Adam-West ceremony in Concord

CONCORD, N.C. — Miss Barbara Abb West, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. G. L. West, of Barber-Scotia College, and Antenor Adam were married in the college chapel, here, recently.

The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. A. E. Adam and the late Joseph Adams, Johnson C. Smith University professor.

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THE CEREMONY was performed by the Rev. H. W. Givens of the Charlotte Biddleville Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Jacqueline Hairston was organizer, and a trio composed of Misses Elnora Kerns and Everlener Crawford; and J. S. Morrison, sang. Candles on the altar were lighted by Barbara Russell and Phyllis Cureton.

As a symbol of the union, at the conclusion of the wedding service, the bride and bridegroom lifted lighted candles from either side of a satin-covered prayer bench to light a single candle.

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GIVEN IN marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of peau de soie with French rosepoint lace from her mother's wedding gown. The lace covered the bodice and unlined sleeves, and a chapel train, enhanced by the lace, was attached at the waist with a bow.

Her tiered veil was held by a tiara of seed pearls, and she carried a cascade of Fleurs D'Amour centered with an orchid.

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MISS SELAH ANN HYCHE of Henderson, N.C., cousin of the bride, was maid of honor. Mrs. Amy Sabb of Hampton, Va., sister of the bridegroom, was matron of honor.

Bridesmaids were Misses Rosalyn Patton of Spartanburg, S.C., Lloydine Perry of Raleigh, N.C., Carol Munday of Tuskegee, Ala., Joan Dowdy of Washington, N.C., Maxine Hardlow of South Ozone Park, N.Y., Barbara Burkett of Brooklyn, N.Y., Thelma Crosby of Charlotte, N.C., and Reba Adam of Cleveland, Ohio.

THE BRIDESMAIDS wore princess gowns in pastel shades of silk organza over taffeta decored with imported lace daisies. Their headpieces were organza mantillas with daisy borders. They carried bouquets of white flowers with streamers.

Misses Angela Wyche of Knoxville, Tenn. and Adrene Wilson of Charlotte, N.C., flower girls, wore dresses similar to those of the bridesmaids, and carried baskets filled with rose petals.

LAWRENCE SYKES of Providence, R.I., was best man for his cousin.

Ushers were:

Major Marshall Atkins, of Greensboro, N.C., Lewis Blakeny, Charles and John Hairston of Charlotte, Curtis Todd of Winston Salem, Dr. Eugene Alexander of Washington.

George Butler Jr., of Forest Hills, N.Y., Dr. T. E. McKinney of White Plains, N.Y., Ray Felix of Elmhurst, N.Y., Gordon West of Concord, and Dr. David Ray of Chicago, Ill.

DR. AND MRS. WEST entertained at a reception for the couple in the Student Union following the ceremony.

Mrs. West wore a gown of blue satin and the bridegroom's mother chose a satin gown in shocking pink.

The wedding was directed by Mrs. Edna Carnegie of New Haven, Conn. Assisting at the reception were Prof. and Mrs. Daniels of Wilson, N.C., Mrs. H. N. Dowdy of Washington, N.C., Mrs. F. N. Patton of Spartanburg, S.C., and Miss Ann Bowers of Charlotte.

Mrs. Henrietta Hatton of Henderson kept the guest book. Mrs. C. Debram, Miss Ruth Pope, Miss Beatrice Martin of Raleigh, Miss Esther Bullock of Henderson, and Miss Katie Jones of Concord assisted with gifts.

Mrs. Henrietta Norris and Mrs. Ethel Martin of Charlotte directed guests to the receiving line, where Mrs. Merylin Lyttle of Raleigh introduced them to Mrs. Irene Mangru of Franklinton, who presented them to members of the line.

THE BRIDE is a graduate of Parson's College in Fairfield, Iowa, and after two years of teaching, entered the University of Indiana for graduate study.

Mr. Adam received B.A and M.A. degrees from North Carolina College and is currently with the Brooklyn (N.Y.) Coordinating Council. The couple honeymooned in Nassau, Bahamas, and are now residents of Brooklyn, N.Y.

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Dinner honors Daughter Elk

DORCHESTER, Mass. — Mrs. Evelyn Whitworth, of Boston, noted Daughter of Elk and community worker was the guest of honor at a dinner dance, tendered her by Parthenia Temple No. 905 and other cooperating temples of the New England area, here recently.

Mrs. Mae Byrd Montgomery served as general chairman with Mrs. Lillie Ricker, co-chairman, Mrs. Alyce Butler was mistress of ceremonies.

Joseph F. Lopez of Roxbury was chairman of hostess and souvenior book. Mrs. Bias is Daughter Ruler of Parthenia Temple.

Keesler Montgomery was speaker.

Program participants were Mrs. Mamie Gillyoud, the Rev. Enoch O. Woodhouse, Mrs. Mary Parker, Mrs. Thelma Benn, Mrs. Letitia J. Stewart, Mrs. Ann Benjamin, Dr. Gladys P. Graham, of Detroit, Mich., and Mrs. Marian L. Campbell of New York.

Music was by Mickey Morris and his combo.

Mrs. Fannie Morris, Mrs. Mattie Mills, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Burrell, Mrs. Bertha E. Talbot, Mrs. Edna Mitchell, Evelyn Gee, Catherine Scarver were other participants.

Feminine Front

CHATTING before the coronation of "Miss North Carolina College" in Durham, Saturday night, are, from left, Mrs. Mary S. W. Matthewson, mother of the queen, Miss Fern Matthewson, "Miss NCC" and Dr. Albert N. Whiting, president of the college.

MISS BARBARA RODGERS of Knoxville, Tenn., was crowned "Miss Knoxville College" by Alphonso Asberry, a senior from Birmingham, Ala., and president of the Student Union. She reigned during the homecoming activities at the college, Saturday.

Miss Burris wears crown at N.C.C.

GASTONIA, N.C. — Miss Sondria Kyle Burris of this city reigned as "Miss Homecoming" at North Carolina College, Durham, at the homecoming activities, Saturday.

A native Gastonian, Sondria is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Burris. Her mother is an insurance broker. Her father a former member of the Gastonia Police Force, is a shipping and receiving clerk.

A SENIOR mathematics major with a minor in chemistry, the Homecoming Queen plans a career in this field and will do graduate work toward a master's degree in Mathematics and chemistry, after graduation.

A graduate of Highland High School, she was a majorette in the marching band four years and was drum major her junior and senior years. She also received the best artist award.

She was a member of the honor society and student council, and representative to a student government workshop in Raleigh in 1963.

IN THE summer of '63, Miss Burris won the coveted "Miss Shaw University Crown" for the Gaston County Junior Department of Baptist Church for the scholarship fund for Shaw University. It was sponsored by the Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign Missionary State Convention. She also was debutante's ball winner in Gastonia that year.

In college she is a member of the Mathematics Club, Chemistry Club and the dramatics club. She is a member of Friendship Baptist Church here, president of the Junior Missionary department, and an officer of the Sunday School.

Hughes' new book on sale

NEW YORK (NPI) — Poet-author Langston Hughes may be dead, but his literary creativity continues to pour forth.

Just before his death, he presented Hill and Wang publishers with his own copy of his long out-of-print book, "The Sweet Flypaper of Life," on sale Nov. 18.

The book, in words and pictures, describes what the author has seen and knows deeply — that life in Harlem is hard, and knowing that today will be like yesterday and tomorrow makes one despair. Yet, the book also captures moments that provide their own rewards — a man walking in the sun, a woman laughing, a child's glance.

Miss Rodgers stars In Homecoming role

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Miss Barbara Rodgers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Rodgers of this city, and a senior business education major, reigned as "Miss Knoxville College" at the homecoming activities, here, Saturday.

Elected by the student body, Miss Rodgers was crowned by Student Union President, Alphonso Asberry, at a festive coronation ceremony prior to the Homecoming Weekend. Her attendant was Miss Ardia Ward, a senior from Memphis, Tenn.

MEMBERS OF her court were:

Misses Miriam Bilups, senior, Birmingham, Ala.; Miss Alpha Phi Alpha; Edwina Williams, freshman, Orangeburg, S.C., "Miss Brandon Hall"; Patricia Ross, senior, Knoxville, Miss KC" City Club"; Gloria Alexander, Louisville, Ky., "Miss Freshman"; Shirley Jordan, freshman, Knoxville, "Miss McCulloch Hall"; Carolyn Bridgeforth, sophomore, Memphis, "Miss Omega Psi Phi"; Leontyne Moore, junior, Columbus, Miss, "Miss Phi Beta Sigma"; Fannie Tillman, senior, Augusta, Ga. "Miss Senior"; and Ruby Smith, Birmingham, "Miss Sophomore."

Other KC Homecoming activities included Alumni Library Dedication, 10 a.m. Friday, in McMillan Chapel; and the Alumni Dinner-Dance in College Center on Saturday. President Robert L. Owens, III's breakfast for alumni and friends took place in the College Center; National Alumni Association meeting at 9:30 a.f. was in College Center Ballroom; football game with Fisk University at 2 p.m., and gymnasiud. Worship Service were held in McMillan Chapel at 11 a.m. Sunday.

DR. BROADUS N. BUTLER, associate director of PRESCAD, headquartered at Wayne State University in Detroit, was speaker at dedications services for Knoxville College's Alumni Library, Friday.

Dr. Butler is a former assistant to the U. S. Commissioner of Education. PRESCAD is a cooperative comprehensive health program for Pre-school, School and Adolescent Children.

Music was by KC's Concert Choir, conducted by Nathan Carter.

Other participants were Dr. Robert L. Owens, III, president; Dr. Edward Grohman, head of the division of humanities; the Rev. Frank R. Gordon, pastor, Shiloh United Presbyterian Church; Wade Waters, Dr. A. K. Stewart, chairman of KC's Board; Mrs. Lois N. Clark, head librarian; Alphonso Asberry, Student Union president; and B. A. Ward, Knoxville TVA employee and president of KC's National Alumni Association.

The Rev. Fredic T. Wells, associate dean of students preached the Homecoming sermon. Mr. Wells is a graduate of Knoxville College and Princeton Theogical Seminary. He ministered at Belvue Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles, Calif., his home-town, before returning to Knoxville.

MRS. INEZ KAISER of Kansas City, received the Media Women's Women-of-the-Year award during convention in New York, recently. Award was presented by Mrs. Rhea Calloway, of New York, left, president of the organization of women in mass media.

Durwood Taylors on Jamaican honeymoon

WASHINGTON - The newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Durwood M. Taylor, following their honeymoon in Jamaica, will be in residence in this city.

Mrs. Taylor is the former Miss Raslyn Georgian Hees, youngest daughter of George Hees, former federal trade minister of Canada.

The wedding took place in St. Thomas Anglican Church, Toronto, with the Rev. Edgar S. Bull officiating.

THE BRIDE attended school in Switzerland and McGill University in Montreal. She received a master's degree from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. For the last two years, she has worked for the U. S. government as assistant to the director of the population reference bureau.

Mr. Taylor, a graduate of Howard University, is member of a Washington law firm.

Gadabouting U.S.A.

by Lula Jones Garrett

When Fullback Armstrong (A&T) made that first-play touchdown at the Morgan State-A&T game, in Baltimore, Saturday, Tom Hawkins, who had flown from Los Angeles, Calif., for his alma mater's (Morgan) Centennial Homecoming, groaned and wiped tears from his eyes; but when at the last play with Morgan seven points ahead, Marse Hill, the famed Morgan coach, jubilantly headed for his Morgan Park home and a 'til morn celebration.

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And you can believe there were folks there to celebrate with him, even Carolinians who must have had a soft spot for a state team.

The Hills' guests included Dr. and Mrs. Leroy Walker (he's former NCC physical ed. director and coach at NCC, and currently president of CIAA and director of training for the Peace Corp for Africa); Dr. and Mrs. Purvis Williams of Washington, staunch Morganites; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Walker, Jr., of New York (he's with IBM); Mr. and Mrs. C. Payne Lucas, the hosts' son-in-law and daughter (Mr. Lucas is deputy director of the African Region and special assistant for equal Peace Corp opportunities: and she a program officer for the Women's Job Corp) in Washington;

Also Mr. and Mrs. Hank Raulerson of Washington, chief of East Africa for Peace Corp; Dr. David Nichols of New York City, Mr. and Mrs. Haward Manley, (he's program coordinator for the D.C. Poverty Program), Dr. and Mrs. Stan Schuyher of Washington,

Also Mr. and Mrs. McClain Whitley of Washington; Clyde Richardson, program analyst for the Department of Labor in Washington, and Mrs. Richardson, and Mr. and Mrs. Talmadge Hill, Jr. of this city.

THE NEWLYWED George S. Pattersons, of Jersey City, N.J., were winding up a honeymoon stay in Washington over the weekend. Mr. Patterson and the former Miss Mary Hatchett of Jersey City had been married in Jersey City in a ceremony at which Mrs. Louis Easley was matron of honor; Miss Marva Folks of New Brunswick, bridesmaid; Gladstone E. Belnavis, best man and Nicholas Daniel, usher. Messrs. Belnavis and Daniels are of New Brunswick.

Now Mr. and Mrs. Patterson are readying for flight to the Canal Zone, where he, a career Army man, has been newly assigned. Both are high-ranking officials in Elkdom.

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PEREGRINATORS: Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Robinson of Baltimore are visiting their daughter, Sallie, who is at teached to the U.S. Embassy in Jamaica, where she is an aide official.

The visit to the tropical paradise is a vacation for the Robinsons, the first in 34 years of marriage. Mr. Robinson, a longtime Post Office supervisor, is president of the Mt. Holly Improvement Association and prominent in civic and community activities at Walbrook Junction.

Songstress Veronica Tyler popped into Baltimore, Wednesday, for an appointment with coiffure artist Lydia Starks, dashed on for a series of concerts in the South. She had been in Washington on the 12th for dinner at the White House, when Linda Bird Johnson entertained for Princess Alexandra. In the interim Miss Tyler was in New York.

MISS WILMA RAY (Gets directorship)

DR. ANNE R. GAYLES (Seminar participant)

MISS CARMEN HOWELL (Engagement told)

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And Tuesday ago, when President and Mrs. Johnson held a formal luncheon to honor His Excellency Lt. General and Mrs. Joseph A. Ankrah, chairman, National Liberation Council, of the Republic of Ghana, among the 140 guests were:

Ambassador and Mrs. Franklin H. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Washington, Justice and Mrs. Edward R. Dudley, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Booker, Mrs. Fannie Granton, Mr. and Mrs. Cab Calloway, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hines, Miss Pearl Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Von Blaine, and Dr. and Mrs. W. Montague Cobb.

Dr. Jerome H. Holland, president of Hampton Institute, was in New York, recently, to make the presentation of the 1967 Margaret Sanger Award to John D. Rockefeller, 3rd.

Mr. Rockefeller was cited for his "Forceful and creative leadership" in championing the cause of population and family planning.

Miss Odile Sweeney, associate executive of the College and University Division of the National Board of the YWCA, left last week for a year's assignment as consultant on student work to YWCAs in West and East Africa. Miss Sweeney, who has been a member of the national staff of the Y since 1949, is a native of Baines, La., and a graduate of Hampton Institute.

Miss Sweeney spent a year in residence at Pendle Hill, Quaker International Graduate Center for Religion and Social Sciences at Wallingford, Pa., and also has done graduate study at the New York School of Social Work and Union Theological Seminary in New York City.

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WITH THE LADIES: Kate N. Asebe has been named the first recipient of scholarship funds administered by the NAACP's Special Contribution Fund. Announcement of the selection of Miss Aseme, a Nigerian student at the Hoover University College of Medicine, was made by Robert L. Carter, NAACP general, counsel.

The scholarship was established by the will of the late Florence Ryerson Clements who left a trust fund, amounting to approximately $2,000 a year, to aid colored students who are studying dentistry, medicine or nursing. Under the terms of the will, the awardees are selected by the membership of the NAACP's National Health Committee.

Recognition for an excellent job as a junior high school principal came to Mrs. Edythe J. Gaines, when, this week, she was nominated for the post of assistant superintendent of a Bronx school district. The post pays $24,940.

Having served at the Joan of Arc Junior High School in Manhattan, Mrs. Gaines takes over the administration of 22 schools in the Morrisiana section of the Bronx, a district heavily populated with Puerto Rican and colored families.

Her former school was located in District 5 where the controversial racial attitude tests were thrown out following the vigorous protests of parents. If approved by the Board of Education, Mrs. Gaines will become the second colored woman to fill an assistant superintendent post in New York.

Wilma Ray, former director of the Pontiac, Mich. Regional office of the Michigan Civil Rights Commission, has been appointed assistant director in its Community Service Division.

A former Michigan Consolidated Gas Company employee relations assistant, she is a graduate of Fisk University and attended the University of California at Berkeley, where she studied public administration. She also has served as a research assistant for the Citizens Committee for Equal Opportunity of Detroit, and on the national staff of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. Miss Ray is originally from Asheville, N.C.

In New York City, Retha Odom has been made vice president and executive director of the F. S. Lowe Media.

In her new post, Miss Odom will have as her first assignment, the production of a dramatic series on contributions made by colored Americans in this company. The series will be part of a total communications package aimed at the broadcast, reading and live audience.

Before assuming her new duties Miss Odom had a successful career as a public relations consultant. Her clients included WCBS-TV, State of New York, New York Urban League, and the City of New York. Most recently, she served as Director of Public Information and Education for the NYC Department of Air Pollution Control. Miss Odom attended Ohio State and Syracuse Universities and is the author of numerous magazine articles and numerous brochures.

Dr. Anne R. Gayles, Florida A and M University professor, is one of a group of 100 educators from across the country selected to participate in a three-week seminar and field study in Europe, in November.

The group will visit in Yugoslavia, Greece, Poland, Russia and East Germany ... will leave from New York Wednesday, and return on Nov. 22.

Dr. Gayles is also a field reader for the Bureau of Research of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare's Office of Education, a program specialist advisor for the same office, appointed as a consultant to review books in higher education for choice, books for college libraries and to participate in the selection of the annual list of "Outstanding Educational Books" which appears in the NEA Journal each May.

In Jersey City, N.J., last week, Mrs. Gladys Merritt Ross, mother founder of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa (teachers) was one of the 12 winners of Women of Achievement awards presented annually by a local daily.

Mrs. Ross was a teacher in Jersey City for 40 years. Though retired, she is still a student. A graduate of Jersey City State College, with an M.A. from Columbia, she has done graduate work at Columbia University, where she is a candidate for her doctorate in speech therapy.

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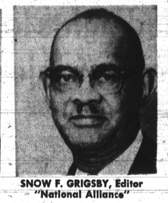

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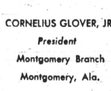

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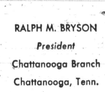

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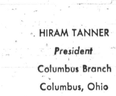

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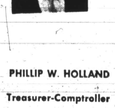

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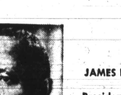

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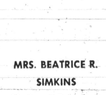

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Postal Alliance Had Its Beginnings In 1913

It is October, 1913. Near Chattanooga, Tenn. Railway Mail Clerks from Texas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Georgia meet at the foot of Lookout Mountain to discuss their work conditions and to study methods that would provide job protection.

Coming from various parts of the South, these men had three things in common. They were all colored. They were all in danger of being crowded out of their jobs and they were conscious of the fact that individually they could expect no consideration from a hostile Postal Department and a racially-biased President.

During the days of the old wooden railway mail cars, where every train wreck made casualties of railway mail workers, committees for these hazardous positions was slight and our people had little difficulty getting hired.

But by 1913 steel-cars had replaced the death-dealing wooden cars; postal salaries had increased and a concentrated effort was being made to make the railway mail service lily white.

This was the situation facing the men meeting at the foot of Lookout. Individual action having proved ineffective, they joined forces to form a union. Thus was born the National Alliance of Postal and Federal Employees.

IN 1923 when the Alliance opened its membership to all postal employees, it became the first industrial union within the Federal service.

This month, as it celebrates its fifty-fourth birthday, it has nearly fifty thousand members in its ten districts and its one hundred and twenty branches.

Although it was organized by colored with the immediate aim of preventing their elimination from the railway mail service, the Alliance, true to its industrial philosophy, has kept its doors open to all postal employees of all races, religions or sex.

It has accepted all employees who applied and took the pledge of allegiance to the Alliance set of principles which appear in every issue of our national magazine.

Adherence to these principles rules out any racial restrictions or any possibility of dual locals based on race or nationality. This distinguishes the Alliance and its history from the history of any of the old line craft unions in the postal service.

Many of these unions had to hastily change their charters and disband dual locals in 1962 to achieve recognition under President Kennedy's Executive Order 10988.

When, at the close of World War II, the issue of women as career employees in the postal service was faced, the Alliance, without hesitation, campaigned for the rights of women to be elevated to career status and accorded all the benefits and protection that career employees enjoy.

During its fifty four years the National Alliance of Postal and Federal Employees has been under the leadership of many distinguished presidents. Among these are the first President, Henry L. Mimms; J. C. Branche, Alonzo Glenn, Jerry Gilliam, Ashby B. Carter, and James B. Cobb.

These are among the men who have guided this union through a series of crises as it grew from the thirty five founding fathers to its present size; as it organized its recruitment and grievance machinery, as it branched out at community and national levels to affiliate with civil rights and community improvement groups in the effort to get local, state and the national governments to meet the needs of all the citizens.

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IN THE late forties, the early fifties the Alliance met and survived one of its greatest tests. When the infamous loyalty purges struck at the Federal service and poisoned the entire national atmosphere, the Alliance, recognizing the purge for what it was, an effort to destroy militancy in Federal employee unions, stood steadfastly by its accused members and assisted in their defense through the long and often torturous appeals procedure. We aided many of them to emerge victorious from the highest administrative tribunal, the Civil Service Loyalty Review Board.

Not content, the Alliance brought suit in the Court of Claims on behalf of members unjustly accused and suspended. This suit netted over $40,000 in back pay to our members.

Alliance action in this crises diverged sharply from that of other unions who deserted their members abruptly the minute the charge of disloyalty was lodged against them.

Again in 1962 when the industrial nature of the Alliance prevented it from achieving a "national exclusive" in an election where craft was used as the unit criteria, all our enemies and even some of our friends predicted the early demise of the Alliance.

Instead of dying we grew. We grew because we had established a reputation for militant, effective representation of our members in grievance, adverse action and Equal Employment Opportunity cases. We grew because through our education program, which ex-president James B. Cobb initiated in 1945, we had trained stewards and officers who could capably process cases from the initial level, through the head of the installation and, if necessary through the region and the Board of Appeals and Review.

THE ALLIANCE does not hesitate to take credit for the creation of this Board. For many years, in season and out of season, Alliance officers pressured the Post Office Department for an objective, impartial body who would act — subject only to review by the Postmaster General — as the final adjudicator of grievances and Adverse Actions.

To the extent that this Board has freed postal employees from the unreviewable arbitrary actions of postal management, every employee in the Postal service is indebted to this Union.

Realizing that equal employment opportunity can exist only in an atmosphere of decent labor-management relations which in turn, requires a sound training program for both Management and file employees and supervisors, the Alliance has been and is crusading for a showing up of the grossly inadequate training program now in existence.

Plans being announced by the department, gives us some hope that our crusade will be effecting some results. Other Federal Agencies, with some prodding from the Civil Service Commission, are devoting more attention to training.

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THE NATIONAL Alliance of Postal and Federal Employees not only acts as a spur to the Federal Agencies in pushing for better, more employee — oriented employee-management relations. We also make our voices heard in the halls of Congress in the interest of legislation favorable to our membership.

Alliance representatives appear before committees of both House and Senate to express the Union's views on what should be in the bills on pay, vacations, sick leave, retirement benefits, government contributions to insurance, appropriation for Federal Agencies etc.

When bills are voted out of committee, we approach Congressmen and Senators, both directly and through telegrams, letters and cards from the National office and from the various branches and auxiliaries to urge a "yea" or a "nay" vote on specific bills.

Since most of the decisions that affect the lives of our members are made by elected officials, the Alliance has been forced to enter the political arena. Operating within the limits of the Hatch Act, we hold a political action education seminar in 1964 that resulted in the Alliance surpassing all Federal Unions in getting people registered and out to vote in that year's presidential - congressional campaigns. Political action has been on the agenda of every national, regional and district seminar since.

It is in the area of political action that the growing Women's Auxiliary of the National Alliance of Postal and Federal Employees proves most helpful. This group made up of mothers, wives, sisters and daughters of Alliance members has proven invaluable assistance to the parent group throughout the years.

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IN 1960 the Alliance initiated the Ashby B. Carter Memorial Scholarship in honoring the President who guided it through the troubled period 1945-1953. In seven years more than thirty thousand dollars have been given in scholarships to sons and daughters of Alliance members.

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The Alliance Health Benefit

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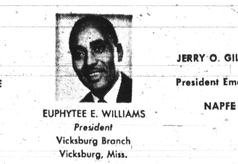

MEMORIAL PLAQUE OF FOUNDERS
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