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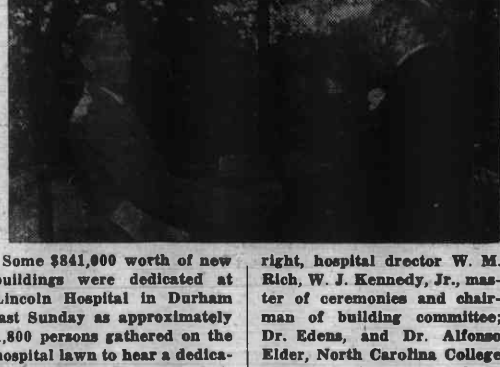
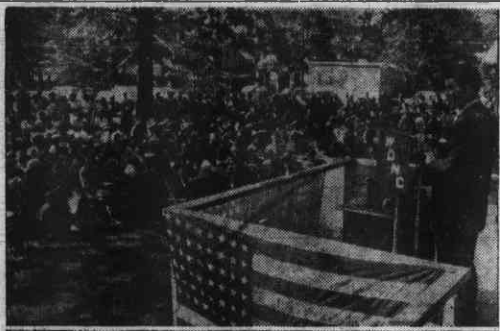
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Fate Of Doomed Four Up To Gov. Umstead

Weak Reply In Hospital Charges



Some \$841,000 worth of new buildings were dedicated at Lincoln Hospital in Durham last Sunday as approximately 1,800 persons gathered on the hospital lawn to hear a dedication speech by Duke University's President Hollis Edens. Top photo shows Dr. Edens addressing the group. Second photo shows Lincoln Nurses Glee Club. Lincoln Hospital prior to addition with annex seen from North is seen in third photo. Fourth photo pictures, left to

right, hospital director W. M. Rich, W. J. Kennedy, Jr., master of ceremonies and chairman of building committee; Dr. Edens, and Dr. Alfonso Elder, North Carolina College President who introduced Dr. Edens. Bottom photo shows Durham County Manager, George Kirkland and turning over keys to new building to Dr. Clyde Donnell, trustee, president of the hospital. See story, this issue. — Staff photos by STANBACK.

Grievances Aired In Meeting Which Bars The TIMES

ASHEVILLE
Mrs. Virginia Holloway, local beautician, restated her charges of mistreatment as a patient by the nursing personnel of the Victoria Hospital at a meeting of the grievance committee of the hospital board held Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Holloway had previously made charges of negligence in attention to her needs and verbal abuse in a signed statement dated March 25, following her discharge from the hospital having been admitted some ten days prior. The beauty shop operator had also charged in her original statement that the hospital refused to re-admit her.

According to one observer present, the attractive 29 year-old (Please turn to Page Eight)

Vote on Asheville TV Proposal Is Prohibited

ASHEVILLE
The decision on whether "wired" television service shall be permitted in Asheville was delayed indefinitely as a result of a court order signed by Superior Court Judge Zeb T. Nettles prohibiting balloting on the question as was scheduled for the general election held Tuesday.

Judge Nettles' order followed a hearing held Saturday in the Buncombe County Courthouse. A group of radio station operators and TV sales and service sought the injunction on the grounds that the City Council's procedure in submitting such a question was not according to the State statute governing the same; and on the grounds that information contained on the ballot was not sufficient.

Defendants in the case were the City Council and the Municipal Board of Elections.

Judge Nettles' order prohibiting a vote on the TV issue this past Tuesday was appealed to the State Supreme Court.

As a result of the failure to get a vote on this issue in the general election, it is not known at this writing whether Community T-V System, Inc. will continue its efforts to secure the right to operate such a service here in Asheville. "Wired" TV is a service of signal distribution offered to TV set owners on a fee basis for the alleged purpose of "offering better and wider reception" to those who want to subscribe to such a service.

Such a service as offered by the Community TV System is being opposed particularly by those planning to operate TV stations and by some TV sales and service dealers in this area.

Should the City Council and the Municipal Board of Elections win their appeal or change their procedure to meet the objections of the plaintiffs, it is possible that the issue would be submitted to voters in a special election.

Efforts To Clear PW's Suspected Of Red Leanings

NEW YORK
Permission to interview released Negro prisoners of war at the Valley Forge Hospital in Pennsylvania has been requested by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in a telegram to Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson.

Upon their return to this country the men assigned to the Valley Forge Hospital, among them a number of Negro soldiers, were originally the victims of a seemingly official suspicion that they had succumbed to the Communist propaganda while in the custody of the enemy. The accused men have hotly denied this allegation and have asked vindication.

White cited the statement by Pfc. Roger Herndon that "the Communists tried to show us they had something, but they had nothing compared to what we have in the United States." This statement by Herndon, the NAACP leader said, "is all the more remarkable in that in his native Florida he would be denied many rights of citizenship."

The NAACP, White told Secretary Wilson, "wishes to ascertain the facts and do what it can to prevent injustice being done men who fought valiantly for their country."

GROUP BLASTS FIRING OF YMCA HEAD

ASHEVILLE
The local branch NAACP has gone on record as "condemning the unjust and unreasonable action" which the Committee of Management of the Market Street Branch Y. M. C. A. took in dismissing its executive secretary, Hugh A. Johnson. Johnson was relieved of his post on March 27.

The action taken by the NAACP was contained in a resolution adopted by the branch in its regular membership meeting held last Sunday. Reverend M. R. Donald is president of the branch NAACP.

The resolution as adopted stated that Johnson was "dismissed for the sole reason that he was an outspoken and militant fighter against discrimination and segregation."

Johnson is co-chairman of the Buncombe County Committee for Negroes and also an executive committee member of the local NAACP.

Johnson was recently appointed the Director of CAROLINA TIMES' Western North Carolina Bureau with offices in Asheville.

DANIELS COUSINS, SPELLER, AND BROWN SLATED TO DIE ON 29TH

RALEIGH
The fate of four men now awaiting execution on death row in Central prison here is left up to the State's Chief Executive.

Unless there is a commutation of the death sentences imposed on Bennie and Lloyd Ray Daniels, cousins, Raleigh Speller and Clyde Brown by Governor William B. Umstead the four



Scenes from the Sixth District Omega Psi Phi regional meeting at Columbia, South Carolina, April 24, 25, and 26.

2—John F. Potts, First Vice Grand Basileus, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity presenting plaque to Attorney J. Alston Adkins of Winston-Salem, N. C. for outstanding contribution to the Fraternity.

3—Ralph M. Gert of Rock Hill, South Carolina, presenting plaque to John H. McCray, Editor of LIGHTHOUSE AND INFORMER for his crusade for freedom in South Carolina Civil Rights fight.

4—Miss Cynthia Brown of Henderson, N. C., second prize winner in Omega Sixth District Talent Hunt Finals held at Columbia, South Carolina, April 26. Miss Brown was a candidate of Zeta Alpha Chapter of Henderson and Oxford, North Carolina.



N. C. WEBSTER

Ex-A. & T. Official Indicted On 23 Embezzlement Raps

GREENSBORO
N. C. Webster, long-time bursar of A. and T. College, was indicted here Monday on 23 counts of embezzling \$116,121.18 from the college coffers.

Webster, 51, served as bursar of the college for some 30 years up until his dismissal last month for "irregularities" in his office. The indictment, returned by a Guilford County Grand Jury, covers only a five year period, however.

Last Monday evening, Webster rested in the Guilford County jail under a \$15,000 bond, after having been arrested at his home at 219 North Dudley Street. His trial is scheduled for a special Superior Court term here June 1.

Webster's indictment comes as a climax to a three-months intensive investigation of the college's finances by a team of auditors out of the office of State Auditor Harry Bridgman.

While the stays were in effect, lawyers for the doomed (Please turn to Page Eight)

Salisbury's Rose Aggrey Elected New Head Of Women's Clubs

ELIZABETH CITY
Mrs. Rose D. Aggrey, prominent North Carolina educator and civic worker succeeded Professor Ruth G. Rush as state president of the North Carolina Federation of Negro Women's Club last week.

A cash token of "grateful appreciation for seven years of highly successful and meaningful service" was given outgoing President Rush, former dean of women and now psychology professor at North Carolina College, Durham.

Mrs. Aggrey, former professor at Livingstone College and later Jeanes supervisor of schools in Rowan County with headquarters at Salisbury, had been active in federation work for many years. She was editor

of the organization's Journal, a job she will continue to hold until a successor is named.

The new federation president is the widow of the late Dr. J. E. K. Aggrey, noted missionary educator.

An 11 point resolutions' plank calling for the integration of Negroes and women into all phases of state and national life was adopted by the organization.

As released by Miss Rush of Durham, the federation's retiring president, one of the chief points in the anti-segregation plank stated: "Resolved, we go on record as...definitely opposed to segregation in schools, public carriers, public libraries, restaurants, hospitals, parks, hotels, tourists homes or cabins and rest (Please turn to Page Eight)