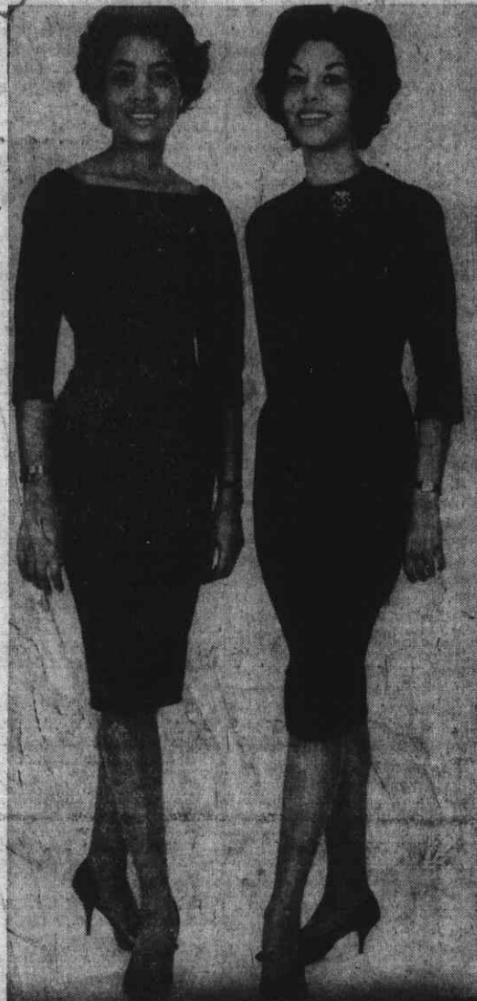


# MASS FUNERAL FOR AX VICTIMS

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**FORTY DOLLARS PER HOUR**  
Shapely Grace Del Marco models, Pat Cheatham (left) and Madeline Sanders (right) display the winning form which won for them top roles in a specially produced fashion feature film

sponsored by the IGLWU. The pair, the only Negroes appearing in the film, vied with more than fifty other models for the roles. Both ladies command an hourly scale of forty dollars.



SPEARS

### Spears Named V. President of M. & F. Bank

CHARLOTTE — The Mechanics and Farmers Bank of Durham revealed here this week that A. E. Spears, Sr., of Charlotte, has been elected to the position of Vice President of the bank.

For the past 18 months, Spears has headed a group of Charlotte citizens who have been working for the establishment of a branch of Mechanics and Farmers Bank in Charlotte.

The Banking Commission, on January 18, approved establishment of the proposed branch at a site located on Beatty's Ford Road, opposite the main entrance to the campus of Johnson C. Smith University.

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### Durham Bank In Top 4,000 of U. S.

Mechanics and Farmers Bank moved up 231 places in the standings among the largest commercial banks in the United States during last year, it was revealed this week.

The 1961 Annual Roll Call of the 3,300 largest banks in America listed Mechanics and Farmers in 3,238th place. Last year it ranked 3,469th.

The bank's total resources at the end of 1960 were reported at \$8,800,396.51.

There are 13,400 commercial banks in the U. S.

### Morrow Okayed For Post With United Nations

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Dr. John H. Morrow, former chairman of the Romance Language department at North Carolina College, was approved by the Senate Tuesday for the post of alternate delegate to the United Nations.

Morrow left NCC in 1959, to accept a position as this country's first ambassador to the Republic of Guinea. He resigned after President Kennedy's election.

He is the third NCC language professor to enter government service. Dr. Raleigh Morgan, his predecessor, joined the State Department's linguist branch. Dr. Albert Berrian, who succeeded Morrow at NCC, left this year for Leopoldville, Congo, where he is directing an English language center for the U. S.

### Trustees Change Policy

## Duke Opens To Negroes

### Orange Pupils Integration Bid Denied Again

HILLSBORO—The Orange County school board for the second time turned down this week a request which would have integrated the White Cross elementary school here.

The board said here at its Monday night meeting it would be impossible to admit the 19 Negro students who applied for entrance because the school term was already in progress.

The board first denied the request on Feb. 9.

Duke University will admit Negro students to its graduate and professional schools for the first time beginning with the next school term in September.

This was the result of a resolution passed by the university's board of trustees Wednesday.

It read, in part, "qualified applications may be admitted to degree programs in the graduate school and professional schools of the university effective, Sept. 1, 1961, without regard to race, creed or national origin."

One of the richest and most famous schools in the South, Duke had not previously accepted Negro students, although a few had taken special summer institute courses. The school had admitted a number of non-Caucasian foreign students, however.

Commenting on the board's act.

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### Collins Elected To Head N. C. Teachers Interim Committee



COLLINS

RALEIGH—At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Teachers Association, an Interim Committee was appointed to succeed the late Dr. W. L. Green for an indefinite period.

W. R. Collins, President of the 11,000 member state-wide teachers organization, was named chairman of the Interim Committee. Mr. Collins said that the board agreed unanimously to adopt the proposal to appoint an interim group.

In an effort to prevent any possible loss of personnel effort, the Interim Committee acted quickly to organize itself. Serving with Col.

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**WHATTA YA MEAN, REFI!**—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mosby of Winston-Salem challenge referee's interpretation of foul during semi-finals of CIAA basketball tournament game between the Rams of Winston-Salem and A.

and T. College. Rams finally won the conference tournament, staged last week-end in Winston-Salem's memorial coliseum. For additional stories and pictures, see page 2-B.



**MASS RITES**—At left is a scene from graveside rites for the three members of the Trice family killed by blows to the head from an axe. The coffins were placed in graves sides by side at Barbee's Chapel cemetery. Charles (Ponk) Cotton, is pictured above. Has admitted to the slayings.

### "Most Brutal Murders in My 30 Years"

## Ex-Con Crushes Skulls Of Three As They Sleep

Mass funeral services were conducted at Barbee's Chapel Church cemetery Wednesday afternoon for three members of a family whose skulls were crushed when a 48 year old ex-convict went on an ax-swinging rampage early Sunday.

The Rev. J. R. Manley, pastor of Chapel Hill's First Baptist Church, officiated at graveside rites for Miss Ruby Trice, 35, her 15 year old son, Bobby Louis Farrow, and Miss Trice's father, 67 year old Matthew Trice.

Their heads were bashed in with an axe as they slept in their beds in a two room frame house just outside Chapel Hill early Sunday morning by Charlie (Ponk) Cotton, 48, common-law husband to Miss Trice.

Miss Trice was dead when police arrived on the scene. Her son, Farrow, died in N. C. Memorial hospital Sunday afternoon, and the woman's father, Matthew Trice, died Tuesday at the hospital.

A throng of nearly 150 persons witnessed the triple funeral ceremonies conducted at Barbee's Chapel cemetery, located in Durham county near the Orange county line.

Orange County police officers said late this week that Cotton, who finally admitted the slaying after first trying to involve two other men, will be arraigned in a preliminary hearing in the next criminal term of the Hillsboro Recorder's Court.

He will be charged with first degree murder. He is being held in Orange County prison without bond.

Cotton went on his wild rampage early Sunday morning, between 1:30 and 2:30 a.m., police said.

"It was the most brutal murder I've investigated in my 30 years as a police officer," Orange deputy Sheriff Frank Maddrey told the TIMES Wednesday.

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GRAVES

### Two Pedestrians Killed When Struck by Autos

Two pedestrians were killed in separate accidents in Durham this week when they were struck by automobiles.

Moses Lee Graves, Jr., 20, died instantly early Saturday morning when he was struck by car driven by Otis Scott, 36, of 1207 Juniper St.

Graves was walking along South

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### NCTA To Salute Past Presidents At Convention

RALEIGH — The three day observance of the 80th Anniversary of the North Carolina Teachers Association will be highlighted with a special program honoring all of the past presidents of the 11,000 member state-wide organization March 23 at the Ligon High School auditorium.

W. R. Collins, president of NCTA, said, "the growth and development of the North Carolina Teachers Association places a distinct value on the contribution of the past presidents who founded and chartered the singular achievements of the organization through the years.

He said, "The magnitude of this service justifies this gratuitous act on the part of the association toward these persons who

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### EDITORIAL

## The Fish Peddler Returns

Tuesday of this week there occurred in Washington one of the most dramatic episodes in the annals of American history. It was the visit of President Kwame Nkrumah of Ghana to this country. Greeted at the Washington National Airport by President Kennedy, who drove through a drizzling rain to extend a red carpet welcome to the head of the African Nation, Nkrumah later addressed the opening session of the United Nations General Assembly.

Our minds go back to the year 1928 when Nkrumah, as a student in the United States, was peddling fish on the streets of Brooklyn, New York in an effort to earn enough money to continue his education in this country. The then poor African native had come to America to secure an education with the hope of returning to his native country to help it find its place among the leading nations of the world. Although Ghana cannot yet be said to have reached the status of a great power, in comparison with other nations of the world she is well on her way, and much credit must be given to the wise leadership of Nkrumah.

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**COMMITAL**—The Rev. J. R. Manley, of Chapel Hill, reads liturgy as bodies of three victims are committed to graves.

### Attack on Mays Comes From Bigots, Says NAACP Secretary



WASHINGTON, D. C.—President Kennedy was asked this week to disregard the opposition of Georgia Senators Richard B. Russell and Herman E. Talmadge to the possible appointment of Dr. Benjamin E. Mays to the U. S. Civil Rights Commission.

NAACP Executive Secretary Roy Wilkins said both Senators have spent their public life "in support of a system which has denied Negro Americans the enjoyment of their constitutional rights as citizens."

Wilkins added that "both men have made ruthless and unrelenting use of their station and powers to prevent the United States of America from acting to correct the iniquitous system which embitters 18 million Americans and embarrasses our nation before the free world."

Senators Russell and Talmadge have charged that Dr. Mays is "biased."

Wilkins countered by saying that Dr. Mays distinguished

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### No Money For Jim Crow Schools--NAACP

NEW YORK—NAACP members were urged this week to make known to Congress their objection to any Federal funds going to states where the school desegregation ruling is being defied. They are to make it plain that any Federal aid to education should provide for withholding of money from states and localities which refuse to desegregate.

Members were specifically called upon to urge their Congressmen and Senators "to support a bill amended to include this provision."

The directive was sent by Roy Wilkins, executive secretary, to the Association's 1,034 units in 45 states.

### Nine Sit-in Students Freed From Road Gang

ROCK HILL, S. C.—Nine CORE members freed from the York County, South Carolina, road gang were greeted at Friendship Junior College as returning heroes.

At an open-air ceremony speakers praised the students and the parents who stood behind them. Friendship College President Jas. H. Goudlock called the students "martyrs" in the cause of justice and equality.

Thomas Gaither, CORE field secretary and one of the nine released from the road gang, urged "liberal Christian-hearted" people to come to the forefront with pressure to work out a peaceful and immediate solution to the problem of segregation in Rock Hill community life."

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