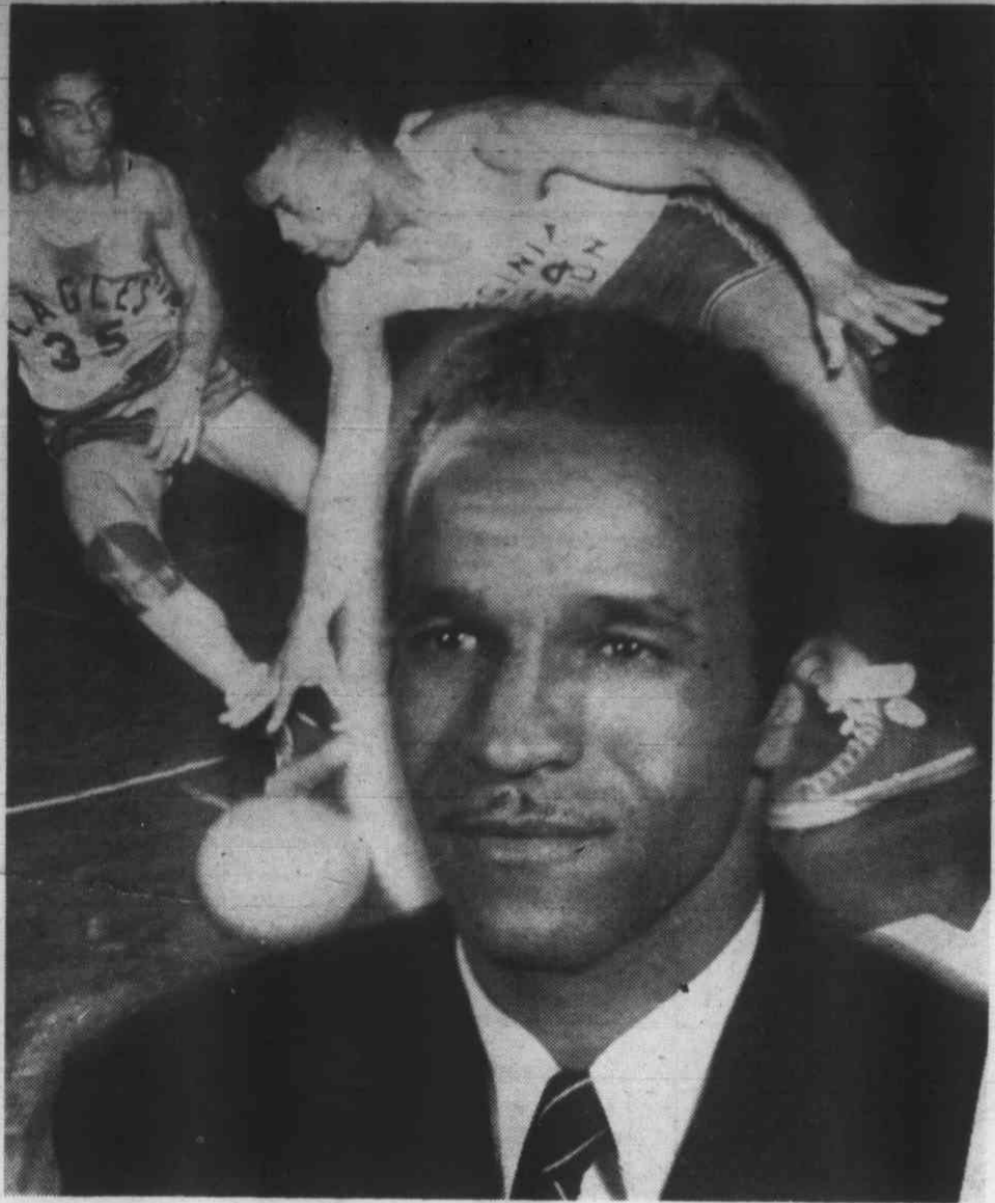


"Mr. Basketball"



Johnny B. McLendon, whose name has become synonymous with basketball in this section of the country, begins his 11th year as head basketball coach at North Carolina College. "L'il Coach," as he is affectionately called, by his friends and students, a past master at the game,

has produced teams which have been champions or runners-up to the CIAA crown each year of his tutelage, with the exception of one — that year his team finished fourth. — See story, column 5, this page.

Killed Three Negro Children

Catch Child Slayers

(Special to the TIMES)
KOSCIUSKO, MISS.
Two of the three white men who brutally massacred 3 Negro children, wounded a fourth and the children's step father were captured near here this week by a prison trusty who is serving a 100 year sentence. The third was captured earlier by Attala County officers.

In one of the most wanton killings seen in this territory in some time, three white men, Malcom and Wendell Whitt, 32 and 24 respectively, and Leon Turner, 38, former convict, shot and killed Thomas Harris' three stepdaughters, Frankie C., 10; Mary Burnside Thurman, 8; and Ruby Nell Harris, 4.

The three also critically wounded Harris, shooting him in the back and the lung and Harris' other stepdaughter, Pearlina Thurman, 14, whom they attempted to rape.

Mrs. Harris escaped the massacre by fleeing in her nightclothes with her weeks-old infant.

Wendell Whitt and Leon Turner were trailed by bloodhounds and a prison trusty, C. B. Grammer, who claimed he won the world light heavyweight (Please turn to Page Eight)

NAACP Official In Love Triangle With White Wife

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As Bank Holds Annual Meeting

In 41st Bank Meet

Mechanics And Farmers Stockholders



Scenes from the 41st annual stockholders' meeting of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank held here recently show J. H. Wheeler, left, vice-president-



cashier of the bank and C. C. Spaulding, bank president, looking over the report to be read to the gathered stockholders in the bank lobby, right panel.

Perry's Mate Claims He Has Child By Another

WASHINGTON
Mrs. Olive J. Perry, wife of Leslie S. Perry who is the legislative representative of the NAACP Washington Bureau, filed suit in district court this week charging a white woman, government attorney, with alienating the affections of her husband.

The action was brought against Miss Ruth Weyand, assistant general counsel handling Supreme Court litigation for the National Labor Relations Board. \$50,000 is being asked as damages by Mrs. Perry.

The complaint filed by Mrs. Perry is of a dual nature. On part specifically charges Miss Weyand with alienation of affection while the other charges the defendant with adultery.

Mrs. Perry claims that Miss Weyand bore a child for Perry from an "illicit love affair."

Perry, who was described by his wife as "a single person of great wealth," said that his wife obtained a divorce in the Virgin Islands last August. He declined to comment on any other aspect of the case.

Through her attorney, John J. O'Brien, Mrs. Perry said that she married Perry in July, 1935, and lived with him until April, 1949. On April 24 of that year she went to Miss Weyand's apartment, she charged, and found her husband there.

She accused the defendant of "scheming" for four years to alienate Perry's affections, giving him an automobile and other gifts, and entertaining him in her apartment. She also

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Five-Man Group For Shaw Named

NCC Officials Ponder Situation Of Crowded Gym

Athletic officials at North Carolina College are said to be planning a sharp curtailment of spectator space at future basketball games following the mad scrambling for seats at Monday night's game between the Eagles and the West Virginia State College Yellow Jackets.

In the scramble for admission to men's gymnasium, the scene of the game, a crowd of mixed students and townspeople rushed a gatekeeper, slightly injuring three coeds who fainted during the mixup.

The three students who were given first aid treatment by Mrs. Ruth Bibby, college nurse, were Miss Rathaline Simpson, Asheville sophomore; Miss Vera Warwick, Selma Sophomore, and Miss Evelyn Whittaker, Enfield, freshman.

Athletic director John B. McLendon said unofficially here Wednesday that North Carolina College would probably adopt a procedure similar to that followed at A. and T. College. Under the A. and T. plan, townspeople are not admitted to the

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RALEIGH
A five-member Interim Administrative Committee to guide the affairs of Shaw University until a new president is chosen was selected Friday afternoon at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of the Board of Trustees. Announcement of the selection was made by Dr. C. C. Spaulding, Executive Committee Chairman.

The Interim Committee is composed of Dean W. R. Strasser of the Shaw University School of Religion, Chairman; Dean Foster P. Payne of the College of Arts and Sciences; Glenwood E. Jones, Business Manager; W. H. Quarles, Jr., University Secretary; and Dr. Nelson H. Harris, Director of Education. The Committee will begin its duties February 1st, when President Robert P. Daniel leaves to assume the Presidency of Virginia State College.

The Interim Committee is scheduled to meet soon to determine the specialized services which each member will perform. As a group the committee will make such decision as have heretofore been vested in the President. Dr. Spaulding, as committee of the Trustees, will sign Chairman of the Executive Committee legal papers as would otherwise bear the President's signature.

Progress Cited, Board Of Directors Re-elected

BY FRANK BROWER

While "banking" was in the National spotlight in the spreading coal strike when Senator Robertson suggested that the Senate Banking committee sponsor a move to apply anti-trust laws to labor unions, "banking" was in the local spotlight when stockholders of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank held their 41st annual meet on the main floor of the institution Monday night. A quorum of the 7060 outstanding shares was present.

Nominating Committee

Dr. L. E. McCauley of Raleigh headed the nominating committee with R. N. Harris and J. J. Henderson completing the group. Harris suggested that they not retire for action until the secretary's reports were rendered, which was done. Meantime, a greeting from Mr. and Mrs. Wade Hammond of California was received on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Both Mechanics and Farmers Banks have roughly 12,000 accounts, which means the employees in both banks are really busy. Up until last year, no director of the bank was paid for his services. Now, some are able to be compensated for their services, and the bank is paying 4 per cent on its capital stock.

The board of directors unanimously re-elected to serve another term were: G. W. Cox, Clyde Donnell, R. N. Harris, C. A. Haywood, W. J. Kennedy, Jr., L. E. McCauley, F. L. McCoy, E. R. Merriek, T. D. Parham, J. C. Scarborough, Sr., A. T. Spaulding, C. C. Spaulding, J. S. Stewart, J. E. Strickland, and J. H. Wheeler.

The Mechanics and Farmers Bank was founded through necessity on August 1, 1908 with capital of only \$10,000 as compared to its present capital of nearly \$400,000, with total resources of nearly five and a quarter million.

The services rendered by the Mechanics and Farmers Bank in Raleigh and Durham, termed by President C. C. Spaulding as "Public Service Stations," are many. Secretary J. H. Wheeler assured that these institutions were ready to serve you each day of the year by discussing of your financial problems with the officers whose experience and training can assist you in shaping your future.

The various departments cover Savings Accounts, Regular and Special Checking Accounts, FHA Loans and Mortgages, Personal Loans, Business Loans, Trust Services, Banking by mail, Collections, Safe Deposit Facilities, Travelers Checks, Credit Bureau, and Investment Counseling.

Under the florescent lighting and the background of pastel green walls and sunnied marble, the secretary gave his annual report disclosing the progress of the bank. Since last year, the report brought out that employees of the institution have been covered by insurance and the premiums paid for surplus. The Secretary and "Dynamo of the Bank" further reported that the Mechanics Bank has gone forward by serving many more people this year and the scope of customers was wider. There were 3,613 loans made during the year of which 218 were real estate loans for homes and businesses and

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Coach J. B. McLendon's Name Synonymous To Basketball

By C. A. RAY

North Carolina College's John Blanche McLendon, Jr. this year starts his eleventh year as the Eagles' head basketball mentor.

His is an impressive decade of athletic competition which has brought renown to North Carolina College, while at the same time, revitalizing basketball in the CIAA, and making the indoor game one of the conference's best drawing cards. In 252 games, 202 wins, against 50 losses, for an all-time 10 year record of .884! That is the amazing record of one of the most versatile sports figures in college competition today.

A native of Kansas, McLendon studied the court game with its founder, the late James Naismith of Kansas University. From Naismith, who was himself a versatile athlete, McLendon learned to excel as swimmer, amateur boxer, basketball star, and a capable competitor in track and other sports, including tennis. But basketball is his hobby, and to that sport he has devoted increasing attention to the dismay of competitors.

The 1950 season may not be another banner year for the who has won 6 conference championships in 10 years, played as runner up three additional years, and scored runners-up

victories in post-season conference tournaments in '47 and '49. Whatever the outcome of the 1950 season for the Eagles, the last man to bemoan — any ill luck which may befall the squad will be Coach McLendon.

His attitude toward the game, and more important, the attitude which he inspires in Eagles players and fans, is well stated on the schedules and programs which are regularly distributed by McLendon at the beginning of each season. It is all in the McLendon spirit, a spirit which in the gymnasium at North Carolina College causes the land to be considered among his avid followers as dedicated ground.

The spirit which McLendon has infused into 10 generations of North Carolina College athletes is now being spread throughout the East and Midwest by seven of his graduates, who are in major coaching positions. James "Boogie" Hardy, the whirligig forward flash of the war years, is head man at St. Charles' School in Illinois. The high-scoring Rudolph "Rocky" Roberson, the Kansas Kangaroo, who scored an amazing personal total of 58 points in 1943 for the national scoring record, is now director of athletics in charge of

the sports program at Butler College, Tyler, Texas. The famous Maack brothers, George and Dick, the Kansas flashes, are located respectively at the Ferridale School in Illinois, and at Kansas Vocational School.

William A. "Gus" Gaines, former all-star athlete at Maroon High School, New York, is now chief mentor at Fayetteville (N. C.) State Teachers' College. Another of North Carolina's teachers' colleges, Elizabeth City, has placed its sports destiny in the versatile hands of James "Fuzzy" Williams. The latest entrant into the ranks of the CIAA's coaches, D. B. Moore of St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, (N. C.) is also a McLendon product.

"Don't Cry, Baby," the popular song hit, should be popular with the followers of McLendon's teams at Durham. Not long ago a sportswriter who has covered Eagles' sports since the war when it was fashionable to sing the blues found this out. The scribe asked McLendon whether to bring out the crying towel for the 1950 season. The writer observed the Eagles would be without their great frosh star of last year, Thomas "Fox" Ramey, who was declared ineligible this season for

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Weldon Church Trustees, Deacons



Members of the Trustee and Deacon Board of the St. Peters Baptist Church are, seated left to right, Nathern Meritt, Rev. Cofield, Walter Palmer. Standing, left to right, Jim Jenkins, Rev. S. B. Barnes, George Hunter, Robert Whithue, and Frank Taylor.

Church Gives Pastor A Car



Rev. J. A. Brown, left, pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Chapel Hill, is shown being presented a Pontiac automobile by the church membership. Presenting the key to Rev. Brown is James Jones, church treasurer, and shown standing between Rev. Brown and Jones is Mrs. Mattie Brown, the pastor's wife.