

# COUNCIL TAKES HAND IN NEGRO RENDEVOUZ

**Health Official To Make An Investigation Regarding Sanitary Conditions In High School Place.**

An investigation by the city council, acting as a board of health, is being made into conditions at three houses in High School place, "guided" last night by policemen and deputy sheriffs, report on which was made to the board of health by Police Chief W. C. Benesh behind closed doors at the city hall this forenoon.

"At the close of the meeting, S. C. [less] commissioner of public safety, declared that no formal action had been taken by the board, but that the investigation will be continued from an unofficial source, it was learned that City Health Officer Tony Roth will likely be instructed to inspect the places and report back to the board of health.

"What transpired in the secret meeting today has not been disclosed, but reporters were requested to leave the room when the Rev. Dr. Floyd T. Holland preached a sermon on 'Man or Monkey.'

The climax for the congregation and the monkey—when he was held aloft in the pulpit, a stern finger thrust toward him, and the pastor charged anybody in the church to stand up and concede common ancestry with the simian. None stood up.

The minister explained that his theme, and the live exhibit from the zoo, was prompted by the introduction of a bill in the North Carolina legislature to prohibit teaching of the evolution theory in state supported schools.

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**Takes Monkey In Pulpit, No One Will Admit Relationship**

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"Man or Monkey."

The "palace" of Chink Smith, 416 South Fourth street, said by police to be a rendezvous for transients and geese, was the central target of the inspection last night.

The other places were the home of Dan O'Neal, Negro gang leader, now under arrest in Clinton, for alleged complicity in the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Brownfield at Low Moor, and the residence of H. W. Williams, also a Negro.

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