

Two Negroes To Enroll At Tulane

University Takes Voluntary Action

NEW ORLEANS, La. (AP)—An attorney for the first two Negroes accepted to enter Tulane University has hailed the school's decision as "a courageous step forward."

The 128-year-old university took the action voluntarily Wednesday after a federal court declined to order enrollment of the Negroes, Barbara Marie Guillory and Pearl Hardin Elloie.

Both sought admission as graduate students. They now are eligible for spring term enrollment.

"The coercive force of a court order will never be a substitute for this type of voluntary recognition of the rights of others," their attorney, John P. Nelson Jr., said.

The Tulane chapter of the American Assn. of University Professors commended the decision.

The admission announcement came from the administrators of the Tulane Educational Fund, the school's governing body.

Their action reaffirmed a 1961 decision that Tulane would admit qualified students regardless of race or color if it were legally permissible.

The university had earlier looked on restrictions in donations of Paul Tulane and Josephine Newcomb and in state ties as racial barriers. Tulane and Mrs. Newcomb, early benefactors, had contributed funds toward education of white students.

The Negroes had contended Tulane had certain state ties and was not a wholly private institution.

But U.S. Dist. Judge Frank B. Ellis, in his ruling last week, said:

"Tulane can act as it wishes because no court may enforce racial restrictions in private agreements."

"Tulane as a private institution, did not have to admit Negroes, but it was free to do so if it wanted."

Newspaper Negotiations At Standstill

NEW YORK (AP)—Negotiations in this city's newspaper strike have been called off until next week by federal mediators in the face of a solid deadlock that caused one negotiator to comment: "We are in a state of siege."

The action late Wednesday meant that eight million persons would have to do without their nine major dailies for at least five more days. Also doing without are the hundreds of businesses that depend on the papers to advertise their wares during the Christmas shopping season.

The strike of printers represented by Local 6 of the International Typographical Union is already in its sixth day. Nearly 20,000 employees of the papers have been idled.

Director William E. Simkin of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service said after the talks were recessed that he would return to Washington and would remain there subject to call.

Federal mediators said the printers and the Publishers Assn. of New York were simply too far apart for productive sessions.

Both publishers' Chairman Amory H. Bradford and the local union president, Bertram A. Powers seemed to agree.

Bradford said an offer of an \$8-a-week increase plus various fringe benefits made by the publishers would cost \$14 million over the two-year term of a new contract if, as expected, the settlement reached with the printers is applied to six other craft unions—the deliverers, paper handlers, stereotypers, pressmen, photoengravers and mailers.

The union has been seeking an \$18.45 weekly increase to bring the base rate of printers to \$18.45, plus various fringe benefits.

Pair Nominated For Scholarships

PORTLAND (AP)—Howard Fetz, 22, Lake Oswego, and John Raaf, 21, Portland, are Oregon's candidates for the Rhodes scholarship competition.

They were picked by the Oregon Rhodes scholarship committee to compete with 12 other candidates for four scholarships to Oxford University.

The winners will be named Saturday. Fetz attends Portland State College. Raaf is a student at Harvard University.

Register-Guard Want Ads Bring Fast Results

Man, 22, Attempts Suicide After Triple Slaying



RAYMOND HUDGENS Held by Police

VAN NUYS, Calif. (AP)—A former Marine, who confessed to the triple slaying of his estranged wife and her parents, was placed in a padded jail cell Thursday when a fellow inmate said the suspect threatened a second try at suicide.

Raymond J. Hudgens, 22, was moved from the jail here to the padded cell at North Hollywood, pending further questioning about the killings at Kingman, Ariz.

"In a house just off the road . . . a bedroom, three people have been shot to death . . . Inside the house a small baby is alive. It hasn't eaten in 24 hours."

This cryptic telephone message to Van Nuys police led to the grim discovery in Kingman of a 1-year-old boy who had spent more than 24 hours be-

side the bodies of his mother and grandparents.

The infant's father, who "couldn't get along with people," was found shortly after in a gas filled motel room trying to kill himself.

Hudgens admitted killing Grace Mary Hudgens, 20, and her parents, Dorothy Young, 55, and Myron Young, 67, after a reconciliation attempt with his wife failed.

He was seized without resistance when the motel owner found him lying on a bed in the tightly sealed room with the kitchen gas jets on. The manager recognized the name and called police. Hudgens had not lost consciousness.

Hudgens, who had been discharged from both the Marines and the Army under favorable circumstances, left a note with

his sister confessing the slayings.

"By the time you find this I will be dead or taken by the police," the note read. "I killed Grace, her mother, and father. I am very sorry for what I done but I don't ask forgiveness, for

Eugene Air Officer Awarded Medal

A Eugene Air Force officer, Capt. Larry W. Pritchett, has been awarded the U. S. Air Force Commendation Medal for his service as a B-47 combat crew co-pilot in the 337th Bombardment Squadron at Dyess Air Force Base, Texas.

Captain Pritchett is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don E. Pritchett, 2395 Lincoln St., Eugene. He and his wife have two daughters.

Crash Victim Dies OREGON CITY (AP)—Florence Lamont, about 35, died Wednesday of injuries suffered in a Saturday traffic accident.

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