

ent quarter, a drop of 52 students
 work); Law, 204; Library Science,
31; Medicine, 78; Pharmacy, 191;
 Public Health, 112; Social work, 36.
 When broken down by classes, the
 registration figures gave the largest
 number of representatives to the jun-
 ior class, 1593 members. Sophomores
 were second in size with 1305, fresh-
 men had 1171, and Seniors 1094.
 Special students totaled 291.

is set for next Tuesday afternoon at
 4:15 in the Graham Memorial Candle-
 light room.
Railroad
 Peoria, Ill.
 A joint com-
 munity says the local
 railroad b
 Toledo, Peoria and Western railroad
 was settled today.

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from the Hillsboro prison camp on the
 trail.
 department officials iden-
 tified would-be escapees as Paul
 24, serving 20 years for
 first degree murder; and James
 D., serving a 5-8 year term
 for burglary.
 The two were captured slightly over
 a week after they broke away from
 the 17-man road gang, less than 5
 miles from the scene of the escape.

ure to present an orderly estimate.
 Said Morrison, "The Publications
 budget was drawn up by Mr. Lear
 who should know his job. I'm not
 defending Mr. Lear, but the Publica-
 tions board as a whole."
 In his report on the Ways and
 Means committee, Bill Miller indi-
 cated that new legislation is pending
 on the registration system. He point-
 ed out that the committee had met
 with Mr. Lanier last week.

Race Case May Go to United States Supreme Court

By Sigsbee Miller
 Chapel Hill's now-famous race
 incident of last Sunday appear-
 ed today to be headed for the
 United States Supreme court in
 an unprecedented test case to
 determine the validity of a trans-
 portation company's self-imposed
 responsibility of segregating white
 and Negro passengers.

At a spirited mass meeting of stu-
 dents and townspeople in Memorial
 hall yesterday afternoon, the Rev.
 Charles M. Jones, Chapel Hill minis-
 ter who figured prominently in the
 Sunday incident, said the two Negroes
 who were arrested were charged with
 violation of bus company request, not
 with violation of the Jim Crow law.

Expressed Opinion Earlier
 Earlier, Jones had expressed the
 belief that the case could not be de-
 cided in an inferior court but would

Jones Tells Mass Meeting Case May Be Test Of Bus Company's Rights of Segregation

go to the Supreme court for a final
 verdict.
 Mounting racial tension was evi-
 denced at the mass meeting, attend-
 ed by several hundred, as a series of
 reports of violence and threatened
 violence were given. Jones, a self-
 avowed liberal on the racial question,
 said he had taken his family out of
 Chapel Hill barely 24 hours after the
 Sunday affair upon advice of police
 after his wife had been threatened
 with death by an anonymous tele-
 phone call. A previous caller had
 threatened to burn the Presbyterian
 manse. Ray Sylvester, student, re-
 ported that he along with several
 friends had been threatened with
 violence, and Martin Watkins, a dis-
 abled veteran now living in Chapel
 Hill, said he was assaulted by "five
 or six" men at the bus station after

speaking to a Negro woman of slight
 acquaintance.
 Efforts were made to have a mem-
 ber of the police department and one
 of the cab drivers, reportedly involv-
 ed in the aftermath of the Sunday
 arrest, to attend the meeting but
 neither answered calls from the plat-
 form.
 L. J. Phipps, former Chapel Hill
 judge, expressed the belief that the
 whole affair was "much ado about
 nothing."
 The Negroes who were arrested,
 Jones said, were members of the Fel-
 lowship of Reconciliation, which has
 a chapter of "12 or 15" members in
 Chapel Hill. A group of "eight or
 nine" whites and Negroes came south
 from Washington, Jones continued, to
 inform Southerners of the Supreme

court's 1946 ruling prohibiting segre-
 gation of passengers in inter-state
 commerce and, if necessary, to de-
 velop test cases.
 Last Saturday, according to Jones,
 the F. O. R. group met with the In-
 tercollegiate Council for Religion in
 Life in Chapel Hill. The Council in-
 cludes students from Carolina, Duke,
 and North Carolina College for Ne-
 groes. The next day, attempting to
 leave Chapel Hill, two of the Ne-
 groes of the group were arrested and
 released on bond. They were taken
 to the home of Jones, where some of
 them had spent Saturday night, and
 were finally given a police escort to
 the Orange-Durham county line.
 Only in Chapel Hill, Jones said,
 has the group met with any trouble.
 Since they held inter-state bus tick-
 ets, he explained, they came under the
 previous court ruling even on an
 intra-state bus.