

White Rock, St. Joseph's Senior Choirs In Joint Program

Negro Interest Ignored At Southern Governors Conference

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GILBERTSVILLE, Ky. — Nowhere has the absence of the Negro from the mainstream of American life been more vividly apparent than in the conference of 17 governors at a state park near here Sept. 17-21. The governor's constituents include more than half the nation's Negro population. (The 1960 census showed that of almost 19 million Negroes, more than 11 million lived in these 17 states.) Except for several musicians, who played Stephen Foster melodies to entertain the governors during a lake ride on the

Belle of Louisville, no Negroes were included among the more than 300 persons who comprised the governors' parties— aides, state officials, friends, state troopers, National Guardsmen. The absence of any "black power" was in strange contrast to the mood of some of the governors. At press conferences they lashed out at "anarchy in the streets" and talked of how demonstrations and the cry of "Black Power" were hurting the cause of Negroes. None of the conference

speakers even mentioned the nation's racial crises until Undersecretary of Commerce LeRoy Collins told a banquet session of a conference whose 17 member states include more than half of the nation's Negro population. He looked around the room of white faces, carefully noting that many newsmen and public-relations representatives were among the governors and their parties. "It's symbolic of the white problem," he said. "There are many different agencies and organizations represented here. Why don't you write about it?"

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It was a meeting of the Southern Governors' Conference, but geographically the body is "Southern" in name only. Its members include such non-Southern "Border" states as Kentucky, Missouri, Maryland, Delaware and West Virginia. A governor from one of the border states told a reporter that "off the record" he has Negroes on his staff but did not want to "offend" any of the other governors. The conference traditionally eschews the racial issue and

other sensitive subjects, but this time, because of the white backlash to demonstrations and violence in Negro ghettos, the governors departed from discussions on tourism, natural resources, interstate compacts and highway safety long enough to adopt a resolution against the U.S. Office of Education's school integration guidelines. The 17-state conference that is using its influence to try to further blunt the effectiveness of a tool which has been far from successful in ending "tokenism" in school desegre-

gation. More than 95 per cent of Negro students in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina still attend all-Negro schools. "Black Power" seemed far from the minds of two segregationist governors — George C. Wallace of Alabama and Orval E. Faubus of Arkansas—as they rode the Belle of Louisville on Kentucky Lake. Both governors chatted amiably with the Negro musicians and each stuffed a dollar bill into the coat pocket of one who smiled broadly and shuffled his feet while blowing a melody

from a brown jug. But back in the press room of convention headquarters, Wallace and Faubus talked of how the white backlash against "Black Power" and federal enforcement of civil rights laws was going to reshape the politics of the action. Wallace spoke of himself as a third-party candidate for president in 1968 and said he hoped his candidacy would "hurt" both the Democratic Party—of which he is officially a member—and the Republican Party. See GOV.'S CONFAB 7A

North Carolina NAACP Branch To Meet In Raleigh October 13-16

Many Notables Slated For Annual Session

RALEIGH—The 23rd Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Conference of Branches, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will meet in Raleigh October 13-16. Gloster B. Current, Director Branch and Field Operations will deliver the Keynote Address Friday evening, October 14, 8 o'clock in the Raleigh United Church, the Rev. S. Collins Kilburn is the Pastor. Bishop Stephen Gill Spottswood, NAACP Board of Directors Chairman will address a Dinner Meeting on Thursday evening, October 13, at 6 p.m. All sessions of the Ministers Meeting will be held in the First Baptist Church, the Rev. C. W. Ward is Pastor. The Rev. J. T. McMillian, Pastor, St. James A.M.E. Church and militant Chairman of the Winston-Salem Branch Education Committee, will be the Keynote Speaker for the Ministers Meeting. YOUTH AND COLLEGE CHAPTERS The Youth and College Chapter officers will convene 4:00 P.M. Friday for an executive session with Regional Youth NAACP Director, Sherrill Marcus and J. W. Hill, Advisor, Youth Work, North Carolina State Conference of Branches of Durham. The convention on Saturday will feature Attorney Kenneth Holbert, Director of Compliance, Equal Employment Opportunity. See NAACP page 7A

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LBJ Asks Bishops To Help Drown Sounds Of Violence



SURRENDER—(San Francisco) Negro, who came out waving white cloth to police after they fired on group in building at right, said that they surrendered and that there were wounded Negroes inside the building and needed help. Negro then loosed four-letter foul words at the armed police in foreground. (UPI Telephoto)

WASHINGTON, D. C.—President Lyndon B. Johnson urged the Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church Tuesday to help "drown out the sounds of violence" which are hurting the Civil Rights movement. The President said if the sound of violence "should drown out the voices of reason, frustration will replace progress and all of our best work will be undone." The President also asked the church leaders to raise their voices in politics and urge "all of your members to live up to their responsibilities as citizens" and vote for the candidates of their choice. He asked: "What good does it do us if we seek freedom and secure it and then do not utilize it." Bishop George W. Baber presented the Bishops to the President in the Cabinet Room of the White House and Bishop E. C. N. Hatcher, President of the Bishop's Council, read a statement in which he pledged the Council's "full moral and spiritual support" to the President's program of the Great Society. Following the President's statement, 88-year-old Bishop R. R. Wright of Philadelphia offered a brief prayer.



ASKED TO RESIGN—(Macon, Ga.)—Dr. Thomas Holmes (C), and his assistants, Minister of Music Jack Jones, (L) and Assistant Pastor, Rev. Douglas Johnson, talk it over in his home here. The three were asked to resign from the Tattall Baptist Church here for advocating opening services to Negroes. (UPI Telephoto)

Ex-Basketball Star Named Labor Department Attorney



WASHINGTON — Walter Dukes, a former college and professional basketball star, has been appointed as an attorney in the Labor Department's Office of the Solicitor. Dukes, a professional basketball player for 10 years, will work out of the regional attorney's office in New York City. In his new position, Dukes will be concerned with legal issues arising under the Fair Labor Standards Act, the Labor Management Reporting and Disclosure Act and other laws administered by the Labor Department. A native of Youngstown, Ohio, Dukes attended public schools in Youngstown and Rochester, N. Y. He received a B.S. degree from Seton Hall University where he starred in basketball. The 36-year-old attorney obtained an L.L.B. degree from New York Law School and a master's degree in business administration from New York University. He also attended the Sorbonne in France. Dukes, now a resident of New York City, was admitted to the Michigan and Pennsylvania Bars in 1961 and 1963, respectively. Since 1963, he has practiced law in Michigan and in the Federal courts. From 1953 to 1963, Dukes See EX-STAR page 7A

NCC to Host Resource-Use Annual Meet

The twentieth annual meeting of the North Carolina Resource-Use Education Conference will convene at North Carolina College at Durham on Thursday, November 10, beginning at 9 a.m. in the college's B. N. Duke Auditorium. The announcement was made recently by Dr. Theodore R. Speigner, director of the NCC Division of Resource-Use Education and state chairman of the North Carolina Resource-Use Education, who indicated that 500 invitations have been mailed to superintendents, supervisors, principals, teachers and former workshop participants throughout the state. The general theme for the conference is, "Harnessing Human and Natural Resources Under Wise and Energetic Leadership for the Great Society." Ofield Dukes, assistant to the Vice President of the United States, will deliver the keynote address at 2 p.m. in B. N. Duke Auditorium. A native of Michigan and a graduate of Wayne State University, he has distinguished himself in journalism and education. Mrs. Ruth Lawrence Woodson, state supervisor of elementary education, State Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh, will deliver the principal address at 11 a.m. session which will be attended by See SPEAKER page 7A

West Coast NAACP Intervenes In Riot

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. — West Coast Regional Director Leonard Carter says that he and other civil rights leaders are doing everything possible to quell the rioting in the Hunter Point and Fillmore districts of San Francisco. Carter himself has taped messages which are being broadcast every hour on local Negro stations calling for a halt to the violence and the destruction of property. Rioting broke out Sept. 27 when a policeman shot and killed a Negro who reportedly was trying to steal a car. Gov. Edmund G. Brown has called out approximately 2,000 National Guardsmen to help the local police. The NAACP spokesman says employment and poverty are the main contributing factors to the outbreaks. He has pledged the support of his organization to any meaningful program which can be worked out to benefit the people in the riot-torn areas. 562 ATTEND WITNESSES' CONVENTION HERE "Never anything like it before!" "Highly educational!" These were some of the expressions of joy and gratitude heard from the hundreds of delegates who attended the circuit convention of Jehovah's Witnesses here last week.

Funeral for Former Durham Teacher at St. Joseph's Thurs.

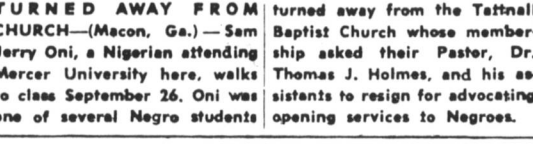
The funeral of Mrs. Emma Morris Butler was held at St. Joseph's A. M. E. Church here Thursday, October 6, at 4:00 p.m. The Rev. Philip R. Cousin, pastor, delivered the eulogy. Mrs. Butler, the daughter of the late Joseph and Sallie A. Morris, succumbed October 2 in New York where she had been living for the past several years. Her death followed a lengthy illness. For a long number of years, Mrs. Butler was a teacher in the Durham City School system. She was also a member of St. Joseph's where she sang in the Senior Choir for several years and was active in other departments of the church. In addition to her school work, she was connected with the Girl Scouts, a director of the City School playground and an official of the State Teachers Association. Her husband, Edward J. Butler, succumbed forty-five years ago. Surviving Mrs. Butler are one son, Edward, of New York; three sisters, Mrs. Bertha Shaw, Mrs. Leon M. Christmas, Durham, and Mrs. Dorothy Woods of New York, New York; two nieces, Mrs. Lois Shaw Ray, Durham, Mrs. Wilhelmina O. Lawson, New York; two nephews, Dr. Thomas H. Shaw, New York and Joseph Morris, Washington, D. C. Interment was at Beechwood Cemetery.



MRS. BUTLER

CHOIRS TO SING AT WHITE ROCK SUNDAY OCT. 16

The White Rock Baptist Church and St. Joseph's A. M. E. Church Senior Choirs will present a joint musical program at the White Rock Baptist Church, Sunday evening, October 16, at 7:30 o'clock. The 75 voices will be under the direction of John H. Gattis and Joseph T. Mitchell, directors of White Rock and St. Joseph's Senior Choirs, respectively. The program is being presented in connection with the 100th anniversary observance of White Rock Baptist Church. Rev. Lorenzo Lynch is pastor of White Rock and Rev. Philip R. Cousin is pastor of St. Joseph's. As the announcement of the joint appearance of two of Durham's leading church choirs began to circulate over the city, enthusiasm and interest of music lovers and civic minded persons began to mount. It has been predicted that a capacity audience will be on hand to witness the program on the evening of October 16. Already, there is much talk in music and civic circles of making the joint recital of the two choirs an annual affair. In the one hundred years that White Rock and St. Joseph's churches have existed in Durham, See CHOIRS page 7A



TURNED AWAY FROM CHURCH—(Macon, Ga.)—Sam Jerry Oni, a Nigerian attending Mercer University here, walks to class September 26. Oni was one of several Negro students turned away from the Tattall Baptist Church whose membership asked their Pastor, Dr. Thomas J. Holmes, and his assistants to resign for advocating opening services to Negroes. See EX-STAR page 7A

NAACP Steps Up Campaign For Additional Members

NEW YORK—Spurred by the shelving of the civil rights bill of 1966 in the U.S. Senate, units of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People throughout the country are stepping up the Association's crash membership drive to enroll an additional 200,000 members by the end of the year. NAACP units in 50 cities have launched drives to exceed the memberships enrolled last year. Branches in scores of other cities are mapping plans to get their campaigns under way as soon as possible. Reports from cities in which the drive has already been launched indicate enthusiastic support of the NAACP goal. "Memberships provide us with the muscle needed to get our job done," says Roy Wilkins, NAACP executive director. "The public and the politicians consider the size of our organization. A growing organization means more power; a loss in membership can mean a diminution of influence. In a time such as this we cannot afford any loss. We can only move ahead. Accordingly, membership is the No. 1 job of the NAACP from now until the end of the year." Gloster B. Current, director of branches and field administration, and Miss Lucille Black, secretary for membership, have set quotas, in excess of last year's enrollment, for each of the Association's more than 1,600 units in 50 states. "The response has been gratifying," according to Mr. Current. "The branches are recognizing the urgency of the need for increased membership in order to accelerate the drive

for full equality. We confidently expect to go over the top this year," he says. OAK GROVE PASTOR TO CONDUCT REVIVAL AT FAUCETTE MEMORIAL Revival services at Faucette Memorial C. M. E. Church will begin Monday, October 17, and continue until October 21. Service will be held each night at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. James F. Bowden is Pastor. Speaker for the week will be Rev. Z. D. Harris, Pastor of Oak Grove Freewill Baptist Church. Music will be rendered by various choirs. THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: The man who is born with a talent which he is meant to use finds his greatest happiness in using it. —Johann von Goethe