

South Shaky At Coming High Court Decision On Schools

7 DIE IN HOLIDAY WRECKS

Must Face Drunken Driving Count Though

Principal Is Cleared Of Morals Charges

Henry A. Hill, principal of the Hicktown school here, was cleared of charges of assault on a 13-year-old girl student of his school in Recorder's Court here Friday, but must face another charge of drunken driving.

The 40-year-old principal did not take the stand during the trial. His appearance in court was made only three hours after he had been bailed out of jail on charges of drunken driving. He was arrested around four o'clock Friday morning at the corner of Main and Roxboro

Streets by Patrolmen C. W. Webb and D. R. Exum and booked on charges of driving intoxicated. A continuance until April 10 of the drunken driving charge was granted by the court.

In the morals charge, the girl took the stand and testified that on February 25, as on three previous occasions, Hill called her out of her classroom and attempted to molest her. She said that he placed his hands on the private parts of her body.

State Probe At A & T Continues

GREENSBORO
The investigation of records at A. and T. College continued here this week by State Auditor Henry L. Bridges who said early this week that the investigation would last for several more weeks.

Already the investigation has resulted in the firing of N. C. Webster, former bursar, who was dismissed by the board of trustees in February for "irregularities."
Bridges announcement this week that the investigation would continue for "several more weeks" even after Webster has been dismissed led to speculation that the investigating team may have discovered evidence which may lead to the rolling of more official heads at the college.

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Heavy Registration Seen; Books Open Again Saturday

An unusually heavy registration is expected for Durham's coming city council primary, most veteran political observers agreed here this week as the final day for prospective voters to get their names on the books neared. Registration books were opened last Saturday at all the regular polling places and will be open again Saturday. Registrars will remain at the polls from nine a. m. to nine p. m.

Three Separate Accidents Claim Tar Heels In Highway Mishaps

Seven persons were killed and another seriously injured in three separate accidents on North Carolina highways during the long Easter week-end.

Three died in a multiple crack-up at the Albermarle Sound near Edenton Easter Monday night. Earlier, in the afternoon of the same day, three others were killed in a wreck near Shelby. And an eight year old boy was killed on last Tuesday, March 31, when he was struck by a car.

Killed in the accident at the Albermarle Sound near Edenton were Willie Manley, 35, of Edenton; Mrs. Ethel Harris, 30, and DeWitt Harris, 35, of Washington County. Joe Manley, driver of the car, was hospitalized with serious injuries.

A child's shoe, discovered in the demolished car, led officers who investigated the accident to believe that possibly a fourth victim lost a life in the wreck. Proceeding on this assumption, they searched the waters of the Albermarle Sound for several hours, thinking that a child might have been tossed through the bridge railing. No trace of a body was found in the waters, however.

A state highway patrolman said that the death car struck one truck on the north side of the Albermarle Sound bridge, bounced across the bridge and crashed into another, and rolled over two or three times before crashing into another automobile which finally stopped.

Traffic was held up on the heavily used draw bridge span for several hours while the wreck was being cleared away.

At noon on Easter Monday,

J. W. Goodloe, chairman of the Pearson School Precinct, one of the largest in the city, said early this week that he is confident that his precinct registration would reach "the largest total ever."

D. B. Martin, chairman of the political committee of the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs, issued a special plea late this week for "every eligible citizen" to register.

J. S. Stewart, chairman of the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs also felt that the registration would be extremely heavy. "Inasmuch as there are, for the first time, two Negro candidates running from the Third Ward, the registration should surpass that of any other election we've had so far."

Books will be open Saturday and will remain open until Saturday, April 18 for the primary.

As the primary date, April 21, neared, candidates began to push their drives for votes. In the Third Ward, where R. N. Harris and J. T. Taylor are so far competing for the council seat, action picked up this week as both candidates went about the business of vote-gathering.

Harris has so far received the endorsement of the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs.

Bishop Jordan To Speak Sun.

GREENSBORO
The Right Reverend Fredrick Douglass Jordan, newly elected Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church and the Presiding Prelate of the 17th Episcopal District, which includes parts of South Africa, will be the guest speaker at Bethel A. M. E. Church Sunday, April 12 at 10:45 a. m. according to announcement made by the Minister, Dr. Melvin Chester Swann.

Rogers Grabs Lead In First Voting Heat For Cab Drivers

William Gilford Rogers grabbed a slight lead as the first voting for Durham's most popular taxi drivers began this week. Rogers polled a total of 400,000 votes to barely outdistance his nearest rival, Pete Goin who received 375,000 votes as the contest entered its first week of voting.

Closely behind this pair came Marvin Page who had 300,000 votes this week. Delinger Kiszle and William Bullock tied for fourth place in this week's standing with 275,000 votes each.

The next ten contestants were bunched together with each getting 250,000 votes. They were: Isaiah Hampton, Marvin Allen, Lee Lassiter, James Burch, Theodore Page, James Justice,



Dr. Thomas E. Malone, professor of biology at North Carolina College, received his doctorate of philosophy degree from Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., on March 9. Son of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Malone, 1609 Merrick St., Durham, Dr. Malone received his undergraduate training and a master's degree in biology with Dr. James S. Lee, biologist at North Carolina College.

Watchman Who Shot G. I. On Project Arrested

Hubert Hughes, 42 year-old watchman at the McDougald Terrace construction project, was arrested last week on charges of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill in connection with the shooting of a young soldier Saturday night, March 29, at the housing project.

Hughes was released under bond of \$1,000 pending hearing. Sidney Evans, Jr., 21 year old G. I. whose local residence is 715 Plum St., part of whose face was blasted away by the almost point blank charge from Hughes' 12 gauge shot gun, was transferred from Lincoln hospital to the Fort Bragg hospital, is still in critical condition. Hughes lived at the construction project with his wife and daughter in a trailer.

New Twist To Oedipus Story

Father Slays Son; Son Bashes Father's Head In

The ancient Oedipus-Laius story was given two new twists in North Carolina this week by incidents involving fathers and sons. At Monroe, a little town near Charlotte, a man lay dead last Monday, shot to death by his stepfather, a reverse of the Oedipus-Laius tale. And at Roxboro last Thursday, a son bashed his father over the head with a peice of stovewood, inflicting serious injury on his 65 year-old sire.



Five More Enter Municipal Races In Tar Heel

Five more Negroes entered municipal election contests in four North Carolina cities this week, bringing the total of Negroes so far entered in municipal election races this spring to a record 14.

Negro candidates "threw their hats in to the ring" in races at Asheville, Sanford, Asheboro and Raleigh last week.

Already, Negroes were entered in election contests at Greensboro, High Point, Charlotte, Gastonia, Chapel Hill, and Durham. At Sanford, two Negroes filed for a seat on that city's alderman board from the fourth ward, becoming the first Negroes in recent years to run for public office in Sanford. Robert Anders, funeral director, and Rev. J. Wesley Groves, retired minister, both entered the race for the fourth ward's seat on the board of aldermen. So far they are opposed by Tom Barker, local automobile dealer, who has

At noon on Easter Monday,

Mississippi League Team Defies Jim Crow; Keeps Race Players

GREENVILLE, MISS.
A baseball team in the deep South, refusing for the moment at least, to submit to the white supremacy policy of its neighbors, defied the harsh segregation laws of its territory by giving up its league membership because it insisted on keeping two Negro players it had hired.

The Hot Springs, Arkansas baseball club was ousted from the Cotton States class C league in an action taken last Monday because it adamantly stood by its decision to keep two Negro players it had signed. At the outset, it was clear that this democratic venture of the Hot Springs club would meet with much opposition. As early as last Tuesday, the Mississippi State Attorney General J. P. Coleman issued a ruling banning the two Negro players from competing in Mississippi, home of four of the league's eight teams.

Then, a week later, on Monday directors of the Cotton States league, in a three-hour, closed door meeting, announced that the Hot Springs club would have to leave the league for keeping its Negro players.

The decision of the directors was announced by Al Harraway of Helena, Ark., president of the league. He termed the decision a "matter of survival of the league or transfer of the Hot Springs franchise."

Harraway apparently referred to the choice the league had, of permitting the Hot Springs team to stay in the league with the handicap of not being able to play half of their opponents in their home towns, which was the effect of the Miss. attorney

Son Pettiford is being held for assault. The boy's mother swore out the warrant against her son.

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GI's Wont Bow To Segregation

COLUMBIA, S. C.
Two Negro army sergeants paid fines of \$100.00 here last Monday rather than knuckle under to Jim Crow.

Sgt. Dillard Rice and Wesley W. Kelley, 24, whose bases were not listed, were fined \$50.50 each in city police court on charges of refusing to sit in the rear of a city bus.

The two servicemen told the court that they offered to get off the bus when the driver told them they would have to sit in the rear, but that the driver refused to let them leave the bus when he stopped to telephone for a police officer.

Dixie Officials Jittery, Talmadge Defiant As Nation Awaits Ruling On Segregation

Uneasiness was the dominating mood expressed by southern State officials last week as each day brings nearer the expected Supreme Court ruling on segregation in public schools.

The anxiety was expressed in North Carolina's legislature last week in the form of pessimism over the expected ruling of the high court and in the general attitude of bewilderment over what to do with a 50 million dollar proposed bond issue whose purpose hinges on the outcome of the ruling.

In Georgia, fiery white supremacist Herman Talmadge, governor of the Peach State, declared that blood shed would follow elimination of racial segregation in that State's public schools. In Mississippi, Walter White,

executive secretary of the NAACP, predicted that the South would accept integrated public schools without any trouble.

The Supreme Court has been deliberating on a suit brought to end segregation in public schools since the first of the year. It was brought by the NAACP and a group of Negro parents in Clarendon, S. C.

Signs of pessimism cropped up among Tar Heel lawmakers early this week as the high court prepared to hand down its ruling in the case. Coupled with this pessimism was a general confusion over what to do about the bond issue proposed by Gov. William B. Umstead which would go for equalization of Negro schools if the court allows segregation.

Summing up the general feeling of the legislators about the impending Supreme Court decision was speaker of the House E. T. Bost of Cabarrus County who said:

"For a while I was hopeful. I thought they would decide to let the situation stand as it is, but they've waited so long to hand down a decision against segregation."

It was made clear in the legislature early this week that the proposed 50 million dollar bond issue is simply for equalizing the State's schools if the Supreme Court ruling allows the State to maintain segregation.

"We might as well be frank about it," explained W. Frank Taylor, Gov. Umstead's legislative counsel, to the legislators last week, and recognize

"if the court is going to permit us to preserve our school

system, it must be done without segregation."

Taylor also made it clear that the bond issue would be automatically killed if the high courts ruling voids segregation in public education. He said that the bond issue would not even be submitted to the people "unless there is an opportunity to use it for the purpose for which it is proposed—to provide equal facilities."

This said in effect that Gov. Umstead would not call the proposed school bond election to ratify the bond issue until after the Supreme Court rules on school segregation cases now before it.

He hinted at some other possible action in case the court rules against segregation. Just what the nature of that action would be is not immediately

clear.

"The National Guard doesn't have enough troops in Ga. and neither does the United States Army, to prevent bloodshed if segregation in the schools of this state is destroyed," Gov. Herman Talmadge of Georgia told a news conference this week.

Many observers took only slight notice of this statement as simply an idle threat since Talmadge went on to outline part of his plan for the state to turn over the operation of public schools to private organizations. The threat also lost much of its meaning in view of the recent fact that President Eisenhower's order ending segregation in schools at military posts all over the country, including those at Fort Benning, Ga., has been

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New Effort to Save Miller

A new attempt will be made to save Lafayette Miller, sentenced to die in connection with the murder of a Chocowinity Farmer on Thanksgiving 1951, according to W. Frank Brower, one of the doomed man's defense attorneys.

Miller's appeal to the Supreme Court was rejected in a ruling handed down this week by the high court.

Brower, who is working with attorney Herman Taylor in an effort to save the man, said that an attempt will be made to schedule a rehearing based on the contention that the selection of the trial jury was prejudicial to economic status of persons residing in Beaufort county, scene of the trial.