

**"If People Vote On Merit,
I'll Be Elected,"
Says Sansom**

J. J. Sansom, candidate for a Wake County Commissioner post in the primary elections Saturday, expressed confidence this week that his chances of coming out on top are as good, if not better than his four other opponents.

Running on the Democratic ticket from the second district, Sansom, the only Negro seeking a major post in the election, said that if the public votes on the merits of each candidate, he would be more than adequately qualified to represent the people of Wake County.

He said he would not depend entirely on the vote of any particular people, but of the entire population of Wake County.

Sansom has visited several areas in the county, has appeared on television and before the League of Women Voters in an effort to get support. He said he has met with fairly good success.

Asked why he decided to seek office, Sansom said:

"I am motivated to seek public service because of my basic interest in the development of the full potential of all resources of Wake County. Also because of my interest in good government and its importance to all the people of Wake County."

He said because of the fact that the Commissioners are responsible for the handling of more than eight million dollars, his background should make him much more qualified for the position.

Sansom will be seeking office against four other candidates from the second district.

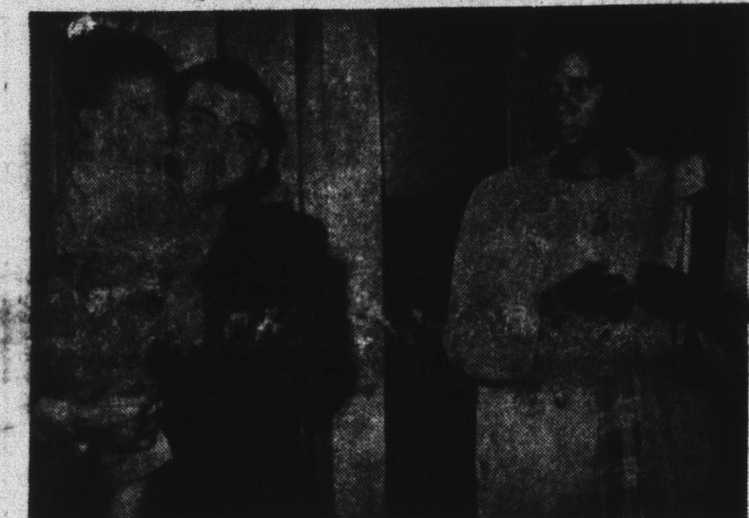


SANSOM

World In Pictures



HONORED BY PREXY — President Kennedy pins an AA lifesaving medal to Wayne Brown of New York City in a recent ceremony at the White House. Five other youngsters received similar honors (UPI TELEPHOTO)



BOY FOUND AFTER MISSING 9 HOURS—Three-year-old Joel Fradkin of Levittown, Long Island, N. Y., is hugged by his father Marty shortly after the child was safely brought to Nassau County police last week. The child was located by a policeman some nine hours after he and his nurse Mildred McNealy (right) were reported missing. Police are questioning the maid to determine if she should be charged with a crime. (UPI PHOTO)



IN THE NEWS — Philip Banks, 57, a New Orleans blues singer, shows what's left after his "Freedom Ride North" trip from New Orleans. He holds two pennies and a nickel. His wife, Helen, and two-year-old grandchild, Sandra Ann look on sadly. At right, Colombian president-elect Dr. Guillermo Leon Valencia dances with Delia Zapata Olivella, famous Colombian artist, during a reception given in his honor in Bogota, Columbia recently. (UPI TELEPHOTOS)

STATE IN BRIEF

BOUND OVEER
DURHAM — A Durham Negro charged with murder in the rifle slaying last Sunday of his next-door neighbor was bound over to Superior Court this week.

The defendant, Warren Lipscomb, 32, was ordered held without bond privileges. He is charged in the slaying of 34-year-old Eddie Davis.

ALL WHITE JURY PICKED
GASTONIA — An all-white jury was seated this week for the murder trial of Dr. Harry Riddle, charged in the stabbing death of a Negro man during a house call. Riddle is facing trial on charges of stabbing to death Leonard Patton, at Patton's home with a 10-inch hunting knife.

COLLAPSES AT WORK
SALISBURY — A 2-year-old employee of an ice and fuel company here collapsed while working outdoors Monday and died an hour later.

Claude Archie Spencer was talking on an unconscious to Rowan Memorial Hospital here. A spokesman said Spencer never regained consciousness.

Students Say "We Want Strassner Out"

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**N. C. Elks Elect Enloe
Large Negro Vote
In Wake Sought**

Near 7,000 Registered in City, C'ty

While Alabama and Mississippi Negroes are engaging in an ever-lasting battle to win their right to cast the ballot, Raleigh and Wake County Negroes have apparently taken the "who needs it" attitude.

This fact became more apparent this week after the Wake County Board of Elections released figures indicating that as of the 1960 general election, approximately 1,000 Negroes have been dropped from the books for failure to vote once in a six-year period.

The figures also showed, as a comparison, that only 300 whites had been dropped for the same reason.

Despite these figures, the Negro vote in Wake County could well decide the election of some officers.

With a bloc vote of more than 5,800, assuming that 25 percent of those registered, vote, the Negro vote could be very much a deciding factor in a close contest.

The figures again showed that of nearly 50,000 Negroes residing in Wake County, to date only 6,932 are eligible to vote in the primary election this Saturday.



HANGED IN EFFIGY — This was the scene at Shaw University Saturday as students rebelled against the administration and hanged the school's president, Dr. William R. Strassner in effigy. Demonstrations were still continuing this week.

Wake Election Lacks Luster

Local politicians will lay down their coonskin hats and refrain from such other antics as baby-kissing and hand shaking and get down to the serious business of sweating it out this week as election day closes in on Saturday.

Little can be said for the campaign efforts this year as there were no major debates, no "hot issues", except in the instance of the office of sheriff and not much of the old-time politicking has been seen.

Candidates today probably feel things aren't necessary anymore, because it's hard to fool the intelligent voter. But, these antics, though they may not prove who's the best candidate, certainly will let the public know who's running for office. It adds lustre and spirit to the occasion.

The lack of good, hard campaigning for this election has made citizens ask time and time again, "I wonder who's running this year for office?"

Most that's been done to let the public know there's an election coming this week have been providing sites such as placards in windows, a little radio, newspaper and television advertising and a few speeches here and there.

In this election (if the Negro public is not yet aware of it), there are three Negroes seeking office.

J. J. Sansom, local banker, will be the first Negro to seek the office of county commissioner. And James A. Shepard and H. C. High, Sr., will seek to renew their commissions as justices of the peace.

A list of the candidates seeking office is as follows:

Other candidates filing for the primaries include:

Republican John W. Thedick and Democrat John H. Jordan for State Senator; Democrats Thomas B. Eason, John S. Loggins, A. A. McMillan and W. Brantly Womble and Republicans Floyd Bookers, Mrs. E. Johnson and

Shaw Univ. Students List Their Grievances

BY BILL SLATER

"Billie must go".

This was the strong conviction of some 800 Shaw University students this week as they rebelled against the school's chief administrator, Dr. William R. Strassner.

The slogan has become a greeting word on Shaw's campus since nearly 900 students staged a demonstration and "hanged" the president in effigy last Saturday.

Students staged a spontaneous protest against the president Saturday just after the morning meal, and hanged a dummy from a tree in front of the school's historic Greenleaf Auditorium.

Several of these grant-in-aid stipends are given with the understanding that the recipient would perform certain assigned tasks. Dr. Strassner said that when students receiving such aid refused to honor their contracts, the University, acting on advice of its physical education director, had no choice other than the withholding of this aid.

Battle Loses First Time In 15-Years

BY J. E. HARBEN

WASHINGTON, N. C. — The North Carolina Association of Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World closed out here Thursday after dissolution of what had been a three-way fight for the presidency with the election of Sherwood Thomas Enloe, prosperous mortician of Shelby as president for one year, after Grand Exalted Ruler Hobson R. Reynolds of Philadelphia effected a compromise arrangement which was agreed to

Burlington Youths Found Dead In An Abandoned Refrigerator

STATESVILLE — An abandoned refrigerator, a silent weapon which has taken the lives of many a small child, struck again this week as three young children suffocated to death after being locked in while playing.

Sammy Jerome Waddell, 3, and his 18-month-old brother, Randy, both of Statesville, suffocated Tuesday afternoon in a refrigerator which had been placed in their back yard about a month before.

Mrs. Theodore Waddell, mother of the children, told The CAROLINIAN she was inside housecleaning while her four pre-school children played in the yard.

She said the older children were told to keep an eye on the younger kid. When she inquired about the youngsters, she said the older kids said they were playing in the yard.

Mrs. Waddell said she later missed the two younger children and sought out to find them. She said she asked neighbors and called by phone throughout the neighborhood seeking them.

"I don't know what it was that made me look in the old refrigerator, but after I could not find them anywhere else, I went directly there," she told The CAROLINIAN.

"When I opened the box, they were just lying there. They didn't answer me when I called. They couldn't have been in the box more than a half an hour because I saw them," she added.

Redell County Rescue Squad and volunteer fire squad worked on the children for about an hour but could not revive them, it was reported.

In Reidsville, an 8-year-old boy suffered a similar fate after being locked in an abandoned refrigerator for about three hours with his sister, who survived the ordeal.



BIG EMBRACE — Mrs. Gerhardsen, wife of Norwegian Prime Minister Einar Gerhardsen, embraces two youngsters, William Turner, 7, and Stephanie Noble (rear), 7, after they presented her a corsage, recently, during a tour of PS 144 on Lenox Ave. in New York. Mr. and Mrs. Gerhardsen visited the school, which was named in 1960 for Hans Christian Anderson, the Danish poet and prose writer. (UPI PHOTO)

North Carolina Housing Among Worst In Nation

The Advisory Committee of the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights released a report on equal protection of the laws in housing in North Carolina, this week.

The document revealed that North Carolina ranked 44th in the nation in dwelling units in good condition. It also showed that Negroes occupied 20.8 of the available houses. It proved that North Carolina was far out of line with most of the states, even in the south. Florida, Texas, Virginia, Louisiana, Georgia and Tennessee were shown to be ahead of North Carolina.

Nonwhites occupy 100,875 houses, 85,263 of these are deteriorating, while 64,311 are dilapidated. This means that nonwhites occupy 20.7 percent but only 11.8 percent of the houses are in sound condition.

Greenville headed the list of towns, with 91.7 set down as delapidated; Henderson, 86.1; Elizabeth City, 85.4; Goldsboro, 84.4; Salisbury, 83.2; New Bern, 82.1; Wilson, 81.6; and Winston Salem, 80.3 were the worst in the state. Kannapolis had the brightest picture with 31.3 Charlotte, the largest, had a 76.3 average of delapidated houses. Greensboro had a 62.4. Durham's picture was not bright with a 79.2. Raleigh had an even 71 per cent.

Some of the conclusions were:

Durham Candidates Speakers At League

DURHAM — Race candidates who are seeking office, in coming elections appeared on a program sponsored by the League of Women Voters and the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Tuesday night, in the Central Civic Center.

Dr. C. Elwood Boulware, North Carolina College professor, who is seeking a place on the Board of County Commissioners, subject to Saturday's primary, told the audience that the time had come when men and women of character and integrity should take a more active part on the policy level of the government.

WEATHER

The five-day weather forecast for the Raleigh area beginning Thursday, May 24, and continuing through Monday, May 28, is as follows:

Temperatures will average 3 to 6 degrees above normal, with high and low temperatures 83 and 61. Widely scattered, mostly afternoon and evening thunder showers throughout the period, will average one quarter inch or less of rain.

Dr. Strassner Passes Affair To Trustees

BY JAMES A. SHEPARD

During an hour long interview with Dr. Strassner, there was a distinct impression, that although the head of this historic institution is disturbed by the weekend actions of students, he is not conceding that the list of "grievances" circulated by these students has any validity.

Dr. Strassner said that during his Saturday morning campus discussion with the revolting students, he was indicated that their resentment seemed to be centered around the termination of athletic scholarships (grants in aid).

The president said that as far as he knows, no student had ever been deprived or cut off from these funds through an arbitrary action of the university. Admitting that there have been instances of grant-in-aid terminations, Dr. Strassner pointed out that these cut offs were the result of the failure of those particular students to fulfill their part of the agreement they had made with the university.

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Burlington Bondsman To U. S. Court

GRAHAM — Mack B. Thompson, local bondsman, who has been battling in court, since last spring, when he was found guilty in Alliance General Court, on charges of selling liquor in a Mebane Night Club, seems to be on his way to the United States Supreme Court, to have it determined he should serve a six-months sentence.

ODDS-ENDS

BY ROBERT G. SHEPARD

"Our conversation is in session."

ANOTHER SIDE OF THE COIN

The statement made in a news story last week that Negro parents in Raleigh have not indicated that they are not too much concerned about having their children attend integrated schools should be considered from more than one angle.

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