

# Conyers Hails Edict Invalidating 1965 Municipal Elections In Sunflower, Miss.

WASHINGTON, D. C. - Congressman John Conyers, Jr. (Dem-Michigan) today hailed a recent decision of the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals to invalidate the 1965 municipal elections in Sunflower, Miss. be-

cause Negro Americans were systematically excluded from participation in the Democratic primary.

"The action of the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in throwing out the election in Sunflower, Miss., home of one of the old South's most notorious spokesmen, is perhaps a more momentous event than the passage of the Voting Rights Bill itself," declared Conyers, Sen. James Eastland, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, owns one of the largest cotton plantations in Sunflower County.

"The willingness of the 5th Circuit Court, which includes most of the Deep South, to set aside elections from which Negro Americans have been excluded will greatly strengthen the effectiveness of the Voting Rights Act."

Conyers emphasized that the Court's order also called for new elections making it "an absolute must for a federal voting registrar to be sent to Sunflower County. If the next election is to include the ballots of all voting age persons in Sunflower, the Justice Department must step in so that all Negro Americans can be registered before the new elections are held. The registrar is needed for the entire county since there is a great possibility that five other elections will be set aside as a result of this historic decision."

In accepting the gift on behalf of the Fund, Robert C. Kirkwood, who is National Corporation Gifts chairman of the 1966 appeal and chairman of the board, F. W. Woolworth Co., declared: "This generous gift on the part of the Pepsi-Cola Co. will materially assist the Fund's 33 member colleges in their efforts to provide quality higher education to disadvantaged young men and women who are striving to achieve economic equality through educational attainment."

## Pepsi-Cola Gives 5G's To UNCF

NEW YORK, N. Y. - The Pepsi-Cola Co. Wednesday, March 23, presented a gift of \$5,000 to the United Negro College Fund. The contribution was presented by Naylor Fitzhugh, a vice president of the Pepsi-Cola Co.

"It is gratifying to note," he added, "that the Pepsi-Cola contribution has been presented in advance of the Fund's annual appeal. The 1966 national drive will be launched in some 200 communities on April 1. The Pepsi-Cola gift is indicative of the trend toward early and increased corporate support of the Fund."

Sixty-seven corporate chairmen, presidents and officers serve on the Fund's 1966 Corporation Gifts Committee. The parent company of Pepsi-Cola -- PepsiCo, Inc., is represented on the Committee by Harvey C. Russell, a vice president. During the past two decades, the United Negro College Fund has raised more than \$90 million in 11 states in the deep South. The money is used by the institutions to expand educational programs, bolster scholarship aid to more than 16,000 needy students, improve facilities, and build library holdings.

At each school, Thomas Mohan, horticulture graduate of North Carolina State University and assistant director of the Raleigh Parks Department demonstrated before the audience the proper way to plant a tree.

"WHAT GOES UP MUST COME DOWN," we used to say. Now, however, we must restrain ourselves to, "Anything that goes up with a velocity of less than 4.8 miles per second must come down."



CHARM CLINIC -- Mrs. DeVera Edwards, consumer service coordinator for Pharmaco, Inc., of Kenilworth, N. J., demonstrates the proper application of make-up on North Carolina College Junior Vernice Holt. The occasion was a charm clinic during NCC's 17th annual Coed Weekend observance held March 11-13 at the Durham Institution. Also held were coffee and conversation hours, a forum, reception, and a coed supper honoring outstanding women students.

## National Council Of Negro Women In Raleigh Session

The National Council of Negro Women, under the leadership of its president, Miss Jeanette Hicks, held its meeting recently at the home of Mrs. Louise Flagg, 2204 Roberts St. Serving with Mrs. Flagg as hostesses were: Mrs. Menetta Eaton, Mrs. Harriet P. Butler, and Miss Elizabeth Jordan. A colorful and tasty repast was enjoyed by all.

In support of President Johnson's Economic Opportunity Act, the NCNW formulated plans for active participation and pledged themselves 100% support. Recently, three Raleigh residents, Mrs. Mary Hamilton, acting supervisor of Wake County Welfare Department Mrs. Marjorie Debnam, a member of the anti-poverty organization board of directors, and Mrs. Sarah Brower, counselor with the Domestic and Juvenile Court, shared with the group, findings as indicated from a recent survey of the Raleigh-Wake County area, and professional know how, with recommendations and procedures by which NCNW could render unlimited service.

The group is actively participating in the national project, the erection of a monument of the founder of the organization, Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, in the nation's Capital; and secondly, recognizing outstanding women who would otherwise go unheralded.

ETERNAL WAR  
NEW YORK - An exhortation to "wage external war against bigotry and brutality," was delivered last week by the Rev. Israel Margolies at Beth Am, the People's temple, during the ancient Jewish festival of Purim (the eternal quest for religious freedom). He said, "The lesson of history is clear. Our duty (is) to battle unceasingly against every form of violence and bigotry, both at home and abroad... It summons us to strive for a world order in which enslavement, hunger and disease become the common concern of all nations."

## Durham's Deltas To Host South Atlantic Regional

DURHAM - The members of the Durham Alumnae Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority have made final plans for their 1966 South Atlantic Regional Conference to be held at the Jack Tar Hotel, Durham, April 7-9. Fifty-seven chapters of the sorority, thirty-nine Alumnae and eighteen undergraduate chapters will attend the conference from three states, Virginia, South Carolina and North Carolina. Mrs. Edythe Tweedy, Rocky Mount, Director of the South Atlantic District, has met on several occasions to plan the program for the conference. Plans for the Social Action Luncheon have been finalized. Wiley Branton, Department of Justice will be the featured speaker.

The following committees with their chairmen and co-chairmen helped the Steering Committee-Miss Clara Allen and Mrs. Constance Allen, Durham Alumnae President; Registration and Credentials - Mrs. Willie B. Hill and Mrs. Frances Scholer; Kits and Souvenirs-Mrs. Jeanne Lucas and Mrs. Mudy Stone; Exhibits - Mrs. Alma Bennett and Mrs. Dorothy Campbell.

Publicity - Mrs. Mary L. Smith and Mrs. Evelyn Drake; Social Activities - Mrs. Constance Pattillo and Mrs. Betty Blackman; Hospitality - Mrs. Minnie Spaulding and Mrs. Martha Doores; Banquet - Mrs. Wanda Garrett and Mrs. Olivia Coles; Program - Dr. Ruth N. Horry and Mrs. Anna Davis; Finance - Mrs. Gertrude Taylor and Mrs. Charlotte Sloan; Luncheon - Mrs. Jocheb Lo-cust, Miss Inez Coleman and Dr. Helen G. Edmonds; Transportation - Mrs. Jessie Pearson and Mrs. Geneva Stanback; Music - Mrs. Alice Stewart and Miss Cella Davidson; Housing - Mrs. Constance Watts and Mrs. Rosemond Cox; Blind Date - Mrs. Jennie Taylor and the Delta Undergraduates.

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BRENDA ARMSTRONG, JABBERWOCK QUEEN, AND COURT, (center) daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. Thurber Armstrong, a senior at Washington High School, where her uncle, R. D. Armstrong is principal, is surrounded by her court, following her crowning as Jabberwock Queen for 1966. The event, which awards several scholarships, is presented annually by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Miss Jessie Jones, president; Mrs. Edythe R. Tweedy, director, South Atlantic Region. Members of the court (not necessarily in order) are: Sally Richardson, Carolyn McCoy, Audrey Jenkins, Carolyn Hill, Claudette Alston, Carolyn Bulluck, Bettie Faison, Sandra Gwynn and Renee Williams. Theme of the Jabberwock was: "A Salute To The Sixties". (Photo by J. B. Harren).



BENNETT PANEL -- Consultants taking part in the Monday morning panel opening the 40th annual Homemaking Institute at Bennett College, Greensboro, are, left to right: Miss Eleanor Barnwell, of Detroit; Mrs. Audrose Harvey, of Rochester, N. Y.; Dr. Helen Smith, of Los Angeles, Calif.; Dr. Ella Heath Weaver, of Washington, D. C., and Miss Marian E. Wright, of Jackson, Miss.

## Trees Presented To 2 Raleigh School As Arbor Day Revived

On Friday, March 18th, North Carolina's Arbor Day by the proclamation of Governor Moore, two Raleigh Schools held special ceremonies in conjunction with the Tree Society of Raleigh. The Society, which is primarily for community education and public opinion forming, donated a number of trees to the Charles F. Carroll School on Six Forks Road and to the Lucille Hunter School on East Davie St. In order to mark the 1966 revival of this ninety-year-old American holiday. At Hunter School, S. R. Cloud, member of the execu-

tive board of the Society, made the presentation of the gift trees. King David Harris of the Sixth Grade, accompanied by Phillip Bass, Robert Murphy, and Haywood Ray, accepted the trees on behalf of the students, and William Hurdle, principal, made a speech of acceptance in which he emphasized the importance of trees to the country and the necessity of every community's planting trees.

At the Carroll School, Mr. Henry W. Johnston, Treasurer of the Tree Society, presented the trees, which were accepted by Tom Barefoot, president of the Student Serv-

ice Council, who stressed the necessity of citizens of today planting trees for Americans of the future. He was accompanied by Martin Ellwood, chairman of the House and Ground Committee and by the Committee's representative from each grade and also by the entire Sixth Grade and Mr. Stuart Thompson, principal.

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YOU ARE THE DETECTIVE

You gaze at the body of Harry Freeman lying on the table in the emergency ward of the hospital, and you see the bullet wound in Freeman's right temple which has ended his life.

Out in the corridor a few minutes later you talk with the dead man's business partner, Tom Danner. "It all happened so suddenly . . . a tragic end to the life of a fine man, and the best friend I've ever had!" exclaims Danner. "I just can't believe. . ."

"Suppose you tell me just how it happened," you break in. "Well, Harry and I had been out together tonight, attending the sports banquet at the Palace Hotel. He was driving me home at about 11 o'clock, when we stopped on Maple Street where it enters the Central Expressway. It's very dark there, as you probably know. And suddenly a man appeared on Harry's side of the car . . . he had a gun. I could see that, but I couldn't make out what he looked like, with his hat pulled down low over his face and it being so dark. He demanded that we hand over all our cash. I started to reach for my wallet - but Harry's hand darted for the glove compartment in his car where I happen to know he keeps a gun. Then there was the sickening sound of the shot, and Harry slumped over. . . and I heard the killer running away!"

"I was too shocked to move for several minutes, but finally I scrambled out of the car, ran around it, moved Harry over on the seat, and drove as fast as I could to the hospital here . . . but I was much too late. Poor Harry was dead!"

"What business were you and your partner in?" you ask. "Real estate management - 'Freeman & Danner' -- and we've been doing real well, too."

"Do you carry insurance?"

"Oh sure . . . Henry and I both carried good-sized policies on each other's lives, and . . ." Danner suddenly stops and looks hard at you. "Just what are you driving at? Are you implying. . .?"

"Yes, I am implying," you break in. "Your partner's murder did not take place as you described it?"



KEYNOTE SPEAKER -- Mrs. Clifton Purnell, right, associate professor of education at Southern University, Baton Rouge, La., and national president of the Alpha Kappa Sorority, who last week delivered the keynote address for the annual Women's Week observance at A&T College, has a corsage pinned on her by Mrs. Bert Piggott, Dean of Women at A&T. Mrs. Piggott headed the committee on arrangements for the observance.

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