He who comes to do good knocks at the gate; he who loves finds the door open. -Rabindranath Tagore

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N. C. Governor To Become Chairman SHREB Board In Sept.

Black Theater Object Of Early Morning Dynamite Blast

Building Badly Damaged By 12:30 a.m. Explosion in Building

An explosion which did extensive damage to the Your Own Thing Theater building and damage of a less extent to adjoining buildings occurred here Tuesday around 12:30 a.m.

The explosion, the source of which was not at first known, was later designated as dynamite by the investigation of the local police force and U. S. Army demolition ex-

Several witnesses said they saw a car pass by the theater just before the explosion occurred. None of them were

able to determine whether the dynamite, which later proved to be two or three sticks, was thrown from the car or

Happily no one was injured in the explosion, the damage being confined entirely to that which happened to the theater the adjoining Biltmore Grill and the Harambee Shop which had their windows blown out.

The theater building is owned by G. W. Logan, retired theater operator of Durham. He stated that it will be (See BLAST page 2A)



CONGRATULATIONS - Wes- ing the graduation ceremony Clifford C. Sommer (center) ley F. Queen of Baltimore, Md., for 21 graduates of the first Vice President of A. B. A. and president of the graduating Management Training Program Donald E. Sneed, President, class, is being congratulated sponsored jointly by the Na- Unity Bank & Trust Company by Dr. Edward D. Irons, Exe-tional Bankers Association and of Roxbury, Mass. Mr. Queen cutive Director of the Nation- the American Bankers Associa- trained at the Continental Illial Bankers Association, follow- tion. Other participants were: nois National Bank in Chicago.

State's Chief Executive Robert Scott Named To Important Post

Robert W. Scott of North Carolina will become chairman of the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) in September, succeeding Governor Buford Ellington of Tennessee.

Other officers of the Board for 1970-71 are Dr. Robert C. Edwards, president of Clemson University, who was reelected vice chairman, and State Senator Paul W. Manns of Bowling Green, Virginia, secretarytreasurer. Senator Manns succeeds State Senator Walter A. Holden of West Virginia.

The new chairman became governor of North Carolina in January, 1969, after serving as lieutenant governor from



GOV. SCOTT 1964-68. He is a graduate of North Carolina State Univer-

two terms as chairman of SREB; his first term was in 1960-61 and his second term was for 1969-70.

SREB, operating agency of the nation's first interstate compact for higher education, cooperates with educators, government officials, and civic leaders to further the South's effort to provide quality educational opportunity for its citizens.

The Board was created in 1948 at the direction of the Southern Governors' Conference and served 15 states.

The election of officers was held at SREB's annual meeting in Houston, Texas,

Rankin Named NCCU Security Chief Dr. Whiting Announces

Guy R. Rankin has been named Chief of Security at North Carolina Central University, President Albert N. Whiting announced recently.

Ranklin, captain of Vanguard Security Agency in Durham, will assume duties at N. C. Central on July 1.

He is a former member of the Metropolitan Police Department and the Reserve Police Corps, Washington, D. C., and was previously employed as training instructor for a Washington-based security firm and as chief investigator for another security firm in the D. C. area for four years.

Rankin is a graduate of Theodore Roosevelt High School, Washington; and of Montgomery Junior College, Takoma Park, Maryland. He attended District of Columbia Teachers College.

He is an associate member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, a professional association of law enforcement officials and executives of private security agen-



RANKIN

The new security chief is a member of Omega Psi Phi fraternity.

"I am deeply concerned about problems related to narcotics," Rankin said. "I am primarily interested in eliminating the pusher and aiding the user."

He said he would institute a new training program for NCCU security officers. "The (See RANKIN page 2A)

21 Black Bankers Graduate from NBA, ABA Sponsored Program

WASHINGTON, D. C. -Twenty-one black bankers, trained to assume management Training Program sponsored jointly by The National Bankers Association and The American Bankers Association.

"These first blacks enter banking at the management level through a specially designed career program, bringing us one step closer to our goal of a banking industry more responsive to the black community," said Donald E. Sneed, President, Unity Bank & Trust Company of Roxbury, Mass., in addressing the graduation ceremony. He was pinchhitting for William R. Hudgins,

First Vice President of N.B.A, which represents the nation's 24 predominantly black-

"Approximately half of i

these first trainees will begin working in black-owned banks fulfilling the initial purpose of the training program," said (See BANKERS page 2A)

Mother of Walter G. Rhodes

husband.

WILMINGTON - Mrs. Minnie G. Rhodes, 88, widow



MRS. RHODES

of Willie G. Rhodes, died here at the home of her son, Royce Tuesday, June 23, at 2:00

p.m., following an illness of three weeks. She was a native of Onslow County where she lived until 1922 when she moved to Wilmington with her

Funeral services will be held at the Mt. Olive A.M.E. Church in Wilmington Friday at 4:00 p.m. The Rev. Albert Humphrey, pastor of the Church, will officiate and deliver the eulogy.

Surviving are eight children including three daughters as follows: Mesdames Edna Hawkins, Helen Delmoor and Miss Esther Rhodes, all of Philadelphia. The sons are Walter G. Rhodes of Durham; Victor of Saratoga Springs, N. Y.; Roosevelt and William of Philadelphia, Pa. and

UL 60th Anniversary to be Observed in July

National Urban League will mark its 60th year in the front line of the battle for human rights when it holds its annual conference in New York City from July 19 to July 22.

More than 3,500 delegates and guests will attend the League's 60th anniversary meeting, which is expected to be the most important race relations forum in the country this year.

Much of the 4-day confer-(See NUL page 2A)

FLASH By Special Wire E. Washington Rhodes, Edi-

tor-Publisher of THE PHILA-DELPHIA TRIBUNE died in the Mercy Douglass Hospital Wednesday morning, after an illness of two weeks.

He had suffered a heart attack within a week after his return from a six-week overseas trip which included three African countries and several European cities. Funeral services are scheduled in Philadelphia, Sunday, 5, P.M.



RHODES



TOKEN OF APPRECIATION-1 of appreciation from the Hill- after 41 years of service with James M. Schooler receives side High School Class of 1941. the Durham City School sysfrom Mrs. Medessa W. Justice Mr. Schooler retired recently tem. Paul Revere Bowl as a token

UOCI Sponsors "Miss Black **Durham'' Event**

MISS BLACK DURHAM-Sis ter Gennell Purcell, a secretary at Operation Breakthrough was crowned Miss Black Durham at t'h e "Miss Black Durham" Beauty Pageant to be held at Craftman's Lounge, Sunday, June 21st. The pageant was sponsored by UOCI. Sister Purcell was crowned by UOCI's Executive Director, Ben Ruf-

Sister Purcell, will be the official hostess for the state Miss Bronzeville Contest to be held in Durham at the Durham Business College Auditorium Saturday, June 27 at 8. M. Sixteen Black beautiful young ladies will be seeking the crown of Miss North Carolina in the National Miss Bronzeville Contest to the held in New York City in August. The National Bronzeville Contest is sponsored by Professional Sports, Inc., an organization of Black Professional Athletes. Judges for the state pageant

Honorable Howard Lee, May or of Chapel Hill; Miss Carol Price, New York City, a former Miss Bronzeville, now Executive Secretary of Miss Bronzeville USA; Mrs. Thomas Moss, Orangeburg, South Carolina, Director of the South Carolina Bronzeville Pageant and Thad Olive, Atlanta, Georgia, Financial Director, Voter Education

will be:

Spurs LDF Damage Suit in Ga. AUGUSTA, Ga. - In the | and approval of the sheriff and

absence of criminal prosecution, attorneys of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. (LDF) filed suit in U.S. District Court here this week on behalf of the mother of a 16-year-old mentally retarded youth who died in jail after a series of savage beatings by fellow inmates.

The death is believed to have sparked the recent protests in Augusta during which six men were killed. Representing Mrs. Cornelia

Oatman in her suit for the recovery of over \$1 million in damages, the LDF maintains that her son Charles had been confined illegally to Richmond County Jail on April 8, 1970 and was subjected to repeated assaults, "with the knowledge

jailer," which resulted in the boy's death on May 9.

According to LDF attornevs, the victim's incarceration in the county jail was illegal since he was a minor, already under the jurisdiction of the Richmond County Juvenile Court, and should have been sent to a youth detention

center. The complaint charges that Sheriff E. R. Atkins and Jailer James R. Powell took no action to prevent the continued physical abuse of the victim or to provide medical treatment for the bruises, lacerations, and cigarette burns which he bore from numerous attacks.

LDF attorneys assert that (See BEATING page 2A)

Fatal Beating of Youth in Jail Booker T. Hawkins Killed In Automobile Mishap In S. E. Asia

Mr. Booker T. Hawkins, son of the late J. A. Hawkins and Mrs. Blanch Hawkins, was born in Cary, February 3, 1916. He died June 17, in Southeast Asia as a result of injuries.

Employed as chief civilian automotive specialist for the U. S. Army Detroit Tank arsenal for several years, his work took him to Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, Viet Nam and other parts of the Far East. A graduate of Hillside High School, Hawkins took a degree in automotive engineering from Hampton Institute in 1949 after spending four years in the U. S. Army. He graduated in an Army Logistics Management Course from



HAWKINS United States Army Logistics Management Center, Fort Lee, Virginia, November 24, 1965.

of the historic battle of the bulge in World War II end was with the late General George Patton's troops when the Allies entered Germany.

He joined the U. S. Army Arsenal civilian staff more than ten years ago. As an automotive specialist, he was concerned with the development of all Army vehicles and with suggestions from manufacturing engineers on improvements.

At an early age, he joined White Rock Baptist Church. He was a member of the Detroit Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity.

His survivors include one (See HAWKINS page 2A)



SISTER GENNELL PURCELL