

KNIFE KILLER VANISHES



BEAUTY AT THE BALL.—The 15th annual Beach Arts Ball, sponsored by the Urban League (head of New York, drew an overflow crowd to the famed Savoy Ballroom recently. The lovelies above didn't win any prizes for "original" costumes, but with figures and faces like those, who needs a costume? The success of the venture was a personal triumph for Guild president, Mrs. Mollie Moon, wife of the New York NAACP's press department head, Jimmy Moon. (New press photos.)

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'I Want To Live For God,' Says Doomed Man On Death Row

Lafayette Miller Writes Poignant Letter To Warden

RALEIGH — A pathetic, last ditch message was scrawled here early this week by one of six men on death row waiting to die in the State's gas chamber.

Unless an appeal can be secured by the United States Supreme Court, Lafayette Miller will be executed here Friday.

Governor William B. Umstead announced Monday that he does not "plan to intervene in any way with the execution."

Almost simultaneous with Gov. Umstead's announcement came a letter from Miller on death row to Paroles Commissioner N. F. Ransdell saying that he wants to live to work for God.

Miller, who lost an appeal to the State Supreme Court, was convicted in Beaufort County Superior Court in January, 1952, of murdering Harvey C. Boyd, Chocowinity Farmer on Thanksgiving Eve, 1951.

"I am appealing to you," part of Miller's message said, "to please do whatever you can to save my life. Since my short stay here on death row I have

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Methodist Students Hit Church Jim Crow

Greensboro—Some 200 young white Methodist students who met here in a three day session last week strongly criticized the Methodist church for its policy of maintaining segregated educational institutions and went on record as favoring the acceptance of Negroes to Methodist supported schools.

A resolution was drawn up by the North Carolina Methodist Student Conference after the three day meeting which ended here last Sunday attacked the Church for its segregation policy and urged integration in the Methodist College and Universities of the State.

Colleges and junior colleges in North Carolina supported by Methodists include Duke University, High Point College, Bennett College, Pfeiffer Junior College, Louisburg College and Brevard Junior College.

"The Methodist Church must realize that it must break down the bars of segregation," said the resolution. It was adopted with only one dissenting vote. It will be sent to superintendents and presidents of Methodist affiliated colleges in this state.

The core of the resolution,

read to the group by Betty Jo Benfield of Greensboro College, said, "We preach Christian principles and do not uphold them. We urge that immediate action be taken toward the stigma of segregation in the church affiliated schools."

The original wording of the resolution called for the group to "demand" immediate action, but it was felt that the verb was too strong, so that "urge" replaced "demand" in the text of the resolution.

"Why can't Negroes take a more active part in our churches

and everyday work," Grady Dixon, student at N. C. State College, wanted to know.

"To make a better world anywhere, you have to start where you are now," Miss Barfield said during the discussion which was climaxed by the resolution.

One unidentified delegate to the conference said, "Perhaps we can't make any change in the existing situation now because we are not church or community leaders, but in a few years we shall be leaders and we can practice what our elders are preaching."

Police Hunt In Vain For Man Who Slew Maid Here Saturday

Local police apparently ran up against a blank wall in their search here early this week for the slayer of a young maid here last Saturday night.

The man they are seeking is James Glover, whose local address is 509 Husband Street. He was identified by the nine-year old son of his victim who was the only witness to the slaying,

first of the year for Durham.

Glover is accused of cutting Mrs. Maggie Tennie, 26 year old maid of 1005 Rosedale Avenue, to death at her duplex apartment last Saturday night. A neighbor in the duplex apartment called police around nine o'clock Saturday night to report a disturbance, when police arrived.

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Funeral Services Held For Mrs. Hill In Twin-City

WINSTON-SALEM — Last rites for Mrs. Mamie Ennis Hill, 72, wife of George Washington Hill, president of the Winston-Mutual-Life-Insurance Company, were held at the First Baptist Church here Tuesday, February 17 at 3:30 P. M. The Rev. David R. Hedgley, pastor, officiated.

Mrs. Hill died suddenly of a heart attack at her home Monday, February 16 at 3:00 A. M.



MRS. MAMIE E. HILL — She was a member of the First Baptist Church for over 50 years, during which time she had held many responsible positions in its church.

Pneumonia Takes Baby Born In Toilet Stool

Cleric Refuses Honor From Jim Crow School

New York—An invitation to preach the baccalaureate sermon at the Episcopal University of the South at Seawanne, Tenn., was turned and a proffered honorary degree refused because the school maintains segregation.

The Very Rev. Dr. James A. Pike, dean of the Cathedral of Down the offer to speak at the St. John the Divine, turned

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WAKE FOREST — A baby born in a toilet commode a month ago died of pneumonia here last week.

The baby was born to Mrs. Donnia Perry, 31 year old resident of Route 1.

The story of the baby's birth goes something like this:

Mrs. Perry walked into a Wake Forest doctor's office last month and told him she had a severe pain in the stomach. After examining her, Dr. C. T. Wilkinson informed her that she was about to give birth to a baby, and soon.

The doctor told her that there wouldn't be time for her to get to a hospital, and that she must get home immediately.

"Well let me go to the bath

Minister Spruns JC D. C. Cafes

WASHINGTON — A white minister, the Rev. A. Powell Davies, has told his congregation at All Souls' Unitarian church, that he will not knowingly eat in any restaurant in the nation's capital if it refuses to serve Negroes.

In making this statement to his church, Rev. Davies asked his members to join him in his campaign to encourage brotherhood in every day living. He also announced a list of 65 eating

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Parents Fined For Not Sending Children Twenty Miles To Segregated School

RICHMOND — A 30-day jail sentence and a \$50 fine was meted out last week by the Virginia Circuit Court of Appeals to the eight parents who refused to send their children 20 miles outside of the town of West Point to a Jim-Crow high school.

The cases came before the Circuit Court as a result of appeals filed by the NAACP lawyers in behalf of the parents after the Trial Justice Court of West Point found guilty and convicted the parents of violating the "compulsory attendance laws" of Virginia. They were then fined \$200 each.

The briefs were filed with the Circuit Court of Appeals on January 9 by the NAACP attorneys on behalf of the eight parents after they had been arrested and convicted of keeping their children, all under 18, out of school.

The action on the part of the parents, which was called "the West Point strike," came about when the school board closed the Negro high school and ordered the parents to send the students to the Hamilton-Holmes High School, located some 20 miles away from the town of West Point and completely out

of the school board's jurisdiction.

Instead, the parents sent their children to the all-white West Point High School for enrollment. They were bluntly refused on the grounds that to accept them would be violating the segregation laws of the State of Virginia. Rather than send the students the distance to the Hamilton-Holmes High School, the parents kept them at home. Because of this action, the State claimed the parents violated the Virginia compulsory attendance laws.

Under cross examination at

the hearing of the appeal in the Circuit Court, the lone witness for the school board, W. E. Garber, superintendent of schools, admitted that the West Point High School was superior to the Negro high school and had been for 26 years. The school superintendent also admitted that the school board was aware of the objection of the Negro parents to send their children 20 miles out of town to another segregated school. The Town of West Point made no effort to provide an "equal but separate" school for Negro children, the parents charged.

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Request For Ph.D. Funds Branded As An Insult



'BUNCHE IN EGYPT'—United Nations' delegate, Dr. Ralph Bunche, is shown chatting with Egypt's president, Major General Mohammed Naguib, during the opening of new headquarters of the Liberation Front in Cairo, Egypt. In an address in Erabi Square, where the palace of ex-King Farouk stands, President Naguib promised to free the Nile Valley from foreign occupation. (Newspress Photo.)

A spokesman for the NAACP attacked the request for funds for a Ph. D. program at North Carolina College and issued a warning that action will soon be brought to have white mental hospitals opened to Negroes.

"The little drama before the Legislature Tuesday was an affront to all freedom loving peoples everywhere and should long be remembered as 'Black Tuesday'." Attorney C. O. Pearson, counsel for the NAACP in this area, asserted in a wire to the State Budget director last Wednesday.

On Tuesday, President Alfonso Elder of N. C. College and W. D. Carmichael of the University of North Carolina, appeared before the General Assembly to request more money for a Ph.D. program at North Carolina College, designed to relieve the University from pressure of law suits demanding admission of Negroes to the University.

Attorney Pearson, one of the NAACP lawyers who won admission of Negroes to the University of North Carolina Law School through a Federal Court ruling, branded the action of Tuesday as an attempt to circumvent the Federal Court's ruling in the case.

A part of his wire, which referred to future action to have Negroes admitted to State supported hospitals read,

"The investment of state money in mental institutions and hospitals for all of our citizens

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Last Rites Held For Durham Man

Funeral services were held Sunday Feb. 15, at New Hope Baptist Church, Williams Township, Chatham County, for Matthew J. Williams, 1210 Fayetteville Street. Mr. Williams, 71, died at Lincoln Hospital Feb. 12, following an illness which confined him approximately two weeks.

Rev. J. H. Jones, pastor, officiated assisted by Rev. D. A. Johnston and C. L. Lassiter.

Born in Chatham County, less than one mile from the church in which his funeral was held, Mr. Williams was the son of the late (Please turn to Page Eight)



MATTHEW WILLIAMS

Raleigh Man Charges Son With Robbing His Store

Raleigh — An aged father charged his own son with robbing his little grocery store here in City last Thursday.

The son, James Carr, Jr., who lives with his father, is accused of breaking into his father's store at 1501 Poole road and taking \$12 in a bag from under the counter.

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TIMES TO GIVE TOURNAMENT TICKETS FOR HEART FUND

The Carolina Times announces this week that it will give a ticket to the all the games of the CIAA tournament or two tickets to the semi-finals and finals of the tourney to the business establishment which received its heart container from the TIMES and which reports the highest sum over ten dollars collected in the container.

The tournament starts at North Carolina College March 5 and continues through March 7.

Among the business establishments which received money containers from the TIMES and which are now eligible for the contest are the Silver Dollar, the Club Two B's, the Donut Shop, Service Printing Company, the Hillside Sandwich Shop, Thomas Bailey Grocery, Neighborhood Grocery, the Bull City Drug Store, the College Inn, Pratt's Fountain and Grill, and the Biltmore Drug Store.

If there are other firms which would like to enter the contest, they may do so by contacting the TIMES, and a heart container will be sent to them.

The heart fund drive is being conducted for Durham and Orange counties through the month of February. The goal is \$10,000 for the two counties.