



NAACP STALWARTS are shown during a previous NAACP convention in Raleigh, when Mrs. Millie Dunn Veasey (first row center) was president of the Raleigh NAACP. Others (front) L-R, are Charles A. McLean, N. C. field secretary; Rev. A. G. Dunston, Louisburg; Bishop Stephen G. Spotswoods, NAACP national board chairman, who was keynote speaker; Mrs. Veasey, Rev. J. T. McMillan, Winston-Salem; and Kelly M. Alexander Sr., N.C. NAACP president. Among others in photo are: John Brooks, voter-registration worker; Rev. C. M. Felton, Rev. Charles Ward, Raleigh. Many in this group are expected to be leading the annual Freedom Fund-Mothers' March to Raleigh's Memorial Auditorium, Sunday, May 4 at 3 p.m. when Roy Wilkins will be the featured speaker. Mothers from over Tarheelia will march up and place hundreds of dollars on the table for the cause of the complete freedom of American Negroes for which cause NAACP has fought valiantly for sixty years! Alexander and McLean join all state and local NAACP officials in pleading for an extra size crowd to turn out to greet Roy Wilkins for all the nation to see that Negroes here, too, want freedom in an upright, dignified, and orderly manner.

Black Separatism Attacked, While Institutions Defended

DURHAM - "We need lawyers - not black lawyers, not white lawyers - we need lawyers," said Durham attorney C. O. Pearson.

But perhaps black lawyers are better, said High Point attorney Sammie Chess.

The exchange came at a North Carolina College Conference on the Black Lawyer and the Black Law School, sponsored last weekend by the Law Students Civil Rights Research Council.

Pearson, who presented opening remarks at the conference, told the attending undergraduates that he had turned down an invitation to be keynote for the conference because he objected to the separatism he felt was implied by the conference title. He warned the group that intolerance is as wrong as silence, and blasted the "Uncle Tom" charges aimed at the members of his generation by the younger generation.

"The objective of the Negro after slavery was survival. The people who led that survival are now Uncle Toms. When the Black Codes were passed after Reconstruction, somebody led the Negro people through that trying time, but today they are Uncle Toms."

"If your mother and father are of my generation, they are Uncle Toms."

The Durham attorney, a veteran of civil rights battles in the state's courtrooms since 1932, took aim at disruptive tactics on the college campus. "You can put it down in your book and don't forget it, the institutions are going to be run by the trustees. You can protest, and maybe make some needed changes, but they are going to end up running the schools, and if you don't like it, you can get out."

Pearson said that the color

of a lawyer's skin did not guarantee his concern. "There are many black lawyers who wouldn't give a damn about the poor - they are interested in money - and there are many more white lawyers who wouldn't give a damn about the poor, but there are other lawyers who do."

"What difference does it make if the leader's white, if he's dedicated to the cause? What difference does it make if he's Negro, if he's dedicated to the cause?"

"I don't know how we can make up for 300 years of injustice, but I have this good faith in America, that all the American people want to know is how."

Chess, a generation younger than Pearson, was the keynote. He hastened to assure Pearson, to whom he gave credit for helping him begin his career, that he too would have refused to speak had he felt that the conference was oriented toward separatism. "I don't think that's what these students have in mind. I see some need to put some special emphasis on the black community. I want to talk about black institutions and individuals because I want to instill an amount of diligence and perseverance."

"I take as my text, 'Let down your buckets where you are.' If some of you knew where that phrase comes from, you would probably walk out of here, but that is my text."

(The phrase is from Booker T. Washington's celebrated Atlanta Exposition address, in which he denied that Negroes sought "social equality.")

"The struggle, as it exists today, has been brought about by the black law schools and black lawyers - with the assistance of many white lawyers, as Mr. Pearson said, I

would charge you not to feel brainwashed and feel inferior about your institution.

"Don't talk to me about a million volume library, unless you have read that library. A million volumes don't matter a tinker's damn. Brick and mortar doesn't; ivy hanging on the walls doesn't; plush coffee lounges don't. Individuals make a law school."

"If this weren't a black law school, you couldn't buy the kind of training you get here. At other law schools, 200 students in a class may be a small class. How is that preferable to 3, 4, or 5 students in a class, with individualized instruction?"

"You are here. Take advantage of the opportunities that exist for you here to get an excellent education."

Chess said North Carolina College graduates are in a position of distinct advantage over graduates of larger schools - "perhaps because we're not ashamed to pick up the phone and ask Conrad Pearson what we should do in a case."

"I would say the majority of white lawyers in this state don't know anything about the federal courts than how to get in the building. After about ten years of practice, they are just beginning to get the feel of the law, and we have been handling every kind of case there is."

"Leroy Johnson, a graduate of North Carolina College, has been elected as caucus leader by his fellow Fulton County, Georgia, legislators. These white legislators have chosen him because of the grace, the skills, and the manners he learned at this law school."

"Moses Burt, here in Durham, is making law in the field of low income housing. In Atlanta recently, public housing officials asked me, 'Do you know Moses Burt?'"

"Floyd McKissick, he's building Soul City. There has been money in the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the development of new

PREGNANCY PLANNING AND HEALTH

BY MRS. GLORIA RIGGSBEE

Dear Mrs. Riggsbee:

Last Friday I went to the health department clinic in my town and got a birth control device called the loop. The doctor gave me a booklet called "Facts About the Loop," but it doesn't answer all of my questions and I was wondering if you could send me any other booklets on this subject that might be able to help me.

I would also like to know if there are any known cases of women becoming pregnant with an Intrauterine Device in place, since the doctor said they are not 100% safe and this is a small worry to me.

I am married and already at the age of 23 the mother of two children. This is all we want and all we can afford, so you can see why I am a little uneasy. Since the loop is not completely safe, I would also like to know if during the days I am fertile it would be days to also use a vaginal foam with the loop. Hope you can answer my questions.

Mrs. B. P.
Dear Mrs. B. P.:
First of all, it is important to understand that no method of birth control is 100% effective. There will always be a certain number of women who will get pregnant while using any method of birth control. Sometimes these pregnancies are caused by method failure; the woman may have used her birth control method correctly, but for some reason it failed to protect her from unwanted pregnancy. Other times, the pregnancy is caused by human failure; the woman has either neglected to use the method of birth control she has chosen, or she has used it incorrectly.

This applies to the loop, as well as to every other method of birth control now available. There are cases of women who have become pregnant while using the loop. In some instances, the loop has come out of place without the woman's knowledge. This is the reason your doctor probably taught you how to feel for the strings on the end of the loop. You must make sure that it is still in place in order to be protected against pregnancy.

In other instances, women have become pregnant while the loop was still in place inside the womb. This does not happen very frequently, and doctors do not know why it happens. Doctors estimate, however, that the loop is about 95% safe. In other words, about 5 to 6 women out of 100 may become pregnant while using the loop.

The birth control pills provide a little better protection

Aldridge Succeeds Woodward As GNC's Employment Services Man

Herman L. Aldridge has assumed the North Carolina Good Neighbor Council position of Employment Services Representative, recently vacated by J. Richard Woodward. Woodward is now Director of Human Relations for the City of Durham.

As Employment Services Representative, Aldridge will communicate job opportunities, especially in State Government, to the non-white community, encourage the employment of qualified people of minority groups, and encourage minority youth to be better trained and qualified for employment.

A native of Kingston, Aldridge is a graduate of North Carolina College at Durham. He has also served four years in the United States Army.

Aldridge comes to the Good Neighbor Council from Wake County Opportunities, Inc.,

where he was a coordinator of Manpower. In this position he was responsible for mobilizing all available public and private resources to assist persons of low income to secure education, job training and lasting employment.

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against pregnancy than the loop, but only when the directions for taking them are followed strictly. Although the directions vary a little depending on the particular brand which the doctor has prescribed, the woman must usually take one pill about the same time every day for 20-21 days, then stop taking them for about 7 days, during which time she will have her monthly bleeding. The woman who forgets to take just one pill runs a risk of becoming pregnant.

If you are not having any problems with the loop, I would suggest that you continue to use it rather than switching to another method. In your case, I think it would be a good idea to use foam during the second week of your cycle, if it will give you the feeling of extra protection.

Dear Gloria Riggsbee:

I am a man 46 years old who was born deaf. The woman I want to marry was also born deaf, and she is now 50 years old. Although we have been seeing each other for about 10 years, we have not thought about marriage until now because the doctors have told us that there would be a chance that any children we might have could also be born deaf, and we do not feel it would be fair to bring children into the world with this handicap.

My question is this: since my fiancée is already 50 and her periods have stopped, can we be married without fear of having any children? If there is any chance at all that she could still get pregnant, we want to know about it. Please answer my letter as soon as possible.

R. L.
Dear R. L.:

In order to be absolutely sure that your prospective wife is past the child-bearing age, she should consult a doctor. Once a woman begins going through the menopause, or "change of life," and has not had a menstrual period for one year, she is not considered able to have more children. I suggest that she see a doctor for his opinion. If he decides that there is still a possibility of her becoming pregnant, he can recommend a safe, reliable method of birth control for her to use. You might also be interested in looking into the possibility of having a vasectomy, or male sterilization operation. This is a simple office procedure which guarantees that the man may not father any more children. At the same time, he may continue to enjoy a satisfying sex life, just as before.



TWISTER VICTIM GETS NEW HOME - Hazelhurst, Miss.: Mrs. Cornelia Magee, an 81-year-old Negro woman, stands in the debris of what used to be her home. In the background is her new home being brought in by truck. On January 23, a black twister exploded the Negro widow's house to splinters and left her pinned beneath the rubble, screaming for help in the darkness. (UPI).

Black Baptists Contribute A Quarter Million \$ To Missions

BY DR. SOMERVILLE

WASHINGTON, D. C. - According to the Headquarters Office, Washington, D. C., of Dr. Wendell C. Somerville, Executive Secretary - Treasurer, the constituents of the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention contributed the sum of \$251,170.69 during the past fiscal year for foreign mis-



DR. W. C. SOMERVILLE

sions. Dr. Somerville states that according to the recent report of the Division of Overseas Ministries of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U. S. A., the reported receipts of the Lott Carey Convention represents the largest

foreign mission contribution made by any Negro organization during the 1967-68 fiscal year.

The Lott Carey Convention currently has one hundred and twenty-four full-time missionaries serving in Haiti, India and Nigeria-Biafra.

Other officers of the Lott Carey Convention are Dr. M. L. Wilson, President, and host pastor of Convent Avenue Baptist Church, New York, where

the Convention will hold its 72nd Annual Session, September 1-5, 1969. Mrs. Mary Henderson Wright, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania is President of the Woman's Auxiliary, Mr. Aaron Boykin, Portsmouth, Virginia is President of the Laymen's League, Miss Gwendolyn Bowick is President of the Youth Department, Dr. W. L. Ransome, Richmond, Virginia is Chairman of the Executive Board of the Convention.

Denver May Become First 'Black Mecca' In Country

DENVER - Migration of Black people to the this city is expected to push Denver's population up to 1,000,000 by 1970. This development could make Denver the "next Black Mecca."

Black people are said to be moving to Denver at the rate of 6,000 a year. The city already has 100,000 Negro residents. Some 1,300 Blacks are born each year in Denver; less than 200 a year die in the city.

This pace is up from 1964, when 3,700 Negroes migrated into Denver. In that year, 475 Black people were born and

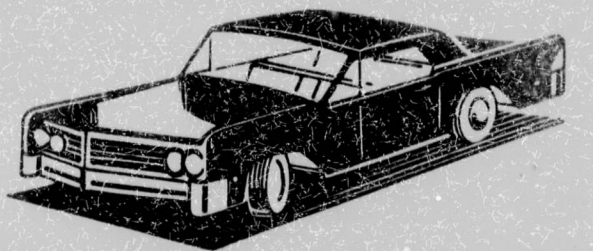
59 died in the Mile High City.

The first Mecca for the Black man was Chicago, the Blade said. Black people "are now leaving Chicago, selecting Denver, and growth is fast in the making."

Denver Blacks complain that they do not recognize anyone on the streets anymore, as everyone is from somewhere else, mostly the East, the newspaper said.

According to the Denver Blade Newspaper, Inc., Denver promises to be the "next Black Mecca" in view of the rapid increase in Negro population.

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TEAR GAS VICTIMS - Berkeley, Calif. - Bystanders near the University of California almost blinded by tear gas, leave the strifetorn area after fighting broke out in the streets here February 28. National Guardsmen went into action for the first time joining the ranks of the sheriffs deputies and Highway Patrolmen. Man in back is a gas masked television cameraman. (UPI).