

# Durham Housing Authority By Passes Henderson 4th Time 20 Thousand Register In Alabama Vote Drive



**FIRST ASSEMBLY**—Two members of the NCC Trustee Board were the principal speakers at the First Assembly held at the beginning of the Second Semester here Wednesday. Those addressing the students were Chairman of the Board, Bascom Baynes, second from left; and William Jones, third from left, chairman of the Interim Committee and business manager of the college. At the extreme left is Attorney M. H. Thompson, member of the Board and at the extreme right is Dr. J. M. Hubbard, secretary of the Board.

## Richmond Host To VTA Meet On Education Feb. 11-12

### Improved Education For Va.'s Children Is Theme of Meet

RICHMOND, Virginia—Richmond will be the scene of a state-wide conference on instruction, it was announced by Dr. J. Rupert Picott, executive secretary of the Virginia Teachers Association. The conference will be the second of the 1966 series of meetings sponsored by the VTA and will have as its theme, "Improved Education for Virginia's Children."

Approximately 200 school instructors on all teaching levels—from kindergarten thru college from all parts of the Commonwealth—will attend the meeting which will open with dinner at the John Marshall Hotel on Friday evening, February 11 at 6:00 o'clock and continue Saturday, Feb. 12. Dr. A. Harry Passow, professor of education, Department of Curriculum and Teaching, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, will deliver the keynote address at the dinner session. His subject will be "How Children Learn."

## Dr. B. Quarles NCC History Week Speaker

Dr. Benjamin Quarles, chairman of the Department of History at Morgan State College, will be the vesper speaker at North Carolina College's annual Negro History Week observance Feb. 14 at 10 a.m. in B. N. Duke Auditorium. A graduate of Shaw University who earned his Ph.D. degree at the University of Wisconsin in 1940, Dr. Quarles is the author of five books: "Frederick Douglass," "The Negro in the Civil War," "The Negro in the American Revolution," "Lincoln and the Negro," and "The Negro in the Making of America."

## Sister of Slain NAACP Miss. Leader to Head Vote Drive

HATTIESBURG, Miss.—The sister of the recently murdered NAACP branch leader, Vernon Dahmer, will be the honorary chairman of an accelerated voter registration drive here to register the remaining 5,000 potential Negro voters in Forrest County, it was announced this week.

Mrs. Kenneth Beard will head the drive which was launched last week at a mass meeting at the Bentley Chapel Methodist Church. Miss Althea T. L. Simmons, director of last summer's NAACP voter registration project, was keynote speaker at the meeting.

The six-week campaign will be under the direction of Rev. John Barbour, NAACP Mississippi coordinator for voter education. Co-chairmen in the drive include Rev. J. D. Barnes, Mrs. Annie Mae James, Rev. J. Wheaton, Isaiah Reeves and Rev. M. K. Duncan. A 70-member committee has also been selected for the campaign. In announcing the names of the committee, J. C. Fairley, president of the branch, stated: "Our committee has been selected from a cross-section of the various business, civic and social organizations in our county."

"We want to be sure that Dahmer, who was intensely interested in voter registration, did not die in vain and our See SISTER page 2A

## MARCH 4 & 5 NCC to Host NCAA Cage Tournament

North Carolina College at Durham will be the site of the NCC Mid-South Central Regional Basketball Tournament on Friday and Saturday, March 4-5, James W. Younge, NCC director of athletics and the tournament director, announced this week. The tournament, to be co-sponsored by NCC and the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA), will mark the first time a predominantly Negro college has served as host for a regional NCAA integrated tournament.

Younge said four teams will participate in the tournament at which time the NCAA regional college division championship will be decided. The teams will represent the Mason-Dixon Conference, the Central Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) and the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC) and one team will be selected at large. Thought of the Week: History teaches one lesson: Be good.

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## Dr. Willa Player Resigns As President Of Bennett College

GREENSBORO—"Announcement of the acceptance 'with profound regret' by the Bennett College board of trustees of the resignation of President Willa B. Player, was made by Dr. F. D. Patterson, of New York City, board chairman, at a general assembly on Tuesday. The resignation, he said, will become effective on March 1 when Dr. Player assumes the position of director of the division of college support in the U.S. Office of Education of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Dr. Player's resignation will officially terminate 35 years of service to Bennett, the last 10 of which were in the position of president. Under her leadership, the college has expanded its enrollment, strengthened the faculty and the physical plant of the college has undergone substantial development. An interim committee to conduct the affairs of the college and consisting of the following persons was designated by the board: Mrs. Mary Eady, registrar; James J. Scarlette, business manager; Dr. George Breathitt, of the office of educational planning and development; See PLAYER page 2A



**DR. PLAYER**

## E. W. Midgette is Ebenezer Speaker for Sunday Morning

E. W. Midgette, the principal of Burton Elementary School, will speak on "God's Church and Ebenezer," Sunday at the eleven o'clock morning service. Midgette is a graduate of North Carolina College and received his Masters there. He has also done Post Graduate studies at the University of North Carolina. He taught American History at Hillside High School for a number of years. Being very active in the civic affairs in the community where he has been principal of Burton School for 16 years, has made Midgette an inestimable asset to the community and Ebenezer Baptist Church. Midgette is married and has three children, one girl and two boys.



**MIDGETTE**

## Chairman Thrown "Mickey" Again By Slick City Officials

For the fourth time within his 15-year tenure as a member of the Durham Housing Authority, the name of J. J. Henderson, vice-chairman, was again by-passed for chairman in a meeting here Wednesday. Instead of electing its vice-chairman to the chairmanship the housing authority went on to elect its newest member, Carl R. Harris, to the office.

Harris, who was appointed to the authority just Monday night, by Mayor R. Wense Grabarek, to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of H. Edward Gwin, Chairman of the authority, was sworn in a little before 2:00 p.m. He was nominated and elected chairman within less than a half-hour later. Presiding at the time of Harris' election was Vice-Chairman Henderson, who expressed in no uncertain terms his disapproval of the treatment he has received at the hands of the authority during the past 15 years.



**HENDERSON**

## Governor Dan Moore Appoints NCC Nursing Head to Board

Governor Dan K. Moore Wednesday afternoon appointed Mrs. Helen S. Miller, chairman of the Department of Nursing at N. C. College, to North Carolina College, to membership on the North Carolina Board of Nursing, the governing body for nursing education and nursing practice throughout the state. The appointment, for four years, will expire in January of 1970. Mrs. Miller, a graduate of the Medical College of Virginia and Yale University, has been a member of the NCC faculty since 1956. Under her administration, the college's nursing program received its first national accreditation in 1958. It was accredited again in 1963. A native of Atlanta, Ga., Mrs. Miller has held numerous posts with the North Carolina League for Nursing, the North Carolina State Nurses Association, and the Southern Regional Education Board's Council for Collegiate Education in Nursing. Active in civic, professional, and community organizations, she is currently serving on the See MILLER 2A



**MRS. MILLER**

## Two Noted Speakers Slated for White Rock Relations Institute

Dr. Franklin L. Littell of Chicago Theological Seminary and Dr. Luther H. Holcomb, vice chairman of the Equal Opportunities Commission, Washington, D. C. are among nationally known personalities participating in White Rock Baptist Church's Human Relations Institute here Thursday through Sunday (Feb. 11-13). Dr. Littell will deliver the first of several addresses after registration starting at 2 p.m., Friday in the opening session with pastor, priests, and rabbis. Also to be featured at the 7 p.m. banquet in the church's Baraca Room at 7 p.m. Friday, Dr. Littell will continue to discuss aspects of the institute's theme, "Local Congregations Seeking God's Way in Race Relations."

As speaker for the Sunday morning service (11 a.m.), Dr. Holcomb will highlight the church's observance of Race Relations Sunday. Presiding at the five study sessions starting at 1 p.m. Saturday will be W. J. Kennedy, Jr., John D. Lennon, Irwin R. Holmes, J. S. Stewart, and J. D. Harrell. In addition to his speeches Friday at 2:45 and 7 p.m., Dr. Littell will also speak at 1:30 and 3:00 p.m. Friday. A. T. Spaulding, White Rock trustee will introduce Dr. Holcomb at the 11 a. m. service Sunday. Other Sunday activities include continuation of the study discussions began on Saturday. The groups will resume discussion at 5 p.m. At 6:15 p.m., the church's Miles Mark Fisher district will present a special program with Charles A. Ray, trustee, and chairman of the De- See RELATIONS 2A



**BOY SCOUT BANQUET**—By tradition during Boy Scout Week, St. Joseph's A. M. E. Church held its annual Boy Scout Banquet, Tuesday, February 8, 1966 at 7:30 p.m. Former District Chairman W. A. Clement was guest speaker. In the above photo are Cub Scout Pack No. 295, Boy Scout Troop 105, and adult leaders. Front row, left to right: Joseph H. Martin, Cub Pack Leader; Mrs. J. H. Martin, Dean Mother, extreme right; Mrs. Nannie Tomlin, Den Mother. Back row: J. W. McClinton, Troop Committeeman and Program Chairman; J. Elwood Carter, Troop Committeeman, Neighborhood Commissioner and Banquet Chairman; G. W. Rhodes, Scout Master; M. J. Moore, Assistant Scout Master; J. C. Scarborough, III, Troop Committeeman and N. H. Bennett, Troop Committeeman, and District Chairman Cheyenne Leaf.

## King Declares Campaign Most Significant

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—A sustained voter registration drive started here on last December 22 by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference has added almost 20,000 new Negro registered voters to the Jefferson County rolls. SCLC President, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., has termed the registration drive, "the most significant ever to take place in the South." A local minister, the Rev. Calvin Wood, declared early this week in a private unity meeting with prominent Birmingham leaders, chaired by Dr. King: "Birmingham calls itself the Magic City. Magic has appeared on the streets of Birmingham these last few weeks when thousands of Negroes registered to vote for the first time." In the same breath, however, Rev. Wood added: "But we had to work to make that magic. In the early hours of the morning, SCLC workers and local citizens were driving and canvassing, and all the other organizations were helping the citizens of Birmingham to register." Noting the presence of Federal registrars which had been dispatched to Birmingham on January 24, Rev. Wood said: "Demonstrations were worth while—a great asset—we could not carry on without the community backing these demonstrations in Birmingham." SCLC's sustained voter registration drive is being led by Hosea L. Williams, Director of SCLC's Voter Registration and Political Education Department.

## Student Body, Faculty Hear NCC Officials

Bascom Baynes, chairman of the North Carolina College board of trustees, and William Jones, chairman of the college's Interim Committee, received enthusiastic responses as they addressed the institution's faculty and student body Wednesday in B. N. Duke Auditorium. The occasion was the first assembly of the second semester and the first since the resignation on Jan. 19 of Dr. Samuel P. Massie as president of the college. It also marked the first appearance before the student body of the Interim Committee, named by the board of trustees to conduct administrative affairs of the institution until a new president is chosen. In addition to Jones, Dr. Helen Edmonds, dean of the Graduate School, and Dr. William H. Brown, professor of education, form the committee. Baynes, retired president of Durham's Home Security Life Ins. Co. and a member of the NCC trustee board for sixteen years, in a brief speech interrupted four times by applause said this was his first time addressing an NCC student group. Expressing the board's confidence in the administration, faculty, and staff, he spoke also of the college's current building program under which dormitories and a cafeteria are under construction and other buildings, including a student union, are projected. Discussing the Interim Committee, he said, "Government cannot stop because the President of the United States or the governor of a state or the mayor of a city passes off the scene. Business cannot stop because the children of the board of directors is no longer there. Armies cannot stop because a general leaves the scene. So it is with education: colleges cannot stop because presidents are no longer on the scene. The job must be done. So in appointing an Interim Committee, the Board of Trustees measured up to its responsibility in seeing that leadership for the institution would continue." Jones, in assessing the committee's functions, said there need not—and there will not— See TRUSTEES page 2A