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All-White Georgia Jury Frees Negro Of Murder



Durhamites Purchase Stock In TV Station N. C. Mutual Among Local Stockholders

With announcement of new stockholders in the forthcoming television station W T V D ("Watch Television! Durham") to be operated next fall by Durham Broadcasting Enterprises, Inc., president Harmon Duncan today expressed appreciation for the influence of Negro participation in this important medium of communication.

Besides the original 58 Durham stockholders including John H. Wheeler, John S. Stewart, Edward R. Merrick and North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, the following Durham citizens recently bought shares in the video station: W. J. Kennedy, Jr., Asa T. Spaulding and Mrs. V. G. Turner.

Of Kennedy, who served on the initial Management Advisory Committee, Duncan declared: "Mr. Kennedy has rendered an invaluable service in helping guide us and being greatly instrumental in our successful FCC hearing." This committee functioned during the past year on a policy-making level and by liaison while the

ATLANTA
An all-white jury last week returned a verdict of "not guilty" in the trial of Willie Nash, a Negro charged with slaying a white shoe repairman on last November 4.

During the heated five-day trial, NAACP defense attorneys Donald Hollowell and Arthur Combs of Atlanta introduced evidence to show that Mr. Nash could not have been at the scene of the crime. Several members of his family testified that Mr. Nash was at home when the murder took place.

Marvin Lindsey, the victim, was slain with an iron pipe as he sat in an automobile with a woman companion in a secluded section of Atlanta.

Mr. Nash had been in jail since Nov. 8, past, when he was picked up at his home by homicide squad detectives. His wife and five children were present at the trial, which ended March 27.

Expect 300 At "Y" Confab In Charlotte

CHARLOTTE
Around 300 delegates are expected to attend the 24th Annual North Carolina YMCA Older Boys Conference to be held here at the West Charlotte High School, April 23, 24, 25, it has been announced by E. L. Ralford, Raleigh Y.M.C.A. director. Representing Hi-Y, Gra-Y and Tri-Hi-Y Clubs, the delegates will attend from leading high schools, and YMCA's from North and South Carolina. Registration will begin at Charlotte's new YMCA building, April 23 at 10:00 A.M.

Edward Olechovsky, of Queens College, Charlotte, outstanding leader in inter-racial affairs will deliver the keynote address at the opening session Friday, April 23, 7:30 P.M.

Music will be furnished by the West Charlotte High School Band and the Boys Chorus of the Henry T. McCrorey YMCA, James Culver, conference president of Charlotte will preside.

The delegates will be formally welcomed by the Honorable Van Every, mayor of Charlotte; Dr. E. H. Garinger, superintendent of schools; C. L. Blake, principal of the West Charlotte High School and currently president of the state teachers association; Langston Wertz, president of the Second Ward High School and Vonzie Ervin, president of the student council. The response to the welcome addresses will be given by Weldon Falk, conference vice-president, of Winston-Salem.

Discussion leaders include Dr. A. O. Steel, Dr. A. H. George, of Johnson C. Smith University; Oliver Davis, guidance counselor; S. O. Jones, principal, Price High School, Salisbury; G. L. Stroud, director, distributive education; Earl Gordon, director, diversified occupations; C. D. Rippey, recreational director, Mrs. Marjorie Belton, YWCA executive, all of Charlotte.

The general chairman of the discussion groups is L. D. McClennan, YMCA, executive of Winston-Salem. Chairman of

Official notification has been received from the Department of State that Miss Bertha Brown, of Asheville, N. C., has been granted a Fulbright Award for study abroad next year. Miss Brown, an English major at Bennett College, will study comparative literature and creative writing at the University of Lyon, France.

She presently ranks second in a class of 80. She is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Brown of Asheville. This grant marks the second successive year that a Bennett student has received a Fulbright Award. Miss Loyce Davis, '53, is presently studying chemistry at the University of Frankfurt, Germany, under the provisions of a Fulbright Grant.

NEGRO BROKERAGE COMPANY OPENS OFFICES IN ORANGEBURG

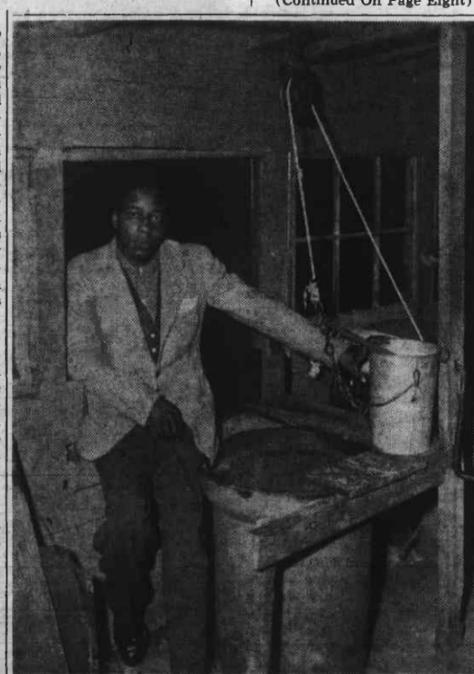
ORANGEBURG, S.C.
Norman L. McGhee, Negro investment broker of Cleveland, Ohio, in a series of lectures to faculty and students of South Carolina A and M College and Claflin College of this city, declared that the roads ahead leading to greater Negro progress in the United States are to be found in the fields of corporate enterprise. Participation through investment in the common stock offering of American Industries by the Negro will pave the way for broader interest in his welfare because of his common stake in the economic progress of the country, he stated.

McGhee appeared as a consultant at the Career Conference sponsored by State A and M College. He is said to have opened, two years ago at Cleveland, the first investment firm in the nation headed by a Negro licensed as a broker-dealer and authorized to deal in general securities.

Last month his company qualified to deal in securities in the State of South Carolina, and will have an authorized salesman to represent his company in the state, who will maintain an office at 1517 Harden Street, Columbia. This also marks the first investment firm headed by a Negro to be authorized to deal in general securities in South Carolina.

McGhee's activities in the stock brokerage field is creating widespread interest throughout the country. He is being sought by a number of educational institutions to deliver lectures on investment securities.

Presently, McGhee is conducting a course in "Practical In-

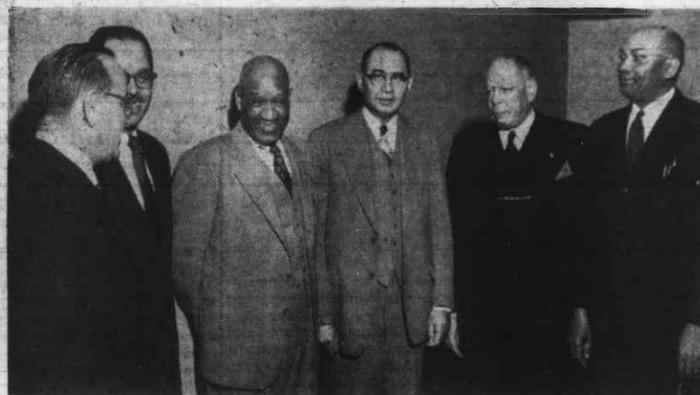


Guilford County Youth Saves Woman From Drowning In Well

GREENSBORO
A 19 year-old Guilford County youth, James Thomas Martin, who threw all evidences of fear out the window early Monday

morning by descending 40 feet into a tile-lined well, is being hailed as this week's hero for saving the life of a 60 year-old

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The above photo was taken during the "get acquainted" luncheon served members of the Durham Ministerial Alliance, officials and staff members of Lincoln Hospital here Monday afternoon. The group is composed of members of the hospital Trustee Board who were present. Reading from left to right they are: R. N. Harris, F. W. Scott, W. J. Kennedy, Jr., Wm. Elch, Dr. Clyde Donnell and Reverend S. P. Perry.

Many Notables Slated For Teachers 73rd Session



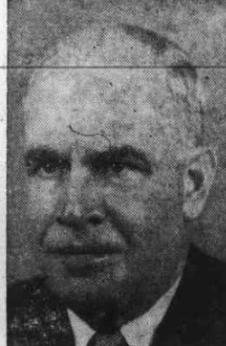
MRS. IDA DUNCAN



LESTER P. GRANGER



A. CLAYTON POWELL



L. H. HODGES



C. L. BLAKE



DR. KARL H. BERNS

Shown above are guest speakers who will appear at sessions of the N. C. Teachers Association's seventy-third annual meet in Raleigh April 8-10. Among the top speakers to appear during the sessions are, Lester P. Granger, National Urban League, and Congressman Adam C. Powell. Other outstanding state and national figures will be on the program.

DR. DAVID D. JONES FIRST OF RACE ON BOARD OF EDUCATION

GREENSBORO
Months of negotiations launched by Dr. William M. Hampton to get a Negro of Greensboro elected to the School Board came to an end Monday when the City Council accepted his nominee, Dr. David D. Jones,

Bennett College President, for the post. In securing the appointment, Dr. Jones becomes the first Negro to serve on the School Board of Greater Greensboro. The appointment came when

Denies Making Statement To Saleswoman

In a sworn statement to the Carolina Times, Mrs. J. L. Upchurch, operator of the florist shop bearing her name, declared here Saturday that she did not make the statement as published in the Carolina Times, issue of April 3, in which she is reported to have told the classified representative of the Times that "I don't deliver to niggers."

In denying the statement, Mrs. Upchurch has demanded an apology and a retraction of the Times article. In the lead editorial in this week's issue of the Times, L. E. Austin, publisher, has declared there will be no apology or retraction of the article, which without the shadow of a doubt was a true and exact statement as made by Mrs. Upchurch.

As a matter of fairness to Mrs. Upchurch, we are herewith publishing in full her sworn statement as submitted to the Carolina Times. The statement is as follows:

NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY
Mrs. J. L. Upchurch, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am a resident of 819 Ellis Road, Durham County, and at my residence I maintain a florist shop where I sell flowers that I grow and buy. On or about March 31, 1954, I received a phone call from a person who identified herself as the new Advertising Manager of the Carolina Times of Durham. This paper I knew to be a Negro newspaper and I presumed the Advertising Manager was a Negro since to the best of my knowledge all the employees of that newspaper are Negroes. The woman who phoned me inquired whether or not I wished to place some special Easter holiday ads in the Carolina Times. I said "No" because I did not intend to take holiday ads in any newspaper as I did not have the help to make deliveries for the holidays. I added in response to a question, that although I had additional help for some purposes over the Easter holidays, I would not have help for deliveries. I do not know the exact sequence of what followed next but in the course of the conversation I was asked whether or not I sold to Negroes, and I replied that, of course I did; that in view of the small size of my business I could hardly afford to turn down any customers, and that actually some of my best customers



JAMES J. HENDERSON

J. J. Henderson "Hamptonian Of The Year"

BRICKS
James J. Henderson of Durham, was recently given the coveted title of "North Carolina Hamptonian of the Year" at the fourteenth annual meeting of the State Regional Hampton Institute Alumni Association. Mr. Henderson received a bronze plaque and other state candidates for the title were given certificates. They were: Mrs. C. S. Wilson, Burlington; Sherman Parham, Henderson, and William Goldsborough, Greensboro.

Mr. Henderson was feted at the climax of a two-day session held by the Tarheel Hamptonians. He is a charter member of the State Association, assistant treasurer of the N. C. Mutual Life Insurance Co., president of the St. Joseph AME Church senior choir, a founder of the Durham Business and Professional Chain and the N. C. Business League, and member of the board of directors of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity.