

# DURHAM'S OLDEST

# NEGRO CHURCH TO CELEBRATE CENTENNIAL OCT. 26

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### Director Calls For New System Of Selection

WASHINGTON, D. C.—"The Peace Corps is lily-white and we've got to change that," Peace Corps Director Blatchford said Monday in an interview on Boston's "soul station," WILD.

Blatchford said that upon being appointed Director of the Peace Corps he discovered that the Peace Corps selection process has been unintentionally discouraging applications from members of minority groups.

"To begin with, a 16 page application would frighten anyone, but particularly those who haven't made a career of filling out forms as have most middle-class Americans," he pointed out.

"Then there is the reference system. The Peace Corps requires a large number of written references and members of minority groups are often from backgrounds in which their friends and associates are unfamiliar with or reticent about filling out government forms. Consequently, many applications from members of minority groups never get processed. They lack the proper number of references," he said.

Blatchford noted that the result of this system has been that black Americans who applied for the Peace Corps were three times less likely to be selected. He also said that in the past training has not been geared to the needs of minority group members.

He stated that the application form will be simplified and reduced in size, and references obtained either in person or by phone where necessary.

"We are not looking toward a quota system of any kind. We don't even keep records according to racial background, although everyone who has (See PEACE CORPS 10A)

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## Whitney Young Jr. Blasts U.S. War Effort In Vietnam



**CHARGED WITH 1,730 FELONIES**—These 24 students of San Fernando Valley State College in California are on trial in the Superior Court, Los Angeles, for acts allegedly committed during campus disturbance last November: From left, front row—Lidwina Apo (Hawaiian),

Arnold Boyd, George Brady, Benjamin Caraveo (Mexican-American), Archie Chatman and Jethro Collins; second row—Vaye Crockett, Eddie Dancer, Deardis Davis, Robert Dyer, Larry Hardison, Arrinta Holloway; third row—La Frida Jamison, Howard Johnson, Arthur

Judge Jones, Jr., Shelton Jones, Marian Kindle, Robert Lewis; Fourth row—Linda Nichols, Marita E. Pette, Yvonne Robinson, Leaman Scott, Michael Wrice and Sharon Emory. All are being defended by NAACP lawyers.

### Asian Conflict Seen as Cause For Division

NEW YORK — For some time now I have viewed this country's agony in Vietnam with a sense of deepening distress.

Day after day, month after month, our involvement in the war on distant Asian soil has sharpened the divisions and frustrations among the people of this country as no other issue has in recent history.

I am totally convinced that Vietnam is tragically diverting America's attention from its primary problem — the urban and racial crisis — at the very time that crisis is at flash point.

I am totally convinced that Vietnam has increased tensions in the United States Armed Forces as a direct result of frustrations and bitterness growing out of this war. What started out as the best example of racial teamwork is rapidly eroding and is adding to the already severe tensions in the black community.

I am totally convinced that this war has an extra dimension for black people that it does not have for many whites. We are suffering doubly. We are dying for something abroad that we do not have at home.

At the same time we are victims of backlash among the white majority — a backlash greatly sharpened by the tensions of the war. By a strange twist of human folly the groups that are most at odds in our country today — whites and blacks from working class and poor families — are those whose young men are dying in disproportionate numbers in

(See YOUNG 10A)

### HUD Official is Speaker at KC Groundbreak'g

KITTRELL—Samuel C. Jackson, Assistant Secretary for Metropolitan Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development will be the principal speaker during Fall Convocation and Groundbreaking Exercises at Kittrell College.

"The College That Cares" will be the theme for the one-day exercise which begins 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, October 22, and the public is invited to hear Mr. Jackson in the Reid Gymnasium on campus. He will be addressing students and guests primarily on Kittrell's giant leap forward developing a new "System of Instruction."

Jackson, a graduate of Washburn University and the Washburn School of Law, brings to HUD a long and distinguished record both as a lawyer and public servant. In addition to his responsibilities as Assistant Secretary for Metropolitan at HUD, Jackson serves as General

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### St. Joseph's Observes One Hundredth Yr.

St. Joseph's AME Church, the oldest Negro church in Durham will begin its one hundredth anniversary celebration Sunday, October 26.

From humble beginnings in a grassy field, St. Joseph's has grown in the past century to a most impressive edifice at 804 Fayetteville Street. Only six members were on the rolls August 20, 1869 when Rev. Edian Markham officially organized St. Joseph's.

Markham, who founded the African Methodist Episcopal Church in Durham, was a self-educated ex-slave that followed a call to missionary work to the Tarheel State and Durham. Arriving here in 1868, Markham purchased from Mrs. Minerva Fowler a parcel of land on which to erect a church. He later donated the land on which the St. Joseph's Church now stands.

The original building was a log structure, and the first name of the church was Union Bethel. However, officers of the church later laid plans for a brick structure to be renamed St. Joseph's. By this time, Rev. Markham had left to serve in another field, leaving the church with fifteen members.

The founder was followed by Lewis Edwards who was later succeeded by George Hunter. Hunter built the first frame church. This was followed by another more stately frame structure before a brick build-

ing was raised.

### Mrs. Nannie L. Stewart Union Bapt. Speaker

The Union Baptist Church pastored by Dr. Grady D. Davis will present its Annual Woman's Day services Sunday, October 26 at 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. respectively.

Mrs. Nannie Leonard Stewart of the Mount Vernon Baptist Church will be the guest speaker at 11:00 a.m. service. Mrs. Stewart received her B.S. de-



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gree from State College, Winston-Salem, M.A. degree from North Carolina Central University at Durham and has done further study at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Columbia University at New York City. Mrs. Stewart has taught from pre-school to college critic teaching with extensive experience in organizing and guiding children and youth of all ages in North Carolina, Georgia, Pennsylvania and New York. She is now specializing in Early Childhood Education with Emphasis on Child Growth and Development. Miss Annie M. Dunigan will preside during the morning service. Music will be rendered by the Women's Chorus directed by Mrs. D. V. Reaves. Mrs. Lucilla Fuller is chairman of the Woman's Day. A fellowship dinner will follow the morning service.

Under the supervision of Rev. J. E. Jackson. Proof of St. Joseph's place in history is ample and authenticated. From "Boyd's History of Durham" there is the following quote: "The Church of course, is the oldest Negro institution in Durham. The first congregation in point of time is Saint Joseph's African Methodist Episcopal. It was founded in 1869, and the first church building was a little log house about a half a block from the present edifice on Fayetteville Street. The first pastor was Edium who, in addition to preaching on Sunday, taught school on week days. The second church to be organized was the White Rock Baptist. For its origin the congregation is deeply indebted to Margaret Faucett, who about 1875 open her house to few Negro Baptists who desired a place to worship. She gave the first dollar toward a church building, which was a small frame structure on Pettigrew Street."

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For the past century a great many of Durham's Negroes have crossed the portals of St. Joseph's to worship as their conscience directed. From the smallest to the greatest, none were turned away. The church counts among its membership many of the most illustrious religious and civic leaders of the city.

Over the years, St. Joseph's has stood like a proud beacon casting its never failing light through the swirling turmoil

around it. It has weathered many storms, and is now fighting to overcome the grasping tentacles of urban renewal. The four day observance will begin with worship services Sunday morning. Guest speaker for the 11:00 a.m. services will be Bishop G. W. Baber, of Washington, D. C. who is Presiding Prelate of the Second Episcopal District.

At 7:00 p.m. there will be a (See ANNIVERSARY 10A)

### Dr. James R. Lewis Appointed to Faculty of UNC Dental School

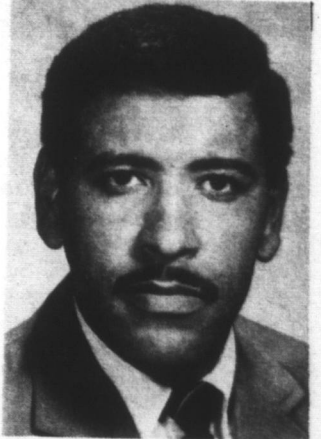
CHAPEL HILL—Dr. James R. Lewis has been appointed an instructor in the School of Dentistry at the University of North Carolina here.

The announcement was made this week by Dr. James W. Bawden, dean of the Dental School.

Dr. Lewis will instruct in the Division of Hospital Dentistry in the Department of Dental Ecology.

A native of Asheboro, Dr. Lewis is a graduate of North Carolina Central University at Durham where he received the bachelor of science degree in chemistry. His professional training was completed at the College of Dentistry, Howard University, Washington, D. C. where he earned the doctor of dental surgery degree in 1968.

Upon completion of professional training, Dr. Lewis completed a one-year rotating den-



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tal internship at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Albany, New York.

Dr. Lewis is a member of Chi Delta Mu medical and dental (See DR. LEWIS page 10A)

### Annual Home Office Mid-Year Confab of NIA Convenes in Fla.

CHICAGO — Sixty executives of Negro-owned life insurance companies will pursue the subject, "How to recapture the Black Market," when the Sixth Annual Home Office Mid-Year Conference of the National Insurance Association meets in Tampa, Fla., October 23-25, according to James H. Browne, NIA vice president and president of Crusader Life Insurance Co. of Kansas City, Kansas.

The conference is part of the association's ongoing program to raise standards and improve practices among its members. All sessions will be held at the Manager Motor Hotel.

Browne will deliver the keynote address at the opening session. A college president, a professor management, an underwriting inspections specialist (See NIA MEET page 10A)

## President Names NCM Insurance Official To Urban Renewal Post



**HONORED FOR LANDSCAPING**—Murray J. Marvin (left) representing North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, received a Certificate of Merit Award from Secretary of Agriculture

Clifford M. Hardin (right) during ceremonies in Washington, D. C. on Wednesday (October 15) for the 17th Annual Landscaping Awards Program of the American As-

sociation of Nurserymen. The company was cited for the unusual landscaping design and maintenance of the grounds of the North Carolina Mutual Building.

### Marvin One of Three Blacks on Task Force

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The President this week announced the establishment of a Task Force on Urban Renewal. The task force, another in the series to make recommendations for 1970 and beyond, will be chaired by Miles L. Coleman, a consulting economist in Washington, D. C. The task force will examine the current status of the federal urban renewal program, evaluate the results of its operations to date, and make recommendations concerning the future direction of the program.

The eleven man Task Force on Urban Renewal has three black members: Attorney Marjorie M. Lawson of Washington; Murray J. Marvin, Director of Corporate Planning at North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company in Durham; and Dempsey J. Travis of Sivart Mortgage Company of Chicago.

The focus of the work of this Task Force will be with the planning and implementation of the human considerations connected with urban renewal rather than the loan and grant provisions of the legislation.

### Fewer Smokers

WASHINGTON —The average person is smoking four or five packs of cigarettes fewer this year than in 1968, according to the Agriculture Department.

Economists said in a "tobacco situation" report smoking-health publicity and rising cigarette prices are driving down the average person's use of cigarettes.

## NCCU Homecoming Begins Fri. Oct. 31 With Crowning of Queen

'A New Name in Progress' will be the theme of North Carolina Central University's annual Homecoming Week which begins Friday with the coronation of Miss NCCU, Miss Jean Wright of Richmond, Va.

The coronation will be held Friday, October 24, at 8 p.m. in B. N. Duke Auditorium. A reception will follow at 8:45 p.m. in the Alfonso Elder Student Union.

On Tuesday, the Alfonso Elder Student Union will be

the site of "An Hour with Miss Homecoming." The time of the reception for Thelma Craig, Miss Homecoming, a Monroe senior, is indetermined.

At 7:30 p.m. Wednesday the Maroon and Gray Day Fashion Show will be presented in B. N. Duke Auditorium.

Activities on Halloween night will include a Hipple Mock Funeral at 7 p.m. in B. N. Duke, a bonfire at 8:30

p.m. at Upperclasswomen's Dormitory, an "NCCU turns 'U' On" event at 11 p.m., and an outdoor social and dance which begins at 11:30 p.m. either in the Upperclasswomen's Dormitory area, or in case of inclement weather in Women's Gymnasium. Activities will move to Women's Gymnasium at 3 a.m., when the Dawn Dance begins.

An alumni open house and hospitality hour will be held (See HOMECOMING 10A)