



## Federal Grand Jury Called U. S. TO PROBE HENRY GRAFT CASE

### Kasper Tells Of 'Mixing'

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Segregationist John Kasper, called a "professional agitator" by a member of the Florida Legislative Investigating Committee, was scheduled to give further testimony to the group today.

The tall, 27-year-old executive secretary of the Seaboard

White Citizens Council of Washington, D. C., told the Florida legislators yesterday that he once mingled with Negroes "socially and without distinction" and that he became a segregationist during a visit to Alabama in April, 1956.

Sen. John Rawls, after listening to nearly four hours of Kasper's testimony, accused him of being a "professional agitator using this as a means of a livelihood."

Kasper, in Florida for a speaking tour, denied Rawls' accusation.

Under questioning by the committee counsel, Mark Hawes of Tampa, Kasper testified that he attended mixed parties and danced with young Negro women while operating a bookstore in Greenwich Village in New York City. He said a Negro girl named Florette Henry, who sometimes worked at the bookstore, taught him a West Indian Dance called the shango.

He said he still thought she was a "fine girl" and had sent her a Christmas card from Tennessee last December.

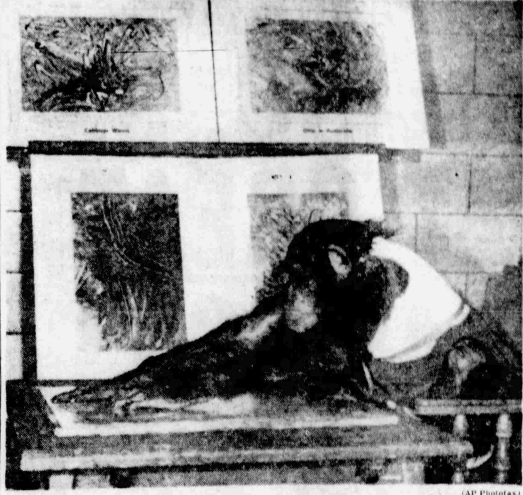
Kasper was a key figure in the race disturbances which followed integration of the schools in Clinton, Tenn.

He said he, Florette Henry and another white man went by train from New York to Washington to see post Ezra Pound, whom Kasper says he admires very much, and that he sat in the train seat with the Negro girl. The bookstore, he said, "was an integrated situation" and was used as a meeting place for the two races.

He told the committee he had been anti-semitic for many years but that he had never given segregation of the Negro race much thought until he came to Alabama in 1956 to help the campaign of retired Adm. John Crommelin for the Senate.

His visit to Florida, he testified, was at the request of Bill Hendrix of Clearwater, an official in the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

The committee was set up to investigate organizations considered detrimental to the state. Its original target was the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. It branched out to make an inquiry into the Seaboard White Citizens Council after one member, Fred Hockett, and three other men were arrested by police in trying to burn a cross on the lawn of a Miami Negro house in a white section. The four were convicted of unlawful assembly and fined last week.



Betsy Prepares Another Of Her Finger Paintings For Exhibition (AP Photos)

### Art World Tense As Chimp Receives Okay To Exhibit

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) — Art circles here are a bit tense today over Betsy, the Baltimore Zoo's finger-painting chimpanzee.

The question is whether the apparently talented 7-year-old ape should be invited to display her

abstractions at the next annual sidewalk art show, scheduled to begin outside the University of California's Sather Gate June 28.

The idea was broached yesterday by Nora Hampton, director of the show, who had read that

Betsy's paintings have been selling for \$25 to \$50 a canvas.

Mark Mohler, president of the Sather Gates Merchants Assn. which sponsors the show, found nothing in the bylaws which said exhibitors have to be human, so he drafted a telegram extending the hospitality of Sather Gate sidewalks to Betsy's art.

At this point, Charles Moeckle, one of the most prominent abstractionists in the Bay area, said he wouldn't exhibit if Betsy did. He said no chimpanzee was going to make a monkey out of him.

Moeckle, represented in local galleries with his painting entitled "Reflection of the Unconscious" and "The Sought-after Reality" critics figured the latter stomped up the world situation at the time complained.

"We painters in the nonobjective medium get so little public support as it is. People are always saying how their children could do better."

"But chimpanzees?" Mohler held up his invitation to Betsy until the exhibition artists decide the matter at a meeting Thursday night.

Moeckle said there were some Purists — he wasn't one — who won't exhibit in the sidewalk show because it also features crafts.

Betsy will be represented at this show in past years as a struggling entertainer with his owner, Miss Jane Reed. Miss Reed said she'd take Davy to the meeting.

### Editor Is Subpoenaed To Testify

By CHARLES KURALT  
Charlotte News Staff Writer

TABOR CITY — A federal grand jury will launch an investigation into charges of corruption in the Horry County, S. C., sheriff's department. The Charlotte News learned today.

Editor Horace Carter of Tabor City, whose accusations last week triggered a county investigation that is still going on — told The News he has been subpoenaed to appear March 25 at 9:30 a.m. in Aiken, S. C.

A federal official confirmed the report that Carter and others had been ordered to appear before a standing federal grand jury.

The investigation Carter said he was told by federal agents, will probe an alleged conspiracy in the county sheriff's department to add the white liquor traffic in the county.

The county grand jury hearing at Conway, S. C., is looking into alleged pressure put on amusement operators at Myrtle Beach to force them to change juke box companies.

Ten new witnesses were subpoenaed yesterday afternoon in that investigation and 11 more were served with subpoenas this morning.

### SCOPE WIDENS

The federal probe widens the scope to include what Editor Carter has called "the most serious problem facing the county."

The Pulitzer prize-winning editor has been firing broadsides at the department of Sheriff John Henry in his Lewis, S. C., Sentinel, one of the papers he owns and operates in the coastal Carolinas.

The first public announcement of the federal hearing was made by attorney Pete Hyman of Florence, S. C., to the court in Conway this morning.

Key witnesses Henry Keels and Alan Schafer, Myrtle Beach juke box company owners, voluntarily appeared to testify at the grand jury hearing there.

Mr. Hyman said Keels and Schafer have also been served with federal subpoenas.

Carter said he knows of at least two others in Horry County who are being subpoenaed.

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### Parents Criticize Safety Precautions At County Schools

By ANN SAWYER  
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A group of safety-conscious school parents today said county school officials have not completely followed safety recommendations contained in the 1953 Engelhardt report.

In a five-page mimeographed statement on the Engelhardt safety and sanitation recommendations, the parents expressed concern about depending on "luck" for the safety of local school children.

Since the school fire in Flat Rock, which took the lives of a crippled boy and a teacher, the group has been studying the recommendations of the school consultant firm regarding safety measures.

"Presenting tragedy is not so dramatic as rushing in heroically, not counting the cost," the report reads. "We do not get excited and it is not easy to do hard work without enthusiasm."

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McClellan said they had been seized from a private home in Portland under a search warrant "fraudulently and illegally issued."

LATER WORDS

McClellan said they may be played into evidence later.

Crosby remained only briefly on the witness stand as the committee prepared to deal with a request by Mayor Terry D. Schruck of Portland for permission to answer under oath in the hearing what his lawyer described as new questions injected into a lie detector test.

McClellan said the committee was "waiting for the arrival of a document" before going into this, and called a brief recess without explaining what the document might be.

Schruck balked yesterday at completing the test, contending new questions were being thrown at him. His Washington lawyer, Dr. Marshall I. Stewart, protested that the questions should have been limited to Schruck's earlier testimony.



JOHN KASPER

### New Aleutians Quake Rumbles

WESTON, Mass. (AP) — The Boston College seismograph today recorded a "very strong" earth quake at 6:55:55 a.m. EST, probably in the Aleutian Islands.

The Rev. Daniel Linehan, S. J., said the quake was one of the strongest recorded here in the last two days, 46 yesterday and four today.

Some West Coast sources considered the disturbance an aftershock. Father Linehan said "if the West Coast considers it an aftershock from Saturday's big quake, I'd go along with them... they're closer."

The Boston College seismologist first reported the quake as registering at 6:30 a.m. and Father Linehan explained, "I read the visible recorder before the plates were developed."

### Our Weather

Considerable cloudiness with scattered showers or thunder showers today. Generally fair tonight and tomorrow.

Low this morning — 52  
Low tomorrow morning — 47  
High today — 73  
High yesterday — 73  
High tomorrow — 70  
Sunrise today, 6:38 a.m.;  
sunset today, 6:23 p.m.

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## YES, CHARLOTTE There Really Is A Sun

Yesterday's sun may be just a memory today or tomorrow, but the warmth and spring-like weather stirred the imagination of Tar Heels. Shirt-sleeved workers scurried to lunch in the busy, downtown sections; youngsters played hard in the sun on school yards; and love was a very pleasant experience for the young at heart. After a long, drab winter, the sun spread a broad smile across the state and served notice that more is on the way.

Pictorial Feature By Tommy Franklin



Jenny Jordan Forsakes The Classroom To Join Mother Nature



Curtis Rush And Steve Crews Take A Pleasant Break