

URBAN LEAGUE

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) that the threat of the death penalty deters crime."

In fact, the policy statement said, "studies show that some states that have abolished capital punishment have lower homicide rates than those that have retained it."

Moreover, the Trustee's statement declared, "there seems little question that the death penalty has been applied in a discriminatory fashion."

"Since 1930," the statement pointed out, "55 percent of the 4,000 persons executed were black although Negroes make up only 11 percent of the population."

The statement further noted that the death penalty was most often applied in cases involving crimes by blacks against whites.

"The mere presence of the death penalty in itself distorts our entire legal system and adversely affects the psychology of our society," the statement said.

"Individuals who reject the death penalty on religious or moral grounds are systematically excluded from jury duty, leaving final judgement only to those who approve of the penalty."

"Improvement of the death penalty, in effect, legitimization by the society of the most extreme form of violence," the Board said.

It noted that in recent years the death penalty has been challenged as cruel and unusual punishment that could be prohibited by the Eighth Amendment to the United States Constitution. The League noted that several cases were now in the courts involving the constitutional argument.

James A. Linn is president of the National Urban League, Whitney M. Young Jr., is the League's executive director.

SOUL CITY

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) McKissick, formerly of Durham, is the past executive director of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), and was well-known throughout North Carolina for his legal and social involvement in civil rights cases, before moving to New York City several years ago to head CORE.

Head of McKissick Enterprise, Inc., McKissick announced the formation of Soul City on February 4 at a news conference in Chapel Hill at the Holiday Inn.

The articles of incorporation, filed here on February 26, reads:

"To receive, and make grants and donations for the public welfare or for religious, charitable, scientific, educational and research purposes, for the pur-

pose of improving the economic conditions of the poor of all races, creeds and color. Non profit."

McKissick said, "Soul City," although organized as a predominantly black settlement, is going to open to all people.

At a price of \$390,000, 1,810 acres of farmland has already been purchased through a loan obtained from Chase Manhattan Bank in New York.

The site of Soul City lies on U. S. Highway 1, some twenty miles south of the Virginia border in Warren County.

FOR MAYOR

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) Jersey City, located in northern New Jersey just across from Manhattan, has voted overwhelmingly in favor of the Democratic Party for the past thirty-five years.

Robinson was born in the Lafayette section of Jersey City. He attended the local schools and compiled an outstanding record, both in and out of the classroom. He served as class president during his junior and senior years, was salutatorian of his high school graduating class and received the American Legion Award as the outstanding male graduate.

In 1948, Robinson entered Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire to begin the study of American history. His college education was interrupted, however, in 1951 by service in the United States Army in Korea and Japan. He returned to Dartmouth upon discharge from military service and qualified in January, 1956 for the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

He immediately joined the staff of the National Scholarship Service and Fund for Negro Students and simultaneously entered New York University to study counseling and personnel administration. He received an M. A. degree from NYU in 1959.

In 1960, Robinson entered public life in Jersey City as Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Revenue and Finance. Thereafter, his political and professional careers developed at a steady pace. He served as a non-salaried commissioner of the Jersey City Housing Authority. He was appointed to his present job, Director of the Department of Health and Welfare in 1964. In this capacity during the past five years he has rendered an outstanding contribution to his community. Mayor Thomas J. Whelan whom he is challenging, has on numerous occasions described him as "the most able and dedicated member of my administration."

JEWEL THIEF

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) charges of breaking and entering and larceny and receiving. He was accused of taking one Elgin white gold men's watch, valued at \$35; one Belforte ladies gold watch, \$19.95; one Belforte ladies gold watch, \$12.95; one Belforte ladies white gold watch, \$18.95; one Elgin yellow gold ladies watch, \$29.95; one Elgin gold ladies watch, \$55; and one Belforte ladies yellow gold watch, valued at \$17.95.

A witness to the theft was Jack Floyd Williams, Route 1, Cary, an employee of Sir Park,

Fayetteville Street. Damage to a plate glass window in front of the jewelry store was set at \$100.

The suspect had been comparatively "clean" since June 1, 1967, when he was picked up on a larceny rap, prior to the Sunday morning charges.

EDITOR OF

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) vitalities and not necessarily because of its natural resources or its people.

Other countries have more natural resources and more people. "It is due to the magic of our political and economic systems," he said. However, management by the government of our economic and social problems, must be solved to the advantage of all people.

He stated that the political policy of the government is the policy of inflation, which is the whole economic structure of the United States. He pointed out that inflation is primarily the fault of the government, and it is the ignorant or the economically uninformed who puts the pressure on the government.

"Without some skill, expertise and knowledge, no man can lift himself out of the economic rut," he stated. Education is the key to all advantages, and the opportunity is greater for black people in businesses, especially in the service areas."

Royster added that white people have discovered that there is a lot of money in the black community ready to be put to use.

He advised that no one should become involved in the stock market unless he has money he will not need for awhile.

Royster's appearance was sponsored by the Business Department of Saint Augustine's College.

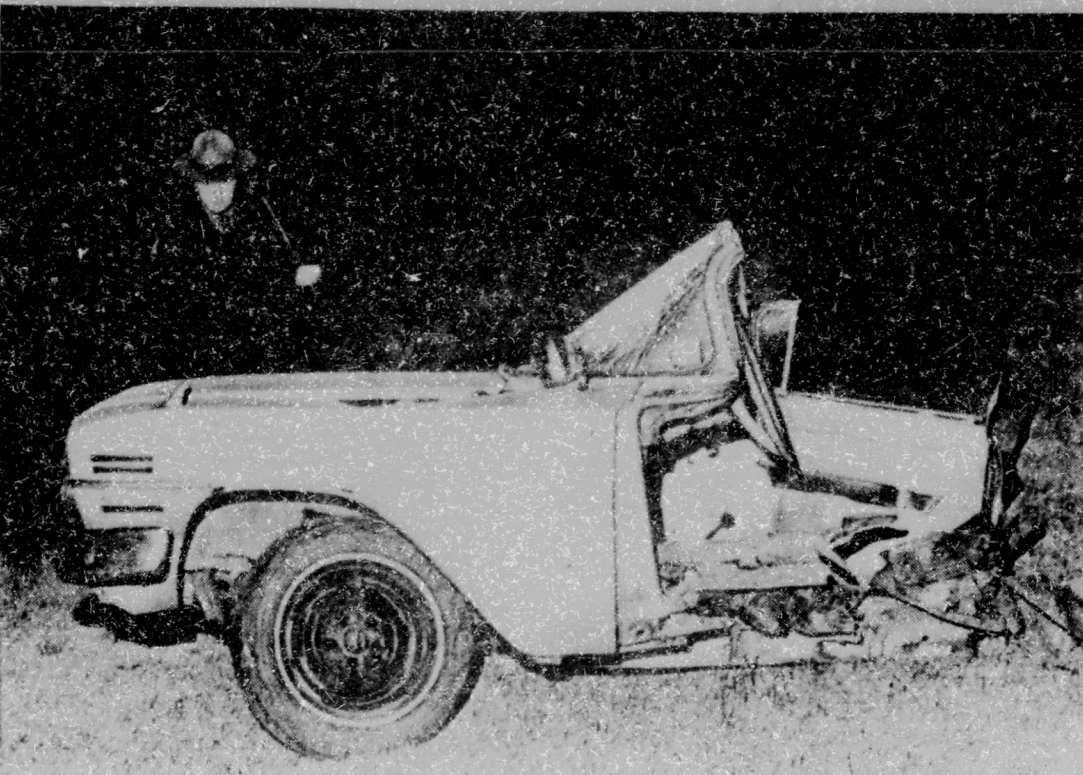
DEMANDS

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) established locations in the wake of urban renewal, construction of expressways or interstate highways, called for sweeping safeguards and wide-scale protection of displaced businessmen caught under such circumstances.

Mr. Burrell cited the lack of an adequate program authorized to protect the small business man in these situations, and deemed SBA's present limited authority and programs in this area totally inadequate, unrealistic, and too harsh on the prospective borrower.

Specifically, President Burrell recommends that Congress appropriate adequate funds for SBA, or some clearly defined federal agency which would be delegated definite responsibility for providing adequate financial and technical assistance to these businessmen especially under circumstances when they apply for loan assistance in the relocation process. These funds would encompass provision for consultant services needed to help document damages where required by the lending agency, as well as other needed items.

Burrell cited the situation in Nashville, Tennessee where NBL, through its local chapter, secured funds to make a thorough study of the disastrous situation created in the black business community as the result of Interstate Highway 40



... AND THE DRIVER LIVED—Kecksburg, Pa: A state trooper looks over front half of car in which 25-year-old James W. Peters of Acne, Pa. crashed March 3. Even though the automobile was cut in two, Peters lived through the wreck. He failed to negotiate a curve and struck a tree, suffering leg and back injuries. (UPI).

being constructed through the heart of that community.

Some of the findings of that study indicate that the "highway project will adversely affect 320 businesses in Nashville. Eighty-three percent of these businesses are fully owned by blacks. Blacks are also part owners of sixty-six percent of the remainder. There are only about 550 black-owned businesses in the entire city, and approximately sixty percent of them are damaged by this highway."

REP. CONYERS

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) tainers learned of the bill and made radio tapes which have been played across the country. "As a result of the efforts of Sammy Davis, Jr., Ruby Dee, Ossie Davis, Bill Cosby, Joe Williams, Diana Ross and the Supremes, Dianann Carroll, Dick Gregory, and Nancy Wilson," said Conyers, "my office has been literally deluged with mail. I hope the sincerity and volume of this continuing support has a very positive impact on the legislative process and we can look forward to observing the Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Holiday next January 15th."

Although she could not be present for the press conference, Mrs. Coretta King, widow of the late Dr. King, sent a tape expressing her gratitude for the encouraging support for the holiday honoring her husband. In the tape, which will be sent to radio stations throughout the country, she urged that persons begin to contact their own Congressmen and Senators to indicate their interest in passage of the King Holiday Bill.

KITTRELL

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) edly "out of town at a funeral" Friday.

However, in a telephone interview with Rev. Horton on Wednesday of this week, we were informed that he had received the list of grievances from the students and said, "We have agreed that the de-

monstrations are over now.

"These grievances are things which we can take care of now and most of them have already been taken care of to the students' satisfaction."

The president said that a new classroom building, annexed to a new library was dedicated in November of 1968. "There are eleven classrooms in the building," he stated, "science and business laboratories are also in the building," Rev. Horton said.

The first dormitory visited was Duke Hall, a facility for freshmen young men. The auditorium is located in this structure, as is the cafeteria (in the basement). Duke Hall's auditorium leaks in the right-hand corner as you enter, and the balcony is in such a state of disrepair that it is no longer usable. In this dormitory, the newsman was told, there are only three available showers for more than 100 men.

Hawkins Hall is the dormitory for sophomore men. There is reportedly only one working shower for some 75 men students. There are two commodes in the second floor bathroom. Both appeared to be out of order as they were viewed by the newsman, and waste from the bowls, where they had overflowed, was visible in a large patch of discoloration on the first floor ceiling. A young man was observed taking a cold shower, as we were informed that there was "no hot water," except on "very rare occasions." The door to the bathroom was barely hanging to a single hinge.

Inside Although Hall, the women's dormitory, we were first led to the lounge, a 12 by 16 foot facility, used by some 100 young women. It was equipped with a television set and three or four small lounge chairs. This was the warmest of any of the three buildings visited.

On the second floor we saw a student's room which had been burned out the week before. It was repaired at the time

dent said he meant, "We can't control those Fs he's planning to dish out."

At one point, a utility truck, owned by the school, allegedly attempted to run down a group of students. All of them "scotched" to safety, however.

President Lonnie G. Horton's residence is a brick veneered split-level home, located almost in the center of the sprawling campus.

WITNESS TELLS

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) alcohol, but this, too, has been discounted by the attorneys for the prosecution who are seeking the death penalty for the June 5, 1968 assassination of Senator Kennedy.

Guidelines Clarify Child Dependency Tax Deduction

Greensboro — Divorced or separated parents planning to claim a child as a dependent on federal income tax returns can avoid possible tax controversy by carefully reading the guidelines.

J. E. Wall, District Director of Internal Revenue for North Carolina, said the guidelines should especially be referred to in cases where divorced or separated parents claim the same child as a dependent.

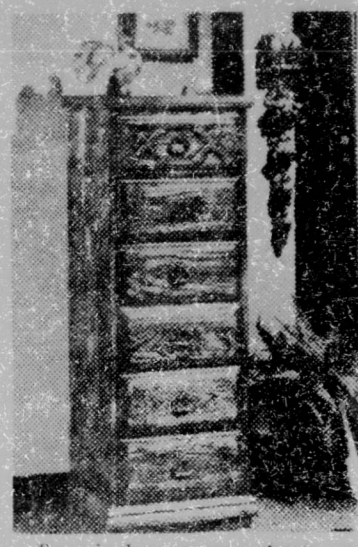
Generally, the parent with custody of the child for the greater part of the year is entitled to the dependency deduction. There are exceptions to this rule, depending on the terms of the decree and the amount contributed by the child's support by the parent who does not have custody.

This special rule does not apply if someone other than the parents provides over half the child's support for the year, Wall said.

North Carolina taxpayers can obtain a copy of the guidelines by sending a postal card to the district office requesting Publication 501, "Your Exemptions and Exemptions for Dependents." The guidelines are also contained in "Your Federal Income Tax," the 160-page tax guide which sells for 60 cents.

Some of the issues which prompted the mass protest last Friday included the following: Dietary deficiency, poor sanitation in the kitchen, more and better food wanted, bad cooking habits, no hairnets worn by cafeteria staff; bathrooms are atrocious, laboratory fee-but no laboratory, activity fee-but no activity, the administration and associates need to be looked into, some professors are incompetent, no decent contact to the outside world, pay phones should be installed on the campus and speedier service in the business office.

At the height of the demonstrations, about 11:30 a.m., one health and physical education instructor was alleged to have told a group of students, "You can't control the pen." One stu-



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SUSPECTS IN TWO SLAYINGS—Muskegon, Mich.: California and Muskegon County authorities continued discussions February 28 to determine whether a couple held for armed robbery here would stay in Michigan or be extradited to California where they are suspects in two slayings. Terry Phelps (R), 19-year-old girlfriend of Chester Johnson, 21 (UL), implicated Johnson in the deaths of Dr. Glenn K. Olson (not shown), 54, an Oakland, Calif., dentist, and Loren Silliphant, 18 (LL), of Hollywood, Calif., son of the writer-producer. Johnson was arrested in Jackson, Mich., February 27 on armed robbery charges. Miss Phelps was apprehended February 24 shortly after the holdup of a liquor store. (UPI).

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