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NAACP meeting in Dallas

William Gibson, new chairman at helm during convention. Hooks at his best

William F. Gibson, a dentist from Greenville, S.C., is leading his first national NAACP convention this week in Dallas.

And Gibson, chairman of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, sees the stakes this

way:
'The economic arena is where the game is being played now. That's where the jobs are, that's where the contracts are, that's where the power is.'

Gibson, 52, former state NAACP chairman, says he's shaped by the militancy of the early civil rights movement.

He said he "got hooked" on activism after attending a Greenville voter registration drive meeting in the early

"There have been times when I wish I hadn't attended that meeting," he said with a laugh. "But it was probably one of the best things that ever happened to me.

The number of local black voters rose from 1,500 to 8,000 between 1962-64. He's proud of that success and of the integration of city's public accommodations.

Gibson, active in the national organization for 24 years, succeeded Kelly moving Alexander Sr., who died last April.

Gibson handles policy while Executive Director Benjamin Hooks runs the national office and acts as spokesman.

In May, after just one month as national chairman. gloves" in dealing with the Reagan administration and that they will be "calling Mr. Reagan what he is . . . a reactionary and a racist.''

Gibson said the hardnosed stance was needed to counter the fact that "a lot of blacks are starting to believe the administration's rhetoric.'

headquarters from New York to Baltimore.

But he thinks the membership - about 400,000 strong - will be supportive, "and proud that we finally own our own building.

The NAACP board will Gibson announced the meet in February to elect NAACP was 'taking off the officers, including a new officers, including a new chairman. If he's not picked, Gibson says: "I want to beknown as a chairman who helped carry us through trying times with our heads held high.

William Bradford Reynolds is a "legal terrorist" out to destroy civil rights gains, NAACP Executive Director Benjamin Hooks said Sunday Gibson's next challenge: at the group's 76th annual

Reynolds, nominated as assistant attorney general, and other administration officials are part of President Reagan's "hit squad" whose purpose is "to antagonize, infuriate and pit one group against another," Hooks said.

Reynolds has headed the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division for the past four years.

The speech, before 3,000 delegates to the convention of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People also was a thinly veiled attack on Clarence Pendleton Jr., the black chairman of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission.

Without naming anyone, Hooks said a small and vociferous group of blacks are an "integral part of the administrations' hit squad.

PBA Doubles Classic June 27-July 1

Mention a doubles tournament for professional bowlers and two names quickly pop to mind. They are Mark Roth and Marshall Holman. It is with good reason their names are at the forefront. The dynamic duo have won a doubles crown on three occasions. Considering there have only been 10 professional doubles events, it is not a bad average.

And, so it goes that Roth-Holman will be looking to their notch fourth championship in the \$125,000 10th annual Professional Bowlers Association Doubles Classic at the Showboat Lanes. The tournament will run Thursday, June 27 through Monday, July 1. The Showboat will have

cushioned seats on risers for spectator comfort in viewing.

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