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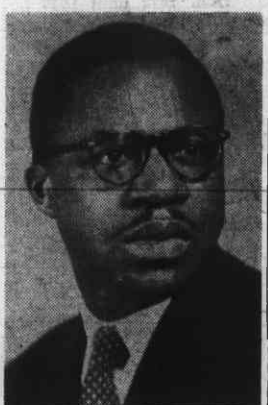
Educational Tragedy

N. C. COLLEGE TO OFFER Ph.D. DEGREE

Popular Minister Resigns Post

REVEREND JAMES A. CANNON ACCEPTS PASTORATE LARGE CHURCH IN DETROIT, MICH.

The Rev. James A. Cannon has resigned as pastor of Covenant Presbyterian Church and as Minister to the North Carolina College at Durham. He will accept the pastorate of the Bethel Community Church of Detroit, Mich. The Bethel Church has recently been organized in suburban Detroit.



REVEREND J. A. CANNON

letter of dismissal to the Presbytery of Detroit. The minister and his family are expected to be in Detroit by August 15. The Carolina Times was unable immediately to appraise the effect of the popular minister's reaction on the Durham community which he has served with such distinction for the past several years. One significant reaction, however, did come from North Carolina College where a spokesman said NCC President Alfonso Elder had accepted the college minister's resignation with "deepest regrets." In the minister's Covenant Church, reaction was said to have been mixed. The liberal minister is said to have incurred the wrath of some of the conservative church members who are said not to be regretful of his leaving. Another portion of the membership, however, is thought to be opposed to accepting his resignation. One State Presbyterian follower said: "It is highly significant that the Rev. Charles Jones (white Chapel Hill minister who believes in the equality of men of all races) and the Rev. J. A. Cannon should both find it expedient to leave North Carolina at the same time." Both ministers are known as liberal exponents of a "social gospel." The Rev. Mr. Cannon received both B. A. and B. D. degrees from Johnson C. Smith University of Charlotte. In the years that he has lived in Durham he has held the following positions: Member of the Durham Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance; Member of the Advisory Board of the Har-

Dr. Daniel To Speak At Manteo Performance

Manteo—Dr. Robert P. Daniel, president of Virginia State College, will be the principal speaker at a special observance honoring Negroes during the performance of the "Lost Colony" here Friday, July 18. The speaker, a nationally known educator, was formerly president of Shaw University, Raleigh. Dr. S. D. Williams, president of the Elizabeth City Teachers College, is chairman of the special committee on arrangements for the annual observance. Officials of the "Lost Colony" say Negroes are welcome at all performances, but, traditionally one day each year has been set aside especially for Negroes in the same manner that other groups in the State have special days.

The historical pageant depicts the settling of North America by English colonists late in the sixteenth century. Paul Green, celebrated North Carolina playwright, wrote the pageant which recounts the birth of Virginia Dare and other significant events in the early history of the North American continent. A list of outstanding Negroes have addressed the annual observance usually held in mid-July. Some past speakers include the late Dr. James E. Shepard, founder and first president of the North Carolina College at Durham; Dr. Thomas Pogue, director of the division of dramatic art at Tennessee State University; John R. Larkins, consultant on Negro work in the North Carolina Department of Public Welfare, and Dr. Alfonso Elder, president of North Carolina College, Durham.

D. C. Medical Society Opens Doors To Race

Washington, D. C.—The District of Columbia Medical Society last week announced that for the first time it will admit qualified Negro physicians to membership. The announcement climaxed an intensive three-year fight by a committee of the D. C. Medico-Chirurgical Society headed by Dr. W. Montague Cobb, professor of anatomy at Howard University and chairman of the National Medical Committee of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. This breakdown of racial bar-



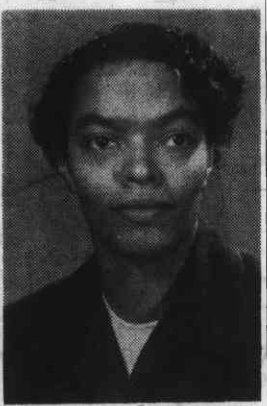
Shown above are twenty-two members of a special group of North Carolina College Summer School students who last week finished class work in driver teacher education. Two week course was conducted June 30 through July 11. Enrollees included teachers, and supervisors, high school principals. The course at NCC was one of several offered in this state as part of a state-wide safety movement on North Carolina highways.

Negro Leaders To Make Demands On Democrats For Strong Civil Rights Plank

Chicago—As the vanguard of the delegation to the National Democratic convention to be held here next week began to arrive here over the week-end, the one big question on the lips of most of them is, what will the party do about a civil rights plank in its platform? Since the Republican National Convention closed with only a shadow of the civil rights plank that Negro and liberal white voters had expected—and that without a fight on the convention floor—the civil rights issue now looms larger on the Democratic horizon than ever before.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has termed the GOP civil rights plank "essentially a states right plank." "Whether it attracts any important support among Negro voters," Mr. Wilkins said, "depends in large measure upon the kind of platform the Democrats adopt in their coming national convention."

Meanwhile NAACP officials and other civil rights advocates prepared to return to Chicago to urge the Democratic National Convention to adopt the nine-point civil rights plank previously submitted to the Republicans. Walter White, NAACP executive secretary, is scheduled to appear before the Democratic platform committee on Thursday, July 17. Speaking not only for the NAACP, but also for the 54 national church, labor, civic, professional and fraternal organizations which comprise the Leadership Conference as well as for Negro organizations, Mr. White will urge the Democrats to incorporate in their platform



Maude J. Yancey, Professor of Health Education at North Carolina College here, returned to Durham recently from the University of Michigan where she was awarded the Doctor's degree in Education last month. Daughter of Mrs. L. B. Yancey of 913 East Green Street, Wilson, N. C., the young NCC professor formerly attended Barber-Scotts, Knoxville and North Carolina Colleges. In addition to teaching at North Carolina College, she has also taught at Knoxville and Barber-Scotts colleges. She has done special research at the marine-life laboratory at Woods Hole, Mass. Dr. Yancey, who has been a member of North Carolina College's faculty since 1949, wrote a dissertation entitled "A Study of Some Health Misconceptions of Prospective Teachers in Negro Colleges in North Carolina."

a forthright civil rights plank. The plank to be submitted to

Ushers Prep For Twenty-Eighth Meet In August

The Interdenominational Ushers Association of North Carolina announced this week that plans are going forward with rapid strides for its 28th annual session which will be held in Charlotte, August 21-24 at the St. Paul Baptist Church of which the Rev. James F. Wertz is pastor.

Mrs. Susie V. Cooper, director of the Oratorical Contest held each year paid a visit to the office of the president this week and reported that the largest group of contestants ever to take part in the contest is expected to be on the program when the Contest is held on Saturday night, August 23 of the Convention.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WINNERS. Winners in the Oratorical Contest this year will be awarded three scholarship prizes to the college of their choice. The first prize will be a scholarship of \$100, second prize \$75 and third prize \$50. The subjects for this year's contest are "Frederick Douglas" for boys and "Harriet Tubman" for girls.

DR. MARSHALL SHEPARD TO PREACH. On Friday night, Dr. Marshall Shepard, former Recorder of Deeds, Washington, D. C., and now Recorder of Deeds of Philadelphia, will deliver the annual

Plans Being Whipped Into Shape For Higher Degree By Opening Of School Year

Last Rites Held For Editor Of Charlotte Post

Charlotte—Last rites for Henry Houston, 75, founder and publisher of the Charlotte Post, weekly newspaper of this city were held at Grace A. M. E. Zion Church, July 16 at 4:00 P. M. The Rev. A. N. Gibson, officiated. Mr. Houston's death came as the climax to several years of illness. He succumbed at Good Samaritan Hospital around 11 o'clock Monday morning. He was born at Paw Creek, the son of Amzie and Frances Houston. At the age of three he moved to Charlotte where he lived the remainder of his life.

He attended the Charlotte public schools and later became a printer in the establishment of the Western Newspaper Union during the years it maintained a publishing plant here. About 40 years ago he founded the Charlotte Post and remained its editor up to two years ago when he retired from active service on account of his

Studying In Mexico



Miss Lennora Jeffreys, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Jeffreys of 1928 Cecil Street, who is now in Oaxaco, Mexico doing work on her Ph. D. degree. Miss Jeffreys attended Hillside High School, Winston-Salem Teachers College, where she received her Bachelor degree and N. Y. University, where she received her Masters degree. While in Mexico she is residing at the Hotel Monte Alban.

North Carolina College will definitely offer a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in education, the Carolina Times learned here this week. Work in this particular field will begin at the opening of the college for the 1952-53 school term, according to Dr. W. W. Pierson, acting dean of the graduate school at N. C. College and Dean of the graduate school at the University of North Carolina. (Dean Pierson is not to be named.)

Dean Pierson told the Times over long distance telephone that a committee is now working on "basic requirements" for the establishment of the degree. He also stated additional library facilities will be added and that the plans are not quite complete.

He also told the Times representative that Dr. A. K. King, assistant dean of the graduate school at UNC, will be granted a leave of absence to devote full time to the work.

An inquiry at the NCC News Bureau brought forth this statement: "The trustees said in a recent meeting here that detailed announcements concerning the doctoral program would be made at a later date."

Announcement of the decision to establish a PhD degree evoked varied and sundry remarks from several persons questioned here this week. The majority opinion seemed to be that N. C. College, with its very limited library facilities, is not even yet ready to give a first class masters degree and that University officials are making a scapegoat of the local school in an effort to avoid having an influx of Negro students at UNC seeking graduate work in the field of education.

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ELECTRICAL UNION CHALLENGES THREE SOUTHERN STATES

New York—The Civil Rights Committee of the International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, CIO today challenged three Southern congressmen to follow in Congress next year the mandate on civil rights legislation which would be given them by unbiased referendums to be held in their districts at the expense of the CIO union.

The IUE-CIO challenged Rep. John Rankin (D-Miss) and two other Southern Congressional opponents of civil rights legislation to govern their Congressional voting records on the basis of "either a comprehensive poll or a scientifically determined cross-section to be conducted by a professional independent agency" to determine how their constituents feel about such civil rights legislation as poll taxes, anti-lynching and Fair Employment Practices Commission.

The challenge was contained in a resolution passed unanimously by the committee at its two-day session held in Washington, D. C., July 14 and 15. It was directed to Reps. Eugene Cox (D-Ga.) and Graham Barden (D-NC), in addition to Rep. Rankin.

The challenge to the Southern Congressmen charged that the representatives from certain Southern states "do not and cannot represent the sentiments and convictions of the majority in their districts" because poll

Dr. W. J. Trent Leaves On Trip To Europe

New York.—Dr. William J. Trent, president of Livingstone College, Salisbury, North Carolina, sailed today on the Holland-American liner Zuiderkruis to visit England, Scotland, France, Switzerland and Italy. Dr. Trent's European tour is a gift of the AME Zion Church and Livingstone Alumni in recognition of his 27 years of service, during which period Livingstone achieved full accreditation as a four-year Liberal Arts college and a \$750,000 building campaign was successfully completed.

While in Scotland, Dr. Trent will visit the home of David Livingstone missionary, explorer and humanitarian for whom the college was named in 1880. The great schools of Glasgow and Edinburgh, which produced many of the world's outstanding theologians and biblical scholars are also on Dr. Trent's itinerary.

An authority on world history, Dr. Trent will visit the historic places of England, including London's Westminster Abbey, St. Paul's Cathedral and the House of Parliament as well as

Chain To Hold Important Meet Sunday

The Durham Business and Professional Chain will hold an important meeting here Sunday afternoon at the W. D. Hill Recreation Center at 5 o'clock. In addition to the regular routine of business, plans for the holding of a business institute and a reception for the new and old members of the North Carolina College faculty and the public schools of the city and county, will be discussed.

Several important committees for the ensuing year will be appointed and other important matters will be discussed. All members are urged to be present and on time.

ANNOUNCEMENT. The Daniels Defense Committee will meet Monday night, July 21, 8 o'clock at the Jade Room. Committee members and the public are cordially invited to attend.

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