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Although Unable To Write Negro Convicted of Forgery

MEMPHIS, TENN.

Court history an unusual type was made here last Friday when a 31-year-old man who can't write was convicted of forgery.

According to the District Attorney's office, John D. Daniel of Port Huron, Michigan made an "X" on a government check belonging to someone else to the amount of \$97.50 and cashed it. Therefore the district attorney said he is guilty of forgery.

Daniel was sentenced to 11 months and 29 days in jail for the offense and has already started serving his term.

The Court reasoned that if a man's "X" mark is acceptable in cashing a check that does belong to him it must also be recognized for cashing a check that does not belong to him. He therefore must be held responsible as the same as if he could read and write.



The Army's new M-50 armoured personnel carrier which travels on land or through water is being used on Exercise FLASH BURN, the 60,000 man

atomic defense maneuver that is now underway in the Fort Bragg-Camp Mackall area of North Carolina. The large scale maneuver is being directed by Lt. General A. R. Bolling, commanding general of the Third Army.

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

It didn't get in the papers at the time but following the dance that was given in Raleigh recently by the Deltas, a young professional man of Durham was nearly frantic when he is said to have caught his wife in a compromising position with another "woman." Said he in desperation "I have been suspecting it all along, so I caught her tonight." He grabbed a cab and ordered the driver to overtake some friends who had just left for Durham. The couple have not been seen together lately and the two who have never appeared too closely yoked together anyway, may be heading for the divorce courts soon.

It probably will never be published but the Negro press was most unusually kind to the N. C. College professor who barely escaped with his hide recently when it was whispered around the campus that he was about to become a father, outside the bonds of matrimony and with one of his students as the other party to his much discussed clandestine love affair. The young woman in question is said to have finally denied the rumor before NCC officials and placed the blame of her condition on a student. Students at NCC are winking their eyes at themselves. They believe the whole outcome of the hearing was fixed.

The very, very prominent businessman who was mentioned in this column last week as having an occasional bout with his "missus," is not the young professional man who brought untimely sorrow to his father's home on account of beating his wife. That story was so tragic at the time, we put it in deep freeze to keep it from being published.

It is not for publication but there is much dissatisfaction over the manner in which the Negro Candidate for County Commissioner was selected. There appears to be none against the candidate per se who will be one of the few, if not the first



Laurinburg Inst. Suspended From NCNSA Ass'n.

ROCKY MOUNT

Last Rites Held For Mrs. Stella Harris Tuesday

The last rites for Mrs. Stella Small Harris, widow of the late James C. Harris of Fayetteville Road, were held at the graveside, here Tuesday, April 20 at 11:00 A. M. with Reverend Fred J. Hunter, Rector of St. Titus Episcopal Church, officiating.

Mrs. Harris was born in Nansemond County, near Holland, Virginia June 8, 1874, the second daughter of Joseph and Rebecca Small. Until about 10 years ago, when she moved to Durham with her husband, she lived in Portsmouth, Virginia.

For a long number of years she was a member of St. James P. E. Church of Portsmouth and at the time of her passing was a communicant of St. Titus P. E. Church here in Durham.

Surviving are five children as follows: James Harris, Cleveland, Ohio; Rencher Harris, Mrs. Stella Cleland and Miss Mary Jane Harris, Durham. Several nieces, nephews and other relatives also survive.

Asa T. Spaulding, prominent business man of Durham, who announced his candidacy last Saturday for a seat on the Durham Board of County Commissioners. The Primary will be held Saturday, May 29. Mr. Spaulding is well-known in business, church, civic and social circles of Durham and he is expected to make a formidable candidate.

Interment was at Beechwood Cemetery.

Before school closes we will recap the record of those in (Please turn to Page Eight)

WASHINGTON, D.C.
Federal Judge William H. Hastie predicted a rather extensive integration of one segment of the Negro population into community life in an address at Howard University Monday night (April 12), but at the same time, the noted jurist warned this group against any complacency which would cause it to lose concern for other Negroes and Americans generally.

Judge Hastie, a member of the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, Philadelphia, Pa., was the principal speaker at ceremonies honoring 16 new members of the Howard Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic society.

Declaring that it is a "common disease of the democratic spirit" to accept American society as a self-winding mechanism or a self-perpetuating scheme, Judge Hastie said, "The high susceptibility of persons relatively comfortable and secure in their family lives associations points up a very special danger of our times which seems bound to affect more and more Negroes in the years ahead."

"In the past, the well-educated Negro, even if relatively secure, no less than his less-educated or less-secure brother was actually treated like an alien and a parish in his own country. If only to retain personal pride and human dignity he had to stay in the struggles to make a more decent society," he said, "but I see ahead a rather extensive integration of what was once called the "talented tenth" of the Negro population into the general life of the community. The danger is that this process be attended by loss of primary concern for the defects and injustices of our society as they affect other Negroes and other people generally."

Judge Hastie, who was formerly dean of the School of Law at Howard and, at one time, Governor of the Virgin Islands, listed the beginning of effective mobilization and action against slum living, and the reordering of living to eliminate artificial barriers of origin, race, and religion as ways in which community services can be rendered. "The field is broad," he said, "and each of us can find something to do, something as interesting to the door as it is valuable to his fellowmen."

Declaring that people who are now strangers because of the present caste and class structures can be brought together by common interest, Judge Hastie said, "I think it is very important that we seize every such opportunity to make common cause with other Americans. For until we have close human association with people who have problems different from our own and whose outlook on life is colored by a different body of experiences, we don't know the American scene."

Judge Hastie paid tribute to the Howard Phi Beta Kappa chapter, saying that it is a symbol of the reality of first-class education in a scholarly community where the majority of the faculty and the majority of the students are Negroes.

He referred to Ralph Bunche, Percy Julian, and Charles Houston — all former faculty members at Howard — as intellectual trailblazers during the first half-century, saying their type of leadership was based on genuine scholarship.

"With the trail thus blazed," he stated, "the second half of the Twentieth Century should be the period during which superior scholarship and achievement based upon it become for the first time really widespread among American Negroes."

"Every scholarly and well-trained Negro will not have the opportunity, even if he should have the genius, to be a Bunche, or a Houston, or a Julian, to mention three Phi Beta Kappans, but he will have the fundamental equipment both to make some area of American life better and the status of his race, by so much, higher and more secure," Judge Hastie concluded.

Judge Hastie was elected to Phi Beta Kappa at Amherst College in 1924.



Pictured above are scenes of the Moore Bible Class of White Rock Baptist Church of Durham, the Reverend Miles Mark Fisher, pastor. The top photo is that of the class assembled in front of the church last Sunday morning. W. J. Kennedy, Jr., is teacher. The center and bottom photos are scenes of a dinner, given by the teacher and his family last Friday night at the Algonquin Club, honoring the members. During the dinner a program was rendered with Mrs. Kennedy extending word of welcome. Responses were given by Mrs. Cruse Geer and E. W. Midgette. A duet was rendered by Sylvia and Kenny Sloan. J. W. Goodloe gave the history of the class. A solo was rendered by Mrs. Margaret Kennedy Goodwin. Final remarks were by J. M. Schooler, superintendent and J. C. Hubbard, assistant teacher. N. B. White, class president, served as toastmaster.

Mammoth Concert Features Annual Music Confab Here Friday, April 30



Three North Carolina College Professors Get Postgraduate Fellowships From Fullbright Group

Three North Carolina College professors have been granted postgraduate fellowships.

To study in Europe are Miss Alaveta Hutson, chairman of the department of dance and Dr. Helen G. Edmonds, professor of history.

Dr. Joseph Syndy Himes, Jr., professor of sociology, will use his award from the Fund for the Advancement of Education to pursue a self-directed course of study at the University of California, Berkeley, California. Also included among the institutions at which he will study are the University of Washington, Stanford University, and the University of Southern California.

Miss Hutson, a native of Wilmington, Del., received an A.B. at Howard, and an A.M. at New York University, and she has done postgraduate and special study at Connecticut College and NYU. She was in California and Mexico in the summer of 1952 attending international dance conferences.

Dr. Himes is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Oberlin College who (Please turn to Page Eight)

Some two thousand North Carolina high school students and teachers of music are expected in Durham on Friday, April 30, for the annual Music Association Festival.

The North Carolina College at Durham will serve as host to the group.

Hillside High School's cafeteria will provide meals.

The highlight of the day's program will be a mammoth concert in North Carolina College's Men's Gymnasium at 7:45 p.m. Friday.

Samuel W. Hill, director of North Carolina College's 85 voice mixed chorus, is coordinator of the program.

The day's program is sponsored by the North Carolina Music Teachers Association. Mrs. Emma Kelly of Ligon High School, Raleigh, is the organization's president.

High school choruses, including mixed groups and special mens and womens groups, soloists, and pianists are all programmed.

Registration for the day's program begins at 9:30 a.m. in the B. N. Duke Auditorium.

Rehearsals of mixed choruses from "A" (large high schools) and "B" (smaller high schools) will be held between 10:30 and 12 noon.

A piano contest is scheduled between 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m.

Rehearsal of "A" and "B" Glee Clubs will be held between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m.

Massed rehearsals are planned between 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. with a social hour between 5:00 and 6:00 p.m.

At the 7:45 concert, all of the musicians will be presented in special productions that have been rehearsed during the day.