



Governor's Plan for Equal Job Chances Gets Wide Support

CASWELL MAN HARASSED BEFORE SHOOTING



TAYLOR
Vice Chairman

Sanford Hailed For Courage In Proposal

RALEIGH — Governor Sanford's appointment last week of an interracial committee to pave the way for increased employment opportunities was generally received with approval from both races this week.

The Governor announced the formation of the committee in a speech at Chapel Hill Friday along with a policy statement urging state-wide acceptance of voluntary fair employment practices.

Seven prominent Negroes were appointed to the 24 man committee, including James T. Taylor, of Durham, who will serve as vice-chairman.

Early this week, reports of enthusiastic reception from the Governor's action came in from many sources.

An aide to the chief executive said Sanford had received thousands of letters since his announcement on the subject, and only a fraction of them were opposed to the idea.

In addition, Negro leaders throughout the state generally applauded the action.

Kelly M. Alexander, president of the State NAACP, said for example:

"The most significant step taken by a governor anywhere in the South in the field of economic rights was taken by the governor of North Carolina when he advanced a plan to eliminate discrimination in employment. This certainly will improve the economic status of minority groups throughout the state. We commend him for his stand."

Many, however, advanced a note of caution, pointing out that the Governor's action represented a "first step," and expected more.



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Woman Shot To Death

Husband Kills Self As Police Try Arrest

NORTH WILKESBORO — A 32 year old Negro woman was shot and hacked to death Tuesday and her husband killed himself several hours later, the Wilkes County Sheriff's Department reported.

The department said the body of Mrs. Essie Tatum Parsons, 32, of Rt. 1, Boomer, was found about 25 feet from her four-room frame home.

The report said her husband, Nick Parsons, took his own life Tuesday night as officers approached to arrest him.

The details of the pursuit and death of Parsons were not immediately available.

Dunn Farmer Held In Death Of 2-Year-Old

DUNN — A Negro farm laborer was ordered held without bond Sunday pending an autopsy report in the death of his 2 year old daughter.

The girl, Eartha Elaine Williamson, was pronounced dead on arrival at Betsy Johnson Memorial Hospital Sunday morning, January 20, and Willie Roberson Williamson, 21, was jailed on suspicion of murder.

Rural policeman Carson Hall said Williamson and his wife brought the child to the hospital claiming she had been See FARMER, 6-A



STEWART
City Councilman



WINTERS
City Councilman



Dr. C. E. Boulware, executive secretary of Durham Committee

Intense Vote Drive For the Spring Pledged by Durham Committee

Continued assaults on segregation practices in Durham occupied a major portion of the activity of the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs, according to a survey of the organization's work during 1962.

Increased efforts against segregation and a concentrated voter registration campaign were forecast for the coming year.

The report on the Committee's activities and forecast for its work for the coming year were made during the organization's annual meeting Sunday afternoon at St. Joseph's AME Church.

Four new members were elected to the executive committee of the organization. They were the Rev. J. A. Brown, Mrs. Geneva Cheek, J. Fred Pratt, and S. D. Cuthbertson.

Beserk Man Chops Up House With Ax

FAYETTEVILLE — A 33 year old Negro apparently went berserk here early Tuesday morning and practically demolished a four room house with an ax.

The man, Willie Pierce, also threw the ax at a sheriff's deputy as he tried to outrun the officer in woods near the dwelling.

A Negro woman, Bertha McDonald, and her five children were left homeless as a result of Pierce's rampage.

Deputy N. E. Horne was dispatched to the scene about 12:30 a. m.

Pierce had knocked down the chimney, chopped up the front steps, shattered gas and coal stoves, knocked interior walls See BESERK, 6-A

On Negro Affairs, is shown leading annual meeting of the organization held last Sunday.

The reports on the Committee's activities of last year were made by officers of the organization's five major sub-committees. Reports were made by J. Fred Pratt, Civic Committee; D. E. Moore, Education Committee; Atty. W. A. Marsh, Legal Redress Committee; Atty. F. B. McKissick, Economic Committee; Walter Daye, Political Action Committee and William Harris, Youth Committee.

A concentrated voter-registration campaign, partially supported by a national foundation, and more activity against segregation were outlined by Committee chairman John H. Wheeler in his address before the meeting.

Wheeler revealed that the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs will undertake a campaign this spring to secure more Negro voters in Durham. Funds for the campaign will be made available through the Field Foundation.

In discussing the coming year's work for the Committee, Wheeler said:

"We face a real problem in Durham. We've got the broad base laid in Education, Employment and Civic Affairs. But we've got to solve these problems in depth if our work is going to mean anything for Durham and North Carolina."

Wheeler laid stress on the importance of the upcoming registration campaign by pointing to the recent action of Governor Sanford in appointing a committee to seek equal job opportunities for Negroes.

He said the Governor's action could be traced directly to increased political action on the part of Negroes.

Dr. C. E. Boulware, executive secretary of the Committee on Negro Affairs, presided over the meeting and introduced the various sub-committee chairmen See VOTE, 6-A

Action Against Downtown Firms To Be Sought

The Durham Committee on Negro Affairs approved of a boycott of downtown stores at its annual meeting last Sunday.

The proposal for the action came from Attorney Floyd B. McKissick, co-chairman of the sub-committee on Economics.

McKissick made the proposal as a recommendation at the end of his report on the sub-committee's activities during the year.

In proposing the action, McKissick asked that "the economic committee be empowered to take reasonable further action in view of downtown stores refusal to hire Negroes where they can be advantageously seen."

He specifically urged for a See STORES, 6-A

Boycott Slated For Atlanta Stores

ATLANTA, Ga. — Atlanta's "Operation Breadbasket's" selective buying campaign against Highland Bakeries has entered its second phase.

Ministers in the Atlanta area announced that this decision was made after repeated requests for upgrading Negroes were refused. A spokesman said "Operation Breadbasket" was told that further requests for improved job opportunities would be met with "fewer jobs for Negroes."

Entering into its second week, "Operation Breadbasket" will now involve the active support of over 500 social and civic clubs in addition to the more than 400 Negro ministers who first called the campaign.

104 FIRMS AGREE TO OPEN JOBS

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson said this week that the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity is engaged in a three point process of eliminating discrimination.

The Vice President, chairman of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, spoke at a Plans for Progress banquet in Washington following the signing of Plans for Progress in equal employment opportunity by 19 additional companies.

The additional signers brought See JOBS, 6-A

FIRE LEAVES FAMILY HOMELESS

STATESVILLE — A Negro family was left homeless on Monday when their frame home was destroyed by flames around 9 a. m.

Fireman from the Statesville department, along with members of the Cool Springs volunteer fire department, fought the blaze in below freezing temperature.

The home was rented by Lewis Simpson. It was first believed that the Simpson children might have been in the blazing structure. But Mrs. Simpson See FIRE, 6-A

CASWELL POLICE FAILED

Could Have Halted Gunplay

YANCEYVILLE — Informed sources reported here this week that the shooting on Tuesday of two white men following the first day of school integration here could have been prevented if local and state law enforcement authorities had been alert.

Jasper Brown, 40 year old father of four Negro children who were among the first 16 to be enrolled in white schools, shot and wounded two white men Tuesday. Both received

slight wounds.

The consensus of sources close to the situation said that Brown had been harassed all morning by three car loads of white men who had followed him around all over town after he had escorted his children to school.

They say that Brown was literally forced into the shooting by his tormentors after he had tried repeatedly with no avail to See SHOOTING, 6-A

Father of Four In White School Held In Jail

YANCEYVILLE — Jasper Brown, 40 year old Caswell County farmer, was charged with assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill following his shooting Tuesday of two white men.

Brown inflicted slight wounds Tuesday on N. L. Oliver, of Yanceyville and James Dixon, of Burlington. Oliver received a superficial scalp wound and Dixon was hit in the shoulder.

Both were treated by a physician.

Informed sources said here that Brown, one of the parents of 16 Negro children who integrated Caswell County schools Tuesday, had been harassed by three car loads of white men after he had taken his children to a previously all white school.

Sheriff Frank Daniel admitted that Brown called him from the home of a white farmer and reported that his way had been blocked by several white men.

Daniel told newsmen he dispatched an escort for Brown, but that Brown turned the other way and was pursued by three cars of white men.

The shooting took place following this incident at a cross roads about three miles from Yanceyville.

Atty. C. O. Pearson, of Durham, told newsmen that Brown had been harassed continually since the opening of school on Tuesday when he took his children until the incident.

Pearson also said Brown had sought protection from the sheriff earlier in the morning.

Shortly after the shooting, newsmen reported the incident as related by the white men involved in the incident. They said, according to news dispatches, that Brown's car had bumped theirs from the rear, and that when the driver of the car, Alton Smith, textile mill worker, of Yanceyville, got out to investigate Brown, began shooting at him and the others.

One of the wounded men, Oliver, is the son of a member of the Caswell County school board.

The town was reported quiet on Wednesday following Brown's surrender to state highway patrolmen late Tuesday night. He See HELD, 6-A



HOLDS AUTOGRAPH SESSION — Author James Baldwin holds an autographing session for North Carolina College and Duke University faculty members and students at a Durham book shop during a recent visit to the city. Making appearances at col-

leges on behalf of CORE and NAACP, he also held an afternoon press conference and delivered an evening lecture at North Carolina College. Shown at Baldwin's left is Miss Mary E. Mebane, instructor of English at NCC.



A LITERARY CONVERSATION — At a luncheon in his honor, writer James Baldwin (right), talks with North Carolina College English Department Chairman, Dr. Charles A. Ray, during a recent visit to the NCC campus.

Visiting Durham under the auspices of the NAACP and CORE, Baldwin climaxed a full day's schedule with an evening address to a capacity audience in the college's B. N. Duke Auditorium.

More Opportunities Opening for Negroes, JFK Jobs Aide Claims

GREENSBORO — The Negro college graduate today can aspire to the "broad spectrum of professional and technical positions" in government or industry with a reasonable degree of confidence of employment, the executive vice chairman of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity told students and faculty members of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical College Tuesday.

Hobart Taylor, Jr., of Washington, D. C. spoke at the college's convocation on the theme of "Academic Excellence."

"The time has passed when the Negro, in order to hope for

professional employment, reasonable security and middle class respectability, could look only to the 'traditional' careers in medicine, law, the ministry or teaching," he told the students and faculty members.

"Today, he can look to the spectrum of professional and technical positions, many of which have come into existence only in recent years. Today, also, he can look to a career in government service with a degree of confidence that he will advance on merit and not be denied advancement because of the color of his skin."

See OPPORTUNITIES, 6-A

Gantt Slated To Enroll At Clemson Mon.

COLUMBIA, S. C. — Clemson College authorities met here at mid-week to make final plans for the expected enrollment on Monday of Harvey Gantt, Negro of Charleston, who has been ordered admitted to the school.

If Gantt gets in Monday, he will be the first Negro to enter a white school in this state since Reconstruction.

Indications were that state officials would not resist the Court orders to enroll Gantt. South Carolina attorneys had applied for a stay of execution of the Court order to enroll Gantt, but on Monday the U. S. Supreme Court refused to grant the request.

There had been some early reactions from state legislators that some sentiment prevailed for closing the school in the event legal means for keeping Gantt out were not successful.

However, a majority of the legislators, including some of the most influential ones, have gone on record as being opposed to such a move.

Gantt's expected enrollment Monday is the result of a long court fight waged by NAACP attorneys on his behalf.

The federal district court ruled against Gantt, but his admission was ordered by an appeals court.

A native of Charleston, Gantt was enrolled as an architectural student at Iowa State University.