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Districting Discussion Is Approved

By MISS J. E. HICKS

At its regular monthly meeting held at 8 p.m. last Thursday at the East Hargett Street YWCA, Raleigh Citizens Association President Ralph Campbell, set the stage for an interesting and vital decision-making meeting.

There were maps on the walls borrowed from the City Planning Commission containing plans 5 (Pie Plan), 6 and 7 and an overhead projector to show the plans as they were discussed while comparing various plans.

The business session began with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting by secretary George Spaulding. Mr. William Knight, temporary chairman of the Political Action Committee of RCA, asked secretary Jeannette Hicks to read the minutes of that committee. The recommendations of this committee included among other items that as far as possible a plan of districting which kept together black precincts would be acceptable. Since plan 5 (Pie Plan) seemed to fit this concept, RCA accepted this recommendation. Discussion followed as other plans were projected on the maps. Finally precinct 17 was added to the Pie Plan which would now include precincts 34, 35, 20, 22, 25, 26 and 17. This plan was to be presented as the RCA Plan at the City Council hearing meeting March 19.

A committee - Mrs. Elizabeth Coffield, Mrs. Cliffonia Wimbler, Mrs. Spurgeon Cameron - was appointed to write a letter submitting the name of Mr. William Knight to fill the vacancy on the City Council. Mr. Knight is a former staff member of RCA.

Mr. Campbell reported on his visit to Washington and the delegation which went to lobby for the retention of OEO. They visited Congressman Ike Anderson and Mr. Nixon's budget and felt that it was a good budget. He asked the group how they felt about the bill.

Nat'l Head Of NAACP To Durham

DURHAM - Officials of the Durham Branch, NAACP, announced through Rev. B. A. Mack, pastor, Morehead Baptist Church, that Kivie Kaplan, national president of the organization, would be the principal speaker at the March meeting of the local branch, which will be held at the church.

Rev. Mack and his congregation received a letter from the New York office that Mr. Kaplan would be in the city. The program committee, promptly got in touch with the office and requested that he speak. Rev. Mack's effort is in keeping with the local branch's policy to enlist the all-out support of the pastors of the city.

Mr. Kaplan has been active with the NAACP for more than 40 years and has gained the distinction of being one of the most ardent civil rights advocates of the nation. He is credited with having raised the life membership roll from about 2,000 to 53,000, while chairman of the Life Membership Committee. He has served as the

Governor Of State Speaks To N.C. Solons

Political observers, who know the value of the black vote to preserve the Democratic dynasty in the state, were aghast here Tuesday, when so many blacks appeared at the hearing on a bill to take the power of election board appointments from Governor Jim Holshouser and vest it in the Democratic controlled legislature.

The coming of the blacks, to oppose the passage of what was termed a purely partisan bill, not only caught the proponents of the bill unaware, but showed that blacks are beginning to throw their political weight around. The proponents opened the hearing with only two speakers, who showed that they had not done their home work well. One of the speakers admitted that the bill had deep political implications. He felt that it was fair and proper that the Democrat-controlled legislature should take this power

Black Man Secretary Of Assembly

DURHAM - Dr. Vernon Clark, associate professor of biology at North Carolina Central University, Durham, was elected secretary of the Faculty Assembly of the University of North Carolina system at a recent meeting of that organization.

The Faculty Assembly gathers and exchanges information on behalf of the faculties of the constituent institutions of the University of North Carolina. Through appropriate channels the Faculty Assembly advises the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina, the General Assembly, and

Husband Bound Over After

Wife, 40, Is Slain

President Hargraves Says

Shaw's Finances Better

Gun Blasts Claim Life In Johnston

SELMA - A 45-year-old local man, Lonnie Price, was bound over last week to the Johnston County Superior Court on a charge of murder, following the shooting death of his 40-year-old wife, Mrs. Rubystean Davis Price, who was pronounced dead at the Johnston Memorial Hospital last Saturday after being shot a number of times with a small calibre weapon. The slaying took place on a street here.

Johnston's acting medical examiner, V. J. Underwood, said that a post-mortem examination showed that death was caused by the gunshot wounds in the chest and neck. Price was taken into custody after he took Mrs. Price to the emergency room at the hospital.

According to Selma Police Officer Donnie Davis, Price was then charged with murder. The preliminary hearing was held (See WIFE SLAIN, P. 2)

Complex Is Ordered To Integrate

A suit filed last May in U.S. Eastern District Court in Raleigh has been settled by a Consent Judgement signed by Federal Judge Franklin T. Dupree, Jr.

The judgment against Wellon Enterprises, Inc., Calvin G. Wellons, Mrs. Worth Creech and Wellongate Apartments of Rocky Mount, prohibits any act of racial discrimination "against any person in the sale or rental of a dwelling, or in the provision of services or facilities in connection therewith, on the basis of race, color, religion or national origin."

The judgment further provides that applications for occupancy by minority persons be processed in a reasonable and prompt manner on the same basis as the applications of white persons and that notices be sent to all tenants of Wellongate Apartments notifying them of the apartment's non-discriminatory policy.

The words "Equal Housing Opportunity" must be included in all circulars, newspaper or radio or television advertising conducted by the defendants. The defendants were also ordered to pay the plaintiffs' attorneys' fees and court costs and instructed to file sworn statements with the federal court regarding steps taken to comply with the Consent



THREE "SLAVES" SLEPT IN THIS ROOM—Florida City, Fla.—Three migrant farm workers shared this room at the Far South Labor Camp before a labor contractor was arrested March 15 charged with false imprisonment. Police said 29 migrant farm workers were kept against their will by labor boss Joe Brown and a man described as a guard, Lafayette Matthew. All but one were black. (UPI)

Shaw Reduced Debt From \$1.9 Million To 800 Gs

Raleigh's Shaw University, although not out of its financial straits, is "in better condition" financially this year, President Archie Hargraves said recently.

Hargraves told Raleigh businessmen at the school's annual corporate luncheon that the private black university has reduced its debt from \$1.9 million to \$800,000 over the last year.

The university, like other private institutions of higher learning across the country, was in serious financial trouble last year, Hargraves said.

But he added, "tighter accounting and purchasing systems, a moratorium on construction and faculty reductions had improved the school's financial picture."

He stopped short of saying the school was out of financial trouble now, but did say the situation was brighter than at this time last year.

During the luncheon, Shaw presented Distinguished Service Awards for outstanding civic contributions and support to Shaw to:

Frank A. Daniels, chairman of the board of The News and Observer Publishing Co.; Karl Hudson, executive vice president and general manager of Hudson-Belk Co.; J. D. Lewis, former project director of GROW, Inc.; John Winters, president of John Winters Realty Co.; Vernon Malone, the only black member of the Raleigh school board, and a Shaw University graduate; and J. J. Sansom, senior vice president of Mechanics and Farmers Bank.

You, too, may be a winner. Check the advertisements on page 12 of this week's paper. Persons who see their names in the ads SHOULD NOT go directly to the merchants involved but come FIRST to the office of this newspaper, located at 518 E. Martin Street, so that we can identify you. Please remember that the deadline for claiming your money is noon on the Monday following the appearance of your name in the paper, this week on page 12. (See APPRECIATION, P. 2)



HEARS GOOD NEWS TOO LATE—Petersburg, Fla.: Mrs. Roberto Clemente (L) has a serious look after it was announced here March 20 that her late husband, Pittsburgh Pirates star Roberto Clemente, was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in a landslide vote. Center is Baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn.

Second Murder Of The Year At Durham's "Death House"

DURHAM - According to reports of local police, a house, located at 2435 Bluefield Street, was the scene of another death early Monday morning, bringing its total, for the first three months of the year, to two violent ones.

The officers report that when they reached the house about 2:57 a.m. they found the body of George Hamlet, 45, lying in front of the refrigerator, in the kitchen. Officers, investigating the death, came up with the opinion that Hamlet's life was snuffed out by Calvin Louis Turrentine, 23, after the two men are said to have had an argument.

The house is said to be occupied by one, Miss Lila Mae Williams, who has established quite a record for either being charged with murder or being associated with incidents in which four people are known to

have been killed, during her 35 years.

It was reported that her first experience happened some years ago, when she is said to have killed a man. She is awaiting trial for having pumped four bullets thru the heart of Willie Davis, 34, in her home on Dec. 31. She is also reported as having driven Robert Johnson, 28, and Fred Lynwood Swann, 26, to their deaths, on Feb. 19, when they were shot by Mrs. Juanita Leverage Cotton, 25, in her back yard.

Officers reported that when they reached the house of Miss

Williams, Monday morning, they were met by her and Mattie Paterson, 35, outside the house. Acting on information received as to how Hamlet met his death, the officers went to 1211 Naples Street, where they found Turrentine, took him into

(See 2ND MURDER, P. 2)

CRIME BEAT
From Raleigh's Official Police Files

EDITOR'S NOTE: This column or section is prepared in the public interest with an aim towards eliminating its contents. Numerous individuals have requested that they be given the consideration of reviewing their listing on the police blotter. This we would like to do. However, it is not our position to be judge or jury. We merely publish the facts as we find them reported by the arresting officers. To keep out of The Crime Beat Column, merely means not being registered by a police officer in reporting his findings while on duty. So simply keep off the "Blotter" and you won't be in The Crime Beat.

TWO FIGHT-JAILED
Officer Raymond Devone, Jr., reported at 12:59 a.m. Saturday, as follows: "Upon arriving on call in the 500 block of E. Hargett Street, I observed two Negro males standing on the sidewalk with multiple cuts and bruises on them. I immediately placed the subjects under arrest for engaging in an affray with deadly weapons." The officer summoned an ambulance and accompanied it to Wake Memorial Hospital's Emergency, where they were treated and released. Jailed were John Ivey Arrington, 19, 547 E. Hargett Street, and Burly Lee Robinson, 27, same address. Arrington suffered multiple cuts on the left side, while Robinson received a cut on the left wrist. Knives were used in the affray. A witness was listed as Christopher McEachin, 547 E. Hargett (See CRIME BEAT, P. 3)

Kennedy Says NIA Agency Controls 'Whole Thing'

DURHAM - Using a sermonette format, complete with a text from the Book of Ruth, W. J. Kennedy, III, president of the North Carolina Mutual Life

Insurance Company, told the eighty-five delegates to the 34th Annual Agency Officers Mid-Year Conference at their second session held in the Downtown Motel that, "You agency officers are responsible for the continuous flow of life giving blood (premium dollars) into the company arteries in ever increasing amounts to sustain healthy growth and continued viability."

"All of us are familiar with the old axiom: 'Either grow or go!' Kennedy continued. "We are part of a dynamic society and a dynamic economic environment. This is doubly true in the black community. In 1968, D. Parke Gibson, that leading black marketing consultant so widely used by our nation's largest firms, identified the disposable income of blacks in America at \$30 billion."

"Four years later, Andrew (See NIA AGENCY, P. 2)

2-Pronged Battle For Offensive

BY MILTON COLEMAN
WASHINGTON, D.C. - Organizers for the "Spring Offensive" against proposed Nixon administration budget cuts last week moved to solidify a two-pronged approach they believe will effectively carry out the task.

The double barreled assault will be aimed at the U.S. Congress, attempting to bring heavy enough fire upon that body from both within and



PLAN AFRICAN WEEK HERE—A group of North Carolina State University students get together to plan Pan African Week, April 8-14, with Dr. Banks, C. Talley, Jr., dean of Student Affairs (seated at left). Seated with Dr. Talley is Bernard Hayes, son of Dr. and Mrs. Maurice Hayes, 3205 Rivenhurst Dr., Fayetteville. Standing, from left to right are: W. Donnell Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bell, 606 Church Street, Smithfield; Reginald Widemon, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Widemon, 902 Ross Ave., Greensboro; Tommie Garner, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Garner, 2207 Gilliam Lane, Raleigh; and Alger Marable, son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Marable, 524 Tuggle St., Durham.

Appreciation Money SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEK BOULEVARD APPLIANCE CENTER "For Quality Appliances at Reasonable Prices."



VIEWS FLOODWATERS WITH CONCERN—Columbia, Tenn.: A local resident watches with concern as the floodwaters of the Duck River continued to rise March 17 forcing many residents to leave their homes. The river is expected to crest above 51 feet late Saturday. (PI)