

Rights Body Meets Here For Unity



OLDEST MARRIED COUPLE IN AMERICA? — Louisville, Ky. — Pastor Hadley Hall (L.) congratulates Rev. and Mrs. Toby Crosby last week, after they were awarded a certificate of membership in the National Centenarians. The couple, thought to be the oldest married couple in America (he's 121 and she is 93), are from Palatka, Fla. Eleven other centenarians attended the reunion services. (UPI)

COCU Is Aiding Union Of 9-Member National Group

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Basic union of the three black Methodist denominations, African Methodist Episcopal, African Methodist Episcopal Zion and Christian Methodist Episcopal was the chief topic of discussion at a two-day meet, hosted by the Consultation on Church Union, held at the CME Publishing House, May 29-30.

The three denominations are members of a consortium that has been carrying on conversations with six white denominations to bring about a church, known as The Church United. One of the concerns of the blacks has been institutional racism. It is said to have been the reason for blacks leaving the Methodist Church more than 100 years ago. However, the first group left, split into 2 groups and later on there was a third group of black Methodists organized.

Efforts Of Cops Out In Suburbs

National Black News Service WASHINGTON — Three Northern Virginia jurisdictions — Fairfax, Arlington, Alexandria — are calling it quits with a joint office they established a year ago to recruit minority members and women for local police forces because of the



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Black Youths To Fly 'Centennial Banner'

NEW YORK — Fifty-eight musically talented young black men and women, between the ages of 18 and 20, are to be selected from subscribers who are bona fide residents of the Original Thirteen States. These young musicians, who will be formed into a marching and concert orchestra, which will perform under the banner of the "Bucks of America."



RECEIVE HONORARY DEGREES — Waltham, Mass. — U.S. Sen. Edward M. Kennedy (L.) jokes with Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley (R) as Sen. Kennedy arrived late for Brandeis University commencement exercises, June 1. Both received honorary Doctor of Laws degrees and Sen. Kennedy delivered the school's commencement address. (UPI)

Church Is Site Of Session

BY RICK HIGH
The North Carolina Association of Human Relations Officials held a meeting in Raleigh Tuesday morning at the St. Paul A.M.E. Church. The meeting was held to unify a coalition of civil rights groups from throughout the state.

Beverly R. Mitchell, the president of the association, along with Nancy Drum, of ERA United, and Travis Francis of the Commission for Racial Justice, sent out a letter to appeal to the people of the State of North Carolina for their support. It follows:
"There is currently before both houses of the legislature of North Carolina a Fair Employment Bill (SB-813 and HB-1085) which, if passed, would give the North Carolina Human Relations Commission sufficient powers to prevent and eliminate discriminatory employment practices based upon race, creed, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, age or sex. At present, the only agency in North Carolina with powers to enforce fair employment laws is the Charlotte District Office of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. It currently has a backlog of approximately 2,800 charges of discrimination. New charges are being received at the rate of close to 160 per month. It currently takes 2 1/2 to 3 years to get a charge investigated. By this time next year, North Carolina employes may be expected to wait 3 1/2 to 4 years before an investigation of their complaint is begun."

The bill, should it pass, will enable Human Relations Commissions throughout the State to act upon all charges of job discrimination. Currently, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, investigates all complaints of job discrimination. "But they have a backlog of cases so long that it would probably double or triple within the next two years," stressed one observer. Ronald K. Ingle, director of the N.C. Human Relations Commission, told the group of 35 people that his office was available to offer technical advice and services. Ingle stressed that the bill should include provisions for enforcement and investigative procedure. Some other people in attendance at the meeting were Rev. Leon White of the Commission (See RIGHTS GROUPS, P. 2)

Boys' Club Accorded Nat'l Honor

CHICAGO, Ill. — A program designed to educate the youngest members on the nutritional values of foods, won national honors here this week for the Boys' Club of Wake County in a program excellence competition conducted by the Boys' Clubs of America. The club was selected from nearly 1,100 Boys' Clubs throughout the country as an honor award winner in the competition. Announcement of the award was made during the 69th annual conference of the million-member Boys' Clubs of America. (See BOYS' CLUB, P. 2)

Appreciation Checks Won By Man, Woman

Appreciation Money Feature checks in the amounts of \$10 each were won by a man and a woman last week in the weekly give-away, sponsored by this newspaper and participating merchants listed on the back page of the front section every week. Mrs. Allene C. Miller, 409 Walton Street, saw her name in the advertisement paid for by the Bees Hive, 126 S. Salisbury St., where they serve breakfast, lunch and "the best hot dog in town." Julian Evans, 1913 Tee Dee St., was the winner from the Warehouse of Tires, corner of S. Person and E. Davis Streets. (See APPRECIATION, P. 2)

Appreciation Money
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SLAIN AT FISH PALACE

Ministers, Laymen To City

Shotgun Used In Murder

BY CHARLES R. JONES
One man is dead and two are out of jail on bond in connection with his shotgun death at about 2:30 a.m. last Saturday at the Fish Palace, a Wake County night club, located west of Holly Springs. The victim, Howard Lee McLeod, 29 of Fuquay-Varina, was reportedly struck once in the stomach and again in the head, according to Wake County Coroner Marshall W. Bennett.

At the time of the arrest of 21-year-old Samuel W. Betts of Holly Springs area, no bond was allowed, stated officials of the court. However, on Monday of this week, according to Wake County Jailor High, both men were freed, pending a preliminary hearing, on bonds of \$2,500 each. Betts is reportedly charged with firing the fatal (See SLAIN AT, P. 2)

Masons Set St. John's Day Sun.

BY W. A. "PETE" WILDER
The Excelsior Lodge No. 21, Prince Hall Masonic Affiliate, of Raleigh, journeys to Oxford Sunday at 1 p.m. to take part in the annual St. John's Day celebration to be held at the Central Orphanage. A bus transporting the local members and their friends, is scheduled to leave the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium at 1 p.m. Following the arrival on the campus of the orphanage, a delicious dinner has been planned for all attending. The services will begin at 3 promptly. Tremendous planning has been engaged by the local lodge with L. C. Ulmer, Jr., chairman, in charge. A large crowd is expected to attend. This is an annual affair, and has continued for many years, since the orphanage was (See MASONS TO, P. 2)



DR. KELLY M. SMITH
Shaw Will Host NC Churchmen

"The Church: Its Mission and Messengers," will be the focus of the 39th annual Ministers' Institute and first annual Christian Lay Leaders' Institute at Shaw University, Raleigh, June 9-13. The programs are under the auspices of the Department of Continuing Christian Education of the Shaw Divinity School. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. on Monday, June 9, and the sessions will end about noon on Friday, June 13. All sessions will be held in the Shaw University Union Building. Dr. Kelly Miller Smith, pastor of First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee and as (See MINISTERS, P. 2)

Harris And Raiford To 'YM' Talks

Dr. Nelson H. Harris, chairman, Board of Managers, and Ernest Raiford, executive director of the Bloodworth Street YMCA, will represent the association at the Southeastern YMCA regional consortium of black YMCA's seminar at the Howard Johnson Motor Lodge, Richmond, Va., June 5-7. The general theme of the meeting is "Strengthening and Preservation of Black YMCA Units - Internal Renewal and (See HARRIS AND, P. 2)

Question Of Color Resolved

National Black News Service JERUSALEM — The Israeli government has recognized the Falashas - a black Ethiopian sect - as Jews and is preparing to offer immediate immigration and Israeli citizenship. The decision has been publicly criticized by some government officials and other prominent Israelis. Although Ethiopia had broken off diplomatic relations with Israel during the October 1973 Mideast war, prevailing Israeli sentiment buttressed with a cabinet committee study of the Falashas conquered. Seventy members of the Ethiopia sect are due to arrive here in the near future in the first of several flights sponsored by the Jewish Agency, the quasi-official arm of the government in charge of immigration. About 150 Falashas already live here. They have been here since 1972 and occupy mainly professional positions. Also, since 1972, pressure has (See ISRAEL TO, P. 2)

J. Jackson Is Against Old 'Vice'

National Black News Service CHICAGO — The Rev. Jesse L. Jackson is attacking an old problem that has plagued black communities around the country for years - vices. And he has called for a restoration of discipline among blacks. "We're free to do a lot of things we couldn't do before, but we don't have the discipline to do them. "We're free to have any job, but we have to be disciplined to produce. We're free to go to any school, but we must take the responsibility to learn," the country preacher said. But for discipline to be restored, there has to be abstinence from narcotics, alcohol, nicotine and the other vices that have sapped our individual strength to cash in on our institutional victories. "A black man selling dope hurts communities more than a (See J. JACKSON, P. 2)



SOLEMN MOMENT — This picture was taken at the annual NAACP Mothers' Day, held in Raleigh, May 25. It was one of the solemn moments of the day. National Board chairman, Attorney Margaret Bush White, is presenting the daughter and husband of the late Harvey Leigh R. White, a resolution adopted by the state conference. Kelly M. Alexander, president, is showing his approval of the act.