

Negro Clergymen Repudiate Jackson's Endorsement Nixon

Court Decision Durhamite Vs Housing Authority Awaited



TOUR OF WATTS—Black Voters will turn out in unprecedented numbers for Vice-Pres. Humphrey on election day, Md.'s State Senator Clarence Mitchell, III (far right) predicted as he accompanied the Vice-President on a tour of the Watts' Cooperative Farm in California.

By their large and enthusiastic attendance at campaign rallies across the nation, black citizens show that they know that this election is the most dangerous in our history and must go all-out to keep Wallace, Nixon or Agnew out of the White House, Senator Mitchell reported.

"Vice-Pres. Humphrey has been greatly encouraged by our tributes and the fact that we remember his courageous leadership and all that he has done for our civil rights and our children's freedom. We can win, but we must push to get every soul brother to the polls," Sen. Mitchell warned.

Black Americans Successful In Their Appeal To Senator Eugene McCarthy

30 PROMINENT LEADERS URGED ENDORSEMENT

NEW YORK — A group of prominent black Americans made a successful appeal to Senator McCarthy to endorse Vice President Hubert Humphrey for the Presidency of the United States, it was announced recently, by Bayard Rustin, Executive Director of the A. Philip Randolph Institute.

The statement signed by 30 Negro civil rights and political leaders which appeared as a full page advertisement in the October 25th edition of the New York Times, asserts that, "The next President will have the power to turn back the clock. He may choose as many as five Supreme Court Justices, and thus determine the character of the Court and its decisions for the remainder of this century. He will name an attorney General and head of the Civil Rights Commission, and will determine the policies they follow for at least four years."

(See LEADERS 2A)

Speaker at Black Solidarity Meet Assails White Leaders

The Black Solidarity movement was hailed as an example of leadership in Durham, and persons attending the weekly mass meeting Sunday night were told that the selective buying campaign is going well. Nathan T. Garrett gave the main address to a crowd of several hundred persons at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church. Garrett who is director of the Foundation for Community Development, spoke on the topic of "Leadership."

Before Garrett's talk, a spokesman for the Black Solidarity committee reported that word from the Durham Merchants' Association indicates that sales at the stores being



GARRETT boycotted are down anywhere from 50 to 70 per cent. (See GARRETT 2A)

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Five Negro Youths Given 12 Years For Burning KKK Hut

Harsh Verdict Opposed by Many Citizens

SMITHFIELD — Judge William Y. Bickett of Raleigh sentenced five Negro youths to twelve years prison terms each, after the youths admitted they had participated in the burning of the Ku Klux Klan hut at Benson on April 8.

Judge Bickett commented that the courts must assume the responsibility of stopping people from damaging and destroying the property of others. He stated, "the only way to do that is to punish them."

Pleading guilty to the charge of arson were Leo Stewart, Jr., 17; Frederick Donnell Lockman, 16; Jesse Jones, Jr., 20; Debois Scott Gathers, 18; and Percy Valle Barfield, 17, all reside at Benson.

The prison sentences of 12 years each for the burning of the KKK hut is believed to be the heaviest ever handed out for such an offense in which no lives were involved. The hut is reported to have been occupied at the time of the burning.

In spite of Judge Bickett's efforts to justify his overt display of judicial discrimination there was much widespread criticism of the heavy sentences handed the five young men, including several editorial comments from newspapers of

(See YOUTHS 2A)



GETS EXCELSIOR AWARD—Roy Wilkins, executive director of the NAACP, receiving the Excelsior Award for "significant, unselfish service to mankind that bore witness to

and advanced the concept of all men as brothers." Flanking Mr. Wilkins are The Rev. Victor R. Yanitelli and Thomas J. Walsh, president and chairman of board of regents, respect-

ively of St. Peter's College, Jersey City, N. J., which presented the award. Ceremonies were held at the Hotel Plaza, New York City, October 22.

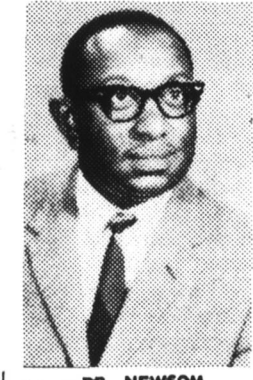
Leading Ministers Both Parties Assail Pres. NBC-USA for Action

Dr. Lionel Newsom Speaker for NCC Founder's Day Observance

DURHAM — Dr. Lionel Newsom, president-elect of Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, will be the principal speaker for North Carolina College's 21st observance of Founder's Day, Monday, November 4.

Dr. Newsom will speak at the formal program in B. N. Duke Auditorium at 11 a.m. At the same program, the college's new student union building will be dedicated as the Alfonso Elder Student Union, in honor of Dr. Elder, second president of the college.

The "Truth and Service" ceremony, in which representatives of the students, faculty, and alumni dedicate themselves to the principals of the late



DR. NEWSOM Dr. James E. Shepard, founder of the college, will also be a part of the 11 a.m. program. (See NEWSOM 2A)

WASHINGTON D. C. — Leading Negro ministers, including both Republicans and Democrats, assailed Dr. Joseph H. Jackson, president of the National Baptist Convention, USA, this week for his endorsement of Richard Nixon for President.

The Rev. Sandy Ray, vice-president of the NBC-USA, and a leading Republican in Brooklyn, N. Y., said Dr. Jackson's action was not authorized or approved by the convention and he indicated an investigation may be called by the church.

The Rev. Wyatt T. Walker, a New York pastor and aide to Gov. Nelson Rockefeller, said Dr. Jackson's endorsement was proof "that Nixon couldn't be the man for us."

"If the cat was not already out of the bag about Nixon's posture as it relates to black

(See MINISTERS 2A)

NAACP Attys. Seek Reversal Eviction Order

WASHINGTON — The NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. (LDF) is representing a Durham mother who received a 15-day eviction notice from a low-income housing project but was not told why she was being evicted and was refused a hearing by the Authority.

The case, which is being heard by the U. S. Supreme Court, is that of Mrs. Joyce C. Thorpe. Mrs. Thorpe and her family received their eviction notice from the McDougald Terrace project the day after she was elected president of the Parent's Club, a tenant organization.

LDF associate counsel, James M. Nabrit III, will argue today and tomorrow (October 22-23) that:

Mrs. Thorpe was denied due process of the law by her eviction from state and federally supported low-income housing since no procedures existed to tell her the reason for eviction, or give her a hearing to contest the eviction.

The Durham Housing Authority may not evict Mrs. Thorpe arbitrarily and thus deny her "the benefits of its program for low-income families."

Mrs. Thorpe was entitled to a notice of the reason her low-income housing benefits were cancelled. "Notice of the reasons for proposed government-

(See COURT 2A)

Dr. Benj. Mays Honoree at N. C. Mutual

Dr. Benjamin Elijah Mays, president-emeritus of Morehouse College was the principal speaker and recipient of the Merrick-Moore-Spaulding National Achievement Award at the Fourth Annual Founders' Day observance of North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, Monday, October 21, 1968.

Internationally known for his activities in scholarship, education, religion and human relationship, Dr. Mays spoke on the subject "Let Us Not Integrate Ourselves Out Of Existence." During his speech he called for the realization that: "Negroes must not be swept off their feet by the glamour of an integrated society... a desegregated society, and eventually an integrated society, does not necessarily rid the white man of the superiority complex, nor the Negro of the inferiority complex." He reminded the audience that though Negroes may enjoy some of the benefits which accrue to integration that he can "still move only on the periphery of the mainstream of American life, and still be discriminated against in an open society." He advocated that desegregation may render a disservice to the nation if it means a one-way traffic, always moving from black to white and never from white to black. "If Negroes are seeking identity, let us identify ourselves more and more with

(See MAYS 2A)



PASTOR HONORED—The Oak Grove Freewill Baptist Church family honored its pastor, Rev. Z. D. Harris and wife, Sunday night, October 27, on the ninth anniversary of Rev. Harris' pastorate, with a love offering of \$1600. The anniversary presentation was made by Alphonza Reeves, chairman of the anniversary celebration. Rev.

Harris is shown in the picture with a money crown on his head standing next to his wife with a money apron. Others in the picture from left to right are: Mrs. Alease Walker, Mrs. Willard McKeithan, Mrs. Mamie Pulley who were successful in helping to put the drive over. At the right of Chairman Reeves is Theodore Overby,

preacher's steward. Not shown in the picture is Mrs. O'Daniel Williams, one of the drive workers.

LOS ANGELES — The Rev. Ralph D. Abernathy said Friday he prefers Hubert Humphrey as a presidential candidate, but stopped short of giving the vice president an outright endorsement.

NEW YORK — The National Committee of Negro Churchmen, a black ecumenical power group of some 700 clergy and laity, will hold its second annual convocation in St. Louis, Mo., October 29-November 1. Headquarters for the gathering will be the Gateway Hotel.

For two days prior to the meeting, black caucuses from major denominations will hold separate conferences to work out strategies and priorities for the formation of a stronger black alliance within the Christian Church.

According to NCNC president Bishop Herbert Bell Shaw of Wilmington, "It is important for the life of the total church that the experience of the Afro-American theologian become a more vital part of the mainstream of church life in the United States."

The NCNC was formed in 1966 but was not formally organized until last November at a meeting in Dallas. The organization includes nearly every black church in America as well as black churchmen in most white denominations. Chairman of the Board of Di-

(See CLERGY 2A)

EDITORIALLY SPEAKING NOVEMBER 5, A DAY OF DESTINY

Not since the Emancipation Proclamation was issued over the one hundred years ago have the Negro people of these United States been faced with a situation involving so much for themselves, this nation and probably the very survival of mankind on this earth, as that which faces them in the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5.

Because there is so much at stake in the election of next Tuesday and because it now appears that the margin of victory for Hubert H. Humphrey will be so close, who knows but what the Negro vote will decide the elec-

tion of the next president of this nation "for such a time as this?" It therefore is incumbent upon every Negro who is registered to let nothing stand in his way on November 5 in going to the polls and casting his ballot for Hubert H. Humphrey, who in his bid for the office of president, has unequivocally declared among many other things that:

"I am concerned about guns in the hands of men, but I am more concerned about atomic bombs and long range missiles in the hands of nations. I want to end the world

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VOTE NOV. 5

TUESDAY, NOV. 5 IS YOUR DAY OF DESTINY

'A Voteless People Is A Hopeless People'

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