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PRINCIPALS IN SAVINGS LOAN ELECTION



E. R. MERRICK
President



G. W. COX
Vice-President



J. S. STEWART
Secretary-Treasurer

Here are the three men who will guide the future growth and development of the Mutual Savings and Loan Association of Durham. With the exception of J. S. Stewart, they were elected to their new posts at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Association, Thursday, August 21. Stewart has held the position of Secretary-Treasurer since 1944. The other two, elected at a meeting of the Board made necessary by the death of Dr. C. C. Spaulding, are both former members of the directorate.

E. R. Merrick Successor To Late Dr. Spaulding As Head Of Savings And Loan Ass'n.

Edward Richard Merrick, 64, of the famed insurance family, has succeeded the late Dr. C. C. Spaulding as president of the Mutual Savings and Loan Association.

Merrick, son of the late John Merrick, one of the founders of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, is currently vice-president-treasurer of the insurance firm and had been vice-president of the savings and loan association.

Merrick's elevation to the presidency of the third largest savings and loan association owned and operated by Negroes was the third in a series of redistribution of offices following Dr. Spaulding's death here last August 1. Other personnel involved include W. J. Kennedy, Jr., 63, newly elected president of the N. C. Mutual Life Ins. Co., and John H. Wheeler, 44, new president of the Mechanics and Farmers' Bank. All of these men moved up one step, Kennedy from vice-president-secretary; Wheeler, as vice-president-cashier; and Merrick, from a vice presidency. All promotions were accomplished with maximum harmony and in accordance with carefully planned promotion procedures. Dr. Spaulding prided himself on surrounding himself with outstanding associates.

The Mutual Savings and Loan Association was founded in Durham in 1921 by the late R. L. McDougald as the Mutual Building and Loan Association. Its total resources now are \$2,200,000. Dr. Spaulding served as its president until his death.

At the board of directors' meeting that saw Merrick named president, the following changes were also made: G. W. Cox, a member of the board, was elected vice president and Charles Clinton Spaulding, Jr., was elected to the board to succeed his father.

John S. Stewart, the secretary-treasurer, will continue as active executive of the association.

Merrick is a native of Durham and a graduate of the city's public schools. He received a B. S.

degree from A and T College in 1908 and started work with the insurance company his father founded in the same year. From 1908 until 1916 he worked for the firm in South Carolina and Georgia. He came to the home office in 1916 and in the same

Ushers To Erect Home For Aged, Disabled Ministers

Charlotte—The 28th annual session of the Interdenominational Ushers Convention came to a close here Sunday afternoon, August 24, following the annual sermon delivered by the Rev. James F. Wertz, pastor of St. Paul Baptist Church, the scene of the meeting. The annual sermon, backed by the highly spiritual singing of the St. Paul choirs was forceful and inspiring.

Following the sermon the president of the Association, L. E. Austin, introduced Oscar Miles, president of the Junior Department who presented the Rev. T. H. Brooks, superintendent of the Oxford Colored Orphanage of Oxford, with a check for \$1,333 as the annual donation of the Ushers to the institution.

In addition to the Orphanage donation 13 scholarships of \$60 each were awarded. They are Joan Royster, Durham; Gladys Marie Wagstaff, Roxboro; Alberta Lawson, Wooddale; Roberta Blackwell; Nelson, Va.; Catherine Carter, Nashville; Fletcher B. Brinson, Jacksonville; Vera Lee Roberts, Greensboro; Etta Ruth Woodfork, Reidsville; Shirley Lorraine Edwards, Fayetteville; Christine Emma Holmes, Kinston; Hezekiah Sellars, Burlington and Paul Lawrence Haywood, Raleigh.

Three other scholarships of \$100, \$75 and \$50 were awarded to James Morris, Durham; Clara Wertz, Charlotte and Juanita Murchison, Raleigh, respectively. Winners in the annual Oratorical contest.

Highlighting the convention

year he was married. His wife is the former Miss Lyda Moore, daughter of the late Dr. A. M. Moore, another of the founders of the insurance firm. They have two daughters, Mrs. Vivian Sansom and Mrs. Constance (Please turn to Page Eight)

New York—The 1200 branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in 45 states are urged to prepare for an intensive fall registration campaign in a communication from the national office.

Because "civil rights is one of the hottest political issues in the 1952 presidential election," the letter asserts, it is of the utmost importance to conduct an all-out campaign for a nationwide registration of 5,000,000 Negro voters. "Both parties," the branches are informed, "realize that the Negro vote in key states is vital to victory at the polls on November 4."

The branches are urged to adopt the slogan: "Register Today for Civil Rights." They are also asked to appoint registrars. (Please turn to Page Eight)

Says Negroes New Market For Home Ownership

Washington, D. C.—Negroes offer a large untapped source for home sales, the Housing and Home Finance Agency stated here Monday. Their cash income has doubled and in many cases tripled within the past 10 years the agency declared.

Negro homeowners increased 93 per cent in the past 10 years while whites showed an increase of 75 per cent, according to the agency's research bureau. Likewise relatively more non-white

home owners assumed more mortgages than paid off even though it is hard for them to get mortgages financed.

In spite of the gains made on financing Negro housing they are relatively speaking, living in poorer houses than whites. Dilapidated homes of Negroes were reported to be five times as high; overcrowding four times as high; doubling up two and one-half times as high. Negroes moving to urban cen-

ters from Southern rural areas are finding it harder and harder to secure good housing it was disclosed by HHFA.

The growing market for non-white homes offers a challenge to the building industry along with a "sound and profitable business opportunity," the agency said, because Negroes are making two or three times more money than they have made in the past 10 years.

DELEGATES TO TWENTY-THIRD IOTA CONVENTION



Here are the delegates and visitors to the twenty-third annual meeting of the Iota Phi Lambda Sorority held in Durham, August 23-27. The photo was taken in front of the Hillside High School Auditorium. The annual session closed Wednesday evening with a banquet at the North Carolina College dining hall.

Denies Barring Negro Doctors At Health Hearings

RALEIGH
Dr. Clarence Poe of Raleigh, editor of the Progressive Farmer and a member of the President's Commission on the Health Needs of the Nation, stated here Monday that he had made repeated efforts to get in touch with Dr. George H. Evans, whom he had listed as a speaker on the program of the regional health meeting held here Monday, but was unable to locate him.

Dr. Poe stated that he took the liberty to list Dr. Evans on the program because he had been informed that he was president of the Old North State Medical Society. It later was disclosed that Dr. Evans was not the president, his term having expired last year at which time Dr. W. T. Armstrong of Rocky Mount was elected to succeed him.

Dr. Poe stated that he made at least nine calls in an effort to get in touch with Dr. Evans who it later developed was out

of the State. Dr. Poe stated that he then contacted three other doctors all of whom declined to appear. In an effort to clear up the situation the CAROLINA TIMES learned in a telephone conversation with Dr. F. E. Davis of Greensboro, secretary-treasurer of the Medical Society, that Dr. Poe did not contact the physicians until Saturday morning, two days before the program was to take place. Certainly they would not have had time to prepare a paper or talk on so short a notice, he said.

"It is indeed amazing how the needs of the Negro group can be adequately discussed specifically as related to improving the hospital, medical and health services without the participation of the body most intimately associated with the daily problems of this group."

Davis declared the "omission" of the Negro physicians from the health hearing is significant for two reasons. First, President Truman did not ap-

point a representative from the physicians of the state on a basis of race alone.

"The Old North State Medical Society wishes to register vigorous protest to these evidence of systematic exclusion of the Negro physician in our nation as well as in our state."

Six Held For Raping Woman

Columbus, Ga.—A Negro woman charged here last Thursday that six white men, two of whom caused her to believe that they were police officers and were placing her under arrest and taking her to jail but took her to a field outside of the city limits instead and raped her.

In keeping with a Georgia law which prohibits the disclosure of a woman's name in connection with rape police withheld the identity of the woman, but disclosed she was 21 years

Wins \$1,000 Shriners Scholarship



Miss Clementine Weaver sponsored by the Imran Temple of Henderson and Oxford, won second place and \$1,000.00 recently during the National Shriners Convention Beauty and Talent Pageant. She is a 1952 graduate of Mary Potter School, Oxford, and a resident of Raleigh. Her future college plans call for vocal music study.

NORTH CAROLINA COLLEGE TO BEGIN DOCTORS PROGRAM IN FIELD OF EDUCATION THIS FALL

After fourteen years of successful graduate work at the master's level, the North Carolina College at Durham will inaugurate a program leading to the doctor of philosophy degree in Education on September 17.

Dr. William Watley Pierson, dean of the University of North Carolina's Graduate School and acting dean of the North Carolina College Graduate Division, has pledged the

full resources of the university to help North Carolina College get the new program started.

As evidence of the university's interest in North Carolina College's doctoral program, the first such program in any of the nation's predominantly Negro colleges, officials at Chapel Hill have granted leave of absence to Dr. Arnold Kimsley King, professor of education at the university and associate dean of the UNC Graduate School, to come to NCC full-time to supervise

what is to be known as The Department of Advanced Studies in Education.

In addition to Dr. Pierson and Dr. King, both nationally known authorities in the field of graduate education, NCC will have the services of twelve other noted educational authorities at Chapel Hill as well as several educators already employed for graduate work at the Durham college.

Dr. W. Carson Ryan, former head of the department of education at the university and a scholar with an international reputation in the field, will divide his time between NCC and the university during the winter and spring quarter.

Beginning with such distinguished authorities who have had considerable experience in graduate work, the NCC Department of Advanced Studies in Education also will have the services of several promising scholars who are already employed in the college's present masters' program. In keeping with a policy begun by President Alfonso Elder of NCC some four years ago, NCC has consistently brought to its faculty men and women who are rapidly gaining recognition for the quality of their work.

The present staff in NCC's department of education will work closely with Dr. King's department in integrating the new program with the college's over-all program, thereby strengthening the entire institution.

Among the professors at NCC already or who will be there by September to participate in the program are: Dr. Joseph A. Pittman, acting chairman of the department of education and a specialist in statistics; Dr. William H. Brown, director of the Bureau of Educational Research, specialist in evaluation and research; Dr. George T. Kyle, vice chairman of the NCC Graduate Division, educational psychology; Dr. Carol C. Brown, psychology; Dr. Rose Butler Brown, specialist in elementary education; Dr. James C. Finney, educational ad- (Please turn to Page Eight)