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SIT ANYWHERE — Students heading home by bus for the holidays used the main waiting room and facilities of the Durham bus station last week-end. This scene was taken during rush hour at the station.—Burthey photo.

USE "WHITE" LOBBY

Student Travellers Find Little Jim Crow at Local Bus Station

Students traveling home for the holidays from several Durham institutions were met with a varied racial policy at the Durham bus station.

Approximately 150 students from Durham Business College, North Carolina College and Southeastern University obtained tickets and ticket service in the side of the station traditionally reserved for whites. However, some reported refusal of the restaurant and newsstand to serve them while others said they had no difficulty obtaining any services at the bus station.

A spokesman for the students who had used the "white" waiting room during the Thanksgiving holidays also, said "there seemed to be no fixed policy by the station as to how to handle Negro patrons."

Last Friday and Saturday were the two days in which the largest number of students were in the bus station.

On Friday morning, two students by reported refusal by the restaurant and the news stand. They said they were referred to the "Negro" side of the station. Both students, however, purchased tickets without difficulty on the "white" side.

On the same afternoon, another group of students said they had no trouble getting service from the restaurant and news stand.

Again on Saturday, there was a report that a Negro seaman was refused service by the restaurant. It was estimated that nearly 50

Vernon Johns is Speaker For Emancipation

The 97th annual celebration of the Emancipation Proclamation will be held in Durham, Friday, January 1 at 1:00 a.m. at St. Mark A.M.E. Zion Church. The Rev. R. L. Speaks, pastor.

The celebration is sponsored each year by the Durham Ministerial Alliance, and will be presided over by the Rev. E. T. Browne, alliance president, and pastor of the M.L. Vernon Baptist Church.

The speaker for the occasion will be Dr. Vernon Johns, noted

Over Thousand Kids Get Christmas Cheer

Christmas Cheer packages were distributed to approximately 465 families, including 1,513 children Wednesday, fund director I. R. Holmes said Wednesday.

The distribution was made Wednesday morning at W. D. Hill Community Center, where Holmes is director.

The fund is an annual project supported by several Durham organizations to help the needy at Christmas.

A. Philip Randolph Endorses March on Greenville Airport

NEW YORK — A. Philip Randolph, AFL-CIO vice-president and veteran civil rights leader, today endorsed the Emancipation Day Prayer Pilgrimage to the Greenville, South Carolina, airport. This is the airport where Jackie Robinson and others were asked to move from the "white" waiting room.

Randolph said, "I consider this a timely and constructive form of nonviolent, good-will action in the

"Meanest Man" Dad Beats Child Unconscious

Guy Dooley, of 308 Cobb street, would probably win the title of the city's "meanest man" if an election were held in Durham this week.

The 33 year-old father beat his six year old daughter into unconsciousness Monday night. The girl had been hospitalized.

Dooley was clamped into jail by local authorities under a \$500 bond on charges of assault and battery on a minor female resulting in serious bodily injury.

The young child, her body trembling and her face distorted from blows inflicted by her father, was taken to the police station Monday night by her mother, Mrs. Dorothy Dooley, who presented the girl as evidence to obtain a warrant against her husband.

She told police that her husband had kicked the girl in the mouth, side and other parts of the body.

Police took one look at the badly beaten little girl and ordered her rushed to Lincoln hospital where her condition was described at midweek as "fair."

Det. Lieutenant Jake Deby said the child was "trembling and her face badly swollen. She didn't know where she was."

The girl lost consciousness before she could be admitted to the hospital.

Althea Lashes Segregation At Norfolk Match

NORFOLK, Va.—Althea Gibson, tennis queen who received much of her training, sports and academic, in the south turned loose a blast against segregation here this week after playing in an exhibition match before a segregated audience.

"I don't like it. I didn't know this sort of thing still existed," Miss Gibson was quoted as saying after playing here Sunday with the touring Harlem Globetrotters.

The exhibitions, which preceded the Globetrotters game, was staged at the city arena.

"This is a sport—an international thing—and yet, you have some people sitting here some people sitting there," Miss Gibson said.

"There's only one difference between us—our color. Our eyes are the same, our mouths are the same. Just what the hell is the matter," she continued.

"Do these people (whites) think there is such a big difference that they have to sit by themselves?"

"I don't want to skirt the law, but there must be something wrong with the law. Just think, adults acting like that."

"I have been accepted as an individual. I don't want to be a pioneer in this sort of thing. And I don't want to do anything that would bring discredit on the group I'm with or Abe Saperstein (Globetrotters promoter) but personally, I think I have a right to say the things I feel."

Miss Gibson became the first Negro to crack the top tennis circles. She holds victories in the Wimbledon (English) and Forest Hills (United States) tournaments.



Hog Butchering Leads to Death Of Husband

A Durham County couple which set out Saturday morning to butcher hogs turned upon each other, resulting in the fatal stabbing of the husband.

Being held under bond of \$1,000 or trail on charges of murder is Mrs. Calara Bell Watson, 36, of Chandler Road.

She admitted this week to stabbing her husband, Fred Watson, in the shoulder late Saturday with a knife she had been using to butcher hogs earlier during the day.

Her husband died a few minutes after being stabbed in the top of his left shoulder. He was 56.

Sheriff Jennis Mangum said the man was dead when deputies arrived at the home to investigate.

County coroner Dr. R. A. Harton said Watson died from loss of blood suffered when an artery was severed.

The woman told investigating officers that she and her husband had killed hogs Saturday morning and were still cutting up the

Shootings, Stabbings, Accidents Send Death Toll Mounting

A mounting wave of violent deaths from traffic accidents, shootings, stabbings and other mishaps threatened to make the Christmas season a sad one for a number of Tarheels.

As usual, traffic accidents are taking the biggest toll of lives.

At Charlotte, Will Williams was killed when he was pinned under a truck which skidded 385 feet Sunday off a ramp leading to U. S. 21 two miles west of Charlotte.

Earnestine McNeil, 23, and Eugene Hicks, 25, were killed when struck by an auto as they walked along U. S. 74.

John Ervin Fox, 22, of Greensboro, was killed last Friday when he lost control of his auto and struck a utility pole.

In Durham County, Fred Watson, 56 year old sawmill worker, died Saturday of stab wounds inflicted by his wife as the pair butchered hogs.

At Fayetteville, a Fort Bragg soldier, Sp-5 James Brown, Jr., was killed by a shot-gun blast when he went "gunning" for the husband of his girl friend.

Also in Durham, police were searching for suspects in the burning of Walltown elementary school. The fire, which caused an estimated \$5,000 damage, burned furnishings in the auditorium and the teachers' lounge.

Police theorize that teen-age vandals are responsible.

A similar attack took place at Burton elementary school where a group of young boys staged a wrecking party at the school over the Labor Day week-end.

They were quickly apprehended, however, by the work of Detectives Frank McCrae and Clyde Cox, who have been assigned to the Walltown school case.

There was considerable water damage to the building as firemen quenched the blaze before it could do further damage.

The school is located at Lancaster street and Chap Boulevard.

GI "Guns" For Girl's Mate; Killed Instead

"I'm going to send you to hell," Sp. 5C James J. Brown, Jr., former Durhamite now stationed at Fort Bragg, was killed almost instantly by a blast from a .12 gauge shot gun as he chased Jake Dunlap outside Dunlap's home early Saturday.

"You just beat me to it," Brown said as he lay shot in the temple and left side. His gun, also a double barreled shotgun, was found without bond.

PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE REPORTS Crisis Predicted In Skilled Workers Force

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A substantial increase in the Negro segment of the nation's job seekers during the next ten years and a concurrent shortage of trained Negro workers, particularly in the white-collar field, were pictured in the annual report of a presidential committee released by the White House yesterday.

A highlight of the report of the President's Committee on Government Contracts is a statement of the Committee's intention to concentrate its efforts on the integration of Negroes into the white-collar job category, where the greatest increases in employment are expected during the coming decade.

The report, submitted to President Eisenhower by Vice President Nixon, Committee Chairman, cited Department of Labor projections for the 1960's to point up serious problems which will confront Negroes during that period in their efforts to compete for employment with the white labor force.

Continuing the Committee report states that anticipated changes in the composition of the labor force pose special problems for Negroes which will underscore the importance of education and training.

The most significant increase in employment will be in occupations requiring more training and education," the report states. "The American economy will require an increase of nearly 50 per cent in professional and technical occupations, 80 per cent in the numbers of proprietors and managers, 25 per cent in the clerical and sales force, 23 per cent in the numbers of skilled craftsmen, and 25 per cent more service workers."

The increase projected for semi-skilled workers is only 15 per cent, however, and no increase is forecast for laborers."

The significance of these figures to Negroes, according to the Committee report, lies in the fact that "recent Census Bureau data indicate that 80 per cent of white children between ages 18-14 are attending high school while only 65 per cent of Negro children in the same age group are enrolled."

According to Labor Department projections, the report states, 7.5 million new workers during the next decade will be without a high school education. Unless the situation of the past and present is sharply changed, the Committee believes that a very high proportion of these "handicapped" workers will be Negroes.

"Even within the blue collar job group, new forces are operating which will create grave problems for the Negro worker unless he can adapt himself to changes. Many factory jobs are 'automated.' To continue to hold even semi-skilled positions, workers in the future will have to have a higher degree of literacy. These automated jobs require that the worker be able to read complex measuring instruments, maintain clearly detailed records, and in general operate machines which will be more demanding than today's production."

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Wheeler Returns from So. Africa

John H. Wheeler, reportedly the first American Negro to be invited to the Union of South Africa by the government, returned to Durham early Sunday.

The Mechanics and Farmers Bank president spent approximately four weeks visiting the principal cities of the country. He was sent as a part of an eight couple cultural exchange between a private organization of this country and the South African government.