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Alleged Angry Worker Shoots 3 Times

MAN GUNNED IN CEMETERY



At 93rd Session

Fayetteville Hosts Zionites

Sessions
Are Now
Underway



OMEGAS "CITIZEN OF THE YEAR" - Mrs. Elizabeth Coffield is shown receiving the Iota Iota Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity's "Citizens of the Year" award, last Saturday night at the Meadowbrook Country Club, from John W. Winters, for Raleigh City Councilman, as her husband, J. E. Coffield, looks on. (See story inside.)

Unemployment Of Nam Veterans Still Persists

WASHINGTON - The unemployment rate for black and other minority Vietnam-era veterans for the third quarter of 1973 - 9.2 percent - was considerably lower than the 13.6 percent rate of a year earlier. But the third quarter 1973 rate was not significantly changed from the second quarter this year, the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. The rates, not seasonally adjusted, are based on the percentage of black and other minority group veterans, 20 to 34 years of age, in the labor force who are unemployed. The rate was not materially different from the 8.9 percent rate for black non-veterans. It was, however, more than twice as high as the unemployment rate of white veterans, which dropped from 5.2 to 4.1 percent over the year. For two quarters in a row, the only difference between the unemployment rate of black and white veterans was among those in their 20's. In the third quarter of 1973, the unemployment rates of black veterans 20 to 24 years of age were 11.2 percent, compared with 4.1 percent for white veterans of the same age group. (See VETERANS, P. 2)

Worker
On Bond
In Case

DURHAM - Local police really had a new one to solve this week as they tried to determine why Norman T. Umstead, 36, reportedly got so mad with Richard Merritt, 25, until it is alleged that he shouldered his shotgun and blasted away at the victim, wounding him in the back three times, in Maplewood Cemetery. According to reports given the police, the two men were employed as attendants, at the cemetery. Indications are that the shooting occurred about 2:40 p.m. According to the report, given by James P. Elkins, who is reported as to have been in the cemetery, he heard three shots and saw a black man get into a white Ford station wagon and drive off. Merritt was taken to Duke Hospital after the shooting. (See ON BOND, P. 2)

CRIME BEAT

From Raleigh's Official Police Files

EDITOR'S NOTE: This column of features is produced in the public interest with an aim towards eliminating its contents. Numerous individuals have requested that they be given the consideration of overlooking their listing on the police blotter. This we would like to do. However, it is not our position to judge or jury. We merely publish the facts as we find them reported by the arresting officers. To keep out of the Crime Beat columns, merely means not being registered by a police officer in reporting his findings with no duty, so simply keep off the "blotter" and you won't be in The Crime Beat. ASSAULTED BY YOUTH Mrs. Betty Inez Davis, 31, 2100 Dandridge Drive, Apartment C, told Officer R. Clayborne at 10:46 a.m. Friday, that while she was at work at 217 W. Jones Street, she was assaulted by James Upchurch, 16, address unlisted. The woman said she will sign an assault on a female warrant against him. Her injuries, if any, were not listed. (See CRIME BEAT, P. 3)

High Court
Upholds In
State Cases

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Reginald Hawkins, twice a candidate for governor of North Carolina, a practicing dentist in the state's largest City, Charlotte, who appealed a 12-months sentence suspension sentence, for alleged wrong doings in cases involving federal funds, lost the appeal Monday.

Two other black dentists, John P. Stinson and George Nash, who received 60 days and 18 months, respectively, were also denied their appeals.

The three took their cases to the United States Supreme Court, when a state court upheld the ruling of the N.C. Board of Dental Examiners. The dental board sought to punish the three black dentists for bills presented by them and one white dentist for services rendered at a clinic, established by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education. It is alleged that the appeal of the three blacks (See DR. HAWKINS, P. 2)

Gets Nat'l Home Ec. Recognition

Mrs. Mary I. Parham, home economics extension agent in Granville County for more than 30 years received the Distinguished Service Award of the National Association of Extension Home Economists at Grossingers, New York last week. As an extension agent, Mrs. Parham has given leadership to a strong program for adults and youth in clothing and management. Because of her strong interest in hat construction, she has often been referred to as the "hat lady." Irene's hats have been seen all over the state. Her skills in clothing construction, millinery and tie making, have been shared with numerous agents and other professional home economists. (See GETS NAT'L, P. 2)



MRS. MARY I. PARHAM



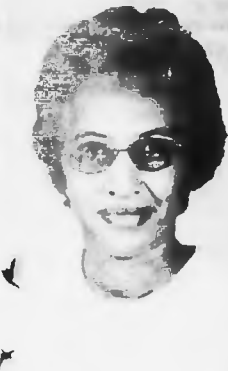
CLARENCE E. LIGHTNER



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VERNON MALONE



MRS. CLIFFORNIA WINBERLEY

Appeal Of Jim Grant Again Axed

CHARLOTTE - The state and federal courts continue to work together to keep Jim Grant locked up. He is a leader in the black liberation movement in North Carolina.

The U.S. Supreme Court in Washington refused to hear Grant's appeal from a 10-year sentence for helping two young men to run off to Canada. The jury that tried

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"I'M BUSY UP FOR LIGHTNER" says Mrs. Daisy Louise Debnam as she leaves the voting booth at the Lucille Hunter School, after casting her votes on Tuesday, Nov. 6. Urging her "right on" is Hubert Eugene (Count) Hayes, popular area photographer and musician. (Staff photo by Cecil McGirt)

With the tremendous help of which North Raleigh and the predominantly black precinct voters on Tuesday, Nov. 6, 1973, Clarence Everett Lightner, 52-year-old resident of 717 Delany Drive, became the first black mayor of the City of Raleigh, since the inception, 26 years ago, of the City Council form of government. This was also the first time that a mayor had been elected. In previous years, they have been chosen from among the members of the council.

The Honorable Mayor-Elect Lightner defeated his white opponent, G. Wesley Williams, also 52, executive director of the Raleigh Merchants Bureau, by a total of 1,872 votes.

A veteran of six and one-half years on the Raleigh City Council, Lightner currently serves as the council's mayor pro-tem, is president and general manager of the Lightner Funeral Home, 312 Smithfield Street, Lightner Insurance Agency and Hillcrest Cemetery, Garner Road.

Three other blacks were victorious in other races. Two won seats on the Raleigh Board of Education: Vernon Malone, incumbent, placing fourth with 11,485 votes, and Mrs. Clifforia, who came in third with a count of 11,510 votes.

(See LIGHTNER, P. 2)

NC Baptist Body Holds 24th Talks

DURHAM - "A More Excellent Way" was the theme which called more than one thousand Baptist ministers, laymen, women and young people, to the 24th annual session of the General Baptist State Laymen's League Auxiliary and the 108th annual session of the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Inc., which convened with the Greater St. Paul Baptist Church, Durham, Dr. W. T. Bigelow, Nov. 1, 1973.

History was made in several instances, which added another banner year for Christ to the annals of the 106 year old august body which has 350,000 members across the state.

The Laymen, under the leadership of president Frank Marshall, his official staff, and program participants (See NC BAPTISTS, P. 2)

A Salute To Raleigh And Its New Mayor

It is with pride that this newspaper salutes a worthy political warrior, Clarence Everett Lightner, now mayor-elect Lightner, so ordered by the body politic of Raleigh. At no time in his campaign did he seem to show signs of defeat in either the primary or the General Election.

His experience and many other qualifications should make his constituents proud of their choice as he serves this great City of Raleigh. We use the word great, because it had to be a superlative word in describing her as its people showed color is no bar to granting one the opportunity to serve and achieve in the highest office afforded here.

Again, we salute mayor-elect Lightner and the people of Raleigh for their choice and wish for our fair city, under his guidance, growth, prosperity and advancement in all areas of human relationships.

FAYETTEVILLE - The 93rd annual session of the Central N.C. AME Zion Church, presided over by Bishop W. A. Hilliard, which gets underway at Evans Metropolitan Church, 301 Coolspring Street Tuesday, Nov. 6 at 10 a.m., is expected to give Rural Church Life and social welfare close attention.

The matter of rural church development is motivated by the fire that gutted St. Andrews AME Zion Church, Bunn Level, recently. This edifice not only has a brilliant history, but was one of the most beautiful to be found in the area. The estimated cost to rebuild has been placed at \$300,000.

The cause of social reforms received a boost when the Laurinburg District, under the leadership of the presiding elder, purchased an abandoned school and set up multi-purpose program, near Maxton and Laurinburg. A day care has been set up in the building. There is also an industrial training program being carried on there, making it possible for underprivileged persons to get the kind of training that will enable them to qualify for good-paying jobs that are available at the new industries that have moved into the community.

Work is expected to be (See AME ZION, P. 2)

NC Shriners, Daughters Set For Confab In Cumberland Sessions

Prince Hall Shriners, along with Daughters of Isis, in a Sunday meet at the Hilton Inn, completed plans for a Winter Conference, which will be held in Fayetteville, January 25-27.

It will also help Kindah Temple to celebrate its 25th anniversary. The Desert of

Horace Murray Appreciation Money Winner

Only one person claimed his \$10 cash last week in The CAROLINIAN's Appreciation Money Feature. He was Horace Murray, 1413 Savannah Drive in Kingwood Forest, whose name was found in the advertisement paid for by the One Hour Martinizing Service, 3911 Western Boulevard, where you receive the best in dry cleaning and laundry service.

As in previous weeks, there were two other names on the Appreciation Page, but the checks were not claimed by the 12 noon deadline on the Monday following the appearance of the names. (See APPRECIATION, P. 2)

North Carolina, presided over by James E. Lytle, will conduct workshops in every phase of the craft. There will also be Talent Hunt elimination program that will decide the two contestants that will represent the Desert of the National Convention, that will be held in Philadelphia. It was made clear that each Temple is asked to recruit contestants of any race. It is to be remembered that a white student won the right to compete in the 1972 finals. Another gala feature will be the Patrol demonstration that will determine the best Patrol in the state. It is expected that novices from throughout the Desert will journey to Fayetteville to be "created" in the mysteries of Shrinedom. The Daughters of Isis will follow the pattern of the Nobles, including initiation. Their sessions will be presided over by Daughter Beatrice Murrell. The committee has planned a number of social events that are designed to add to the gaiety of the occasion.

Appreciation Money
SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEK
PEPPES PIZZA DEN
"For Delicious Italian Spaghetti"



VICTIMS TRAPPED IN BUS - Sacramento - Rescuers work to free trapped victims of a bus crash that killed 19 persons and injured dozens, after it crashed into a freeway pillar on I-880, enroute from San Francisco to Reno, carrying 46 persons. (UPI)