

# EDITORIAL FEATURE

## No Offense Intended

THE CAROLINIAN herewith publishes a letter written to it by Atty. Samuel S. Mitchell addressed to its publisher, Paul Jervay, referring to last week's (Feb. 26, 1966) Editorial Feature.

The letter is published as any other letter to its editor or publisher thereby assuring Mr. Mitchell or anyone a forum in its column where there is disagreement with this newspaper's point of view.

No libel or slander is present as none was intended to any person or organization.

25 February 1966

Mr. Paul Jervay  
THE CAROLINIAN  
518 East Martin Street  
Raleigh, North Carolina

RE: EDITORIAL FEATURE, February 26, 1966, Issue

Dear Mr. Jervay:

I have read your front page "EDITORIAL FEATURE", which bears the sub-title "NAACP Prexy Bypassed." I have answered the telephone many times today on this article and have been stopped in the streets no less than one-half dozen times by persons inquiring as to the meaning of your article and as to my conduct as an attorney.

This letter is written to give you notice that I consider this article as slanderous to me, in particular, and as slanderous to all other attorneys involved. It is not my intention to allow this abuse to go unredressed. It is my purpose, by this letter, to give you the statutory right of mitigating the circumstances by the

printing of a retraction as similarly featured (2 columns, page 1, Editorial feature) as conspicuously displayed as your libelous Article of February 26, 1966. I have particular reference to the following portions of your article:

(1) "... Mrs. Veasey said the suit was discussed, plans made to file same and Attorney Mitchell was to be advised when to file the suit. Nonetheless, she says the suit was filed by Atty. Mitchell without her knowledge or authority, at the time."

(2) "... THE CAROLINIAN, like Mrs. Veasey, sees a new day for Raleigh when its civic and political organizations begin to function with freedom and without self-styled leaders who use organizations for their advancement and then let them decay. Through the years, Raleigh has had to continually re-activate its Citizens Association and NAACP."

I am suggesting that you take this letter seriously, that you investigate for the truth of matters of which you have written and that you hand the copy of this letter to your attorneys with instructions that they contact me. Under no circumstances should you attempt to contact me unless you do so through an attorney. This letter is mailed to you pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 99-1 and this informs you that the matter quoted from your article above is false in its entirety.

We have sent this letter by certified mail in order to insure its receipt. Very truly yours,  
SAMUEL S. MITCHELL  
(Signed)

## What Price Glory?

There is an old saying that goes, "It does not matter whether you win or lose, but how well you played the game". It is true Winston-Salem won the CIAA championship Saturday night, but we wonder how much it cost in the action of its coach, C. E. Gaines, who made a scene after winning the semi-final game Friday night.

We do not intend to take anything away from Coach Gaines and certainly his boys displayed the kind of sportsmanship and spirit that a winner should possess. Mr. Gaines' action brought a severe rebuke from the Commissioner and even resulted in a fine of \$100.00. Another feature was the fact that the fine was imposed on Gaines and not the school.

We have watched this sports event since it was played in Turners Arena, twenty-one years ago and seen it grow from a final night crowd of 1,100 to 8,218. It is our firm belief that it has grown up and is ready to be accepted in sports circles as one of the top performances in eastern basketball.

We can understand how a coach can become upset over a decision and could be right, but the rules of good sportsmanship go beyond one's emotions. If sports do not teach one to forgive mis-

takes, profit by defeat and even suffer punishment at times, then athletic events are losing their virtue.

Certainly Coach Gaines had a right to tell the official that he did not see the call like he saw it and we can even understand how he would be upset, but there was nothing so bad that Mr. Gaines' right thinking could have not have amended. His abuse to the official was certainly uncalled for. It is well that all coaches should realize that not only their boys are watching them and expecting the highest type of leadership, in combat, but there are the contestants they are facing and an audience that came to see a game played with decor and personal stamina; not abusive language and bad deportment.

It so happened that Commissioner W. Trent Johns passed when the affair was happening and Referee Carter had the peace of mind to come between Coach Gaines and his partner, Jones, and the coach reached for Jones' glasses. Coach Gaines' team had won and even though there were some calls that he did not agree with this was no time for this utter display of bad sportsmanship. We would like for Mr. Gaines and other coaches to know that we are reaching for higher goals and we cannot reach them with disrespect for officials.

## Did You Know . . .

Did you know that over 800 Negro teachers lost their jobs in the South today because of the civil rights movement; and that only a small percentage was placed elsewhere in their profession? They had to seek other fields of endeavor to earn a livelihood.

Did you know that it is believed, thru use, honey and vinegar as a mixture, are considered relaxing and, in a measure, relieve tension including hardening of arteries?

Did you know that one of the main reasons Georgia has so many Negroes in the House of Representatives is that there is little or no censoring of who works for whom? Portraits of all candidates, white and Negro, are to be found prominently displayed on front-yard lawns of Negroes in many areas of Atlanta. Communication is open between candidates and Negroes interested in better government and a more wholesome climate for all to live and flourish.

Did you know that there is little or no difference between paying a tenant's difference in rental after a landlord has been advised to renovate or rebuild than should a homeowner be made to rebuild or renovate his home in the name of a better and more beautiful city? The homeowner possibly should be subsidized under Urban Renewal along with the tenant. Displaced people may be (homeowners and tenants alike) bigger assets to an economy should their income increase and their abode beautified where they presently live.

Did you know that passing your copy of THE CAROLINIAN along to a friend or relative here or away from Raleigh would be considered a favor by those of us who publish and print this newspaper for your reading pleasure . . . and that many relatives would consider their hometown weekly as a letter from home? Try it, won't you!

Did you know that there are at least

sixty (60) national conventions in America each year whose Negro sponsors have spent millions of dollars in travel, etc., attending these well organized professional, social, religious, fraternal and trade groups meetings in some of the largest facilities and cities in the U.S.?

Did you know that Hammock's Beach isn't designed to entertain professional (teachers) people exclusively? The general public is expected to take advantage of this fast-growing recreation and social beach mecca.

Did you know that Alexander Barnes is one of the most traveled Tarheels, covering over 100,000 miles a year via air, rail and highway? He is scheduled to leave Raleigh-Durham Airport Tuesday, March 15, returning Monday, Mar. 21. This trip is in behalf of the A.M.E. Zion Church and takes Mr. Barnes to the British West Indies and Georgetown, British Guiana.

Did you know that the Winston-Salem Rams have copped the CIAA crown six times during the 26-year history of the tourney?

Did you know that William M. Bell has been the motivating spirit in getting Negro teams into NCAA competition? Did you know that he is chairman of the NCAA Midwest and South Central College Division Basketball Tournaments and all participants must be certified by his committee? Did you know that he was elected to the Summit County (Akron) Ohio Hall of Fame and was named one of the two winners from North Carolina for the Junior Chamber of Commerce National Physical Fitness Award?

Did you know that the 1966 CIAA Tournament was perhaps the first one that Harry (Big Jeff) Jefferson has ever missed? Did you know that he has been the real image of college athletics for a number of years and has not only produced winning teams wherever he has coached, but has figured greatly in the development of the CIAA?

# ELK LEADER VISITS HOME OF KKK BOSS

## RALEIGH MAN Slashed, Shot In Hip

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## TWO 'QUALIFIED' DEPUTIES HIRED BY WAKE'S SHERIFF

### Both Are Former Officers

Wake County Sheriff Robert J. Pleasants said here Tuesday, the appointment of Wake County's first Negro deputy sheriffs was based on "their individual qualifications, their respective honorable reputations, their past records of activities as citizens of their communities, and my firm belief in their capacity and potentialities."

J. Russell Nipper, clerk of Wake County Superior Court, administered the oaths of office in the Sheriff's office Tuesday to Parrish L. Womble, 27, of Holly Springs, and James A. Brown, 39, of Fuquay-Varina.

Both are graduates of the Fuquay Springs Consolidated High School.

The sheriff also said, "I am convinced that these two deputy sheriffs can and will perform the duties of their office in such a manner that will merit the support and approval."  
(See WAKE DEPUTIES, P. 2)

## Victim Of Assault In Hospital

BY STAFF WRITER

Jesse Alfonza Banks, 42, of 128 N. Fisher St., apparently didn't know when he was well off during a drinking session in Raleigh's Lincoln Park section late Monday night.

According to Patrolmen R. F. Johnson and R. F. Perry, at 11:02 p. m., Monday, Mr. Banks was drinking at 106 1/2 N. Carver Street, when Miss Judy Mae Smith, 22, of 106 N. Carver, "came in to buy herself a drink."

Miss Smith reportedly told the cops that Banks slapped her and knocked her "down on the floor and attempted to stab me with a butcher knife."  
(See MAN SLASHED, P. 2)

## Dr. Goodwin 154th Year Orator Sun.

Dr. Kelly O. P. Goodwin, pastor of Mount Zion Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, will deliver the 154th anniversary  
(See REV. GOODWIN, P. 2)

## From Raleigh's Official Police Files.

### THE CRIME BEAT

BY CHARLES R. JONES

#### In-Laws Feud; Says Mate Put Goes Down Bump On Head

Mrs. Juanita Williams, 26, of 225 S. East Street, reported to Officers R. E. Keeter and G. W. Williams at 8:30 p. m., Monday, that her brother-in-law, 20-year-old Johnny Williams, same address, came into the apartment and started to quarrel with her.

Mrs. Williams said young Williams assaulted her by knocking her down twice with his hands and fists.

Although the report listed visible injuries as "none," the woman signed a warrant, charging her brother-in-law with assault and battery.



FIRST NEGRO DEPUTIES FOR COUNTY ARE SWORN IN - Clerk of Wake County Superior Court J. Russell Nipper, right, administers the oath of office to Wake County's first Negro deputy sheriffs as Sheriff Robert J. Pleasants looks on from left. The two are Parrish L. Womble, second from left, and James A. Brown. Both are graduates of Fuquay Consolidated High School. (See story).

## Historian John Hope Franklin Main Speaker For Carnage School

One of America's foremost authorities on Negro history, Dr. John Hope Franklin, will be the featured speaker Sunday, March 6, when the Fred J. Carnage Junior High School is dedicated.

Carnage School was completed last Spring and students entered it for the first time in September, 1965.

At present, Dr. Franklin is professor of American History at the University of Chicago.



DR. JOHN H. FRANKLIN

He has held fellowships from the Edward Austin and Julius Rosenwald Funds.

A former professor at St. Augustine's College here, Dr. Franklin has also held professorships at North Carolina College at Durham, Fisk University and Howard University.  
(See DR. FRANKLIN, P. 2)

## All's Quiet On Campus Of Fayetteville State College

FAYETTEVILLE - The student body of Fayetteville State College attended classes as usual with a notable change in their disposition.

Friday found them with a smiling eagerness toward their school that had been lacking for several months.

The turnout started last Wednesday night when half of the student body of 1,200 gathered outside the administrative building and presented a lengthy list of grievances to the

college heads, along with a statement that classes would be boycotted until some agreement had been reached.

The complaint specifically dealt with the student body's wish to have a hand in the administration of their college. Listed for immediate action were desires for less stress on the coeds' social life, a more efficient medical care program,  
(See FSC STUDENTS, P. 2)

## 300 AKA Delegates To Raleigh

Three-hundred delegates and visiting members of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority will be expected in Raleigh Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, March 18, 19, and 20, to attend the Thirteenth Annual Regional Conference of the Mid-Atlantic Region to be held at the Sir Walter Motor Hotel.

The theme of the conference is "Project AKA - Advancement Through Knowledge and Action." Hostess chapters for the regional are Alpha Theta Omega, Beta Rho, of Shaw University, and Gamma Xi of St. Augustine's College, Raleigh.

Dr. Dorothy Boulding Ferebee, medical director Howard University Health Service, Washington, D. C. will speak at the banquet on Saturday March 19, at 7:30 p. m. in the Virginia Dare Ballroom. Dr. Ferebee is a member of many civic and scientific organizations. She has traveled extensively in Europe, Africa, the Caribbean and South America as Consultant to the U. S. Department of State.

She is the recipient of the First Hadassah Myrtle Wreath  
(See AKA REGIONAL, P. 2)



SAMUEL C. JACKSON

## Equal Jobs Official Talks Here

Samuel C. Jackson, a member of the U. S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, addressed the Capital Associated Industries Seminar on Monday, Feb. 28, at 9:30 a. m. in Raleigh. The seminar was held at the College Inn Motel.

Commissioner Jackson, a former Topeka, Kansas attorney, is one of the legal architects of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, especially, the section which created the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission to administer Title VII of the Act.

The Commission was activated on July 2, 1965. Its members are concerned with four  
(See EQUAL JOBS, P. 2)

## A. Barnes Received Cordially

DURHAM - In a continued effort to come face to face with the Ku Klux Klan, the Civil Liberties Department, Improved Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks of the World, working through the N. C. State Association, took the matter directly to the home of Grand Dragon J. Robert Jones, Friday night when Alexander Barnes, state director, visited him, in Granite Quarry.

The visit was a follow-up to a letter sent to Jones, by Barnes about two weeks ago, in which he invited him to take part in a panel, which would be one of the features of the annual program of the Civil Liberties Department, in Raleigh, Sunday, May 1, at 8 p. m.  
(See ELK LEADER, P. 2)

## Reactivated RCA Plans Installation

The Raleigh Citizens Association, re-activated last Thursday at a meeting to choose new officers, will hold its installation and recognition services Sunday, March 13, at 5 p. m. at the Davie Street United Presbyterian Church where the Rev. Frank Hutchison is minister.

A highlight of the recognition service will be to recognize and honor the outgoing officers of the Association.

New Officers are: President, the Rev. Charles W. Ward; vice-president, Clarence E. (Baby) Lightner; corresponding secretary, Ernest L. Rafford; and recording secretary, Mrs. Frank Hutchison.  
(See RCA SETS, P. 2)



PRESENTS PLAQUE TO "WOMAN OF THE YEAR" - Pictured above is Soror Millie Dunn Veasey, left, Associate Regional Director of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, presenting a plaque to Mrs. Marjorie B. Debnam as Omicron Zeta Chapter's 1965 "Woman of the Year" during its Finer Womanhood Observance at the First Baptist Church last Sunday morning.