

Welcome 44th Annual Session National Bar Association

Halifax Teacher Appeals Verdict In Pupil Assault Case

Lawyers Barely Miss Coming to Blows in Court

HALIFAX—The case of Mrs. Pattie Black Cotton, 28, a black teacher at William R. Davie High School, resulted in a verdict of "guilty" of assaulting one of her pupils in District Court here Tuesday, July 22. Chief Judge J. T. Maddrey denied a motion by defense attorney James R. Walker, Jr. of Weldon, asking that the charges be dismissed.

Perry Martin of Rich Square, the private prosecution attorney hired by the prosecuting witness, Mrs. Marvin W. Tanner, was among other things, the main objection of a five-page legal document presented to Judge Maddrey when the case opened. In asking for the dismissal, Walker charged that the "defendant objects to Representative Perry Martin as private prosecutor against the defendant upon the grounds that he was private prosecutor against defendant's counsel in several cases where there was no probable cause and will prosecute this case without probable cause and for the purpose of winning votes from white racists in his bid for Governor of this State in 1972." Walker further pointed out that teachers in the public schools of North Carolina have been "given duties and exemptions from criminal assault prosecutions by law.

The bench allowed however, one amendment to the warrant, which originally charged Mrs. Cotton with assault with a deadly weapon, explained in the warrant as a ruler; the word "feloniously" being stricken from the warrant, leaving the defendant—charged with assault.

The jammed courtroom was often disorderly as various points were brought up and spectators engaged in loud snickers and laughter.

The case grew out of charges pressed by Mrs. Marvin Tanner, white, after her 10-year-old son alleged that he had been whipped 10 times by Mrs. Cotton, with a ruler, receiving bruises about his hips.

Walker also brought out during the trial (See HALIFAX page 2A)



HONORED AT DUKE — Two Duke Hospital nursing service employees were recognized for their outstanding length of service to the hospital at a special reception recently. From left are Mercer Morgan and Herbert Williams, both talking with Robert Tuthill, director of personnel at Duke Medical Center, Morgan has worked 39 years at Duke and Williams 38.

Mt. Vernon To Present Gospel Singer At St. Mark AMEZ Aug. 11

The Mount Vernon Baptist Church will present J. Robert Bradley of Nashville, Tennessee in a Pre-Convention Musical to the Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign Missionary Convention, North Carolina Auxiliary, General Baptist State Convention, at St. Mark AMEZ Zion Church here, Monday evening, August 11 at 8:00 o'clock. Bradley will be supported by a choir composed of choir members of the various churches of Durham. The program will consist of solo numbers by Bradley, musical numbers selected and directed by Bradley and special features of the various choirs.



BRADLEY.

Bradley was discovered on the streets of Memphis, Tennessee by the late Miss Lucie E. Campbell, composer and conductor. His rich, deep, bass

baritone voice has been heard with delight in Norway, Sweden, The British Isles, Denmark, Germany, Finland, Paris, Rome, Mexico City and in many principal cities of the United States. He has been guest soloist at four sessions of the World Baptist Alliance.

Dr. A. M. Townsend, Secretary Baptist Publishing Board, said of Bradley that "There seems to be a tendency to get away from fervency of spirit and song that characterized the church and altar worship of other days, and which contributed so much to the establishment of our religion. Mr. Bradley has kept the standard of church music of his people's past inviolate from the jazz and rock 'n roll of this day." A devoted hymn singer, Bradley is presently Director of Church Music of the Baptist Sunday School Publishing Board and Director of the National Sunday School and B. T. U. Congress Music Program.

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Expect Over 300 Lawyers At Meet Here July 29-August 2

Many Speakers Of Note Listed On Program

The National Bar Association's Forty-fourth Annual Convocation in session here at the Durham Hotel and Motel July 29 through August 2 is slated to present several speakers of national note. Over 300 lawyers are expected to be in attendance.

The Honorable Sidney A. Jones, Jr., Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Chicago, Ill.; the Honorable Robt. Morgan, Attorney General for the State of North Carolina; and the Honorable George Crockett, Judge of Recorder's Court, Detroit, Mich., head the list of eminent barristers speaking during the Association's five-day meet.

Charles M. Waugh, President of NBA, in his program greetings to members and guests stated: "We are dedicated and committed to the purpose and goals of those stalwart visionaries who founded the National Bar Association and we pledge to continue to lead the fight and to vigorously develop and implement new programs to insure their fulfillment." The theme selected by the NBA is: "Crisis and Challenge: The Black Lawyer 1969." Other national officers are William E. Peterson, president-elect; Geo. D. Covington, 4th vice president; Allie Latimer Weeden, executive secretary; Harvey McCormick, assistant secretary; Elmer C. Jackson, Jr., membership secretary and past president; and C. C. Spaulding, (See LAWYERS page 2A)



THE OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS of the Entertainment Committee of the George White Bar Association, host to the 49th Annual Session of the National Bar Association to meet in Durham, July 29-August 2. The session will be held at the Durham Hotel and Motor Lodge.

From left to right they are: L. E. DeMarquis DeJarmon, co-chairman of the committee; W. G. Pearson, president of the association and C. C. Spaulding, Jr., co-chairman; not present and member of the committee is Attorney W. A. Marsh. (Photo by Purefoy)

Former Durhamite Named To Important Post With N. J. Corp.

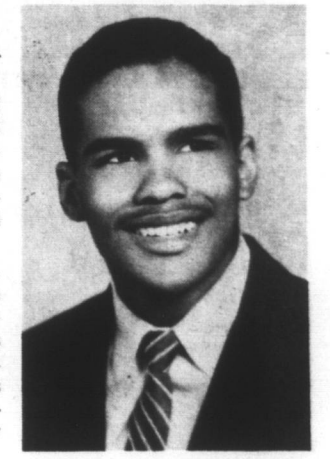
WALTER V. B. HOLMES NAMED MGR. IN COMPUTER TESTING COMPANY

The Computer Testing Corporation of Cherry Hill, New Jersey has announced the appointment of Walter Van Buren Holmes to the position of Manager of the Instrumentation Department.

He is a 1962 graduate of North Carolina State University, Raleigh, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering. On June 1, he received a Master of Arts degree in Physics from Trenton State College, Trenton, New Jersey. His career has included, in addition to the above, work

with the Radio Corporation of America, Nuclear Materials and Equipment Company and Hammer Electronics Company. He has designed several instruments now being produced under manufacturers' labels.

Holmes is the son of Mrs. Felice W. Holmes and the late Harold M. Holmes of 124 Masondale Ave., Durham. He is married to the former Miss Zelma E. Amey. They are parents of two daughters Pamela Elizabeth and Jennifer Amey Holmes.



HOLMES

Political Leaders Announce Formation of Election Fund

NEW YORK — Julian Bond, Georgia State Representative, and a group of Southern political leaders announced the formation of the Southern Election Fund. Based in the North, this Fund is channeling money and technical assistance to Black candidates throughout the South to give equal representation to Black citizens. Bond said: "The importance of the Southern Election Funds is that it will put vitally needed funds and expertise into Southern Black political campaigns and will help complete the Second Reconstruction of the South."

Another Trustee of the Fund, Congressman John Conyers (D-Michigan) said: "Unless we make inroads in the 'Cotton political curtain' in the South we will not be able to change the face of our Nation and give equal representation to all of our Southern citizens. Registration is not enough, voting is not enough and running for office is not enough, it is election to office that makes the difference." Dr. John Cashin, a Fund Trustee and Chairman of the National Democratic Party of Alabama said: "We elected, with the help of the Southern Elections Fund, 17 Black office holders throughout the state this past election; 13 were Justices of the Peace, 3 were Constables and 1 individual to a Board of Education. By the election of local governmental officials such as: Justices of the Peace, Probate Judges, County Court Clerks, Surrogates and Sheriffs, who are in touch with the public, the Southern Elections Fund hopes to build the Black electorate's confidence in the governmental process and secure for that group its fair share of representation."

N. C. Central Univ. Receives Approval For \$3,495,000

The North Carolina General Assembly approved the expenditure of more \$3 million for capital improvements at North Carolina Central University during the 1969 session.

Approximately half the expenditures approved is for a communications building, to house the various areas of language, language arts, and other forms of communications courses. Of the total appropriation of \$1,850,000, \$650,000 will be Federal Funds.

The Assembly made an immediate appropriation of \$200,000 from the General Fund to begin planning of the communications building. Other capital improvement appropriations include \$340,000 for completion of the university's chemistry building; \$425,000 for renovation of the science building; \$30,000 for replacement of an underground steam line; \$50,000 for repairs to bathrooms in Chidley Hall; and \$800,000 for athletic field improvements.

Both the Chidley Hall project and the athletic field project will be self-liquidating, at no cost to the taxpayers of the state.

LDF Seeks U. S. Protection Of Negro Mother From KKK Attacks

NEW YORK — The Justice Department was asked to protect a South Carolina mother of five children whose children have been beaten and whose house has been shot up and burned.

Jack Greenberg, Director-Counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. (LDF), sent a telegram to Attorney General John R. Mitchell in which he asked federal protection for Mrs. Victoria DeLee who has been fighting for school desegregation in Dorchester County, South Carolina, since 1965.

Ridgeville is a small town northwest of Charleston in Dorchester County, South Carolina. There are four roads leading into Ridgeville, and on all four of these roads is written in big red painted letters "Kill Tory, Kill Tory."

Tory refers to Mrs. Victoria DeLee, a black resident of Dorchester County who has been leading a school integration fight, almost by herself, since 1964.

Mrs. DeLee and her husband have five children. Mr. DeLee works for a Federal Arsenal in Dorchester County. Both parents are determined that their children will receive adequate education, but their struggle hasn't been easy and very often it's been dangerous.

On November 13, 1966, Mrs. DeLee's house and all her belongings were burned by the Klan. In fact, the Klan continues to harrass the DeLee's family without let-up. Two weeks ago, Mrs. DeLee received a threatening letter from the Klan and two days ago a Klan rally was held in a field next to her house and a five car motorcade drove slowly past her house so she could see the might of the Dorchester Klan. (See MOTHER page 2A)



REV. MACK REV. DAVIS REV. BULLOCK

Lakeview Baptist Church Holds Dedication Rites

(By MRS. MAXINE MASON)

The Reverend Grady Davis, Pastor of Union Baptist Church, Roxboro Street, delivered the Dedicatory address to a capacity audience at the Lakeview Baptist Church, Dearborn Drive, Sunday, July 27, at 3:00 p.m.

The Sunday afternoon rites culminated a week of consecration which featured nightly services at the church. Among the many ministers and choirs taking part in the services were the Reverend L. W. Reid

of the New Bethel Baptist Church; the Reverend W. E. Daye, Ebenezer Baptist Church; the Reverend J. W. Barnes, Terrell Creek Baptist Church, Hillsborough; the Reverend P. H. Amey, Orange Grove Baptist Church; the Reverend A. D. Moseley, Mt. Gilead Baptist Church; the Reverend Truitt; and Reverend Arthur Parker, Mt. Zoard Baptist Church.

Other participants in the Sunday's program were the Reverend B. A. Mack, pastor of

Lakeview Baptist Church and the Reverend Clifton Bullock; Deacon Walter Walker, who read the church history; Bennie Holman, Chairman of the Building Committee; Charles Reddish, Contractor, along with George Fuller, Henry Reddish, Sr. and Harvey Parker.

Friends of the church who have made significant contributions also made remarks. They were Mrs. Frances Clemons, Principal of Lakeview (See LAKEVIEW page 2A)



THORPE

Thorpe Named To High Office In N. C. Masons

Russell Memorial CME Church was the site here last Saturday of the election of Otis M. Thorpe of Durham as most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Holy Royal Arch Masons of North Carolina, Prince Hall Affiliation.

Thorpe's election took place at the 23rd annual convocation of the order held in this city. Thorpe fills the post of Grand Priest held by E. C. Turner, also of Durham, for the past three years.

In addition to Thorpe other officers elected were: Ernest Famon, Grand King, Charlotte; George J. Deberry, Grand Deputy High Priest, Wadesboro; Henry A. Atwater, Grand Secretary, Chapel Hill; John F. Choate, Grand Scribe, Charlotte; Clifton Stone, Grand Treasurer, Chapel Hill.