

Stevenson: He Will Likely Speak In N. C.

Scott: His Team And Hodges' Didn't Mix

By JULIAN SCHEER Charlotte News Staff Writer

Hugh Morton was worried. Everyone was shooting pictures of other delegations, grabbing off governors for interviews and seeking out celebrities in the delegations for special stories.

North Carolina was practically ignored. The Tar Heel delegation at the Democratic National Convention had been rather dignified, had made up its mind to back Adlai Stevenson, was cool and calm on civil rights.

Consequently, not much publicity for the state. For Morton—who was busy enough shooting pictures for The News—that was a tragedy. He's a member of the State Board of Conservation and Development, chairman of its advertising committee and, generally, a full time promoter of Tar Heels.

He felt he had to do something. Morton corralled some of his news photograph buddies in Chicago, escorted them to the North Carolina delegation—he's a member himself—and told 'em to fire away.

Then he heard the Saturday Evening Post had assigned ace Harold Martin to do a story on the part the Southern states played in this convention.

A friend—just so happened—of Hugh's was taking the pictures for the Post. He had been concentrating on the news-making Georgia and Texas delegations. But Hugh collared the pal, dragged him to a North Carolina caucus and the friend fired away.

Gov. Luther Hodges, for whom Morton worked in the primary campaign, wasn't getting his shake either, figured Hugh.

He talked to Ted Malone, the well-known ABC network personality. Malone put Hodges on the network and a good part of the country heard the interview.

North Carolina, thanks to Morton, got more than its fair share of national prominence.

Hodges Was Worth 200 Votes Hodges: Gov. Hodges did a good job at the convention. Everyone we've talked with has been high in their praise...

And what was his influence on the other delegations in his work for Stevenson? ... Some estimates say he may have been worth 100 votes on the first ballot.

Courad Hilton Report: Gov. Hodges had to have his telephone cut off Thursday night after the nomination of Stevenson...

Scott: Sen. W. Kerr Scott was strangely silent during most of the convention...

Douglas Seized His Opportunity Douglas: Ben Douglas came home early Friday in time to see his well-timed political ads on WBTV spotted during convention station breaks...

COP: The Republicans start their convention on Monday and it is Eisenhower all the way...

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They Clap And Shout In 'Father's House'

Daddy Grace: Saviour Or Fraud?

By CHARLES KURALT Charlotte News Staff Writer

Daddy Grace once stood in the middle of a Philadelphia street and baptized 500 converts with a fire hose.

After a conventional baptism in Charlotte several years ago, he scooped water from the baptismal pool in tiny "blessed" vials. They sold fast at a dollar apiece.

Copies of the Grace Magazine, considered "holy" by many of Daddy's "children," have been tied to the bodies of sick followers, or wrapped around their heads for the "blessing" contained in the pages.

Daddy's magic spell is felt nowhere as in church, when the faithful shed their jobs and cares and come to "clap and shout in their Father's house."

The House of Prayer holds well-attended services every night of the week. There are banjos, guitars, tambourines

and an amplified upright piano nightly. On Sunday, there are trumpets and trombones, too.

Routine announcements consume nearly 10 minutes every night. "Be sure to come to the Usher Board No. 2 picnic. Gifts to the blessed ticket holder."

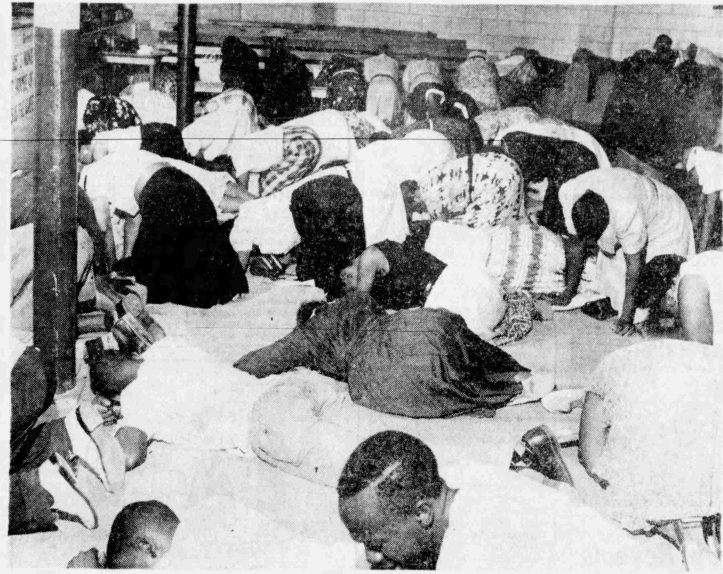
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Daddy Grace's followers cover floor at House of Prayer midweek service.

cesses to hide behind... Get your soul in order...

It was signed with "much love to all my children," and drew deafening applause.

All the while, ushers were passing through the audience collecting money. Regular announcements were made of the amount the crowd had placed in the ushers' plastic baskets.

A young girl walked up to the microphone to make a testimonial. "I love Sweet Daddy Grace," she said, "love him, love him, love him!"

A young man gave a sermon that ended in unintelligible singing from the pulpit and an ear-splitting chorus of "amen's" from the floor.

Then the music started. The quiet, rhythmic strumming of an electric guitar was picked up by the piano and then by the choir.

Somebody started clapping and the whole room joined in. The words of the song were lost in the joy and abandon.

"Plenty of people don't even know the words," a member explained later. "The words don't hardly matter. It's the music that counts."

An old woman, at least 60, leaped up from her seat, threw her arms in the air, skipped down the aisle with

her shoulders twitching and her head bobbing, and began dancing to the sharp claps of hundreds of hands.

SHOUTING, DANCING A boy of 20, his fingers outstretched, shouted, jumped into the air and started dancing, too. He went around in a circle, his eyes closed, his teeth clenched, his body bent double in sudden paroxysms.

He shouted as he danced and a circle of singers gathered around him to keep him from injuring himself in his frenzy.

When the music ended, it took a friend 15 minutes to ease the boy's jerking body into relaxation. Then, with a look of tortured pain on his face, he went to sleep on a bench.

The musicians, meanwhile, struck up a slow, mournful blues song and the dancers and clappers, moaning quietly, came to the front of the room and knelt. The floor was covered with their bodies. Some of them remained that way for half an hour. When they all had left, the church closed down for the night.

The man who closed it down wore a silver dollar-size badge on his shirt bearing a color photo of Daddy Grace.

"Who is Daddy Grace?" Ask Police Chief Frank Littlejohn and he'll tell you. "The fellow's got something, I don't know what. All I know is very few of his members ever come into Police Court."

Ask a local Negro preacher and he'll tell you. "He's a monster who is defrauding the people—but don't use my name please. I'd lose half my congregation."

Ask his children, and they'll sing it to you:

"Daddy Grace is the only saviour, The world's chief cornerstone. While he's with us we'll better obey, The world will end when he's gone."

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Drawing Tonight Will End Annual Sales Event Here

A crowd of hundreds is expected to gather at the Square tonight for the "Shopping in Charlotte" drawing which will give someone a trip to Paris.

Besides the grand prize of an all-expense-paid trip to Paris for two, a similar trip to London, New York City, and 10 prizes of \$25 each will be given compliments of the Carolina.

An estimated 250,000 tickets will be placed in an armored truck and carried to the Square for the 2 p.m. drawing.

Hundreds of free passes to the Imperial and Carolina Theaters will be passed out to the crowd by women who work in the offices of the Charlotte Merchants Association.

The drawing will climax the three-day Show in Charlotte event which has offered bargains and savings for shoppers throughout the Carolina.

Present at tonight's drawing will be Miss Carolyn Carter of Wadesboro, queen of Charlotte's Carrousel. Master of ceremonies will be Kenneth Tredwell.

The formal drawing will be supervised by W. B. Chappell of J. B. Ivey & Co. U. S. Marines will form an escort for the armored truck.

The number of shoppers taking advantage of the Show in Charlotte Days' bargains has gone well over 100,000.

Featured in the three-day sale have been special items purchased by merchants to offer the public, also back-school items, and a variety of fall and winter styled merchandise.

I Remember When

By DICK YOUNG W. A. Neal, Major Charles G. Montgomery, C. B. Crumley and Joseph M. Mabrey were active in the affairs of the Chase Adams Gathers, United Spanish War Veterans.

13 Men Pass Law Exams

The State Board of Law Examiners announced today that 10 Charlotte and three Belmont men have passed the written examinations for law licenses.

The Charlotteans are Warren Donald Blair, Wagoner Ferguson Jr., Francis Marion Fletcher Jr., Paul Bennett Gathers Jr., Carroll Gwyn Harper, Richard Lamar Kennedy, Michael George Plumb, Russell Marable, Jr., J. B. Ineson II, Richard Elton Thiapen Jr., and Charles William Snyder Thompson Jr.

The Belmont lawyers are Joseph George Brown, Joyce Albert Brown, and Harley Black.

The law tests were given in Raleigh Aug. 7-9.

Pair Rob Local Man

Two youths slugged and robbed a Charlotte man of \$40 on Stonewall St. about 11:30 last night police reported.

Police identified the victim as George Hagler, 27, 814 S. Mint St. Mr. Hagler told police that two young boys came up behind him on Stonewall St. near S. Tryon St., hit him on the head with some unknown object and took his wallet containing \$40. One of the youths ran east on Stonewall St. and the other ran west, Mr. Hagler told police.

Seldom Heard Score Featured Program

The seldom heard "Wiener Blut" opera by Johann Strauss will be presented on the Let's Listen to Opera program tomorrow over Radio Station WMIT at 2:15 p.m. Norman Cordon will comment on the recorded performance. The opera was conducted by Elizabeth Schwartzkopf, Nicolai Gedda, and Erich Kunze.

Charlotte Traffic Toll

Injured yesterday ----- 5 Injured this year ----- 616 Fatalities this year ----- 16

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This is the spot where 3rd St. will come into S. Brevard St. from mid-town.

Wrecking Bars Hew Way For 3rd St.

Ever long traffic will be moving from College St. to Brevard St. along E. 3rd St.

In a short time bids for extension of 3rd St. leading from the midtown district will be called for, City Engineer Loyd G. Richey said today.

At the moment the 60 ft. right-of-way is being cleared

as lumber sheds, office and other buildings are being removed from the property of the Central Lumber Co.

Herbert H. Baxter, president of the Brevard St. Lumber company, under an old agreement permitting construction of the company's office in the 3rd St. right-of-way was required to clear

the right-of-way if and when the street was projected.

BIDS SOON Mr. Richey said bids on the construction and laying of the concrete pavement estimated to cost \$55,000 will be taken just as soon as the right-of-way is cleared.

Curb and gutter and five foot sidewalks on each side

will be included in the street project, Mr. Richey said.

The street will run through the large parking lot of the Southern Railway recently opened on the site of its fire-damaged freight terminal.

The railroad granted the city the right-of-way for the street through its property without cost.

Doctors' Resolution Will Oppose Scott Ave. As Health Center Site

The visiting medical staff at Memorial Hospital has been asked to support a resolution which protests the use of the Scott Ave. site of the hospital as a site for the proposed health center.

In a letter being sent to the doctors, Dr. Ernest W. Franklin Jr., president of the Visiting Medical Staff, said:

"Recent developments indicate the possibility of the Health Building being erected down at the front entrance to Memorial Hospital as a site for the proposed health center."

"It is reported that the Hospital Board reluctantly offered this site to the Health Authorities with certain conditions regarding construction of adequate parking and roads as well as procurement of certain additional property."

The letter points out the future development plans of the hospital

might be hampered by placing the building in an area that would obstruct or interfere with the development of Memorial as a medical center.

The doctors were asked to indicate their agreement with the resolution so that it might be presented to City Council.

Dr. Franklin said today the resolution will be presented to the City Council Wednesday.

A week ago city officials and hospital representatives visited the Scott Ave. site which Hospital Authorities said they would grant "reluctantly."

Support of an originally proposed site on the banks of Sugar Creek at the foot of Ardley Rd. developed within the City Council.

THE RESOLUTION The resolution sent to the doctors for approval is as follows:

"RESOLVED that the Visiting Medical Staff of the Charlotte Memorial Hospital voices opposition to the proposed Health Department Building being placed on the Scott Ave. side of the hospital grounds."

"FURTHERMORE, in view of the anticipated growth of the City of Charlotte, it is considered vital that the land resources surrounding the present Hospital building be conserved for the future growth and physical expansion of the Hospital."

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McAfee Will Speak

BELMONT — Dr. Malcolm McAfee, associate professor of sociology, Davidson College, will be guest minister at 11 a.m. tomorrow at First Presbyterian Church.