

'Boycott Competency Tests:' Rev. White

Co-Chairs Education Coalition

At a newly-formed North Carolina Coalition for Quality Education conference in Durham, the Rev. Leon White, director of the United Church of Christ's Commission for Racial Justice in N.C. and Virginia, called for a statewide boycott of the competency test. "The only way," he stated, "to demonstrate effectively against the competency test is not to take it."

Before an audience of nearly 200 state leaders from across North Carolina, White declared, "don't allow your sons and daughters to sign their own death certificates."

The competency test was authorized by the N.C. General Assembly in 1977, and will be given to 11th graders statewide in November of 1978. Students (See **BOYCOTT**, P. 2)



PROBE OF DR. KING'S DEATH MOVES TO CAPITOL — Washington — James Earl Ray, the small-time crook who assassinated Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was the center of attention Aug. 16 on a security-ringed Capitol Hill. View is of Loraine Hotel in Memphis, through simulated telescopic gunsight. Arrow indicates approximate spot where King was standing when he was shot. (UPI)

DC Resident May Have Shot King

WASHINGTON, D. C. — committee pathology experts, Dr. Michael Baden, testified that engineer measurements, plus a review of Dr. King's autopsy established that the shot could have come from the window, although, he also said a shot from the bushes below could have killed him, because it would have been only 2 to 5 degrees lower and the expert's direction measurements are not that precise.

Baden said King's head was down as he talked from the balcony of the hotel, and that he could have been visible from the bushes below as well as from the boarding house window.

The autopsy and x-rays taken at the time clearly show that the bullet went through Dr. King's cheek, neck and then into his shoulder, said Baden. He also said that the panel of experts was able to determine from eyewitnesses that King was leaning toward against the balcony talking to someone at the time he was shot.

"A person residing right here in Washington, D. C. could have been the individual who pulled the trigger, firing the fatal bullet," stated one member of the investigating panel.

Dr. King, who received the Nobel Peace Prize in Sweden many years ago, was fatally wounded while standing on the balcony at his Loraine Motel room April 4, 1968, while preparing to get some food, prior to a church revival.

He was in Memphis to help settle a strike of garbage workers at the time.

Young To Get MLK Citation

ATLANTA, Ga. — Ambassador Andy Young, United States Representative to the United Nations, will receive the Martin Luther King, Jr. Award from the Southern Christian Leadership Conference at its 21st Annual Convention to be held in Birmingham, Ala., at the Birmingham Hyatt House from August 15-18.

Rev. Dr. Joseph Lowery, SCLC president, in announcing (See **AMB. YOUNG**, P. 2)



LOOK OF ADMIRATION — Los Angeles — United Nations Ambassador Andrew Young looks at Mrs. Rosa Parks during proceedings at the Progressive Baptist Convention Aug. 11. Mrs. Parks was given an award for her part in an incident in Dec. 1955 in Montgomery, Ala., when she was arrested for refusing to give up her bus seat to a white man. (UPI)

*** 25,000 Expected As ***

US Baptists Set Meet

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Raleigh Man "Fair" After He

Survives Brain Bullet

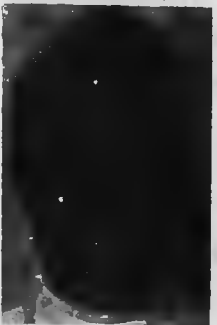
*** Human Resources ***

City Rights Unit Active

Suspect Held In Nevada

A 47-year-old black Raleigh man has survived what, police declare, was meant to be his execution by way of a single bullet to the brain. This occurred near the city last weekend. Ollin Richard Argus is now recovering from a bullet wound behind his left ear. He has "fingered" 32-year-old Leamon McCall of Raleigh as his would-be executioner, and police officials near Las Vegas, Nevada reported late Monday night that they have arrested the suspect and charged him with one murder.

Mr. Argus, in a desperate will and fight to remain alive, crawled some 300 feet, though paralyzed and the bullet still lodged in his brain, to a fence near the bridge of the Neuse River, located on Poole Road. Apparently shot last Tuesday, the man was semi-conscious. (See **MAN SURVIVES**, P. 2)



LEAMON MCCALL ... caught in Nevada

NUL Closes Convention; Cited As Champion Of Blacks, Poor

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — The 88th annual conference of the National Urban League ended here Wednesday night, August 9, with Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., president of the NUL declaring: "So long as there is an Urban League Movement in the interests of black people, minorities and all poor people will be championed."

Mr. Jordan's remarks were made at the closing dinner which was addressed by Gov. Eklund, president and chief executive officer of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, who earlier on Wednesday had been elected as the new chairman of the board of the NUL. He replaces Donald H. McGannon, who stepped down after five years in that office. The dinner brought an end to four days of concentrated activity that included daily plenary sessions, workshops and a series of special sessions.

Appreciation Money
SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEK
HUDSON-BELK DEPT. STORES
"TWO STORES FOR YOUR SHOPPING CONVENIENCE"



RETURNS TO N.C. FOR TRIAL — Savannah, Ga. — Sixteen-year-old Ms. Karen Lynn Batton (R) hugs her mother as she leaves the Chatham County Jail Aug. 11, for Davidson County, N.C. to face murder charges. Ms. Batton will be tried as an adult in the 1977 stabbing of Mrs. Myrtle Miller, 64, and her 3-year-old granddaughter, Krystal, in Lexington, N.C. (UPI)

New Orleans Site For Baptist Confab

NEW ORLEANS, La. — The 96th annual session of the National Baptist Convention, U. S. A., Inc. will be held September 5 through 10, in the Louisiana Superdome in New Orleans.

An attendance of 25,000 is expected. For more than two decades, Dr. Joseph H. Jackson, president, has guided the six million members, the second largest Baptist group in the world.

During these years, his prophecies on civil disobedience, ballots for progress and international relations have become history, according to a long time state representative. This year's theme, "Our Next Forward Step," will emphasize the constructive work of the past and the immediate efforts to be made.

The convention topic was taken from a statement made by Jackson in 1962. "The next (See **U. S. BAPTISTS**, P. 2)

Handles Cases Of Bias Here

BY JACK JENKINS
Staff Writer

The Human Resources Dept.'s Civil Rights Unit of Raleigh was established to handle discrimination in employment and housing within the city. They seek to discourage, prevent and stop discriminatory practices against any individual or group.

This year, the unit has investigated and received forty-five complaints of discrimination in employment and housing. There were twenty-two received in the area of employment and twenty-three in the area of housing.

Listed under employment, there were six requests for assistance in job related problems, or these two were investigated and conciliated. In the first case, the complainant was offered a position, and in the second case, the complainant received payment of \$475, it was job discrimination.

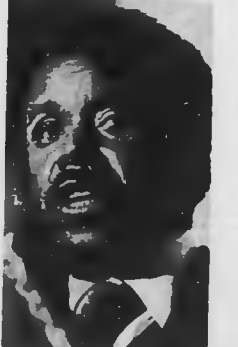
Concerning fair housing, there were twenty-three cases received and all twenty-three were investigated, of those six were conciliated. Four were resolved with case payments for harm, the total amount paid was \$2,095. The two remaining were reconciled with the complainant receiving (See **CITY RIGHTS**, P. 2)

Summer Camp For Kids Ends

BY JOYCE RHYAN
Staff Writer

The Masonic Eastern Star Chapter of The Modern Free and Accepted Masons of the World, sponsored their first summer camp this year for needy children. The camp ended recently.

Forty-five children between the ages 6 and 16 participated in the camp, which lasted six days. The first three days were (See **CAMP ENDS**, P. 2)



REV. LEON WHITE ... blasts competency tests

CRIME BEAT

EDITOR'S NOTE: This column or feature is produced in the public interest with an aim towards eliminating its contents. Numerous requests have been made that they be given the consideration of originating their listing on the public beat. 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 reporting 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, to simply keep off the "beats" and you won't be in The Crime Beat.

BREAKS DRUG LAWS
Alvin Perry, 1019 E. Jones St., was arrested and charged with simple possession of marijuana Saturday at 1:30 a.m., according to police reports. The offense took place at 400 Hill St., the report ended. (See **CRIME BEAT**, P. 2)

Aging Council Appoints 3

The following three persons have been elected to the Board of Directors of the Wake County Council on Aging for a 3-year term, to replace 3 outgoing members: Rev. James W. Brown, pastor of the Davis Street United Presbyterian Church; Dr. Wiley Davis, vice president for administration, St. Augustine's College; and Mrs. Nora Evans Lockhart, a retired public school principal here.



NATIONAL GUARDSMEN READY FOR ACTION — Memphis, Tenn. — Heavily armed National Guardsmen take up positions at the gate to the West Police Precinct as they protected non-striking policemen as they arrested over 40 of their fellow striking officers early Aug. 14. (UPI)