

JAIL CLERIC IN GUN THEFT

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Pistol Packin' Parson Pickled

GREENWOOD—A local preacher who wanted to see how it felt to pack a gun was sentenced to four months in prison for finding out.

William Frederick Jr. pleaded guilty to larceny in Greenwood County General Sessions Court. Assistant Chief of Detectives Fred McManas, investigating officer, told the court that Frederick had spent Saturday and Sunday nights a week ago with a Rev. Seigler in Greenwood and returned on Monday night and took a pistol and a wallet containing \$22.

Asked if he had anything to say by Circuit Judge George T. Gregory, Frederick said, "I'm in the ministry and preached at Bro. Seigler's church Sunday night."

He said he saw the gun and just wanted to "see how it felt."

He did not know why he took the wallet, he said he didn't intend to spend the money, but found himself in a situation where he had too.

He also said he intended to pay the money back and tried to return the gun, but was afraid to go through a large crowd on the front porch.

Frederick said he was pastor of a Baptist Church in Wilmington, N. C.

VACATIONING IN NEW YORK

James W. Artemus is spending a two week vacation in Binghamton, New York where he is visiting his sisters, Mrs. Curtis A. Kennedy (Mary) and Mrs. L. Roy Taylor (Julia.)

Denies NAACP Staging Rally At Summerton

SUMMERTON—A special rally of Negroes planned in school integration set for July 1 is not being staged by the NAACP.

Executive Committee Chairman Bill Fleming of the Clarendon County branch of the NAACP said rather the meeting is being put on by the Clarendon County Assn.

Previous reports that the NAACP was staging the meeting are completely erroneous, Fleming said. Fleming is also a member of the executive committee of the Improvement Assn., organized to help Negroes who, he said, were "hit by economic boycotts" after the U.S. Supreme Court outlawed school segregation in a case originating here.

Fleming repeated that the meeting will be "black night for Citizens Councils."

He said the names of the two white speakers who will appear at St. Marks African Methodist Episcopal Church July 1 "will be announced two or three days before the meeting."

He also said that retired Federal Districts Judge J. Waites Waring, whose minority opinion in the school segregation case here was upheld by the Supreme Court, "definitely will not be one of the two."

Convict Seneca White Man In Killing of Negro Gambler

WALAHALLA, S. C.—An all-white jury Tuesday found a 49-year-old white man guilty of manslaughter in the shooting of a Negro man last October.

Superior Court Judge J.B. Prudom sentenced Felt Stone of Seneca to 5 years in prison for the killing of Leonard Wilkes.

Prosecutor Rufus Platt asked the jury to return a verdict of murder. South Carolina does not distinguish between first and second degree murder, saying "Stone shot Wilkes in cold blood."

The shooting took place in Stone's home where the Seneca man testified he was shooting dice with Wilkes. When he was arrested, Stone told them on the way to jail, sitting in the front Wilkes because the Negro was white.

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Repealed S. C. Anti-NAACP Law Returned By Supreme Court

WASHINGTON—A case involving a repealed South Carolina law that banned state employment of National Association for the Advancement of Colored People members, was returned to the state by the U.S. Supreme Court Monday because there no longer is an issue on which to rule.

In sending the NAACP appeal in the case back to the special U. S. District Court, however, the high court directed that the organization be permitted to amend its pleadings on file with the special court.

The court said the amendment may be "either to safeguard any rights that may have accrued to them...by virtue of the operation of the repeal act, or to set forth a cause of action based on the operation of the new act."

The new law requires that applicants for state and local government jobs list membership in all associations.

Nothing is said, however, about prohibiting employment because of membership in any organization.

Liberia's VP Visits Eisenhower

WASHINGTON—Vice President William R. Tolbert Jr. of Liberia paid a courtesy call on President Eisenhower Tuesday and described it as a "happy occasion of reaffirm ties."

4 Young Boys Held In Fire

WALTERBORO—Four Colleton County school boys were held by the sheriff department Sunday morning as they set fire to the Palmetto Forest Products Company of Walterboro.

The boys were ages, 7, 13, 14 and 15, according to S.N. Hays, president and manager of the company.

Considerable damage was done to the saw mill and equipment, including a diesel motor valued at approximately \$4,000. Total damages have been estimated at \$1,500. There was no insurance on the property or equipment.

Colleton County Sheriff John J. Seigler said the three younger boys admitted setting the fire and said they had been forced by the older boy, who threatened to beat them if they did not set the fire.

The 15 year-old boy denies any connection with the fire. The boys have been charged with larceny and the three older boys are being detained.

Sheriff Seigler said he will possibly be set tomorrow. The 7-year-old boy has been released in the custody of his mother.

6 Drivers Win Safety Awards

Six Negroes were among the 12 winners in the Best School Bus Driver contest sponsored by the South Carolina State Automobile Association.

The six Negro drivers are Leroy Gasque, Rosmary High school, Georgetown County; Kenneth Capers, Ruffin High School, Colleton County; Linnard Taylor, Bethel High School, Richland County; Broadus Jones, Lincoln High School, Greenville County; Joseph Heyward Blankney, Petersburg High School, Chesterfield County; and Alven Hammonds, A. L. Corbett High School, Aiken County.

Each of the winners will receive a \$25 cash award from the S.C. State Automobile Association, said Ernest Sessions, vice president of the motor club.