

N. C. Medic Is Mum On Gun Rap

'Kind Of Shady'-Dr. Hammond

WASHINGTON, N. C. - "The whole thing is kind of shady," said Dr. William H. Hammond when contacted by a CAROLINIAN representative at his office early Wednesday regarding charges of assault with a deadly weapon and carrying a concealed weapon, lodged against him Tuesday allegedly by a white used car salesman here.

The only black physician in the city, Dr. Hammond told the newsmen also, "Let's wait and see how the trial comes out. It should be interesting." He said he has retained a Negro attorney from New Bern to defend him, but did not reveal his name.

The car salesman, Mervin Cherry, was charged with assaulting the medic with his hands and fists.

Phillip Paul, chief of police, said his investigation of a reported assault upon Dr. Hammond last Saturday night near the Beaufort County Hospital here led to the Tuesday arrests

Negro Press Observing 142nd Year

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NCTA Refuses To Accept Underdog Role In NCEA

Palmer Is Backed By Board

BY E. B. PALMER

In a continuing battle, which has persisted for over five years, the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Teachers Association in regular session on March 15, took the following action:

1. - Authorized the Executive Secretary to again make known its long established position on merger. "The North Carolina Teacher Association has requested and sought a fair and equitable merger with the North Carolina Education Association for more than five years. This has been and still is the desire of the NCTA. Negotiations towards this end are at an impasse not because of 'Black Militancy', 'Black Power', nor desires for 'Black Separatism', but due to the lack of men of 'Good Faith' to negotiate terms of merger based on the equality of mankind. If 'Black Militancy' on the part of NCTA leadership and membership means the failure to accept the doleful out of token, general, limited



CHARGED BY TREE SURGEON - Louisburg: Jesse R. Morgan (R) talks with his son, Jesse R. Morgan, Jr. (L) after a preliminary hearing scheduled for Monday to hear charges of "assault with intent to kill" was postponed until March 31 in District Court here. The Morgans are charged in connection with an incident that occurred near Franklinton, N. C., in which a Raleigh tree surgeon, James Lawing, charged the two men forced his car off the road and one of the men waved a pistol at him. (UPI).

Nation's Commitment To Education For All Cited By Mrs. E. Koontz

WASHINGTON - In a recent speech before the Commission on the Status of Women at the United Nations, Mrs. Elizabeth Duncan Koontz, Director of the

Women's Bureau, stressed this nation's commitment to "a good education for every citizen."

Mrs. Koontz was appointed by President Nixon to serve as a

delegate to the 22nd session of the Commission, a part of the

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Governor Salutes The Negro Press

I wish to acknowledge the commemoration of the founding of the first Negro newspaper in the United States by John B. Russwurm on March 16, 1827.

The Negro Press has distinguished itself throughout history for its forthright fight for decency and human dignity. The freedom of the press, as exemplified by the Negro Press, is one of the bulwarks of society which must never be shattered.

As Governor of North Carolina and personally, I want to congratulate the nation's courageous Negro publishers and editors for their continuing search for enlightenment and truth through these past 142 years.

At the same time I want to extend my best wishes and my firm conviction that their crusade for full freedom and opportunity for all Americans will be realized in our times.

SIGNED: Robert W. (Bob) Scott

SWEEPSTAKES

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\$40	\$10	\$5.00

Anyone having current GREEN tickets, dated Mar. 3, 1969, with proper numbers present same to The CAROLINIAN office and receive amounts listed above from the SWEEPSTAKES Feature.

No Sweepstakes Winners

Thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents awaited three winners in last week's CAROLINIAN Sweepstakes Promotion, but neither of the three prizes were claimed.

This week, the second and third prizes double in value, while the first prize money will go up another ten dollars.

To be valid this week, tick-

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The Crime Beat

FROM RALEIGH'S OFFICIAL POLICE FILE

'TRIED TO ACT CUTE'

Mrs. Barbara Thorpe Bennett, 335 1/2 Dorothea Drive, told Officer J. R. Privette at 10 p.m. Monday, that she went to visit her friend, Miss Cathy Strickland, at the corner of Battle and Grape Streets. As soon as she walked in the door, Mrs. Bennett declared, Mrs. Shirley Ann Griffin, 28, address unlisted, started beating her with a piece of pipe, about 24 inches long, because "Shirley said she didn't like me and that I was trying to act cute." After the attack, Mrs. Griffin is reported to have run from the house.

Mrs. Bennett, who signed an assault with a deadly weapon warrant on Shirley, suffered a bruised left arm, lacerations and swelling on the right leg and her right thumb was sprained.

FOOD STORE ENTERED

Marion Goodson, operator of the Fast Stop Food Store, 704 Rock Quarry Road, reported to Officer C. C. Heath at 9:04 a.m. Tuesday of last week, that someone broke the window in the rear of the building, causing \$75 to the doors and window, and entered the main door leading into the facility, which appeared to have been kicked open.

Stolen were four cigarette lighters, valued at \$4.98; four boxes of chewing gum, \$3.20; one box of coconut cookies, \$1; and an undetermined amount of cigarettes. No suspects were listed. The incident took place after 10 p.m. the day before.

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Lawmaker, Others Are Extolled

Editor's Note: The National Newspaper Publishers Association, this week is celebrating the 142nd anniversary of its founding by John B. Russwurm, editor of "Freedom's Journal," the first Negro newspaper. Russwurm was also the first Negro college graduate in the nation's history. A related story is on Page 11.

The Nation's first black congresswoman and the young resourceful Georgia legislator who emerged as a leading figure during the Democratic National Convention were among a distinguished list of ten recipients of NNPA's 1969 Russwurm Awards.

The awards, named for John B. Russwurm, founder of the first Negro newspaper, Freedom's Journal in 1827, are the highest awards given by the National Newspaper Publishers Association.

The announcement of the awards including nine individuals and the NBC "Today" television show, was made by Howard B. Woods, publisher of the St. Louis Sentinel and chairman of the NNPA awards committee. John H. Murphy president of the Afro-American Newspapers is president of NNPA.

For the first time, all of the recipients are Negro. They are New York's Rep. Shirley Chisholm; Georgia State Rep. Julian Bond; Charles Sifford, professional golfer of Los Angeles; U. S. District Judge A. Leon Higginbotham; the Rev. James Lawson, of the National Medical Association; Dr. Lillie M. Jackson, Baltimore civic leader; Atty. Arthur M. Shores, member of the Birmingham, Ala., city council and Prof. Harry Edwards, who sparked the black power thrust at the Mexican Olympics, resulting in a new awareness of the black athlete as coaches and officials on college campuses.

Rep. Chisholm was named for being the first black woman elected to Congress. Rep. Julian Bond as a member of the Georgia Assembly, has inspired new concept to the political structure in the South.

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CATHEDRAL SPEAKER - London: Mrs. Coretta King, widow of assassinated civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., preaches from the pulpit of London's St. Paul's Cathedral March 16. Mrs. King is the first woman ever to preach at a statutory in St. Paul's. She is in London for three days in connection with the establishment of the Martin Luther King Memorial Fund and Foundation. (UPI).

Soldiers Deny Taking Arms On Campus

FAYETTEVILLE - Early last Tuesday afternoon, two armed men reportedly walked into the dining hall at Fayetteville State College in search of several students.

In Fayetteville's police report, several armed men were on the campus and at least two persons had been questioned and released.

One was said to have been armed with what appeared to be a M-14 Army rifle, and the other had an Army .45 calibre pistol.

The men involved are believed to be soldiers, accompanied by two other armed intruders who remained outside the building. The incident reportedly followed a conflict between several GI's and several students.

Army representatives and an official of the college met Tuesday concerning the matter, but came to no conclusion.

Police reportedly searched

for several soldiers who were tentatively identified by witnesses in the cafeteria.

Jesse J. Batts admitted to Fayetteville police that he was one of several servicemen who was on the campus of Fayetteville State College Wednesday, but denied that they were carrying guns.

Batts complained that he and other GI's have been "harassed and bothered" by a group of male students "that goes by the name of The Black Power."

Batts also reported to police that he had a tire tool which was wrapped inside a field jacket and another GI was carrying a laundry bag that contained nothing but soiled clothing.

The statement was made to

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Plans For Housing Are Reviewed

FAYETTEVILLE - Last Thursday, Federal housing officials reviewed the Fayetteville Housing Authority's plans for improving the "quality of life" for residents of the city's two public housing projects.

Director of the services division, Office of the Assistant Regional Administrator for Housing Assistance R. H. Waller, met with the authority for a review of the objectives of the modernization and rehabilitation program.

Last November, the authority submitted application for funds for the program. This month, a survey team has been here studying the proposals. Objectives of the program are to give more attention to the "residents' dignity, privacy and personal safety," creation of an environment where tenants can regard dwellings as their homes and expanding participation of tenants in project management affairs and programs.

Robert Ward, executive director, reported to the authority that its contract for leasing privately-owned housing has been approved by the Atlanta regional office. Active negotiations with property owners for leasing of existing dwellings and negotiations for construction of new units for leasing to the authority are underway.

Ward invited other developers into the program.

Ward revealed to the authority that he has asked the Fayetteville Redevelopment Commission to propose a site for construction of low-income housing units within the urban renewal area.

Probably in Evans Hill, plans

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WEATHER REPORT

During the period, Thursday through Monday, temperatures will average near normal. Daytime highs are expected to average in the 50s in the mountains of the state, and 60-70 degrees elsewhere. Lows at night will average in the 30s in the mountains and the lower to middle 50s elsewhere. It will be mild throughout the period, with only day-to-day changes. Precipitation will average three-fourths of an inch, occurring as showers late Thursday and Thursday night in the western portion of the state, and on Friday in the east. Rain is expected again by the first of next week.



TRAGIC SCENES - Mexico City: In top photo, Ethiopian Ambassador Galtischew Bekele weeps as police escort him from Embassy here late Tuesday. In photo at left, the body of Ethiopian Embassy cook-houseboy Berhann Heewan dangles in air shaft of cheap hotel where he hung himself late Tuesday, March 18, after shooting to death ambassador's wife and two women servants at the Embassy. Three of the couple's four children were injured. (UPI).

Atty Greene Will Address Demo. Women

George R. Greene, attorney of Raleigh, will be the speaker at the meeting of the Democratic Women of Wake County on Thursday, March 27, at 11:45 a.m. at Longworth Cafeteria. (See ATTY GREENE, P. 2)



DR. RUDOLPH JONES

Dr. Jones Quits Post

FAYETTEVILLE - On Thursday, July 31, the resignation of Dr. Rudolph Jones, president of Fayetteville State

College since 1956, will become effective.

In making the announcement on Tuesday of this week, Jones, 58, said, "I'm not an old man, but after you've handled something like this for 13 years, it's time for someone else to take over the reins." His salary was \$22,000 per year.

He said he will seek a teaching position at a public college in this state "for health and personal reasons."

Many interpreted his resignation to be a result of demands by students at the college for an administration of a more liberal nature.

Dr. Jones' letter of resignation, addressed to the Board of Trustees, was dated January 30, this year, but was not given to the body until March 4, shortly after demonstrations by students on the campus.

The president suspended classes on February 17, supposedly for two days, but the

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