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Plans Nearing Completion For

All Baptist Assembly August 2-5

Raleigh — "Seven days shall thou keep solemn feast unto the Lord thy God in the place which the Lord shall choose: because the Lord thy God shall bless thee in all thine increase, and in all the works of thine hands, therefore thou shall surely rejoice". (Deuteronomy 16:15).

These Old Testament words of Moses form the basis for religious convocations and particularly the forthcoming All Baptist Assembly. Moses instructed the people to come together in a great celebration of

the Lord's deliverance of Israel from slavery in Egypt. Since that time, religious bodies have found strength in coming together to praise the Lord for his deliverance and gracious benefits towards His people.

The forthcoming All Baptist Assembly which is to be held in Winston Salem, August 2-5, is part of the constitutional structure of the General Baptist State Convention of N.C., Inc. Every four years, the constitution provides for an All Baptist Assembly, in which all

auxiliaries and Departments of the General convention come together in an All Baptist Assembly at a time and place agreed upon by the Convention. This Bicentennial year of 1976 is such a year for the Assembly.

President of the General Baptist Convention of N.C., Inc., Dr. J.J. Johnson has called upon all Baptist to give full support to the All Baptist Meeting. The president has called upon every pastor, leader, and member of the Baptist Family to put forth every effort to make this one of the greatest events in Baptist History. "We need to get together for fellowship and just to enjoy the Lord together", stated the President. Dr. J. Ray Butler, Chairman of the General Board of the General Baptist Convention, and Dr. Jerry Drayton, chairman of the Executive Committee, have urged every Baptist to come to Winston Salem, saying that they have spared no pains in preparing for this great event. Every officer of the Convention with whom this writer has communicated is enthused about the All Baptist Assembly and feels that it will be a never-to-be forgotten event.

Dr. O.L. Sherrill, Executive Secretary of the General Baptist Convention, has urged all the pastors and leaders to be reminded that Aug. 31, 1976 is the end of the fiscal year: "We have a long way to go financially says the Executive Secretary.

Every pastor, church, and Baptist auxiliary has been urged to bring up and send up as much as possible so that the million dollar budget may be raised. The work and the program are worthy of your most loyal support.

Convention Highlights

Theme: "Christian Freedom and Responsibility". Monday, Aug. 2 6:00 p.m. Third Fellowship Banquet, sponsored by the Woman's Convention, Dr. F.G. Sampson, Detroit, Michigan will be the speaker. Tuesday, Aug. 3 8:30 a.m. All Baptist Processional. 2:00 p.m. - Woman's Convention Session. 7:00 p.m. Laymen's League Session Wednesday, Aug. 4, 11:00 a.m. President's Annual Address. 2:00 p.m. - Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Congress Session, 3:00



Dr. Coleman W. Kerry, Jr., the responsible chairman of the Program Committee of the All Baptist Assembly, August 2-5, 1976.

p.m. James F. Wertz B.T.U. Oratorical Contest, 6:30 Usher's Convention Session.

Thursday 9:00 a.m. Business session and reports.

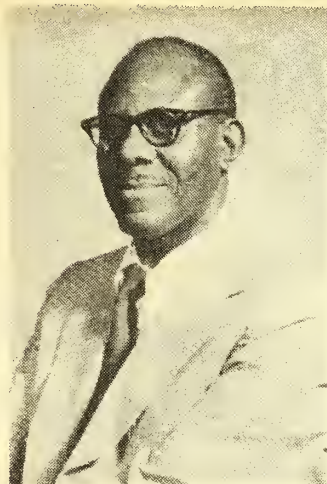
Rev. Barnes To First Baptist

Durham — The Reverend Willie Barnes, imminent minister and theologian of Durham has accepted a call to pastor the First Baptist Church, Roxboro.

First Baptist is one of the leading, old, established churches in North Carolina. The church was established in 1864, and has been a beacon light for the people of Roxboro and Person County since. The church, which has a membership of 500, has been pastored for the past twenty years by Reverend S.L. Suitt, Creedmoor, who retired last year.

Reverend Barnes is the former pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, Wilmington, from December to December 1975. Before going to Wilmington, Reverend Barnes held pastorates at Terrell's Creek, and Pine Grove where he led in the construction of a new church building at each place.

Reverend Barnes is a charter member of the Union Christian Bible Institute. He is first vice



Rev. Willie Barnes

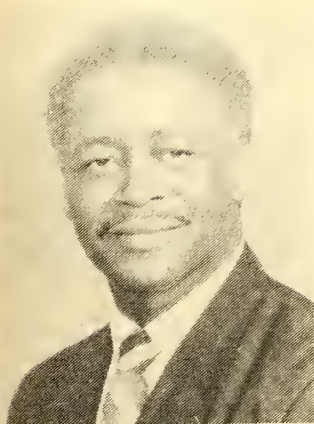
president and business manager of the school. He is also a social studies instructor in the C.E. Jordan Senior High school of Durham County.

Reverend Barnes is married to the former Miss Johnnie Mae Horne and they are the proud parents of four children.

Weldon Pastor Announces Candidacy

Weldon — The Reverend John B. Moore a resident of Weldon, North Carolina, and the pastor of the First Baptist Church, Weldon, has announced his candidacy for the State House of Representatives, Sixth District (Halifax and Martin counties).

Reverend Moore is a member of the General Baptist Convention.



Rev. John B. Moore

Bible School

At End Street

By Dr. George E. Grown

Scotland Neck — Another milestone in educating God's followers was reached during the week of May 3-7, 1976 at the End Street Baptist Church, Scotland Neck, North Carolina. The theme for the week was God's Love Is Jesus". The instructors were: Dr. G.E. Brown, Mrs. Daisy Smith, Mrs. Louise Smith, Mrs. Letty Webb, Mrs. Susie Pender Mrs. Bessie Pender, Mr. Percy James and Mr. O. Whitaker.

Many inspiration moments, educational moments and soul leading moments were captured during the week. The total enrollment was 113. Everyone is looking forward to next year.

Lee Receives Degree

Wake Forest — Last May 15, 1976 was a happy day indeed for the Reverend Carl Lee, who received the Master of Divinity Degree from the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary at Wake Forest. He is shown above

with his wife Linda Lee, and their daughter following graduation exercises. The Lees are from Rocky Mount. He is the son of the Reverend Elbert Lee, pastor of the North End Baptist Church of Rocky Mount.



Rev. & Mrs. Lee and daughter.

The President's Pen!

Black Baptists fragmented, frustrated and untrained - Black Baptists are fragmented, frustrated and untrained simply because Black Baptist leaders will not cooperate. Today North Carolina Baptists have the greatest opportunity to develop and implement an excellent quality Christian Education Training Program at the J.J. Johnson Baptist Assembly and in the General Convention. However, some few die-hards prefer fragmentation and Biblical ignorance over quality training and unification. Through cooperative planning and programming by Shaw University, the School of Divinity, Cooperative Ministries, the Woman's Auxiliary, Layman League, Ushers, Sunday School and B.T.U. Congress and the Executive Staff, there could be developed and implemented the most efficient and effective Christian Education Program in the South and possibly the nation. We have the expertise, experience, facilities and finance. But we lack one thing, cooperation or we like our leadership role better than Christ or the Cause.

The Baptist Assembly could effectively be utilized the year round or at least nine months with workshops, seminars, chautauquas, and weekend church youth retreats. The Superintendent now living on the Assembly grounds could direct and make all the physical arrangements. We need to grow up and become mature Christian Adults and get off the bottles and diapers.

Shortly, the Budget Committee, institution, agency, auxiliary heads or represen-

Says Pres. Edwards

African Visit Fruitful

By C.R. Edwards

Fayetteville — On March 16, Dr. C.R. Edwards, President of the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention and former President of the General Baptist State Convention, Inc., visited our mission stations in Liberia, West Africa. He was able to see first hand our work there and upon his return and by request of the Editor of the "Baptist Informer" he issued the following statement, "It was a high privilege of mine to visit our schools in Bremerville and Bopolo. The Reverend Jeremiah Walker a graduate of Shaw University and a native of Liberia has recently assumed the responsibility of Superintendent. He is well liked by the people in Government, President William Tolbert, and the people of Liberia in general.

The needs are great and the resources are limited. With the limited amount of money we have sent, it is gratifying to see the progress being made. The buildings are in need of extensive repair and the materials and supplies for school and Church are almost nil. Our increased support of the unified Program will mean more for

tatives will be meeting. Each organization will be requested to present their budget for 1976-77 in order that the total auxiliaries, institutions and agencies can present a unified budget at the All Baptist Assembly. More important, that all the organizations present a united front in their appeal for funds. We must stop our emergency, crash, cash appeals and initiate a sound annual unified fiscal financial program. People are sophisticated, no longer do they respond to sympathetic appeals. Now appeals must be factual, fruitful and authentic.

In fact, annual budgets for the Convention and the Objectives are obsolete. The convention's projected budget for the next five years must be at least ten million dollars. Five million for operation and objectives and five million for Shaw University and Divinity School Endowments. This is a realistic goal and the only hope for Shaw University and the Divinity School. Our objectives need more money and less mouth.

Finally, we must not let our ego for office divert and divide our conscientious Christian concern for Christ and the Cause. We must continue to pray and pay as the Personnel Committee searches for the most dedicated and qualified administrator.

We made history at the Mid-Year Session - Charlotte, May 5 at the Mayfield Memorial Baptist Church, Dr. H.S. Diggs, pastor with Souls and Dollars. Help us do it again, August 2-5, 1976 at the All Baptist Assembly, the Benton Center, Winston Salem, to exceed 5,000 souls and one million dollars.

Joy J. Johnson, President.

Foreign Missions as well as for our other objectives.

In Liberia, most evangelism efforts are carried on in the schools. This is also true with missions sponsored by other missionary societies and other denominations. It is felt that effective evangelism must begin with the young. In church and school assembly, it was quite obvious that the students were anxious to learn about Jesus Christ, and accept Him as Savior and commit their lives to Him. It should also be noted that they were interested in learning. The church was the center of emphasis for Reverend Walter who led the students in morning devotion and Wednesday evening prayer service.

The people of Africa, in general are forty years behind us in every way. The challenge is ours to help.

We had the privilege of visiting with the President of Liberia, William R. Tolbert. It must be remembered that President Tolbert served a term as President of the Baptist World Alliance. He was a very gracious host, and expressed interest in our work and pledged his support to our effort.

States May Prohibit Sodomy

Washington, D.C. — The following news story, reported recently by Baptist Press, reflects the changing attitude towards moral behavior in America. A decade ago, the pendulum was swinging against legal regulation of moral behavior. There was an attitude that every individual had a right to do as he pleases. However, in recent years, since we have begun to reap the harvest of heart break crime, terrorism, and moral decay, there has been an awakening to the need for and sense of legal regulation of moral behavior in any civilized society. The Christian community must always hold high the torch for moral and spiritual guidance.

In a one-sentence order, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the right of states to prohibit acts of sodomy. The court offered no reasons for its action refusing to hear a case challenging Virginia's anti-sodomy statute.

Three of the nine justices indicated they would have preferred to hear the case in-

State Told

Private School Tax Deduction Law May Be Unconstitutional

ST. PAUL, Minn. (RNS) — A new Minnesota law allowing a substantial increase in state income tax deductions for parents of pupils attending private and parochial schools probably is unconstitutional, said Michael Bradley, special assistant attorney general, in a memorandum analyzing the legislation.

Gov. Wendell Anderson signed the bill March 8 — several days after he received Mr. Bradley's memorandum, the Minneapolis Star reported.

The new law allows parents to deduct up to \$500 for each child in grades kindergarten through 6, and up to \$700 for each child in grades 7 through 12 if they have spent those amounts for tuition, transportation and non-religious books.

The itemized deduction for parents before the change in the law was limited to \$200 for each elementary and secondary pupils and did not include credit spent for textbooks.

John Haynes, the governor's staff adviser of taxes, said the governor signed the legislation despite the Bradley memorandum because the increase is merely an extension of present law. The law, adopted in 1955, has never been challenged.

Sen. Joseph T. O'Neill, St. Paul, chief sponsor of the measure in the Senate and a lawyer, said he's confident that the law is constitutional.

The non-public school expense deductions are "just as constitutional as other tax deductions we have now for such things as medical expenses," Sen. O'Neill said. It would be "ridiculous" for anyone to bring a court challenge," he added,

stead of affirming the decision of a three-judge U.S. district court. That court held last October that Virginia's law does not violate the constitutional rights of consenting adults who choose to practice sodomy.

The Virginia law makes sodomy a felony, punishable by imprisonment of up to three years in the state penitentiary.

The case was brought by two practicing homosexuals in Richmond, Va., who contended that the law violated their constitutional right to privacy. Although they had not been arrested under the statute, they claimed police harassment against them.

In a statement submitted to the Supreme Court asking for its review of their case, the men said the "the state neither has a rational basis nor a compelling interest in proscribing sodomy in situations involving consenting male adults in private."

The statement argued further that the court has previously held that sexual decisions are essentially private ones

protected by the Constitution.

They cited decisions in recent years upholding the right of married couples to use contraceptives, of unmarried couples to engage in sexual activity, of adults to possess and read obscene materials in the privacy of their homes, and of women to obtain legal abortions.

A U.S. district court in Richmond rejected their arguments in a 2-1 decision last fall. The dissenting judge said, however, that in his view "the issue centers not around morality of decency, but the constitutional right of privacy."

The state of Virginia argued, on the other hand, that to reverse the lower court would undermine the validity of other state laws, such as those prohibiting adultery and fornication.

In addition, the state expressed the view that homosexual acts are not protected by the Constitution's implied guarantee of the right of privacy.

because it would "have no merit."

Mr. Bradley, in his memorandum to the governor, said that recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions "strongly suggest" that tax deductions for tuition payments to non-public schools violate the establishment clause of the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

He also noted that the Supreme Court in one decision indicated that whether a statutory tax scheme was labeled a tax credit, a tax deduction or a hybrid was of no constitutional relevance. He said the deduction for transportation costs probably is constitutional because both parents of public school and non-public school students may take advantage of it.

2nd All Baptist Picnic Planned

Raleigh — The Second Annual All Baptist Family Picnic will be held at the J.J. Johnson Baptist Assembly, Laurel Hill, N.C., Saturday, July 17. There will be games and plenty of eating.

Come on everyone (ministers, laymen, women and youth) and join in the fellowship. Charter buses, and pool cars. Time sunrise to sunset.

Letters To The Editor

Letters-to-the-editor express the personal opinion of the writer and not necessarily that of the editor or Convention officials. All letters must be signed with the understanding that the editor reserves the right to decide which letters will be published. Letters should offer constructive criticism about the Convention program in general.

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The Annual Leadership Conference Trains More For Christian Service

Laurel Hill - The thirty-ninth annual Leadership Training Conference, sponsored by the Woman's Baptist State Convention, Mrs. J.B. McLester, president, was held June 7-11, at the Baptist Assembly, Laurel Hill. Mrs. M.A. Horne, executive secretary treasurer, served as conference chairperson, Mrs. Thelma C. Horton, second vice-president, Instructor. Mrs. R.D. Lucas, Kings Mountain, pianist, and Mrs. Hattie Williams, Fayetteville recorder.

Thirty-three women sought to prepare themselves to render more effective Christian service. They praised the Lord and thanked Him for the wonderful opportunity he had given them for spiritual renewal, study and recreation. It was truly a "mountain top" experience. The Evaluation Committee chaired by Miss Ethel Stanfield, Durham, and Mrs. Edith Samuel, Fayetteville, reported that "The atmosphere of the Conference is one to be remembered for a long, long time. Everyone had a chance to talk and ask questions". They also challenged the group to put Mrs. Horton's quotation into practice, "Use your faith and save your nerves."

Mrs. Horne presided during the organization and business session. Several suggestions were made to insure a more pleasant and peaceful atmosphere. Special emphasis was placed on the theme, "Leadership: The Costs and Rewards."

The early morning worship service, held at 6:00 a.m., set the tone for the success of each day. Participants included Madames Annie B. Bryant Supply; Anna B. Williams, Leland; Carrie Leach, Whiteville; Mary

Piggott, Shallotte; Helen Gilford, Tabor City and Thelma Edwards Carrboro.

The Lord spoke through Mrs. Lucas as she shared her musical talent in worship, singing and teaching new songs. Hearts were lifted during the closing program, when her son, David, sang, "Ole Man River."

Mrs. Bryant conducted the nature study. She talked about the various plants, trees, flowers and birds found at the Assembly. This study was designed to help create an awareness of God's purpose in creation, that one may be knowledgeable of His provision for our needs.

The basic textbook, taught by Mrs. Horton, was "Living the Responsible Life" by Cecil A. Ray. The primary purpose of this book is to help Christians to understand the biblical message on the responsible life and discover some guidelines to help one to live according to God's purpose in creation.

A very lively and soul-searching discussion was held on the Sunday School Lesson. Mrs. Horton placed special emphasis on qualification of the minister and deacons, with many present day problems of the minister and his family explored.

The theme was discussed by Mrs. Nola Beck, Asheville, Mrs. Gilford and Mrs. H.E. Rook, Wilmington. Mrs. Beck stated that one should count the "cost" before accepting leadership. She placed emphasis on the need for prayer; maintaining ones "cool"; and daily commitment. Mrs. Gilford urged everyone to become more aware of the daily rewards as they strive for the heavenly rewards. The wrap-up message presented by Mrs. Rooks encouraged the leaders to



Mrs. M. A. Horne

pay the cost required of the Christian leader for God's rewards are sure.

Laughter and surprise was expressed by many during the talent program, the right kind of relaxation following hours of intense study. Madames Lucas and Rooks served as chairperson and co-chairperson, respectively.

Words of inspiration were shared by Assembly Superintendent and Mrs. John Daniels.

The women voted to have Mrs. Horton as instructor for the 1977 conference and Mrs. R.D. Lucas as musician.

Special recognition was extended to Miss Lee and Mrs. Jessie Williams, Laurinburg, for the delicious and well seasoned meals.

Mrs. Mozella Harvey, Durham, recalled the weeks activities in a most interesting way and Mrs. Horne presented certificates to those attending.

The benediction was offered by Reverend R.D. Lucas, Kings Mountain.

Letters Of Welcome From Foreign Field

Monrovia, Liberia, W.A.-
Dear Mrs. Horne:

Pardon this delayed response to your letters of March 23rd and May 21st, 1976 respectively. Due to the pressure of work and the illness of Florence much of my correspondence could not meet scheduled time. Thanks be to God that our situation is being normalized.

I have noted changes in the schedule attached to your last letter. Your trip is well-timed. Our school will not close until the second week in December and we are happy that our faculty and students will be on hand to receive you and members on the tur. Appropriate program is being arranged and copies will be mailed to you before your tour begins.

When I heard that you were in Liberia sometime ago, I tried to get in touch with you but you left before I could come down from Cuttington College where I worked. Certainly, I remember you.

The Lott Carey Mission family joins in sending greetings and best wishes.

Yours in His name,
Jeremiah W. Walker

Wendell Baptist Mission,
Nigeria

Dear Mrs. Horne:

I wish to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter of March 23, 1976 and to inform you that brethren here are happy to hear that as many as about forty-five American missionaries will visit us toward the end of this year.

I feel certain that arrangements to have Service here on Sunday, November 28, 1976 will be made and 1 of your missionaries will have full opportunity to preach for us. In this regard may I suggest that a slight change be made in your itinerary. If you can arrive at port Harcourt on Sunday, November 28, and travel the same Sunday straight to Uyo where we are then the arrangements for the Sunday Service will be quite possible.

My request therefore is that Day 7 (Sunday, November 28, 1976) be spent at our Uyo Head Quarters where thousands of anxious brethren will be waiting to receive you. Then after the Service and other forms of entertainment you can either return to your hotel at Port Harcourt or spend the night (November 28) at Uyo. There are several good hotels at Uyo where you can spend the night of November 28 so that you can have more time to spend with us

on Monday, November 29, 1976.

We shall have varieties of entertainments for you. I must say that Mrs. Ebong and I still remember your visit to Uyo in 1964 and we sincerely hope to meet again this year. God bless you and crown the proposed trip with success. Please let me hear from you.

Yours sincerely,
Charles E. Ebong,
Superintendent

The Executive Mansion
Office of the President
Monrovia, Liberia

(Editor's note: W.R. Tolbert, Jr. is President of Monrovia, Liberia)

Dear Friend:

Thank you for your letter dated March 22, 1976, under cover of which you forwarded me a brochure on your West African Tour to Nigeria and Liberia, scheduled to commence on November 22, 1976 with a group of about forty-five persons.

I note your intimation that this will be your third visit to Liberia, and I am heartened by your indication that your visits were rewardingly successful and that you enjoyed your association with Mrs. Tolbert and other members of our Liberian community whom you had the privilege of meeting.

With reference to the intention of your group to pay a courtesy call on me at the Executive Mansion on November 30, 1976, I wish to advise that barring unforeseen circumstances, it shall be my pleasure to receive you and other members of your group. However, I cannot now give you a definitive time when you should make the visit, since your coming is scheduled to take effect almost eight months now. This makes it imperative therefore that you advise me by telegram either in September or October ensuing after arrangements for your tour have been concluded so that the date and hour of your visit to the Executive Mansion can be confirmed before your departing the United States.

Thank you for the greetings conveyed to us from our friend Dr. Wendell C. Somerville. I am delighted that he is alright and request that you please convey to him in reciprocation my sincere best wishes for his personal well being.

With best wishes to you and members of your family in which Mrs. Tolbert joins.

Sincerely
W.R. Tolbert, Jr.

Youth Ministry Is Growing

By Dr. Corbin C. Cooper

Raleigh — Pictured above are some of the thirty-four young people who are excited about serving in a variety of Baptist ministries throughout North Carolina this summer. They represent 12 colleges and seminaries.

This annual program was begun over ten years ago with only two or three students. The objective is to eventually enlist

about 75 students to serve each summer. They receive a modest salary and other expenses for their work. They are all Christian young people who enjoy church related ministries.

Some of the churches and other places served by the students this summer: First Baptist, Clinton; Edwards Grove, Liberty; University Park, Charlotte; Mt. Zion, Asheville; Eskridge Grove, Shelby; Shiloh, Shelby; First

Baptist, Winston Salem; East Grimes, High Point; Camp Amigo, Charlotte; Method Day Care Center, Raleigh; Migrant Training Center, Rich Square, J.J. Johnson Baptist Assembly, Laurel Hill; Youth Crusade Assn., Rocky Mount; and Mecklenburg Assn., Charlotte.

The program is coordinated by the Department of Cooperative Ministries and co-sponsored with the General Baptist State Convention.



Youth workers and their home towns: Front row left to right: Angela Farr, Rocky Mount; India Freeman, Clinton; Sandra Jacobs, Rich Square; Delores Peterson, Hickory. 2nd row — DeVe Davis, Winston - Salem; Linda Brown, Asheville; Joann Fryar, Clinton; Dianna Heath, Charlotte; Margaret Farr, Rocky Mount. 3rd row — Thann Young, Battleboro; Gregory Moss, Statesville; Ollis Mozon, Jr., Washington, D.C.; Claude Jones, Raleigh; Larry Morris, High Point; and Richard Wright, Cleveland Ohio, Youth Coordinator.

**5,000 Souls
Saved
1 Million Dollars
Raised**

State Missions: A Responsible Leadership

Raleigh —(Editor's note: This featured article concerning the State Mission is the second in a series of articles which are to be published in connection with the General Baptist State Convention's Progress of monthly emphasis of the Convention's six (6) Objectives).

The hallmark of Black Baptists in North Carolina has been "responsible leadership" since 1867, when the first formal organization was formed. The Reverend C. Johnson, Dr. George W. Watkins, Dr. Thomas Kilgore, Jr., Dr. P.A. Bishop, and others, are examples of the calibre of leadership that has given guidance to N.C. Baptists.

The name "Educational and Missionary Convention", first chosen for their Convention by Black Baptists, reflects their willingness to accept responsibility for spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ. Men like Dr. O.S. Bullock, Dr. J.T. Hairston, and Reverend Augustus Shepherd firmly believed in Christian Education. They set up a program of Religious Education for Black Baptists when the task of intellectual efforts were frowned upon by the ones who needed it most.

N.C. Black Baptists have been fortunate to have had the quality of leadership that has led the denomination over the last century. The standard that was set by the responsible leadership of the past has led to the growth and development of responsible leadership for the present.

The theme for the "All Baptist Assembly, August 2-5, 1976, at the Benton Convention Center in Winston Salem, N.C., reflects the vision and seriousness of the leadership of today's Black N.C. Baptists leaders: "Christian Freedom and Responsibility." In a recent discussion of the theme with Dr. Joy J. Johnson, president of the General Baptist State Convention, N.C., Inc., he stated that: "what we need is not more freedom, but more responsible leadership". It was pointed out that freedom and responsibility go hand-in-hand. Continuing, President Johnson stated: "we must not spare any effort to get our people to realize that the day of irresponsible leaders has passed. We want and need men and women who know what they are doing and who have the courage to do what they have to do when it ought to be done".

In recent months the leadership of the Black Baptists has set in motion a program that has revolutionized the Convention's work. Regions have been set up and workshops have been held all over the state. Every department in the state Convention has felt the thrust of the new direction that the work has taken. State Missions has a new meaning: Instead of the lackadaisical atmosphere of the past, there is an air of urgency and direction in all that is going on through State Missions. One of the vitally needed efforts is: the development of a Prison Ministry and the employment of a Chaplain by Black Baptists to serve in the state's prison units.

The following report by the



Here is a group of those well-known State leaders who met recently at Shaw University and who are "responsible" in their contributions to the on-going of the convention.

Assistant to the Executive Secretary, Dr. C.C. Craig, gives a picture of some of the efforts being put forward by the Convention in the interest of State Missions.

REPORT OF THE REGIONAL WORKSHOPS

In an effort to do a bigger and better job in promotional work, our Convention under the adopted recommendation of President Johnson, has been divided into ten regions consisting of the following counties (see attached sheets).

The purposes of the Regional Workshops, among other things, are the following:

1. An effort to take the Convention's programs, objectives, plans and services to the people.
2. Provide and interpret information concerning the work of the church; the work of our denomination and the work of our convention.
3. Provide services that some churches cannot provide for themselves.
4. Promote support for missions at home and abroad along with Christian Education.
5. Inspire, encourage and stimulate our pastors and church leaders to a greater challenge in Kingdom building.
6. Provide information on how the church is to be organized and how it is to function.
7. Provide information on the responsibilities of the pastors and church leaders, along with the unique role of the trustees.
8. Provide information on the roles of Christian women in missions.
9. Provide information on the Christian responsibilities and the rights of women in church.
10. Provide information on the functions of the Sunday School and the Baptist Training Union.
11. Provide information on the responsibilities of the church musician, minister of music, along with the role of the laymen in the church.
12. Provide information on the Christian outlook on life based

upon ethical and moral principles rooted and grounded in New Testament teachings.

Five of our region workshops have been completed with much success. The moderators, pastors and the churches responded in a beautiful way. Our first regional workshop number 5 was held for a week at the First Baptist Church, Fairmont with our President, Dr. J.J. Johnson as host pastor. Our second Regional workshop number 9 was held for two days at the Star of Zion Baptist Church, New Bern, Reverend Cleveland Parks, Jr., host pastor. Our third regional workshop number 6 was held for three days at the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Wilmington, Reverend M.L. Dillingham, host pastor. Our fourth regional workshop number 10 was held for two days at the Nebo Baptist Church, Murfreesboro, Dr. C.M. Creecy, host pastor. Our fifth regional workshop number 8 was held for three days at the Jackson Chapel First Baptist Church, Wilson, Dr. T.A. Watkins, host pastor.

The Reverend W.E. Beamon and the Reverend M.L. Dillingham served as our evangelists. They are preachers of the first magnitude who preached the gospel in its fullness.

From the five regional workshops conducted, the churches reported the total amount of \$7,343.76 for the Convention's objectives.

Our five remaining regional workshops will be conducted on the following dates:

Region 7 will be held for three days, May 17-19 at the Greater Saint Paul Baptist Church, Durham, Dr. W.T. Bigelow, pastor. Reverend Ocas B. Cook will be the evangelist.

Region 4 will be held for two days, May 20-21 at the Mount Zion Baptist Church, Reidsville, Dr. E.L. Kirby, pastor, Dr. W.T. Bigelow will be the evangelist.

Region 3 will be held for three

days, May 24-26 at the Second Calvary Baptist Church, Charlotte, Dr. J.M. Kennedy, pastor. Dr. J.W. White will be the evangelist.

Region 2 will be held for two days, May 27-28 at the Morning Star Baptist Church, Hickory, Reverend W.E. Lytle, pastor. Dr. C.W. Kerry will be the evangelist.

Reopens Probe Of Bombing

By Religious News Service

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (RNS) —

An investigation has been reopened into the 1963 bombing of a black Baptist church here in which four girls were killed.

Some 200 people were attending Sunday morning services at the 16th Street Baptist Church at the time of the blast on Sept. 15, 1963. State, city and federal investigations at the time failed to result in a trial for any suspects.

Attorney General Bill Baxley has reopened the investigation because he has learned the names of nine men who were allegedly involved in the bombings, according to a Birmingham newspaper report.

The names were said to be supplied by Gary Thomas Rowe Jr., a former Federal Bureau of Investigation agent during the civil rights campaigns of the 1960s. The disclosures came as a result of the U.S. Senate hearings in December on possible FBI abuses.

Mr. Rowe's testimony before the Senate committee on alleged police conspiracy in Birmingham with Ku Klux Klan

Region 1 is to be held in June. The final plans are incomplete.

Under the banner and the direction of our President and Executive Secretary, Dr. J.J. Johnson and Dr. O.L. Sherrill, our conventional team has worked long and hard in a united way to implement the plans and programs of the Convention.

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violence in the 1950s and 1960s, resulted in a call for a review of several incidents of that time, including the church bombing.

Following that bombing, thousands of Americans joined in marches and memorial services to mourn the death of the four girls. Religious groups led and joined mass demonstrations protesting the act of violence.

An estimated 10,000 people attended mass demonstrations in New York and in Washington, D.C. In Boston, an interreligious service was held at which a "prayer for brotherhood," written by the late Catholic Cardinal Richard Cushing, was read.

A group of prominent citizens launched a national fund drive to rebuild the bombed church and other structures damaged in racial incidents.

Services were resumed at the 16th Street Baptist Church in June 1964. The sermon at the first service after the bombing was given by a white minister, Dr. H.O. Hester of Montgomery, secretary of the Alabama Baptist Convention's Department of Missions.

See Attention Women

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The Ten Regions Of The General Baptist State Convention

Region 1 comprises churches in the following counties:

Cherokee	Transylvania
Clay	Henderson
Graham	Buncombe
Swain	Madison
Macon	Mitchell
Jackson	Yancey

Region 2 comprises churches in the following counties:

McDowell	Avery
Burke	Wilkes
Yadkin	Watauga
Catawba	Ashe
Alexander	Alleghany
Caldwell	

Region 3 comprises churches in the following counties:

Davie	Gaston
Davidson	Lincoln
Iredell	Cleveland
Rowan	Rutherford
Cabarrus	Polk

Region 4 comprises churches in the following counties:

Randolph	Stokes
Guilford	Rockingham
Alamance	Caswell
Orange	Person
Surry	Forsyth

Region 5 comprises churches in the following counties:

Anson	Richmond
Bladen	Robeson

Cumberland

Hoke
Montgomery
Moore

Region 6 comprises churches in the following counties:

Sampson
Dublin
Pender

New Hanover

Region 7 comprises churches in the following counties:

Franklin
Durham
Granville
Vance
Warren

Region 8 comprises churches in the following counties:

Green
Wayne
Pitt
Lenoir

Region 9 comprises churches in the following counties:

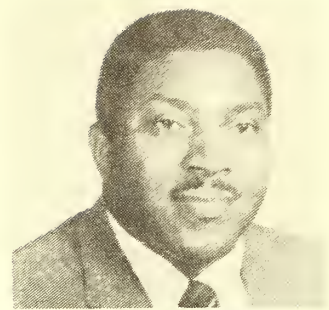
Pamlico
Martin
Washington
Tyrrell

Region 10 comprises churches in the following counties:

Perquimans
Pasquotank
Camden
Currituck

Scotland

Stanley
Union



Reverend Leo V. Williams, Jr.

Report On Higher Education

By Dr. J.R. Manley

Charlotte — The committee on Higher Education of the General Baptist State Convention submitted the following report to the delegates of the One Day Session last May 5, in Charlotte. All of the recommendations were adopted.

Recommendation

The Committee on Higher Education of the General Baptist State Convention met on the above date. Prayer was offered by Reverend N.K. Dunn. After some discussion, the committee wishes to submit the following recommendations:

1. That each church and or association of churches be encouraged to observe an Annual Shaw University Day. That the Department of Higher Education asked the Department of Public Relations of Shaw University to prepare leaflets with information and suggestions for this observance. (example of material).

That the Department of Higher Education in cooperation with the Department of Religious Promotion give an award annually to the association enrolling the largest number of ministers in the June Ministers Institute at Shaw University.

3. That a fifty dollar (\$50.00) per year scholarship be provided by our convention to all North Carolina State Wide Baptist Students enrolled in the School of Divinity at Shaw University.

4. That the Department of Higher Education sponsor a Continuing Campaign to encourage the high school graduates of our churches to attend Shaw University by requesting Shaw's material on recruitment to be made available to our convention, and through our convention to the various associations and churches.

5. That the Department of Higher Education sponsor the School of Divinity Hour at the Annual Session of our Convention.

6. That a certificate of congratulation from our convention be presented annually to each graduate of any School of Divinity in North Carolina from the office of our Executive Secretary.

7. That the Department of Higher Education in cooperation with the Dean of the Shaw Divinity School give encouragement and assistance to the Regional Minister's Institute Center.

8. That the creation of dialogue by and between the Department of Higher Education and other North Carolina State - wide sponsors of private and public higher education be encouraged.

Reports Of The Regional Workshops

By C.C. Craig,
Assistant To the

Executive Secretary

Charlotte: — The following report, made during the One Day Session of the General Baptist State Convention was received by the delegates with "amens" acceptance. Many of the delegates expressed the feeling that the General Baptist State Convention is on the move towards a more vital ministry. Others were emphatic in pledging support to the new thrust that has been given to the work and outreach of the Convention.

In an effort to do a bigger and better job in promotional work, our Convention under the adopted recommendation of President Johnson, has been divided into ten regions. Some of the regions have conducted workshops.

The purposes of the Regional Workshops, among other things, are the following twelve. They are

(1) An effort to take the Convention's programs, objectives, plans and services to the people;

(2) Provide and interpret information concerning the work of the church, the work of our denomination and the work of our convention;

(3) Provide services that some churches cannot provide for themselves;

(4) Promote support for missions at home and abroad along with Christian Education;

(5) Inspire, encourage and stimulate our pastors and church leaders to a greater challenge in Kingdom building;

(6) Provide information on how the church is to be organized and how it is to function;

(7) Provide information on the responsibilities of the pastors and church leaders, along with the unique role of the trustees;

(8) Provide information on the roles of Christian women in missions;

(9) Provide information on the Christian responsibilities and the rights of women in church;

(10) Provide information on the functions of the Sunday School and the Baptist Training Union;

(11) Provide information on the responsibilities of the church musician, minister of music, along with the role of the laymen in the church; and

(12) Provide information on the Christian outlook on life based upon ethical and moral principles rooted and grounded in New Testament teachings.

Five of our region workshops have been completed with much success. The moderators, pastors and the churches responded in a beautiful way. Our first regional workshop number 5 was held for a week at the First Baptist Church, Fairmont with our President, Dr. J.J. Johnson as host pastor. Our second Regional workshop number 9 was held for two days at the Star of Zion Baptist Church, New Bern, Reverend Cleveland Parks, Jr., host pastor. Our third regional workshop number 6 was held for three days at the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Wilmington, Reverend M.L. Dillingham, host pastor. Our fourth regional workshop number 10 was held for two days at the Nebo Baptist Church, Murfreesboro, Dr. C.M. Creecy, host pastor. Our fifth regional workshop number 8 was held for three days at the Jackson Chapel First Baptist Church, Wilson, Dr. T.A. Watkins, host pastor.

The Reverend W.E. Beamon and the Reverend M.L. Dillingham served as our evangelists. They are preachers of the first magnitude who preached the gospel in its fullness.

From the five regional workshops conducted, the churches reported the total amount of \$7,343.76 for the Convention's objectives.

Our five remaining regional

workshops will be conducted on the following dates:

Region 7 was held for three days, May 17-19 at the Greater Saint Paul Baptist Church, Durham. Dr. W.T. Bigelow, pastor. Reverend Ocas B. Cook will be the evangelist.

Region 4 was for two days, May 20-21 at the Mount Zion Baptist Church, Reidsville, Dr. E.L. Kirby, pastor. Dr. W.T. Bigelow will be the evangelist.

Region 3 was held for three days, May 24-26 at the Second Calvary Baptist Church, Charlotte, Dr. J.M. Kennedy, pastor. Dr. J.W. White will be the evangelist.

Region 2 was held for two days, May 27-28 at the Morning Star Baptist Church, Hickory, Reverend W.E. Lytle, pastor. Dr. C.W. Kerry will be the evangelist.

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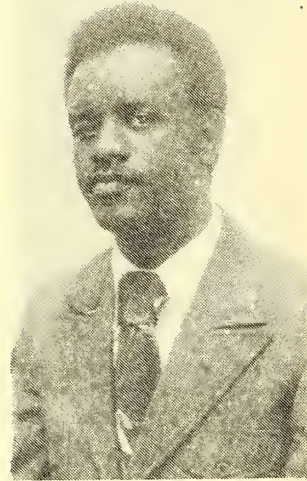
Religious Coordinator Employed By Soul City Committee

By Press Research
Interfaith Committee

Soul City — (Editor's note: Soul City has been the subject of much discussion and criticism since its inception in the 60's. This enterprise that has been undertaken by Black leaders in cooperation with the federal government continues to be the subject of many discussions concerning the rightness or wrongness of a Black oriented city. Whether the city is right or wrong for a democratic society, the fact still remains that there are people who have settled there. These individuals need to know God is Christ and His power to make the human soul free through the Truth. Therefore the Christian church has a challenge before it in Soul City. The Interfaith Committee has gone about to meet that challenge. The appointment of Michael Thomas Williams as Religious Coordinator in Soul City should challenge Baptists and Christians everywhere to honestly face the challenge of Soul City.

The Interfaith Committee of Soul City, Inc. has employed Rev. Michael Thomas Williams as religious coordinator. Rev.

Williams is the initial employee of the Interfaith Committee. The Interfaith Committee is a non-profit, tax-exempt corporation chartered under the North Carolina Statutes which was incorporated in June, 1975. It was created after four years of planning which was initiated by the North Carolina Churches Committee on New Communities and carried out by the Soul City Foundation, Inc. The Interfaith Committee, which is composed of state church judicatories, residents of Warren and Vance Counties, and residents of Soul City was created to plan, coordinate and implement the development of religious life in Soul City and cooperate with religious and other organizations in the area. The Interfaith Committee has structured itself so that both new community residents and judicatories as well as residents of the surrounding area, can participate in all phases of the development of religious programs. It is the Committee's hope that this will prove to be an effective structure for Soul City and a useful model for the development of ministry in other new and developing com-



Rev. Williams

munities.

Rev. Williams assumed his duties on April 1, 1976. He will work on a part-time basis. He is a native of St. Simons Island, Georgia. He received his Associate of Science Degree from Brunswick Junior College in 1972, a Bachelor of Science Degree from Georgia Southern College of Statesboro, Georgia in 1974, and is a candidate for the Master of Divinity Degree in 1977 from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary of Wake Forest, North Carolina.

The office of the Interfaith Committee is located in the Soul Tech I building.

Pilot Baptist Grateful

Church Rebuilt After Fire

By Mrs. Annie M.
Whitley

Pilot — The Reverend Frank Bullock, Jr., pastor of Pilot Baptist Church, full of smiles and expressing a feeling of great relief, stated: "We are more than grateful to all the brethren who helped us rebuild Pilot Baptist after it was destroyed by fire". He was full of enthusiasm as the Dedication of the new edifice proceeded last April 25.

The Pilot Baptist Church was completely destroyed by fire in November of 1974. Reverend Bullock and his members sent out a distress call, and friends all over the state responded. He said recently, "We want everybody to know that we are grateful for what they have done for us, and that we did use the donation to rebuild the church. We want them to see it and know that we didn't eat their money

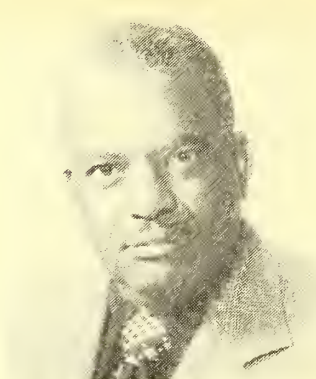
up". The church was organized in 1925 under the leadership of the Reverend Alonza Wiggins of Clayton, N.C.

Dedication Held

A full week of services was climaxed Sunday afternoon with the dedication of Pilot Missionary Baptist Church. The facility, costing nearly \$80,000, replaced a building which was lost to fire November 9, 1974, and was represented 16 months of work by the congregation to replace the lost structure.

The church was organized in 1925, and the building that was burned was started in 1945. An addition of classrooms, dining hall, and baptismal pool was nearly complete when the fire struck.

The Reverend Issac Horton, editor of "Baptist Informer", publication of the General Baptist State Convention was



Rev. F.O. Bullock, Jr.

featured speaker for the dedication service.

Others participating included the pastor, the Reverend Frank Bullock, Jr.; the Reverend William Giles, pastor of Jones Hill Baptist Church, Melvin Privette, Wakefield Baptist Church; the Reverend Ronald Swain, minister of Shaw University; Herbert Thomas, Chairman of the Deacon Board; and A.L. Manning, deacon of Dickie Grove Baptist Church.

Reverend Bullock is a resident of Henderson. The deacons are Herbert Thomas, chairman; Will Thomas, chairman, Will Higgins, Johnny O. Horton, and Joseph Thomas.

Mrs. Annie M. Whitley is the church clerk; Mrs. Wilma Avery, president of missionary society, Joseph Thomas, president of the usher board; Johnny O. Horton, Sunday School superintendent; Mrs. D.W. Carpenter, junior choir president; and Herbert Thomas, senior choir president. The church has about 106 members.

During the period since its building was lost to fire, worship



Pilot Missionary Baptist Church

Black Panthers, SLA Leaders Become Christians

San Diego — It was reported in the May issue of the Christian Inquirer that former Black militant leader Eldridge Cleaver is a new Christian. So is "Death Row Jeff", a founder of the Symbionese Liberation Army. So is Tim Dudley, once a radical Black Liberation Army of American leader. These developments are reported by the "God Squad", a group of more than 100 lay people and clergy active in bringing a Christian message to inmates in California prisons.

Reverend Morrison, founder of the prison ministry, said Mr. Cleaver embraced Christianity shortly after he entered the Alameda County jail early this year, where Mr. Morrison is a chaplain.

"I just helped him put the pieces together," the chaplain said. "He knew he had a spiritual vacuum in his life and came to realize that Jesus Christ could fill it".

Mr. Cleaver reportedly first expressed an interest in Christianity last November while he was at the San Diego correctional center. As a result, the Reverend George Stevens, a member of the God Squad and Calvary Baptist Church, and a self-described former radical and militant, went to talk to Mr. Cleaver. "I just told him I had come down to introduce him to Jesus Christ," Mr. Stevens said.

Mr. Stevens said at the end of his hour-long conversation he told Mr. Cleaver, "It's like this, Eldridge. I give you a blank check signed by Jesus in His blood. All you have to do when you need it is to fill in."

He added, "Eldridge said, O.K., I can dig that".

Mr. Morrison said Mr. Cleaver was raised in a Christian home, but turned from Christianity

"because of peer group pressure". He added that the 1968 assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King sent Mr. Cleaver "into a tailspin," after which he became a Black Muslim and a Communist.

Cleaver told two Reform Jewish leaders that his support for Israel is a sincere "ideological transformation", neither "transient or superficial". Albert Vorspan, vice president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and Rabbi Erwin Herman, UAHC Pacific Southwest regional director, reported on a three hour interview (Feb. 14) with Mr. Cleaver in the Alameda County jail in Oakland, where he is awaiting trial.

Changes in American society since the 1960s, he said, convinced him he could get a fair trial if he returned to the U.S. He said "the late seventies do offer a promise for expanding social justice in the U.S. through effective political action".

Mr. Cleaver told the two Reform leaders that his years in exile in Algeria, and other places, showed him that societies he had praised in the abstract are really repressive.

He said, for instance, that he "saw slaves" in Algeria and Mauritania, and "deep currents of racism against black Cubans".

The conversion of "Death Row Jeff" (Clifford Jefferson) left many around him in San Quentin, where Mr. Morrison is stationed, "still trying to figure out what happened to him," the minister said.

Mr. Morrison said he baptized Mr. Dudley at San Quentin. He called him "one of the most radical revolutionaries of our day, but a man who's really getting his life together now".

Massage Parlor Ordinance Is Upheld In Court

Durham — A federal appeals court has upheld a U.S. District court judge's ruling that Durham, N.C., has the right to impose restrictions on the operations of massage parlors.

The operators of five massage parlors in Durham appealed the 1975 lower court ruling that said the city had the power to enact a local ordinance that barred commercial massaging of private parts and imposed licensing requirements.

The operators contended their constitutional rights of due process, equal protection and privacy were violated by the ordinance.

They also argued the or-

services were held at Wakefield Baptist Church and St. Hope Baptist Church. During the dedication, the church expressed its appreciation to churches, individuals, and businesses for the generous assistance given in rebuilding its meeting place.

dinance was unconstitutional because it was under-inclusive since it exempted licensed medical practitioners, hospitals and nursing homes from the massage restrictions.

But the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said in an opinion made public Thursday, March 4: "We have held that commercial massage parlors in which massages are administered to persons of the opposite sex may be outlawed completely.

"Clearly, less drastic regulatory schemes and controls are permissible and well within the police power of the state so long as the particular regulation bears a rational relation to the state's interests."

We rejoice in this great victory that has been won in the court. This will give encouragement to others who are concerned about these matters. If you would like a copy of this regulatory ordinance covering massage parlors, then write to the Director at the Raleigh office.

Laymen's Corner

By Waverly Camp

Raleigh — What time is it? I don't know. I have lost track of time, everything seemingly is at a standstill. There is nothing to do but sit around and think about what's coming up good in the future.

How often do we have this conversation with ourselves or our friends? Wait! Don't answer that question. As fellow Christians working in the vineyard of our Lord, we should never talk like this. There are thousands upon thousands of souls that need to be touched and brought to Christ. There is not time to rest.

As the All Baptist Assembly approaches we should gear our minds toward the theme "Christian Responsibilities and Freedom" as it relates to witnessing, preaching, teaching, etc. What are some of your responsibilities? What freedom do you have as it relates to God's work?

The 1976 All Baptist Assembly promises to be the best yet. The Laymen's program will be Tuesday, August 3, 1976, from 7:00-9:30 p.m. at the Benton Convention Center, Winston-Salem, N.C.

Some highlights of the program will be our theme discussion by Mr. I.H. Hilliard, First Baptist, Weldon; Mr. Sylvester E. Williams, III, Special Assistant to President of Shaw University, a special musical treat, and the Royal Ambassadors with a bicentennial tribute along with the



Waverly Camp, Jr., Secretary to Laymen's Work and Director of Church Music.

youth of the Woman's Convention. Your President John McQueen and Field Secretary, Waverly Camp, Jr., will also appear on program.

We need your support and help. Come join in with us, we're counting on you. There are three things you can do for us:

1. Pray for our growth and success
 2. Bring some laymen and royal Ambassadors
 3. Bring money to support the Unified Plan.
- Laymen get ready to "Do the Do"
- Ready to suffer grief or pain,
 - Ready to stand the test;
 - Ready to stay at home and send
 - Others, if He sees best
 - Ready to go, ready to stay,
 - Ready my place to fill;
 - Ready for service, lowly or great,
 - Ready to do His will.

Pornography Destructive

By Religious News Service

SALT LAKE CITY (RNS) — Pornographic materials now on the open market are potentially damaging to individuals and can be ultimately destructive to civilization, according to a psychology professor at the University of Utah.

"We are all subject to the law of learning and we are all affected by what we experienced," said Dr. Victor B. Cline who has lectured widely and published works on the effects of pornography.

"I am not suggesting that every man seeing a film depicting sexual aggression against a woman will be motivated to go out and commit rape (though we have some evidence that exactly this has happened with some vulnerable individuals)," he said. "But it can have a cumulative effect on the individual as exposure increases, and the probability of risk to the person's psyche increases, and the probability of risk to the person's psyche increases with each viewing."

Dr. Cline has worked with the Presidential Commission on Pornography and Obscenity in analyzing technical documents. His views on the damaging effects of pornography were expressed in an article appearing in the Church News of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saint (Mormon).

Referring to William Stephen's analysis of obscenity and sexual practices in 91 cultures, Dr. Cline noted that modesty, chastity and sexual restraints are common to the world's great religions.

The Stephens study showed that "the growth of religion and sexual responsibility and restraints are also associated intimately with the increase in cultural complexity and high level of political development," Dr. Cline said. "Obscenity is rampant in primitive societies ... These tribes lowest on the scale of cultural evolution have the most sexual license as well as the greatest interest in obscenity."

"The pornographic material now on the open market, in my judgment, is socially regressive and many elements of it are ultimately destructive to civilization," he said.

Dr. Cline strongly opposed the view that "we should abolish all sexual taboos, liberate pornography, as well as the media violence which surrounds us all, and which in term would supposedly free the human spirit and body."

Dr. Cline said there is "overwhelming consensus of evidence" that sexual deviance is learned — and can be "taught" by using pornographic stimuli. He said that until recently the pornography shown in major U.S. urban areas

Shaw Lists N.C. Graduates

By C. Warren Massenburg

RALEIGH, N.C. — Shaw University awarded 372 undergraduate and masters degrees during ceremonies conducted Sunday, May 16, 1976 at the Memorial Auditorium.

Officials at the university have released a list of the members of the graduating class who are residents of North Carolina. They are listed by county:

WAKE: Lamont Bell, Wellington Breeden, Gladys Christmas, Pearl Clifton, Bartholome Conti, Kenneth Cox, Luella Devlin, Robert Dozie, John Evans, Harold Gulley, David Jones, Johnnyson Jones, James Jordan, Adrain King, James King, Roger King, David Lanier, Charles Lee, Mary Lockley, Danny Manning, James Mills, John J. Moore, and William Osborne. Also, James Pearson, Jr., Brenda Peebles, Elnora Rainey, Benjamin Runkie, Joseph Scott, Freddie Simons, Albert Smith, Terry Turbeville, Yvonne White, and Ellen Williams.

HALIFAX: Joan Davis, Sheila Dawson, William Dickens, Grover Edwards, Cynthia Harris, Marilyn Johnson, Dollie Knight, Joyce Powell, Dennis Whitaker.

DURHAM: Ronald Brandon, Samuel Council, Willie Covington, Donald Day, Jacqueline Futrell, Elaine Hyman, Theresa Lyons, James McGuffey, Mrs. Roger McGuffey, Mary Stevens, Lindsey Strudwick, and Alvis Walker.

CUMBERLAND: Steve Bortnyk, Seward Brown, Jr., William Bulla, Grady Carter, Henry Corvera, Sandra Covington, Stephen Crouch, James Feathersen, Ted Foote, Courtney Fox, John Galindo, William Gann, Johnnie Gilbert, Richard Gray, Bobby Grimes, Gerald Hahn, Wallace Handwerk, Kenneth Hoehn, Earnest Holston, Lottie Horton, Crawford Hunt, Jr., Peter Iot, Eugene Lessman, David McCaskill, Frederick Moench, III, James Muffett, Carl Owens, Constance Owens, Kenneth Rapelge, Donald Ryan, James Scurry, Willie Simmons, Ted Simpson, Clarence U. Thomas, Thomas White, Jr., Stacy Whittington, Marvin Williams, James Wilson, Ronnie Wilson and Gerald Wood.

NORTHHAMPTON: Aussie Broadnax, James Chavis, Charles Evans and Morris

consisted of "hard-core loops" (hour after hour of intercourse scenes). But now the porn industry is moving into pornographic violence.

"A consistent diet of those kinds of materials can and do affect a person's fantasy life, later his behavior and eventually even his most basic values," Dr. Cline said.

"If there is anything we have learned in this century," he said, "it is that those who regress from civilization become ignoble beyond all toleration. They may aspire to innocent savagery, but what they achieve too often is brutality and loss of their essential humanity."

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LENOIR: Edward Davis, Claude Gray, Reginald Lee and Thomasenia Patterson.

EDGECOMBE: Rose Hunter, Leonard Wiggins and Gladys Williams.

GRANVILLE: Charlie Fields, Jr., and Melvin Royster.

FRANKLIN: Claude Dunston and Edna Williams.

VANCE: Veronica Cheek, Mable Foster, Mary Hoyle and Geraldine McNeil.

SAMPSON: Zera Chestnutt and Mildred Murphy.

ROBESON: Ronnie Bryant and Floyd Morrow. Also, Norman Thompson.

WILSON: William Artis, Cecil Batts, Jeannie Burney and Joseph Hilliard.

WARREN: Essie Bell, Maddie Davis, Lella Plumer, Hilda Terry and Mamie Tunstall.

WAYNE: Johnnie Barnes, John Bell, Joyce Jones, John Lemon, Wanda Stokes and James Uzzell.

RICHMOND: James Gilmore.

PITT: John Little.

PERSON: Gregory Winstead and Jeanette Winstead.

PENDER: Mary Lanier and Deborah Pearsall.

PAMLICO: Claude Foy.

ORANGE: William Richardson.

NEW HANOVER: Josella Mapson.

NASH: Lewis Timmons.

MOORE: Thomas Furr.

MECKLENBURG: Doris Miller.

LEE: Raymond Goodwin and Cornelius McInnis.

JONES: Betty Chadwick.

JOHNSTON: Ralph Best.

IREDELL: Delora Kimbrough.

HOKE: Alvin Terry.

HERTFORD: Jethro Branch and Charles Tuders.

HAYWOOD: Woodreen Wood.

Craven: Alfonso Jackson and Joseph Parker.

CATAWBA: Arnold Foster Martha Ikard.

CASWELL: Arnita Graves.

CARTARET: Fiona Rice and Franklin Tootle.

BUNCOMBE: Iva Ertzberger and Willie Freedland.

BRUNSWICK: Clara Randall and Annie Randolph.

BLADEN: Sandra Dixon and Judy Ellis.

ANSON: James Keyzer and Bobbie Lee.

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Other Baptist Schools

Receive Renewal Grants

By C. Warren Massenburg
RALEIGH, N.C. — Fifteen Baptist minority institutions of higher education including Shaw University received checks totalling nearly a quarter of a million dollars in Atlanta recently as a part of the first distribution of funds by the Fund of Renewal.

Shaw University received \$10,000.00.

The Fund of Renewal, which will ultimately present the schools with \$4,400,000, is a joint national fund raising program being conducted by the predominantly black Progressive National Baptist Convention and the predominantly white American Baptist Churches in the USA. Money raised by the two groups will support minority group education and development.

The Atlanta event marked the first time Fund of Renewal money was distributed to institutions selected as recipients. The event was a landmark in a campaign that represents the first time in history that two Protestant denominations have united in an effort of this type.

The Fund of Renewal is seeking to raise \$7.5 million for Baptist related minority education and community development.

Keynoting the event, which was held in Atlanta's Internationale Hotel, was Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, president of the Atlanta Board of Education and president emeritus of Morehouse College.

Addressing over 250 clergy, lay leaders, politicians, and school representatives, Dr. Mays declared that were it not for the existence of minority institutions of higher learning, the education of minority young people would have been "blotted out" in the United States.

"If white historians had cared enough," he declared, "had been knowledgeable enough, had been sensitive enough, good enough — and if the founding fathers had had the Black man in mind when they wrested the original 13

colonies from England and founded this country — there would have been no need for the Fund of Renewal and no need for Negro colleges."

Affirming the need for the Fund of Renewal, Dr. Mays said minority institutions provide "images, the things that tell people they are somebody, that they count."

In turn, it is the responsibility of the graduates of these institutions to "tell the people what America is all about," Mays said.

"It is my considered judgment that Martin Luther King had to come out of Morehouse, a Fund of Renewal participant."

Morehouse, Mays pointed out, had been under black leadership since 1906.

"Morehouse taught its students that a Negro could ride in a segregated street car ... and still be free," Mays said. "Harvard could not have produced Martin Luther King."

Presiding at the celebration here was Dr. Thomas A. Kilgore, Jr., pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Los Angeles and second Vice president of the Progressive National Baptist Convention. The recipients were Bacone College, Muskogee OK, Benedict College, Columbia, SC, Bishop College, Dallas, TX, Lemoyne-Owen College, Memphis, TN, Morehouse College and School of Religion, Atlanta, GA, Morris College, Sumter, SC, Selma University, Selma, AL, Shaw College, Detroit, MI, Shaw University, Raleigh, NC, the Virginia College, Lynchburg, VA, Virginia Union School of Religion and University, Richmond, VA.

Other minority groups receiving grants were the Hispanic Ministries, whose missionary pastor in Miami, the Rev. Orlando Colas, of the Board of National Ministries, American Baptist Churches, was the representative. The Asian Center for Theology and Strategies, located at the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley, CA, was the other recipient.

Exhibit, Sale At Shaw

By C. Warren Massenburg

Works by Modern and Old Masters Span Six Centuries

RALEIGH — The Shaw University Art Department will sponsor an exhibit and sale of approximately 600 original prints and works of art from the famed Ferdinand Roten Galleries collection on April 27 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event will be held at the Speech and Hearing Building on campus. Prints by such masters as Picasso, Goya, Renoir and Hogarth, can be seen. Works by many of today's American artists, some famous and some not yet famous.

Area residents are invited to browse through this outstanding collection of original graphics. A knowledgeable Roten representative will be on hand to answer questions about the prints and the artists, to discuss other prints not in this collection, but which may be obtained from the gallery in Baltimore.

A world - respected authority on graphics of all types, Roten holds exhibitions and sales at major museums, colleges, art galleries and art centers throughout the United States and

Canada.

The informal displaying of the collection allows visitors to examine at close range the various graphic techniques of different artists.

In the past 25 years, people of all ages and incomes have wanted to possess pictures that were actually touched by the artists. This desire, in combination with a growing awareness and exposure to good work, has created a new and separate art market - for original prints.

The Ferdinand Roten Galleries collection of original prints spans the 700 year history of this art form. Known as a leading specialist in original graphics, this art dealer's unique program of travelling exhibitions and sales brings major selections of a thousand or more prints to campuses, communities, and galleries throughout the country.

Even with today's inflation, a young collector, with very little money, can own an original work for \$10. Most of the 800 to 1,000 works in the one day exhibition and sale that will soon be held by Roten in this city are

under \$100. A few are worth far more.

The word "original" is of great importance to the Roten Galleries. What's more, there is really little reason to compromise, because originals can be had for nominal sums. For those who have their sights on possible investment in art it is essential.

To measure up to Roten's standards or originality as well as merit, the work must have been conceived by the artist, the artist must have participated in the preparation of the plate, or stone, or screen, etc., and the work shown by Roten must have been pulled from the original plate.

A work that is limited to a small number of prints and is signed by an established artist, will, because it is rare, be considered to be of greater value. Roten Galleries cites Joan Miro's work as such an example. He often allows a few hundred impressions from one of his lithography plates but signs, perhaps, only fifty. Artistically, they are of equal value, but those that are signed are sold at a far higher price.

U.S. Education Chief Calls For Discipline, Morality

WASHINGTON (BP) — Declaring that he fears "responsible citizenship is withering in our land," the chief educational official of the Federal Government called here for "discipline and moral values in education."

T.H. Bell, U.S. commissioner of education since 1974, said that

the country is drifting away from the kind of discipline in our schools, colleges, and universities that could really lead us to greatness.

"For a number of years," he said, "we have been on a nationwide binge of permissiveness" in which "anything goes."

Addressing more than 600

participants at Christian Citizenship '76, a three - day national seminar sponsored by the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, Bell said he subscribes to the belief that "discipline makes us productive, affluent, strong, enlightened and free as a people.

Shaw Receives 18,000 Books

RALEIGH, N.C. — Shaw University officials have announced the acquisition of more than 18,000 volumes of books and forty ranges of steel shelving from the now defunct John F. Kennedy College, a four year liberal arts college, of Omaha, Nebraska. The purchase included bound periodical volumes, microfilm, curriculum textbooks, juvenile books (children and adult books), and fiction books.



According to Miss Mildred Mallette, Director of the Learning Resource Center, the day to day work load of the library staff has tripled with the

many processing steps for each volume or item added to the library collection.

The library has undergone some minor structural changes to accommodate the additional volumes. The Shaw University Beta Rho Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and student library assistants have assisted the library staff with restructuring the rooms on the first and second floors.

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