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NAACP In Dallas, Texas Files Suit To End Jim Crow

DELANY OUSTED FROM N.Y. POST



JAS. E. GAYLE, NEW ORLEANS, was presented with the John L. Webb Achievement Award for 1955, at the National Baptist Laymen Convention meeting in Ellis Auditorium, Memphis, Tenn. This award is given each year to the layman doing the most outstanding church work in the field of Christian Education. Left to right, Jas. E. Gayle, honoree; Dr. L. F. Hardee, Waco, Texas, making the presentation.

Diggs At Trial Of Lynchers In Mississippi

SUMNER, MISS. — Among the interested on-the-spot spectators at the so-called "wolf whistle" murder trial which began in this town, located in the heart of a rich farming district, is Rep. Charles C. Diggs, Detroit, Gan.

The Negro solon sent in his card to the presiding judge and was immediately given a place at the segregated Negro press table. There is no congressional immunity from prejudice in Mississippi.

Disclaiming any official connection with the trial, Diggs said he was here as an observer. However, an associate said that Diggs would air his views on the Till case, (which was called lynching in pre-trial statement), at a press conference he plans to hold.

Diggs was met by a delegation from Mound Bayou, an all-Negro Community. Prior to his coming the Negro congressman wired Circuit Judge Swango that he intended to appear at the trial as an observer and was bringing two attorneys with him.



Shirley Temple James, pictured above, North Carolina College junior, has been commissioned by the Winston Mutual Insurance Company to edit a Negro history booklet which will be published during Negro History Week in '56. The work will feature articles by outstanding authorities. A native of Jamestown, N. C., Miss James is editor of the Campus Echo, the North Carolina College student paper.

Physician Dies While Visiting Children In Mich.

DETROIT — Dr. Sterling F. Hogans, 57, physician of Charlotte, North Carolina, died of a heart attack here Sunday night while visiting his daughter and son of this city. Dr. Hogans became ill last Sunday only three days before his death, but was not thought to be in serious danger.

His daughter is Mrs. Gwendolyn Hogans Bates, and his son is Sterling F. Hogans, Jr., his wife Mrs. Nora Belle Hogans resides in Charlotte where she lived with her husband at 409 Beatty's Ford Rd. Another daughter, Mrs. Rosemond Cox resides in Durham. Mrs. Cox is the wife of Geo. W. Cox, Jr., and Mrs. Bates is the wife of Hubert A. Bates of (Please turn to Page Eight)

Edward Dudley Gets Domestic Relations Court Appointment



MRS. PATTERSON

Last Rites Held Mrs. Patterson Here Tuesday

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Jeanette McMillan Patterson, the daughter of the late William and Susan McMillan, at the Covenant Presbyterian Church on Lincoln St., Tuesday, Sept. 20, at 3:30 p.m. Mrs. Patterson died on Friday, September 16, at Lincoln Hospital.

The funeral sermon was preached by the Rev. J. A. Cannon, newly elected assis-

NEW YORK — In spite of pleas from the NAACP, the New York Times and numerous religious and civic organizations of New York City, Mayor Robert F. Wagner announced this week the appointment of Edward R. Dudley to the vacancy created by the ending of Judge Hubert F. Delany's term on the bench of the Domestic Relations Court on August 31. Judge Delany is a native of Raleigh, North Carolina and Dudley is from Roanoke, Virginia.

Announcement of the appointment came after the NAACP Board of Directors had sent a telegram to the Mayor strongly urging him to re-appoint Judge Delany and assuring him that "the NAACP believes there is no one better qualified and gives its full support to Judge Delany." Dudley, former United States Ambassador to Liberia, is now NAACP special assistant in charge of the Fight for Freedom Fund. Prior to his State Department appointment by former President Truman, he had served on the NAACP legal staff as first assistant special counsel. In addition to his work with the NAACP and the State Department, he has served as assistant Attorney General of the State of New York and counsel to the Governor of the Virgin Islands.

The New York Times which recommended reappointment of Judge Delany and which expressed regret that the Mayor failed to do so commented as follows on Mr. Dudley: "There is no apparent reason to suppose that he will not make a good judge after he has had some experience in this difficult post."

28 Negro Children In Dallas Seek Right To Attend School Nearest Their Home

DALLAS, TEX. — Twenty-eight Negro children in this city have asked the United States District Court to restrain the Dallas school board from denying them the right to attend schools nearest their homes.

Representing the children in this suit, filed on September 12, are U.S. Tate, NAACP southwest regional counsel, and NAACP attorneys W. J. Durham, C. B. Bunkley, Jr., Louis Bedford, Kenneth Holbert and J. L. Turner, Jr., of Dallas. Also Thurgood Marshall, special counsel, and Robert L. Carter, assistant counsel, of the New York office.

The complaint, filed in Judge William H. Atwell's court, names as defendants Dr. Edwin L. Rippy, president of the board of trustees of the school district, eight other board members, the superintendent of schools and six grade, junior and senior high school principals. It asks for a hearing before a three-judge federal court.

In addition to seeking an injunction restraining the school board "from denying or refusing to plaintiffs the right and privilege of entering, and attending classes, and receiving instruction at the public school within the Dallas independent school district which is nearest their home," the petitioners asked for a declaratory judgment invalidating the Texas statutes requiring segregation. (Please turn to Page Eight)

TICKETS GO ON SALE FOR ROLAND HAYES RECITAL OCTOBER 9TH

RALEIGH — Tickets went on sale this week all over eastern and central North Carolina for the Roland Hayes recital to be held in Raleigh next month. Hayes appearance here will be under the auspices of the Interdenominational Ushers Association of North Carolina for the benefit of its Charity fund, including the Oxford Colored Orphanage, the home for aged ministers and ushers and scholarship fund.

In Durham where Charles Harris, a former accompanist of Mr. Hayes lives, he had the following to say of the noted singer:

Roland Hayes who sings in Municipal Auditorium under the auspices of the United Ushers Union on Sunday October the 9th, is perhaps the world's greatest singer of the past generation. He has carried to his art the most painstaking thought and penetration of which genius is made. Every sentence and phrase of his songs get the utmost in subtle care. Every word receives its concentrated imagery.

One has only to review his criticisms which have been written since the year 1923 to



ROLAND HAYES

the present to learn just how he moved the critics to write in profound superlatives. No general terms could be used in a criticism of a Hayes recital. His unusual singing stirred them to write in lofty phraseology.

What is the secret of this artist's long hold on his public? What does he have that most singers lack? Others have worked just as assiduously to reach the heights—rebuffs, disappointments, discouragement. (Please turn to Page Eight)

Dairy, Cattle Show Set For September 23rd

The Annual Junior Dairy Cattle Show sponsored by the Business Firms of Durham will be held Friday, September 23 beginning at nine o'clock a. m. and lasting until 1 o'clock p.m. at the Durham County Home on Roxboro Road.

Participants in the Show will come from Orange and Durham Counties.

The Vocational Agricultural Teachers and Farm Agents of these Counties are responsible for the management and supervision of the Show. They are training the boys and girls to fit and show their animals.

Cash awards are to be presented to each exhibitor on the Show Ground.

Registration for the show will be from 9:00 until 9:45 Friday morning. At 9:45 a demonstration and instructions on milk will be given by Mrs. E. T. Nixon, home demonstration agent for Durham County.

Judging will begin at ten o'clock by W. W. Fitzpatrick, manager of Quail Roost Farms. Presentation of prizes and awards will be by O. F. Wells, manager of the local Sears Roebuck Store.

From 12:15 to 1:00 the participants will be honored at a barbecue luncheon by the N. C. Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Members of the Durham County Committee are: L. D. Lennon, J. L. Moffie, and J. C. Hubbard. Members of the Orange County Committee are J. M. Murfree, M. C. Burt and R. D. Smith.

WHITE STUDENTS NOW 40 PER CENT OF W. VA. STATE COLLEGE

INSTITUTE W. VA. — In the mountains of West Virginia at West Virginia State College, integration has become an accepted fact, a reality which points to the college as a new cradle of democracy, as is pointed out in the October issue of COLOR.

The state-supported school, located at Institute, 10 miles from Charleston, the state capital, is no longer a school for Negroes as 40% of the college student community is white.

Last fall, 182 white students

enrolled at the college setting an unexpected reversal in integration. But since then the enrollment of 212 additional Caucasians has brought the non-colored group of students to 394. The total college enrollment is 1,071.

So completely have the two groups of white (394) and Negro (677) student merged into forgetting racial barriers the Dean of Men James Kelly said of the whites, "They have lost their identity. We don't know they are here."

Mississippians Heap Insults, Threats On Mrs. Bradley As Slayers' Trial Gets Underway

SUMNER, MISS. — Deep-seated race hatred without feeling or pity and diabolically inhumane has spent its fury upon a bereaved Negro mother even as she grieved for her fourteen-year old son whose battered and weighted body was fished out of the Tallahatchie River a few days ago. The boy, Emmett Till had been shot and bludgeoned by parties who weighted it down in the vain hope that the brutal crime would go undetected. Two white men are now on trial charged with murdering the lad.

On trial are half brothers, Roy Bryant, 24, and J. W. Milam, 36. The state charged that they kidnapped young Till from the home of an Uncle who was visiting at Money, Mississippi and killed him for insulting the wife of Bryant at their country store. The boy is alleged to have given the "Wolf whistle" after leaving the store.

The men admit taking Young Till from his uncle's house, but they deny killing him. They say that they released him unharmed.

Mrs. Mamie Bradley, mother of the dead boy, stated Tuesday that she had received 2,000 letters since her boy was killed many of them "threatening and foul." And such letters have come at a time when the impulse of decency in human nature has been withered so badly by the flames of prejudice that the sympathy due a heart-broken mother has been denied by their authors and instead a sorrowing mother has become the object of threats and abuse.

These "threatening and foul" letters probably express the purpose of some persons to defeat the ends of justice by intimidating a mother who is scheduled to be called as a prosecuting witness and to testify that the body found was that of her son, and to break her determination to see the perpetrators of the deed punished. Local authorities are said to have speculated that the body found was not Mrs. Bradley's son.

Mrs. Bradley, who flew from Chicago to Memphis and continued her trip by auto to Sumner, wore mourning black (Please turn to Page Eight)

'Solicitor' Does Well Until He Tries Cop's Home

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Maybe Clarence C. Johnson will take more care in picking the home he contacts if ever again he goes on a fraudulent collecting spree to raise money for needy fellowmen he had no intention of helping.

The enterprising gentleman, if he might be called that, either typed or had typed for himself credentials which stated that was authorized to collect money for needy families in the flood areas. It was an easy way to make a fast buck.

And it was until Johnson contacted the wrong home. He ran into Pvt. Conroy, a policeman, when he called at his home and asked his wife for a donation. Not satisfied with the typewritten statement (Please turn to Page Eight)

White Man Fined \$15.00 For Old Fort Assault

OLD FORT — A 30-year old white man who on Thursday, September 1, made an unprovoked assault on Albert Joyner, Negro, after the latter had attempted to register five Negro children at the local white elementary school, told Mayor W. L. Dalton of Old Fort, Monday, September 19, that the attack had nothing to do with Joyner's registration efforts, or attempt to buck local segregation customs.

However, W. W. Arney, Jr., a railroad worker, pleaded guilty to the affray and assault charges and Mayor Dalton fined him \$15 and costs.

Albert Joyner, 30, Negro hospital attendant, who entered a not guilty plea to a charge of affray, was acquitted. Both men were arrested following an investigation into an altercation on the town's main street here September 1. Warrants charging affray against the two men were sworn out by police Chief William Autry, following his investigation into the alleged (Please turn to Page Eight)