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Rev. C. R. Edwards Still In Lead In Times Holy Land Contest

BOOKS WILL OPEN FOR PRIMARY SAT. MAY 2ND



Pictured are some of the participants in the installation ceremonies of Dr. Grady G. Davis, as pastor of Union Baptist Church. The program was held Sunday, April 4, in the church at 3:00 p.m. Reading from left to right are: Harding Hughes, city manager; J. W. Goodloe, executive vice president and secretary of N. C. Mutual Life Insurance Company; J. L. Moffitt, teacher of agriculture, Little River High School; Ellis D. Jones, businessman; Floyd McKissick, Atty.; E. S. Swindell, county mgr.; J. H. Wheeler, president, Mechanics and Farmers Bank; I. O. Funderburg, cashier, Mechanics and Farmers Bank and Dr. Theodore Speigner, member Board of Education and instructor at N. C. College.

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RUN FOR CONGRESS IN MISSISSIPPI PRIMARY

Mass Arrests Follow Negro Office Seekers

JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI — For the first time this century, three Negroes are candidates for the House of Representatives from Mississippi.

They are: Mrs. Fannie Lou Hamer of Ruleville, who will seek the seat held by Representative Jamie Whitten of Charleston; Jas. Houston, a 74-year-old Vicksburg man who will run against Representative John Bell Williams of Raymond; and Reverend J. Eric Cameron, a 31-year-old Hattiesburg minister who will oppose Representative William Colmer of Pascagoula.

Mrs. Hamer, who qualified her March 20, is 47. Her husband Perry Hamer, is employed at a Ruleville cotton gin.

Until 1962, the Hamers lived for eighteen years on a plantation outside Ruleville, but were evicted when she tried to register to vote. Mrs. Hamer opened her campaign the evening she qualified with a speech at a Ruleville meeting. She spoke at a Freedom Day mass meeting in Greenwood on Saturday, March 21, and appeared at an Itta Ben mass meeting on Sunday night, March 22. Her schedule for the first week of her campaign includes speeches in Charleston, Clarksdale and Marks, Mississippi.

The 2nd District, where Mrs. Hamer is campaigning, includes most of Mississippi's Delta, an area of high Negro population and low Negro voter registration. Mrs. Hamer has announced she will challenge Representative See CONGRESS 4A



ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS of the 40th annual Mid-year session of the Interdenominational Ushers Association held at the home of the organization last Sunday was the presentation of a walnut set of collection plates

to the Association. The donor was Mrs. Dilzie Chandler of Burlington, shown in the above photo. The presentation was made for Mrs. Chandler by Prof. E. T. Artis. Those in the picture

from left to right are: vice president J. D. Rooks, Mrs. Chandler, Mr. Artis and vice president J. T. O'Neal. The vice president received the gift in behalf of the association.

Intensive Drive To be Launched For More Votes

Announcement this week from the office of the Durham County Board of Elections by the chairman, Sigmund Meyer, reveals that the registration books in the city and county of Durham will open Saturday, May 2 and remain open for two successive Saturdays, May 9 and 16. The Primary will be held Saturday, May 30, if a second primary is necessary, it will be held June 27, Chairman Meyer stated.

In the meantime several sources of leadership among the Negro citizens of the city and county disclosed that an intensive register and vote campaign will be conducted with a goal being sought of increasing the voting strength of Negroes by one-third at least, it was learned.

At press time, Thursday the only Negro candidate who has announced for public office in the primary was H. M. Michaux Jr., who is seeking a post in the N. C. General Assembly's lower house. Rumors persist, however, that a Negro candidate might seek a post as a Durham County Commissioner before the deadline for local office filing which is April 17.

The polls will be opened from 6:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. May 29 the date of the Primary Election. It will be held under the same rules and regulations as the first Primary except that there will be no further registration of voters with the exception of those who have become legally qualified in the interim between the first and second Primaries. Such persons will be registered on the day of the second Primary.

The Board of Elections has stated explicitly that no change in party affiliation will be permitted between the first and second Primaries.

Race Continues Tight In Ministers Contest

In a week that saw two top contestants in the Carolina Times Ministers Holy Land Contest see back and forth from the first position to the second place, the Rev. C. R. Edwards of Fayetteville finally ended up with enough points at the close of the tabulation period, Wednesday noon, to stay in the lead for the third consecutive week. Still staying close on the heels of Rev. Edwards however, was the Rev. J. H. Costen of Rocky Mount who ended the week still in breathing distance of the top place.

Coming up fast and making spectacular gains on the three top contestants was the Rev. R. W. Perry of Sanford, the newcomer to the contest who continues to be rumored the dark horse in the race that is certain to be heard from before the closing date of the contest on April 27.

With the second period closing on Saturday noon, April 11, after which the points for subscriptions will decrease, all contestants making a bid for one of the three big prizes are expected to see the See CONTEST 4A



DR. WALKER

Walker to Get Hamilton Watch Award for 1964

Dr. Leroy T. Walker, professor of physical education at North Carolina College, has been designated the NCC faculty member to receive the James E. Shepard Hamilton Watch Award for 1964. A similar award will be made to a student whose name will be announced later. Both presentations will be made at the college's fifteenth annual Awards Day Friday, May 8.

Established in 1957 by the Hamilton Watch Company, the award honors the NCC teacher and student who "make the most significant contribution to the school during the year of the award." By vote of members of all of the college's faculties, Walker was chosen the teacher whose qualities "memorialize the leadership, service, and quality of citizenship exemplified by Dr. James E. Shepard," founder of the college and its president until his death in 1947.

Walker, who has earned an international reputation as a teacher, lecturer, and coach, is a native of Atlanta, Georgia. He received the B.A. degree from Benedict College, the M.A. degree from Columbia University, and the Ph.D. See WALKER 4A

Five Negroes Are Hired in St. Louis, Mo. Bank

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—The Jefferson Bank and Trust Co hired five Negroes March 30, ending St. Louis CORE campaign marked by hundreds of arrests of non-violent demonstrators inside and outside the bank and the sentencing of 15 of the group's leaders from 60 days to a year in jail.

The unusually long prison term for contempt of an injunction issued last August by State Circuit Judge Michael Scott. The 15 CORE leaders were in jail from January 15 until March when a three judge panel of the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals freed them pending appeal of their habeas corpus writs. Within hours, five of them were back on the picket line in front of the bank.

Immediately following the sentencing, over 1,000 persons marched in protest on City Hall and 350 See HIRED 4A

Durham Man Is Seriously Injured In Wild Auto Race With Police

Silas Green, 43 year old operator of a speeding automobile which skidded out of control on rain soaked Fayetteville Street, her around 11:30 Tuesday morning, April 7 ended up with multiple injuries as a result of the crash.

The automobile rammed through a power pole, shearing it from the ground and leaving it dangling from attached power lines. The vehicle also rammed a tree breaking it off at ground level before coming to rest against Rowman's Grocery in the 2200 block.

It is reported that a wild, high speed police chase began when Patrolman E. A. Allen and Lt. J. B. Samuels, observed Green's car at the intersection of Fayetteville and Enterprise Streets being operated in a reckless manner. "He was weaving all over the road, and sideswiped a fire hydrant and a couple of other poles on the west side of the street as we chased

him," Allen stated. The automobile in which Green, of 512 Burlington Ave. was the lone occupant, was traveling at about 75 MPH prior to the abrupt halt. Green was injured critically in the smashup and had to be pried from the twisted wreckage by members of the Durham Rescue Squad. He was taken by ambulance to Lincoln Hospital in an unconscious state and later transferred to Duke Hospital. The 1950 Buick was declared a total loss by Patrolman W. J. Harris. Damage to the power pole was set at \$150 and loss to the grocery store, owned by Raymond Williams was placed at \$125. Damage to the property of Mrs. Lillian B. Edwards of 2210 Fayetteville Street, was estimated at \$200. Green according to his wife, See GREEN 4A

Chapel Hill Principal Named Administrative Ass't Governor's School

Woodrow W. Edmonds, Principal of the Frank Porter Graham Elementary School in Chapel Hill has been elected by the Board of Governors of the Governor's School of North Carolina to serve as Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent of the School, it was announced today by Dr. Joseph M. Johnston, Superintendent. In this position Mr. Edmonds will be responsible for handling administrative matters and conducting the business affairs of the school as these are delegated to him by the Superintendent. He will be in residence on the campus of Salem College in Winston-Salem during the 8 weeks term of the school beginning on June 8, 1964. The position of Administrative Assistant was created for this term of the Governor's School in order that the many administrative and business matters connected with the operation of the school might be handled smoothly and expeditiously.

The Governor's School of North Carolina is an eight week residential summer school for highly gifted and talented high school juniors and seniors of North Carolina. The program includes educational opportunities in the prin-



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cipal academic subject areas and in the fine and performing arts. The studies offered are planned to enrich and supplement the usual provisions of the local school rather than to advance the student within established subject matter sequences.

The curriculum is purposefully different, in an attempt to prepare more adequately these promising youth for personally satisfying careers of leadership and service in those walks of life in See EDMONDS 4A

Weldon Leader Enters Race For Seat in Congress

WELDON.—A prominent Negro businessman and civil rights leader announced at a mass meeting here earlier this month that he will be a write-in candidate for Congress in the Second District.

A. C. Cofield, a 55-year-old funeral director and chairman of the Halifax County Voters Movement, will oppose Rep. L. H. Fountain of Barbours in the Democratic primary election May 30.

The Second District is made up of Halifax, Edgecombe, Franklin Greene, Lenoir, Northampton Vance, Warren, and Wilson counties. It includes a tightly segregated section of North Carolina.

Cofield also stated that a large number of Negro candidates will file soon for election to office in Halifax County. They will be listed on the ballot, he said.

At the mass meeting, Cofield declared that he was "gravely distressed at the lack of political, social, and economic freedom for both white and Negro people—not only in our section of North Carolina but in many areas throughout the entire nation."

He cited Halifax County as "but one example of the rigid fortress of ignorance, racism, segregation and poverty for all its people." He pledged to "fight with vigor, determination, and courage for a program which will bring to all people the American ideals of liberty, dignity, economic opportunity, a full education, and spiritual fulfillment."

Mrs. Oxner, among other organizations, works actively with the See BUSINESSMAN 4A

Mother Seeks Seat on Union Co. Ed. Board

MONROE—History was made in Union County last week when Mrs. Mildred Oxner filed for candidacy in the forthcoming Democratic Primary for a seat on the Union County Board of Education. If carried to a successful conclusion, Union County will be the first county in the state, and perhaps the entire south, to have a Negro woman as a member of the Board of Education.

Mrs. Oxner, steadfastly maintaining that it is time for Negro women to stand up and assert themselves as leaders and see to it that their children receive all the material, spiritual and moral benefits of a fair and equal education, is the mother of five children. She is an active member of the P.T.A. and of the Baptist Church.

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You Cannot Vote In The May Primary Unless You Register
"A VOTELESS PEOPLE IS A HOPELESS PEOPLE"