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U.S. COURT ORDERS SWIFT ARK. SCHOOL INTEGRATION



WHEN MORGAN STATE COLLEGE, Baltimore, celebrated its Homecoming October 30, the theme was the "Gay Nineties." Here are Miss Debra Johnson, 2nd from left, Columbia, S. C., "Miss A. and T.," and at right, Lt. David Burton, Columbia, S. C.; and Michael Herndon (Cadet Col.) Lexington Park, Md., right. Morgan beat the Aggies 31-6.

Strikes Blow at "Freedom of Choice" Plan

ST. LOUIS — A Federal Circuit Court of Appeals here this week struck a blow at "Freedom of choice" as a means of desegregating public schools.

The three-judge court, acting on an appeal by NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, said a desegregation plan submitted by the El Dorado, Ark., school board did not go far enough or fast enough towards integrated education.

The Legal Defense Fund appealed a lower court decision accepting a plan that would have given pupils the choice of which of the systems 10 white and eight Negro schools they wished to attend.

While agreeing with Fund attorneys that freedom of choice places the burden of desegregating education on Negro pupils and their parents rather than school officials, the court said such a plan was acceptable on an experimental basis.

The court ruled that the school board must offer freedom of choice to the 11th and 12th grades for the 1965-66 school year as well as to the first and second grades as outlined in the original plan.

It further ordered desegregation of at least four additional grades for the following year, with all grades desegregated by the 1967-68 school year. The original plan was not to be fully implemented until the 1968-69 school year.

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CORE Director Haley Reports Law Officers "Just Ran Wild"



MRS. SPAULDING

Mother of NCM President Dies In Columbus Co.

CLARKTON — Funeral services for Mrs. Annie Bell Lowery Spaulding, 100, were held Wednesday afternoon at 1 p.m. at the Rehoboth A.M.E. Zion Church near Whiteville.

Mrs. Spaulding died last Saturday night at the home of her daughter, Miss Hattie Jane Spaulding of Clarkton.

Her survivors include five children, Asa T. Spaulding, president of North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, Mrs. Lula S. Jackson and D. Fuller Spaulding of Durham, Armstead McClain Spaulding of Whiteville and Miss Cecil Spaulding of Riverdale, N. Y. Other survivors are two brothers, a sister, 19 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Interment was in the Mitchell Cemetery.

BOGALUSA, La.—Police in Bogalusa, La., had already arrested 75 persons on Wednesday, October 20th; that night they charged into the Negro section of town after a protest meeting and beat, clubbed, and kicked any Negro who happened to be in the area, arresting 20 additional persons. This was the charge leveled by CORE southern director Richard Haley at Bogalusa and Washington Parish (county) law officers following what he called "a night of terror in typical Bogalusa style."

"They just ran wild," said Haley, who reported that police dogs were let off their leashes, that officers pulled Negroes from cars that were simply passing through the neighborhood, that in several cases officers beat Negroes inside places of business, and that one officer fired shots at a fleeing Negro youth.

Haley's charges are especially serious in view of a federal court order issued in July, and still in effect, ordering police and sheriff's deputies to protect Negroes and civil rights workers, to allow them full exercise of their rights and to refrain from using any form of brutality. "There is no doubt in our mind that the officers violated the court order," Haley stated and added, "our

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AND AWAY WE GO — This spectator at North Carolina College's Oct. 30 homecoming parade was so excited by the thumping beat of the NCC marching band that he went into an old vaudeville routine. The homecoming parade, consisting of some 70 units, included eight marching bands, and was followed by an NCC-Shaw game which NCC won, 35-12.

98th SESSION BAPT. CONVENE AT SHAW

Laymen's League In Sixteenth Annual Meeting

RALEIGH — The 98th Annual Session of the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Inc. and the 16th Annual Session of the Laymen's League Convention will hold their Annual meeting at Shaw University, Raleigh, November 8-11.

The theme of the joint session is "Thanking God For Shaw University."

The highlights of the Laymen's Convention will be discussion by Rudolph Jones, President of Fayetteville State College, "What the Laymen must do to Ease Shaw's Financial Crisis"; Charles Ray, N. C. College, Durham, "Advantages of Attending a Church College."

The Annual Sermon will be delivered by the Reverend J. B. Humphrey, pastor of First Baptist Church, Charlotte. Frank Marshall of Asheville is president of the Laymen's Convention.

The General Baptist State Convention will be called to order by the president, R. M. Pitts, pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, Winston-Salem.

Following the call to order, the convention will hear reports from the Executive Secretary, O. L. Sherrill, the Historian, the Statistician, the Department of Interracial Cooperation, the Central Organizational, Editor of the Baptist Informer and others.

The highlights of the convention will be a discussion of the theme, the Annual Sermon by H. S. Diggs, pastor of Providence Baptist Church, Rockingham and a symposium by the School of Religion of Shaw University. Special messages will be given by Carlyle Marney, pastor of Myers Park Baptist Church, Charlotte, and J. C. Hairston, pastor of the Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Shaw University's Choral Society will sing on Wednesday night, November 10, followed by a sermon from the President, J. E. Cheek.

Token Integration, Biased Reporting Behind Tex. Turmoil

HUNTSVILLE, Texas—Mass arrests, fines and jail sentences are being imposed upon SCLC demonstrators in this small, Northeast Texas town which has attempted to defy school integration, with only token placement of Negro pupils in previously all-white schools.

Since demonstrations began on Oct. 18 when Negro parents began picketing the all-Negro Sam Houston High School because of its segregated enrollment, nearly 50 persons children and adults have been jailed and given stiff fines and sentences. Seven adults were arrested the first day of the protest and charged with unlawful assembly. They were held under \$1,000 bond each.

The following day a total of 31 additional arrests were made made in the Walker County Courthouse when students and parents showed up in court to protest the arrests.

All were fined \$100 and sentenced to three days in jail on charges of contempt of court. Six others also were arrested at Sam Houston High School on charges of unlawful assembly and placed in jail in solitary confinement.

They were later given the maximum sentence of six months in jail.

The protest demonstrations in Huntsville have been led in the spirit of nonviolence under the guidance of SCLC Field Secretary Booker T. Bonner and Assistant Field Director Richard Boone.

Meanwhile plans are for demonstrations to continue and mass meetings are being held regularly at Goliath Baptist Church with upwards of 200 parents in attendance.

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Ministers, Labor, DCNA Back School Employees Better Working Conditions

GROUP MEETS WITH CITY COUNCIL MON.

Led by representatives of labor, the Durham Ministerial Alliance, the Committee on Negro Affairs and officials of the Durham City School Employees Local Union 481, consisting of approximately 300 Negro workers in the City School system, the City Council of Durham was presented a petition here Monday night requesting its aid in securing better working conditions and an increase in wages for all city school employees.

Attending the meeting were approximately 100 persons who jammed into the limited Council chamber, occupying all seats and standing around the walls. Highlighting the Monday night's session were the remarks of Rev. J. A. Brown, pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church. Brown charged that the Durham City Board of Education maintained a policy that denied Negro children equal educational opportunities.

Rev. Brown's remarks drew



AT NCC HOMECOMING—Among activities during North Carolina College's homecoming day activities Saturday in Durham, was a game between NCC and Shaw University. During halftime, two "queens" were crowned, Linda Wilson "Miss Homecoming" and Margaret McCullough, "Miss Alumni." From left in the photo are: Dr. Samuel P. Massie, NCC president; Robert Ferguson, NCC co-captain; Miss Wilson; Bobby Asmond, NCC co-captain; Miss McCullough; and Charles Strayhorn, national president of the NCC Alumni Association. NCC won the tilt, 35-12.

600 Classroom Teachers of NEA In Convention Here

The Southeast Regional Conference of the Department of Classroom Teachers of The National Education Association has been convening at Durham's Jack Tar Hotel during the present week as some 600 odd classroom teachers, principals, and other school officials are in attendance at the workshops, buzz sessions, discussions, and banquets centered around the theme "Opportunity for Responsibility."

The conference opened with registration on Wednesday evening, and settled down to the official school affairs of resolutions committee meetings, advisory council meetings, in-service training workshops, and the like on Thursday morning, November 4.

The first General Session for the delegates and other visiting dignitaries was held on Thursday night at 8 o'clock when Mrs. Elizabeth Koontz, president of the NEA Department of Classroom Teachers addressed the delegation. Fri. morning's sessions included an address by Miss Margaret Stevenson, executive secretary of the NEA Department of Classroom Teachers, workshops centered around topics of "Conditions of work," "Citizenship," and "Tenure."

The theme for Tuesday, November 9 is "To Enhance Personal Fulfillment." A special assembly is being planned for Wednesday, November 10, and the theme for that day is "To Improve Education."

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MRS. KOONTZ

The final feature on the afternoon program for Friday was a panel discussion of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965. Friday night's session was focused on "Human Rights and the Million Dollar Fund."

Final sessions for the conference are scheduled for Saturday, November 6 beginning with a 9 a.m. business session which will include some amendments to the NEA By-laws, and DCT Resolutions. A 2 p.m. panel discussion will be centered around "Changing

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Microbiology Institute For NCC Approved

The National Science Foundation has awarded a grant of \$29,370 to North Carolina College to support a five-week summer institute in microbiology for college teachers for 1966. President Samuel P. Massie announced this week.

To be directed by Dr. Nell Hirschberg, professor of biology at NCC, the institute will be the second consecutive one of its kind supported at the college by the foundation. Last summer's program at NCC was the only one in the nation specifically designated for college teachers of microbiology.

Provisions of the grant include stipends, dependency allowances, and travel allowances for 24 participants.

VIETNAM

Asks for 17 Year Olds to Be Withdrawn

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Immediate withdrawal from combat in Vietnam of all American soldiers less than eighteen years old was again called for by Congressman John Conyers, Jr. (Dem-Michigan). "Not sending American soldiers into combat until they are eighteen years old was the policy during the Korean War and I think the same policy should also apply to Vietnam," declared Conyers who was decorated for combat service in Korea as an Army officer. "Quite simply I feel that seventeen is just too young for someone to fight in war, though I admire and respect the courage of the American youths who volunteer at such an early age. Not only should soldiers less than eighteen no longer be ordered into combat, but all those less than eighteen should be immediately withdrawn from combat. Since the best Defense Department guess-estimate is that presently there are no more than 1200 seventeen year olds in Vietnam, I feel confident this can be done without endangering the safety of the individual military units."

Conyers originally became aware of this issue in early September when constituents complained to him that they had been misled by Marine

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