

# Mrs. M. H. Lee Only Negro Elected On Library Council

Raleigh—Mrs. Mollie Houston Lee, Librarian at the Richard B. Harrison Public Library of this city and Supervisor of North Carolina Negro Public Libraries had the distinction of being the only Negro elected to the American Library Association Council for the coming term 1950-54. She was elected by the members of the American Library Association.

Mrs. Lee has long been considered one of the pioneers in the development of Library service for Negroes. She was the first Negro Librarian at Shaw University, the first Negro School Library Supervisor in Raleigh, and the first Negro State Public Library Supervisor in the country. She organized the first Negro Library Association and was its first president.

She was the moving spirit in the development of the Public Library service for Negroes in Raleigh. Through her ingenuity, the Library moved from a small store room to a building which is one of the most attractive libraries in the country.

Mrs. Lee is a graduate of Columbia University School of Library Service. Her training was made available by scholarships



Mrs. Mollie Houston Lee

from that university.

She has taught library science at Atlanta University, North Carolina College and Shaw Uni-

versity, her contributions to professional magazines have been many. She is member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

# Urban League Official Wed To White Society Heiress

Bridgehampton, Long Island (CNS)—Frank C. Montero, 40 year old handsome, youthful-looking director of the Urban League Fund and Anne Mather, 30 year old pretty blonde heiress of Boston's Beacon Hill society, were married here on a Long Island estate with Judge Hubert T. Delany as best man and Miss Mather's parents' full approval.

The marriage, though shocking Boston, Long Island and other society circles, was no surprise to close friends of the couple who say they have been romancing for "some time" ever since meeting while working at the League.

The former Miss Mather is a Phi Beta Kappa, a graduate of Smith College, '42 and has a long record of faithful service to the Urban League in an unpaid capacity since '43. Later she became director of an interracial committee proposed to see that New York's Anti-Discrimination Law was well enforced.

Living in Greenwich Village since last year, she was, until her marriage a graduate student of economics at Columbia University. This is her first marriage.

Mr. Montero, who possesses an athletic, fun loving personality wooed and won his second bride

happily with full consent of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip R. Mather of 172 Beacon Street in Boston—who are listed in the Social Register. Mr. Mather holds extensive steel and real estate interests, though retired as of last March. He and his wife came to town for the wedding. Married by Rev. James H. Robinson, a Negro fighter, the bride wore a white satin dress

worked with lace, worn by her mother and her sisters when they were married. Only a few friends, together with the family, were present.

The couple plan an extensive honeymoon following a short stay at a summer cottage in Long Island. They'll go to France and other parts of Europe but plans to live in New York.

# Program For Aids Confab Released

Durham — James E. Parker, director of the Audio-Visual Aids center at North Carolina College, this week announced the program for the Audio-Visual Aids conference to be held here Thursday and Friday, July 20 and 21.

Consultants for the two day meeting are Phillip W. Mammino, Chief Technician, Audio Visual Aids Department at Pennsylvania State College; Charles F. Milner, communications center, University of North Carolina; Dr. Rose Butler Browne, professor of elementary education, education, graduate school, N. C. College; Dr. J. A. Pittman, pro-

fessor of education, N. C. College; and Emma Cunningham, visiting professor of education from Clarke College, Atlanta, Ga.

The conference will open Thursday morning in the Music Assembly with a panel discussion of "Teachers, Their Tools and Responsibilities." A general meeting for laymen will be held Friday evening at eight o'clock p. m. Mammino will give an illustrated lecture.

Two series of clinics will be held from 2-4 o'clock each afternoon.

## Famee Instructors Enrolled In Several Universities For Study

Tallahassee, Fla. — In a continued effort to keep themselves abreast with pedagogical times, many Florida A. and M. College instructors have taken leaves for summer study.

(The schools in which these instructors are enrolled include those as far east as Michigan, in the north to Massachusetts and to the west as far as Washington.



State Director L. J. Chappelman of the Farmers Home Administration, Dallas, Texas is shown presenting a check for \$11,900 to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer O. Porter, outstanding farm family of the Pelham community, Navarro County, at loan

closing ceremonies held last Wednesday at Wesley Chapel Methodist Church as hundreds of business, professional and agricultural leaders of both races looked on.

This farm housing loan which runs for 20 years will be used

to build a new home for the Porters on their 1,400 acre farm. It will have three bedrooms, bath, living room, kitchen, dining room, breezeway with garage attached, rural electricity, running water, telephone, and the grounds will be landscaped. Mr.

Porter is one of the largest cotton and cattle raisers in Central Texas.

Shown seated at the right is E. B. Whitaker, National Field Representative, Washington, D. C., who brought greetings from Administrator Dillard B. Lester.

# Save McGee Delegation Slated For Miss. As CRC Pushes Fight

New York—The Civil Rights Congress stepped up its efforts to save Willie McGee, condemned Mississippi Negro, as it announced the condemnation of the scheduled execution by the World Federation of Democratic Youth and a "Save McGee" delegation which will journey to Jackson, Miss. in an effort to gain a reprieve of the death sentence.

McGee was convicted three times of rape on a middle-aged white woman and sentenced to die July 27.

The Civil Rights Congress claims that McGee is a victim of "lynch justice." The CRC said that at each trial a lynch mob surrounded the court house.

The Congress, in announcing the support of the World Federation of Democratic Youth,

said that the organization, representing seventy million youth in 74 countries, has condemned "the scheduled electrocution of Willie McGee and and Martinsville, Virginia Seven, innocent Negroes whose deaths on unproven charges of rape are scheduled to begin in two weeks.

Stating that protests are being received on the McGee and Martinsville Seven cases by American officials abroad and by officials in Washington and that the cases are getting wide publicity in Europe and Latin America, the Congress added that the National Bureau of The People's Youth of Belgium has wired that it "had learned with deep indignation of the imminent execution."

The World Federation of Democratic Youth, wired President Truman, according to the CRC,

that the "frame-ups are one more manifestation of U. S. ruling circles' racial hatred" and asked for commutation of sentences and retrials.

In announcing the national delegation to Jackson, Miss., the Congress said that the "Save McGee" delegates will come from ten different states throughout the country. The CRC said that they will include ministers, artists, writers, trade union leaders and others.

These delegates will seek audiences with Mississippi church leaders, State officials and prominent citizens in an effort to win executive clemency for McGee.

The Congress reported that a

group of Los Angeles delegates had already started from California by car.

The Director of the Southern

Conference Educational Fund, Inc. released a letter this week asking that letters or telegrams be sent Gov. Fielding Wright of Mississippi requesting executive clemency in McGee's case.

James A. Dombrowski, included in the letter, a group of facts which he claims substantiate the CRC contention that McGee is the victim of a frame-up.

Dombrowski listed these facts: "A white woman of Laurel, Miss. testified that she was raped around four a. m. November 3, 1945 while her sick daughter was sleeping with her, and her husband and two other children were in an adjoining room. She testified that she could not identify the man, but stated that he had kinky hair and wore a T-shirt.

"McGee was arrested, held for 33 days without being able to consult a lawyer, tried, convicted and sentenced three times in a lynch atmosphere.

"McGee told of beatings and tortures until he signed a confession. He was unable to speak coherently in court.

"The court-appointed defense called no witnesses of its own and did not cross-examine the rape-victim. The all-white jury deliberated 2 1-2 minutes, and twice the State Supreme Court set aside the verdict and ordered a new trial."

The CRC is making an nation-wide appeal for letters and wires to be sent to Gov. Wright asking him to commute McGee's death sentence.

## NCC Summer School Students Present Annual Church Program

Durham — Summer School students at North Carolina College in the Department of Music and the Reading Clinic last Sunday night presented their annual program of music and recitation at White Rock Baptist Church at 7:30 o'clock.

Samuel W. Hill, director of the N. C. College choir, opened the program with a series of organ selections.

## BROWSING WITH BROWER

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the genius, is working at Pop-City, and will leave the states soon for Paris for study in art under the G. I. Bill. Mr. T. B. Davis of Zebulon writes that it seems that both primaries should be taken into account in declaring a nominee of a party, or a plurality be the basis of a nomination. What do you think Cousin Frank—Logan Building 5-7751.

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