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THE CAROLINA TIMES SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 1957 **Verdict Withheld In Trial Charging Philander Smith** Professor, Civil Rights Advocate, With "Contempt"

By L. C. Bates Dr. Lee Lorch, Professor Mathematics at Philander Smith College and well-known civil rights advocate, was tried for contempt of congress" in Fede-ral District Court in Dayton, Ohio, April 4 and 5. At the conclusion of the trial, Judge Les- the indictment alleges that the clusion of the trial, duage Less the indictment alleges that the Other reasons included the ter Cecli with held all rulings 1954 hearings were supposed to lack of legislative purposes on motions presented and di-rected prosecution and defense tigging Communist activities of all congressional hearings. attorneys to submit written in the Dayton-Yellow Springs in addition to general argu-bries containing, final argu-area," whereas the Un-Ameri-ments on that point, Judge Debriefs containing final argu-ments. This will take 30 to 45 for the issuance of a verdicct by the Court.

The indictment under which he was tried is the second in-dictment in the case, the first aving been dropped a year ago at the government's own request, and is based on the la-leged refusal of Dr. Lorch to answer certain questions at a hearing of the Un-American Activities Committee held in Dayton, Ohio in September '54.

Testifying at the recent trial, Rep. G. H. Scherer of Cincin-nati, Chairman of the subcom-mittee before which Dr. Lorch testified, asserted that he (Scherer) had no information "that he could recall" except except

that three witnesses before his Committee had stated in 1950 that Dr. Lorch had Communist Committee had stated in 1950 that Dr. Lorch had Communist connections in 1941. The other government witness, Frank S. Tavenner, Committee counsel, admitted at the trial that these same witnesses had named over ame witnesses had named over 280 other persons at the same time and that the Committee them so far as he knew, except for Dr. Lorch. Defense lawyer Farmer of Nashville, asked Schearer how the Fyke Tenn., asked Schearer how the the hostess for her hospitality, Committee knew where Dr. thereby closing the "Garden Lorch was in 1954 when Scher-Gate." er's own testimony established that its last official information about him concerned the year 1941. Scherer did not answer that question.

Later, however, pressed by Farmer for a definition of Un-American Activities, Scherer replied that "they are the kind of activities in which your client

Dr. Lorch was subpoenaed from his home in Nashville, Tenn., to testify before that Committee right after he had attempted to enroll his daughter in a so-called "colored school" the only public school within walking distance of his home, following the Supreme Court decision of May 17, 1954, out-He was then serving as Head of the Fisk University mathemathe Fisk University mathema-tics department and vice-presi-dent of the Tennessee NAACP Conference. the business session was con-ford, Secretary: Bettye R. Al-Conference.

It was brought out at the trial that one of the witnesses who had asserted in 1950 that Dr. Lorch had communist connec tions in 1941, Mrs. Martha Edsband, has admitted that he also committed the same fraud of which his wife had been con-

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victed, although h ewas never submitted affidavits to the tried for it. Dr. Lorch's other attorney, not at the meeting and had r Judge Hubert T. Delany of New York, submitted a motion to the court listing 16 reasons why the case should be thrown out. One of these reasons is that even been notified of it. Congress as a whole has never voted a contempt citation against him, and this is also an

issue Other reasons included the can Activities Committee did lany brought out that Congress tion concerning that area. had already adjourned when the Another reason is that the Com-mittee did not hold a lawful meeting when it acted to insti-tute contempt proceedings and no time has been set not ask Dr. Lorch a single uues had already adjourned when the issuance of a definite tion concerning that area. 1954 hearings were held and Another reason is that the Com- so it would have been impos-

tute contempt proceedings how based on the hearings be-against him. Four of the nine fore which they subpoeneaed congressmen on the committee Dr. Lorch.

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On Monday evening, April 1st, Mrs. Marie Johnson was the hostess to the DeShazor's Alumni at her home in Franklinton. Patterson.

Mrs. Piccola Jones conducted the business session. The following persons joine Mrs. Cecil Reid and Mrs. Eva B. Young. Members present were Mes

Earlie Grandy, Alveta Monroe Montez Bates, Eunice Ellison Victoria Moore, Hazel McCoy. The next meeting will be April 15 at the home of Miss

Mrs. Margaret Marsh thanked

SILVER TEA

There will be a Silver Tea at the home of Mrs. Margaret Jefferies 510 Dowd Street, Sunday

April 14th, from 5:00 P.M to 7:00 P.M. The public is invited The Amey Jubilee Singer The Amey Jubilee Singers gave a reception at the Green Candle Restaurant Saturday, April 6th, at 8:00 P.M., in honor of the Founder-Mrs. Elizabeth Bullock, President; Mr. Ernest

Colly and Directress, Miss Jose Colly and Directress, Miss Jose-phine Davis. The following guests were present, Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Lawson; Rev. and Mrs. E. L. McZeke; and Mr. Willie Bullock.

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Foreman of Farmville, Representatives to the Pan-Hellenia Council. Lois P. Turner of the Area of English is the faculty advisor.

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WASHINGTON, D. C. Winston G. Thorburn, first Negro agriculturist to be ap-pointed to a U.S. agricultural attache post in a major foreign

country, is serving as a diplo-matic representative of Ameri-can agriculture in Paris, France. Thorburn, a graduate of son, a fellow member in Hampion Institute, was appoint- memory of her late husband, ed assistant agricultural attache at the American Embassy in Paris last September by the U. S. Department of Agricul-Paris last September by the U.S. Department of Agricul-ducational circles of North ture. In this key assignment, he

is charged with the responsi-bility of assisting in the gathering and reporting of significant information on agriculture and agricultural trade in France. The title of the book.

In carrying out this responsi-bility, Mr. Thorburn works with a staff of French nationals in gathering and translating the

information. Thorburn also assists the at-troke in promuting and safe-States in France. Among other things, they are promoting in-creased French consumption of American cotton.

The 29-year-old assistant ag-ricultural attache is a native of New York, but received part of

On Monday evening April 1st the K.T.A. Club was entertain-ed at the home of Mrs. H. B. his early training in Kingston Jamaica of the British West In dies. Before taking the embassy post, he served as an analyst in the Asia and Middle East Analy sis Branch of USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service. Earlier, he was assistant manager of the Hampton Institute dairy farm.

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many plans for the ensuing sea-Mr. and Mrs. Alton Freelan of 410 Dunstan Street, gave a An interesting feature of the reception for Mr. and Mrs. Marion D. Thorpe, Sunday the 24th of March. Mrs. Freeland is meeting was the presentation, through the Courtesy Commit-tee of a book to Mrs. J. F. Gibthe sister of Mr. Thorpe. The event was held at the

The Rev. J. Franklin Gibson, Freland home honoring the briwho for many years was a leaddal couple. A number of relatives and friends attended.

A motif of Green and White was used in decorating the home. In the ² dining room, vicinity. The book will be placed on the "Memorial Shelf" in the which was adorned with white carnations was a refreshment table which was centered with

The title of the book, "The the wedding cake and flanked Will To Believe" is a graphic account of what the reader him. Mothers of both bride and account of what the reader him-self can discover within himself groom wore pink lace dresses and corsages of white carnain the way of a new power and

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in Sociology. Mr. Thorpe, also a ham County, North Carolina, student at North Carolina Col-iege is majoring in Psychology. Assisting in entertaining wore Mrs. Alethia Thorpe, Mrs. Doro-thy Phillips, Mrs. D. B. Martin, Miss Emma Lash, Miss Valeric Wilson, Miss Gladys Chavis, Miss Faye King, Miss Joan Ben-on, Miss Ehrlene McLendon, Wilson, Miss Giadys Chavis, Miss Faye King, Miss Joan Ben-on, Miss Ebirlene McLendou, Miss zvelyn Clapp, Miss Mattie Giles, Miss Isabelle Gladden, and Miss Bettye Page.

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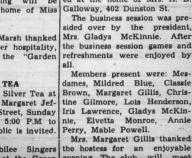


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The Omega Beta sorority was organized in 1950 and now has a membership of 18 young wo-On March 23 the meeting of men. The present corps was offi-the Youth Council was held at cers are Evelyntyne Humphrey.

Alphonse Evans as host. The business seasion was con-ducted by they president, Mrs. Umstead. Alphonse Evans led surer; Johnnie P. Murphy the devotion by singing Faith of junior of Godwin, Journalist Our Fathers. The Lord's Prayer Margaret Evans and Mary Dun

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Three persons were taken in as members; Misses Sandra Mc-Kinnie, Faye Ray and Shirley After the business session wa over, the meeting adjourned Mmbers present were: Mrs. Umstead, Mrs. McKoy, advisor, Lavorne Pratt, Vernetta Pratt,

Milfred Williams, Shirley Pat-terson, Willie Ethel Taylor, Alphonse Evans, Sandra McKin-nie Faye Ray, Phyllis Starks, Jean Llywellyn, Howard Hill and Ella Pane.

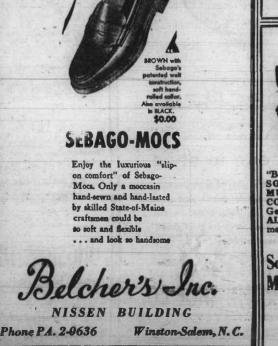


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