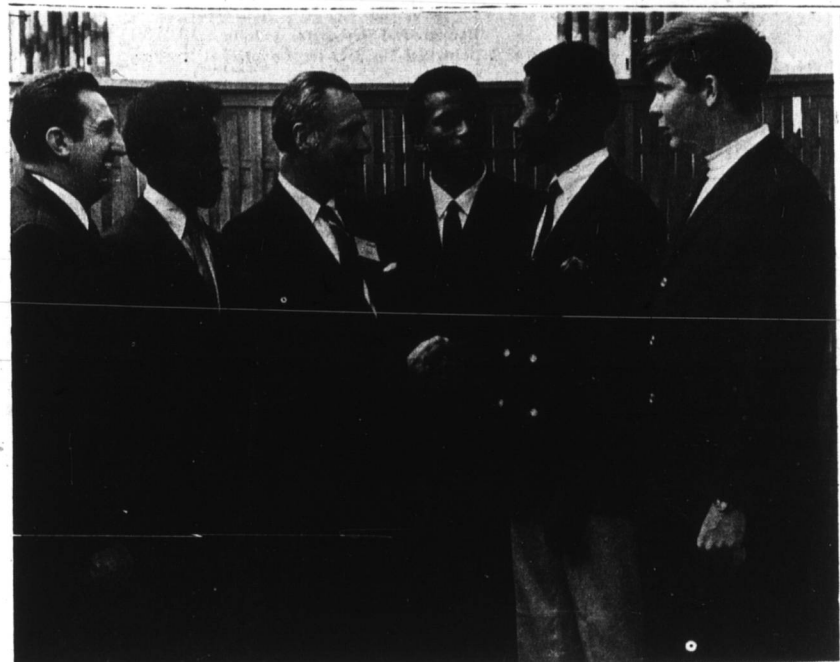


# White And Black Baptist Convention Leaders In Joint Meet

## NAACP Units Balloting On National Board Candidates



TOP TOPS — Rochester's Teens On Patrol (TOP) were honored recently at a luncheon at Eastman Kodak. Kodak president Dr. Louis K. Eilers (third from left) had special congratulations for four of the TOP youngsters who saved the lives of two canoeists this summer. From left are Chief of Police William Lombard, Fred Neely, Dr. Eilers, Arthur Johnson, Otis Felder, and David Finucane. TOP is a group of more than 100 youngsters from inner-city areas who work with the police at parks, playgrounds and dances. Kodak provides a major portion of the funds that support the program.

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## SEEKS Petition One Million Names To Abolish Electoral College

### Detroit Editor Issues Call For Aid of Move

DETROIT — B. W. Swain, Editor and publisher of Detroit's Epic News, announced today that a nationwide effort is being launched to secure the signatures of one million registered voters on a petition designed to ask the U. S. Congress to pass new election laws that would abolish the electoral college and henceforth have the President and Vice-President elected by popular vote as cast by the American People.

Swain issued the call for support in this matter and is asking every concerned citizen and registered voter to participate, a necessary responsibility. Petitions for circulation in your district or territory may be obtained from the offices of Epic News, Detroit. Any person who wishes to support this campaign may write for additional information at Epic News, 1470 Holden Ave., Detroit, Michigan 48298, or call 313-873-2110.

### Youthful Aid

Thirty children at Riddick Elementary School in St. Louis have donated \$1,101 to aid starving children in Biafra. They collected the money by giving up their candy and popcorn money.



CHAIRMAN AND SPEAKER— Education Conference recently at North Carolina College. Hannaham was speaker for the conference. Dr. Speigner was chairman.

### Durham to Host Regional Meet Kappa A. Psi

Delegates from the 21 chapters of the Middle Eastern Region of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity will converge on Durham April 11th and 12th for their 1969 annual meeting. Headquarters and most of the activities will be at the Downtown Motor Inn. The general chairman of arrangements is Booth Smith of the Durham Alumni Chapter, and the assistant is William Baity of the Alpha Kappa Chapter of North Carolina College. Special committees and their chairman of Time and Place are J. W. Hill; Registration and Publicity, Bobby Lawrence; Budget and Finance, Dewitt Sullivan; Official Pro-

(See HOST page 2A)

### 20 Directors To Be Named In Election

NEW YORK — Ballots for the election of candidates for the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People have been dispatched to the Association's 1,700 local units throughout the country. There is a total of 23 candidates for 20 vacancies.

Six members are to be elected at large in a nationwide poll of NAACP branches. Units in each of the Association's seven regions will elect an adult and a youth member with the branches voting for adult candidates and the youth councils and college chapters balloting for youth candidates.

The six at-large candidates are unopposed. They are Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, United Nations Undersecretary; Dr. Kenneth Clement of Cleveland, former president, National Medical Association; Kivie Kaplan, Boston, retired industrialist and NAACP president since 1966; James Kemp, Chicago, labor leader; Alfred Baker Lewis, Riverside, Conn., NAACP treasurer since 1958; and Mrs. Margaret Bush Wilson, St. Louis attorney. Except for Dr. Clement, all are incumbents.

Youth representation on the Board was expanded from three to seven by constitutional amendments adopted by the Board of Directors last June. Total Board membership was increased from 60 to 64 to provide for the addition of four youth members, one from each region. Adult directors are elected for three-year terms and youths for one-year terms.

All ballots must be returned to the NAACP National Office in New York City. They will be counted and the results (See BALLOTING, 2A)

## Dr. Gardner Taylor Presides At Interracial Church Session Wis.

GREEN LAKE, Wis. — Leading figures of two Baptist conventions, one black and the other mostly white, talked together here Tuesday, Oct. 22, about how they could work together to the advantage of each. The Rev. Dr. Gardner Taylor, pastor of the Concord Baptist Church, Brooklyn, N.Y., former president of the Progressive Baptists and American Baptists considered areas of mutual concern.

"We ought to find bridges between us and common ground on which we can stand, and leave the rest to God," Dr. Taylor said. He emphasized that the meeting was not called to consider any plans for merger.

Dr. Taylor reported that some areas of possible cooperation the committee discussed were camping, social action, communication, joint statements on public issues, the preparation of materials for

## Last Rites for Pfc. Wm. Miller Held at St. Mark AMEZ Church

Last rites were held Wednesday, November 20, at 2:30 p.m. for Pfc. William Miller, Jr., 19, son of William and Cora Miller, who departed this life November 10, 1968 while on active duty as a Marine in Quang Tri Province, Republic of Vietnam.

He graduated from Hillside High School, class of 1967. He was an active member of Saint Mark A. M. E. Zion Church, where he served as President of the Youth Choir and Vice President of the Youth Council. He was also a member of Hillside Track Team and the Hillside Choral Club and Cub Pack No. 149.

He voluntarily joined the Marine Corps in 1967, a year later because of his concern



PFC. MILLER for the world situation he requested overseas duty and was assigned to Vietnam where he served until the time of his death. (See MILLER 2A)

## Temporary Cessation Boycott Of Four Rocky Mt. Stores Announced

### Negro Group And White Citizens In Agreement

ROCKY MOUNT — Cessation of a boycott of four downtown stores by Negro citizens of Rocky Mount launched here last August was announced Thursday night, following a meeting of a Liaison Committee, representing 15 Negro community organizations and Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce representatives.

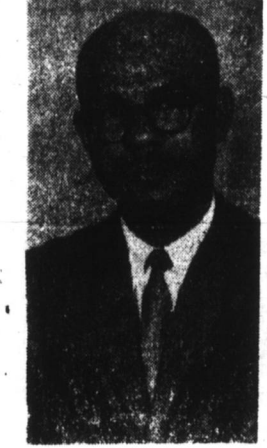
The Liaison Committee is composed of 10 persons representing 15 Negro organizations of the community.

The boycott was launched as a peaceful effort to "focus attention, to develop concern and hopefully, to prompt participation of the business community" in helping to solve the many problems with which the Negro community is confronted, as outlined in a list of reforms presented to the Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce, the Merchants Association, the Rocky Mount Jaycees and the City of Rocky Mount.

Shortly after the boycott was begun the Chamber of Commerce and Jaycees met with the Negro Liaison Committee to discuss the problems. Immediately following that



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meeting the Chamber voted unanimously to study the grievances. Subsequently, H. Kel Landis, Chamber president, appointed six committees to investigate each area of proposed reforms including education, welfare, recreation, employment, housing, and human relations. Members of the Rocky Mount Merchants Association and the Rocky Mount Jaycees participated in the committee studies.

Recommendations of two committees have already been made and approved by the Chamber's Board of Directors as a continuing part of the Chamber program of work. Landis said the meetings with the Negro committee had

developed "a meaningful dialogue which should be of vital importance in helping to solve the community's racial problems." He praised members of the Liaison Committee "for their open and frank expression and opinions which have enabled the meetings to be productive. These people are sincerely seeking a constructive and peaceful solution to racial problems," he added.

On October 9, the Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce adopted a policy calling for a personal and business creed of non-discrimination and equal opportunity. That statement follows:

"The policy of the Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce (See BOYCOTT 2A)

## Fuller Calls For Boycott Support At Solidarity Mass Meeting Sun.

### Leader Urges Continuance of Protest in City

By John B. Justice

"I wish I could break all the chains holding me. I wish I knew how it would feel to be free."

Howard Fuller used the quotation from a song by black artist Nina Simone to pose a question here Sunday evening to the weekly mass meeting of an overflow crowd at Kyles Temple AME Zion Church, sponsored by the Black Solidarity Committee.

Those present heard Fuller ask: "How would it feel to be free?"

Isn't this the crucial question for black people today? Isn't this the question that must begin to burn in all of our hearts? Burn until there can be no putting it aside, no ignoring it, no questioning it."

Fuller, Director of Training for the Foundation for Community Development, spoke after Miss Virginia Hill gave an encouraging report on the progress of the boycott of certain downtown stores. Miss Hill, secretary of the local chapter of the NAACP, reported that "national officials of several companies - including Kress's and Coca-Cola - have been in Durham lately to see what can be done to put a halt to their sagging sales."

Fuller's remarks were not confined to the boycott. He addressed himself to the greater problem of winning freedom for black people.

"I believe that none of us are free until all of us are free," he said. His audience responded. (See FULLER 2A)



NEW EBENEZER CHURCH

## Dedication Of New Ebenezer Baptist Church To Be Held Sun. At 3.00 P.M.

The newly erected Ebenezer Baptist Church, now located at 2200 South Alston Avenue, will hold its Dedication services, Sunday, November 24, at 3:00 p.m.

The edifice is of modern design, and consists of 23,400 square feet of floor space. The main sanctuary has laminated beams with a possible seating capacity of 1,000. In addition, the structure houses a complete education and nursery department. It also offers a large area for rparking in the rear, and is located on an eight-tract acre, and constructed approximately three hundred feet from the street. Total cost of the new edifice and its facilities is marked at over \$200,000.

Ebenezer Baptist Church was originally located at 1324 Gillette Street, but was relocated to make way for the new East-West Expressway, which is presently under construction

in the city. Principals in the Dedication services are the pastor Rev. W. E. Daye, Mayor R. Wense Grabarek, J. H. Wreeler, President of Mechanics and Farmers Bank; Attorney M. Hugh Thompson, Robert L. Downey, General Contractor; J. J. Henderson, Vice-President-Treasurer of North Carolina Mutual

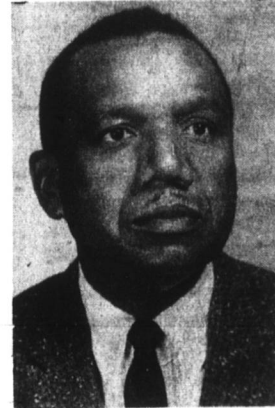
Life Insurance Company, and W. W. Barbee, Chairman of the church's building committee. The Dedication Address will be delivered by L. E. Austin, Publisher of The Carolina Times. Old and new friends of Ebenezer, along with the general public are urged to attend the Dedication program Sunday, as well as other services.

## Final Rites Held Tuesday for Mrs. Mary B. Edward Greene

Final rites were held Tuesday, November 19, for Mrs. Mary Berta Edwards Greene at Mount Gilead Baptist Church. Mrs. Greene who died on Friday, November 15 was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Dempsey Edwards, and the foster daughter of the late

Dr. and Mrs. Hugh Wilson. She was born in Chatham County in 1903.

She received her education at Bricks Institute of Enfield and The National Training School of Durham. On April 12, 1918, she was (See MRS. GREENE 2A)



JUSTICE

## Former Police Promoted to Parole Officer 2

By authority of The North Carolina Board of Paroles, Owen W. Justice has been promoted to Parole Officer No. 2. The promotion became effective November 1. Official ceremonies of the act were held at the Central Office of the N. C. Board of Paroles 13.

Justice is a former police officer, having served in that capacity with the Durham Police Department for fourteen years. His new duties as Parole Officer No. 2 will be to analyze files of prison inmates, conduct hearings with attorneys, inmates' relatives, and other interested citizens to obtain (See JUSTICE 2A)