advertising and promotion manager of the CAROLINIAN. A native of Selma, N. C., Barnes now makes his home in Durham, N. C. and Washington, D. C. He succeeds the Rev. J. W. Findley.

DISC JOCKEY GETS JOB
CHARLOTTE — Bob Ralford, WPT-WBTV announcer who was discharged last month, revealed Saturday that he will go to work for the National Broadcasting Company in New York City June 1. Ralford was fired from the radio station April 11 by an official of the Jefferson Standard Broadcasting Company after reading a 20-minute statement on an attack a group of white men made on Nat. King Cole in Alabama. Ralford said that he deplored the incident. The station said it was a question of disobeying orders and insubordination, and that the firing had no connection with the race issue.

CHILD DROWNS
FAIRMONT — A 13-year-old race boy, Alexander Patterson, was drowned in a pond on the

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WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE

Desegregation Front

CHURCH BODY AGAINST 'VOLUNTARY' JIM CROW
RALEIGH — Criticism of Gov. Hodges' "voluntary segregation" plan and a suggestion that he call a "desegregation" conference were voiced here last week by the N. C. Congregational Christian Sunday School convention.

GO SLOW, SAYS EPISCOPAL BODY
RALEIGH — A cautiously-worded call for "gradual" solution of the racial problem was adopted by the North Carolina Episcopal Diocese here last week.

In line with this, the diocese will appoint a committee within the next six months to make a "continuing study" of the issue.

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IT MATTERS NOT HOW SMALL THE AD, JUST KEEP YOUR NAME BEFORE THE PUBLIC.

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MIAMI, Fla. (ANP) — The general conference of the AME Church, in session here, adopted a resolution denouncing segregation and pledging support to "eliminate this malignant growth," last week.

The resolution, released by Senior Bishop S. L. Greene of Georgia, stated: "The AME Church stands upon the principle of human equality and the dignity of man. Though founded by persons of African descent in a protest against race prejudice in the Church of God, it has never refused persons in either its membership or ministry because of race or color. Today we reaffirm this position and call upon our ministry to actively seek to integrate non Negro persons into the church. We rejoice that the Ecumenical

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Four Killed In Va. Crash

FREDERICKSBURG, Va. — Four persons, one a North Carolina man, were killed and a fifth critically injured Saturday in a car-truck collision on Highway 301 between Richmond and Fredericksburg.

The dead were identified as: LOVEST T. ALEXANDER, 49, of Wise, N. C.; LUCY GARLAND, 53, Bronx, N. Y.; LUTHER GARLAND, 61, Bronx, N. Y.; AN UNIDENTIFIED woman. Charles Winn of the Bronx was hospitalized in Richmond. The southbound car bearing the group apparently veered into the path of a northbound truck driven by William J. Soltz of Newark, N. J., who was not injured.

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By ROBERT G. SHEPARD

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Mock Battle In Berlin

Realism is added to combat training for this American Recceless Rifle team in West Berlin, as they take cover behind a burning auto in the courtyard of a war-bombed building. The structure is the Army's most unique training center. Day after day, American GIs of the Second Battalion storm the building, damaged by bombs during the war, and now being used for combat training. (News-press Photo).



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Prayer Day Held May 17

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Statewide Meet Ends On Sunday

FAYETTEVILLE — Over 1,000 women are expected to attend the 47th annual meeting of the North Carolina Federation of Negro Women's Clubs, meeting here May 17-20. A reception for the Executive Board members was given by the host clubs of the Eastern District of the Federation Thursday evening.

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Seek Stabber Of Local Woman

RALEIGH — Miss Bessie Lee Larkin, 22, of 128 N. Fisher Street, was admitted to St. Agnes Hospital with a two-inch gash in her stomach which was so deep that her intestines jumped out every time she coughed.

Miss Larkin was stabbed on Saturday night at Sylvia's Place on Beauty Avenue, police reported, but did not seek treatment until the following morning. Police are still seeking her assailant.

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TYLER, TEX. (ANP) — Autherine Lucy Foster, the Negro coed who was expelled from the all-white University of Alabama several months ago, says she intends to return to the school next fall.

"I have been to the university. I have studied at the university and I expect to go back to the university with the help of God," the 26-year-old woman told 400 persons at a fund-raising meeting of the NAACP here last week.

"No one told me I could not pay my taxes in Alabama, so I decided I should reap some benefit of my tax money," she said.

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Native African New AME Bishop

MIAMI, Fla. — First native African to be elected a bishop of the AME Church is Dr. Francis H. Gow, 59, who by winning a majority over 10 other candidates, was elected on the first ballot here Saturday.

The new bishop, who came to the U. S. at the age of 12, was educated at Wilberforce University, Tuskegee Institute and the Lane Seminary in Cincinnati.

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The wounded youth was rushed to St. Agnes where doctors operated.

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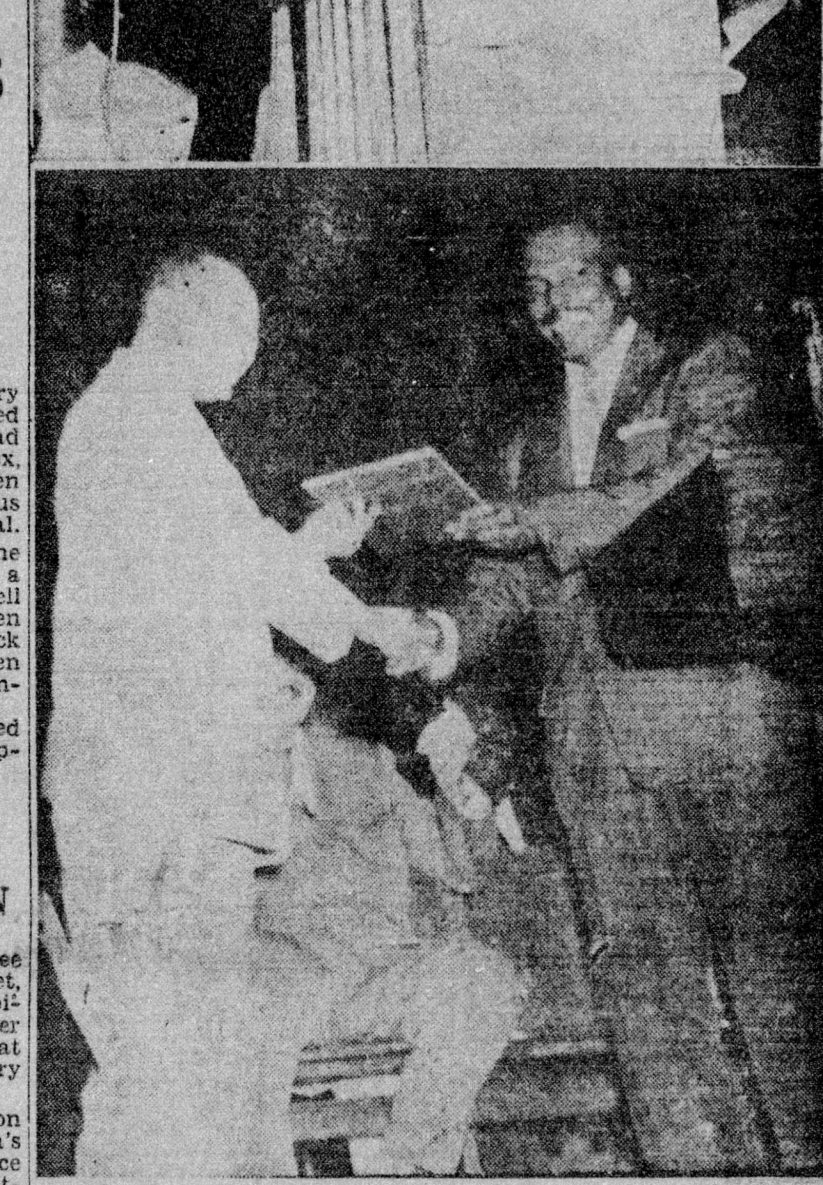
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NAACP RALLY SCENES — Thurgood Marshall, chief counsel for the NAACP, is shown in top photo addressing a huge crowd at the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium Sunday afternoon. J. S. Stewart, Durham businessman, is pictured at left in bottom photo receiving a NAACP membership plaque from Kelly M. Alexander, state president. The state branch of the organization staged the 4-F Rally in order to raise 'Funds for Freedom.' (STAFF PHOTOS BY CHAS. R. JONES).

'Solid South Has Been Shattered,' Marshall

BY CHARLES R. JONES

RALEIGH — "The Solid South has been shattered." With these words Thurgood Marshall, chief legal counsel for the NAACP, let it be known that the impact of the Supreme Court's decision of exactly two years ago had done irreparable damage to the ego of southern "tradition."

He was the featured speaker here Sunday as the state branches of the NAACP held a 4-F Rally at the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium, designed to raise funds for freedom. Approximately 2,500 persons were in attendance.

Marshall argued the famous school cases in 1954 before the Supreme Court.

"The constant adverse publicity that the press is giving to the NAACP has resulted in a larger membership and income than this organization has ever had," he said.

"It's not what we (Negroes) do that gives 'food' to the Russians. We didn't kill Emmett Till. We didn't rough up passengers on the buses in Montgomery, Ala., and we did not throw Miss Lucy out of the University of Alabama.

"Only people who are doing wrong don't want you to use the courts. The only criticism that whites make against the NAACP is that it uses the courts to settle differences of opinion.

"If segregation is voluntary why not take the laws off the books for one year and see what happens." A thunderous applause followed this statement.

Marshall continued, "If the city of Raleigh would spend some of its segregation money for good it could air-condition this auditorium, pave its streets and pay city workers a decent wage."

The speaker assured his audience that the NAACP is ready to sit down and work out a reasonable plan toward desegregation.

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D. C. Bar Group Admits Negroes

WASHINGTON (ANP) — The District of Columbia Bar Association has, at long last, let down its racial bars to admit colored attorneys to membership.

The action came Tuesday night when a motion to delete the word "white" from the association's membership-by-laws was adopted.

This successful vote climaxed attempts by some members to open the membership of this association to all qualified applicants since 1950.

Charles S. Rhyme, president of the Association, said prospective members would be required to file applications which the organization must approve by the board of directors.