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# SEEK PROBE IN SOLDIER'S DEATH

## QUEEN CITY MAN TO RUN FOR SCHOOL BOARD

### NAACP Ask President For Probe In Fort Benning, Ga. Man's Death

NEW YORK — In a strong letter to President Roosevelt and Henry L. Stimson, secretary of war, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People urged complete investigation of the death of private Felix Hall, of the 24th Infantry, located at Ft. Benning, Ga.

The letter asked "action deemed necessary to discover and punish the perpetrators of this crime."

The Association branded the killing of Hall as a lynching, and in its letter to Secretary Stimson said:

"We feel certain that the War department does not wish the crime of lynching to be perpetrated on the reservation of one of its largest forts, in connection with the training of an army supposedly for the defense of democracy."

To President Roosevelt, the NAACP wrote that failure of the proper authorities to seek out and punish the lynchers "would be a further blow at the morale of colored Americans who are being urged daily to give unstinted support to the national defense efforts."

### HEADS NATIONAL NEGRO INSURANCE WEEK DRIVE



F. A. YOUNG, agency supervisor of the Universal Life Insurance company, who heads the committee in charge of the National Negro Insurance week celebration sponsored by the National Negro Insurance association, to be held May 4-10.

### Satterfield - Davis Dramatic Players Present Gay Farce

DURHAM — Local lovers of drama were afforded a rare treat when the Satterfield-Davis Dramatic Club of St. Joseph A.M.E. Church presented the "Red Headed Step Child" before a large and appreciative audience last Monday evening at the auditorium of the Hillside High School.

The title role, played by Miss Loris Shaw, was capably handled, and her performance was one that will be long remembered by those in attendance. Miss Shaw has had extensive training in dramatics, and is looked upon as one of Durham's leading young actresses.



PROF. R. W. BROWN, SE.  
Principal of the Woodland Avenue Elementary School, Winston Salem, North Carolina and Secretary and Treasurer of the Winston Mutual Life Insurance Company, who recently passed. Prof. Brown was one of the Camel City's most influential citizens, and his loss will be greatly felt in religious and educational circles of the city.

### Local League Team Opens Season With Richmond Colts

DURHAM — Baseball season will officially take a bow in Durham Saturday, when Mayor W. F. Carr throws out the first ball in the game between the local Bull team and the Richmond Colts at the Durham Athletic Park at 3 p. m.

To see that the Colored fans are insured due consideration, the management of the local club has appointed a committee of Colored citizens, to be announced at a later date headed by Prof. James T. Taylor of the North Carolina College for Negroes, to work in conjunction with it in the provision of every facility for its large number of colored fans.

### New Hope Baptist Association Holds Singing Meet

The annual singing convention of the New Hope Baptist Association will be held here Saturday and Sunday, April 26th, 27th, with possibly a dozen or more choirs of the different member churches in attendance.

This convention, which has been an annual feature of the association's activities for several years, will be a boon to lovers of Gospel and spiritual singing, and the public is cordially invited to attend the sessions, which will be held on Saturday at the Ebenezer Bapt. Church, and on Sunday at the Hillside Auditorium.

### Men's Glee Club Of N. C. C. N. Heard In Recital

The Young Men's Christian Association of North Carolina College will present the Men's Glee Club of the College in their first concert in the city of Durham Friday, April 25, at 8:15 p. m. This group has received many favorable press comments as being one of the most outstanding organizations in the state. The group is under the direction of conductor Boyd Oglesby. You are cordially invited to be present. Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. J. T. Wayland, pastor of Temple Baptist Church will be speaker.

### HOWARD'S MORDECAI JOHNSON TO DELIVER ADDRESS AT JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY

CHARLOTTE, — (Special) — Johnson C. Smith University is presenting to the citizens of Charlotte the distinguished educator and lecturer, Dr. Mordecai Wyatt Johnson, President of Howard University, Washington, D. C., Thursday evening, May 1 at 8:00 o'clock in Biddle Memorial Hall. The program is under the auspices of the Lyceum Committee.

Dr. Johnson is one of the best thinkers on current problems on the lecture platform today. He is nationally known, having spoken before white and colored audiences throughout the country. He has spoken twice on the Human Relations program at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Recently Dr. Johnson spoke at the fifth annual institute on Human Relations at the Palmer House in Chicago, sponsored by the Chicago Round Table of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Rich in experience as a successful college administrator, possessing a vibrant personality, Dr. Johnson has been acclaimed as one of the most outstanding pulpit-speakers.

### Queen City Attorney Makes Bid For Board of Education

CHARLOTTE, — (Special) — Attorney L. P. Harris, prominent Charlotte citizen has announced his candidacy for one of the three vacancies existing on the Board of Education of that City.

The attorney, who has gained the support of Charlotte's many political organization, and the Negro Chamber of Commerce, has been a key factor in the political activities of the city, and has been instrumental in organizing a Voter's League, the purpose of which is the more active participation of the race in things political.

A graduate of J. C. Smith and of Howard Law School, the young lawyer has gained a wide reputation for his aggressiveness during his eight years of practice.

### A. M. E. Property Dispute Settled By Court Decision

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (Special) — The brethren of the cloth who style themselves "the Church" and who broadcast to the world that they would take charge of the Sunday School Union publishing plant at Nashville April 21, came in for another jolt this week, as the following will show:

On the morning of the 16th day of April, 1941, at a hearing in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Tenn. Nashville Division, the Hon. E. M. Walden, Judge, granted an order in the case of Harvey E. Walden et al vs. Sunday School Union of the A.M.E. Church et al, STAYING the order entered by him on April 8, 1941, terminating the receivership and directing the receiver to turn the properties of the Sunday School Union over to the trustees designated by the General Conference of the Church.

The defendants executed a supersedeas bond in the sum of \$5,000, which was approved by the Court.

The effect of the above stated order is that the operation of the business of the Sunday School Union will be continued as it has been since the order of the Court in December, 1939.

Lime and superphosphate have been responsible for doubling the yields on a meadow of N. Cheek, demonstration farmer of the Galbreath Creek community of Swain County.

### Nation's Eyes On Hasgett; Case To Test Legality Of Texas Democratic Primary



MISS DORIS L. HOLLOWAY, charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Holloway of Elizabeth Street, is at present an outstanding student at Saint Augustine's College in Raleigh where she is majoring in History. Having already completed requirements for graduation at St. Aug. she has been doing social service work at St. Agnes Hospital in the same city. In September Miss Holloway plans to enter the school of Social Service at Atlanta University.

### Ebenezer Baptist Church Burns Mortgage at Service

DURHAM — A wave of enthusiasm, bordering upon frenzy swept over the large congregation of members and visitors present at the spectacular mortgage burning ceremony conducted at the Ebenezer Baptist Church last Sunday evening.

The church, which has made remarkable progress under the pastorate of Rev. T. A. Grady, one of the city's most progressive and energetic ministers, also a graduate of North Carolina College for Negroes, has virtually cleared itself of all encumbrances, and boasts of a membership that is growing by leaps and bounds.

Mrs. E. D. Pratt and daughter Jean and Mrs. Doris Tolbert of Washington, D. C. spent the holidays here.

### U. A. W. Pledges Ford's Negro Workmen Square Deal

DETROIT, (NNS) — Of the 20,000 workers who went back to work at the Ford Motor Company Rouge plant in Dearborn, last week, after the settlement of the United Automobile Workers Strike, were 12,000 Negroes whose average wage scale ranged from \$6 to \$7.20 per day. In Detroit newspapers, last week, the executives of the United Automobile Workers inserted an advertisement setting forth the Union's official position on the question of the Negro as covered in its constitution and enforced by its contracts.

The points are "that Negro Ford workers will receive the same pay as other workers doing the same work and will share equally in all other benefits provided by such a contract. That Negro Ford workers will not lose any privileges or positions that they have enjoyed at Ford Motor Company. On the contrary, they will enjoy greater privileges."

The Union contract will carry an anti-discrimination clause. De-

### NAACP Attorneys Say Democratic Party Is Virtually the State and Primaries are State, not Private, Affairs

HOUSTON, Texas — After having been postponed from April 14, the Texas white primary case, Hasgett vs. Werner and Blackburn, opened here Friday morning April 18, Judge T. M. Kennerly of the United States district court for the Southern district of Texas is hearing the case.

Proceeding began last January when Sidney Hasgett, a qualified voter filed a complaint on charges that he was denied the right to vote in the Democratic primary August 15, 1940, after he had appeared at the polls with his poll tax receipt. Denial of a Negro.

Thurgood Marshall, special counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, who with W. J. Durham of Sherman, Texas, is acting for Hasgett, issued the following statement:

"The question involved is whether or not the Democratic primary in Texas is 'state action' within the meaning of the Fifteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution. We maintain—"

### Wide Public Response As Plans Perfected For Air Lane Campaign

DURHAM — The beginning of the third week of the Anti-Crime Campaign being sponsored by this publication witnesses the development of increased public interest, as the flames of an aroused public opinion mount higher against the criminal forces at large in our community. Mounting piles of documentary evidence garnered within the past week attest the growing interest of the community's citizenry in this titanic struggle to rid the city of its criminal elements; the campaign's director, and this publication's Director of Public Relations, C. A. Irvin, has been, literally, bombarded.

CHARLOTTE — A group of citizens representing the various organizations of the city, met last Thursday night at Friendship Baptist church. A steering committee was elected to perfect an organization to direct activities of the citizens of the city. Attorney Bowser, was named chairman. The next meeting of the group was held Monday night 8 o'clock at Friendship church, to complete plans for the coming election.

### Charlotte Citizens Group In Meeting

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