

NEGRO JAILED FOR BEING SHOT

Bus Conductor Shoots Rider Following Argument; Victim Placed Under Assault Charge

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Southern justice, with all its fury, raised its grisly head here Sunday night when a Negro passenger on a street car was shot and wounded by the conductor for taking a seat in the front of the vehicle, according to police reports. Two other Negro passengers were also shot and wounded during the altercation.

Charges of assault with intent to murder have been filed against the conductor, M. A. Weeks and one of the Negro passengers, Samuel Lee Williams with whom the conductor had the argument. Weeks was seriously wounded.

Charles Pierce, captain of the detective department explained that both Weeks and Williams were placed under the charge because both were injured. Weeks received several bruises in the fight and Williams was shot in the abdomen.

The two other Negroes wounded were John Garlington and Amos Crosby, both of whom received superficial wounds when Weeks emptied his pistol at Williams. Weeks has had no permit to carry a pistol since about 11 years ago, according to the Sheriff's office.

When the shooting started other passengers on the street car were thrown into panic. Several leaped from windows to escape from the line of fire.

Officers stated that Weeks told them that Williams boarded the car and took a seat in the front section reserved for white people. The conductor stated he ordered Williams to the rear and that he finally went but walked back cursing.

The officers stated that Weeks told them that Williams was in an attempt to do so raised his arm in a gesture. Williams grabbed his arm, the conductor stated, and in the struggle that followed Weeks fired his gun.

Passengers on the bus stated that Weeks was muttering when he went to the rear of the car but they did not hear him curse and that Williams did not grab the conductor's arm until he drew his pistol.

Negro Drama Critic Group Is Organized

NEW YORK — Leading Negro critics and newspapermen, spurred by the success of the three current Hollywood films dealing with stories of Negroes in American life, have formed the Negro Critics Circle with Ludlow W. Werner as executive secretary, and at the same time expressed the hope that standards of future productions will be as high as "Home of the Brave," the first and thus far judged best.

The Negro Critics Circle, paralleling the New York Film and Drama Circle, will be a membership body and annually, after vote has been taken, will make awards to films, plays, books and other creative efforts both by Negroes and dealing with stories affecting them.

Forming the Circle at its inception were Miss Lillian Scott, of the Chicago Defender; James Hicks, NCPA correspondent in New York and feature writer for the Afro-American; and Norfolk Journal and Guide; Bill Chase of "The New York Age"; George Schuyler and of the "Pittsburgh Courier"; Julius Adams of the Amsterdam News; Dick Campbell of the Sphinx, and Ludlow W. Werner of the Oracle.

ORDAINS FOUR WHITE PRIESTS IN EASTVIEW

EASTVIEW, Ont. — Most Rev. Joseph Kiwanuka, the first Negro Catholic Bishop of modern times, recently raised to the priesthood four young men who have volunteered to serve in Africa. The young priests, all native Canadians, will work in Bishop Kiwanuka's diocese in Uganda, Africa.

Thousand At Rites Of S. C. College Head

ORANGEBURG, S. C. — Thousands passed the bier of Dr. Miller F. Whittaker, third president of South Carolina State A. and M. College, who was buried here Wednesday.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 o'clock in the morning and the college choir sang "Going Home," "Abide With Me" and "Lead Kindly Light."



Cadet members of the ROTC unit were active pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers included Gov. J. Strom Thurmond, the Board of Trustees of the college, Solicitor Julian S. Wolfe, Orangeburg, James Smith, secretary of Budget Commission; Samuel B. King, secretary of the Sinking Fund; Representative Solomon Blatt, Barnwell; U. S. Congressman Hugo S. Sims, Jr., and his father, Hugo S. Sims, Sr., of Orangeburg; Henry R. Sims, president of Winthrop College; President R. F. Poole, Clemson College; Archie Schiffler, veteran education official; State Department of Education officials; David W. Robinson, attorney of Columbia; J. Roy Jones, Commissioner of Agriculture; Mayor R. H. Jennings of Orangeburg; and other city and county officials; the Rev. Thomas Tisdale, the Rev. Carl Kaughman, the Rev. Thomas B. Estes, Col. Harry C. Mewshaw and other high military officials.

Plan For Re-forming Of Christmas Cheer

Preliminary plans for the re-forming of the Christmas Cheer Club, an organization set up last year for the purpose of coordinating charitable efforts of various organizations in their helping to make Christmas merry for the needy and to foster its own plan of helping the needy at the Yule season, have been made.

I. R. Holmes, Director of the W. D. Hill Youth Center, has sent out the call to the several member-organizations already and has issued a call for new members.

Last year the Christmas Cheer Club coordinated the efforts of the community and supplied 319 families and 596 children with things to make their Christmas merry.

President Holmes anticipates a greater need this year than was presented last and has asked every organization and person to contribute to the club's fund.

According to Holmes, any person or organization desiring to help a needy family may do so by obtaining a list of needy families from the Welfare Department or by providing for a needy family that is known. In case an organization or person is planning to provide some needy family, the person or organization knows, it is asked to inform the Welfare Department of the plans. Any person or organization providing for a needy family should submit the number of families being taken care of to I. R. Holmes at the W. D. Hill Community Center or telephone 6-0883.

Holmes stated that cash contributions can be submitted to the Christmas Cheer Club at the Community Center. Checks are to be made payable to the Christmas Cheer Club. The cash contributions, he said, are to care for those persons or families no organization or individual is taking care of.

Contributions to the fund will be accepted from the first of December through December 21.

Lincoln Hospital To Get \$12,000 For Heating Unit

An appropriation of \$12,000 toward the installation of a new heating plant at Lincoln Hospital was unanimously approved by the Board of County Commissioners this week.

E. R. Merrick and R. L. Brame, hospital board members and chairman of the board of County Commissioners, respectively, told the Commissioners that an emergency situation existed in regards to the present heating system of the institution.

The request, coming from the Lincoln hospital board, was for \$22,000 but the Commissioners said in discussion preceding the vote that the county does not have sufficient surplus funds to grant the \$22,000 request.

Merrick told the Commissioners that the hospital board has tried to handle the problem and finally decided that the only place it can turn to was the county governing body.

The Commissioners learned from Brame that the hospital boiler is inadequate and that it carries an overload always. He said that the hospital board plans to install a new boiler system to carry a normal load and to use the old boiler in emergencies.

After a personal investigation of the heating plant at the hospital, Commissioner J. P. McGuire stated that he found the present situation disgraceful. He asserted his belief that it would be dangerous to keep the old boiler in operation. Commissioner G. F. Kirkland said that it was merely a question of how much can be done. He said that the surplus funds of the County are lower now than he has known them to be in years.

Brame agreed that the county could not grant the entire amount of the original request but said that the county might allow the hospital to borrow the remainder with the Commissioners appropriating an amount toward reducing the loan at some later date.

Truman In Tribute To Dr. Bethune

WASHINGTON — A thousand American citizens and foreign diplomats, filling the Department Auditorium, here, to capacity, Tuesday night, November 5, heard the Nation's Chief Executive pledge "no retreat and no retirement" on his equal rights program.

The International Night program, big event of the Fourteenth Annual Convention of the National Council of Negro Women, was open to the public, and the public came in its best big and "tickler," to hear what their President had to say to them, and to pay tribute to the inimitable personality behind the drama-packed session — Mary McLeod Bethune, founder and retiring President of the National Council.

Recognizing the international color of the program, the fourth of its kind undertaken by N. C. N. W., President Truman praised the organization for its consistent "furtherance of international goodwill and understanding," and compared the similarity of purposes and growth of the United Nations, supported since its formative period by N. C. N. W., with that of the Federal Union's first, loose confederation of states.

The needs of underdeveloped countries can no longer be met, said the President, "by the old colonialism, with its fostering of political dependency and its economic exploitation." The economic growth of these areas, he said, "must and will move forward in the interest of the peoples of those areas, and in accordance with the principles of democratic fair-dealing."

President Truman, who heard Muriel Rahn sing "I Am Seeking For A City," in tribute to Mrs. Bethune, on his arrival, remained, after his speech, to personally greet fifteen recipients of N. C. N. W. awards for services to humanity, as each received his scroll from officials of the organization, who were first presented to the retiring president.

Ambassador of India, Mme. Pandit, and Dr. Ralph Bunche, Director of the United Nations Trusteeship Division, both honored with awards, spoke briefly, following the arrival of the President.

Dr. Ralph Bunche, saluted the founder-president as "a great leader, outstanding public servant, grand lady, and truly a citizen of the world." He praised N. C. N. W. for its vision in setting up International Night, in contrast to the "tendency toward provincialism among many organizations."

The mediator then turned to President Truman, with assurance that he was "solidly behind his heroic efforts to close the gap between practice and profession."

Ambassador Pandit, called for "a joining of hands of the organizations of both countries in a common effort for world peace, which, 'itself, eludes us," she said, because, "while we talk peace, we do not rightly work for peace, which will come only with a better and truer understanding of democracy — imperfect, but all that we have."

Shoes, Clothing Needed By Children

Many children in Durham are absent from school due to the lack of sufficient shoes and clothing. The Attendance Officer is asking that individuals of families that have articles of clothing that are not being used or not needed by them, to turn them over to him. He will in turn give them to the needy and deserving children so that they will be able to attend school. The attendance officer, upon notification, will gladly call by your home to pick up such clothing. To notify attendance officer call W. G. Pearson School, Phone L-7371 or residence 9-2265.

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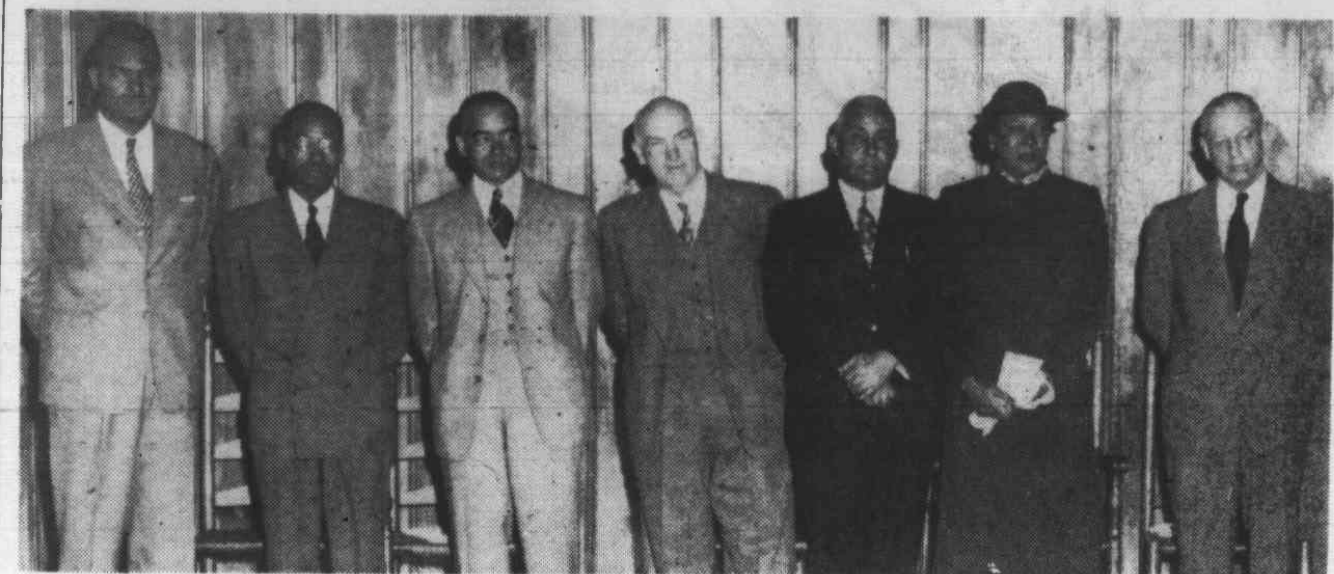
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Negro Conference Principals



Principal speakers at the recent North Carolina Negro College Conference are pictured above with officers of the group. The Conference convened for a one-day session at Bennett College, November 9. Left to right, Dean Joseph Douglas, Fayetteville State Teachers' College; Dean Foster Payne, Shaw University; Dr. A. E. Manley, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, North Carolina College; Dr. Guy Phillips, dean, School of Education, University of North Carolina; Dr. Nelson Harris, Shaw University, former president of the Conference; Dr. Rose Butler Brown, head, Graduate Department of Education, North Carolina College; and Dr. C. E. Prall, dean, School of Education, Woman's College, Greensboro.

Proposal For Race Firemen For City Being Studied

A committee from the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs, the Safety Committee of the City Council and representatives of the City Council met here Tuesday in the City Hall to study the proposal to add Negro personnel to the Fire Department. The request previously made by the Negro Affairs Committee was referred to the special group last August 1. Present at the meeting were Mayor Dan K. Edwards, City Manager R. W. Plack and Chief of the Fire Department, Cosmo Cox.

Principal spokesmen for the Negro Committee were J. S. Stewart, Chairman of the Affairs Committee and J. J. Henderson. Both Stewart and Henderson pleaded with the Safety Committee and the representatives of the Fire Department for representation of their race in the fire department. Stewart stated that the Negro is charged with the responsibility of all government and that he wanted to participate in all of it as well. He emphasized the fact that Negro leaders do not want any of the present personnel of the department dismissed to make room for Negro firemen, but that he felt it was time to start training Negroes so that when the proposed station is erected in the Hayti section that a Negro personnel can be employed.

Henderson stated that Negro firemen in Southern cities were nothing new and that many cities even in the deep South employed Negroes in the fire departments to great advantage.

The meeting closed without any definite conclusion being reached, but it was concluded that progress had been made, however small, in ultimately securing Negroes as members of the local fire department.

The opinion of a majority of the white representatives seemed to hinge around the matter of separate eating and sleeping facilities for the Negro trainees that would have to be provided at whatever of the present fire stations they were being trained.

Chief Cox stated that "of course there are problems, but it ought to work out." Attorney M. Hugh Thompson of the Negro committee stated that if there is no objection on the firemen's part then it is the responsibility of the city, to provide living facilities.

J. H. Wheeler, another member of the Affairs Committee, told the group that the only objection seems to be the matter of segregation, but that segregation laws were never meant to exclude Negroes from employment.

D. B. Martin, another representative of the Negro committee, stated that it was a matter of economics that Negroes need jobs and that he felt they were entitled to share in the expenditure of all the tax fund or certainly that portion of it that went into the salaries paid firemen.

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State Groups Organize For Civil Rights Drive

NEW YORK — In response to the call for the Civil Rights Mobilization drive, state-wide conferences of the NAACP branches and collaborating organizations have been held in New Jersey, Virginia, Oklahoma, New York and Missouri, with the New England states holding a regional meeting in Boston. The Illinois conference is scheduled for the week end, November 26-27, in Chicago with Indiana in Gary, Dec. 2-4.

The state meetings are ratifying the program developed by the NAACP Emergency Committee on Civil Rights and approved by 36 national organizations. Plans were formulated for carrying out the program on state and local levels through a series of mass meetings, delegations to call upon members of Congress while at home, and the sending of representatives to the Washington conference, January 15-17.

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22nd Convention Of N.C. PTA Congress Slated For Asheville

ASHEVILLE — "Building together for the child in his family and his community" was the theme of the 22nd convention of the North Carolina Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers, Inc., scheduled to be held in Asheville yesterday and continuing through today, (Nov. 25-26).

Moss H. Hendrix, legislative assistant to the legislative federal relations division of the National Education Association was slated to appear at the meeting and to deliver an address to the convention.

The keynote address was to be delivered by Mrs. M. E. Morgan, of Cartersville, Ga., president of the National Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers.

Stephens High School will serve as host building for the delegates and representatives of 654 units in eleven districts of the Congress which were expected to converge on Asheville for the two-day meet.

Study groups, lectures, demonstrations and exhibits will feature the convention. Three awards will be given to the unit having the largest membership, to the county unit having the largest increase over last year, and to the city council having the largest membership.

As special features of the convention a problem clinic and a demonstration were to be held Friday afternoon. From 3 until 5 p. m. all delegates were to present their problems for discussion and exchange remedial ideas. The demonstration was to be directed by Mrs. Lucy Her-

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Rites Held For Two-Year-Old Hit Run Victim

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday for two-year old James Lee Hall who died Sunday afternoon after being struck by a hit-and-run driver at the intersection of Belt and Liberty Streets.

Maiah Huggins, 45-year-old man of Rowland Street admitted after questioning by police that he was the driver of the vehicle which struck off the life of little James Hall.

Last rites for the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Lee Hall of 713 Liberty Street were held at the North East Chapel at 2 p. m. Tuesday. Little James is survived by his grandmother.

Huggins, in admitting Monday morning that he was the

driver of the car, said that the child ran into his car, he became frightened, and did not stop.

The accident occurred Sunday shortly afternoon when Huggins turned off Belt street heading west on Liberty. A witness to the accident said that Huggins did not have the right away in making the turn. The witness said he did not see the accident on the instant of its occurrence but that he saw the car pass over the child's body.

Little James was taken to Duke Hospital and pronounced dead on his arrival. Death resulted from several internal and head injuries and a fracture of the right leg was suffered.