

# Graveyard Fight Erupts In Burlington STATE'S VOTE TEST ATTACKED

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### Get Out Of Bus Boycott, College President Tells Staff

#### Suit Filed In Northampton In Literacy Test

JACKSON  
A suit challenging the validity of North Carolina laws requiring literacy as a prerequisite to voting has been filed here.

Attorney Herman Taylor and Samuel Mitchell of Raleigh and James R. Walker of Weldon filed an action in Superior Court here last week on behalf of Bessie Brown, resident of the county, asking the court to declare unconstitutional the state's requirement of a literacy test as a requisite for voting.

Mrs. Helen Taylor, registrar at a Seaboard precinct—a precinct from which three separate court actions have now stemmed—is named as defendant in the suit.

The complaint charges that Mrs. Taylor denied Brown registration in the May 26 primary despite the fact that he is "well able to read and write any section of the North Carolina Constitution, the U.S. Constitution and to read and understand any non technical matter in the English language."

It also charges that the literacy tests are administered to Negroes only and asks that the court declare the test unconstitutional as a requisite for voting.

In June, a similar action was filed on behalf of Alexander Faison, North Carolina College student. It named Mrs. Taylor as defendant.

Also, as a result of the registration dispute at the Seaboard precinct, Atty. Walker was charged by Mrs. Taylor with assault. Walker was convicted twice, in Recorder's Court and his appeal was rejected by a Superior Court. The case is now being appealed to the State Supreme Court.

In this latest action, Brown, a 34-year old resident of Northampton county, charges that he was subjected to the literacy test in April and again in August, when he tried to register for the special September 8 election.

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DR. GEORGE W. GORE, JR.

#### Shaw President To Speak At Durham Church

Shaw University's president, Dr. William R. Strassner, will deliver an address Sunday morning at the First Calvary Baptist church in Durham.

President Strassner's speech will be heard at the church's regular eleven o'clock morning service. It will be the feature of homecoming Day, to be observed at the First Calvary Church here Sunday.

A former dean of the Shaw school of Religion, Dr. Strassner, a dynamic speaker, was elected to the presidency of the school following the resignation of Dr. Robert P. Dandiel, now president of Virginia State College.

At Shaw under President Strassner's administration, progress has been made at the school and the addition of many new features have strengthened the school's program. Recently, the school was a recipient of a new bus from the Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign Missionary Convention of North Carolina.

Sunday's program at First Calvary will be the second celebration of Homecoming at the church. In addition to President Strassner's message,

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#### Florida A&M President Says Staff, Students Hurting School By Action

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—The President of Florida A and M University has called upon members of the college staff and its students to pull out of the four month old boycott now being waged against the city bus system by Negroes.

This stand by Florida A and M's president, Dr. George W. Gore, Jr., was revealed in a story filed here last Thursday by the Associated Press and subsequently reproduced and released by the Florida A and M public relations office.

Tallahassee's bus boycott, now in its fourth month, was initiated by Florida A and M students when two of their classmates, Misses Wilhelmina Jake and Carrie F. Patterson, were arrested and formally charged for refusing to move to the rear of a bus.

Florida A and M students started a campus-wide boycott of buses following their arrest, and when the students returned home for the summer, the boycott spread throughout the city where it was directed by the Tallahassee Inter-Civic Council.

According to the AP story last week, Dr. Gore called his staff together and warned them that their association with the boycott might serve to cut the college's appropriations from the next legislature. He therefore cautioned them to "refrain from active participation" in the boycott.

The statement this week from Florida A and M public relations officer, Charles J. Smith, III, which contained the AP story, did not deny nor confirm statements attributed to Dr. Gore by the Associated Press.

Following is a complete re-

print of the Associated Press story as furnished by the Florida A and M public relations office.

The president of Florida A and M University for Negroes said today that deteriorating racial relations were hurting the institution here.

Dr. George W. Gore, Jr. said that because of this situation he has appealed to the faculty, staff and employees of the university to refrain from active participation in Tallahassee's bus boycott.

Gore denied, however, a claim by the Negro Inter-Civic Council that he had served an ultimatum on the staff to get out of the bus protest movement.

The bus boycott by Negro riders was started almost four months ago in protest against segregated seating arrangements.

In a news release, the council said Dr. Gore had stated at a staff and faculty meeting that "either you are loyal to the university or loyal to something out there; cast your lot with this ship or get out. You can't be loyal to both."

Dr. Gore said when asked about the council statement that as president of the university he felt compelled to tell his staff what the situation was and to appeal to them to use discretion because their actions in an individual capacity might reflect on the university.

It was not my intention to interfere in any way with the rights of any individual and nobody has been fired or is going to get fired if we keep our heads," he said.

"But the situation is that our Please turn to page 8

#### SCHOOL HONORS DR. CARVER

INDIANOLA, IOWA—Simpson College in Indianola, Iowa, October 8 will dedicate its new Carver Science Hall in honor of alumnus George Washington Carver. The dedication will take place during the college's third annual Christian Liberal Arts Festival.

Ralph J. Bunche, under-secretary of the United Nations, will give the memorial address, which is to be broadcast overseas by the Voice of America. His subject is "The World Significance of the Carver Story."

The two-day festival, October 8 and 9, will have as its theme "Science and the Liberal Arts."



Scenes from a two day beauty show which attracted more than 400 beauticians from throughout the state are shown here. The show was held in Durham Monday and Tuesday at the W. D. Hill Community Center. Overall view of hall in which demonstration was held shows assembled beauticians seated around two of nation's outstanding hair stylists, Andre Mozoret, foreground, and Mrs. Estelle Dennis, rear. They are displaying some of many new hair styles for fall. In inset at left, Mrs. Callie Daye of Durham demonstrates tinting techniques. Her model is Mrs. Bridges, also of Durham. Center inset shows Mrs. Willie Smith, left, of Greensboro, president of North Carolina Beauticians' Association. Person to her right is unidentified. Inset at right shows Mrs. Ethel McMillan, State Inspector and member of the State Board of Examiners for Beauticians. The show was sponsored by the Durham beauty and barber supply firm of Biggers-Turner. In addition to Mozoret and Mrs. Dennis, Miss Kathleen Jones, also an outstanding hair stylist, demonstrated at the show.

### Texas Is Now Asking For NAACP Membership Lists

#### Churchmen Go To Court In Cemetery Case

BURLINGTON  
A hearing before Judge Leo Carr will be held at the Alamance County Courthouse in Graham, Saturday, September 29, for the purpose of securing a restraining order against the Rev. H. J. Cobb, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Burlington and others to prevent them from disposing of a Negro cemetery, located on North Street of this city.

The cemetery in question was donated as a burial ground for Negroes by the North Carolina Railroad Company in 1854 and was so dedicated. Since that time it has been used as such, and relatives of many prominent and well-known Negro citizens of Burlington and Alamance County are buried there, although in recent years a lack of space has necessitated the city providing another cemetery which is now known as the Municipal Cemetery.

When notice was first given by publication in local newspapers that the bodies in the old cemetery would be moved to the new, the action was reported to have the sanction of two other churches in addition to that of the First Baptist, namely: St. Matthew AME Church and Ebenezer Christian. Officials of both the latter have since denied having given official authorization for the notice. Only the Rev. Cobb and some of

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#### Association Releases Other Data, Refuses Membership List, Though

NEW YORK  
Upon request of John Ben Sheppard, attorney general of Texas, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has granted permission to two investigators from Texas to inspect certain records in the national office here relative to NAACP activities in that state.

"The NAACP, as a law-abiding organization," Executive Secretary Roy Wilkins said, "will certainly cooperate with any authorized agency. Accordingly, pertinent records are being made available to Attorney General Sheppard's representatives. However, in order to protect our members in Texas against possible reprisals we are withholding our membership lists."

Armed with a letter from Sheppard, Davis Grant, first assistant attorney general of Texas, and William A. Harrison, an accountant, arrived at the New York headquarters on Sept. 19 and requested permission to

inspect the records. In his letter, the Texas official asked that "his authorized representatives be permitted to examine all of the books, records, documents, contracts, accounts, letters, memoranda, charters, permits, by-laws, membership lists, contributors lists, or other materials forming a portion or part of the records."

The information was given by Sheppard explained, for the purpose of determining whether the NAACP has been or is "engaged in acts or conduct in violation of the laws of the State of Texas." Specifically, he said, Texas wanted to determine whether the Association should have filed franchise tax reports with the State of Texas, whether it should have paid such taxes, whether it has engaged in political activity, and whether it has violated other laws of the State.

At many of the larger schools, where athletic events bring in

### Firm Employees Get Citations



Winston-Mutual employees who received citations are pictured here. Left to right, from row, are G. C. Hill, Winston-Mutual Comptroller; K. H. Bennett, Rodrick H. Moore, Price A. Baird, Milas Tanner, Leander Hill, Oberon B. Hodge, Alvin Morrison, and James L. Lassiter, teacher of the course.

Winston-Salem  
Twelve persons of Winston Mutual life insurance company received LUTC (Life Insurance Underwriter Training Council) course citation cards last week. Receiving cards after completed their first year of LUTC training were: Robert L. Spicer, Roderick H. Moore, Alvin L. Morrison, Edward M. Lewis, Oberon B. Hodge, Leander Hill, Kelly H. Bennett, Walter E. Baird, Walter L. Adams, Prince A. Simmons and James L. Lassiter.

Lassiter who spent a weekend in New Jersey, attending a regional conference for LUTC instructors, also received an instructor's card. He will direct a first year class beginning Oct. begins to show a little more compassion toward North Carolina College's Leroy T. Walker, he will be denied that thrill. Walker's prize pupil, Lee Calhoun, is all set to run against

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### Olympian's Coach May Have To Watch On TV

Perhaps the greatest thrill that can come to coach in amateur circles is to watch a youngster he has trained compete against the world's best in the Olympics. Unless Dame Fortune nervously awaited Lee's return from a two year Army hitch, may have to watch the games like the rest of us, on television.

On the second thought, he might get to see the games at all, for if the Australian Olympic committee has its way, as so far has, the games will not be televised, except in Australia.

Are you wondering why he can't go? It's simple: money. A round trip plane ticket, the cheapest way, would cost in the neighborhood of \$1500.

This may be surprising to some who thought Walker would automatically become a part of the Olympic coaching committee since his "boy" made the team. No such thing.

The Olympic committee has traditionally appointed a select group of coaches who assist the fellows in their final preparations and once they arrive at Olympic games site. Walker was not a member of the coaching staff, and, like the majority of the other coaches whose men made the team, will have to foot his own bill, if he goes.

more revenue than any other single source of income, a coach in Walker's predicament would have only to ask the athletic business manager to write a check for expenses and travel to Melbourne. But at North Carolina College, which is forced to operate its so-called money-making athletic events, football and basketball, on a shoe-string, it would be lunatic folly to think there's money for a track coach's trip to Australia.

When Walker came to NCC in 1945, track did not exist. Even a few years after, it did not exist in the athletic budget. There is a classic and true story

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