

Humphrey Cites Negro Progress At Mutual Dedication



A GIFT FOR THE SPEAKER—Asa T. Spaulding, N. C. Mutual president is shown here making a presentation to Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey.

Just after he had delivered a most memorable address at the home office dedication program here Saturday. The Vice President's address climaxed the several numbers on the program and was acclaimed by many as a new voice crying in the wilderness of the South.

SIGN OF THE SCOUTS—Vice President Humphrey gets the Scout sign from some young admirers just as he arrived at the new home office building of the N. C. Mutual to deliver the dedicatory address here last Saturday. The boys, all of whom are scouts, were thrilled to know that the vice president was once a scouter and still knew how to give the Scout sign.

PROGRAM PRINCIPALS—Here are a few of the principals who played an important part in the N. C. Mutual dedication program here last Saturday. From left to right are: Senator Sam Ervin, Robert Weaver, secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development; J. W. Goodloe, vice president of N. C. Mutual, Governor Dan K. Moore, Vice President and Mrs. Humphrey.

After 10 Years

U. S. Court Declares N. C. Pearsall Plan Unconstitutional

Opposes Single Durham Hospital Unit

Vice Chairman Charges Group Lacks Integrity

Endorsement of a \$14 million expansion plan by a special committee of the Health Planning Council for Watts Hospital here Tuesday afternoon at the Research Triangle Park has received strong criticism from John H. Wheeler, a member of the council and vice chairman of the Lincoln Hospital board of trustees.

The proposed plan which also calls for establishment of a single board of trustees for the administration of a single community hospital was accepted according to George M. Stockbridge, executive director of the council, "for further consideration." He added that another meeting is expected to be held within the next two weeks when special elements will be discussed at this time. Wheeler opposed the adoption of the plan because he charged the committee had gone beyond the council's mandate. See **OPPOSES** page 2A

Sen. Dirksen Praises Weekly Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Sen. Everett Dirksen (R-Ill.) had some kind words for community newspapers in a recent statement in the Congressional Record. Dirksen credited the small community newspapers of America with having a "wholesome and salubrious" effect upon the citizens of the country. His statement read: "In 1690, the first newspaper in the American colonies was published in Boston and suppressed after a single issue by the British authorities. But the spirit of journalism remained undaunted, and 14 years later the first of many community newspapers was successfully established.

"The colonial press reported the shots heard around the world at Lexington and Concord and rallied the sons of liberty to fight. After independence the community press followed the pioneers as they fanned out across the continent and beckoned to others with their reports and stories of new land and new hope. "America's great and priceless heritage of a free press has not only been a privilege, it has also been an absolute necessity to the growth and development of democracy. The local community newspaper has nourished the grassroots of this republic. They have provided a town meeting where there have been a sounding board for the local opinions and aspirations of our citizens throughout the nation. (Continued on page 2)

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300 Deltas Expected In City For Regional Conference



DR. CHEEK



DR. McGRATH

Inauguration of 7th President To Feature Shaw Centennial

RALEIGH — Three days of activities, centered around the Centennial Inaugural Convocation at Shaw University, will mark the celebration of the college's 100th year and the inauguration of Dr. James Edward Cheek as its seventh president.

Highlighting the full schedule of events will be the Convocation ceremonies on Saturday, April 16, celebrating the one hundredth anniversary and inauguration as President of the university the first alumnus so honored to head the institution founded by the late Henry Martin Tupper in 1865.

Keynote speaker for this event will be Dr. Earl J. McGrath, former U. S. Commissioner of Education, now executive officer of the Institute of Higher Education, Teachers College, Columbia University. Following the keynote address and his induction and investiture as the seventh chief administrator in Shaw University's historic 100 years, President Cheek will deliver the Inaugural response.

"Education For Global Responsibility" is the Centennial Inaugural theme.

Verses of the Week—For better or for worse, you live with these short paragraphs forever, because some friends remember what you wrote 20 years ago.



ATTY. FRYE

Greensb. Att'y Seeks Seat In Legislature

GREENSBORO — Henry E. Frye, 34, Greensboro attorney and former assistant U.S. district attorney last week announced that he will become a candidate in the coming Democratic primary for a seat from Guilford County in the N. C. House of Representatives. The primary election is set for May 17. See **FRYE** page 2A

NAACP of Ga. Deplores Flag Tearing Act

ATLANTA, Ga. — Georgia State NAACP Officials have deplored the actions and conduct of students who took part in the demonstration which led to the disgraceful incident of tearing the American flag in Cordele, Georgia last week.

The NAACP represented in Cordele by State NAACP Director, Joe Louis Tucker and Youth Director Sherrill Marcus issued several statements after conferences with school personnel and city officials, demonstrators and the local NAACP branch leaders of Cordele. Tucker said, "We find that a need exist for a complete investigation of the Crisp County school system by the department of HEW.

Understanding some Georgia Congressmen and educators efforts to resist the U. S. Office of Education in Washington and attempt to distort the true purpose of the 1966 school guidelines is enough to motivate Negroes in Cordele and any other such county in Georgia to demonstrate against these unjust conditions." However, Tucker said, "there is no excuse for the iconoclastic conduct of the student in reference to the American flag. This is a disgraceful affair because even though we have long been the victims of oppression we still love America and, because the flag symbolizes the people of a nation for which many soldiers both Negro and white are fighting and dying to protect."

The NAACP expressed dissatisfaction with the freedom of choice plan in the county because it does not guarantee total desegregation of the school system and puts the burden of school integration on the parents. A course of action was drawn up by the NAACP officials for immediate implementation in Cordele.

The role of women as an educational force in promoting voter registration, increasing educational quality and equality, and improving the status of the American Negro family will be highlighted at the South Atlantic Regional Conference of Delta Sigma Theta in Durham, on Friday and Saturday, April 8-9. Over 300 Delta women are expected to put in their presence.

Wiley A. Branton, Special Assistant to the Attorney General of the U. S., will address the Women's Interracial Public Service Organization at a public luncheon at the Jack Tar Hotel at noon, Saturday, April 9.

The former Executive Secretary of the President's Council on the conference theme, "Decisive Action for Freedom through Education."

Dr. Geraldine P. Woods of Los Angeles, National President of the 35,000 member women's group, will be the speaker at the Conference Banquet Saturday evening at the Jack Tar.

The three-day meeting will open Friday with a keynote address by Mrs. Vivian Washington, of Baltimore, Md.

Lead by Dr. Hilda Davis of the University of Delaware, Chairman of the Sorority's National Project Committee, delegates will devote much of their time to developing plans for local chapter projects.

One specific project under discussion will be the "Delta Teen-Lift," which this summer will serve selected disadvantaged areas. See **DELTA** page 2A

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS Carolina Teachers Association during the 5th Annual Convention, March 31-April 1; Mrs. Rudolph Jones, president of Fayetteville State College, was elected president of the North Carolina Teachers Association.

Not on picture—Mrs. Edythe Robinson Tweedy was elected recording secretary, but was in an auto accident and could not attend the convention.

N. C. Ushers Ass'n Preps For Annual Mid-Year Session

DR. L. A. LYNCH TO DELIVER MESSAGE APR. 17

The 1966 Mid-year Session of the Interdenominational Ushers Association of North Carolina will be held at the Ushers Home on Highway One near Franklinton Sunday, April 17, it was announced this week in letters sent to members of the organization throughout the state.

The session, scheduled to get underway promptly at 12 noon, will be presided over by L. E. Austin, president. The sermon for the occasion will be delivered by Dr. Lorenzo A. Lynch, pastor of the White Rock Baptist Church of Durham. Music will be furnished by the McCoy Singers of Raleigh.

Reports from over the state are to the effect that interest is sky high among members of the Association and that a tremendous crowd is expected to be on hand for the occasion.



DR. LYNCH

The Ushers Association is the largest interdenominational organization of the state. For the most part it is composed of laymen of all denominations. Its program calls for the establishment of a home for unwed mothers and eventually a home for aged and incapacitated ministers.

J. C. SMITH U. TO CELEBRATE 99th BIRTHDAY APR. 7

CHARLOTTE—Dr. Phillip G. Hubbard, dean of the University of Iowa delivered the 99th anniversary of the founding of Johnson C. Smith University on April 7.

Dr. Hubbard is a research engineer in the Institute of Hydraulic Research and is president of Hubbard Instrument Company of Iowa City, a small firm specializing in measurement consulting and manufacture of electronic measuring instruments.

One of a few Negroes holding high-level positions in major American Universities, Dean Hubbard is a native of Macon, Missouri and attended the Des Moines public schools. He has bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees from the University of Iowa. He is co-author of a book on advanced mechanics and has published twelve articles in professional journals.

During the summer of 1962, Dr. Hubbard was in Argentina as a consultant for the Organization of American States and last April he attended a Japanese-American Instrumentation Seminar in Japan.

Three Judge U. S. Court Enjoins State Officials

CHARLOTTE—A three-judge federal court declared here this week that the North Carolina Pearsall Plan, designed to prevent desegregation of schools, is unconstitutional.

Action against the plan had been brought by three Negro families who filed suit last December. The U. S. Justice Department later joined them as co-plaintiff.

The ruling of the court enjoins the State Board of Education and the State Treasurer,

Edwin Gill from acting under the Pearsall Plan, passed in 1965, following the school desegregation ruling of the U. S. Supreme Court in 1954.

The Plan allowed the state and local officials to provide funds for tuition payments to private schools for parents who did not want their children to attend integrated schools. In addition, city and county school boards were allowed to close schools to circumvent desegregation and compulsory atten-

dance of pupils at desegregated schools.

Plaintiffs in the case were Dr. and Mrs. Reginald Hawkins, Jr., and their two children; Rev. and Mrs. Dairus L. Swann and children and Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Moore.

The three-judge panel was composed of Circuit Court Judge J. Spencer Bell and District Judge Edwin M. Stanley and J. B. Craven.

Negro leaders over the state urged that the ruling be followed. See **JUDGES** page 2A

JOB BIAS SEEN KEY TO UNREST IN BIG CITY

NEW YORK — Civil rights leaders, setting the keynote for this summer's anti-discrimination campaign, delivered a Sunday punch against "lily-white unions" and a branch of the city transit authority unless unemployment in Negro communities was reduced there was a "series danger" of massive riots.