

Hundreds At Rites For 4 Women



MRS. BERNICE C. HARRINGTON

MRS. AZALEE C. JACKSON

MRS. GERTRUDE C. HARMON



MRS. HARVELEIGH M. R. WHITE

PICTURE COVERAGE

Because of the shock felt in the city and state last Thursday at the murder of four local women, **THE CAROLINIAN** is giving special pictorial coverage and presenting an in-depth story on the deaths and funerals of the principals involved in the tragedies that befell the Raleigh community so suddenly.



JOSEPH L. HARRIS



WAITING TO ENTER CHURCH — John Owen White, Sr., and son, J. O., Jr., stand outside the Sacred Heart Cathedral Monday as they wait to lead a crowd of mourners, city officials and area citizens into the edifice for the funeral of Mrs. Harveleigh White.



CASKET BORN IN — Pallbearers are shown escorting the remains of Mrs. White into the church, prior to funeral services here Monday.



FOLLOWING THE RITES — Mrs. Marion Ramona White Jervay, daughter of the slain leader, Mrs. White, is shown leaving the church, escorted by her husband, Thomas Clarence Jervay, Jr., following last rites for the mother.



AT CLARK SISTERS FUNERAL — Pallbearers are shown lifting the remains of one of the three sisters killed last Thursday night, out of a hearse. The Rev. Clyde Belvin Walton, pastor of Method's Oak City Baptist Church, where the three women held memberships, is shown on the left. Their joint funerals were conducted Monday at the First Cosmopolitan Baptist Church.

Sisters, Leader Interred

BY STAFF WRITER
The Rev. Msgr. Charles O'Connor, pastor of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Fayetteville, and the Rev. Clyde Belvin Walton, minister of Oak City Baptist Church in Method, had tremendous duties to perform here on Monday, Jan. 13, as a cold, driving rain beat upon the roofs of Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hillsborough Street, at 11 a.m. and First Cosmopolitan Baptist Church, 1515 Cross Link Road, at 3 p.m. Their tasks involved delivering the eulogies for four Raleigh women, murdered as they went about their appointed duties — and unsuspectingly. Being held in jail on murder charges is Joe Louis Harris, who lived among the four at 603 Royal Street. Harris is black as were the four women.

Mayor Clarence Everett Lightner, who spoke at the Catholic rites, said of Mrs. White: "You don't get accustomed to this. We'll miss Harveleigh in this city." Father O'Connor stated: "She set a marvelous example of how to live among people. She loved God's creatures." Mrs. White was superintendent of the Method Post Office. Resolutions of regret were sent by both the state and national offices of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, in which Mrs. White had played a strong part for many years. The more than 350 in appearance at the funeral of Mrs. Harveleigh Monte Rivers White, who was composed of members of both races, officials of the Raleigh City Council, to which she had made many appearances on the part of this city's citizens, especially the elderly and the poor, just plain citizens and, of course, the curious.

Some four miles away from Hillsborough Street, the Rev. Walton said at the triple funeral for the slain sisters: "There's nothing wrong with crying and mourning. There is a time to mourn." As the minister spoke, his own voice seemed to be choked with emotion. The trio of sisters were all active workers in the church where he pastors and they had worked closely with him during his term as pastor. More than 700 persons attended the funeral, many were left outside the church because all space had been taken.

There was much crying, mourning and screams of anguish for Mrs. Bernice Clark Harrington, 33, Mrs. Azalee Clark Jackson, 31, and Mrs. Gertrude Clark Harris, 29. The sisters were born in Catawba County, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Clark. Death struck like lightning on the fateful day for the three and Mrs. White. Police have been trying to unravel the web of mystery that surrounded the killings, believed to have been triggered when Mrs. Gertrude Harmon came up to Harris' automobile one day last September and dashed lye in his face. The lye was reportedly obtained at the house of one of the sisters, according to (See 4 WOMEN, P. 2).

Appreciation Checks Claimed By Two Here

There were two lucky winners in last week's CAROLINIAN Appreciation Money feature, sponsored by this newspaper and participating merchants, found on the back page of the first section of the paper each week. Mrs. Susie Freeman, 1225 New Bern Avenue, saw her name listed in the advertising space listed by FCX, 301 W. Cabarrus Street. Upon presenting proper identification, first at **THE CAROLINIAN**, then at FCX, she was awarded a check in the amount of \$10. At FCX, they have "Everything you need for garden and lawn." Walter Lee, 121 Pettigrow Street, spotted his name under Spivey's Lawn Mower Service's ad. This company is located at 2109 Poole Road and now offers a good selection of chain saws, along with other yard services. (See APPRECIATION, P. 2)

Appreciation Money
SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEK
PETE'S HARDWARE
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Woman NAACP Head

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Mate Bleeds To Death-Hubby Allegedly

SLITS WIFE'S THROAT

Was Also Fraternal Leader

Churchman Given Rites

Estranged Husband Arrested

Raleigh police are holding a 33-year-old Wake County man in the throat-cutting murder of his estranged wife here last Saturday afternoon. Being held without bond is Rudolph Taylor, Route 6, Raleigh, according to police Sgt. K. J. Johnson. Mrs. Jamie Smith Taylor, 31. (See SLITS WIFE'S, P. 2)



RUDOLPH TAYLOR
Did CIA Snoop On E. Kitt?

BY AUBREY ZEPHER
National Black News Service
WASHINGTON, D.C. — Internationally famous songstress Eartha Kitt has been the subject of a Central Intelligence Agency investigation since 1956.

The CIA started its dossier on Ms. Kitt after she shouted at Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson during a White House luncheon on Jan. 18, 1968. She spoke out against the Vietnam War telling the First Lady that the nation's youth were rebelling because they were being "snatched off to be shot at in Vietnam."

The CIA was asked by the Secret Service for information on Ms. Kitt. According to a New York Times report of documents, the incident "visibly shocked Mrs. Johnson and angered the President."



NATIONAL NAACP'S NEW BOARD CHAIRMAN — New York — Margaret Bush Wilson, a St. Louis lawyer who specializes in housing and real-estate, is introduced to the press Jan. 13 after her election as the first black woman chairman of the NAACP in its 65 year history. Mrs. Wilson was introduced by Roy Wilkins, executive director of the civil rights organization, after the 64-member board voted her to the post at the NAACP's annual meeting at the New York Hilton. (UPI)

Bishop Spottswood Is Succeeded By Atty.

BY ALEXANDER BARNES
NEW YORK CITY — When the smoke cleared from the caucus rooms of many NAACP politicians Monday morning, Jan. 13, there was no doubt that a woman had come out of the discussion clean and would be the successor to the late Bishop S. G. Spottswood as her apparent-chairman, National Board of Directors.

Mrs. (Attorney) Margaret Bush Wilson, well-known St. Louis practitioner, is said to have outdistanced several male candidates so far until their supporters did not want to discuss what happened and the candidates were not anxious for it to be known that they had sought the coveted prize.

Mrs. Wilson, 55, a divorcee, has long since established herself as a leader in the field of civil rights. She has fought and won many civil rights suits. She, perhaps, won the favor of NAACP officers and members when she took over as permanent chairman of the National Convention, after the death of Robert Ming, more (See HEADS NAACP, P. 2)

Jan. 25 Date Of Banquet

Malcolm (Peter) Stanford, State NAACP lobbyist, according to Kelly M. Alexander, Sr., president, State Conference of Branches, has done an outstanding job of planning for the first legislative dinner, which will be held at 7 p.m. Jan. 25, Royal Villa Motor Inn. The report from ticket sales (See BANQUET, P. 2)

G. Bryant Of Selma Is Dead

SELMA — Final rites for George W. Bryant, 96, veteran churchman, retired school principal and high Mason, were held from Mt. Zion AME Zion Church, in Smithfield, 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13, with the Rev. Joseph Brown officiating.

The deceased succumbed to an extended illness at Johnston Memorial Hospital, Jan. 7. He was born in Bladen County and is believed to have come to Selma about 1909 and has lived here ever since. He married the former Maggie Blount in 1912. To this union was born one son, Alonzo, who passed at an early age.

Upon coming to Selma, he affiliated himself with Barnes' Chapel AME Zion Church and served in practically all of its offices from Sunday School teacher to general conference delegate. He was credited with keeping the church going during the late years, as the membership dwindled. He was quite instrumental in plans to (See CHURCHMAN, P. 2)

Plot Is Denied By Muslims

National Black News Service
SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. — Two Black Muslims have denied that they were participants in an alleged extortion of \$100,000 from the Hearst family in a food giveaway program meant to free kidnapped newspaper heiress, Patricia Hearst.

Joseph X. Politte and Leonard Vaughn said reports of the extortion attempt are simply false. The two explained that they had done between \$75,000 and \$100,000 worth of business with the People In Need program and it was definitely not an extortion. The program was put into gear to distribute food to needy persons as demanded by the Symbionese Liberation Army, which announced Feb. 4, that it had captured Ms. Hearst. (See PLOT DENIED, P. 2)



PARTICIPATE IN FOUR-DAY KING BIRTHDAY OBSERVANCE — Atlanta — Coretta Scott King, wife of slain civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King (C), Amelia Billups, Selma, Ala., city council member (L) and Rosa Parks, who started the Montgomery bus boycott, at the Jan. 13 session of the 1-day observance marking the birthday of Dr. King. (UPI)