

CHAPEL HILL PLANS TO SUE

Ushers Converge On Fayetteville In 26th Annual Conference

Full-Scale Probe Of Goldsboro Institution Hinted By NAACP

Winston-Salem — A full-scale probe into the operational practices of the State institutions for the mentally incompetent was indicated here this week by the local NAACP branch, when its president C. C. Kellum, is-

sued a statement charging that racial discriminatory practices of the State had led to the jailing of several Negroes and to the actual slaying of one.

Kellum revealed in his statement this week that the N. A. A. C. P. has discovered actual cases wherein Negroes who, although adjudged mentally incompetent, are being jailed. He also stated that the NAACP had secured the release from jail of one such prisoner.

An investigation by the Interdenominational Ushers Association of the State revealed last December that the institution at Goldsboro was not housing all it should because of the lack of physical facilities.

In his statement Kellum traced the recent slaying of Curtis Bradley, killed in "Walker Town," to the fact that no room was provided for him at the State hospital at Goldsboro.

The recent arrest, and sentencing of Milton Jessie Gilliam to 25 months on the roads even after he had been declared insane led to a minor investigation by the local NAACP which revealed that several other Negroes, adjudged mentally incompetent, were being held in the Forsythe County jail.

NAACP Attorney O. T. Den-

ning secured the release of Gilliam from jail by virtue of a writ of habeas corpus. Gilliam was eventually placed in the State hospital at Goldsboro.

Attorney Denning also sta-

ted this week that the legal staff of the national NAACP had pledged its backing in the investigation and fight against racial discrimination in the State hospitals.

Rev. Grady Passes Here



Rev. Thomas Alvis Grady, 58, pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church, died at Lincoln 21 at 8:00 P. M., following an operation which he underwent last Tuesday, August 14. Reverend Grady was born in Hillsboro, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Grady. He came to Durham at the age of 23 and had lived here ever since. He was a graduate of North Carolina College, class of 1921.

For 26 years Rev. Grady was pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church here, during which time through his energetic leadership congregation has grown from a membership of 100 to over 350. At the time of his death a new church edifice was under construction and when completed will cost in the neighborhood of \$60,000. For the past 18 years he was pastor of the Terrell's Creek Baptist Church in Orange County, moderator of the New Hope Baptist Association for years and finance clerk of the Ministers' and Deacons' Union.

Surviving Rev. Grady are his wife, the former Miss Dovie Bass of Durham, four daughters, Mrs. Martha G. Dalton, Statesville, Mrs. Hazel G. Weeks, Mrs. Gladys Brown and Mrs. Mildred Buckner all of Durham. One son, Alvis O. Grady of Durham and four grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services will be held at Ebenezer Baptist Church Saturday afternoon, Aug. 26 at 2:30. The Rev. A. B. Johnson of Raleigh will deliver the eulogy and be in charge of the last rites. He will be assisted by Rev. G. W. Watkins, member of the faculty of Shaw University.

The body will lie in state at the church from 9:00 A. M., until 2:00 P. M. Saturday.

Playgrounds End Series Of Broadcasts

The playgrounds, operated by the City Recreation Department added a distinct and unique feature to the Summer Program, reporting to the public the happenings on the several playgrounds each week.

The weekly show, Playground Reporter, was aired over station WTKI with each reporting once. The last in the series was aired on Saturday, August 12, and a special feature was given.

A sports quiz, with boys from each playground parti-

HST Names Lady Lawyer To UN Post

Washington, D. C. — The appointment of a Chicago Negro woman barrister to the U. S. delegation to the UN last week by President Truman was seen as a master counter-propaganda move by this country in the current hot and cold conflict with Russia.

Mrs. Edith Sampson, first and only woman to earn masters degree in law at Loyola University, became the second Negro to be named to the international body when she was named as a delegate to the UN General Assembly.

Veterans observers on Capitol Hill see the move as a master stroke by the U. S. in countering Russian statements to the effect that this country is supporting the "wrong side" in a "white man's war in Korea, and that Negroes are denied high office in the United States.

Dr. Ralph Bunche was the first American Negro to be named to a UN post. He represents the U. S. as a member of the dependent territories organization.

It is general knowledge here on Capitol Hill that the appointment had strong backing from the State department. The Department advised that Mrs. Sampson was not only qualified to fill the post, but that her appointment would mean much to the U. S. total diplomacy program.

Mrs. Sampson has been practicing law with her husband's law firm on Chicago's Southside since her graduation from Marshall college in 1926. Forty years old, she is the mother of two children.

Prominent in civic affairs, Mrs. Sampson is president of the World Town Hall Seminar, a radio educational group, member of Chicago's UN Association and a member of that city's bar association.

ELKS CONVERGE ON CHI FOR GRAND LODGE MEET

Chicago — Close to 40,000 Elks were estimated to be in attendance at the grand lodge convention of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World which opened here Sunday.

Rev. Marshall Shepard, Recorder of Deeds, Washington, D. C., delivered a sermon Sunday morning.

Court of the "Polynesian Queen" at the annual Hillside Park pool Water Pageant held last Saturday at the local pool is shown above. The pageant, one of the most colorful presented by the Life Saving Corps of the pool, was witnessed by approximately 1,500 spectators. Featuring diving exhibitions, unusual swimming feats clowning and creative dancing by the group of chorines shown on the bottom row in the above photo, the pageant was studded with a large cast.

Shown above are Willette Snead, center, who reigned as the "Polynesian Queen"; her attendants standing at her sides, court pages, seated around the throne: Thelma Kilpatrick, seated right, creative dancer; and the chorines members of the W. D. Hill recreation center dance group.

Citizens Vote Unanimously For Legal Action As Last Resort

Chapel Hill — Another school suit was in the offing in the State this week as Negroes of this community voted unanimously Sunday to institute proceedings against the local school board for educational facilities alike for both races.

When the suit is brought, it will bring to three the number of suits instituted by Negroes in the State seeking to equalize educational facilities.

It was learned by the TIMES this week that efforts of the Negroes to gain relief from the situation without resort to legal action was of no avail.

The suit was prompted when funds for the proposed consolidated high school were insufficient to conform to plans made earlier for the school.

With about \$100,000 short of meeting construction contractors needs, county commissioners decided to let contracts for the building as far as funds would permit, necessitating that a combination auditorium and several other facilities be cut out of the original plans.

The commissioners made the decision after a mass meeting of white and Negro communities on the issue and after the Council on Negro affairs had met with local and county school boards asking that funds be appropriated so that the building could be erected according to the original plan.

Dr. Thompson indicated that an additional meeting was held with the State School Board, which apparently advised that no funds were available.

The appropriation was made last year from the county-wide school and road bond issue.

Largest Attendance Seen; Wheeler To Keynote Session

Fayetteville — The largest number of delegates and visitors ever to attend an annual meeting of the North Carolina Interdenominational Ushers Union Association is expected here during the four-day session of the organization which opens Thursday morning, August 24 at 10 o'clock.

The Association which is the largest interdenominational church organization in the State, will convene at the Fayetteville State Teachers College where the delegates and visitors will also be housed and fed during the convention.

Word has been received from L. E. Austin of Durham, president of the organization that the vanguard of the delegation will probably begin arriving here Wednesday evening, followed by a host of delegates and visitors Thursday morning and the remainder of the session.

According to Walter McCain, president of the local Ushers Union, that is host to the State meeting, everything is in readiness for entertaining the visitors in first-class order.

The Thursday evening session which will be open to the general public will have as mistress of ceremonies, Mrs. E. K. Hughes of Fayetteville and will feature a welcome address by Honorable J. O. Tally, Mayor of Fayetteville. He will be introduced by Dr. W. P. DeVane, Negro member of the Fayetteville City Council.

Church Will Be Dedicated

Wendell — Dedicatory services for the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church will be held here Sunday.

Two services, one beginning in the morning at eleven and another in the afternoon at two, will be held in dedicating the church.

Pleasant Grove's pastor, Rev. George S. Stokes, will deliver the sermon at the morning service. Special music for the service will be rendered by the Pleasant Grove, Riley Hill, Good Hope and Lee's Cross Roads church choirs.

Rev. C. H. Heath will speak at the afternoon service.

Music at the afternoon service (Please turn to Page Eight)

Quota For Florida College Dorms Set

Tallahassee, Fla. — The Florida A. and M. College dormitory quota for men students has been reached totaling 440, while the dormitory quota for women lacks 265 of its 618 capacity.

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Althea Gibson To Play At Famed Forest Hills

NEW YORK—Althea Gibson will become the first Negro to ever participate in the United States National Tennis Championships at the famed Forest Hills courts.

Miss Gibson's entry was one of 52 accepted by the United States Lawn Tennis Association August 21 for competition in the women's singles, slated to begin next Monday at Forest Hills.

A 22-year old Florida A. and M. student, she won the Eastern Indoor Crown, in the National Indoor Championships and participated in the Clay Court and Eastern Grass Court tournaments.

Since her entry into mixed competition, she has won the acclaim of several experts of the game, including Alice Marble, former U. S. Women's Singles champion.

Three Man Court To Hear Va. Case

Richmond, Va. — A three-judge court will determine whether the University of Virginia is violating the constitutional rights of Gregory L. Swanson in denying him admission to the Law School.

Swanson, practicing attorney of Martinsville, Va. was turned down by the Board of Visitors when he sought admission to do graduate study at the historic University.

Chief Judge John J. Parker of the Fourth U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals named Federal District Judge John Paul and Circuit Appeals Judge Morris A. Soper to sit with him in hearing the case.

Swanson is seeking a mandatory injunction requiring officials of the University to enroll him as a graduate student in the Law School.

The Martinsville attorney, in filing his petition, charged the University with violating the Fourteenth Amendment of the U. S. Constitution in denying him admission to the university which affords legal education for white students.

The Board of Visitors of the university rejected Swanson's application on the ground that the State Constitution and the law require that colored and white persons be taught in different schools.

Swanson urged an early ruling on his suit to enable him, if successful, to enter in the Fall term.

Attorneys To Be Honored Mon. Night

Everything is in readiness for the Durham Press Club's First Annual "Page One Awards" night here Monday at eight at the W. D. Hill Community Center.

To be honored by the club are local attorneys M. Hugh Thompson and J. H. Wheeler, plaintiffs' counsels in the recent Durham City Schools equalization suit.

Final plans for the presentation of the twin plaques to the two attorneys, who were cited by the Press Club for conspicuous service to the community at large in bringing attention of the Durham public to the needs of the schools, were made this week by the club.

L. E. Austin, Press club president, said that previous (Please turn to Page Eight)

Boys Club Will Repeat Special Program Sun.

On Sunday evening at five o'clock the Boys Sports Club of the W. D. Hill Recreation Center will repeat their special program that was held at St. Joseph A. M. E. Church last Sunday afternoon.

This club is under the advisement of Harold Hayes. Everyone is cordially invited to come out and witness this outstanding program. Mrs. Mary C. Evans is the club sponsor.



ATTY. J. H. WHEELER

Highlighting the convention will be the annual address which will be delivered Friday evening by Attorney J. H. Wheeler, vice president and cashier of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank of Durham and the annual sermon Sunday morning by the Rev. Marvin L. Williams, pastor of the Mt. Sinai Baptist Church of Fayetteville.

The annual oratorical contest held each year by the Junior Department of the Association will be Saturday evening at eight o'clock, followed by a semi-formal banquet.

Sunday morning at 10:30 the annual parade of the convention will be held with all of the delegates and visiting ushers in the