

GREENSBORO PLANT IN BIAS COMPLAINT

Durham May Be Host To National Business League Conference

"MUGGERS" WEREN'T NEGROES

Segregationists Get The 'Red Face'

The following letter by Mark Ethridge, publisher of the Louisville, Ky., COURIER-JOURNAL appeared on February 23 in the Washington POST and TIMES-HERALD:

My wife's piece in This Week Magazine about our being "mugged" in (Washington) and the round up on crime — "Fear in the Street of the Nation's Capital" in the U. S. News and World Report for Feb. 14 — have produced a spate of letters addressed to us. Some of them are indignant over crime in the Capital, some are sympathetic, and some from my less ardent ad-

mirers in the South, think that only poetic justice was done when a Negro hit me in the head.

That is what disturbs me about both pieces. It never occurred to my wife to say that they were white boys, and the piece

in the U. S. News and World Report leaves the implication that they were indeed Negroes. They were not. There were five of the young thugs; three stayed in the get-away car and two "mugged" and "yoked" us, whatever the expression is.

All of them were white; three from Asheville, N. C., one from South Carolina and one from Maryland, just over the District line. All of them had good old English names common to the South; all were products of good old segregated Southern white

schools.

I'm sorry to discomfit those who seemed pleased to have me hit in the head, but I did want to set the record straight. Besides, I would never admit that a Negro could hit any harder than a white boy.

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Kennedy Is New Treasurer Of Durham Firm

W. J. Kennedy, III, was elected treasurer of Bankers Fire Insurance company at the firm's 38th stockholders' meeting in Durham last Wednesday and Thursday.

Kennedy succeeds E. R. Merrick who retired from his office at the annual meeting. Merrick had served as treasurer of the organization since 1934.

A report made during the meeting showed that the company's assets totalled \$330,085.58. Some \$266,203.16 is comprised of policyholders' surplus.

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'One Must Have Something To Say'

CHICAGO Children bearing names of famous, historic Negroes can have a distinct handicap in living their own lives, according to an article in the April issue of EBONY.

Interviewed in the article

were the descendants of such famous persons as Booker T. Washington, Oscar DePriest, Walter White, Duke Ellington, C. C. Spaulding, Robert R. Moton, and Paul Robeson.

Speaking of their being named for the famous, almost all agreed that it invokes a handicap on them. Booker T. Washington, III, who lives a quiet life to himself says, "A man ought to be allowed to show himself in his own shape and stature, whatever that may be."

According to R. R. Moton, Jr. and Jane White, the public expects a great deal of you, and often causes loss of one's own identity.

C. C. Spaulding, Jr., admits that a famous name will open doors, yet he maintains that "after getting inside a man has got

to have something to say."

Spaulding is currently general counsel and the newest member of the board of directors of North Carolina Mutual, the insurance firm which his father directed from infancy.



SPAULDING

Western Electric Charged With Refusing To Upgrade Vet Workers

WASHINGTON, D. C. The North Carolina plant of a huge industrial corporation and a local of an AFL-CIO union are charged with collusion to deny job equality to Negro workers in a complaint filed with the President's Committee on Government Contracts by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The complaint, filed by the Association's labor secretary, Herbert Hill, on March 5, alleg-

es that the North Carolina works of the Western Electric Company, located at Greensboro, conspired with Local 3062 of the Communications Workers of America, AFL-CIO, to violate the seniority rights of Negro workers and to restrict such workers to menial job classifications.

Hill filed the complaint on behalf of seven NAACP members in Greensboro.

Four other members of the Greensboro NAACP complained of discrimination by two other large employers in the city — Cone Mills, a textile company and the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company. These companies, as well as Western Electric, are operating under government contracts which forbid racial or religious discrimination in employment.

The NAACP charged that the Cone Mills permitted Negroes to work only as sweepers, laborers, janitors and feeders. An investigation by Hill failed to reveal a single Negro employed as a weaver, loom operator, loom fixer or frame hand in any tex-

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National And Local Business Officers To Meet

Plans for holding the National Negro Business League convention in Durham this summer are scheduled to be discussed in a meeting between league and Durham Business and Professional Chain officials Saturday.

A spokesman for the host Durham Business and Professional Chain said this week that Emmert Martin Lancaster, executive secretary of the National Negro Business League and the Rev. J. S. Penn, a member of the League's board of directors, are to meet with Durham Business and Professional Chain officers to lay plans for the convention here.

The League's convention is set for late August.

If arrangements are worked out during Saturday's meeting for holding the League's national convention in Durham, it will mark the first time that the city will have played host to the affair.

Boston was the scene last year of the league convention, which attracted more than 2,000 prominent Negro businessmen from throughout the country.

Slated to meet with Lancaster and Penn in Durham Saturday are Durham Business Chain officials J. A. Beebe, III, Lincoln Harrison, Theodore Speight, J. H. Wheeler, Miss Sarah, Mrs. J. DeShazor Jackson, W. G. Rhodes, R. Kelly Bryant, Jr., W. J. Kennedy, Jr., J. J. Henderson and L. B. Frasier.

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John R. Larkins, Consultant to the North Carolina State Department of Public Welfare, is pictured here (center) with Ghana's United States Ambassador D. A. Chapman (left) and Chapman's assistant, M. Esteban (right) during a reception given by the African envoy at the Shoreham Hotel Terrace Room in Washington recently. The reception celebrated the first anniversary of the creation of the independent state of Ghana.

State Teachers Convene Friday

RALEIGH The 77th Annual Convention of the North Carolina Teachers Association will feature addresses by two of the nation's outstanding leaders in governmental and educational affairs.

The Convention is set in Raleigh, March 27, 28, and 29.

The keynote address Thursday evening March 27 will be given by Mrs. Arnetta G. Wallace, President of the Tennessee Education Congress, in Memorial Auditorium. Mrs. Wallace has had wide experience as a teacher, worker in civic organizations, Women's National Organizations, and other national, social and inter-cultural organizations.

E. Frederick Morrow, Aide to President Eisenhower, and Administrative Officer for the Special Projects Group in the Executive Offices of the President.

Expect 300 For Press Meeting

Some 300 students and teachers representing more than sixty high schools in the Carolinas and Virginia are expected to attend the Third Annual Campus Echo Publications Conference at North Carolina College on April 11.

Featured speaker and chief consultant for the day-long meeting will be R. O. Mensah, press attache in the Embassy of the new state of Ghana.

Mensah, will address the opening sessions, which will be



MRS. WALLACE



MORROW

First Civil Rights Suit Coming Out Of Mississippi In Court

JACKSON, MISS. Mississippi's first civil rights suit to reach the courts since the 1954 Supreme Court decision in the School Segregation Cases was filed here in the United States District Court on Friday, March 14.

The action challenges amendments to the state constitution and laws which, in effect, deny Negroes the right to vote.

It was filed by NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund attorneys in behalf of Rev. H. B. Darby and other Negro citizens of Jefferson Davis County.

Mississippi's new anti NAACP laws which prohibit the giving and receiving of financial aid and furnishing of legal services without charge in law suits. Violations of these statutes constitute a crime punishable by a prison term of one year.

Rev. Darby on two occasions tried to register in Jefferson Davis County in order to vote in Mississippi elections. On each occasion the registrar of voters required him to take a written examination. This examination included a requirement that the prospective voter give a "rea-

sonable explanation" for his failure to do so.

The action also challenges

Prayloe Joins Front-Runners

Voting in the CAROLINA TIMES Beauticians Popularity Contest reached an all time high this week with Mrs. Eula Steele still holding to the lead and Mrs. Callie Daye still running a close second as of last week.

The most spectacular gain was that made by Mrs. Ethelene Prayloe who climbed from 32nd place to the third position which was held last week by Mrs. Victoria Moore. Mrs. Prayloe nosed out Mrs. Moore by the slim margin of one ballot or 15,000 points.

BONUS VOTES

This week all contestants will have the opportunity to boost their standing with bonus votes worth 500,000 extra points for each subscription secured to the CAROLINA TIMES.

The bonus coupon is located in the contest announcement of the CAROLINA TIMES on page four. Contestants securing subscriptions to the CAROLINA TIMES will need only to write in the name and address of a subscriber and mail or bring it to the office of the CAROLINA TIMES, together with the price of one year's subscription, which is \$3.00.

As the contest enters the third week the voting is expected to reach an even higher intensity. One thing is certain, the free airplane round trip to the National Beauticians Convention in Miami with one week's hotel expenses paid is going to be won by a contestant who stays in the battle and works hard until the very last moment.

The dark horse whisper which continues to be heard was somewhat quieted this week by the sudden rise of Mrs. Prayloe. The talk continues however, and it is believed that there is still a possibility that some lesser contestant may be waiting in the background for the last two or three weeks only to surge forward and walk off with the prize.

This week's relative standing of contestants is as follows:

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| Mrs. Eula Steele | 2,460,000 |
| Mrs. Callie Daye | 2,300,000 |
| Mrs. Ethelene Prayloe | 2,000,000 |
| Mrs. Odell Leake | 1,985,000 |
| Mrs. Josephine Daye | 1,975,000 |
| Mrs. C. D. Ashford | 1,875,000 |
| Mrs. Victoria Moore | 1,875,000 |
| Mrs. Beatrice Moss | 1,460,000 |
| Mrs. Willie E. Watkins | 1,375,000 |
| Mrs. Irene Jackson | 1,145,000 |
| Mrs. Symner E. Daye | 1,145,000 |
| Mrs. Pecola Jones | 1,115,000 |
| Mrs. Iola Goss | 1,115,000 |
| Mrs. Earlie Grandy | 1,115,000 |
| Mrs. Willie McKean | 1,115,000 |
| Mrs. Classie Brown | 1,005,000 |
| Mrs. Thelma Hill | 990,000 |
| Miss Mary Foust | 975,000 |
| Mrs. Catherine Lunsford | 975,000 |
| Mrs. Alice Payne | 975,000 |
| Miss Montez Bates | 945,000 |
| Miss Blanche Scott | 915,000 |
| Miss Rosa Henderson | 875,000 |
| Mrs. Henrietta Bates | 875,000 |
| Mrs. Hazel McKoy | 875,000 |
| Mrs. Elveta Monroe | 875,000 |
| Mrs. Margaret Minor | 875,000 |

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On UNC Talks

Joseph A. Beebe, III, staff assistant to the Durham United Fund, served as one of the consultants at the March Working conference at the University of North Carolina school of Public Health.

A graduate of Johnston C. Smith University, Beebe received his master's degree in Public Health at North Carolina College in 1954, and has since worked as Health Educator for the Better Health Foundation and staff assistant to the director of the Durham United Fund.

The March Working conference is an annual program conducted by University of North Carolina School of Public Health.

Business School Gets New Home

Durham Business College was scheduled to begin moving from its present location to a new home on Fayetteville street late this week.

The school will take over the old Pearsontown school building at 2635 Fayetteville street which was abandoned as a school by the County early last Fall.

It was revealed early this week that the school had negotiated a lease for the building from the County Board of Education. The school leased the wooden frame building for one year at a cost of \$100 per month. County Schools business manager Lester Smith said.

Smith pointed out that the County Board of Education was not authorized to grant leases for periods greater than 1 year.

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An artist's conception of the old Pearsontown School building which will become the new home of Durham Business College is seen in the above drawing.