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Charlotte Negro Named To Important Goldsboro Post

Robt. Nicholas First Human Relations Dir.

GOLDSBORO — In a meeting of the Goldsboro Alderman, January 6, Robert Nicholas, a native of Charlotte who for the past five years has been employed as a psychiatric social worker at O'Berry Center for mentally retarded and emotionally disturbed children, was named Goldsboro's first director of human relations.

Nicholas was appointed to the post after a committee of the Human Relations Commission had made a study of ten applicants. It was their opinion that of all applicants, Nicholas was the best qualified.

Nicholas is a graduate of Johnson C. Smith University of Charlotte where he received a bachelor of arts degree with a major in sociology and a minor in psychology, speech and economics.

At present, he is a member of the National Dramatics Speech Arts Association, N. C. Human Betterment League, Board of Directors of the E. A. See NICHOLAS 8A



AT PRESS CONFERENCE — Attorney T. T. Clayton of Warrenton is shown addressing the press conference held in Chapel Hill, Saturday, January 18 by McKissick Enterprises at the Holiday Inn. It was announced by Attorney Floyd B. McKissick at the opening of the meeting with the press that Clayton will be the "Director of Legal Service and Planning for Soul City." (Photo by Purefoy)

Orangeburg, S.C. Man Named Dir Voter Project

COLUMBIA, S. C. — Thomas Moss of Orangeburg, S. C., has been named director of the South Carolina Voter Education Project, it was announced recently.

Moss, 40, succeeds James L. Felder, who resigned in November to direct a program of assistance to black elected officials for the Scholarship, Education and Defense Fund for Racial Equality. Felder had been director since June, 1967.

Active in voter registration since 1963, Moss has been serving as chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the Orangeburg County VEP. The appointment was announced by Dr. Charles H. Thomas Jr., president of the state organization.

The first of four statewide programs formed by the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, the SCVEP is engaged in See DIRECTOR 8A

Orange Grove Baptist Church Host East Cedar Grove Missionaries Sat. One-Day Meeting To Be Held Here Sunday, January 26

The One-Day Session of the East Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Association will be held at the Orange Grove Baptist Church, Saturday, January 26, beginning at 9:30 A.M.

During the morning session a sermonette will be presented by Dr. William H. Fuller, Pastor of Mount Zion Baptist Church, Durham. Rev. U. R. Booker, Moderator of the Association will give the general objectives of the association.

The afternoon session will feature a panel discussion. Sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary of the association with Mrs. W. C. Bryant, president, presiding. Also the Junior Department supervised by Miss A. M. Dunning will participate in the afternoon program.

The annual sermon will be preached by Dr. C. R. Edwards, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Fayetteville. Music will be rendered by the Orange See HOST page 8A

Last Rites Held for Rev. Cowan In Asheville Sunday, January 18

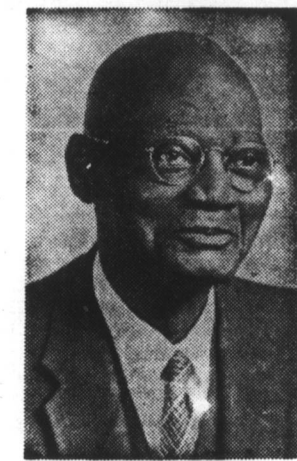
ASHEVILLE — The funeral of Rev. J. D. Cowan, 97, retired minister of the A. M. E. Church was held at the St. James A. M. E. Church in Asheville, Sunday, January 18, at 1:00 p.m.

Officiating were Rev. J. D. Davis, presiding Elder of the Morganton District and Rev. C. W. Hunt, pastor. Interment was in Violet Hill Cemetery.

Rev. Cowan served as a minister in North Carolina for 57 years, retiring in 1960. He had served as pastor of St. James for four years and as presiding elder of four districts for 32 years.

He served as a delegate to the General Conference from 1916 through 1956, during which time he held various offices. Since retiring he has served as supply pastor of several Asheville churches.

Surviving are four sons and a daughter, Mrs. Gladys C. Kennedy of Asheville, with whom he lived. The sons are: Waldo E. of Atlantic City, N.J. Vernon D. of Asheville; Horace B. of Little Rock, Arkansas and John D. Jr., of New York City. Several grandchildren also survive.



REV. COWAN

Rev. L.A. Miller Urges Continued Support Of Boycott At Meet Sun.

(By JON PHELPS)

Several major civic groups are joining here to organize a campaign to defend Merrick-Moore and Little River Schools from being phased out by the Durham County Board of Education.

The drive springs from last Saturday's meeting of the Black Solidarity Steering Committee, when representatives of the Black Solidarity Committee for Community Improvement were named to work with members of the Little River and Merrick-Moore communities in an organized effort to preserve the schools.

This newly formed committee will work with the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs and its Education Committee in the endeavor.

Then representatives of all

these groups will meet with the lawyers working on the county schools' integration suit in Federal Court "to let the County Board of Education know that the black community is not going to accept" its plan to gradually phase out the two all-black schools.

A. J. Howard Clement, head of the BSCCI, announced the campaign at last Sunday night's mass meeting of the Black Solidarity Movement. The meeting was held at Mount Calvary United Church of Christ on Athens Avenue.

"We want everyone to know — black and white alike — that this is a new day," Mr. Clement declared. "Black people are not just going to sit down any longer and let white people make the decisions for them. We are going to make these

decisions ourselves."

"Merrick-Moore and Little River Schools 'shall not be moved.' We want to let those communities know that they have our interest and support in this."

Rev. L. A. Miller, pastor of St. Mark A.M.E. Zion Church and featured speaker on last Sunday night's program, emphasized that Durham's black citizens must "keep ourselves closely knitted together" in struggles such as the Merrick-Moore and Little River School fights, and the current Black Solidarity boycott.

His text was similar to one chosen by Louis E. Austin in a Black Solidarity talk last fall, with a variation: "Who knoweth but that the Black Solidarity (See SOLIDARITY 7A)

Calm Prevails After Reading Of Statement

WINSTON SALEM — There was little immediate reaction from students at Winston-Salem State College Wednesday morning when an official college policy statement on campus demonstration and disruption of the institution was presented to them at a weekly assembly.

Vice President W. Archie Blount read the statement which had been prepared by a committee of six faculty members and five representative of the student government.

The committee, established by college president, Kenneth R. Williams early last October, was intended to have an equal number of students and faculty, but the freshman class was not organized in time to elect a representative.

Student government president Robbin Kirkland, a member of the committee which drafted the policy, said there would be little student reaction until the statement could be studied after copies were printed and distributed. The statement was expected to be available in quantity within several days.

Kirkland doesn't expect any serious negative reaction. "I was on the committee," he said, "and I made sure our rights were protected."

The concise, two-page statement is intended to establish a definite position regarding demonstrations before a crisis demanding such a policy arises.

"This statement is for the benefit of the entire college family," Blount said. He noted that it is not directed solely at students, but is designed to protect the rights of expression of everyone connected with the college.

The statement defines those situations which may or may not need disciplinary action, describes the sorts of actions the administration may take, and details channels of communication and formal disciplinary procedures.

"The college cannot condone disruptive or destructive



OFFICIALS OF THE UNITED American Free Will Baptist Church were in Durham in December to arrange for legal assistance in an attempt to halt the efforts of Rev. Z. D. Harris, former pastor of Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church of Durham, to continue as its pastor. From left to right they are: Rev. R. J. Avery, Fayetteville, Chairman, Trustee Board; Rev. J. D. Douglas, Carthage, member of the Board; Rev. E. A. Jackson, Pinehurst, Moderator; Rev. E. J. Terry, Red Springs, member of the Board; and Rev. J. M. Jackson, Pinehurst, Secretary of the Board and Chairman of the General Executive Board. (Photo by Purefoy)

Oak Grove Pastor And Officers Halted From Pulpit And Church

A restraining order, prohibiting the Rev. Z. D. Harris, former pastor of the Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church of Durham, William Alphonsa Reeves, Joseph S. Williamson, Otto Allen, former trustees of Oak Grove; Preston Quick and Wilbert Pryor, former Deacons; Richard Leon Thomas, Clifford McDonald and Theodore Overby, deacons from "holding themselves as the pastor or officers of the church, was issued here Saturday, January 18, by Judge Coy E. Brewer, N. C. Judge of Superior Court.

The document went on to read further that:

"It is ordered, condoned and adjudged, that the defendants and each of them and their agents, or persons acting by, for or through their authority, are restrained and enjoined from holding themselves out as the pastor or officers of the Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church, and from exercising any control of the church

Mrs. Lavonia Allison To Be Awarded Ph.D Degree by NYU

Mrs. E. Lavonia I. Allison, assistant professor of physical education at North Carolina College, will be awarded the Doctor of Education degree in physical education by New York University's School of Education on February 24.

Mrs. Allison, a Durham native, graduated from Hillside High School in Durham after attending Durham city schools. She received the B. S. degree from Hampton Institute and the M. A. from New York University.

Mrs. Allison is the daughter of Mrs. Bernice H. Ingram, manager of Dunbar Realty and Insurance, and the late Charles J. Ingram. She is married to F. V. Allison, Jr., secretary-treasurer of Mutual Savings and Loan Association. They are the parents of two children.

At present, Mrs. Allison serves as supervisor of student teachers in physical education



MRS. ALLISON and health at NCC. She has been a teacher in city schools at Durham, Bel Air, Md., and Baltimore. See ALLISON 8A

Dr. J. Pittman Named Acting Dean by NCC Trustee Board

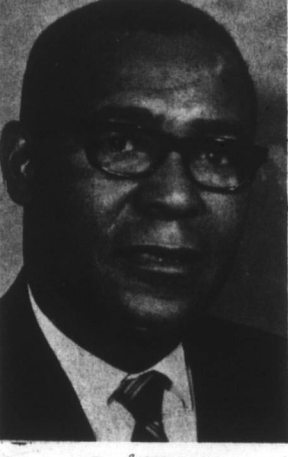
The Board of Trustees of North Carolina College last week approved the appointment of Dr. Joseph A. Pittman as Acting Dean of the Graduate School at the college.

Dr. Pittman will serve in the post during the absence of Dean Helen G. Edmonds, who is on leave of absence to do scholarly research.

Pittman, a native of Charleston, S. C., is a nationally recognized scholar in educational research and statistics and holds the doctor's degree in Directing Educational Research from Columbia University. He has most recently served as co-director of the college's self-study program.

Dr. Pittman is a member of the American Educational Research Association, American Statistical Association, the Psychometric Society, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. His biographical sketch is included in "American Men of Science."

Dr. Edmonds is a renowned historian. She has also long been involved in national and international affairs, and was the first Negro woman to participate in the nomination of a Republican candidate for the Presidency when she seconded the nomination of Dwight D. Eisenhower for his second term. She did postdoctoral work



DR. PITTMAN

in Germany and in 1955 she lectured in Germany throughout Germany under the International Educational Exchange Service. She made a five-nation tour in 1957 for the same organization. In 1957 also she was President Eisenhower's personal representative to the dedication ceremonies of the Liberian Capitol Building.

She is the author of one of the books described by two outstanding North Carolina scholars as one of the 100 outstanding books about the state. Her book, "The Negro and Fusion Politics in North Carolina," was published by the University of North Carolina Press in 1951.

I was just thinking...

Visit to a Small Plant

I'VE JUST RETURNED from a visit to the newspaper that gave me my start in this hectic career.

The kindhearted editor didn't fire me for my stupidity and, as a result, opened a new life for me.

Today I was again filled with appreciation for that newspaper and my home-town newspaper which labors, often against impossible odds, to publish daily or weekly and meet both deadline and payroll.

Never sell the home-town newspaper short. However inferior you may consider it, you'd be lost without it. No other newspaper would be so willing to print what is vital to you and trivial to everyone else. No other cares so deeply about your town and its problems.

My home-town newspaper does, and the people who put it together care, too. They spend their days or nights in an airless little world of noise and confusion no man would tolerate in his own home but which they accept because it is an integral part of their lives.

They put up with the abuse of ignorance and the scorn of sophistication, with a press that won't run and a paper-boy who won't, either. Some days nothing fits in the pages. Other days there isn't enough to fill them. The coffee machine breaks down, or somebody has lost the paper cups. A flood destroys the equipment in the basement. An advertiser cancels the biggest ad two hours before press time. The editor's wife becomes her own baby sitter, and the circulation manager's wife is afraid she'll have to deliver their new baby herself.

Up and down Main Street the subscribers complain, "The paper never gets anything right" or "I wish we had another paper in this town" or "Anybody who'd go in the newspaper business is crazy."

Only that last comment is completely accurate. A newspaperman is a little crazy from fighting to survive in an ulcerative job of doing his best while expecting the worst. While you read your home-town newspaper today, read between the lines. There you'll find a record of your times put together with honest sweat, varying degrees of skill, and machinery occasionally held in place with baling wire.

But mostly, gentle reader, mostly with love.

Ray Johnson