

YOUTH, 17, ON TRIAL SECOND TIME FOR SLAYING FARMER

May Erect Branch Bank In Hayti Area

Proposal of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank to establish a branch in the Hayti section of Durham met almost unanimous approval of a cross section of persons interviewed here this week.

Several weeks ago, the Carolina Times learned that the bank secured option on two lots located on the intersection of Pettigrew and Fayetteville streets with the idea in mind of establishing a branch which will include drive-in and other banking facilities for persons living in the Hayti section.

In proposing the establishment of the Hayti branch bank officials are taking in consideration the increasing growth of Hayti as a business and residential section as well as the tremendous parking problem many of the bank's customers have in trying to reach its main office in the uptown business district.

It is the general opinion of many persons interviewed on the question this week, that the branch in the Hayti section will not only be a distinct advantage to businesses and individuals in this particular location, but that it will contribute considerably to the growth of the bank.

The establishment of a branch in the Hayti section will be in keeping with the larger banks of the city several of which maintain several branches in various sections of Durham. Hayti is believed to be the largest outlying business and residential section of the city that does not have branch banking facilities of any kind.

Only two persons interviewed on the question did not think it a good idea. Of the 50 others questioned all fully endorsed the proposal.

Statements from several interviewed here Wednesday are as follows:

"I think it would certainly meet the need of the parking problem one meets in trying to get to our bank uptown."

THEODORE SPIGHT
Manager, Spight's Auto Service.

"I think the establishment of a branch of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank in the Hayti section of Durham is an excellent idea. I trust the project will soon materialize."

R. N. HARRIS
Secretary-Manager Bankers' Fire Ins. Co.

"People don't go anywhere these days for one thing only. I don't believe the establishment of a branch of our bank for banking purposes only would be wise."

REV. E. T. BROWNE
Pastor, Mount Vernon Baptist Church.

"I think a branch of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank in the Hayti section is sorely needed as this section after all, is the largest and the center of Negro life of Durham."

H. R. EDWARDS
Employee, Southern Fidelity Mutual Insurance Company.

"I highly approve of the establishment of a branch of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank in the Hayti section of Durham."

MISS S. A. HOLLOWAY
N. C. College

"I think it is a very good idea to establish a branch of our bank in the Hayti section."

MISS F. B. ROSSER
Businesswoman.

"I think the establishment of a branch of our bank in the Hayti section is a good idea."

W. G. PEARSON, II
Manager, Do-Nut Shop

"I think the idea is an excellent one. There are so many persons of our group in Durham who never go on Parrish (Please turn to Page Eight)

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THE REV. T. KILGORE

Rev. Kilgore Will Speak During Revival Here

The annual revival meeting of the West Durham Baptist Church will begin April 14 and continue through April 18.

A series of evangelistic sermons will be delivered by the Reverend Thomas Kilgore, pastor of the Friendship Baptist Church of New York City.

The Rev. Kilgore ranks among the strong ministerial leaders of the country. He was one of the leading clergymen among the baptist of North Carolina for a number of years, having served in the position of executive secretary of the General Baptist State Convention for three years. Before leaving the state, he was pastor of the Friendship Baptist Church of Winston-Salem.



(Left to right) India Edwards, Vice Chairman of the Democratic National Committee and Director of the Women's Division shows the Guidebook for county and precinct workers, to the four Democratic Couriers on her staff: Venice Spragg, Carolyn Moore, Jane Schmidt (holding Women's Division publication, THE DEMOCRATIC DIGEST) and Elsie Jensen.

Escaped Gas Chamber After First Conviction

Miss Anderson Has Easter TV Show At 8 P. M.

Marian Anderson, world-famous contralto, will make her postponed television appearance on Ed Sullivan's "Toast of the Town," Easter Sunday, April 13 (CBS-TV, 8:00-9:00 PM, EST).

Miss Anderson originally was scheduled to make her TV debut on "Toast of the Town's" Christmas program. She will sing Schubert's "Ave Maria" and the Spiritual "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands."

One of the great singers of our time, Miss Anderson is currently on her sixteenth consecutive American tour. In the years since her first American concert, she has been honored by governments, universities, Presidents and Kings.

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SPECIAL

NEW BERN

A 17-year-old Negro with a third grade education went on trial again here on Tuesday, charged with the rifle slaying of Joe McGee, a 50-year-old farmer of the Spring Hope section.

Ernest Ray Simmons, who was saved from the gas chamber last October when the North Carolina Supreme Court ruled that Judge Leo Car had erred in his instruction to the jury during Simmons' June trial, heard the State again present testimony in its case for his life.

ACCORDING to the wife of the slain farmer, her husband was roused on the night of April 20 by someone who called her husband into the yard. Ac-

ording to Mrs. McGee, her husband was found critically wounded in the yard and died 18 hours later after being rushed to the New Bern Hospital.

A neighbor, Ray Rider, who carried McGee to the Hospital, said that he heard McGee tell Dr. Oscar Kafer that a colored man shot him. Rider said that he heard no other identification.

McGee had a bullet wound in his chest; another bullet had gone through his upper arm.

Simmons, who had been apprehended and jailed, was moved to a jail later identified as the Jones County jail. Frank Dudley, who had been with Simmons when he was arrested, was also jailed.

THE STATE'S CASE against Simmons rested on the evidence (Please turn to Page Eight)

SUPREME COURT DISMISSES APPEAL NOTICE FOR MILLER

RALEIGH

The North Carolina Supreme Court on Wednesday dismissed without review a notice of appeal for LaFayette Miller, Beaufort Negro convicted and sentenced to die for the slaying of a white farmer in November.

By so doing, the State Court's

action automatically fixed April 25 as the date for Miller to die in the gas chamber at Central prison here.

At Miller's trial, the attractive wife of the slain farmer, Mrs. Opal Boyd, testified that her husband was shot through a bedroom window, before Miller forced her to accompany him in a car.

State highway patrolmen, stopping the Miller car for a routine check, found Mrs. Boyd locked in the trunk, clad only in a nightgown and half-frozen.

Miller startled courtroom spectators by testifying Mrs. Boyd had murdered her husband. A jury, however, deliberated only 10 minutes before finding the accused guilty of first degree murder.

Gifts Of Books, Pamphlets Go To NCC Library

North Carolina College's young but fast growing library was increased recently with the acceptance of three separate gifts consisting of 130 volumes and 168 pamphlets.

The most recent was a gift of all of the numbers of the publication "Language" since 1927. This was donated by Dr. Urban T. Holmes, Kenan professor of Romance Philology at the University of North Carolina, along with Dissertations and Monographs which are supplements of the publication.

"Language" is the official publication of the Linguistic Society of America.

The School of Library Science was the recipient of the other two gifts, consisting of 107 volumes. The first was a gift of 56 volumes of books in Library Science donated by the Omaha Public Library of Omaha, Nebraska.

This gift was effected by Arthur H. Pearson, director of the Omaha Library, through Miss Helen T. Geer, headquarters librarian of the American Librarian (Please turn to Page Eight)



The above North Carolina College students were part of a delegation of students from Negro colleges throughout the South and East who were invited to spend last week-end on the campus of Cornell University as guests of the University's student government association. Members of NCC's delegation, shown as they prepared to leave Durham for Ithaca, New York, are, left to right, E. N. Strayhorn, faculty member; Claude Stephens, Fayetteville, N. C.; Delores Dyson, Winston-Salem, N. C.; Doris Sciple, Chadbourn, N. C.; Helen McLain, Southern Pines, N. C.; Harold Johnson, faculty member; William Lewis, Warsaw, N. C.; and Savannah Mitchell, Plymouth, N. C.

National Alumni Groups To Hold Meet In Elizabeth City

Assures NAACP Of Check Of Proposed Successor To Waring

NEW YORK The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has been assured by the White House that the NAACP protest against consideration of Representative L. Mendel Rivers as a successor to Judge J. Waties Waring "will be carefully considered."

SC Democrats Pass 'Fair Play' Measure

COLUMBIA, S. C. Richland County Democrats expressed their belief in fairness to all people here on April 7 by adopting a resolution upholding fair play at the suggestion of Dr. R. W. Nance.

Dr. Nance, a Negro who has practiced his profession here for 20 years, pointed out that Richland democrats had previously taken a negative attitude toward

Reports that the anti-Negro congressman from Charleston, S. C., was being considered for appointment to the federal district court post vacated by the retirement of the liberal Judge Waring prompted Walter White, NAACP executive, to send a telegram to President Truman in the hope of heading off such an appointment.

"It is our sincere hope," Mr. White said, "that these reports are without foundation. . . . Congressman Rivers has been one of the most vindictive opponents of constitutional rights for minorities and particularly for 15,000,000 Negro Americans. . . . We could conceive of no person less fit than he to administer even-handed justice and to uphold obedience to the federal constitution."

civil rights issues. He said that since members of the group believe in fair play, the delegates should go on record to affirm their beliefs.

More than 100 Negroes attended the convention as delegates, from their precincts.

NCC Senior, Garland Watt, Is Winner Of \$1,225 General Education Board Scholarship Grant

Files Suit For 10 G's Against Bus Company

CHARLOTTE Charles P. Bell filed suit against Atlantic Greyhound Corporation for \$10,000 here this week after claiming that he was forcefully ejected from a bus on which he refused to move to a rear seat.

Bell said that he was traveling from Charlotte to Spartanburg last July 29, and was ordered by the bus driver to move to the rear when the bus reached Gastonia. After his refusal, Bell charges, the driver obtained two policemen who "escorted" him from the bus.

Atlantic Greyhound admits that Bell was "escorted" from the bus but says that no charge was placed against Bell, who was told that he could continue the trip if he would accept the seat assigned to him by the driver.

Garland Watt, North Carolina College senior, was announced winner of a General Education Board scholarship last week.

The scholarship, available to students in many of the major Southern colleges, includes tuition, "certain required fees," a subsistence stipend of \$1,125 and travel to and from place of study for a year.

Watt is the first N. C. C. student to win the scholarship since the program was set up in 1950. President of the senior class, he is an honor student and active in many campus affairs.

Son of Robert L. Watt of Reidsville, young Watt was recently admitted to the Harvard University Law School.

According to Dr. Robert W. July, assistant director of the General Education Board, many of those who by this aid are stimulated to undertake graduate training will eventually return to the South and make their contribution to southern education. In any event, the program should create a larger supply of able young scholars from the South upon which southern institutions may draw in making appointments.

Watt holds membership in several campus organizations, including the Social Science club, Omega Psi Phi fraternity, and Alpha Kappa Mu honorary society. He is Parliamentarian for the Student Legislative Assembly which meets annually at the State capital, and holds the same post for the North Carolina College Student Government.



GARLAND WATT

To Give Recital

The North Carolina College Dance Group will present a concert at E. N. Duke Auditorium, Friday, April 18, at 8:15 p. m. There will be no charge for admission.