

## NCC University Honors 25 Year Veterans

North Carolina Central University will honor 14 faculty and staff members who are completing their 25th year of university employment at a reception at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, April 28, in the university's W.G. Pearson Cafeteria.

Also to be honored are 13 faculty and staff members who have retired during the year or who are scheduled to retire at the end of the academic year.

Dr. Wiley T. Armstrong, chairman of the university's Board of Trustees, will present mementos of the occasion to both groups during the reception.

The 25-year veterans, who will be inducted into the university's Quarter Century Club, are as follows: Miss Mary Bohanon, Assistant Professor of English, Dr. Marjorie Browne, Professor of Mathematics, Mrs. Maria B. Creed, Admissions Officer, Mr. Robert G. Duncan, Grounds Foreman, Mrs. Alice N. Farrison, Instructor of English, Dr. Ruth N. Horry, Professor of Modern Foreign Languages, Mr. William Jones, Vice Chancellor for Financial Affairs, Mrs. Floree R. McLaughlin, Assistant Registrar, Mr. James E. Parker, Coordinator for the Learning Resources Center, Mrs. Marion D. Spaulding, Stenographer, Officer of the Undergraduate Dean, Mr. George T. Thorne, Vice Chancellor for Financial Affairs, Dr. Ezra L. Totton, Professor of Chemistry, Mr. John V. Turner, Assistant Professor of Business Education, Dr. James W. Younge, Professor of Physical Education.

Among those who retired during the year or who will retire at the end of the year are Mrs. Iley Gooden, Housekeeping Assistant, Mrs. Ophelia Grandy, Counselor-Instructor, Mrs. Louise H. Graves, Assistant Professor of Library Science, Dr. Christina Greenberg, Associate Professor of Modern Foreign Languages, Mrs. Ann J. Jenkins, Assistant Professor of Library Science, Mr. Milton E. Johnson, Professor of Law, Mr. William Jones, Vice Chancellor for Financial Affairs, Miss Evelyn Pope, Assistant Professor of Library Science, Dr. Robert P. Randolph, Director of Health Service, Mrs. Hattie S. Scarborough, Purchasing Officer, Mr. James Stevens, Assistant Professor of Physical Education, Dr. E.L. Totton, chairman and Professor of Chemistry, and Mr. William White, Storeroom Manager.

## NCCU Holds Law Activities Day April 20-21

Law Day activities, traditionally held on May 1, were observed by NCCU School of Law on April 20-21. Most schools have had to move up the annual national celebration due to earlier closing schedules.

Law Day is an annual celebration supported by all the various bar associations and law schools in the United States to promote respect for an understanding of the rule of law in insuring the commitment of everyone's rights.

With a theme of "Hope or Oppression," The Honorable Senator LeRoy Johnson, Atlanta, Georgia and NCCU Law School graduate challenged the audience by reminding them that there is indeed hope for all as we look to the law and it was the young law school graduates and lawyers who must lead the way away from the many hypocrasies found within the (Continued On Page 2B)



**FIRST PIN**—Gloster B. Current (right), NAACP Director of Branches and Field Administration, pins the first 1974 membership campaign button on the lapel of Executive Director Roy Wilkins. The message on the button is "100,000 More in '74." That number of new memberships has been pledged to Mr. Wilkins as part of the 65th anniversary observances of the nation's oldest civil rights organization. Presentation was made during the kick-off of metropolitan New York's campaign which took the form of a choir contest held on April 7 at the Walker Memorial Baptist Church. The pledge to increase NAACP membership was contained in a scroll presented to Mr. Wilkins by NAACP Board Chairman Stephen Gill Spottswood. (George Frye photo)

## St. Augustine's Announces 107th Baccalaureate Exercise

Dr. Prezell R. Robinson, president of Saint Augustine's College, has announced that the 107th Baccalaureate Commencement Exercises will be held on Sunday, May 5, at 3:00 p.m. on the Campus Quadrangle. The speaker for the occasion will be The Rev. Dr. M. Moran Weston, rector, Saint Philip's Episcopal Church, New York City, and chairman of the Board of Trustees, Saint Augustine's College. The Flag Raising ceremony will take place at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, May 5, on the Quadrangle, and the Flag Lowering, following Commencement Exercises.

Other events on the calendar will include Senior Night, on Thursday, May 2, at 7:00 p.m. in the College Union; Alumni Day, Saturday, May 4, with Alumni Registration and Coffee Hour beginning at 8:30 a.m., and the General Alumni Meeting at 9:30 a.m., both in the Bover Amphitheater. The Alumni Luncheon will be in the College Union at 1:00 p.m. A Coffee Hour will be held in the President's Home from 3:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m., and the President Reception from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m., and the President's Reception from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. in the College Union. The Alumni Dance will begin at 9:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in the Downtown Ballroom.

## State Conference Of NAACP Opens Office In Raleigh

RALEIGH—In an effort to be more effective in North Carolina and to project its program with greater push, the N.C. State Conference of NAACP Branches, opened an office, 15 W. Hargett St. The office is manned by Peter Stanford, experienced lobbyist and native of Burgaw.

Mr. Stanford has been personnel director for large corporations in New York and California, along with having done a considerable amount of work in social service and civil rights.

The office is set up on the order of the Washington Bureau and will have close contact with that office and the national office. In its initial step, it is reported as having worked very closely with members of the recent General Assembly. It served to keep the people of North Carolina aware of bills prepared and introduced to the legislature. In the report rendered to the State Conference, April 23, it was revealed that the members of the law making body were quite conscious of the participation and had shown a willingness of cooperate.

The office will keep a record of the way members vote on legislation that has to do with reforms and minority interest. It will also alert N.C. citizens as to the necessity of registering their likes and dislikes about their actions. Its prime objective is to acquaint minority citizens with their



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rights and to open up a better line of communication between them and their elected officials.

The leaders of the State Conference are reported to be pleased at what the bureau has done and asks those interested in the program of the organization, to use the office to keep it informed as to the pulse beat of their respective communities.

Mr. Alexander announced that May, 19 is being planned as "Roy Wilkins Day, throughout the state. The Freedom Fund Drive will end that day in Raleigh, when the "NAACP Mothers" will report the monies raised for the cause of freedom, at the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium. The membership drive will also end that day and Wilkins will be the speaker. The goal for North Carolina is 5,000 new members. The chairman, H.B. Seets, Roxboro, reports that the drive is moving nicely and feels that Mr. Wilkins will receive a list showing that the state has reached its quota.

Chas. A. McLean, field director, sent out a SOS last week, setting forth the fact that the release of Sam Poole from "Death Row" was magnificent, but warned that there were more Sam Pooles, not only inside of prison walls, but in many other places, where their freedom was in jeopardy and their rights violated.

## A&T Chancellor Commencement Speaker At SCSC

ORANGEBURG, S.C.—Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy, chancellor of North Carolina A&T State University and president of the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges, will deliver the principal address at the 78th combined baccalaureate commencement exercises at South Carolina State College on May 19 at 3 p.m. in Smith Hammond-Middleton Memorial Center.

Degrees will be conferred upon some 580 candidates including 410 degrees from Allen University, the M.S. and L.L.D. from Indiana State College and a doctorate from Indiana University.

He has been the chief administrative officer of A&T University for the past 10 years, becoming president in 1964 after serving as acting president for almost two years. In July of 1973, A&T became a part of the University of North Carolina System and Dr. Dowdy was named chancellor.

During his ten years as head of A&T University, Dr. Dowdy has reorganized the university's curriculum and brought national accreditation to the schools of the University.

## N. C. Attorney General Visits NCCU Law School April 30

North Carolina Attorney General Robert Morgan spoke to students at the North Carolina Central University School of Law at 12:15 p.m., Tuesday, April 30.

Morgan arrived at NCCU at 11:30 Tuesday morning. He held a brief press conference at that time in the law school reading room. After the press conference he met students in the school's Moot Court Room.

The attorney-general's visit was sponsored by Phi Alpha Delta legal fraternity. The chief officer of the NCCU chapter,

## National Baha'i Convention Held April 25-28

Delegates from throughout the United States will gather in Wilmette, Illinois, this month to elect the National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of the United States. The 65th annual National Baha'i Convention will be held from April 25-28 at the celebrated Baha'i House of Worship facing Lake Michigan.

Among the 176 Baha'i delegates will be Mr. Paul A. Lang and Mrs. Jean N. Scales of Durham.

The National Spiritual Assembly administers the affairs of the more than 5,000 Baha'i communities in the U.S. It is one of the 114 such nine-member Assemblies throughout the world. The National Assembly is elected each year by delegates selected by the membership at large.

A second notable purpose for this year's Convention will be the presentation to the assembled delegates of a new international teaching and consolidation plan. Developed by the Universal House of Justice, the highest administrative body of the Baha'i Faith, this new five-year plan will guide the teaching and consolidation work in the more than 300 countries and territories where the Baha'i Faith is now represented. The five-year plan will be the fourth such expansion program undertaken by Baha'is since the end of World War II.

In the decade ending in 1973 the Baha'i Faith had grown more than six-fold in the United States alone. There were Baha'is living in more than 5,000 localities across the country, and more than 200 local administrative units. Local Spiritual Assemblies had been elected. An Assembly can be elected only when nine or more adults reside in a given community. In addition thousands of Blacks joined the Baha'i Faith, particularly in areas of the South. Youth in significant numbers were also among the new converts during this period.

The Baha'i Faith revealed in Persia in 1844. Baha'u'llah was the Founder of the new religion. His title, Baha'u'llah, means "The Glory of God." As a consequence for the widespread interest His countrymen exhibited in the unifying theme of the new religion, Baha'u'llah was jailed, tortured, and ultimately banished from His homeland. The final destination of His exile was the prison of 'Akka, in what is now Israel. Baha'u'llah died in the Holy Land in 1892. At his instruction the World Centre of the Baha'i Faith was established on Mount Carmel, the seat of the Universal House of Justice.

Responding to an improved worldwide demand for their product, American cotton farmers are increasing production roughly 20 percent this year. Most of the increase is in the Mississippi Delta growing region. North Carolina isn't expected to expand.



**DR. TOOTE GETS AWARD**—The National Association of Black Women Attorney's Special Achievement Award is received by Dr. Gloria E.A. Toote (right), Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Presentation was made by Association president Mrs. Wilhelmina Jackson Rolark, a practicing attorney in Washington, D.C. Dr. Toote earned her J.D. degree at Howard University School of Law in 1954 and received her LL.M. degree from Columbia University Graduate School of Law in 1956.



**TWO LONG-TIME MORGAN STATE COLLEGE PROFESSORS**—Drs. G. James Fleming and Benjamin A. Quarles have been inducted as honorary members of Promethean Kappa Tau, the freshman sophomore honor society at Morgan State. Dr. Fleming, professor of political science, and Dr. Quarles, distinguished professor of history, will both retire at the end of the College's academic year. Dr. Fleming joined the Morgan faculty in 1954, while Dr. Quarles was appointed a year earlier, in 1953. Pictured here from left to right are: Dr. Fleming, Dr. King V. Cheek, Jr., president of the College; Marian Kay Newell, a sophomore from Baltimore, Md. who is president of Promethean Kappa Tau; and Dr. Quarles.

## Historian Compares Integration N. and S. America

The United States is the least integrated of all former slave societies in North and South America, says historian Franklin W. Knight in THE AFRICAN DIMENSION IN LATIN AMERICAN SOCIETIES (Macmillan, April 15.)

This third volume in a six-part Macmillan series on major issues in Latin America examines the patterns of racial integration on both continents.

Knight compares the position of the 20th century Afro-American in five locales: Brazil, Cuba, Puerto Rico, the British Caribbean and the U.S. to demonstrate the superior social and political status enjoyed by blacks in those areas where they have traditionally been in the majority. He shows how the U.S. has consistently presented the most serious barriers to integration, pointing out the

deterioration of race relations in Puerto Rico after it came under direct American influence.

Beginning with the early slave trade and the involuntary immigration of nine million Africans to the New World, Knight describes two kinds of colonial societies: the permanent communities of "settler America," where household slaves were a small minority, and the transient commercial settlements of "plantation America," where slave laborers greatly outnumbered their overseers.

Franklin W. Knight, professor of history at Johns Hopkins University, is the author of numerous studies of slavery and race relations, including SLAVE SOCIETY IN CUBA DURING THE NINETEENTH CENTURY.

## Jordan Hits San Francisco Police Actions

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., executive director of the National Urban League, sharply attacked the methods used by San Francisco to capture the so-called Zebra killer by curbing the rights of all black citizens there.

He charged the city has employed "dragnet" techniques that promise little success in finding the killer but which may point the way toward establishment of a police state.

Mr. Jordan's statement is embodied in his syndicated column, "To Be Equal."



**AT 104, MRS. PEARL WILLIAMS IS ACTION'S oldest Foster Grandparent.** Born May 22, 1869 on a farm in Jefferson County, Ala., she recalls that one of her family's frequent visitors was Jesse James. As a member of the Foster Grandparent Program, Mrs. Williams cares for two children at the Willows Resident School and Day Care Center in Compton, Calif. Her "grandchildren" look forward to seeing her every day. When it is time for her to leave, Mrs. Williams slips away when the children are not watching so they won't cry.