Court orders trial for housing authority

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — A public housing authority — for the first time — must stand trial for admission, occupancy, and expulsion of tenants, thanks to the work of NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund attorneys.

The case, arising out of Talladega, Ala., has national implications because some 2,300,000 persons live in 2,045 low-rent public housing projects across the country.

The U. S. Court of Appeals this week ordered the U. S. District Court here to set down a trial this fall during which many housing authority procedures will be challenged by LDF attorneys.

Miss Gabrielle Anne Kirk of the LDF's national office and Peter Hall of Birmingham will argue for the LDF.

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THE LAWYERS will deal with the specific cases of two women and their families who were asked to leave the Talladega housing project because of the pending birth of illegitimate children.

Mrs. Everline Lewis and her children were ordered out of the Knoxville Homes because Mrs. Lewis' daughter, who does not reside with her, was expecting an illegitimate child.

The housing authority rescinded its eviction orders to Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Truss after the LDF suit was filed. However, the case is being pressed because other persons similarly situated still face the same policies.

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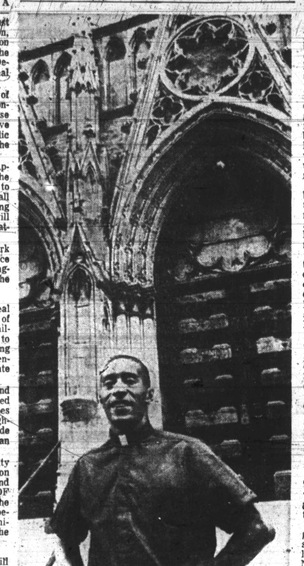
LDF LAWYERS will argue that eviction of the families and others similarly situated would violate the basic purpose of all publicly supported low-income housing as set forth in the policy provisions of the U. S. Housing Act of 1937.

That act, the attorneys will assert, seeks to "remedy the unsafe and unsanitary housing conditions and the acute shortage of decent, safe and sanitary dwellings for low-income" families.

LDF attorneys argued that "the Talladega policy does not help eliminate the problems attendant to slum dwellings; it creates them."



FATHER HAROLD SALMON, 38, who has been appointed as pastor of St. Charles and Vicariate Delegate for Harlem's seven Catholic parishes. Fr. Salmon becomes the first colored pastor in the history of the Archdiocese of New York. The new pastor previously taught for seven years at Cardinal Hayes High School in The Bronx. (UPI Telephoto)

Permanent press shirts have a more durably smooth finish than the original wash and wear.

The permanent press shirt seams will not pucker if they were smooth at the time the shirt was purchased.

Rev. Salmon named pastor of St. Charles Borromeo

NEW YORK — The Rev. Harold A. Salmon, 38, has been named pastor of Harlem's largest parish, St. Charles Borromeo, and Vicariate delegate for Harlem.

The appointment, which was announced last week by Archbishop Terrence J. Cooke, was considered exceptionally important by churchmen and came amid other indications that the new Roman Catholic Archbishop intended to step up his church's work among the colored with a new approach to the problems of race and poverty.

Father Salmon, a lanky, athletic native New Yorker, pledged that the Catholic Church in Harlem would make "her facilities available to a greater number of people, non-Catholic as well as Catholic."

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HE SAID that he saw the church's role in Harlem, as being "one of education, especially of the adults," including leadership training for the benefit of the "total community."

Harlem represents the largest colored Catholic community in the archdiocese. The Bedford-Stuyesant section, the city's second largest colored area, is in the Diocese of Brooklyn.

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CATHOLIC PRIESTS, both white and colored, have said that the church's influence in Harlem had increased significantly lately. Many non-Catholic colored parents were said to be eager to enter their children in Catholic schools there.

Father Salmon, who until last week was teaching religion and English at Cardinal Hayes High School in the Bronx where he was tennis and basketball coach and moderator of the Afro-American Club, is the oldest of the archdiocese's four colored priests.

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ANOTHER COLORED priest, recently named to a post involving the Harlem Community, is the Rev. Emerson J. Moore, assistant pastor at Holy Family Church, director of a day camp at St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers, which will be attended by 500 boys, many from Harlem, during the summer.

The archdiocese also disclosed plans to establish a measure of community control over Harlem's seven parochial schools.

"The board is now giving consideration to a plan which would strengthen the educational program in the schools in Harlem," a spokesman said.

Dr. Hawkins hasn't given up; wants to be governor in '72

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (UPI) — Dr. Reginald Hawkins, who hints there may be a write-in vote for him for governor this year, says he is already running for the state's highest office in 1972.

Hawkins replied "Yes sir" when asked by an interviewer Monday night if "You are running now for governor in 1972?"

Hawkins, the unsuccessful gubernatorial candidate in the May 4 democratic primary, made the remark during "North Carolina News Conference," a weekly interview program televised over the University of North Carolina's educational television network.

Hawkins indicated he expects to endorse a candidate for governor.

However, he refused to be pinned down, saying the Democratic Party "doesn't have us in their pocket" and that this did not mean the non-whites would support Republican Jim Gardner.

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ASKED ABOUT a write-in candidate for governor, the Charlotte dentist said, "that's a political possibility."

He said non-whites are "shooting both guns" in an attempt to get more representation in the state's delegation to the Democratic National Convention. He said colored voters would take their grievances to the party credentials committee.

He also said, "Our lawyers are studying the possibility at this time" of taking their grievances to court.

He repeated charges that non-whites were discriminated against in the May primary, citing as examples the lack of colored persons on local election boards, poll watchers denied the opportunity to observe voting, people's names removed from registration books, unannounced changes in voting places, inadequate facilities, malfunctioning of voting machines and "people marking the ballots for black people in the booths."

However, he would not reveal specific evidence which he said had been turned over to U.S. Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark.

Asked if his complaints to Clark meant he assumed he could not get a fair hearing from the State Board of Elections, Hawkins replied, "That is a correct assumption."

Dallas whoops as Lions roar

DALLAS (NPI) — To build a world of the future on the premise of Caucasian dominance and racial supremacy is the perspective of Lions International, which held its convention here.

A spectacular program featuring a youth congress ignored in presentation and perspective the black youth of the world, and was particularly void of colored American youngsters.

The Lions—a traditionally lily - white organization — held to its theme of exclusion in membership . . . and participation; by proposing a world of tomorrow without non-white peoples.

Parades and demonstrative programs found the minority conspicuously absent.

The big welcome Dallas gave the Lions was not only an endorsement of their racist policy, but an approved coordination with its experience of assassination and Goldwaterism.

New rule to let GI's out of service sooner

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Army is puting into effect a new regulation that will enable GI's to get out of the service sooner by staying in Vietnam longer.

Servicemen having 90 days or fewer remaining in their hitch at the time they finish their Vietnam tours have been eligible for immediate release on the grounds they had too little time to bother with a stateside assignment.

The new regulation raises this period to 150 days and allows GIs to extend their Vietnam tours enough so they have fewer than that number of days left in the service when they leave the war zone.

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IF A man in Vietnam has six months left to serve, for example, he will be permitted to extend his tour there by one month to qualify for an early release of nearly five months when he returns home.

He otherwise would have to say in the whole six months when he got back.

In areas outside Vietnam where the tour of service is less than 18 months, such as Korea, men will automatically be retained overseas until they can qualify for the early release.

Sutton Charges Demos In N.Y. With Racism

Is the New York State Democratic Party about to be cast into the same racial discrimination pot as the Democratic Party in Mississippi?

Are Senator Eugene McCarthy's forces and colored democrats being goaded into making common cause with each other by the rough-riding Hubert H. Humphrey tacticians who are determined to sew up the nomination for their man?

Will colored democrats be able to find anyone with the "passions" for their needs and aspirations such as was exhibited by the late Senator Robert F. Kennedy?

What effect, if any, will the possible desertion from democratic ranks by dean of colored democrats, Frederick N. Weathers, of St. Louis, Mo., have on national minority support for the Democratic Party?

Are the Republicans headed for the same majority race vs. minority race battle over inner-circle representation as the Democrats have?

What role, if any, are colored Republicans expected to play in wresting their party's nomination away from Richard M. Nixon for Governor Nelson Rockefeller?

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ALL THESE QUESTIONS were raised by the week's developments on the political fronts of the nation.

Charging that minority groups were under-represented in the New York delegation to the Democratic National Convention and asking for a reconvening of the party's State Committee to correct the situation; colored and Puerto Rican elected officials and legislators made known their dissatisfaction with the way the delegate-at-large spots were distributed among the delegates selected to attend the National Democratic Convention representing New York State.

At a highly emotionally charged press conference called by Borough President Percy E. Sutton of Manhattan which was solidly backed by Bronx Borough President Herman Badillo and New York and Brooklyn county democratic district colored and Puerto Rican leaders and elected officials, Mr. Sutton and Mr. Badillo accused the party leadership of being callously indifferent to the legitimate demands of the state's minority groups.

Supporting Mr. Sutton and Mr. Badillo in the charges were State Senators Basil Patterson and Robert Garcia; Assemblymen Hulan E. Jack and Charles Rangel, Assemblyman Armando Mondo; Democratic District Leader Mrs. Hilda E. Stokley, Lillian Upshur, Esther Washington, Virginia Bell, Majorie Cox, James Herbert, Tom Fortune, George Miller, Geneva Fox and George D. Covington, representing Congressman Adam Clayton Powell.

The leaders supporting the statement said they were "bewildered" and "dissatisfied" at the action of the State Committee because they had sent a telegram signed by Mr. Sutton and Mr. Guy Brewer, chairmen of the Negro Elected Officials Committee, prior to the State Committee's meeting appraising Mr. Burns of the desires of the black and Puerto Rican communities and asking consideration for members of their respective communities in the selection of full delegates-at-large.

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THE CHARGES, spelled out in a four page statement of specifics said, "not one of the 28 persons given full at-large-delegate status by the party leadership was colored or Puerto Rican, and no Puerto Rican had been granted one-half vote."

The leaders felt that "since blacks and Puerto Ricans made up a fourth of the State Party, they should receive one fourth of the at-large-delegate spots."

Mr. Sutton, the highest elected colored official in the State who was given half a vote, angrily asserted that he had no intentions of going to the National Convention "in a half a man role."

"We are shocked and stunned that this State Committee would have the audacity at this point of time, when the basic values and goals of America; indeed the system itself, is being challenged to so cruelly deny fair representation to almost one fourth of its members, Mr. Sutton said.

The Democratic Party in this State has historically prided itself on its young ideals and its beautiful beliefs and deeds in behalf of the disadvantage, the oppressed, the minorities, and the hard working people of our state and nation. This philosophy, we thought, would be translated into action at the Democratic State Committee Meeting on June 28, 1968, in choosing full vote Delegates-at-large.

This was a unique opportunity to lead the nation boldly and fearlessly granting a fair and just elementary of power to delegates who were born or grew up in the ghettos of this generation as was the experience of New Yorkers a generation ago.'

"Can we in New York claim to chart a new direction for freedom, equal opportunities, the rebuilding of our cities, and world peace when Democrats of New York man a retreat from the reality of the peoples' aspiration?

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"THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY in this State," Mr. Sutton said, "is on the way to losing its way, the stream down which it flows is not its natural course. The tragic untimely deaths of Kennedy-King-Kennedy may have sapped our inspiration and ideals. The course to follow now should stand for what they stood — to close the gap between our party and the young, the elderly, the minorities and the beleagured middle class.

"If we lived in Mississippi, we could believe it. But, we live in New York.

"Can we in New York now ask Mississippi to do what Democrats have failed to do in New York?

"Can we in New York now ask the National Convention to adopt a platform which truly meets the massive urgent challenges of our time, when Democrats in New York make a mockery of fair representation in its delegate selection?

"Can we in New York now go to the blacks and the Puerto Ricans, the disadvantaged, and the poor, and ask for their votes, when Democrats in New York deny these people their right to vote as delegates for their Presidential nominees?

"Can we in New York now urge a link with the Hispanic culture, south of the border, when Democrats in New York exclude Spanish speaking Americans, north of the border?

"Can we in New York travel a course together upstream when Democrats in New York lose their way and deny to their Blacks and Puerto Rican colleagues, meaningful participation?"

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SHORTLY BEFORE the Sutton-Badillo eruption in New York, supporters of Senator Eugene J. McCarthy walked out of the state committee meeting when they received only 13½ of the state's 65 at-large delegates.

The Minnesota Senator sent a telegram to Sutton and Mardillo Tuesday endorsing their protest.

"There are disturbing signs across the country," he said, "that the national convention of our party is likely to be something less than democratic — that fair representation for all groups is being neglected, ignored or blocked by some leaders of the party."

Vice President Humphrey has apparently become aware of the rifts being generated by actions of state officials favorable to his nomination, and in some areas has encouraged leaders to make concerted efforts to include colored representatives and McCarthy people in delegations.

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IN THE SOUTH, South Carolina has made a substantial effort; in Oklahoma last week the party leadership made substantial concessions to delegates favorable to McCarthy.

But another factor in the way of the permanent wedding of the colored community and McCarthy is what Badillo described in New York as the Senator's lack of "passion."

"Plenty of us would go for McCarthy," said the Puerto Rican, "But he does not know how to reach us. We're an emotional people, we want passion, but he just doesn't show any."

Some of what Badillo was talking about is revealed in the following excerpt from a press release of last week which came from the office of Manhattan Borough President Sutton:

"In the years before his death, Robert Kennedy had entered into a warm love affair with the poor, the disadvantaged, and the alienated.

"He had grown to know and identify with our problems, our hopes, and our aspirations.

"We all know that part of Senator Kennedy's great attraction to Black and Puerto Rican New Yorkers was his understanding of the problems confronting Black and Puerto Rican Americans and his commitment and dedication to find workable solutions. Alone among white New York Democrats, and certainly among Democrats nationally, Senator Kennedy understood the frustration and the alienation of Black, Puerto Rican and minority groups, and he committed himself most passionately to those programs that would not only redress the racial imbalance in America, but which would also give Black and Puerto Rican America a stake in the system, and a commitment to its protection and promotion.

"Robert Kennedy was so sensitive to the needs and yearnings of minorities that before death he was prepared to sponsor a Black man for United States Senator from New York."

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HAVING A LESSER, but still a significant, impact on the national democratic picture is the local St. Louis situation in which dean of colored democrats Frederick N. Weathers has announced bitter opposition to the front running candidate for the First Congressional District seat recently vacated by Rep. Frank Karsten.

Weathers says that if Carpenter gets the nomination, he will bolt the party and support the Republican candidate, Curtis Crawford.

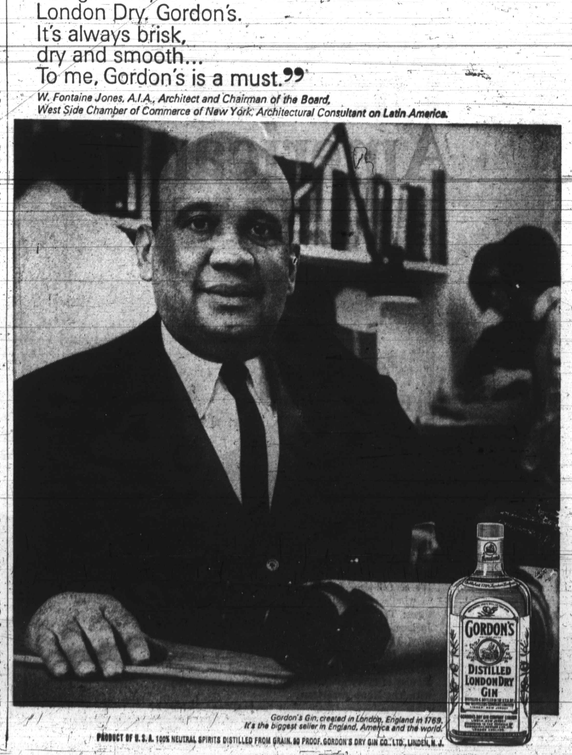
Weathers' reasons — like the reasons for disenchantment in New York — have to do with racial insult.

"Carpenter's contribution to black job expansion, while holding public office, has been absolutely zero," says the 18th ward committeeman.

"Any building I design will have beauty and function, but always with the human touch... that's a must."

"The gin I buy is London Dry, Gordon's. It's always brisk, dry and smooth... To me, Gordon's is a must."

W. Fontaine Jones, A.I.A., Architect and Chairman of the Board, West Side Chamber of Commerce of New York; Architectural Consultant on Latin America.



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Police 'Cross Fingers' At Scene Of Near-Riot

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Famous Jazz Pianist Found Slain

BEAUTIFUL, HANDSOME were the Rockefeller supporters who aided the presidential hopeful on his visit here Friday. Left to right are Frank McDouglas, Misses Nancy Street and Elsie Jude, youthful politicians, awaiting arrival of the GOP hopeful at a downtown Baltimore hotel.

Star's body decapitated by assailant

CHICAGO — Homicide detectives have launched an intensive probe into the puzzling murder of famous pianist and organist, Sammy Williams, whose decapitated body was found in his luxurious home, 6600 Marquette Rd., last Monday night.

Williams' castrated body was found lying in a pool of blood in a bedroom, his head severed from the body, and one arm cut. The house had been ransacked and clothes strewn all over the floor.

A neighbor became alarmed when Williams did not answer his telephone and his three dogs had not been seen in the yard as usual. Two nephews, James Buckner, 43, 8000 block S. St. Lawrence Ave., and James McCurine, 26, 9100 block S. Parnell, broke into the house and made the gruesome discovery.

Williams, 63, had been playing at the Celtic Room of the Sherman House for several months at the time of his murder.

He had been persuaded to move to the Celtic Room after more than 39 years at Gibby's Restaurant.

Williams, equally at home on the piano or organ, was a great favorite among society's blue blood and had performed for every prominent supper club along Chicago's Northshore.

He was a favorite of the McCormicks, the Swifts and others in that circle.

Although the international booking agents and the big jazz bands beckoned to him, Sammy Williams preferred to remain in Chicago.

Williams' career began in the heydays of the roaring 20's and he rose to international fame when he was called to be the featured organist at the opening of the

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Police Cross Fingers

Shooting triggers near-riot

Shortly after midnight Sunday, a 14-year old youth, suspected of breaking and entering, was shot by a police officer in the 2000 block N. Charles St.

The youngster, a resident of the 2000 block Guilford Ave. who was bleeding from the chest and back, was reported in satisfactory condition at Maryland General Hospital at AFRO presstime.

Central District Officer Paul Boone has been suspended from duty pending investigation.

Other incidents marked the scene of the shooting as one which kept Baltimore "Police Department officials with our fingers crossed," according to Chief Frank Battaglia.

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A TOTAL of seven fires broke out between midnight and 4 a.m. The last fire in the area to harass No. 18 and No. 28 engine companies came Monday in the early afternoon.

At 1:06 p.m. firefighters answered a call to 2335 N. Calvert St., a vacant house where someone started a fire by lighting the gas stove.

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SUNDAY NIGHT was hot and humid and followed a day of temperatures in the 90's.

According to Chief Battaglia, a crowd estimated at 200, began to congregate shortly after the shooting.

He admitted, "We were greatly concerned and fearful of what the situation might erupt into."

Due to the threatened unrest, Chief Battaglia said extra forces of the police department were called upon to stand by.

He added, "But we found we needed only the regular men, thank goodness."

The regular force on duty, some 20 to 25 police officers, were under Area Chief Major Robert (Skip) Shanahan.

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RUMOR THAT the youngster had been shot several times and other untrue rumors surrounding the incident had circled the neighborhood.

However, after correct information had been given, the crowd seemed to become a bit more calm, Chief Battaglia said.

Battaglia reports people began returning home by 1:30 a.m.

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SIGNS THAT there might be a dangerous condition arising first came at 12:15 a.m. when cruising police officers noted loud noises and gathering of small groups. There were no arrests.

Next came three false alarms and the report that someone had thrown a

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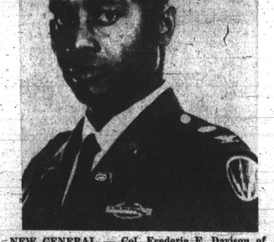
Grandmother's wise advice proves valuable to general

SAIGON (UPI) — Frederic Ellis Davison, a 50-year-old career man in the U.S. Army, remembered Saturday what his grandmother told him when he was a boy back in Washington: "Be something worthwhile."



NEW GENERAL — Col. Frederic E. Davison of Washington, D.C. has been nominated by President Johnson for promotion to the rank of brigadier general, which would make him the only colored general on active duty and the second colored general in the armed services and the third in the history of the armed services. Col. Davison is currently deputy commanding officer of the 199th Infantry Brigade in Vietnam. (MPI Telephoto)

Last week, Davison was nominated for brigadier general.

When the promotion is approved, as it is almost certain to be, he will become the third colored soldier to win the stars of a general in the history of the U.S. armed forces.

Grandmother never mentioned being a general," Davison recalled Saturday as he reviewed a brilliant military career and remembered the days before he chose the Army as a way of life.

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COL. Davison's father died when he was a baby. His mother worked and "it was grandmother who really raised me."

As a student at Howard University in the late 30's, Davison had his plans made for a medical career, one of the few fields that held promising opportunities then.

The war intervened, and in 1941, Davison was called into service as a member of Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) unit.

In those days, the Army was segregated and advancement opportunities were few. Despite the barriers, Davison stayed with the Army, and today he proudly wears the silver eagles of a full colonel.

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HE VOLUNTEERED for action in Vietnam and has been under fire several times.

During World War II, Davison was a second lieutenant in the 366th Infantry Regiment, and served in Italy.

Davison said black soldiers resented segregated units "because we didn't feel we were given the true opportunity to show our

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Powell loses 3-2

NEW YORK — Harlem Congressman Adam Clayton Powell last week lost a two-year battle to have a criminal contempt of court conviction overturned.

By a vote of 3-2 the Appellate Division of the state Supreme Court Thursday affirmed a 30-day sentence and a $500 fine imposed on Powell by a lower court in 1966.

Appeal is expected. But Henry R. Williams, lawyer for Powell, disclosed that no decision has been made yet. Powell would appeal to the Court of Appeals, the state's highest court.

MEANTIME, Powell who is in his island retreat of Bimini, Bahamas, can't come back to New York

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CONVENTION TOPIC

Jack-Jill denies new plan 'snooty'

WASHINGTON — Representatives of some 122 chapters of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. will meet at the Sheraton Park Hotel here in Washington, July 18-21.

A big issue is expected to be a new foundation which will replace the organization's former charitable programs.

The Jack and Jill of America Foundation has been incorporated in Chicago, Ill., according to "Scope," national bulletin of the organization.

"Scope" says the first project of the foundation is to focus on the "male middle-class underachiever," but chapter members have questioned emphasis on "middle class," youngsters instead of all children.

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IT IS NOTED that aims of the organization are lis-

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Teacher finals due

Votes have been pouring into the AFRO office by the thousands as contestants in The AFRO's Favorite Teacher contest make a last ditch effort to place in the winners' circle. Deadline for turning in coupons is Wednesday, July 17.

Still holding the lead is Mrs. Hattie Richardson of George St. Elementary. As of last Friday, the first place winner of last year's contest had stacked up a total of 751,900 votes.

Her nearest opponent is Mrs. Gwendolyn Andrews of C.G. Woodson Elementary. Her total as of Friday was 572,300 votes.

Mrs. Ruth Diggs of Harlem Park Jr. High and Harold Brown of Garrison Jr. High hold third and fourth place, respectively.

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FIRST PLACE winner in this year's contest will receive a grand prize of a one week vacation in Hawaii and another week to be divided between Las Vegas and San Francisco.

Cash prizes totalling $1,000 will be awarded the next 17 finishers as follows: Second, $300; third, $200; fourth, $100; fifth and sixth, $50 each; and $25 for each of the next 12 placers.

Winners will be announced in Friday's edition. So hurry; you have less than 24 hours to cast your final vote for your favorite teacher!

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IN THE meantime, the

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ROGERS CLAIMS SELF-DEFENSE

N.Y. suspect in 3 deaths gives up; hearing Aug. 5

NEW YORK (UPI) — Robert L. Rogers, the tenement superintendent accused of gunning down three Puerto Rican youths in a Bronx Street, was taken to court under heavy police guard Monday to be arraigned on three homicide charges.

Rogers had been held overnight in a jail somewhere in the city after being returned from his native North Carolina where he surrendered to authorities Friday, almost 24 hours after the shooting.

"I want the man's rights protected. I don't want the case to be prejudiced in any way," Burton Roberts, the chief assistant Bronx district attorney, said in refusing to say where Rogers was held.

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THE ACCUSED man, dressed in a blue shirt, dark brown trousers and brown shoes, was surrounded by police when ushered in and out of the Bronx criminal courthouse.

Rogers, 31, appeared before Judge Samuel J. Ohringer. About 120 persons were in the drab, stuffy, second-floor courtroom when he entered and all conversation quieted as they realized his identity.

Asked by Ohringer if he needed a lawyer, Rogers nodded. He conferred for 20

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Jackie felled by heart attack

SCHENECTADY N.Y. (UPI) — Jackie Robinson, a member of baseball's Hall of Fame, recently suffered a mild heart attack, it was learned Friday.

Robinson, 49, said in an interview on television station WRGB the attack did not damage his heart and he was not hospitalized. He said he suffered the attack while golfing and wasn't sure what had been the cause until he was examined by a doctor June 24.

ROBINSON NOW lives in Stamford, Conn., and has been active in the campaign of Gov. Nelson Rockefeller for the GOP presidential nomination. He has also been mentioned as a possible successor to the late Sen. Robert F. Kennedy. Rockefeller will appoint the successor.

The former Brooklyn Dodger star, who integrated major league baseball in 1947, attributed the seizure to exhaustion and said his extensive traveling with Rockefeller had tired him considerably.

Dual standards of justice seen behind rising crime, disorders

NORMAN, Okla. (UPI) —Americans should be more concerned about the nature of justice in this country than about crime, says an official of the Southern Regional Council.

John O. Boone, director of the council's project on administration of criminal justice, said unfair treatment of poor people by policemen, courts and penal systems had resulted in disrespect for law and order.

"I am suggesting that the tendency of law enforcement, judicial and correctional agencies to select black clients for unfair treatment has been much more damaging to our system than the economic situation that has victimized black and white persons," Boone said.

"It has fostered distrust of the officials that administer the rules, and much more devastating, lack of faith in the entire system."

BOONE, OF Atlanta, said Americans would be "shocked at how it (justice) is meted out to black people, especially in the South."

"If the system of criminal justice truly reflects the value society places on the individual, citizens should be alarmed about the nature of justice in . . . America —where most of those in prison are poor — much more than about crime," he said.

Boone said 400 of the 485 men executed for rape since 1930 were black.

He questioned whether it is fair for officials of large electrical firms to receive only fines for cheating the government of millions of dollars while poor people are imprisoned for stealing only a few dollars.

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"THE PROBLEM is acute today . . . because masses of black and disadvantaged have learned to believe now that it is useless to ever expect justice to prevail," he said.

"They are no longer willing to blindly support an unfair system of administering criminal justice.

"No one can earnestly expect the black man and the poor man to support a local system of criminal justice that permits the black and the poor to receive treatment different from the white and the well-off," he said.

"The black man is certain to continue the fight for his freedom — and, in so doing, the fight for the salvation of his country —with the most effective means possible.

"That this is to be done should be understood by all who believe in democracy and the American idea," he said.

Boone said civil rights groups will differ on strategies but "objectives of justice and honesty in public policy is fundamental in the philosophy of all" the groups.

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Marian E. Wright weds ex-RFK aide

McCLEAN, Va. (UPI) — Marian E. Wright, a former NAACP lawyer, and Peter Edelman, an aide to the late Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, were married Sunday in an outdoor ceremony performed by the Rev. William Sloane Coffin Jr.

The marriage was performed in a back garden at the home of Adam Walinsky, another former Kennedy aide, and Arthur J. Goldberg former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, gave the blessing.

About 200 guests were on hand including Sen. Joseph S. Clark, D-Pa., Allard Lowenstein, a New York congressional candidate and supporter of Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy; John Douglas, an assistant attorney general; Burke Marshall, a former assistant attorney general, and Mitchell Ginsberg, New York City commissioner of human resources.

COFFIN, chaplain of Yale University, was recently sentenced with Dr. Benjamin Spock after their Boston trial on draft conspiracy charges.

The new Mrs. Edelman, 29, lived with the Coffins when she studied at Yale. Two years ago, she became the first colored woman admitted to the Mississippi Bar.

Edelman, 30, who is white, is a graduate of Harvard Law School and served as a law clerk to the late Justice Felix Frankfurter and to Goldberg when he was a Supreme Court justice.

MRS. PETER EDELMAN Formerly Marian E. Wright

REGISTER to VOTE August 12 last day to register to VOTE in Sept. 10 PRIMARY