



BOW FOR THE QUEEN — A native woman executes a graceful curtsy on meeting Queen Elizabeth (center right) during a garden party at Buckingham Palace, May 9th. Shortly after this London photo was taken, a downpour caused all the guests to seek shelter in a hurry. (UPI PHOTO).

"Smear" Attempt Claimed By Three

BY J. B. HARREN

ROCKY MOUNT — This city was all agog Monday morning when citizens read in a Raleigh daily a "letter to the editor" over the alleged name of "C. Ruth Jones", address listed as "Weldon", a statement to the effect that a series of "secret meetings" had been held at the local Booker Washington high school, where an "NAACP executive committee" allegedly met. Rev. J. H. Costen as successor to the late Dr. Joseph W. Parker, Jr., as the colored member of the local school board.

The letter charged that, in addition to the Rev. Mr. Costen and Principal R. D. Armstrong, the principal's brother - Dr. W. Thurber Armstrong - was a party to the alleged "secret meetings" in an attempt to boost Costen for the School Board post. All three men have vigorously denied any complicity in the matter.

Accused by the dastardly attempt to sabotage the position of a Negro on the school board (Dr. Parker held it several years and

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Student Leaders Hold State Meet. Map Plans

ORANGEBURG, S. C. — Student anti-segregation leaders from all parts of the state wound up a two day conference at Claflin College Sunday.

The Rally, which got underway Saturday with an address by three anti-segregation protest leaders, was held on the Claflin College Campus.

The Rev. J. S. Hall, leader of

the Jan. 1, protest march on the Greenville Airport; Herbert Wright, national NAACP Youth Secretary, and Amos Brown of Morehouse College, in Atlanta, Ga., spoke to the group Sat.

The affair concluded with the "State-Wide Mother of the Year" contest at 3:30 p. m. The contest is the major fund-raising drive of the state NAACP conference.

3 AME Zion Bishops Are Elected At Conference

BUFFALO, N. Y. Three bishops were elected at the 36th session of the General Conference, AME Zion Church, which is meeting here, Saturday, after four ballots were taken. Dr. Felix S. Anderson, Dr. William M. Smith, Rev. S. Dorne Larley and Dr. W. A. Hilliard.

There was never any doubt that the four men were the favorites, in a field of more than twenty-five aspirants. Dr. Smith led the first ballot and Dr. Anderson was second with Larley and Hilliard in the third and fourth positions, respectively.

They picked up quite a number on the 2nd ballot, but neither one getting the required

number for a two-third majority. The third ballot found Anderson ahead with a total of 341, with Smith having 347. The necessary number was 312. The fourth brought the election of Larley and Hilliard had a margin of one, receiving 311, with a necessary 310.

It was expected that the two first men would be elected, but would trail Dr. Alfred Dunston, Jr., of Philadelphia. He was disqualified by the Board of Bishops, on the eve of the election, due to marital differences which the bishops ruled made him ineligible for the high office. He suffered the same fate in 1955.

'GRADY DAVIS DAY' SUN.

Attorney General Issues Order:

FBI Begins Probe Of Dixie Voting Records

Feds Enter State, Begin Investigation

MCCORMICK, S. C. — The FBI Monday was scheduled to begin a probe of McCormick County voting records to determine if Negroes have been discriminated against in registration and voting.

The investigation was ordered by U. S. Attorney General William P. Rogers under terms of the 1960 civil rights law. McCormick is one of four counties in the South under investigation.

Two FBI agents visited the county last Thursday but decided to wait to officially begin the probe since registration books were open last week.

Registration rolls closed Friday and will not reopen until July, some time after the June 14th Democratic Primary.

A number of Negroes registered last week, raising to 49 the number of qualified Negro voters in the county. Two applicants were turned down due to illiteracy.

McCormick County has some 2,900 Negroes.

'Moonshine' Syndicate Is Cracked

ROCK HILL, S. C. — Federal agents, aided by North and South Carolina officers, cracked down hard Friday on what they described as "one of the largest liquor syndicates in the Piedmont Carolinas."

The officers arrested three men and seized five vehicles and some 1,972 gallons of moonshine whisky in a raid at nearby Leslie. Four other men had been arrested earlier in North Carolina.

Federal agents, operating out of Charlotte, N. C., said, the bulk of the whisky was found at a cattle sales barn owned by William Rufus Moffitt, one of the three men arrested during the raid. They said

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White Boy Accused Of NC Assault

HALIFAX — An 18-year-old white youth was charged Friday with raping an 11-year-old Negro girl after she accepted a ride in his automobile.

Sheriff H. A. House said James Elvin Joyner of Ringwood was charged with rape and carnal knowledge. Officers

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Girl, 8, Is Raped And Killed

Churches Spotlight Dr. Davis

Sunday, May 22 has been proclaimed "Grady D. Davis Sunday" in all of Raleigh's churches.

A specially selected corps of speakers has been named by the Grady D. Davis Headquarters to speak during the 11 a. m. Sunday Church services.

These speakers will bring the church audiences up to date concerning the progress Dr. Davis is making in this race for a seat in the North Carolina General Assembly as one of the 3 representatives from Wake County.

They will also make an appeal for funds needed for the television, radio and newspaper announcements scheduled by Dr. Davis for next week.

Suspicious Va. Fire Reported

LURAY, Va. — Police were investigating a fire this week which broke out in a Negro church Thurs. to learn if it was connected with an assault on a 12-year-old-white boy by a Negro man.

A police official said the fire might have been started on purpose in retaliation for the beating of Randolph Moore, 12, by a man who dragged him from his mother's parked car and pulled him into nearby bushes Sunday.

The boy suffered from shock but was not seriously injured. A 6-foot cross was burned at the site of the attack the following night. Police at the time dismissed the cross-burning as the work of pranksters.

Police charged Glenwood Fisher, 24, with felonious assault in the beating Fisher, who was on parole from a robbery conviction at Washington, D. C., could receive up to 20 years if convicted.

ODDS-ENDS

BY ROBERT G. SHEPARD

"Ye must be born again."

ABOUT DR. I. BEVERLY LAKE. We feel that too many Negroes are becoming upset by the rantings of gubernatorial candidate, Dr. I. Beverly Lake. True, it is always well to watch your enemies but, it must be remembered that should we allow the learned doctor to get us on the war path against him, he will have us doing just what he wants us to do, make a martyr of him and thereby greatly increase his vote and financial support.

Instead of repeating and getting all hot over what Dr. Lake is saying about us, we would do well to keep an eye on the persons Dr. Lake is surrounding himself with, his campaign managers, his staff and his lieutenant on the local level. These are the people we will have to deal with in our daily lives, these are the people who have and undoubtedly will offer themselves for public office.

If the people of North Carolina want Dr. Lake for governor, they will elect him. Because of our shameful indifference and our stupid lack of interest in things political, we do not have the votes to

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POLICE COMMISSIONER DOES HONORS—Police Commissioner Stephen P. Kennedy (left) presents a civilian commendation to James H. Crouch at a ceremony May 11th. Crouch received the award for capturing a man who had just committed a burglary and was fleeing through the streets in Manhattan. (UPI PHOTO).

BY NEW YORK

Transient Arrested For Death

BLAKELY, Ga.—An unemployed New Jersey man confessed to the brutal slaying of an eight-year-old girl near her home Monday. Officers said the youngster had been criminally assaulted.

Police Chief G. H. Owen said Jimmy Fair, 24, of Yvonne, N. J., admitted killing little Evon Holmes Saturday night with an iron pipe. The girl was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bunzie Holmes, both teachers at the Washington High School here.

Owen said Fair was picked up about eight miles from where the battered boyd was found. Owen said the Negro struck the girl with an 18-inch long piece of cast iron sewer pipe found "all splattered with blood."

The parents of the girl became alarmed when their daughter disappeared from the front lawn of their home where she had been playing Saturday afternoon.

A widespread search was launched by police and deputies from the Early County sheriff's office. Coroner L. B. Jones said the little girl died about an hour before the searchers found her body near her home.

Goldsboro Cop Charged In Beating Of White Airman

GOLDSBORO—A Negro city patrolman, charged with using a nightstick to beat a white airman into unconsciousness, is free under \$500 bond pending a hearing in city court.

Court officials said Patrolman J. L. Harris will probably be tried Saturday on charges of assault with a deadly weapon for the alleged beating of A2C Joel D. Getz, 26, a native of Philadelphia.

Police Chief H. A. Lane said the airman, stationed at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base here, was beaten after running from Harris who attempted to arrest him on public drunkenness charges. Getz suffered a broken nose and bruises and lacerations on the body.

Lane said the incident occurred after Getz tried to buy a soft drink at a Negro nightspot. He said Patrolman Woodrow Bell asked Getz to leave the nightspot to avoid a racial incident.

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STATE IN BRIEF

COLEMAN LONE TAR HEEL RECIPIENT

WASHINGTON, D. C. (May 16)—A Negro county agent was the only Tar Heel to win a USDA Superior Service Award during 1959.

The agent is Maurice W. Coleman of Bertie County. The honor came at the fourteenth annual Honor Awards Ceremony here yesterday.

Coleman, a graduate of Hampton Institute, has been a county agent in Bertie since January of 1941. He was cited for "outstanding services to the people of Bertie County in raising the standard of living through higher crop yields, improved livestock program and increased home food production and conservation."

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Elks Re-Elect Battle, Mrs. Smith At Confab

BY J. B. HARREN

HIGH POINT—The 40th Annual Convention of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World (IBPOEW) closed here Wednesday last, after four days of fraternal greetings, business and pleasure, with the re-election of the Rev. Kemp Plummer Battle, Rocky Mount, to head the Tarheel IBPOEW for another two years.

Mrs. Letitia Smith, Hickory, was also retained as head of the Daughters-Elks, auxiliary of the male Elks.

The Daughters-Elks (likewise brothers) were saddened by the announcement of the death in Wilmington of a staunch state leader, Mrs. Tempie Battle McLaurin, a native of Whitakers, N. C., who was prominently identified with the religious, civic and fraternal life of

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PROTESTING STUDENT FRISKED — A Chattanooga policeman frisks a student outside a Kress store May 12th after 50 Howard High School students were arrested for refusing to leave the store premises. The students were arrested under a 1959 anti-loitering ordinance that was passed to curb juvenile disorder at a local drive-in. (UPI TELEPHOTO).

BE SURE TO CAST YOUR VOTE IN THE MAY 28TH PRIMARY.