

Democratic Convention Shaken By Civil Rights Issue; Compromise Made On Loyalty Pledge

URGES PROBE NEW "CONFEDERATE" ARMY

New York. — A full investigation of reports of the organization of a group called "the American Confederate Army," which threatens to bear arms to prevent enforcement of Supreme Court anti-segregation orders, was strongly urged by Attorney General James P. McGranery today by Thurgood Marshall, special counsel of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

In his letter to the Attorney-General, Mr. Marshall noted that Associated Press dispatches of July 15 indicated that Bill Hendrix, self-styled "Florida Grand Dragon for the Southern Knights of the Klan, announced that the organization, "limited to white Christians," will bear arms to "uphold our Constitutional right." Hendrix stated the group would consider Supreme Court rulings against segregation a violation of these rights.

A gathering at Orlando last week-end, at which the new outfit was organized, denounced the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the Anti-Defamation League as "hate groups" and said a drive would start to have all members of these organizations listed.

"Hendrix was convicted in February of this year for mailing scurrilous postcards and fined \$700 and given a one-year suspended sentence," Mr. Marshall wrote the Attorney-General. "He and his organization have now . . . organized for the express purpose of enforcing their un-American demands by force of arms, even where these are contrary to our Constitution. Such action would certainly violate . . . our laws against sedition conspiring to do the same acts would clearly be in violation of the Smith Act."

"We, therefore, strongly urge that you, as Attorney-General of the United States, order a full investigation of this report and the necessary appropriate action resulting from such investigation. Our only answer is vigorous prosecution by the Federal Government."

Promoted



Vincent E. Blue, former North Carolina Mutual representative in Sanford and Special Ordinary representative in Durham, has been promoted to Assistant District Manager of the company's office in Danville, Va. While working as special Ordinary representative in Durham on part-time basis, Mr. Blue attended North Carolina College. He was transferred to Danville in January, 1952 as special representative from which position he was elevated to Assistant Manager.

Charlotte Man Loses Life In Auto Wreck

Charlotte. — A 38-year-old man lost his life in an automobile wreck on the Mint Hill-Matthews Road Monday morning when the two-ton truck he was driving got from under control and ran into an embankment.

Spence Wallace, the driver, was thrown from the vehicle and crushed to death under its rear wheel. Wallace lived at 328 (Please turn to Page Eight)

ELLINGTON NEARLY LOSES CAR WHEN DRIVER NABBED FOR DOPE PEDDLING IN N. Y.

NEW YORK. Duke Ellington's secretary and chauffeur, Willie Manning, was sentenced in Federal Court this week for four years for violating the narcotics law.

Manning had been working for Ellington for 19 years when arrested at the wheel of his employer's car. The convertible was seized when Manning admitted using it to arrange drug sales but the Duke has since recovered possession.

According to Assistant U. S. Attorney James E. Branigan, Jr., Manning arranged sales for Horace Murphy, \$150,000 a year leader of the gang, which brought marijuana from Mexico to New York. Murphy (Please turn to Page Eight)

NEW YORK MAYOR URGES CIVIL RIGHTS' FLANK

NEW YORK. New York's Mayor, Vincent Impellitteri, urged the Democratic platform drafters to write a strong plank on civil rights.

In a wire to the convention, the Mayor said: "The platform should fully support the position of President Truman on civil rights by implementing the powers of the Federal Government through the enactment of laws, rules, regulations and, if necessary, the establishment of an agency to fully protect the rights guaranteed by the Constitution to every citizen, regardless of race, creed or color."

James T. Taylor Misses Seat On City Council

James T. Taylor, professor of psychology at North Carolina College and a well-known political and educational leader in



JAMES T. TAYLOR. North Carolina, narrowly missed a seat on the Durham City Council here Monday night.

Taylor, recommended by the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs, was backed by three councilmen, but these voters were not enough to put him over. W. A. Biggs, white businessman and former councilman, was named to fill the vacancy created by the death of the colorful J. Frank Barfield, who died last week. (Please turn to Page Eight)

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KLAN HEAD CONFESSES TO BEATING WOMAN

WHITEVILLE

A confession by Imperial Wizard Thomas L. Hamilton of the Ku Klux Klan Tuesday that he had taken part in the flogging of a Negro woman, on the night of last January 18, brought a sudden turn of events in the trial of the KKK head that had been expected to be long and hard fought.

Hamilton pleaded guilty to conspiracy to assault and assault on Mrs. Evergreen Flowers, whom he accused of "running around with white men."

His confession was a direct reversal of the plea of innocence which he tendered Monday at the opening of the special term of court set to try about 100 alleged klanmen, charged with terrorizing persons in this area. The hearing is being presided over by Judge Clawson L. Williams.

As soon as several of the indicted men learned of Hamilton's confession of guilt in the flogging of the Flowers woman, their attitude of defiance changed from frustration to stark humility. Several testified at the afternoon session that Hamilton personally ordered the flogging of Mrs. Flowers. They said Hamilton told them: "If you don't do a good job we'll have to go back and do it all over."

Following Hamilton's confession 10 other klanmen pleaded guilty to conspiracy to assault and charges in the Flowers flogging case. All of them confessed to being present when the plans were made and when the beating actually took place.

Four other cases of flogging against the Imperial Wizard were not pressed. Judge Williams then ordered presentation of evidence in the Flowers case in order to determine the degree of guilt against Hamilton.

Originally Hamilton was charged in five cases of conspiracy to kidnap, conviction of one which would have carried a maximum sentence of life imprisonment. By pleading guilty to the lesser charge he now can

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Last Rites Held For Mother Ex-Alumni Sec'y.

Mrs. Mary Gillespie Johnson, 67, mother of M. S. "Jingle Bells" Johnson, former executive secretary of the North Carolina College Alumni Association, was buried here Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Johnson, widow of the late Reverend S. P. Johnson, one of the early graduates of Lincoln (Pa.) University, had been in declining health for the past several months. She died Sunday morning.

Funeral services were held at White Rock Baptist Church with Dr. Miles Mark Fisher, officiating. Mrs. Johnson joined the White Rock Church shortly after coming to Durham from Hamlet.

She made her home in Durham with her son and his wife at their residence, 1611 Fayetteville Street. Mrs. Johnson was a native of



Members of the Planning Committee of Rho Chapter, Hostess Chapter for National Convention of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority which convenes in Durham, August 22-27, 1952. Sessions will be held on the campus of the North Carolina College.

Standing (left to right) Soror Helen Jones, Chairman Housing Committee, and Soror Otella Stewart, Treasurer and Chairman of Entertainment Committee.

Seated (left to right) Sorors Geneva Mobane, Chairman, Souvenir Program Committee, Ethel Berry, President; B. A. J. Whitted, Second National Vice-President and Ruth Bolden, Journalist and Chairman of Publicity Committee.

Woman Fatally Injured In Jump To Escape Wreckless Driving Of Her Husband



In a recent testimonial address honoring Ralph W. Parsons, newly elected vice-president and agency director of the United Mutual Life Insurance Company, George W. Cox, vice-president and agency director of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, delivered one of the most thought provoking addresses on the subject of life insurance we have had the pleasure of reading in many years. In order to give our readers the benefit of the vast amount of information contained in his speech, the CAROLINA TIMES is printing on page three of this issue the speech in its entirety.

Cheraw, South Carolina. She left her home town and moved with her family to Rockingham around 1904. The family later moved to Hamlet.

Prior to associating with White Rock Church in Durham, Mrs. Johnson had been active in the First Baptist Church of Hamlet.

In addition to her son, Marion S. Johnson, Mrs. Johnson is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Louise Benton of Hamlet.

Goldsboro—Mrs. Collis Hall of Dudley was fatally injured in an automobile wreck near Dudley Sunday when she jumped from an automobile driven in a reckless manner by her husband, J. B. Hall.

Mrs. Hall's sister who was in the car at the time told officers that Hall had been "cutting the fool" with the car by turning sharp curves at a high rate of speed and swinging from one side of the road to the other. His wife pleaded with him to slow down or she would jump out.

Hall continued to drive in the reckless manner and Mrs. Hall pushed open the door on the front seat and leaped from the car. The back of her head struck the shoulder of the road. She died of a brain concussion several hours later at Wayne Hospital.

Daniel Speaks At 'Lost Colony' In Manteo



DR. DANIEL

Manteo. — American Negroes with necessary qualifications have many opportunities to be of service to the underprivileged peoples of foreign countries in the U. S. Point 4 program.

This was the theme of a message delivered at the "Lost Colony" last Friday by Dr. Robert P. Daniel, nationally known educator who is president of Virginia State College, Petersburg. The former Shaw University president spoke in the famed outdoor theatre that is the site of the noted Paul Greene dramatization of the earliest English efforts to settle the North American continent. He was presented to the audience by Dr. S. D. Williams, president, Elizabeth

5 Negro Doctors In Who's Who 1952-53 Edition

Washington D. C.—Five Negro physicians are listed in the current edition of "Who's Who in America, 1952-53" It is noted in the July issue of the Journal of the National Medical Association. They are: Dr. W. Montague Cobb (M. D., Howard, '29), professor and Head of the Department of Anatomy, Howard University School of Medicine; Dr. Eugene H. Dibble (M. D., Howard, '19), director, John A. Andrew Memorial Hospital Tuskegee Institute, Alabama; Dr.

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Congressman W. L. Dawson, vice chairman of the Democratic National Committee and member of the Platform committee, who is waging a terrific battle at the National Democratic Convention for a strong civil rights plank. Chairman of the committee is Representative John W. McCormack of Massachusetts. Other members are: Senators John Sparkman of Alabama; Warren Magnuson of Washington, Theodore F. Green of Rhode Island; Herbert Lehman of New York; Blair Moody of Michigan and Spessard Holland of Florida; Governors Robert F. Kennon of Louisiana and Lawrence W. Wetherby of Kentucky.

Former Senators Scott W. Lucas of Illinois; Francis J. Meyers of Pennsylvania and James M. Tunnell of Delaware.

Former Solicitor General Philip B. Perlman, a Maryland delegate.

National Committeewoman Lucia M. Cormier of Maine; Mrs. Salvina Breeding of Kansas; W. H. Lee of Illinois, President of Chicago Federation of Labor; Burkett D. Murphy of Georgia, an Atlanta Attorney and Lyle E. Cook of California.

SOUTHERNERS THREATEN TO BOLT CONVENTION UNLESS PLATFORM IS SOFTENED

CHICAGO — Three stubborn southern states: South Carolina, Virginia and Louisiana were holding out in the National Democratic Convention here Wednesday against the "loyalty pledge." All three refused to sign the new compromise which binds them to work to get the Democratic nominees on the ballot in their states.

As evidence that the civil rights wing of the party was losing the early control of the convention which they appeared to have Monday, the convention seated an anti-Truman delegation from Texas Wednesday and threw out the rival delegation, which had previously clamored to be seated instead.

Governor James F. Byrnes and Senator Harry F. Byrd, two well-known Dixiecrats appeared to be leading the opposition of the three rebelling states. Whether they will be allowed to keep their seats as spectators had not been clearly determined at Wednesday noon, although Temporary Chairman Paul Devers rules that they could vote. The decision is not final and may be changed after the permanent chairman takes over.

The loyalty pledge is supposed to be a compromise and there is only a slight chance of its being changed or abandoned.

The compromise only provides that state delegations are pledged to get the names of Democratic candidates on their state tickets whoever they be, provided the pledge does not go against state laws.

As further evidence that the old regime is back in the saddle there is a strong movement in the air to nominate Governor Adlai Stevenson of Illinois for president and Senator Richard B. Russell of Georgia for vice-president.

The Russell trend will be sharply opposed by all Negro delegates and it is thought that should Senator Russell be named as Stevenson's running mate, that it will mark the end of the Negroes alignment with the Democratic Party.

Hanging on with dogged determination in the Democratic presidential nomination race, Sen. Richard Russell battled on today.

The Georgia Senator said he would be in the fight until the (Please turn to Page Eight)

"PLEASE DON'T SEND US ANY MORE NEGRO SOLDIERS," CRY OF GERMAN WOMEN

Nuernberg, Germany — The dramatic cry, "Please don't send us any more Negro soldiers," was that of the chairman of the Protestant Women's club of Bavaria in a speech to the United States Army here last Monday.

Before an anti-racial discrimination conference, Dr. Elizabeth Meyer-Spreckels, club leader, stated since the war there have been 3,000 children of Negroid decent born in West Germany.

A child with Negro blood is positively that of an American soldier in western Germany she stated. On the basis of this she recommended that no more Negroes be sent there.

The U. S. High Commission sponsored the conference with twenty-two German educators attending. Since the first American fathered babies in post-war (Please turn to Page Eight)

Primitive Baptist Meet Set For Dallas, Texas

Dallas, Texas.—All Primitive Baptists of America are called to meet in Dallas, Texas, August 20-24, 1952 for the 43th Annual Session of the National Primitive Baptist Convention.

The theme of the Convention is "The Role of the Church in Obtaining World Peace". Ministers and delegates from all over the country will give inspiring sermons and inspirational addresses.

The host pastor, Reverend F. S. Livingston, and his church St. John, have all things ready.