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North Carolina

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Note: Newspaper titles, including the ones listed here, undergo name changes throughout the years.

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Note: There are known gaps in some titles which ProQuest will make an effort to fill.

Poll Taxes (Feb 11, 1899): In 1899, the North Carolina state legislature passed a new constitution that included requirements for voting in elections, such as the poll tax and literacy tests for voter registration. The reporting makes it clear that this was intended to disfranchise black voters. These laws remained operative until the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965 were passed to enforce constitutional voting rights.

Greensboro sit-ins (Mar 3, 1960): In 1960, from February to July, African Americans participated in a series of nonviolent protests, primarily in the Woolworth store in Greensboro, North Carolina. The protests were aimed at the store's policy of racial segregation. These particular sit-ins contributed to the formation of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, or SNCC.

Cecil Bothwell (Dec 14, 2009): In 2009, opponents challenged the legitimacy of Cecil Bothwell’s election to City Council, citing the Constitution of North Carolina, which does not allow atheists to hold public office. Law experts cited a number of reasons why such a law in the North Carolina constitution was invalid—for instance, because it violates the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the U.S. constitution. The group of residents that raised the challenge did not end up filing a suit.

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