

500 JAILED AS STUDENTS MARCH

"A Better Answer Than Jails"

"... Negro youth... are seeing springs of American democracy... In sitting down, they are standing up for the American dream. America has a better answer than jails for those who turn the other cheek." These are lines taken from a

speech by Dr. Frank Graham, University of North Carolina president and now United Nations mediator, at Williamsburg, Va. last week. See page two for fuller excerpts from the address.

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SIT-IN PROTEST CAUCUS — Southern student sit-in protest leaders confer with NAACP executives in New York City. From left are Lacey Streeter, North Carolina College, Durham;

Miss Betty Johnson, Virginia Union University, Richmond; NAACP Executive Secretary Roy Wilkins; and Herbert L. Wright, NAACP youth secretary. Mr. Streeter is president of his

NAACP college chapter. Miss Johnson was one of 34 students arrested in Richmond for protest activities. Mr. Wilkins promised students full support of NAACP.

Sees Local Responsibility, Ike Ends Silence In Student Protest

WASHINGTON, D. C.—President Eisenhower finally broke this week the White House silence on the current wave of protests against segregation now sweeping the South.

He implied that the problem was one to be handled by the local communities with as little national intervention as possible by urging white and Negro leaders of southern communities to set up bi-racial committees to handle the problems.

"I think there ought to be bi-racial conferences in every city and every community of the South, which would do much better than trying to get up here and direct every single thing from Washington."

He also asserted that peaceful protests are wholly constitutional and expressed his sympathy for any citizen or group of citizens seeking to enjoy the constitutional guarantees.

The White House has been the recipient of numerous messages and pleas from Negro leaders in the past few weeks as the reaction to the protests, started by students, have become increasingly more violent.

Martin Luther King, Jr., had telegraphed the president last week asking the White House to take action to halt what he termed See **IKE**, page 6

Browning Dies Suddenly

RALEIGH—Walter Browning, well known Raleigh businessman died early Thursday morning at St. James hospital.

He was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday after suffering an illness last week.

Browning was one of the best known figures in the capital city. For a number of years he

operated a barber shop across from St. Augustine's College campus and was one of St. Augustine's most rabid sports fans.

Among his survivors are a brother, J. Royal (Skinks) Browning one, son, Walter, Jr., who played fullback for North Carolina College last year, and three daughters.



PICKETS IN DURHAM — "We Cook Here! Why Can't We Eat Here!" sign displayed by lead picket is typical of those carried by students from several Durham institutions who continued this week their picketing of three downtown stores which

have segregated lunch counters. This scene was taken from in front of the Woolworth store. In top center, background is sign over S. H. Kress, one of three being picketed. Other store involved is the Walgreen drug store.

S. C. Uses Tear Gas, Fire Hose, Herds 300 Negroes In Compound

FLORENCE, S. C.—"Strong arm, fascist methods" were the words used by South Carolina State NAACP President to describe the action of authorities in three deep South cities arresting more than 500 college students who were demonstrating against segregation.

The statement came from the Rev. H. P. Sharper, a Baptist minister here and head of the NAACP in this state. It was in Orangeburg, just a few miles to the southeast, that the largest mass arrests were made Tuesday.

Police in that city used fire hose and tear gas to break up a protest march on downtown Orangeburg staged by 1,000 students from S. C. State and Claflin College.

More than 350 were arrested and placed in a fenced-in compound to await arraignment. Over 400 of the demonstrators, mostly women students, were drenched by the fire hoses in 40 degree weather.

On the same day, nearly 150 Negroes, mostly students, were arrested and jailed in two other cities in the deep South as they demonstrated against segregation.

In Rock Hill, 70 persons, mostly students of Friendship Junior College, were jailed when they marched in front of the City Hall, at two bus stations and at a drug store.

In Atlanta, Ga., 70 more were arrested as they staged sit-downs at a dozen eating places. But the big scene was at Orangeburg, where the largest of the mass arrests occurred. Students, approximately 1,000 See **ARRESTED**, page 6

Durham White Ministers Take Stand on Protest

A white ministers organization of Durham went on record this week as being willing to support store managers who decide to end segregation at their lunch counters.

The group took this stand in the form of a statement released to the press on Monday.

"We wish to assure the management of local stores involved in the present controversy that, could they see fit to inaugurate a policy of food service without reference to race, we will as individuals and as a group give private and public endorsement and support to such a policy, and so far as we are able, will seek to encourage the community at large to accept See **STAND**, page 6

TAN PLAYERS DOMINATE ALL-AMERICA

NEW YORK—Oscar Robertson, the fabulous Big "O" from Cincinnati, led the balloting of the United States Basketball Writers Association for Basketball All America honors.

Besides Robertson, the Negro stars who made Basketball All America are: Tom Stith of St. Bonaventure; Indiana's Walt Bellamy; and Len Wilkens of Providence.

USBWA's ten-man Basketball All America was announced today in the new issue of Look magazine. See **DOMINATE**, page 6

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MISS COBB

Former Teacher Buried in Rites At Durham

Final rites for Miss Annie Lee Cobb, well known former Durham teacher and member of a pioneer Durham family, were held Tuesday afternoon at the St. Joseph's A. M. E. Church.

The Rev. Melvin C. Swann, St. Joseph's minister, officiated. He was assisted by the Rev. James Robinson, assistant to St. Joseph's minister, who read scripture, and the Rev. T. C. Graham, pastor of West Durham Baptist Church, who made remarks.

Interment rites were conducted at Beechwood cemetery following the church services.

Miss Cobb died at Duke hospital early Saturday, March 12, after a lengthy illness.

Daughter of Mrs. Mary Cobb and the late J. S. K. Cobb, the deceased was born in Durham and lived most of her life here.

She was trained in the public schools of Durham, Fayetteville State Teachers and North Carolina College. She did graduate study at See **COBB**, page 6

Bankers Fire Reports Gains In '59 Operations

The 40th annual meeting of the Bankers Fire and Casualty Company was held at its home office here, 707 Fayetteville Street, Thursday, March 10 with W. J. Kennedy, Jr., president, presiding.

The report to the directors and stockholders was read by R. H. Harris, vice president and secretary of the company who reported that \$197,891.36 in premiums written by the company in 1959 amounted to an increase of \$10,904.19. Said Harris further, "Our premiums reinsured amounted to \$158,041.33 and after adjustment of unearned premium reserved our net premiums earned amounted to \$38,915.39." Harris also reported an increase in surplus as regards to policyholders of \$7,705.11.

Since its beginning in 1920 the company has paid out in losses over \$2 million dollars, issued cash dividends of over \$125,000 and paid to agents over \$830,000 in compensation.

Upon recommendation of Mr. Harris three new persons were added to the Board of Directors. The new members are A. T. Spaulding, president of N. C. Mutual Life Insurance Company; J. W. Goodloe, secretary of N. C. Mutual and N. H. Bennett, actuary of N. C. Mutual.

In keeping with policy of the company to rotate among directors the office of counsel, W. G. Pearson-II was appointed to succeed C. C. Spaulding, Jr. as general counsel.

NATIONAL BOYCOTT CALLED
NEW YORK — Roy Wilkins, NAACP Secretary, called for a nation-wide boycott of all stores which have southern branches refusing to serve Negroes at lunch counters.



MRS. ROLAND

Wife of Durham Baptist Minister Is Eulogized

Funeral services for Mrs. Ver-melle Lorick Roland, wife of the pastor of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, were held in Durham at the church on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 p.m.

The Rev. J. Neal Hughley, minister at North Carolina College, officiated. He was assisted by the Reverends W. H. Fuller, pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, and E. T. Browne, pastor of the Vernon Baptist Church.

Burial rites followed at Beechwood cemetery.

Mrs. Roland died at her residence, at 401 Dowd street, on Saturday afternoon, March 12. She was 51.

A teacher at Merrick-Moore high school in Durham county for the past eight years, Mrs. Roland was stricken last November. She was confined to the hospital twice during the past four months, but at her death she had been at home for several weeks.

Daughter of the late Frank and See **ROLAND**, page 6

King Asks Help From President Eisenhower

ATLANTA, Ga.—Charging that "a reign of terror has broken out in Montgomery, Ala., because of the 'gestapo-like methods being used by police and city authorities to intimidate Negroes who have been pursuing peaceful and nonviolent techniques to achieve their moral and constitutional rights," Dr. Martin L. King, Jr., president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, wired President Dwight D. Eisenhower

"to instruct the Attorney General to take immediate action, in your name, to restore law and order."

The telegram sent after Dr. King had personally observed developments in Montgomery, pointed out that police were invading churches and religious services, that the telephone wires of Negro protest

See **KING**, page 6

Nurses to Open State Meeting

Mrs. Inze Hayes of New York, general director of the National League for Nursing, will deliver the keynote address for the North convention here Thursday. She will speak on the convention theme, "Present Directions in Nursing—A Concern—A Challenge" at the Washington Duke Hotel at 11:20 a.m.

Some 400 nurses are expected to attend the state-wide session that continues through Friday.

Activities for many of the nurses See **NURSES**, page 6



FOR WHITE ONLY — Pictured here is the Durham Edgmont Baptist Church, located on main

street in Durham, where two young Negro would-be worshippers were turned away last Sunday. A deacon told the pair that the church had "no provisions for colored people."

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