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DR. PROCTOR

A&T Prexy Now On Leave With Peace Corps

Speculation made the rounds again that Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, on leave from his job as president of A. and T. College may replace Adam Clayton Powell as pastor of Abyssinia Baptist Church in New York.

Proctor, a Baptist minister and educator from Norfolk, Va., has been away from his desk at A. and T. College for approximately two years on an assignment with the Peace Corps.

After serving for more than a year as director of the Peace Corps program in Nigeria, he was moved to Washington, D. C., where he is assistant to director Sargent Shriver.

Proctor was granted leave from his duties as A. and T. College president on the condition that he would return after a period to the Greensboro college.

Reports this week held that he may return to A. and T. in September and leave shortly after to take over as pastor of the huge New York Baptist church.

Powell, who was elected to Congress several years ago and now holds the chairmanship of one of the key committees in the House, hinted late last year that he may soon retire from public life.

Abyssinia Baptist Church, which he pastors, is one of the nation's largest with a membership reputed to be in excess of 10,000. Located in Harlem, it is said to hold the key to Negro political power in that section.

Powell, under constant attack in recent years, has been able to turn back all serious opposition chiefly, observers feel, because of the hard core loyalty he receives from the vast membership of Abyssinia.

All-White Jury Convicts Muslims

LOS ANGELES — After almost 15 days of deliberations, an all-white jury convicted 11 of 14 Black Muslims for their part in a bloody 1962 riot in which one Muslim was shot to death, one permanently paralyzed from a bullet wound, and several others injured. The jury cleared the principal defendant — the minister of the L. A. Mosque — of all charges.

The complex, multiple count verdict was read in a tense but quiet courtroom of Superior Judge David Coleman. The jury found 11 guilty on a total of 17 counts, dropped 14 other counts, and failed to reach verdicts on five more.

The convicted men showed no emotions after receiving their verdicts.

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Housewife Gets High Level Job In Chain Store

DETROIT, Mich. — Mrs. Yolande H. Chambers has been elected a Vice President and Personnel Director of Davidson Bros., Inc. Joseph Ross, President of the major department store group, announced this week.

Davidson Bros., Inc. operates the Federal Department Stores in Michigan and Ohio, Tiedke's Department Store in Toledo, the Kobacker Stores in Ohio and New York and the Hoffritz For Cutlery Stores in New York City.

Mrs. Chambers joined the company on June 24 at its headquarters here at 1200 E. Mc Nichol. As Personnel Director of Davidson Bros., Inc. Ross stated that Mrs. Chambers will be concerned with the well-being and development of all the company's thousands of employees.

Mrs. Chambers is a Director-Manager of Neighborhood Conservation for the Detroit House. See HOUSEWIFE, 6-A



MRS. Y. H. CHAMBERS

Sorority To Hold National Meet in Durham

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — Mrs. Manie Garland, National Director of Publicity, announced this week that nurses throughout the country are headed to Durham, to attend the 18th Annual Boule of Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc., which will meet June 25-30, inclusive.

Phi Chapter under the leadership of Miss Sylvia Overton, local President, along with local Boule Planning Committee which is spearheaded by Mrs. Adelle Butts have done an outstanding job in preparing for this.

BOULE HIGHLIGHTS

The highlights of the non-business sessions will be the "Sisterhood Breakfast" Wednesday morning, June 26 featuring Dr. Rose Browne as speaker, and the Public Meeting to be held on Wednesday evening, June 26th, when John Wheeler, President Mechanics Farmers Bank of Durham, will address the group.

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MONEY FOR THE NAACP — Mrs. Inez Minor, president of the Durham NAACP, presented a check for \$100 to Rev. James A. Brown, president of the Durham NAACP, at the NAACP Membership Drive. (Photo by Purefoy)

WOMAN SUFFERED ILLNESS

Gore's Death Not A Suicide

Mrs. Alona Moore Gore, 24 year old woman whose death here last month was originally described as a suicide did not take her life, Durham County Coroner Dr. D. R. Perry said this week.

Mrs. Gore died at Lincoln Hospital on May 12.

Dr. Perry's initial ruling was "apparent suicide," but he said here late last week that the results of a medical examination conducted after her death showed she died from "natural causes."

"She had been a sick girl" for some time, Dr. Perry declared.

Perry said her death was actually caused by cirrhosis of the liver. There were traces of alcohol and traces of drugs shown in results of tests of her liver, Dr. Perry said, but he added that there was not enough of either of these in evidence to have caused her death.

The ruling on Mrs. Perry's death was a confused issue for local police and health authorities.

A set of confused circumstances and reports led police to suspect both homicide and suicide.

One witness, Miss Betty Meyers, reported, for example, shortly after Mrs. Moore's death that she saw the deceased take 18 sleeping pills.

This would have been sufficient alone to have caused her death, Dr. Perry said. However, he explained that the tests conducted on Mrs. Moore showed only traces of drugs, not enough to substantiate the belief that she actually consumed a large amount of barbiturates.

He also added that police were suspicious over the fact that Mrs. Gore's mother left town shortly before her daughter's death. However, events proved that the mother was unaware of her daughter's illness.

Dr. Perry went on to relate that

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Mayor's Report To Climax Fund Drive for NAACP

A drive to raise funds to send a delegation of Durham youngsters to the NAACP national convention in Chicago is expected to reach its climax in a program at St. Joseph's AME Church Sunday evening.

The meeting will be held at 6 p. m.

Mayor Wense Grabarek is scheduled to make a report on progress made by the Durham "Interim Committee" toward elimination of racial segregation in the city at the meeting.

The Mayor's report is expected to be a highlight of the meeting. John S. Stewart, member of the City Council, will preside over the meeting, and a special music will be furnished by the Young Adult Choir of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church.

The fund raising drive was launched two weeks ago under the leadership of chairman Rev. Melvin C. Swann.

It's goal is \$3,500 with which it hopes to be able to charter a bus and furnish subsistence for 29 Durham youngsters and seven adult advisors to attend the national NAACP convention in Chicago July 1-7.

The fund drive committee, named "The Durham NAACP Convention Fund Raising Committee," has appealed to the community for funds through announcements in churches, newspapers and radio.

A special "Tag Day" sale will be held on Friday and Saturday

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Calls for End To Protests, Start On Negotiations

RALEIGH — Governor Terry Sanford stepped into North Carolina's troubled racial picture this week with a call for an end to anti-segregation demonstrations and a proposal to begin negotiations on the issue with a state-wide group of white and Negro protest leaders.

The Governor's proposal was made on Tuesday and late Wednesday. Negro leaders seemed ready to cooperate with the chief executive in this newest plan to solve the state's racial problems.

Kelly M. Alexander, president of the State NAACP, said late Wednesday he asked all of the organization's branches throughout the state to suspend demonstrations.

The Governor's proposals made on a state-wide television broadcast, said further mass demonstrations would endanger lives and explained he had no resource but to ask that they be stopped.

Then he disclosed that he will call various leaders of the civil rights protest movement to Raleigh next Tuesday "without the atmosphere of the demonstrator" to put their "requests and aspirations" before the public in an orderly manner.

Capus Waynick, of High Point, former North Carolina adjutant general and diplomatic representative in South America, has been named by the Governor to head the group.

The Governor's action came in a background of fast spreading protests against segregation throughout the state.

Dunn joined the list of N. C. communities calling for end to racial segregation in public places of accommodation. A committee composed of the leading Negro organizations in Harrell County issued seven point proposal asking for end to segregation and elimination of discrimination in hiring policies in private and public establishments.

Demonstrations took place during the week in Monroe, Wilmington, Chapel Hill and Fayetteville.

In Raleigh, demonstrations are still suspended while a negotiating committee attempts to solve

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GOV. SANFORD

More Eating Establishments Drop Barriers

Durham's Interim Subcommittee on Hotels, Motels, and Restaurants announced Tuesday that 57 local business are desegregated.

"These businesses have opened to all citizens in a normal, happy manner," subcommittee chairman George Watts Hill told subcommittee leaders, restaurant owners, Mayor Wense Grabarek, and reporters attending a meeting Tuesday at the Home Security Life Insurance Co. building.

There are still 12 establishments that have not dropped their racial bars. According to Hill, four of the segregated businesses are in favor of the subcommittee's request to drop racial lines. Six flatly refused the committee request, and two are still in question.

Names of the desegregated businesses were not revealed because "We promised there would be no publicity of the individual businesses," said chairman Hill. Hill said that the committee hopes the Negro community will accept the spirit in which the establishments desegregated. We hope there will be no test groups," he continued.

"We do favor a couple or two coming in a normal manner. But," the chairman went on, "we still believe the managers of these places have the right to refuse undesirable guests regardless of who the guest might be."

In his report to the "food service group," Mayor Grabarek

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Administration Counting on GOP Support of Move

WASHINGTON, D. C. — President Kennedy's long awaited civil rights bill went to congress this week and was accepted by most senators as an imperative but significant bid to hasten racial equality.

In his five point message to congress dealing with the problem and solutions to the problems of racial discrimination, Kennedy said that further inaction on the part of the federal legislators would cause leadership of both races to pass from the hands of reasonable and responsible men to the purveyors of hate and violence, thus endangering domestic tranquility, retarding the nation's economic and social progress and weakening the world respect of this country.

He asked congress to stay in session this year until it has enacted a reasonable solution that will be "acceptable to all fair minded men."

The President seeks power for persons and the attorney general to obtain a court order against any hotel, restaurant or retail store which denies persons equal access to its facilities.

Authority was also requested for the attorney general to initiate in the federal district courts legal proceedings against local public school boards or public institutions of higher learning to enforce desegregation under certain conditions.

Additional funds were requested to broaden development and training of all citizens so that equal employment will be promoted and unemployment decreased.

There is expected to be a conflict between the Senate Republican command and the administration's Democratic leaders over Kennedy's major proposal to outlaw racial discrimination by private business firms that deal directly with the public.

The administration is counting heavily on Republican support when the showdown comes in the Senate on an expected effort to break a Southern filibuster against the civil rights bill.

Kennedy's bill came as a result of increased racial strife in cities throughout the nation.

But despite Kennedy's bill, demonstrations reminding an end to racial discriminations continued in Danville, Va., Washington, D. C.

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WILKINS BLAMES SYSTEM

Thousands in Tribute To Slain Miss. Leader

JACKSON, Miss. — Medgar W. Evers, the slain NAACP field secretary for Mississippi, was eulogized by NAACP Executive Secretary Roy Wilkins and others as a hero and martyr of the civil rights struggle at funeral services here Saturday morning, June 15.

Negro citizens of Jackson, augmented by NAACP and other civil rights leaders from all sections of the country, crowded the huge Masonic Temple in sweltering 100 degree heat to pay tribute to Evers. More than 4,000 were jam-packed in the auditorium and additional thousands were unable to gain admittance.

The southern political system, Wilkins said, put the assassin behind the rifle that was used to shoot Evers in the back as he returned to his home early on the morning of June 12.

"The lily-white southern government, local and state; the senators, governors, state legislators, mayors, judges, sheriffs chiefs of police, commissioners" — all these, he said, bear a responsibility in this slaying.

"In far-away Washington," he continued, "the southern system has its outposts in the Congress of the United States and by their deals and maneuvers they helped put the man behind the deadly rifle on Guyton Street this week. The killer must have felt

that he had, if not an immunity, then certainly a protection for whatever he chose to do, no matter how dastardly."

Speaking of the great esteem and affection in which Evers was held by the NAACP membership and others, Wilkins said that while "we mourn him, we are not cast down. For him we shall try all the harder to hold our nation to the concept of equality for all men."

"Medgar Evers," he said, "was the symbol of our victory and of the defeat" of the system which denies equality to Negroes. "Contrary to the view of a Jackson City official, Medgar was more than just an opponent. In life he was a constant threat to the system, particularly in his great voter-registration work. In the manner of his death he was the victor over it. The bullet that tore away his life four days ago, tore away the system and helped signal its end."

Also speaking at the services were Reverend R. L. T. Smith, who spoke on behalf of the Jackson community and Reverend G. C. Hunte, pastor of the Baptist church which Evers attended. Turning to the bereaved widow and her children, two of whom were present with their mother, Hunte said: "Your father died that you might live

in a better world than he did." Early in his career, Evers worked as a volunteer with the Mississippi Council of Negro Leadership headed by Dr. T. R. M. Howard, then of Mound Bayou. Dr. Howard came down from his Chicago home to eulogize Evers.

The best tribute the people of Mississippi could pay to the memory of Evers, he said at the services, "would be to enroll 50,000 members in the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People within the next 30 days."

Presiding at the services was the Reverend Charles A. Jones, Dean of Campbell College in Jackson. Invocation was given by the Reverend G. R. Haughton and the scripture was read by the Reverend S. L. Whitney.

Evers, a native of Mississippi, served in the United States Army for two and a half years, during World War II, spending two years in the European theatre of operations. He received a degree in Business Administration at Alcorn A. and M. College at Lorman. He joined the staff of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in December 1954 as Field Secretary and served until his death. He is survived by a wife and three children, ages nine, eight and three.

Top Leaders At Evers Funeral Rites

JACKSON, Miss. — Most of the country's foremost leaders in the race struggle were here Saturday to attend funeral services for Medgar Evers, NAACP field secretary for Mississippi who was slain by an assassin's bullet last week in the driveway of his home.

Roy Wilkins, NAACP Secretary, delivered the main speech.

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