

Durham To Host Annual Omega Meeting

Kroger Names Negro Co-Mgr. Local Store

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Over 5,000 Are Expected At "Que" Confab Here Apr. 25



BETA PHI OFFICERS DISCUSS CONVENTION — Officers of Beta Phi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., are shown above discussing plans for the Sixth District Convention of the Fraternity which got underway Friday, April 25

at the Durham Hotel and Motel. From left, G. C. Burthey, Keeper of Peace; Lindsey A. Merritt, Basileus and District Marshal; W. A. Marsh, Jr., Vice Basileus; Fred D. McNeill, Jr., editor; and Claude Harrison,

Keeper of Records and Seal. Not shown, C. H. Cherry, Chaplain. Some 500 delegates and guests are expected in attendance at the three day conference.

Bull City Preps For '69 Frat Convention

Some 500 delegates, their wives and children are expected to arrive in Durham this weekend for the Annual Sixth District Convention of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated which will convene at The Durham Hotel and Motel April 25-27.

Local graduate and undergraduate chapters, Beta Phi and Tau Psi respectively, are hosting the three-day conference which will draw attendance from throughout the two Carolinas.

Lindsey A. Merritt, Basileus of the Beta Phi Chapter, is serving as District Marshall for the convention and is being

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Stackhouse Holds Highest Race Position

The promotion of Robert Stackhouse to the position of co-manager of the Kroger Store of the Forest Hill Shopping Center brought many favorable comments from all sections of the Negro populace here this week as circulation of the promotion became known.

Stackhouse has been employed by the Kroger Stores Company for around 5 years in Danville, Va., where he presently resides. He is a member of the Guildfield Baptist Church and chairman of its Trustee Board. He is married to the former Miss Beatrice Wallace of Danville. The couple is the parents of two children; a daughter Trina Renee and a son Robert, Jr.

In addition to Stackhouse, Kroger Stores of Durham are presently employing a total of 18 other Negroes, many of whom are holding responsible positions.



MANAGERS of the Kroger Forest Hills Store are shown here, just after the appointment of Robert Stackhouse as Co-Manager along with Glenn

E. Woods. The store is located in the Forest Hills Shopping Center and is one of the three stores in Durham owned by

the Kroger Co. The store also has seven other Negroes employed in various departments. (Photo by Purefoy)

Total Human Eye Implant Reported

HOUSTON, Tex. — Doctors at Methodist Hospital performed Tuesday the world's first total human eye transplant, the Houston Post said.

It will be about three weeks before doctors can determine if the surgery was successful. The recipient of the right eye was John Madden, 54, owner of a Conroe, Tex., photography studio.

Two Former Durham Ministers To Conduct Revivals Next Week

Revivals at two Durham churches will get underway here next week when it was learned that two former Durham ministers, Rev. W. L. Mason of Rocky Mount and Rev. R. L. Speaks of Brooklyn, N.Y. would be engaged as guest ministers at Mt. Vernon Baptist and Mt. Olive A.M.E. Zion churches, respectively for the entire week.



REV. MASON



REV. SPEAKS

Rev. Mason was born and reared in Durham. At an early age he joined Mt. Vernon where he grew up and was ordained as minister over 50 years ago. He is presently the pastor of St. James Baptist Church in Rocky Mount. He will preach his opening sermon of the revival Sunday, April 27 at 6:30 p.m. His subject will be "Christian Convictions, The World's Needs." On Monday evening Rev. Mason will use as a subject, "What Hell Has That The Church Needs."

Rev. Speaks will open the Mt. Olive series of meetings Monday, April 28, at 8:00 p.m. He is well-known in Durham where he pastored for several years the St. Mark A.M.E. Zion Church. He presently pastors the First A.M.E. Zion Church of Brooklyn.

Morehouse President Resigns During Lock-in of Trustees

Duke U. Chaplain White Rock Church Speaker Sun. A.M.

The Reverend David E. May, Chaplain of Duke University, will be the preacher at the White Rock Baptist Church morning worship service at 11 o'clock Sunday, April 17. The congregation is worshipping at the B. N. Duke Auditorium, North Carolina College. Rev. May is a native of Winchendon, Mass. He received his A. B. Degree from Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island; the B. D. Degree, Southeastern Baptist Associate Chaplain at Dorothea Six Hospital, Raleigh; pastor Blackston Baptist Church, Blackstone, Virginia; 1966-69.

He is married to the former Nancy Tuttle of Greensboro. They have two children, Susan Elizabeth and Maria Teresa.

Plans Complete For ONSMS Durham Meet

The Executive Committee of the Old North State Medical Society announced today that all plans for the 82nd meeting of this organization had been completed. The meeting will convene at the Durham Hotel-Motel June 10-11-12th. Clinicians from Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tenn., Howard University, Washington, D. C., Duke University, Bowman Gray School of Medicine, and the Medical School of the University of North Carolina, all in North Carolina

Below is a text of the letter of resignation submitted by Morehouse College President, Dr. Hugh M. Gloster, who refused to participate in negotiations under duress with a group of Atlanta University Center students during their lock-in of Morehouse Board of Trustees on April 18 and 19:

I am in favor of increased black membership on the Board of Trustees of Morehouse College and of closer relationships among the six institutions in the Atlanta University Center, but I cannot participate in a meeting in which members of the Board of Trustees are confined in this conference room by force and are subjected to insult and intimidation. Moreover, I cannot sign any document or vote on any motion presented in such a meeting on this day when my office has been broken into and occupied.

Since I cannot be a party to concessions made under duress to a group of ten individuals including one student from Clark, one student from Morris Brown, three students from Morehouse, and four students and a teacher from Spelman and supported by a Morehouse teacher and about forty Atlanta University Center students who have locked this conference room and taken over this building, I am herewith submitting my resignation as President of Morehouse College, effective on a date to be agreed upon by the Board and myself.

Please let me thank the Board, the Faculty, the Student Body, the Alumni, and other friends of this institution for the counsel and cooperation extended to me from the time of my appointment to

Candidates Forum To Be Held April 30

Candidates in the spring municipal election will be available to the public for questions at the Meet the Candidates meeting on Wednesday, April 30. The 8 P.M. forum, sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Durham, will be held at the Central Civic Center on Foster Street and is open to the public without charge. All candidates have been invited to participate.

For the first time a panel of representatives from local newspapers will question the candidates. Panelists will be Louis E. Austin, publisher of The Carolina Times, Cornelia Olive of the Durham Morning Herald, Elizabeth Tornquist of the North Carolina Anvil, and Owen Bishop of The Durham Sun.

Mrs. Joel Smith, president of the Durham League and member of the Executive Committee of the Operation Break-through board of directors, will moderate the program.

There are eighteen contenders for the offices of mayor and city councilman in this election. Three races will be involved in the May 3 primary. Two of the four candidates for mayor will be eliminated and one of the candidates in the three way race for the Ward V seat on the City Council will be dropped. The field of seven candidates for the three At-large Council seats will be narrowed to six. Although candidates for numbered ward seats must live within the geographical boundaries of the ward to run for that office, all registered voters in the city may vote for them.

The General Municipal Election will be held on Saturday, May 17, and the polls will be open from 6:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

Nearly 9,000 offshore oil wells have been sunk in the world's continental shelves, says the National Geographic.

Mrs. Lyda Merrick Honored By Durham Chapter of Links

Long Years of Church, Civic Service Lauded

The Durham Chapter of National Links, Incorporated, honored Mrs. Edward Richard Merrick of this city Sunday, April 20. To the very spacious new Student Union Building of the North Carolina College at Durham, came friends of the honoree from practically every walk of life. It was the celebration of the Links' annual spring Week of Achievement. Amid the most decorous setting of spring flowers, green and white motif arrangements, and against the soft background music, an atmosphere of warmth and cordiality prevailed.

Mrs. Lyda Moore Merrick was honored as being the person, who, by her own life had fulfilled the three purposes of the organization of Links—intercultural, civic and educational. Mrs. Merrick is an accomplished musician with piano and organ as specialties; a member of the Volkemia Literary Society; and, an expert with the paint brush, easel and canvas. These intercultural talents and activities she has shared broadly with her church, St. Joseph's A.M.E. and her community.

In her civic life, Mrs. Merrick was a pioneer in the Dorcas Club, so named of Biblical fame, and which has ministered to the poor and the needy. As a pillar in the Colored Women's Federated Clubs, she has been dedicated supporter of the Girls' Training School of Kinston, for more than thirty years—and long before the state of North Carolina accepted the training of delin-

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HONORED—The local chapter of the National Links, Incorporated, honored Mrs. Edward Richard Merrick Sunday, April 20 in the new Student Union Building at North Carolina

College at Durham. Friends of the honoree from practically every walk of life were on hand to honor her. It was the celebration of the Links' annual spring Week of Achievement.

Shown in the above picture from l. to r. are Mrs. Minnie P. Spaulding, pres. of Durham Links; Mrs. Lyda Merrick, honoree and Mrs. E. L. Randolph, mistress of ceremonies.

N. C. State Beauticians Convention Opening Session At St. Joseph's Sun.

The annual meeting of the North Carolina State Beauticians and Cosmetologists Association will begin here Sunday, April 27, at 3:30 p.m. at St. Joseph's A.M.E. Church. The Rev. Phillip R. Cousin, pastor, is scheduled to deliver the opening message.

The theme of the annual session, which will be presided over by Mrs. Margaret Minor, state president, of the N. C. Association is "Looking Upward."

Visiting the annual session during the convention will be



MRS. MINOR



MRS. WHICKHAM



MRS. SIMS

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