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Gov. Byrnes' Racist Record Laid Bare

12 HURT ON N. C. ROADS

Man Escapes Arsonists' Plot On His Life

SANFORD
A 26 year old man was arrested here this week on charges of setting fire to the house of his "enemy".
Abraham Peggie was nabbed by officers of the Lee county Sheriff's department and lodged in jail on charges of arson.
He is charged with setting fire to the one room house of James Hugg, located on Haiti Street. The house was badly burned before fireman could subdue the flames.
Huff, asleep at the time the fire started, was awakened by the smell of smoke and turned on the alarm. When the fire was finally snuffed out, a large section of the floor had been burned, and two holes in the side of the one room dwelling.
Peggie was reported as saying that Huff "was going to get me."



R. N. HARRIS

Durham's Negro Councilman Is Ignored By Body

(See Editorial, THE CITY COUNCIL SHOULD BE ABOVE SUSPICION, Page Two.)

DURHAM
It was revealed this week to the TIMES that Durham's first Negro city council member had been by-passed as a member of a special committee appointed to study the Durham Telephone Company's request for an extension of its franchise.

The telephone company franchise committee met last Thursday without R. N. Harris.

Harris was appointed to the committee, along with Mrs. R. O. Everett, Floyd Fletcher, M. M. Fowler, and Watts Carr, Jr. by Mayor E. J. Evans.

Harris told the TIMES this week that the reason he was not present at the meeting was because he was not informed of the meeting, even though, according to Harris, the committee chairman, Watts Carr, Jr., talked with him on the morning of the meeting about the details for a meeting scheduled for August 4.

In a statement to the TIMES this week, Harris said,

"... I regret to state that I had no knowledge of the two o'clock city council or council committee meeting on Thursday, July 30. At Thursday morning's meeting, Chairman Carr definitely talked with me about the details of the proposed August 4 meeting but I did not hear the announcement that a meeting was to be held that afternoon. Certainly I would have attended this meeting if I had known of it."

Carr, chairman of the special committee which is studying the telephone company's franchise extension request, could not be contacted Wednesday for comment.

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So Says Sen. Hoey

Jimmy Byrnes "Great American"

Senator Labels Byrnes' Critics 'Left Wingers'

WASHINGTON, D.C.
Senator Clyde R. Hoey, North Carolina's long-time representative to the United States Senate, hailed the appointment of South Carolina Governor James F. Byrnes as a delegate to the United Nations, calling the Palmetto state chief executive a "real American." At the same time, Senator Hoey attacked the groups which had opposed the appointment, blanketing them with the general label, "left wing groups."

The senior N. C. senator from Shelby revealed early this week that he supported Gov. Byrnes' appointment "enthusiastically."

"I supported him because of his eminent fitness for the position and my enthusiasm increased by the nature and character of his opposition," Sen. Hoey declared.

"I am glad to have a real American on this U. S. delegation and one who cannot be influenced by the left wing pressure groups. Gov. Byrnes meets all the requirements for the position," the senator said.

Gov. Byrnes' appointment by President Eisenhower to the U.N. was opposed by the NAACP and the ADA, among other organizations.

Endorsement of Gov. Byrnes by Senator Hoey came as no surprise in many quarters in the (Please turn to Page Eight)

QUEEN CITY YOUTH ON WAY TO GOAL OF REACHING BIG LEAGUE

BY L. B. WATSON
CHARLOTTE
The Queen City's latest prospect for big time baseball is making good after his second year of "proving himself."

He is 18-year-old Thomas (Blond) Watson, who, in his second year in organized baseball is swatting the ball at .325 clip for the Montana Billings of the Pioneer League.

And, if the youngster continues the pace he has set for himself during his first two years in O. B. sports authorities and scouts predict that it won't be long before young Watson dons a uniform for the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Watson was signed by the Pirates last July, one month after his graduation from Second Ward high where he starred for the Second Ward Tigers. The youngster was spotted by a scout of the Charlotte district for Pirates who, so impressed by Watson's promise, immediately sent the call for a Pirate scout to come get a look-see at Watson.

George Spratt, Pittsburgh Scout, came to Charlotte last July and had Watson, who is known by the nickname 'Blond,' ink his signature to a Pittsburgh Pirate contract.

Soon after he had signed, "Blond" hopped aboard a plane and wound up in Canada where he finished the season with a .347 average.

After the baseball season, Thomas returned to Charlotte and got a job in the Charlotte (Please turn to Page Eight)



THOMAS (BLOND) WATSON
... Pirate farmhand ...

Here's Record Of 'Great American'

1—As representative, 1911-25, consistently spoke and voted against anti-lynching bills and appropriations for Howard University.

2—In 1917 opposed conscription, fearing mixing of troops.

3—In 1919 asked Attorney General to prosecute editors of CRISIS and MESSENGER because they demanded equal rights for Negroes. Further said that any Negro who "does not care to live in this land without political and social equality can depart for any country he wishes" because "99,000,000 white people are determined not to extend political and social equality to the 10,000,000 Negroes."

4—As Senator, 1931-43, opposed minimum wage law, participated in filibusters against anti-lynching bills, 1935 and 1938.

5—As Secretary of State, 1945-47, continued policy of restricting job opportunities for Negroes in State Department.

6—As Governor of South Carolina, since 1951, maneuvered plan enabling state legislature to abolish public school system in case segregation is banned.

7—Spearheaded Dixiecrat revolt in 1948 and in 1952 because of Democratic Party's Civil Rights Platform.

Son Held In Father's Death

DANVILLE
A 28 year-old man of Caswell county was being held in jail this week on charges of slaying his father-in-law.

Theodore Mimms was arrested Monday in connection with the death of Richard Watkins, 65, his father-in-law.

Two witnesses told Caswell county sheriff that they saw Mimms strike Watkins with some "object" in a quarrel over (Please turn to Page Eight)



Miss Iva McCarter, retiring director of the Bethlehem Center at Charlotte was honored last week by several groups and citizens for her nine years service at the Center. In the above photo, reading from left to right, are Mrs. Mildred Gillard, member of the staff at Phyllis Wheatley Y. W. C. A.; Miss Allegra Westbrooks, director of the Brevard Street Branch of the Public Library; Mrs. U. S. Brooks, member of the executive committee of the NAACP; Mrs. Ethel Johnson, chairman of the entertainment committee of the NAACP, and Miss Iva McCarter, the honoree.

Signals Mixed In Charlotte

Jim Crow Hits Bible School

Bible Pupils Welcomed Then Tossed Off Park

BY DORIS GLASS
CHARLOTTE

An incident of stark Jim-crowism victimizing children in a religious training program was revealed here this week to the TIMES.

On last June 30, a group of Negro Vacation Bible students and their leader were forced off a playground because it was "for whites only." They had earlier been granted permission to use the playground.

The incident resulted from an apparent mix-up somewhere in the Park and Recreation Commission office when an official failed to ascertain whether or not the group was Negro or white before he permitted the group to use the playground.

In brief, here's the way the situation developed:

Rev. James R. Holloway, director of Missions for the Mecklenburg Baptist Interracial Commission, and leader of a daily vacation bible school, sought to have Tenth Street, between Caldwell and North Broad, blocked off between 10:30 and (Please turn to Page Eight)

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ACTION SEEN BY MANY AS HOPEFUL SIGN

WASHINGTON
Arguments before the United States Supreme Court in the public school segregation cases have been put off again. This time until December 7.

Announcement of this latest postponement of the hearings was made early this week. It came at the request of Attorney General Herbert Brownell, who asked for more time so that the Justice Department could prepare new briefs in the hearings.

Announcement of the postponement until December 7 was made Monday by Supreme Court Clerk Harold B. Wiley.

The Supreme Court first heard arguments last December on the cases. Then on June 8 the court announced that no decision would be reached until further argument. The court set October 12 as the date for the rearguments.

But, this week, at the request of Attorney General Brownell, the date for the rearguments have been set back to Dec. 7.

The Attorney General's request for a deferment was made in a letter which stated that the questions which the

court wants discussed on reargument "require a study of a large number of historical materials, such as (Please turn to Page Eight)

Former Resident Of Durham Dies Suddenly

WILMINGTON
Mrs. Peggy Spaulding French, former Durham resident and daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Spaulding of that city, died suddenly here Tuesday evening about 10:30.

Mrs. French who was a resident of Rankin, Pennsylvania was visiting relatives and friends here and at East Arcadia near here where she had planned to attend a family reunion to be held Sunday. She was accompanied by her husband, Robert French also a resident of Rankin.

On Monday she and her husband visited friends and relatives in Durham where they spent the evening at the home of Mrs. Maggie Ingram, 1607 Lincoln Street. She left here Tuesday morning enroute to Wilmington and East Arcadia. Monday evening while in Durham she complained to friends of feeling ill and was given treatment at Lincoln Hospital of that city where she was not considered to be seriously ill.

While enroute to her destination Mrs. French took ill again and was taken to a drug store in Elizabethtown where she collapsed. After being revived she continued her journey on to East Arcadia and went to bed. During the evening she again became ill and was being rushed to the hospital at the time of her death.

Mrs. French was born in Wilmington but moved to Durham in early childhood where she attended the city schools and N. C. College. For several years she was employed as a clerk at the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company.

She is survived by her husband and several distant relatives.

The body will be taken to Rankin where the funeral services will be held at a time and date to be announced later.

Protests To Byrnes Nomination Mount Throughout Country

NEW YORK
Informed that the Senate Foreign Relations Committee had voted blanket endorsement of the presidential nominations of delegates to the United Nations, Walter White, executive secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, sent a telegram last Friday to Chairman Alexander Wiley and all other members of the committee again urging that open hearings be held on the nomination of Gov. James F. Byrnes of South Carolina.

White's telegram cited reports that "some members of the committee believed the nomination of Gov. Byrnes unfortunate and regrettable but felt that refusal to approve would be construed as repudiation of the President and also that nomination of Rev. Archibald Carey should alone in part" for the Byrnes designation.

"We deplore such evasion of

a most basic principle," the NAACP official said. "Governor Byrnes' lifelong career of intransigent opposition to the rights of Negroes, immigrants, labor and other minorities makes him the worst possible spokesman for American Democracy in the United Nations."

Further, White said in his telegram, "we deplore especially the failure of your committee to hold public on Byrnes' nomination when full truth of his execrable record could be in part examined by the Congress and the nation."

Protests Mount In Nation
Meanwhile, protests against the naming of Gov. Byrnes mounted throughout the nation as liberal groups made known

their lack of confidence in the South Carolinian. Following the original protest to President Eisenhower on July 27 by the NAACP, other organizations expressed their opposition to the nomination.

In a telegram to the President, Emil Rieve, president of the Textile Workers of America, CIO, and chairman of the Philip Murray Foundation, charged that Gov. Byrnes "is outstandingly unqualified" for the post to which he was nominated. Such a man, the labor leader said, "surely does not and cannot represent our country in the parliament of the world. Let us never forget that the overwhelming majority of the world's people have skins of a different color than ours. Can we choose as a spokesman a man whose whole career demonstrates his conviction that color is a badge of inferiority?"

Robert W. Dowling and Lester B. Granger, president and executive secretary, respectively, of the National Urban League, sent a telegram to the President asserting that Gov. Byrnes' vulnerability "makes it imperative that his nomination be withdrawn by the President or rejected by the Senate." The governor's record, the telegram asserted, "has been so flagrantly and constantly opposed to the American ideal of equal opportunity that his membership in the U. S. delegation would make him an easy and inviting target for communist attack against the sincerity of his country's democratic professions."

The Jewish Labor Committee, in a telegram to the President signed by Adolph Held, president, and Charles S. Zimmerman, chairman of the committee's anti-discrimination department, declared that Gov. Byrnes' "blatant identification with the (Please turn to Page Eight)