



**VIOLENCE THRIVES AGAIN** - Los Angeles, Calif.: A crowd of very young and older teenagers are restrained by club-toting policemen during an afternoon of terror in the racial torn section of Watts March 15. Some 212 city policemen were called out to guard the section after the sudden outbreak of violence. (UPI PHOTO).

## Salisbury's J. W. Nicholson Dies At 62

**SALISBURY**—John W. Nicholson, 62, head of the Price High School science department, died suddenly Saturday, March 12, following a heart attack suffered at his home here. He had been a heart patient for some time. A native of Greenville, Ala., Mr. Nicholson began his teaching career at Price High School in 1947 after teaching in the Rowan County School system. A graduate of Livingstone

College, Mr. Nicholson participated in special studies conducted by Yale, Columbia University and the National Science Foundation. He was a member of the Soldiers Memorial AME Zion Church where he sang in the choir and was active in other affairs. His fraternity was Phi Beta Sigma. Long time leader in Boy Scout activities, in 1961 he was awarded the Silver Beaver Award by the Uwharrie Council of Boy Scouts. He was a distinguished leader in the Livingstone College Alumni Association.



JOHN W. NICHOLSON

and at the time of his death was serving his seventh term as president of the Salisbury Chapter of the Livingstone Alumni.

Survivors include his wife, the former Miss Leatha Williams; a daughter, Miss Alethia Delores, Charlotte; three sisters, Mrs. Saluda Ford of Port Huron, Michigan; Mrs. Alice N. Jones, Salisbury; and Mrs. Gertrude Moselle, of Philadelphia, Pa.; two brothers, Nelson Nicholson of Washington, D. C.; and Robert Nicholson of Salisbury. Services were held Wednesday at 3 p. m. in the Varick Memorial Auditorium on the Livingstone College campus with interment in the local cemetery.

**CABBIES GOOF**  
NEW YORK (UPI) - Two cab drivers turned down Negro passengers the other day. It was nothing new, but these two were sorry they did not pick up the would-be riders. Their action was observed by William H. Booth, chairman, City Commission on Human Rights, who had gone out to catch a cab and instead caught the cab drivers discriminating. Booth, a Negro, said he would press action against the drivers, either through the Hack License Bureau, which can suspend license after a hearing, or through the commission.

## Manpower Shortage Indicated, Negro Unemployment Remains

A shortage of manpower is said to exist, despite the fact that the unemployment ranks of the Negro remain at an abnormally high level. Such a shortage was indicated in a 229-page document sent to Congress recently by President Johnson.

The message pointed out that the booming economy has reached the point of particular significance where the nation is "scraping the bottom of the manpower barrel."

The tightest job markets are in the Great Lakes region—Chicago, Detroit, Milwaukee, and Cleveland -- where heavy manufacturing is centered and unemployment is estimated below 2.5 per cent.

A different picture is presented in New England and the West Coast - Los Angeles, San Diego, and San Francisco. The availability of workers is looser, though joblessness will remain at seven per cent among Negroes.

The most serious challenge ahead for government and business is in providing workers with proper skills to fill available jobs. Some progress toward alleviating the paucity of skilled workers is evidenced throughout the nation.

Whitney M. Young, Jr., executive director, National Urban League said, "Generally unskilled or semi-skilled Negroes have found a narrowing market for their services in an economy that emphasizes automation, education, and skilled labor."

In New York, Peter J. Brennan, president, Building and Construction Trade Council, said Negroes and Puerto Ricans were needed and would be welcomed in the building trades.

In Sacramento, Calif., 10 Negroes are now working at local race tracks as pari-mutuel clerks. This is a reversal of the ban on Negroes working in this capacity.

In Chicago, federally assisted training programs will be held, focusing on easing manpower shortages. Young Negroes were urged by a Masonic Eastern Star Lodge to stay in school and to seek special training to take advantage of job opportunities now opening to them.

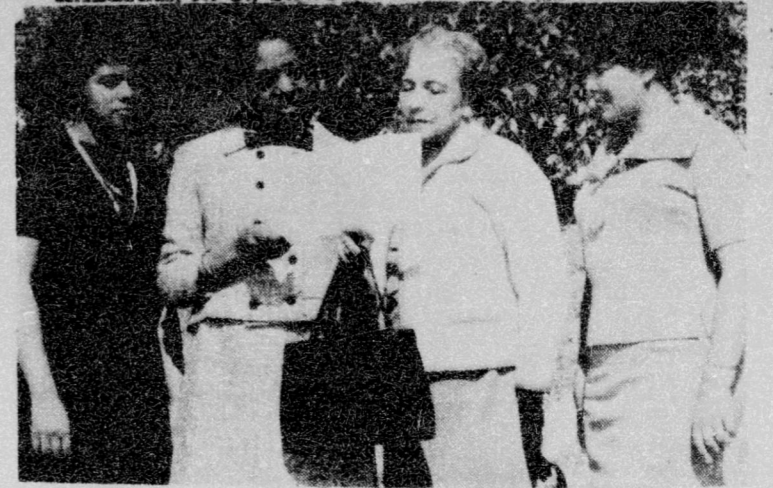
On the other hand, in Mississippi, the International Chemical Workers Union charged a Mississippi firm with gross inequities in pay for Negroes and whites performing the same work.

The suit said Negro employees of the Planters Manufacturing company were subjected to profane and abusive language by supervisors, were limited to four days of vacation a year while white work-

ers got two weeks, were denied overtime pay, and were forced to use segregated washrooms.

A New York Waterfront commission accused Theodore W. Kheel, a lawyer who has been involved in numerous waterfront labor-management problems, of being biased.

Kheel proposed closing the register of longshoremen and shutting off newcomers to the waterfront in order to facilitate changes in hiring and work arrangements.



**SPEAKERS AT NCC** -- Three speakers at an observance marking North Carolina College's 17th annual Coed Weekend chat with one of the college's student leaders in Durham. From left are Joyce Perry, president of the NCC Women's Assembly Steering Committee; Mrs. Annie L. Sandusky of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare; Dr. Dorothy B. Ferebee, medical director, Howard University Health Service; and Mrs. Hobart Taylor, Jr., program analyst and field representative for the Office of Economic Opportunity.

## Comments On Watts Riot

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Statement to the press by Whitney M. Young, Jr., executive director, National Urban League, on the March 15 incident in Watts area, Los Angeles, California:

"The incident in Watts Tuesday serves to further alert all of us to unrest not only in Watts, but in ghettos throughout the nation. Watts is a national symbol of unresolved problems.

"What is needed is not panic on the part of anyone, but immediate concerted action on the part of all. Problems of oppression cannot be handled by massive suppression.

"Federal legislation is already on the books to get the necessary economic and social welfare programs going in Watts and every other ghetto in the country, but the pace must be stepped up.

"We need concerted effort, now, today, not next summer.

"The Poverty Program should put its Project Uplift on an extended year-round basis for work-training and rehabilitation. It should liberalize all eligibility standards

for admission into its various programs. The Department of Labor must get its Human Resources programs and Skills Centers operating now. The Department of Health, Education and Welfare should expend special funds under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act to get remedial programs in the schools. One central authority must be established for administering and coordinating subcontracts to local agencies. Multiple services, local state and federal, must be mobilized under one single roof for easy access to all. Every program for job development and placement must be stepped up.

"Many tools already exist for massive governmental aid at all levels and we must see to it that this assistance is fully utilized.

"As authorities in Los Angeles mobilize the forces of the police, all the human resources of Los Angeles and the nation must be mobilized to produce not words, but deeds; not exhortations, but the jobs that are so sorely needed."

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