

TRUSTEES DENY ALL OF HARRIS' CLAIMS

Shaw Prexy Supported; Harris Nixed

EDITOR'S NOTE: In a letter to the publisher of THE CAROLINIAN, Dr. John W. White, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Shaw University, comments on a news story appearing in the Sunday, December 27, edition of the Raleigh News and Observer, under the byline of Kate Blackwell. In the story, Dr. Nelson H. Harris, former interim president of the Baptist institution, and who taught at Shaw for 34 years, made several statements criticizing the new administration, headed by Dr. James E. Cheek.

The letter from Dr. White, in its entirety, follows:

The Sunday, December 27 issue of The News and Observer carried a story on the resignation of Dr. Nelson H. Harris from Shaw University which reflected unfavorably on the present administration and the Board of Trustees.

At a time when the University is making considerable progress in unifying its various constituent groups, it is unfortunate that a story of this nature would be printed without verifying with University officials the charges attributed to Dr. Harris.

The Board of Trustees has heretofore refrained from making any public announcements on the internal affairs of the University and has sought to avoid public discussion of the factors that were



DR. JAMES E. CHEEK
 ... supported by Shaw's Trustees involved in the appointment of a new president in the middle of the year.

It is assumed that in printing its story, The News and Observer feels that there are issues involved on which the public has a right to be informed. Because of the many questions directed to us by the various constituents of the University, we have prepared the enclosure.

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N. C. Man Beaten To Death

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Nab Dove Robber

Alamance Body Found By Brother

ALTAHAWHAW—Larry Williams (Shag) Farrish, 21-year-old watchman, was found beaten to death in an abandoned hosiery mill building near here Saturday.

The Alamance County Sheriff's Department said robbery is believed to have been the motive behind the death of Farrish, who lived at Route 2, Elon College.

Sheriff John Stockard said Farrish was found dead in the Old Altamahaw Hosiery Mill.

The body was discovered by Farrish's brother, Glenn Alfred Farrish, who summoned the sheriff's department. The victim had apparently been severely beaten with a blunt instrument about the head and chest.

Carl M. Crabtree, Alamance County coroner, ruled the death was caused by depressed skull.

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JOHN D. LEWIS, JR.

Pepsi-Cola Post Goes To Lewis

S. Tom Gaddy, president, Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company of Raleigh, Inc., announced Tuesday that J. D. Lewis, Jr. had been appointed Special Markets Representative for the Raleigh area, in charge of Public Relations and sales promotion effective January 1.

The appointment is in line with the national policy of the parent company, which has won for it national acclaim. Its recognition of the vast market that is available through better

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One Man Bound Over For Trial; Cops Seek Three

One of the four men accused of robbing Arthur Dove, well-known owner of Dove Music Company, E. Cabarrus Street, was bound over for trial in Wake Superior Court after being tried in a preliminary hearing in City Court Tuesday.

John Ulysses Jones, of Lynchburg, Va., one of the two Negroes involved in the

inter-racial robbery on December 17, is charged with robbing Mr. Dove and his wife, Mrs. Evelyn Wilson Dove, of over \$800 in money and a diamond ring, valued at a total of \$2,550 at their home, 1800 Charles Street.

The cops are still searching for the other Negro and two white men in connection with the daring robbery in which both the Doves were bound and gagged as was a nurse, who resides with them.

The two white men gained entry to the house by posing as FBI agents, connected with the Income Tax Division.

Once inside, they forced Mrs. Dove to open the front door, admitting two Negroes, who partially covered their faces and headed straight to the back of the house.

Compliance With CR Act Is Sought

COLUMBIA, S. C.—The first South Carolina suit seeking compliance with a restaurant with the provisions of the 1964 Civil Rights Act was filed in Federal District Court here last week by attorneys of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund.

Hil in the suit was Piggie Park Enterprises, which operates several restaurants in the Columbia area and in other cities throughout the state.

Legal Defense Fund attorneys are currently engaged in 17 suits in seven Southern states to enforce the Civil Rights Act.

In the only previous South Carolina court action under the new law, Legal Defense Fund lawyers are seeking an order that would end discrimination in Orangeburg movie theaters.

The suit against the Piggie Park restaurant chain was brought af-

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Dr. Proctor Cites Growth Of The Race

NEW YORK (UPI)—Just as the Civil Rights Law has established a "beach head" racially in the Nation, the Commission on Religion and Race has established a "beach head" in the church world, commented the top Negro executive office of the National Council of Churches.

In an exclusive interview following his election as Associate General Secretary for interpretation of NCC, Dr. Samuel DeWitt Proctor said that this is the first time the church has moved beyond the level of "intention, persuasion and moral influence" into the realm of overt action on this scale.

Referring to the 1964 report on the work of the NCC's Commission on Religion and Race, Dr. Proctor emphasized "this has caused no small stir" among the churches. The greatest development, he added, has been not the numbers of those "who are standing by the church." The Commission on Religion and Race was an outgrowth of the National Council's conference on Religion and Race held in Chicago in January, 1962.

In reply to a question on the Southern churches who had withheld funds from the NCC because of their activity in civil rights, the new leader said that the number of Methodist, Episcopal, Disciples and Presbyterian churches in the South that expressed opposition is "minuscule" compared to the number who have accepted this joint challenge issued to the country and to the churches.

Formally elected to head the NCC's communication function during the December meeting of the General Board in Des Moines, Iowa, the former president of both Virginia Union University and

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EXTEND GREETINGS FOR THE NEW YEAR—Greetings for the New Year are extended by these attractive coeds at A&T College, including from left to right: Misses Delcie Johnson, Raleigh; Shirley Jacobs, Watha; and Carla McLaughlin, Charlotte.

State's National Guard Units Integrate Quietly

For the first time in North Carolina's history the National Guard is integrated.

General Claude Bowers stated Monday that the incident was peacefully and voluntarily carried out since racial barriers were removed by the 1963 General Assembly.

Gen. Bowers also said the N. C. Guard rejoiced that President Johnson was referring to other Southern states when he said Sunday that he wanted every aspect of racial discrimination stopped in the armed forces.

The adjutant general of North Carolina said the Guard has "ten or twenty" integrated units out of a total of 92 units. He estimated there are some fifty Negroes in the Tar Heel Guard, a force of 10,500 men.

"We have had no problem at all since the law was repealed," he declared. He further said if Negroes want to join, they must take the test and will be admitted if they pass it.

President Johnson issued a state-

ment condemning segregation in all branches of the armed services, but he commented specifically on National Guard units in the various states.

His statement was in the form of a letter to Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara concerning a report by the President's Committee on Equal

Opportunity in the armed forces.

The committee found that a number of Southern states have allowed Negroes to join in recent years, but the Negro enrollment in some cases "is purely nominal."

Gen. Bowers said he does not consider this state's Guard integration as "purely nominal."

File Suit To 'Mix' Tuberculosis Hospitals

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—A suit to mix tuberculosis hospitals and hospitals was filed in Federal Court here today by attorneys of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund.

It is the first suit to integrate all of the hospitals under the jurisdiction of a state agency.

Legal Defense Fund lawyers are currently engaged in eleven other suits to desegregate the facilities in individual hospitals throughout the South. The action today represents the

attempt to bring statewide equality in Florida health facilities.

Hospitals are not covered by the provisions of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, but the Legal Defense Fund has already won several important related cases.

These hold that public hospitals receiving governmental money and licensed and regulated by state authorities must operate on a desegregated basis.

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From Raleigh's Police Files:

THE CRIME BEAT

BY CHARLES R. JONES

Catches Mate In Room With Woman

Eddie Watson, 22, of 104 Seawell Avenue, told Officer E. C. Nixson at 2 a. m. Monday, his wife, Mrs. Lois Watson, struck him twice in the chest with a small knife when she found him in the living room with a sleeping woman.

Watson declared Miss Kathleen Wilson was sleeping when his wife suddenly appeared in the room and proceeded to stab him.

He was taken to Wake Memorial Hospital for treatment of his wounds, and the cop signed a warrant against Mrs. Watson, charging assault with a deadly weapon.

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Fast Thief 'Swipes' Woman's Billfold

Mrs. Janie Martin, 31, of 734 Quarry Street, informed Officer L. Godwin at 6:30 p. m. Saturday, that she placed her billfold, containing \$30, on the dresser and when she turned around again to pick it up, it had disappeared. "I didn't even leave the room," stated the heartbroken woman.

Five other persons were in the room when the cop got there, but they readily consented to be searched by Mrs. Martin's son, who found nothing on them. No further information was listed on the report.

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DR. KING LUNCHEON GUEST—New York: The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., who won the Nobel Peace Prize for his work in the civil rights field, is chief guest at luncheon hosted by Governor Nelson Rockefeller at his Fifth Ave. apartment December 18. King has been feted in New York since returning from Stockholm December 17. Left to right are Jackie Robinson, the first Negro to play baseball in the major leagues; Mrs. Happy Rockeller; King; Rockefeller; Mrs. Coretta King; Mrs. Jackie Robinson; Mrs. Martin Luther King, Sr.; and Dr. Martin Luther King, Sr. (King's parents). (UPI PHOTO).

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WEATHER

Temperatures for the next five days, Thursday through Monday, will average 1 to 18 degrees above normal. High and low for Raleigh will be 51-31. Precipitation will be modest in the mountains and light elsewhere. Showers will occur in the latter part of the period.

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