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Mayor Drops Negro Appointment Idea After Armour Objects

CHURCHES REPENT

Begin Trek Toward Color-Blind Christian Fellowship

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Tri-State Defender reprints this article from Harper's Magazine, published in the October, 1955 edition because it reflects the type of Christian spirit needed now by the people of good-will of both races in the current crisis in the South over integration and desegregation. The average reader, we feel, will long remember it.

By LEE NICHOLS AND LOUIS CASSELE

In 1954, a few days after the Supreme Court's decision on racial segregation in the public schools, two Presbyterian ministers met for lunch at a Washington, D. C., restaurant.

"It is a great challenge," said one of them. "The

Church must prepare the people to accept integrated schools in Christian spirit."

"I wonder," his companion answered, "if there is anything convincing we can say about racial understanding when the Church itself is in the most segregated institution in America."

A Sore Spot

He had put his finger on one of the sorest spots in America's Christian conscience: the worship of God is still being conducted on a predominantly Jim Crow basis.

But before we condemn the churches for hypocrisy, we must in fairness cite two facts in their defense: First, they face a more difficult task than secular institutions; second, and more important, many of them have confessed the sinfulness of segregation and are now working hard at repentance.

Let a Negro theologian, Dr. Frank T. Wilson, Dean of Howard University's School of Religion, speak on the first point. "The churches will take longer

to achieve integration because they are undertaking a much greater accomplishment," he said. "Worshipping together is a more personal thing than riding trains or attending movies together. Tolerance is not enough; it must be real brotherhood or nothing."

The movement toward interracial worship started almost from scratch at the end of World War II. In 1946 Frank S. Loesch made a survey of 17,900 Protestant churches and found only 860 with racially mixed congregations.

Nearly all of these were predominantly white churches to which one or two Negro families came.

In March of that same year, the old Federal Council of Churches adopted a resolution declaring that segregation is "unnecessary and undesirable and a violation of the Gospel of Love," and called upon its member bodies to "work for a non-segregated Church and a non-segregated society."

Dramatic Episode

One of the most dramatic episodes took place in June 1954 at

St. Louis during the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist convention. A resolution vigorously supporting the Supreme Court school decision was brought to the floor. Many of the 9,000 Southern delegates were shocked. The resolution seemed to be headed for overwhelming defeat when Dr. Jesse Burton Weatherspoon, revered professor at the Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Ky., went to the speaker's stand.

"We have over our heads the banner, 'Forward With Jesus

Christ," he said. "Our only question is, what is the most Christian thing to do? If we withdraw this motion, we will say to the people of the United States, count Southern Baptists out in this matter of equal justice for all. I do not believe we want to say that."

The convention adopted the resolution by a tremendous majority. Such resolutions and pronouncements by themselves will never, See CHURCHES, page 2

TELL VIEWS ON PROBLEMS OF TEENAGERS

Cashing In On Race Issue

FROM THE NATIONAL OFFICE OF THE MUTUAL ASSOCIATION OF COLORED PEOPLE, SOUTH

The Mutual Association of Colored People, South has begun a more vigorous and serious movement to fight the policy of Negroes and White in the same school. It is regrettable that Communist and filth-ridden minded people who seek to destroy the society of the White man and Negro in the South. Integration is one of the sentiments used by the Communists and radicals seeking to bring about trouble, disloyalty and distrust.

Segregation only means separation. It is a part of God's program that every race or nation to have its own language speech and society

The Negro teachers will lose their jobs approximately 75%

The Negro principle will be no longer needed.

It will effect the economy and living standards among Negroes.

It will create mixing and that has always been disapproved by God.

It will throw the Negro in competition with the White man who controls 80% of the wealth in America

It will destroy our racial identity

It will take the love from our children and create hate.

We are asking our people to "Think," and in your thinking don't let your thoughts be racial but sober

THIS LEAFLET is being distributed to white businesses and individuals by the Mutual Association of Colored People, South, a so-called pro-segregation Negro group, with headquarters at 197 Beale ave. The association is headed by Rev.

M. L. Young, a minister of the office address. In order not to besmirch Rev. Young's denomination, the name of that body, is withheld, but it is available. A copy of the leaflet sent to the Tri-State Defender by a white business-

man who described it as "one of the most vicious things I've seen." The propaganda is used to solicit money from gullible whites for the association. One R. Harris was identified as a solicitor for the group.

Citizens Give Views On Problems Of Teen-Agers

By MOSES J. NEWSON

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

So reads the sixth verse of the 22nd chapter of Proverbs and such still is a proper way to bring up a child today, agrees a cross sectional group of 20 Memphis adult leaders in a response to a Defender questionnaire.

These leaders, most of them parents themselves, were asked to give their views on the home and community leadership adults are giving their children, the results to be included in this final story of a seven-article series entitled

adhering to the advice given in Proverbs 22:6.

But before hearing from these leaders, ponder first the significance of the following bits of news and consider their meaning right here in Memphis — to you and your children: —

A few days ago Juvenile Court Judge Elizabeth McCain reprimanded parents of several teenagers who had admitted some 80 crimes for "not keeping close supervision over your children."

One parent said — "This thing is tearing me to pieces. I didn't know anything about it. My son said he was going to the movies, and we didn't question him."

It was also just a few days

CMEs Promise To Aid Boycott

Five hundred delegates from the Jackson, Memphis and West Tennessee districts of the Christian Methodist Episcopal church assembled in Memphis last week at Mt. Olive Cathedral in their winter council.

A far-reaching resolution was passed endorsing the bus boycott action of Negroes in Montgomery, Ala.

The resolution took note of the "Afflictions our people at Montgomery are undergoing because of their passive resistance," and promised "moral and financial support" to Negroes in the Alabama capital.

Copies of the resolutions were sent to Montgomery's mayor and to Alabama Governor James Folsom.

Bishop J. Arthur Hamlett, leader of the district including Memphis, gave a report on his recent trip to Europe and the Far East. Other bishops of the church present included Bishop Luther Steward of Kentucky, Bishop Claude Allen of Indiana, Bishop Bertram W. Doyle of Nashville, and Bishop B. J. Smith of Chicago, Ill.

"Today's Teenagers — Tomorrow's Leaders."

FAITH IN TODAY'S TEENAGERS

Ministers, educators, businessmen, civic and social leaders and others sent their opinions and, happily, the overwhelming consensus expresses optimism and faith in the future of today's teenagers.

However, just a small minority of those taking part feel that a sufficient number of adults are

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Mayor Drops Negro Board Member Idea

MEMPHIS — Mayor Edmund Orgill has decided not to push plans to appoint a Negro to the John Gaston hospital board of trustees because of the position of at least one City Commissioner, and unfavorable public reaction.

He had urged citizens to express their opinions of the proposed appointment. The mayor's decision "not to make an issue of the thing" was announced Tuesday be-

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From Door-To-Door They Go

An Ugly Picture Of What One Firm Thinks Of You And Your Patronage

EDITOR'S NOTE: It has taken several weeks of intensive investigation to get sufficient evidence to publish the vicious article quoted below entitled "The Negro Trade." Our probe, thus far, shows that the sales article DID NOT come from the Rawleigh Products firm. Evidence points to another SIMILAR WHITE PRODUCTS firm, doing a door-to-door business among our people in this area.

Prospects are that a well-known company which takes in millions of dollars annually in house-to-house sales to Negroes will find most of its Memphis customers dealing at other markets because of a sharply insulting slavery-day-type article on "The Negro Trade."

The article, which is competing with Montgomery, Ala., boycott situation as a discussion subject in the Negro community, is billed as "Ginger talks" on salesmanship to Negroes and lists 13 Do's and

Don'ts for salesmen in handling Negroes.

Conceding that "every man in business in the South is glad to sell the Negro," the article goes

on to call colored people "black skin overgrown children" and asserts that "There is nothing that will put a nigger wench into high society with her tribe any quicker than to have two or three white children."

DEFENDERS FINALLY GETS COPY

The Tri-State Defender came into possession of one of the "ginger talks" articles this past week. Meanwhile its contents have made the rounds in sundry circles and representative of the company connected has visited at least one Negro school teacher about the article since talk about

it has become a general thing. The contents of the articles follow:

"I'm sure that at least one-fifth of my trade is with niggers, and I do not lose nearly as much in proportion on them as I do on my white customers. A nigger can be dared into paying if he doesn't want to pay, he's afraid of the law, but a white man is too wise to let any bluff bother him."

"I realize that I can handle niggers. I am a southern man. My grandparents on both sides owned slaves. I've been a foreman on a

See Showdown Over GOP Candidates

Lt. George W. Lee and Armistead Clay, well known lawyer, were named last week as candidates for the two posts of delegates to the Republican National Convention at San Francisco, Aug. 20.

Announcement of the candidates seemed to assure contests among local Republicans as there are three factions, the New Guard, Old Guard and Hamilton club.

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Baptists Aid Bus Boycott

OK Drive For Owen College

The Tennessee Baptist Missionary and Educational Convention last week approved a \$10,000 educational drive for S. A. Owen Junior college, created a public relations department, set up an office for a field worker and took an offering for the Montgomery bus protest.

These actions were taken during the mid-Winter session here Feb. 21-23 at the St. Stephens Baptist church. Dr. S. A. Owen, convention president and pastor of Metropolitan Baptist here, presided. Mrs. J. C. Wood, women's auxiliary president, conducted activities.

Approximately 500 delegates from throughout the state attended the three-day session at St. Stephens. Rev. O. C. Crivens is

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Scenes Of State Baptist Meet



STATE BAPTIST LEADERS are seen (upper photo) in informal talk during the mid-winter session held here at St. Stephens Baptist church last week. From left are: Rev. S. A. Owen, convention president; Rev. W. T. Crutcher, of Knoxville, vice

president; Rev. I. McKinnon, of Chattanooga, secretary; Rev. Roy Love, of Memphis, treasurer; Rev. J. H. Fenner, of Dyersburg, representing West Tennessee region; Rev. Charles Dinkins, of Nashville, middle Tennessee; and Rev. H. H. Battle, eastern

Tennessee. Discussing publicity angles in lower photo are members of the new public relations department. From left are Rev. J. H. Fenner, Rev. H. C. Nabrit, department head; Rev. C. L. Dinkins and Rev. H. H. Battle. (Withers Photos)

U.S. Will Enter Hoxie School Case

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The U. S. Justice Department will file a "friend of the court" brief in the forthcoming Hoxie, Ark., school board's efforts to integrate, it was learned last week.

The move will mark the first time the Eisenhower Administration has voluntarily entered the school integration controversy since it supported integration in the 1954 Supreme Court case that resulted in the court's desegregation order.

A spokesman said the brief will be filed in March or April in the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals in St. Louis, where the Hoxie case is pending.

A Federal District Court at Jonesboro, Ark., last January granted a permanent injunction against three organizations and four individuals charged with obstructing the Hoxie Board's integration program.

The State of Georgia has announced that its attorney general will file a brief supporting the Hoxie segregationists.

Thurgood To Defend 90 Arrested In Boycott Case

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Thurgood Marshall, one of the top constitutional lawyers in the country, who has seldom lost a civil rights case in U. S. courts, arrived in Montgomery Tuesday to "move-in" on the bus boycott case in which 90 Negroes have been arrested and indicted.

Marshall, general counsel for the NAACP, left New York after mobilizing all of the vast legal resources of the organization — the same organization that carried public school segregation cases before the U. S. Supreme Court and won.

The mass bus boycott — launched almost 90 days ago — has caused the arrest and indictment of at least 90 persons. Twenty-three of them are ministers. All are charged with conspiring, through the boycott, to injure the transit company's business. Under a 1929 Alabama law this is a misdemeanor.

All 90 defendants pleaded not guilty last Friday when they were

arraigned. Marshall told the Defender he would take charge of their defense. A sizeable staff of See THURGOOD, page 2

Don't Miss It! Rev. Paul M. Carnes, minister of First Unitarian Church, Memphis, speaks out on desegregation, moderation and the danger of just "drifting." Read the full text of this powerful sermon in the TRI-STATE DEFENDER... NEXT WEEK!

A Jim Crow Sign



NEW SIGN AT STATION - Officials at Union Station, of 199 E. Calhoun had this sign painted on one of the steps leading to one entrance of the building last week: "COLORED WAITING ROOM (INTRASTATE)." Observers feel it is designed to herd Negroes, whether intrastate or interstate passengers into one waiting room in defiance of the recent ruling of ICC banning such Jim Crow practice. A check inside the station re-

vealed that all signs have been removed from the waiting room formerly designated "white" and that there still remains on the door leading to the former waiting room a FADED AND WORN SIGN stating that room is for colored people. The ICC ruling prohibits segregation on trains and buses and in the stations and terminals. Any interstate passenger who is forced to Jim Crow arrangements can sue and collect.



GIANT SIZE COKE — The giant size coke, known as "Big Brother" Coke, goes on sale in Memphis this week. There are 10 ounces of delicious, soothing, refreshing Coca-Cola in each giant bottle. They are designed for take home-use

and sold in cartons containing six of the big bottles. One of the stores which will be handling the "Big Brother" Cokes is Burford's Grocery, of 1438 Roswell ave., owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Burford for 40 years. They are the oldest Negro grocers in

Memphis. Miss Helen D. Glover, 18, 1955 graduate of Booker T. Washington High, and the daughter of Mr. A. T. Glover, of 1348 Kyle, is shown beaming at the giant size 10 Coca-Cola bottle as Mr. Burford observes closely.

Door-Door

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farm where I handled a large number of them. The least act of insubordination on the part of any nigger would be met with the pistol or brass knuckles and they knew this so it was a rare thing indeed for a nigger to show any disobedience.

"However, I have been obliged to establish my authority with them, although I never killed one. I have not the least fear of them. It is no doubt due to this manifest superiority over them that I have success with them that I do."

"I'm sure that Dr. — Is held in high esteem by more black skin overgrown children than any other white man in this country. I sell them bills from one dollar to four dollars and make them understand that this bill positive must be paid before they can have another cent worth of goods from me even if they were dying for it, and they seldom fail."

"I'm speaking of the nigger who earns his or her living by the sweat of his brow, especially the nigger farmer whether he

rents or owns his own home. The town nigger is a sorry specimen, there is as much difference between the town nigger and the country nigger as between daylight and dark.

"I never do trust a town nigger. Ninety-five out of every hundred crimes committed by niggers are committed by good for nothing niggers and I might as well say, are committed by good for nothing town niggers that live off wenchess supported by low living white men."

"I may as well say it here as anywhere that virtue is something practically unknown among niggers in some sections. There is nothing that will put a nigger wench into high society with her tribe any quicker than to have two or three white children. This is one reason why self respecting white men must hold that the Negro is as much below him as the brute."

"But when it comes to trade it's all different the world over and every man in business in the south is glad to sell the Negro. You deal with him without sacrificing your dignity in the least. You can and must be kindly to them, the same as you would your horse. But you just show a nigger any fear for him or uncertainty, and it's all up with you as far as he is concerned."

Here, the article lists seven rules for the salesman to observe:

- (1) Never tip your hat to any of them male or female.
- (2) Never eat or drink with

one of them.

- (3) Never call him Mister or Sir, even when saying yes or no.
- (4) Never shake hands with him or introduce a friend, though friend may say good morning or good evening as the case may be.

- (5) Never joke with them or visit with them except for business or information.
- (6) Never rap at a nigger's door but drive up and say hello.

- (7) Never do anything that elevates them to an equality with you.

NEXT THE ARTICLE LISTS SIX THINGS THE SALESMAN MAY DO:

- (1) Call a real old wench auntie, or a real old darkie uncle.
- (2) Call a nigger by his or her first name as soon as you learn it.

- (3) Inquire "How ah-you all ah getting along?"
- (4) Talk business with them or ask information from them.

- (5) Call them colored people or darkies.
- (6) Call several wenchess "girls" even when not acquainted, and the men "boys" or you can say "you-all."

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Baptists

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pastor of the host church. Convention financial director, Rev. M. H. Robbins, pastor of Second Baptist Church in Chattanooga reported \$10,000 raised in the session on the final night.

PRESIDENT WATKINS

The funds drive for S. A. Owens Junior college, under the financial director's office, will be spearheaded by President Levi Watkins and his college staff. The campaign began with the convention's approval and ends on July 1.

Funds will be raised through pledges of churches and individuals.

Rev. H. C. Nabrit, pastor of First Baptist church, Lauderdale in Memphis, heads the newly created public relations department of the convention. Serving with him as a committee in the department are Rev. J. H. Fenner, of Dyersburg; Rev. C. L. Dinkins, of Nashville; and Rev. H. H. Battle, of Chattanooga.

Formal announcement of the name of the individual who will serve in the newly created field worker post is expected in a matter of days.

AID BUS BOYCOTT

The delegation gave \$110.70 for the bus protest in Montgomery, Ala., after a minister responding to a suggestion by Rev. Owen, offered a prayer for the "men and women there who are seeking their God given and Constitutional rights" and "especially for those ministers who have been hauled in, fingerprinted and marked down as criminals."

DAY OF PRAYER

The convention also adopted May 17 as an annual day of prayer and mourning, program which gained approval of the National convention in the January meeting in Hot Springs, Ark.

Local choirs, directed by Mrs. Helen P. Matthews, of First Baptist Lauderdale, entertained dele-

Mayor

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fore the Weekly City Commission meeting. It followed a night of anonymous telephone calls, one of which resulted in two fire trucks being sent to the Mayor's home, and a statement by the Police and Fire Commissioner Claude Armour, that the present Board has "done an excellent job and I see no need for change."

Commissioner Armour said that Mayor Orgill wanted to appoint Dr. G. B. Walker, president of Tri-State Bank of Memphis and chairman of the Board of Universal Life Insurance Company, as a member of the Board before the Mayor took office.

He said the new City Commission discussed it at length and decided not to appoint Dr. Walker.

Dr. Walker told the Defender Tuesday afternoon, "I regret that a controversy came up over the idea. My own preference of a Negro for the future vacancy would have been someone else."

He declined to further comment on the matter.

The general public's first inkling of a Negro's being considered for the Board came Sunday when Mayor Orgill, answering a reporter's question on W. M. C.'s Know Your Government Program, said he thought appointing a Negro to the Board would be "a good idea."

Just before the Mayor's answer, Robert Hardy, hospital administrator, had stated that 85 percent of the hospital's patients are Negroes.

Also, William Bowld, chairman of the Board and also who was on the Sunday program, said he had "told the Mayor I would be happy to go along with the idea. Having a Negro on the Board would make them feel more kindly to the hospital."

Monday, Mayor Orgill told the Tri-State Defender he would be in favor of a business man, whether white or colored, as a replacement for Thomas A. Cuneo, who has asked to be replaced because of "the press of private business."

Mayor Orgill said he didn't feel this "a matter of segregation or desegregation" but "simply a matter of whether it is to our advantage to have a capable Negro on the Board."

"Our relation with Negroes in Memphis has been splendid. This might be a means of making them even better. I want the support of the Negro citizens behind our laws and our policies," said the Mayor.

Thurgood

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THURGOOD MARSHALL

NAACP administrative help also moved in on Montgomery for the duration of the court fight which starts March 17. The NAACP has provided funds to pay bonds of those arrested.

The arrests of boycott leaders have seemingly cemented the resistance of Negroes against segregated seating on Montgomery buses. Friday, they observed a "total walking day" by shunning all motor vehicles.

It appeared 100 percent effective: Negroes walked to and from their jobs, with no demonstrations. At a seven-hour "prayer meeting" that started about 3 p.m., and lasted until 7 p.m., Thursday approximately \$2,500 was raised to further the boycott movement by 5,000 persons.

The boycott brought praise last week from Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, United Nations undersecretary-general and Nobel Prize winner. He said Negroes "are doing heroic work in the vineyards of democracy."

Dr. Bunche wired Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., a boycott leader arrested last week, that the Montgomery boycott and its attendant mass arrests provided "an inspiring chapter in the history of human dignity."

He urged the protesters "stand firm and united in the face of threats and resorts to police state methods of intimidation."

Meanwhile, Gov. James Folsom launched a bi-racial study of segregation problems in the state of Alabama.

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gates with a pre-convention concert. Among delegates to the convention were Dr. Primrose Funches, director of promotion for the seminary in Nashville; Mrs. Mauden Seward, secretary of the national women's auxiliary; and Miss Lucy Campbell, music director for the auxiliary.

Churches

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of course, and segregation. But the stands taken in recent years by denominational bodies have strengthened the hands of local ministers and lay leaders who seek to open church doors to Christians of all complexions. In a later survey, the National Council of Churches checked 13,587 churches in three Protestant denominations and found 1331, or nearly 10 percent, with mixed congregations.

Take Bold Lead

Attention is focused on Protestant denominations because that is where the main problem lies: the vast majority of America's nine million Negro churchgoers are Protestants. But the Roman Catholic Church, although its 400,000 Negro communicants represent only a tiny portion of its own membership and of the over-all Negro population, has taken a bold lead in the Deep South. It was a Catholic prelate, Bishop Vincent S. Waters of North Carolina, who struck perhaps the most courageous and effective single blow against segregation in the churches.

Early in 1953 Bishop Waters, a Virginian by birth, visited one of the smallest parishes in his diocese, the tiny tobacco town of Newton Grove. Barely 200 yards apart on a dusty, unpaved street he saw two Catholic churches. One, Holy Redeemer, ministered to 250 white parishioners; the other, St. Benedict, to 80 Negroes.

Bishop Waters returned to Raleigh and prayed. Then he issued an order that will be long remembered in North Carolina. Beginning on Sunday, May 31, 1953, he said, the parishes of Holy Redeemer and St. Benedict would be consolidated. There would be interracial worship, or no Catholic worship at all, in Newton Grove.

On the appointed Sunday, 29 white parishioners and 29 apprehensive Negroes showed up for Mass at Holy Redeemer. They found the Bishop himself at the altar. Outside, an angry crowd milled about the small church, jeering at those who went inside. When Mass was over the tall, bespectacled prelate started to walk from the church to the rectory, the mob closed in behind him, roughing up two priests who blocked the way. Stones were hurled through the windows.

Got Their Answer

When the disturbance quieted down, Bishop Waters again returned to Raleigh and prayed. North Carolina Catholic waited, some hoping, some fearing that he would retract his explosive edict. On June 21 they got their answer. From every Catholic pulpit priests read a pastoral letter from the Bishop, abolishing segregation throughout the diocese.

The letter was a classic statement of the Christian case against segregation.

"I am not unmindful, as a Southerner, of the force of this virus of prejudice," said Bishop Waters. "I know, however, that there is a cure for this virus, and that is our Faith. As pastor of your souls, I am happy to take the responsibility for any evil which might result from different race worshiping God together, but I would be unwilling to take the responsibility of those who refuse to worship God with a person of another race."

So far, Louisiana is the only Southern state in which Catholic authorities have ended segregation outright by ecclesiastical fiat. But the torch lit by Bishop Waters has thrown its light into every Catholic parish in the South. Many of them have taken a less dramatic course by ending segregation practice without making public pronouncements of the fact.

No Protestant bishop, of course, could successfully end segregation by edict. A Protestant clergyman bent on breaking down racial barriers in his own church must have not only the personal courage and determination to do so but also the leadership to carry with him the laymen, who, through vestries, presbyteries, boards of deacons, or congregational meetings, have the final word on church policy.

'CHANGING NEIGHBORHOODS'

The front line in the battle is in the "changing neighborhoods" of the big cities where once-all-white churches find that the communities they serve are now occupied partly or largely by Negro families. It is here that some of the most inspiring victories have been won. Dozens of such churches have selected to stand fast against segregation, and nearly all of their pastors report that white Christians, when actually exposed to interracial worship, prove to be far less opposed to it than they had thought they would be.

The National Council of Churches recently asked the ministers of several hundred racially inclusive churches to count up the number of white communicants they had actually lost over the color issue. Out of a total of 237,000 members of all these churches the survey turned up only 26 who had walked out rather than worship with Negroes.

BUGABOO BLASTED

Experience has also cut the ground from under another bugaboo — the notion that a "White" church will lose its financial support if it admits Negroes. St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Detroit, which has become one of the most thoroughly integrated congregations in the country, discovered that its income rose in almost direct proportion to the increase in Negro membership from 1949 through 1954. The Warren Avenue Congregational Church in Chicago had a similar record. No church has reported any serious financial problems resulting from integration.

CHURCHES TALK



CONVENTION PREXY Rev. N. A. Crawford, of 645 Stephens pl., who is president of the North Mississippi Baptist Education Convention, attended the interracial expansion and Stewardship conference held in Jackson, Miss. 1 a t week. The group met at Farish Street Baptist church on

Feb. 23 and at Sophia Sutton Mission on Feb. 23. Reverend Crawford's convention is backing the financial drive for the Baptist Industrial Academy, located in Hernando, Miss. A special campaign is now underway to raise \$100,000 for the school.

Correction

Fr. St. Julian Simpkins, rector of Emmanuel Episcopal church, was incorrectly quoted in a front page article in last week's Tri-State Defender in a story entitled "Leaders Favor Move for Mixed Group to Work Out Desegregation Problem."

Fr. Simpkins was incorrectly quoted as saying, "Segregation is the law of the land."

The statement should have read as follows: "The South seeks to circumvent integration, but we cannot escape the facts. Desegregation is now the law of the land."

The churches that are pioneering in interracial fellowship have learned another lesson that will surprise many white Christians. There is no likelihood that a church which opens its doors to people of all races will suddenly be swamped by a flood of Negro members. The problem is just the opposite. "We threw the doors open and nobody came in," said one minister. "We soon found that willingness to accept Negro members is not enough. You have to go out and find them, and then convince them that they are wanted."

WELCOME OR UNWELCOME

This widespread experience has been cited in support of the contention that Negroes prefer segregated worship. Negro leaders agree that this is true, but it overflows a fundamental question: Why? Dr. Dwight W. Culver of Purdue University put this question to a large number of Negro Methodist clergymen, and he reports that the answer was nearly always the same: "Negroes prefer their own churches because they feel unwelcome in white churches."

A Negro layman, Cleveland Lassiter, gives some practical advice on how white churchmen can overcome these misgivings. Negroes will know they are welcome, he said, if they are assimilated into the "main stream of church life, the council as well as the choir or women's society." If they were not, he said he would have to conclude that the church was extending to the Negro only "brotherhood at arm's length."

LET CHILDREN LEAD

And this, of course, is the sticking point for many congregations. Some white Christians gladly share a pew with Negroes but have a dread of social intermingling at Church suppers and other affairs. Successful churches have faced this problem realistically. One answer is to let the children lead the way. With fewer prejudices to overcome, they respond enthusiastically to experiments in interracial friendship, and their example is usually sufficient to shame their elders into following suit. The Washington, D. C., Federation of Churches reports that several churches in the nation's capital have found that "the first and most easily executed step" to ward racial integration is to bring Negro and white children together at vacation Bible schools. Regular Sunday-school classes and church-sponsored summer camps have been used elsewhere to break the first hole in the racial wall.

COURAGEOUS WOMEN

Even in the Deep South, courageous women are treading deftly and determinedly among the taboos to bring white girls and Negro girls together. This effort was dramatically illustrated in June 1954, when 300 white women and a hundred Negro women from 60 Southern churches gathered at the YWCA camp at Blue Ridge, N. C., for a completely nonsegregated four-day conference.

It can be done. The churches and their related institutions have barely set their feet on the long, rock-strewn road toward color-blind Christian fellowship. But they have finally made a start. (REPRINT FROM HARPER'S MAGAZINE, October, 1955).

Newsboys To Get Prizes On March 3

CALLING ALL NEWSBOYS! — There will be a special meeting and party for all Tri-State Defender Newsboys this Saturday, March 3, at the Abe Scharff Y. M. C. A. 254 So. Lauderdale at Linden st., at 11 a. m.

Don't forget this party is for all NEWSBOYS ONLY. There will be plenty of refreshments including barbecue, potato salad and cold drinks.

WONDERFUL PRIZES

The lovely prizes won by the newsboys will be awarded during the party. Be there on time and see the awarding of the two bicycles, cameras, watches, skates, footballs, money changers and the pen and pencil sets. Saturday, March 3, at 11 a. m. Abe Scharff Y.M.C.A., 254 South Lauderdale at Linden St.

Pro-Seg Groups 'To Beat Drums'

A public meeting has been scheduled at Ellis Auditorium in Memphis at 8 p. m. March 15 by the Southeastern Chapter of the Association of Citizens' Councils of Tennessee.

Atty. Robert Tillman, president of the chapter, announced that Senator James O. Eastland (D-Miss.) one of the region's most vocal segregationists, will be the featured speaker.

He also revealed that it is probable that Gov. Marvin Griffin of Georgia will also attend the meeting and be a speaker. The public is invited and there will be no admission charge.

On March 4, at the Auditorium the Pro-Southerners of Memphis will stage their first county-wide meeting.

Eugene Cook, attorney general of Georgia, is scheduled to speak to the Pro-Southerners on "The Ugly Truth about the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People." His address is to be aimed to tell of "communist plans to cause a race war in our country so as to bring about communist rule."

It was the first time New Orleans Catholics heard integration plans discussed in a public letter from the archbishop. The reading at most churches commanded deep silence.

Archbishop Rummel did not say when integration would come but pleaded "that the decision when made will be accepted in the spirit of Christian charity and justice."

The New Orleans public school system is already under Federal District court order to begin carrying out the 1954 Supreme Court decision ending public school segregation.

Contest For High School Students

An essay contest for Memphis high school students was outlined by the Memphis Advertising club to principals and English teachers of local schools last week.

The meeting for Negro principals and teachers was held at Currier's Supper club last Wednesday night.

Winners of the essay contest, who write the best essays speculating on "An America Without Advertising," will divide more than \$200 in prizes.

The grand prize winner will receive a \$50 savings bond and his teacher will get a \$25 bond. The second place contestant will receive a \$25 bond and his teacher will get \$10 in cash. Winners in each school will receive \$10 in cash.

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'This, Too, Will Pass'—Dr. Price Says Of Integration Problem Today

"This, too, will pass," Dr. Hollis Price predicted Friday night of the problem of integration.

Speaking at a Patriotic Tribute Banquet at the Foothill Auditorium, Dr. Price said that "in two or three years we will make normal adjustments to it and wonder what all the hollering was about."

However, the LeMoyné college president warned, "the problems will not solve themselves to the satisfaction of all unless we meet them with wisdom, courage, Christian faith and goodwill."

LEADERSHIP PROBLEM
The traditional Southern relationship wherein "they (the white man) has been telling us and we've been saying yes sir, is not the type of relationship which will bring a solution to the problem," Dr. Price stated.

One of the Negro's biggest problems in connection with the new era is the development of leadership, Dr. Price said. He praised the "forefront" position Montgomery ministers have taken in the situation there.

Dr. Price said there is often criticism here and there of some ministers but advised "in critical periods I hope we do not sell this institution (the church) short. All our ministers aren't just interested in pie-in-the-sky after we die."

LYNCHING PROBLEM
Dr. Price shared speaking honors at the banquet with Atty. B. L. Hooks, president of the Negro Chamber of Commerce, and T. J. Johnson, educator and writer.

The banquet, honoring Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass and George Washington, was sponsored by the Memphis Negro Citizens Committee, a charity organization headed by Raymond L. Lynam.

Mr. Lynam served as toastmaster of the banquet and was praised by each of the speakers for his devoted work with the committee.

Rev. DeWitt T. Alcorn, who made remarks and presented Dr. Price, referred to Mr. Lynam as "a savior of the people."

Attorney Hooks told the banquet audience "It behooves all of us to be in the march of progress."

He said there were people in the day of George Washington who wanted to wait, to look to England, forever waiting for the Mother Country to give the colonists what they desired.

Attorney Hooks said there are today people in many places such as India and Africa who are saying that "if the democracy you preach won't work in Montgomery, Ala., we are fearful that it won't work here."

Mr. Johnson asserted his belief



BANQUET SPEAKERS—Raymond Lynam, president of the Memphis Negro Citizens Committee, is seen with the speakers who were heard at the

committee's Patriotic Tribute banquet held Friday night at Foothill Auditorium. From left: Rev. DeWitt T. Alcorn, Mr. Lynam, Dr. Hollis

F. Price and T. J. Johnson. L. Hooks, had to leave for another meeting before picture was made. (Newson Photo)

Negro Progress Program At Bloomfield Sunday

The fourth annual presentation of the Negro's March of Progress program sponsored by the Board of Christian Education of the Bloomfield Baptist church will be held Sunday, March 4 at 3 p.m. at Bloomfield Baptist.

This year's theme is "Rights—Responsibilities." A feature of the program will be an open forum on the topic "Is the Negro's Capacity to Assume Responsibility Commensurate to his Demands for Rights and Privileges?"

FORUM PARTICIPANTS
This subject will be discussed by I. S. Bodden, pres. of Bodden school of Tailoring; Prof. Levi Watkins, pres. of S. A. Owen Junior college; Rev. J. A. McDaniel, Dir. Urban League and Dr. Clara Brawner, A. C. Williams, program consultant for Radio Station WDIA, will serve as moderator of the forum.

The program will also include: Music by the S. A. Owen Junior College chorus; Special observation of the Negro, by Mrs. Marie Wathen, news editor for Radio Station WDIA; Physical Displays by Bodden School of Tailoring and the Memphis Underwriters Association.

A. Maceo Walker, president of Universal Life Insurance company will serve as master of ceremonies.

Rev. L. S. Biles is Bloomfield minister.

DOUGLASS HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

By CLAUDIA MARIE IVY
Greetings from Douglass to all our nice readers. How we enjoy keeping you informed on all the doings around our school. We hope you will continue to give us news that is printable and interesting to read. Please let me have your news at least by Tuesday of each week.

Our Negro History Week program, sponsored by the Library Club, proved quite enjoyable. The Rev. H. T. Brewster, pastor of East Trigg and Pilgrim Baptist churches, was our guest speaker. He brought with him three members of the famous "Brewsteraires," an outstanding choral group. The group sang "Nobody Knows," "Swing Low" and "Rock-a-My Soul" with Miss Dorothy Ford at the piano. Rev. Brewster was a forceful and well-informed speaker. His discourse on the History of the Negro Race was well received by all the students.

Sidney Bowen, president of all the sophomore classes, gave an explanation of the Bulletin Board display, showing pictures of outstanding Negroes. A choral group of sophomore girls sang "Closer" accompanied by Miss G. Bell at the piano. This group included, Misses G. Gray, B. Hall, J. Hobson and J. Clardy.

The Maroonette will be off the press this week. We are urging all students to buy one and show school spirit. Most of the rooms are reporting 100 percent cooperation in this project. It is full of news and all students should have their own copy.

James Avery and James Jones represented our School at the Youth Program Sunday, Feb. 26 at St. John Baptist church, Vance and Orleans st. Both boys are proficient in the art of talking and we are happy to see them channel their endeavors in the direction of speech.

All the Honor Students and the officers of the Student Council

Robert Williams, a senior at Barrett's Chapel High School and a resident of the Brunswick Community, has been named as a cub reporter and salesman for the Tri-State Defender newspaper.

Robert is second vice president of the state association of New Farmers of America, treasurer of the Student council, treasurer of the Sunday School and president of the Youth at Work for Christ organization.

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Citizens

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ago that all the top law enforcement officials of Shelby county decried the failure of parents to accept their responsibility toward their children.

WHAT HOME NEEDS

Along about the same time pieces were being read, Mrs. Walter Ferguson was writing in the Memphis Press-Scimitar that a home must have a "good husband or wife" before it can have a good parent.

Elsewhere the National Urban League, unable to find qualified workers for certain requested personnel, was saying "For too many years parents, school counselors and others responsible for the education of our young people have discouraged Negroes with special interest and aptitude in these fields."

And, for what its worth, Maj. William E. Mayor, Army psychiatrist, noting that one-third of all American soldiers captured in Korea yielded to brain-washing, says such behavior appears to raise serious questions about American character and about education of Americans.

PURPOSE OF SURVEY

So there is the growing problem.

Far too many view it from the neighboring block, city or state. The Defender hopes this series will play some part in helping get the problem where it belongs—in every child's home.

Here is how your neighbors look at you and themselves as leaders for our children:

QUESTION—Are our ministers affording youngsters a teaching and inspiration equivalent to their problems today?

ANSWERS—No. . . not many. . . My pastor does. . . some have not had the training nor the associations to do the greater good. . . Generally, yes. . . Improvement needed. . . of some yes, of some no. . . The teaching does not vary too much from the formula of a quarter century ago. . . A small percentage. . . Many help set bad examples and emphasis in majority of churches is money. . . Many misinterpret the scriptures because they themselves are untrained. . . Not enough stress on Christian guidance.

QUESTION—Are parents giving proper interest and guidance to their children?

ANSWERS—Many delinquent themselves. . . Quite a few are. . . Don't think so. . . Not enough. . . A new concept of parental guidance will have to be developed. . . A few. . . Some leave it all to teachers and youth leaders. . . Majority are not. . . Not by a long shot. . . On the whole, yes. . . Those who fail make the news and also make the problem harder for the families where children are given guidance. . . as a whole, no.

QUESTION—How much attention is being paid the recreational needs of our youngsters?

ANSWERS—Too little, however the picture is brightening some. . . This problem could be solved by the city government. . . On the increase. . . Inadequate. . . Not enough constructive activities are afforded. . . We have the physical equipment but not the trained personnel. . . small amount. . . Generally, Negro adults seem to be unconcerned. . . Much could be done if there were more interested adults. . . Many facilities go unused. . . Fairly good. . . Too little from an organized citizens basis. . . too little by the church, the community and the homes.

QUESTION—In our schools do teachers find themselves faced with handling training aspects which children should have received at home?

ANSWERS—(Not one negative answer to this question). The following three are representative) . . . According to the statements of some teachers. . . Yes, they teach everything from food habits and cleanliness to moral conduct. . . To a great extent the homes have shifted this responsibility to the schools and teachers.

QUESTION—Is social life too dominant?

ANSWERS—It could be less so. . . Yes. . . In many cases. . . Insert "wrong type" and I agree. . . Things that are moral, spiritual or cultural must be made to fit into the social pattern. . . Social life looms large. . . If you mean "good time", yes. . . Yes, the basic things should be instilled first. . . Yes, by this I do not mean it should be eliminated entirely.

but certainly controlled.

QUESTION—Should parents be more strict in the process of rearing their children?

ANSWERS—They should give the proper spiritual guidance. . . Should be consistent in their discipline and set a good example. . . Yes. . . Not necessarily more strict but certainly more concerned and attentive. . . Not strict but more understanding. . . Training, patience and interest along with not sparing the rod will do most good. . . Not necessarily. . . Many things condemned as "old timey" should be lauded. . . as the term is generally defined, no. . . Yes, more finesse is needed with true parental love as the motivating influence. . . they need to teach respect for society as a whole.

QUESTION—Do Civic and business groups bring teenagers into their programs often enough?

ANSWERS—Not as a whole. . . Some insurance firms. . . This is a real need. . . No. . . To a limited extent. . . As participants, No. . . hardly. . . No, adults themselves are not as alert as they should be in these areas.

QUESTION—Are our young people being appraised of the growing work opportunities?

ANSWERS—Not enough. . . The Urban League is the only organization. . . There could be great improvement. . . No. . . I think all schools are offering a better program. . . Yes. . . Many adults think these wonderful new opportunities are just too good to be true and afraid a youngster who prepares for a new career will find himself a hopeless misfit. . . Adults need more faith in the future. . . No, they are being urged into already overcrowded fields. . . Annually attempts are made. . . Generally, yes.

QUESTION—White businessmen are backing and encouraging youngsters of their race in conducting small business concerns. Is any similar program offered Negro youth?

ANSWERS—(Four words answered this one in most cases, being either) not to my knowledge or not that I know. . . No. . . This is a national movement and Negro youth (here) has had no contact with it.

QUESTION—What are community leaders doing about encouraging use of Negroes in city jobs?

ANSWERS—Some are stressing this need in their civic meetings. . . A few are encouraging it. . . My experience is that nothing is being done in this regard, not even by our ward and civic clubs. . . Not very much. . . Very little. . . Nothing that I know of. . . They are too confused about their own views on integration. . . Mostly talking. . . Considering the percentage of Negro population in Memphis we have done nothing. . . Talking. . .

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QUESTION—Our other articles have not directly discussed the desegregation issue which necessarily bubbles up in looking to

the future. In your opinion, in what areas should integration begin here? How soon?

ANSWERS—Desegregation is in its infancy and should be treated so. All areas. . . Should begin with the young children in the lower grades. This would offset the prejudices taught them at an early age. . . In the schools and now. . . Immediately in the schools. . . In any area where it is necessary and as soon as the people of the community are ready. . . The zoo, art gallery, colleges and all cultural programs in public places. . . This could be done at once. . . I am in favor of the Tennessee State plan. . . In all public facilities in about 50 years, not from now, but counting from 1865. . . I think the solution to what areas can be determined by citizens groups discussing them and deciding which is most desirable.

Integration has already begun here in Memphis. Negroes and whites work together daily. Many of our social agencies and facilities use Negroes as volunteers and professional workers. Integration in the public schools will resolve the problem. . . The area of employment should receive primary consideration. . . All areas and it should have begun yesterday.

And there it is Mr. and Mrs. Adult Memphis.

That is how your neighbor looks at you.

Quite likely you are looking at him in the very same manner. But so long as you both limit your actions to just looking, so much greater will the problem grow.

Here is a responsibility under which every parent must bend his back. There can be no shucking of this duty. Every parent owes it to himself, his child and society.

Rather than trust fate, how much better to bring up your child in the way that he should go.

These are modern times. Some will stray whatever the course. The great majority, when they have grown old, shall not have strayed from this training.

LeMoyné Players To First Baptist

The Twentieth Century club of First Baptist church, Lauderdale st., is sponsoring the LeMoyné college Drama group on Friday, March 9 at 7:30 p.m. They will be presented in a fast moving three-act comedy, "Papa Was A Preacher" in the lower auditorium of the church, under the capable direction of Miss Elsie Van Ness, drama instructor at the college.

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BEAUTY CONSULTANT COMING—Mrs. Marjorie S. Joyner, national supervisor of Madame C. J. Walker Beauty colleges, national supervisor of Alpha Chi Pi Omega and internationally known beauty consultants and artist, will be the featured demonstrator at a free clinic and demonstration to be conducted at the Abe Scharff Branch YMCA, of 254 S. Lauderdale on Monday, March 5 from 9 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. Mrs. Joyner will demonstrate Madame Walker's "Satin Tress," "Vapoil" and Curling Fluid and other fine Madame Walker products for the hair and skin. All licensed beauticians, beauty salon and beauty school owners and teachers and beauty students are invited to come out and learn what is new in the glamorous world of beauty culture.

Howard U. To Get Engineer Chapter

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Tau Beta Pi Association, the national honor society in engineering, will install a chapter at the Howard University School of Engineering and Architecture Saturday, March 10, at 4 p.m.

The chapter, which will be known as Alpha of the District of Columbia, is the first to be installed at a Washington school.

Some 35 Howard students and alumni have been elected to the Association, and will be installed as charter members.

The Chicago Red Cross Chapter trained 29,632 persons in first aid last year.

Veterans Benefit Makes Formal Debut March 4

The Veterans Benefit Inc. will present itself to the City of Memphis on Sunday, March 4 in a program at the Abe Scharff YMCA.

Atty. J. F. Estes, president and counselor of the organization, will speak on "The Negro's Future in the South." Atty. Estes is founder of the veterans organization.

The program marks the observance of the group's first annual Veterans Sunday. Theme of the day is "The Negro Must Now Help Himself."

Rev. Daniel Herring is chief chaplain, and is supervising arrangements for the program. The schedule includes gospel and hymn singing.

All veterans are urged to attend.

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Brunswick-Ellendale Club Assists Family

The Brunswick and Ellendale Civic club has come to the assistance of the family of Mr. and Mrs. Van Anderson, of Ellendale. This family, which includes nine children, was brought to the attention of the civic club some time ago by Prof. Edward Gray. At the time the children were not able to attend school.

Walter Guy, club president, turned the matter over to the welfare committee headed by Otis R. Griffith, a drive was launched to bring in clothes, food and funds for the needy family.

At a recent meeting Mr. Griffin thanked members of the two communities for their wonderful cooperation in giving and announced that the family had been "stood back on its feet."

It was also reported that the club has some funds and a supply of clothing on hand for emergencies.

William Mitchell is vice president of the club.

April Parley Set For Ga. Teachers

AUGUSTA, Ga. — When several thousand school teachers from every nook and cranny of Georgia converge here for the April 12-13 convention, they may well expect to participate in one of the best organized sessions in the association's history.

Theme of this year's conference is "Implementing the Curriculum Framework in the Area of Health and Physical Education."

Among consultants, lecturers and speakers will be:

Dr. W. J. Lyda, Atlanta university; Dr. E. K. Weaver, Atlanta U.; Dr. Fred Hein, American Medical association; Dr. Ruth Evans, Springfield college, Massachusetts; Mrs. Ida J. Gadsden, North Carolina college;

Dr. Melvin Head, Albany State college; Dr. W. L. Graham, Paine college; Dr. Clifford L. Brownell, Columbia university and Virgilie Brunet, president Puerto Rican Teachers association.

Workshops and discussion groups will be held.

The county of Los Angeles, Calif. leads the nation in milk production.

CHURCH NOTES

CENTENARY METHODIST

A full schedule has been planned for Centenary Baptist church, Sunday, William H. Hunt will get it underway at 9:30 a.m. with conduct of Sunday School.

At 11 a.m. the congregation will hear an inspiring address "I Will Be Done" by the pastor, Rev. D. M. Grisham.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service will sponsor a Rally at 4 p.m. A movie entitled "A Boy In His Prayer" will be shown, also.

The Laymen will be in charge of the evening service at 7:30.

ST. JUDE BAPTIST

At the St. Jude Baptist church, Sunday, services will be regular. William Davis will conduct the Sunday school at 9:15 a.m. The morning worship commences at 10:45 a.m. The pastor, Rev. W. H. Mosby, will deliver the sermon.

Baptist Training Union will be held at 6 p.m. Mrs. Easter Charles is the president. Evening worship will be held at 8.

NEW TYLER AME

Two dynamic sermons will spotlight Sunday's worship at New Tyler AME church. Rev. H. W. Henning, the pastor, will deliver them at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., respectively. The senior choir will furnish the music.

The Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m. Prof. Isiah Goodrich and Mrs. Alma Bowen will be in charge.

Miss J. Flowers will direct the ACE League at 5:30 p.m.

METROPOLITAN BAPTIST

Sunday will be a regular day at the Metropolitan Baptist church. Supt. H. H. Ateman will supervise the Sunday school at 9:30 a.m.

At 11 a.m., the pastor, Rev. S. A. Owen, will deliver the morning message. The combined choir will furnish the music. Prof. J. W. Whittaker is the director.

The Baptist Training Union will be held at 5:45 p.m. Services will be held at 7:30 p.m.

NEW HOPE BAPTIST

The Usher Board of New Hope Baptist church will install its officers on Friday, March 9. Allen Cannon is the president.

The Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. will be under the supervision of Sam Marshall. The pastor, Rev. Joe Allen, will officiate at 11 a.m. Baptist Training Union begins at 6 p.m. J. C. Curry is the director.

tor. Evening worship convenes at 7:30. The membership will participate of the Lord's Supper at this time, also.

MT. MORIAH BAPTIST

Pastor's Appreciation Day will be observed at the Mt. Moriah Baptist church, next Sunday. Four guest churches will join in the observance.

Sunday school will be held at 9:30 a.m. P. J. Nelson is the superintendent. The morning worship convenes at 11 a.m. Rev. R. W. Norsworthy, the pastor, will speak. The Lord's Supper will be given.

Baptist Training Union commences at 6 p.m. Mrs. R. W. Norsworthy is the directress.

Rev. W. C. Holmes and the Beulah Baptist church will worship with Mt. Moriah at 8 p.m. Rev. Holmes will deliver the address.

SMOTHER CHAPEL CME

Holy communion will be administered during the morning and evening services at Smother Chapel CME church, Sunday.

J. R. Johnson will conduct the Sunday school at 9:30 a.m.

At 11 a.m., a thought-provoking sermon will be delivered by the pastor, Rev. J. L. Griffin. Christian Youth Fellowship is scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

Devotion and sermon will be held at 7:30 p.m.

ST. STEPHEN BAPTIST

The deacons of St. Stephen will present a program Sunday at 3 p.m. Rev. L. Bookins of Somerset Baptist church and his entire congregation will be guests. Rev. Bookins will speak.

Dr. F. L. Stephen will conduct the Sunday school at 9:15 a.m. The morning worship starts at 11 a.m. Delivering the message will be the pastor, Rev. O. C. Criven.

The Baptist Training Union will be held at 6:30 p.m. Rev. Joe Wilson, jr. will be in charge.

ST. JAMES AME

Services at the St. James AME church, Sunday, will be regular. Beginning at 9:30 a.m., William Jackson will conduct the Sunday church. Morning worship will be held at 11 a.m. The pastor, Rev. H. M. Nelson, will preside.

At 6 p.m., the ACE League will begin. Devotion and a sermon are scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Communion will be administered during both services.

Mrs. Thelma McKissic is the church reporter.

The Pulpit Speaks

By C. THOMAS PAIGE

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College Minister

S. A. Owen Junior College

Sometime ago it was mine to

learn that an old man in my

community when called upon to pray

would always introduce his prayer

by saying, "O good Lord and

Good Devil."

One day he was brought into

question concerning his queer salu-

tation and he had this to say:

"I don't know into whose hands

I will fall and I want to be on

good sides with both."

IS IT WORTH IT?

For a long time the world was

divided into two camps, there was

that group whose chief concern

was righteousness and then there

was a group which was concerned

with doing what was most re-

warding. We can not go very far

in books of history or the Bible

before we run into knowledge

that makes us definitely mind-

ful of the high price tag placed

upon righteousness. The man like

Daniel who "purposed in his heart"

that he would not do cer-

tain things pay a bitter price.

Sometimes in the name of

doing what is right we lose friends,

we lose materials, we lose so-

cial advancements and we find

ourselves in the midst of losing

all the way around. Oftentimes

we find ourselves asking ourselves

the question, "Is it really worth it?"

Sometimes we feel ourselves sway-

ing toward those things that will

bring us greater social prestige,

a greater happiness, a well-earned

glory then suddenly a still

small voice within speaks to us

and bids us to halt our pursuit of

these things and try for things that

will bring us the real joys of life.

Then there is a second group

of people in our midst. This group

concerns itself with worldly gains,

social prestige, economic security

and the like. To them life is a

spiritualless and morales series of

events. To them life has no moral

and spiritual obligations be-

yond that of doing all that I can

for personal gains. The world is

far too full with this kind of peo-

ple.

THE SECOND MILE

Recently a new group has poked

its ugly head on the horizon. This

group is exemplified in the words

of this man praying, "O Good

Lord and Good Devil". They may

be rightfully described as people

who are concerned with doing that

which is expedient. Life to them has become such a complicated affair that they are concerned with doing those things which in the final analysis will bring them the greatest joys and happiness minus the suffering and distress commonly associated with life.

They never concerned themselves with "going against the grain". They spend much time in analysis of people and trying to state only those things that will bring joy and happiness for them and approval for the little worker. To these people "going the second mile", "giving the cloak", sharing the worldly gains" and similar aspects of life above the normal load has no meaning whatsoever.

The world needs people who have found a real meaning in these things and only when we find a deep-seated meaning in these things will life be worthwhile living. No you can't pray, "O Good Lord and Good Devil" you must take one as the ultimate good it is not a matter of both and but rather a matter of which one.

ENDS AGAINST MIDDLE

The very fact that many of us have tried to play the ends of life against the middle has brought the world to its present state. Let us suppose that the world had been void of the noble heroes of the early church period or the heroes who have dared to do the unusual in medicine, science, aviation and the like, many of us would still be living in a primitive state. But there has always been people who have dared to go over and beyond that which was required. They did not stop to count the personal cost. They never stopped to think in terms of what I am going to get out of it but rather what I am going to put into it. To them life is not a matter of giving but rather a matter of giving.

The day has come for many of us asking us in the final analysis just where do we stand. The brave people of Mississippi, the noble men and women of A. I. A. a-bama, the convinced men of many areas of all generations have said deep within themselves that they have made up their minds. Today we must make up our minds. It is not a matter of "Good Lord and Good Devil". It is a matter of attaching one's self to those things that are right and with the

Ward Chapel Program Set

The Gospel Chorus of the Mt. Olive Cathedral CME church will present its original candlelight service at the Ward Chapel AME church on Thursday night, March 1, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The presentation is being given on behalf of the Golden Link club of Ward Chapel, headed by Mrs. M. L. Cox.

Members and friends are invited. Rev. A. D. Brown is Ward Chapel minister.

help of God do all you can for the cause of His Kingdom. Nothing shorter will suffice!

GOINGS AT OWEN

By CLARA BARDWELL

and SADIE JEAN PUGH

Students, faculty, and staff of

S. A. Owen Junior College observed

Brotherhood Week Tuesday (Feb-

ruary 21), during the regular 11-

o'clock assembly hour. The col-

lege choir, under the direction of

Mrs. Dorothy T. Graham, served

as host. The theme was "Brother-

hood for Peace and Freedom, Be-

lieve it, Live it, Support it."

Freshman Marvel Woods, master

of ceremonies, made a brief

comment about the significance of

Brotherhood Week, and in turn in-

duced students: Dover Craw-

ford, who spoke from the subject

"What is Brotherhood?" John

Armstrong with "How to Believe

It," Dorothy Dockery and "How

To Live It," and Sadie Pugh with

"How to Support It." After a se-

lection by the choir, Mary Brad-

ley thrilled the audience with her

rendition of the poem, "Who Art

Thy Brotherhood?"

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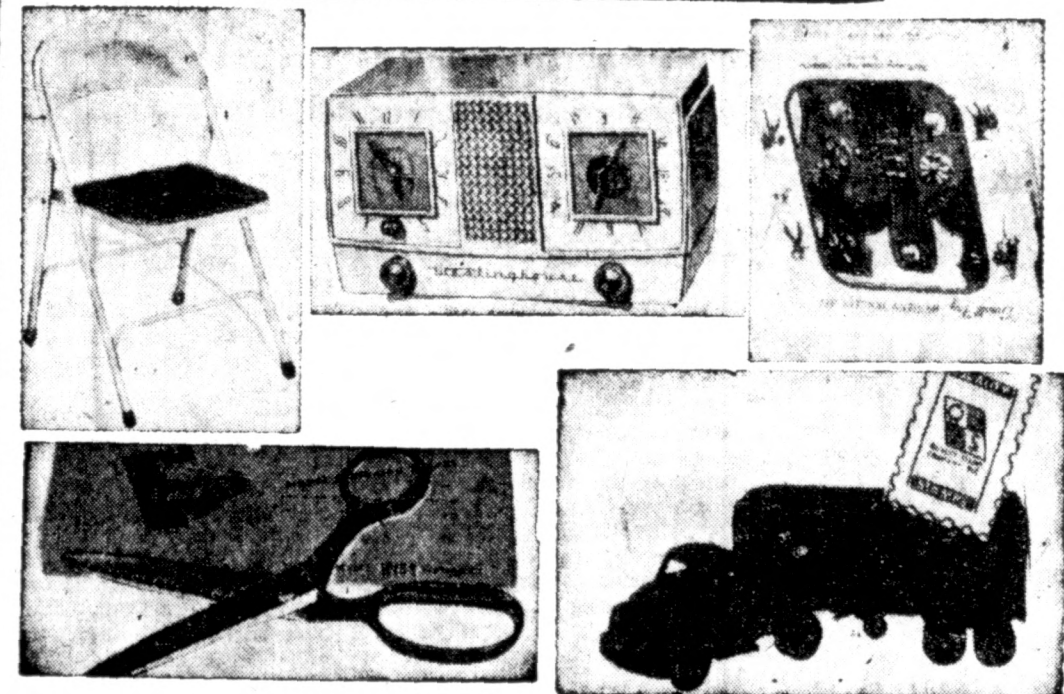
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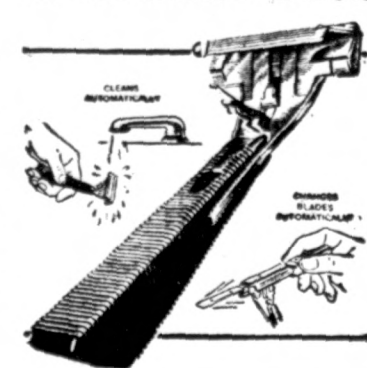
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Yes Madame, Menus that are nutritious as well as easy to prepare are welcome when Spring is just around the corner. There is the flower garden to get in shape, the house to spring clean and so many other extras to do this time of year that there's hardly time for all of them.

Jack Sprat cream style corn meal will help pep up the shortest cut you take in preparing supper and it only takes a moment to prepare Jack Sprat Corn Cakes.

JACK SPRAT CORN CAKES

2 cups meal
1 teaspoon soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 egg
2 tablespoons shortening or bacon drippings
1 cup buttermilk

Mix the meal, salt and soda with the milk. Break in the egg, beat well, add the shortening last and cook on a hot greased griddle.

So good with Swiss eggs—Bowl Salad—Apple sauce and Iced tea, Jack Sprat canned apple sauce is delicious.

Bye for now,
Jana Porter

West Memphis News By Tommy Parker

Funeral services were held last week for Mr. Hazelwood Gordon, sr., at the Old St. Paul M. B. church with Rev. J. G. Randolph officiating. He is survived by his wife Mrs. Effie Gordon, five sons, two daughters, 18 grand children and 10 great grandchildren.

West Memphis funeral home was in charge.

A birthday party was given in honor of Roscoe Jackson, son of Principal and Mrs. L. R. Jackson. Guests present were: Cleo and Roosevelt Simpson, Theo Whitaker, Earle Terrell, Ernest Hightower, B. T. Cooper, Freddie James Richardson, Sandra Crawford Jackson, Gwin Hightower.

The Chicago Red Cross last year helped 2,116 victims of 332 disasters, providing these victims with 11,193 garments, 648 pairs of shoes, 307 days of shelter, 7,043 meals.

Bobbie Cooper, Annie S. Slouther, Jearline Smith, Mary Smith, Georgia Shelton, Mattie Parker, Minnie Robinson, Jearline Jones and Rosie Cheatham.

Refreshments were served and games were played. The honoree received a number of nice gifts.

4 Added To Morgan Faculty

BALTIMORE, Md. — Four new teachers have been appointed to the Morgan State college faculty, President Martin D. Jenkins has announced.

The appointees are: Dr. Ya-Lun Chou, lecturer in economics and business; Dr. Leona B. Dudley, temporary lecturer in English; Miss Annabel L. Hawkins, assistant in English; and Sherman Merrill, substitute instructor in history and political science.

Brunswick, Tenn. News

Wednesday, Feb. 22 at the Brunswick school was proclaimed as Patriotic Day and each class contributed to a program honoring two of the nation's famous heroes, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

The first grade conducted a flag drill and "America" was sung by the third graders. Character sketches were heard from the second grade on the life of the great Washington. Famous dates in the life of Washington were cited by the third grade and the life of Abraham Lincoln was presented by Mildridge Barker, of the fourth grade.

Otis Cannon of the fifth grade did a recitation.

FAMOUS SAYINGS

Other highlights in the years of Washington and famous sayings of the first president were given by the sixth grade and Lucille Dodson of the seventh grade.

A panel on Lincoln and Washington was presented by the eighth grade.

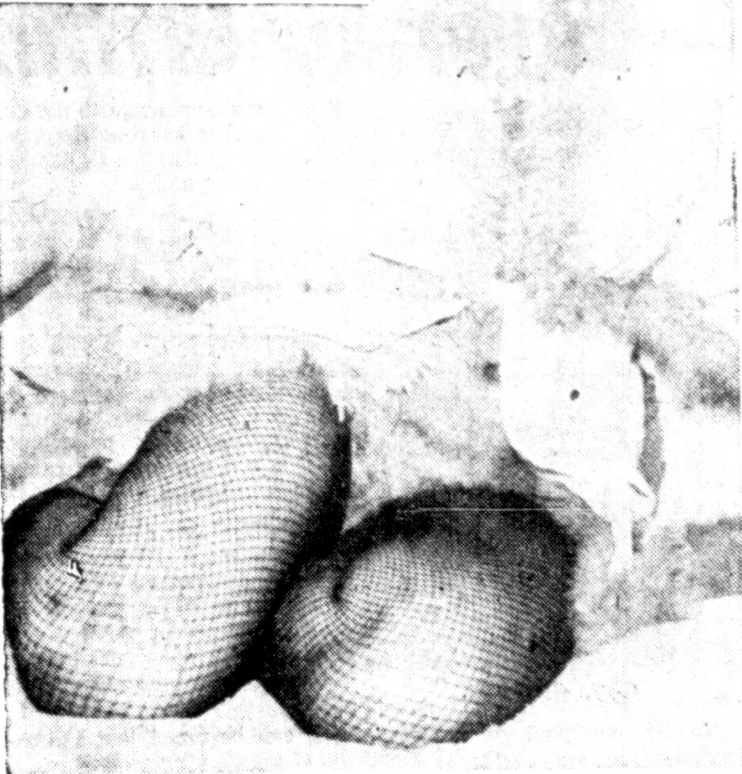
Prof. W. I. Trotter and Mrs. Sallie Belote made brief talks on the program. Also, Earl Kirk, president of the PTA.

A number of parents were present

Dual Honors For Author Of 'The Emperor Jones'

DEFENDER
Sat., March 3, 1956

THE 1956 SEASON figures to present many new faces and the return to favor of others who have hit the top already. — On the left is "Butterfly" whose "spread" here indicates she's just that, Shelia Guyse in the center is well known to Broadway and other top musical centers. Currently she's appearing at Detroit's Flame cafe in a holdover engagement that is sensational. — Thelma Cordero, right, is another "find" who is quite a favorite and figures to add to her glory during the 1956 season.



'BUTTERFLY'



THELMA CORDERO



SHELIA GUYSE



OLIVETTE MILLER, with her new partner, appeared on CBS-TV Thursday night in a combination harpist-dance routine that was socko. Program is billed as Howard Miller show.

Belafonte's Pix Part Of Big Program

The late Eugene O'Neal who wrote many Broadway plays and movie stories including "The Emperor Jones" that starred Charles Gilpin and Paul Robeson, respectively, on stage and screen becomes a new international figure this month.

First came news of Harry Belafonte being selected for the title role in a modern film version of "Emperor" with shooting scheduled to start late this month. Then a few days later in Sweden a picture dealing with the life story of the late author was released and hailed by critics as being one of the greatest.

The story of O'Neal's life, written in blood and thunder tradition was withheld from public view until after his death.

The theme being: Man suffers and strives desperately to rescue himself from his own self-destruction and of the world around him.

Characters are actually derived from his immediate family, including his tubercular self.

The action occurs in one distraught day in Conn in the home Tyrone (O'Neal's father) purchased. These are desperately unhappy people.

The premiere was a hit.



DETROIT — Walked home from the Flame Show Bar the other

night with Joe Louis and it was nice seeing the champ stream-lined, relaxed and talking of the good times we've had together.

New R And B Package For Onenighters

Universal Attractions' newest rhythm & blues package, scheduled to cover over 40 cities, is called the "Rock & Roll cavalcade." Deal includes Roy Brown, Percy Mayfield, Little Willie John, The Five Royals, Little Kennedy, Jimmy Cole and Joe Tex. . . . George Treadwell, handsome man-about-the-country and manager-husband of vocalist Sarah Vaughan, was feted by Harlemites before he left for an extended vacation-business trip that will take him to Chicago, Las Vegas and Los Angeles.

We avoided the Atlantic City episode where he had to bail me out in order to make my one and only Broadway appearance, but we did talk about the time at the Norwood hotel where my former dancing partner, Claudia Olliver (now Mrs. Teddy Rhodes) was having a birthday party.

We were all toasting the best dancer to ever come out of St. Louis (my opinion, however) and all of a sudden, she looked up and noticed the champ wasn't on the scene.

Having had a pretty rugged day, Joe retired early but, when he received the call that a little lady was crying, he didn't take the time to dress; he came down to the Club Plantation in his pajamas, house shoes and robe, moved in on the party and made a lady happy. . . . Incidentally, this was during the time when we had several New York dancers in the show and they had their own way of doing the boogie-woogie.

Blue Note Gets Jeri Southern,

Bobby Hackett and his all star band and Jeri Southern and her trio are at the Blue Note. For both this is a return visit.

Jeri Southern swept the country with her rendition of "You Better Go Now." She started out in Chicago as a pianist.

Nice seeing former bandleader Cecil Lee. He recalled pleasant musical days in the Club Plantation and Board's Club Zombie. By the way, you can add him to the list of the nicest people in the band business.

Charles Moore, the sax-trumpet star, donning a badge that read 35 years as a member of the Detroit Federation of Musicians. Cecil Lee had one that said 30.

Organist Bill Doggett works so hard before every session that his valet gives him a big towel instead of the handkerchiefs given to Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong before he hits the stage with his trumpet.



BUSINESS WITH pleasure was mixed here as, left to right, Joe Louis, Joe "Ziggy" Johnson, Detroit's famous producer and disc jockey and Ken Blewitt, manager of Chicago's Re-

gal theatre got together in the Motor City over weekend. It's hard to tell who's telling the joke here but dollars to doughnuts 'twas a very clean one.

Broadway Play's 'Yankee Ingenuity' Bores This First-Nighter Reporter

'Southern Decadence' Doesn't Help Either

By JOHN BARRINGTON

NEW YORK — (INS) — One of playwright Mary Drayton's characters unwittingly delivers the best capsule criticism of her new comedy, "Debut," which had its coming out party on Broadway. This is a play involving the debut of a young southern belle, who insists on being treated as an adult because she has "come out" and is told:

"The way you are behaving, maybe you should have stayed in." Unfortunately, that's the way the theatregoer must feel about "Debut" unless he has an unaccountable fondness for thick, gooey southern accents, magnolia and moonlight and the inevitable conflict of southern decadence versus "yankee ingenuity."

Briefly, "Debut" is the story of how the aforementioned southern Miss, played with a great deal of eye-bating by blonde southern-sounding Inger Stevens, engages in a bit of "bailiance" with a dashing northern newspaperman, Tom Helmore, in order to gain the experience she believes she will need to become happily married to her wet-behind-the-ears childhood sweetheart, Charles McDaniel.

Sounds confusing? It is, but not

sufficiently so to sustain three acts and five scenes.

Miss Drayton's play gets little assistance from the direction of John Gerstad, and the cast headed by Helmore, Miss Stevens and G. Albert Smith as an aristocratic old plantation owner doesn't do much more than go through the motions with some pretty stock situations and dialogue.



MARIE MCLEARY, well known New Yorker, shown with her brother, Tom, of Chicago, was married to Archie Morgan of Apex Beauty school in Atlantic City last week. Couple will live in the resort capital but will keep their apartment in New York City as well.

This IS HOLLYWOOD

By HAZEL A. WASHINGTON

HOLLYWOOD — Hello Folks: Well, the nominations are in for the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences Awards, and as was expected the top five pictures were: "Love is a Many-Splendored Thing," 20th-Fox, "Marty" Hecht and Lancaster's Steven Productions, United Artists, "Mister Roberts," Orange Production, Warner Bros., "Picnic," Columbia and "The Rose Tattoo," Hal Wallis Paramount. I know that many of you saw the 'shots' from the films that were listed and heard the names of the five nominations in each group. I have my choice for the top honors, and here they are: Love is a Many-Splendored Thing, will win the Best Motion Picture . . . The Late James Dean will cop the top honors for the Best Performance by an Actor; Jennifer Jones in "Love" get my vote for the Best Actress, Betsy Blair in "Marty" and Marisa Pavan in "The Rose Tattoo," get my vote for the Best Supporting Actresses, take your choice. For the Best Supporting Actor, I like Arthur O'Connell in "Picnic." We'll all know on March 21 when the awards are made at the RKO Pantages Theatre in Hollywood and are broadcast over the entire NBC-TV and NBC radio networks.

The Greek Theatre, sitting in its natural open air splendor, tucked away in the Hollywood Hills, high up in Griffith Park, opens the

Spring and Summer season with Harry Belafonte in "Sing, Man, Sing."

"The Benny Goodman Story" starring Steve Allen, as B.G., is a real good story and going great, it will be big 'Box-office' and featured in our own Lionel "Pops" Hampton — Hamp is good in the story, and incidentally is going great guns on his European jaunt. The long arm of Pictureville has again extended in Fabulous Vegas, Harry James and Betty Grable are sensational at El Rancho . . . "Uncle Miltie," Berle has guest star Jimmy Durante doing the first nationally televised major show from there and Pearl Bailey is singing them down at the Flamingo, hubby Louis Bellson is along too . . . Getting back to the James band, Juan Tizol, Willie Smith and Joe Comfort are mainstays, and with these men they can't miss . . .

Now Hear this! Hear this! Are you listening? In the exclusive shopping center of Beverly Hills, is one of the FINEST ready to wear shops . . . name? Jak's Shop, beautifully decorated and featuring among their pretty young models, some of the prettiest brown skinned little ladies we have ever seen. If you get out this way, stroll in and see for yourself . . . it will be worth your while.

For the first time in twenty years Bing Crosby will record for a label other than Decca. His next

Satchmo's King; What Of Hamp? That's The Story From Abroad

Paris—(ANP)—Old "Satchmo" (Louis Armstrong) recent appearance in Paris is still the animated

'Ole Man River' Best As Is Says William Warfield

NEW YORK—(ANP)—Even Hollywood had to admit that it couldn't improve on William Warfield's version of "Ole Man River."

Warfield, a guest on CBS Radio's Mitch Miller Show last week, was praised by Alec Templeton as "the only one who sings 'Ole Man River Straight'."

Warfield laughed. "It surprised them on the coast, too," he said. "When we started to film 'Show Boat' they were waiting with all kinds of musical gimmicks and arrangements. So I asked them, 'Why do you want to improve on a good thing?' That's why I sing it straight."

subject on the lips of many Parisians, and well it may be. The Hot Club of France, an organization of Jazz hounds, honored him as the best jazz artist of the year. Embellished on the trophy awarded him were the letters P.O.P. Parisians affectionately call Louis "Pop". When you stop to consider that the Hot Club generally makes two such awards each year, old "Satchmo's" achievement is all the more remarkable. We asked the president of the club to when the second award would be made. His reply: "To nobody, Armstrong gets them both. No one else was even close." That was good enough for us, judging from the Standing Room Only signs hung out at every appearance of Satchmo at the Olympic Theatre, we could readily understand his popularity.

Lionel Hampton's band blew in to Paris amidst great fan-fare, and although it drew large crowds at the Music Hall, people weren't breaking down all the doors to get in. Some vacant seats could be

counted at each performance. More than one Parisian has asked us the one question we couldn't answer: "What's the matter with Hampton's band?"

Art Simmons, nimble-fingered expert on the ivories has switched his activities from Down Town Mars club to the Hotel des Etats-Unis out Montparnasse way, and is taking his followers with him. Which doesn't make Walter Bryant, former G.I. now running the show at Etats-Unis, the least bit mad. Night lifers are crediting Bryant with a shrewd move.

The American Embassy is about to lose two of its glamour gals, Marcella Bryant and Susan Maynard. Their tour of duty will be ending here soon. Hope they got reassigned here.

Lem Graves, U.S. information expert, just returned from the Winter Olympics at Cortina, Italy. Jimmy Owens, code clerk at the American Embassy, has elected to take a similar post in the Far East.



HOW RADIO "RAMS" make brotherhood a reality by communicating around the world, was demonstrated to the two million viewers of the "Schitz Saturday Night Theatre" over WTMI-TV in Milwaukee as a preview for National Brother-

hood Week. Above, Mrs. Henry Meyer talks to Capt. Kurt Carlson, skipper of the "Flying Enterprise," via short wave. Listeners-in are (left to right) Robert Harkness; Joseph Thompson, Father John Kapellan, Fred Zolin, chair-

man of the Board of Directors of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' club; Jack Brand, announcer; and Maurice Terry, regional director of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Exclusive features

The BIG Question



DEAR MME. CHANTE: Wanted one female to aid in the capture of one male; age 32 (looks younger), height 5 ft. 8 1/2 inches, weigh 155 lbs, brown skin and not bad on the eyesight. Habits are normal, disposition born with a happy smile and heart which operates sixteen hours a day. Ambition to be self supporting, points of interest are reading, movies, legitimate stage, social work, indoor and outdoor sports, the wonders of God's creation, nature and man. Talents, have studied music, interior and exterior decorating, salesmanship, advertising and a course in small business aids. Hobbies are woodwork, records, music, visiting new places, law and learning new things, meeting people and clean enjoyments.

If you are a possessor of a serious mind, have ambition and a go-getter then by all means write, state full particulars in first letter, date of birth and etc. Please include photo, photos will be returned. If you have one child I do not mind as I love children. Independence is my goal, finding happiness is my aid. William Shaw, 59 Rutland Square, Boston, Mass.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I have read your column weekly for a long time and see where you can help so many and hope you can help me. I would like to meet a Christian lady with the following qualifications: race or color don't matter and between the age of 30 and 40. I am 40 years old, 6 ft. 1 1/2 inches tall, weigh 165 pounds, black hair, black eyes, brown complexion and my faith is unity. I have no children but would like to become a father. I am a laborer and would like for the lady to live in or near the Twin Cities. I live here and this is my home of course. I came from the south but I like Chattanooga. I am interested in marrying the right companion. Robert F. Daniel, 376 Aurora St., St. Paul, Minn.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am looking for a young Christian lady, who can be between the ages of 30 and 35 who likes moderate sports, is business minded and want to get somewhere in life. Object marriage, I do not want her to work. Robert Henderson, 6030 Lafayette, c/o Mrs. King, Basement, Chicago, Ill.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am interested in a nice single lady who wants to settle down in life. I hope you can help me find someone who doesn't live in Chicago. Age and color don't matter so long as she is nice and intend to do the right thing. I am dark brown complexion, 42 years of age, 5 ft. 6 inches tall, weigh 130 pounds and don't drink or gamble. I like home life and all clean sports. I will answer all letters and please send photo in first letter and I will do the same. Walter Walker, 5658 Lafayette Ave., Chicago, Ill.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am 47 years old and interested in getting married to the right person. I am 6 ft 1 1/2 inch tall, weigh 190 pounds, brown skin and have means to support a wife. I would like her to be from 28 to 38 years of age, weigh from 135 to 150 pounds and brown skin or light, don't make any difference. Please enclose picture in first letter and I will answer all letters. George O'Neal, 46 Covington St., Pittsburgh 19, Pa.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am a young lady 17 years of age, brown hair, light complexion and very attractive with brown eyes. I promise I will answer all letters. Miss Ora B. Soulsberry, Rt. 1, Box 182, Proctor, Ark.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am a man 32 years old and not bad looking. I am 5 ft. 11 inches tall and weigh 169 pounds. I have a new automobile, and from a nice Christian family. I am looking for a nice wife, who wants something out of life such as a home and security. I would like to hear from some attractive lady between the ages of 18 to 26. Especially small town girl, Japanese, West Indians or any nice looking girl who wants a good husband. John Sinclair, 11203 Aberdeen St., Chicago, Ill.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am a patient in the hospital and would like to correspond with pen pals both male and female. I will answer all mail and exchange photos. I am 21 years old. Miss Estella M. Davis, P.O. Box 123, Alexander, Ark.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am a lonesome young man age 32, 5 ft. 8 1/2 inches tall, weigh 154 pounds and dark complexion. I would like to hear from nice, young ladies between the ages of 25 and 32, light brown skin and weigh from 115 to 135 pounds. All letters will be answered. Please send photo in first letter. Ernest Hollins, 1535 E. 60th St., Apt. 308, Chicago 15, Ill. Phone DORchester 3-9669.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am 35 years old, weigh 180 pounds, loving and affectionate, enjoy church and all the clean sports. I am divorced, no children, fair education and seeking a mate not a pen pal. I am dark brown skin and desire a man with income. He may smoke or drink within reason and be between 40 and 65 years of age. Race does not matter, must be broadminded and willing to appreciate a good woman. Nora Edmonds, 430 N. Blackford St., Indianapolis, Ind.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am seeking and hoping to find a decent man who would appreciate a good wife and home, between the ages of 50 and 55. I am a working woman trying to buy a home in a nice neighborhood. Call after 11:30 p.m., as I work nights, or Saturday and Sunday anytime. I would like a man about 5 ft. 8 inches and brown skin, but I am not particular. Mrs. J. Simmons, PLaza 2-2320, Chicago, Ill.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am a lonely man who would like to get married. I am 31 years old, 5 ft. 10 inches tall, weigh 154 pounds, brown skin, black hair and brown eyes. I would like a nice woman between the ages of 25 and 32. I will exchange photos and answer all letters. Robert Williams, 1930 Brookwood, Toledo, Ohio.

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Segregation Is Denial Of Basic Rights—Wilkins

By ROY WILKINS
(Executive Secretary, NAACP)
(Written expressly for INS)



ROY WILKINS

Segregation is a negation of the basic religious and political principles of our country. It is the rejection of the Christian doctrine of the brotherhood of man and the denial of our cherished declaration that all men are created free and equal.

Because we of the NAACP believe without any reservation in these religious and political concepts of human equality, we have ever since our founding 47 years ago (long before the establishment of the Communist party in this country), worked for the eradication of racial segregation from all aspects of our American life.

This includes public education, public health, housing and recreational facilities, public accommodations such as hotels and restaurants and, of course, transportation. The continuance of segregation in any of these areas is a curtailment of the freedom and dignity of the individual inherent in any democratic society.

The NAACP has pursued its goals through legal action, through sponsorship of legislative measures and through an educational program designed to create a favorable climate of public opinion throughout the country. Using these constitutional means the Association has been successful in leveling one barrier after another.

The courts of the land have generally upheld the American constitutional prohibitions against racial distinctions in the law. The Congress, handicapped by the anti-democratic filibuster in the Senate, has not enacted a single civil rights law in 75 years.

Meanwhile, many states and localities have proceeded with outlawing racial discrimination and segregation in various areas of public life. In some states outmoded laws have been repealed.

In some states outmoded laws have been replaced. In others new laws have been enacted to prohibit discrimination and segregation in public accommodations, education, housing and employment.

The executive branch of the federal government has played an important role in eliminating segregation within the federal jurisdiction. Such action was begun in the administration of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. It was extended and stepped up under President Harry Truman and brought to near fruition by President Eisenhower.

Meanwhile, there has been a noticeable change in the climate of public opinion. Great media of communications which were once indifferent, if not hostile, to efforts to eliminate segregation now see clearly the incompatibility of segregation with the democratic system. They are no longer deceived by the plea of white southerners that segregation is a problem to be determined locally.

Some of these have a vested interest in the segregated system. Others are intellectually and emotionally immature, and some are in willful defiance of the government of the United States. These last should be dealt with summarily just as any other subversives. Others, because of ignorance and sloth, are still living in the 19 century. There is need for broadscale educational work among these to usher them into the 20 century.

In the state of Oklahoma which has gone ahead with the desegregation of its public school systems, the state board of education has recently announced that it expects to save a million dollars in state aid funds with the elimination of the dual school system.

For three centuries the leading families in the region have entrusted their children, in their formative years, to the tender care of Negro women. They have turned over the preparation and serving of food in their homes, clubs and restaurants to Negroes. Negro servants have traditionally spent long hours serving them in a variety of capacities in their homes.

Now comes the plea, advanced by the supposedly sophisticated as well as by the blatantly ignorant, that the children of these Negro household servants are morally and hygienically unfit to sit in classrooms with white children under the watchful eyes of teachers and school administrators.

This is an absurd claim and serves only to demonstrate that the purpose of segregation is not separation but really the maintenance of a caste system. In a democratic system there is no place for caste.

In an effort to head off the inevitable, the segregationists have resurrected an ancient doctrine—interposition. At this late date, they are asserting that a state may select the laws and judicial decisions by which it will abide. This is nullification and anarchy. The Civil War settled this issue.

Ours is a nation living under a government which applies to all alike irrespective of race or color, or of region or state. There is personal citizenship rights to individuals. The states' right doctrine does not and cannot extend to this extreme.

NAACP WORKS FOR OTHERS
The NAACP is working not alone for Negroes, but also for the welfare, prestige and security of the nation. In no area has the country been weaker than in that of race relations. Among the nations of the world, only South Africa joins our segregationists in denying the common humanity of all mankind.

The killing of 14-year-old Emmett Till in Mississippi, the open defiance of the Supreme court ruling by demagogues in the South, the mob action on the campus of the University of Alabama, all give aid and comfort to the enemies of our country.

Our nation is engaged in a titanic struggle with a powerful foe. In this struggle we urgently need the support of millions of uncommitted peoples. Most of these are colored peoples who view with distress every indication of racial prejudice in our country.



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ABSRD CLAIM
This is an absurd claim and serves only to demonstrate that the purpose of segregation is not separation but really the maintenance of a caste system. In a democratic system there is no place for caste.

In an effort to head off the inevitable, the segregationists have resurrected an ancient doctrine—interposition. At this late date, they are asserting that a state may select the laws and judicial decisions by which it will abide. This is nullification and anarchy. The Civil War settled this issue.

Ours is a nation living under a government which applies to all alike irrespective of race or color, or of region or state. There is personal citizenship rights to individuals. The states' right doctrine does not and cannot extend to this extreme.

NAACP WORKS FOR OTHERS
The NAACP is working not alone for Negroes, but also for the welfare, prestige and security of the nation. In no area has the country been weaker than in that of race relations. Among the nations of the world, only South Africa joins our segregationists in denying the common humanity of all mankind.

The killing of 14-year-old Emmett Till in Mississippi, the open defiance of the Supreme court ruling by demagogues in the South, the mob action on the campus of the University of Alabama, all give aid and comfort to the enemies of our country.

Our nation is engaged in a titanic struggle with a powerful foe. In this struggle we urgently need the support of millions of uncommitted peoples. Most of these are colored peoples who view with distress every indication of racial prejudice in our country.

Our foes abroad seize upon every instance of denial of human rights to discredit us not only in Asia and Africa, but also in Europe and Latin America. We cannot afford to feed this propaganda mill with factual evidences of inhumanity.

Our influence on each other is for mutual growth and development. When our thoughts are good they nourish and sustain our fellow men. As we add to the happiness and progress of anyone, we add to our own degree of usefulness, and by so much do we fulfill our purpose in this world.

M. D. S. Dear Prof. Herman: I am a constant reader of your column and find it very interesting, will you please answer this question. Will he discover the true fact soon?

ANS. Eventually he will find out, but until he does, don't worry about it. Either make up your mind to explain it to him now, or dismiss the matter until it comes to his attention. You would feel better, however, if you did make a clean breast of the whole thing.

S. M. I am so worried and unhappy. I love my home but there is no happiness there. I work hard but I don't seem to get anywhere. My husband is shut-in and he does not speak a kind word to me. Will this continue to go on the rest of my life, or should I get out and try to build another home for myself?

ANS. Due to the limited amount of space, I cannot answer your question as I would like to. If you will write in for a private reply I will be happy to answer at once. I do vision this New Year bringing about some changes that will make life a little more comfortable, however, so look forward to these changes taking place soon.

Principle Of Government Involved—Governor Griffin

By GOV. MARVIN GRIFFIN
of Georgia
(Written expressly for INS)



GOV. GRIFFIN

The threat posed by the United States Supreme court decision declaring segregation in the schools of the states to be unconstitutional goes far deeper than the race issue involved.

It attaches itself to our very form of government and while it affects the South directly it affects every other state in the union indirectly but just as gravely.

I say this because the Supreme court decision is like a submarine with only the periscope showing above the water, but with the destructive force lurking beneath the surface.

DEATH KNEEL
The decision, if allowed to stand and be projected to its logical consequences sounds the death knell of constitutional government as we have known it in this country.

Operation of public schools is strictly a state function. The states reserved this power when the federal union was formed.

As a matter of fact, the states created their common school and high educational systems without interference or help from the federal establishment. These institutions have been nurtured through the years at great sacrifice to the people of the states.

DICTATE TO STATES
Now the Supreme court has not only challenged the right of the people to run their schools, but has set the federal courts up as a super school authority to dictate to the people of the states about matters which are reserved solely to the states because of the different complexion of conditions which vary from state to state.

The heavy percentage of colored population in the South has served to accentuate the necessity for maintaining segregation in this region.

It is in poor taste and bad judgment for states which do not have our problem to seek to tell us how best we can solve it.

HISTORY LESSON
Throughout the course of history, it has been proved over and over again that in those countries in which the population loses its racial identity they also lose their capacity for world leadership and regress into second-rate powers.

Such acts cannot bind the states from whose people all its powers are derived.

The Constitution confines the judicial department to matters of a judicial nature and character. Before a suit can be entertained by any federal court it must be in law or in equity.

The great educational and social questions involved in the school segregation litigation do not relate to cases either at law or in equity.

PUBLIC CONTROVERSY
A judicial controversy is not involved. The controversy is a public one. No court can determine it.

The court cannot overstep the Constitution. Nor has the court any power to say that the Constitution changes in meaning.

The interposition of authority against unlawful and unconstitutional actions of the Supreme court peculiarly is within the province of the states.

Power is co-existence with duty. Each state necessarily possesses sufficient power to discharge the duty owed her citizens. Each state possesses the inherent power needed to discharge her governmental responsibilities.

INTER-POSITION
The procedure of interposition is woven throughout the whole fabric of our constitutional history. Ample precedent for its exercise exists in the constitutional history of our own state of Georgia.

We can be proud that she was one of the first states in the country to rise up against usurpation of her reserved sovereign powers.

Invocation of this state's right of interposition is not a substitute for, nor does it take the place of, the plan formulated for going to private schools as a last resort to preserve segregation.

EXTRA-LEGAL PLAN
The private school plan is designed to provide segregated schools within the terms of the United States Supreme court decision. It is our first, last and only absolute remedy.

Interposition is the assertion of our rights in the hope of preventing a situation which would lead to the abandonment of the public school system. It is an appeal to reason.

Let me say to Americans everywhere that your rights and the rights of your children are periled in this dispute.

From the fountainhead of the states and citizenship in those states, spring the real rights, privileges and immunities of the people of United States.

Destroy the states and you destroy the rights of all the people.

The matter is so serious because rights, like the flesh, once dead can never be revived.

Let me caution our friends of the North, the East and the West to send not to see for whom the Supreme court's bell tolls for it tolls for thee.

Draft Deferment Test Deadline
MARSHALL, Texas — College students interested in taking the Selective Service College qualification test have until midnight Monday, March 5, to submit application, Dr. Christine B. Cash, test supervisor, announced.

Test center for this area is Bishop college. The tests are scheduled to be given April 19.

Students interested in taking this test, to qualify for possible draft deferment in order to continue their college education, are urged to have their application postmarked no later than the above date.

OBSERVATIONS

by Charles L. Browne

MEN about us will celebrate Another Yulitide day . . . There will be greetings, gifts and feasts, in the merry Xmas way . . . But is a merry heart at peace, Or does it oft hide . . . woe Behind the mask of merriment, Yes hearts are often low . . . Today we are perilously, Aye, near to losing faith in a better world of good-will. For all the human race . . . We turn eyes to Bethlehem, And see the Holy Child in simple faith, and reverence, Our burdened hearts grow mild . . . For thus it was that on this day, Our God so loved us all He sent to us His only Son, Redemption from our fall.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am a young lady 17 years of age, brown hair, light complexion and very attractive with brown eyes. I promise I will answer all letters. Miss Ora B. Soulsberry, Rt. 1, Box 182, Proctor, Ark.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am a man 32 years old and not bad looking. I am 5 ft. 11 inches tall and weigh 169 pounds. I have a new automobile, and from a nice Christian family. I am looking for a nice wife, who wants something out of life such as a home and security. I would like to hear from some attractive lady between the ages of 18 to 26. Especially small town girl, Japanese, West Indians or any nice looking girl who wants a good husband. John Sinclair, 11203 Aberdeen St., Chicago, Ill.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am a patient in the hospital and would like to correspond with pen pals both male and female. I will answer all mail and exchange photos. I am 21 years old. Miss Estella M. Davis, P.O. Box 123, Alexander, Ark.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am a lonesome young man age 32, 5 ft. 8 1/2 inches tall, weigh 154 pounds and dark complexion. I would like to hear from nice, young ladies between the ages of 25 and 32, light brown skin and weigh from 115 to 135 pounds. All letters will be answered. Please send photo in first letter. Ernest Hollins, 1535 E. 60th St., Apt. 308, Chicago 15, Ill. Phone DORchester 3-9669.

DEAR MME. CHANTE: I am 35 years old, weigh 180 pounds, loving and affectionate, enjoy church and all the clean sports. I am divorced, no children, fair education and seeking a mate not a pen pal. I am dark brown skin and desire a man with income. He may smoke or drink within reason and be between 40 and 65 years of age. Race does not matter, must be broadminded and willing to appreciate a good woman. Nora Edmonds, 430 N. Blackford St., Indianapolis, Ind.

HELLO, IS THIS MR. REESE? THIS IS MR. SPARKS

MISTER SPARKS, I LIKE IN STANLEY, I LIKE IN PETER--

THIS IS WHO?

YES, I KNOW ALL YOU FELLOWS, BUT WHICH ONE IS TALKING NOW?

LIKE IN ANDREW, LIKE IN ROBERT, LIKE IN KING, AND I AGAIN LIKE IN STANLEY!

Ravings of Prof. Doodle

BOY LOOK AT THAT ONE! IF I ONLY HAD A CAMERA. THAT WAS QUITE A FALL MISS, ARE YOU ALRIGHT? THANK YOU SO MUCH...NO I'M NOT HURT TOO BADLY

IT WAS A BIG JOKE TO YOU TO SEE THAT LADY FALL WASN'T IT? NOW THE JOKE'S ON BOTH OF YOU! I WANT EVERY BIT OF SNOW OFF OF THIS SIDEWALK! I WANT YOU TO LAUGH ON EVERY SHOVEL FULL YOU THROW! IF YOU DON'T I'M GOING TO BELT YOU ONE! I SAID LAUGH!

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Our Opinions

The Right Direction

Those who have suggested and are supporting the idea of forming a city-wide Race Relations Commission in Memphis are taking a step in the right direction.

Such a commission would furnish a sounding-board for the expression of the views and positions of those large masses of citizens who do not align themselves with any extremists groups, but who are definitely interested in the maintenance of a government of law and order, and right and justice.

It is to be expected that such a Commission of clear-thinking and right-thinking

citizens will take an unequivocal stand in support of the principle of obedience to the laws of the nation as they are interpreted by the United States Supreme Court.

The main concern of such a committee, it would seem at first sight should be to seek and study ways and means whereby the laws of the land can be best applied to the local situation, with the main objective being right and justice for all.

It seems safe to conclude that those who have suggested and spoken out for a Memphis Race Relations Committee have such basic ideas in mind for the proposed organization.

Archbishop Rummel And The Devil

It is remarkable how many great Christian Churchmen in America seem to be able to reconcile the cruel system of racial segregation with their own particular brand of Christianity. It is odd that God should have so many hypocrites working on His side of the street. Of course, God is not being fooled and, to put it bluntly, neither are we.

It is refreshing no end, therefore, to greet a gentleman of cloth, a true representative of Christ on earth, who is willing to live up to the precepts of his faith and practice what he preaches. We have reference, of course, to Archbishop Joseph Francis Rummel of New Orleans.

Last week Archbishop Rummel, in a pastoral letter read in all the churches of his diocese, declared flatly that racial segregation was "morally wrong and sinful." Many New Orleans Catholics were distressed at this intelligence. Some were downright angry about it.

Nevertheless, it appears that Archbishop Rummel is going forward with plans to integrate the Catholic schools of New Orleans. He recognizes that there are many grave problems to be resolved and that in-

tegration will not be easy. He is going ahead anyway.

The Archbishop stated in his letter that segregation is "morally wrong and sinful because it is denial of the unity and solidarity of the human race as conceived by the God in the creation of man in Adam and Eve."

The Fatherhood of God is an essential, basic tenet of the Christian faith. So it would appear, very logically too, that to believe in the Fatherhood of God, would be to believe also in the brotherhood of man. Here is where the Devil enters the picture.

Strangely enough, Jim Crow Christians lose their minds and their faith when one of the brothers turns up colored. Perhaps the Devil has done his work too well. So far, at least, the Devil is in the saddle in Dixie and God's only hope lies with men like Archbishop Rummel.

In recent years the Catholic Church has taken the leadership in true Christian thought and action in the race relations field. Archbishop Rummel and his colleagues in the Catholic Church deserve the support and commendation of all good Americans of all faiths.

Bunche May Put Out The Fire

Talk of war between Israel and the Arab nations is filling the corridors of the United Nations and the State Department. The smoldering issue got even hotter last week as a shipment of tanks was officially certified for Saudi Arabia by the top brass in Washington.

The implications of the tense situation in the Middle East are world wide and almost everyone recognizes that this issue can lead to warfare that will not necessarily be confined to Israel and her Arab neighbors. The time to prevent world war is now before anyone starts shooting.

Several political figures, including the Democratic Senatorial candidate, Richard Stengel, and Congressman William L. Dawson, both of Illinois, have suggested that Dr. Ralph Bunche be drafted to act as peacemaker in the Near East crisis.

These suggestions, of course, are based on the fact that it was Dr. Bunche who did most to bring peace to the Holy land in the early days of the founding of the Israeli nation. He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1950 for his efforts.

We join with those who seek to draft

Dr. Bunche for the job that must be done today. Certainly his services must be of value because of his great experience. Further, we believe that Dr. Bunche would be more acceptable to both sides than most of those in the State Department who might be considered for such an assignment.

The role of a peacemaker is a very delicate one and sometimes very dangerous, too. Few men in the field of international diplomacy could bring more intellect and courage to bear upon this situation than Dr. Bunche. He was baptized in fire and his whole career attests to his ability to walk erect on a tight-rope and make friends out of those who might well be his enemies.

If the brass in Washington really wishes to put our best foot forward in this critical Near East situation, they will make every effort to draft Dr. Bunche for the role of peacemaker. If you want to put out a dangerous fire, you would do well to get a good fireman, a professional, experienced fire fighter. Let us call on a real fireman, Dr. Bunche.

DARK SHADOWS

by Nat D. Williams

Moderation Or Good Sense

It seems like nowadays the easiest and quickest route to popularity and public acclaim is to be expert at cursing another race... individually and collectively.

Pip-squeaks on both sides of the racial fence are gaining more attention than they've ever had in their lives sounding off in public about groups and individuals they don't know the first true fact about, or else repeating a lot of tripe that was out-dated fifty years ago.

They invade churches, business places, social clubs, civic groups, street corners and pound out their pet peeves, numb notions, dumb deductions, and silly suggestions without rhyme, reason, or invitation.

They easily reach the conclusion that they've really floored the world when they find themselves in a group where nobody says much while they're blowing off. They never once realize or stop to think that somebody in the audience might not feel as they do...or maybe is downright opposed to what they say and the way they say it. They don't know the meaning or the sound of the word moderation. And if anybody is so rash as to mention using "good sense" in their presence they turn on him with withering scorn and try to incite the mob mind against him.

The only degree of moderation they show is that they usually do the bulk of their "big talk" at the "big gate." They beat their chests out of sight of any member of race they're cursing whom they figure might have the difference of an advantage in a show-down stemming from the shirt-waving. They can't be heard above a mouse whisper when they're penned down to repeat what they said at the "big gate" before the folk in the "big house." The hot air they blew in the barbershop turns to an Arctic cold at the mere thought of an expression in a court-room.

It's a high time that those citizens who recognize the gravity of the situation and want to do some-

thing to allay fears, hatreds, bitterness and suspicious, also recognize that breed among them who have never lent themselves to anything progressive in the past, and only have a supply of big words in back-alleys and back-rooms to add to the present.

It's a homely truism that "biting dogs don't do a lot of barking." The thought is applicable to a lot of those who are applying their tongues and not their minds and hearts to the current racial situation. They're merely "barking" and should be recognized as mere "Bugsle Anns."

As in all social situations the major solutions will have to be supplied by those who are moderate with their words and generous with their straight thinking and right action. They should not have to waste time dodging the hot barbs that come from the mouths of the "big gate" blow-hards who hide in the crowd and say what the folks up front ought to be doing.

Frankly, about all these "blow-hards" are saying is "Let's you and him fight." Then when somebody asks, "Why fight... can't this thing be talked over?", the "blow-hard" screams to high heaven that the person who asks such a question is a traitor to his race, a handkerchief head, Uncle Tom, N—r-Lover, and a lot of other dirty so-and-so's.

And, if one isn't thinking or doesn't already have his mind set to ward off the venom, he'll find himself automatically seeking cover. A lot of folk are scared to say anything one way or the other, for fear of the "blow-hards." They dread having the mud of hate and the fear of such poisoned and frustrated personalities poured on themselves. And it's a natural dread.

Yet, to be forewarned is to be fore-armed. It might be well to recognize such individuals among us and classify them for what they are.

In separating the sheep from the goats one can't depend on sound alone. Now, how about that?

Advantage in RACE RELATIONS

CONNIE MACK YES? NO?

One of the questions left unanswered by the death of Connie Mack was his attitude toward Negroes.

Though it was generally believed that he had nothing for a Negro to do, it is true that two Negroes, Vic Power and Bob Trice played with the Athletics while Mack was still in command.

This, incidentally, occurred before a number of other major league teams began using Negro players.

Al Monroe who was sports editor for the Defender "several" years ago, is convinced Connie Mack "was not right on the question."

During his term as sports editor, Monroe hit upon the idea of getting a picture of Connie Mack with Bill Buckner trainer for the White Sox.

It wasn't much of a picture, but what could be done in those days when there were no Negro players in the major leagues?

Al contacted Eddie Collins, one of Connie Mack's aides. "I don't think he would go for that," Collins advised. But Al wasn't giving up.

He called Mack directly at his hotel. Why should I pose with

him?" Connie wanted to know, "He's no ballplayer."

"For my paper," Al explained.

"All right," said Connie, "come on by."

Al grabbed a cab and rushed right over.

At the desk, he asked the clerk for Connie Mack's room. The clerk gave him the desired information, but pointed out that Mack was in the lobby.

In the lobby Al looked around, spotted the baseball mentor and walked over.

"I'm Al Monroe," he said extending his hand. Connie Mack just stared at him, ignoring the extended brown hand.

"Well?" he responded with a "so-what" attitude.

"I'm the newspaper man who called you about that picture with Bill Buckner."

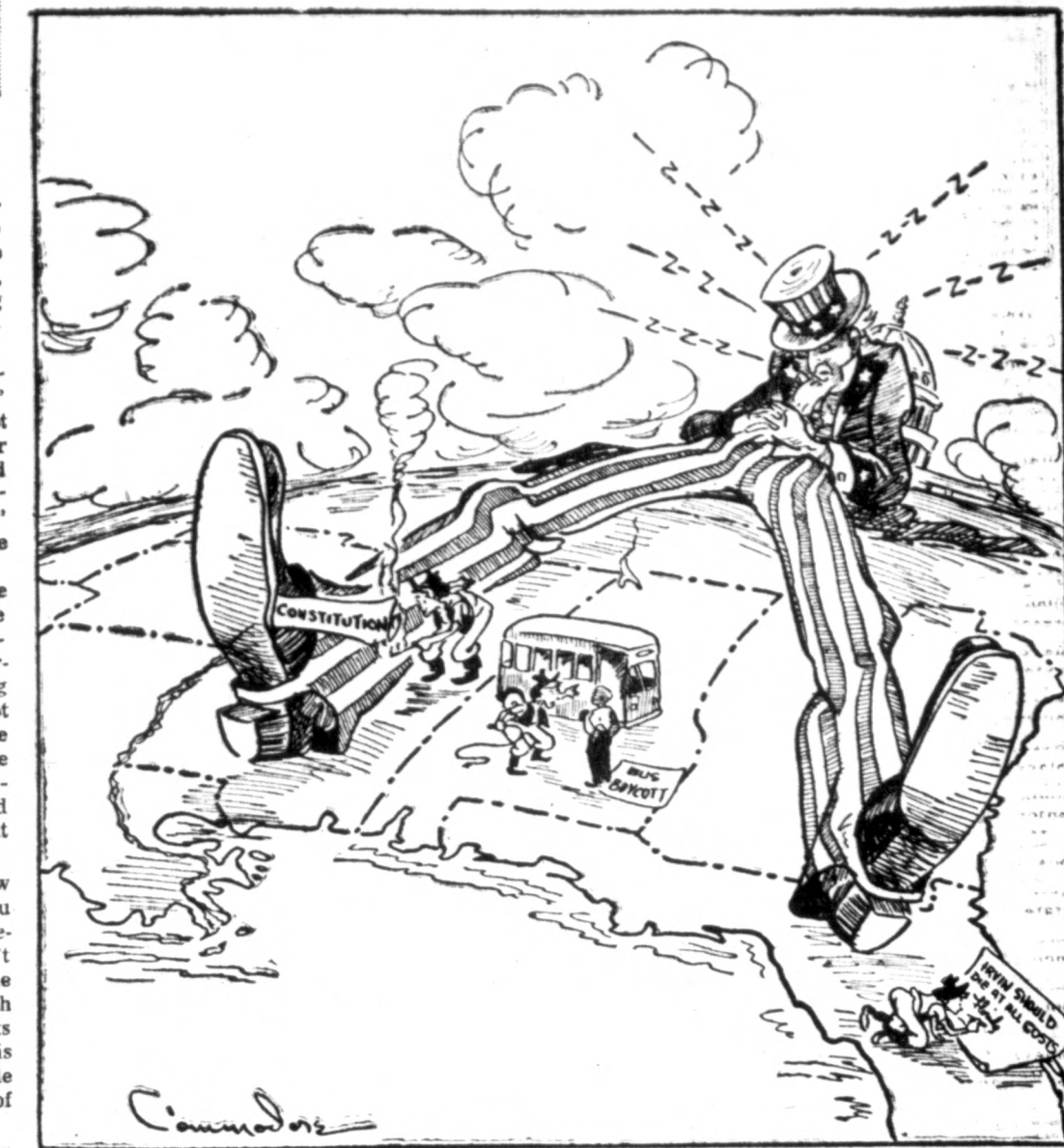
Connie Mack renewed his stare: "What paper did you say?"

"The Defender," Al responded, "the nation's greatest Negro weekly."

Connie Mack stood up and stared down at Al who is too short to be even a water boy on one of today's basketball teams.

Without saying a word, Connie walked away.

Another Rip Van Winkle?



LANGSTON Hughes

Simple: Home-Grown Colored Folks Have Less Weight Than Foreign

"I was just reading in a New York paper that the world is two-thirds colored and only one-third white," said Simple.

"I guess that is about correct," I said, "because all of Africa and Asia are colored, and they are pretty big continents. China, Japan, India, Ethiopia, and Nigeria, are all colored countries with millions of people, so the world probably is two-thirds colored in fact."

"I wish the world would get more colored," said Simple.

"You always were a race man," I said, "so I am not surprised at your wish. But why?"

"Because the more colored the rest of the world is, the better our white folks here at home in the USA will treat us," said Simple. "From the way the white papers sound, also the radio, it seems white folks are beginning to get a little scared of colored folks in the rest of the world. So, I figure, the more colored folks there are elsewhere, the more scared our white folks will get. Colored folks in China and India and places like that carry more weight than colored folks do here. Just let Nehru say 10 words, and it is a big headline in a New York paper. But me, I can holler head off about a lynching in Mississippi or a mob in Alabama and nobody pays me the least mind. Yet I live here in America. Why do you reckon that is?"

"You, my dear fellow," I said,

"are only a plain American citizen. Nehru is the head of a great government, India."

"Yes," said Simple, "but India is thousands of miles away across land and sea, whereas right here and right now in the USA is me, and twice as dark as Nehru. I think when I speak, somebody ought to pay me some attention, too. Do I have to be an Indian to raise my voice and be heard? And all this Foreign Aid I read about Congress is giving. How come I can't get a few billion dollars, too, to build some houses for me right here in Harlem where I can't find an apartment for love nor money? I'm a grown man and married and I need a roof over my head that ain't a kitchenette. And instead of sending tanks to Saudi Arabia, how come they can't build a few more buses and street cars and subway cars in New York so when I leave Harlem to go to work, I can set down once in awhile instead of being so crowded I have to stand on one foot because there ain't even room to put the other foot down? How come we got to send away so much Foreign Aid when there is so much that ought to be done at home — which is where charity begins?"

"America is trying to set an example," I said.

"Example," cried Simple. "How come we got to set an example for the rest of the world when

the example we done set at home don't do a bit of good in Mississippi, neither Alabama n o'r Georgia, nor South Carolina, neither my home which is Virginia? They want to put colored folks in jail for not riding Jim Crow buses in Montgomery, but there's no jail for that Indian from Nehru's country who didn't want to eat in a Jim Crow dining room in Texas last year. Him they put on the front page of the "New York Times" and wrote a big editorial of apologies. I have yet to see any white paper apologizing to Miss Lucy for them students that tried to kill her on the campus of the University of Alabama just because she wanted to go to school. I'm telling you, foreign colored folks carries more weight than us home-grown kind. When I get borned again, I'm gonna be born in India."

"That is a very remote possibility," I said. "It is hardly likely you will be born again."

"I might," said Simple. "Either that or I will be washed whiter than snow. The only thing about snow is, it is so cold, and white is so colorless. Besides, if the world is two-thirds colored now, in a few more years what would be the point in being white? If I never get borned again, and never get washed whiter than snow, what I will do is stay just like I am — me and them other two-thirds — colored."

DOPE and DATA by Louis E. Martin

In a suite in the Biltmore hotel in New York City four years ago, I remember that Dr. Channing Tobias gave a little friendly advice to Adlai Stevenson who was then, of course, the Democratic candidate for President of the U. S.

Dr. Tobias, who is a magnificent speaker and conversationalist, opened up with the following observation: "You know, governor, it is very difficult to be objective about an issue when you happen to be the issue yourself."

I have been reminded of this truth many times in recent weeks, particularly in discussions of the race issue with white friends. All of us know, of course, there is no such thing as complete objectivity on such an issue anyway, regardless of your color. Nevertheless, in weighing the facts of a situation we strive, if we are reasonably intelligent, for as much objectivity as possible.

Now when I look at the Southern scene today and consider as objectively as I possibly can what is taking place, I cannot escape the conviction that all of us in America, white and black alike, are headed for serious trouble.

I think the contempt for law, the contempt for the Constitution and for the Supreme Court of the U. S. which seems to be growing in the South may be far more serious than we realize. As Dr. Carmichael of the University of Alabama suggested in his recent speech, the next step is anarchy or outright mob rule.

An atmosphere is being engendered in the South in which each white man can take the law into

his own hands when he wishes and at the same time feel a perverted sense of justification for his action.

Take, for instance, the recent slaying of Dr. Thomas H. Brewer, the distinguished physician of Columbus, Ga. The 72-year old doctor has always been a good, safe citizen, a big wheel in the Georgia Republican party; and a man who was generally respected by whites and Negroes.

Now Dr. Brewer was a "moderate" not a "radical." He believed in moderation and the powers of education but he was no coward. When his sense of human decency was outraged, he spoke up and protested.

From what I gather, he was slain because he dared speak up for simple justice. The man who killed him, according to the dispatches, was a white businessman who presumably would not be expected to act like a hoodlum.

In other times perhaps, Dr. Brewer would not have been slain. But the violent atmosphere of the South today which is being whipped up by Sen. Eastland, and the leadership of the White Councils and the race racketeers, has become so charged that any crime against a Negro becomes "justifiable" in this psychotic culture.

Hitler and the Nazis demonstrated how a great people can be led to put other human beings by the truck load into gas chambers. The Nazis created a cultural climate in Germany that induced intellectuals to devour one another and degenerate into beasts.

This was possible in Germany because the central government

had been subverted and rendered weak and spineless in the face of the bigots marching in iron boots. Are there any such parallels in our country today?

With all the objectivity I can muster, I believe that the federal government, and particularly the Department of Justice, has deliberately followed a policy of appeasement of racists. This policy has encouraged the white extremists and made them bolder.

The federal government has been subverted, it seems to me, by Hitlerite elements from the South. I believe that Sen. Eastland is just as determined as was Stalin or Hitler to undermine our democracy. The motives may be different but the objective is the same.

Communists, fascists and white supremacists are all birds of a feather. They do not believe in tolerating differences nor freedom for minorities nor true individual liberty. Sen. Eastland is closer to being a Communist than he is to being a patriotic American.

This is the way I see the race relations situation today and I am trying to be objective. I believe that if the current wave of lawlessness and defiance of the courts and constituted authorities is not shortly brought under control, our democracy as envisioned by our founding fathers will perish in this country, in our life time.

Should we take the wrong turn now and appease our Hitler, this country will fall into the laps of those bent on world conquests in time to come. The so-called 100 per cent Americans may turn out to be our most dangerous traitors.

What The People Say

O'Hara Booster

DEAR EDITOR: I want to congratulate your paper upon its expansion into a Daily paper. I also wish to congratulate the political stakeholders for having chosen as the Democratic candidate for the 2nd Congressional District, The Hon. Barrett O'Hara.

As a reader of the "Congressional Record," I have noted all comments and voting records of all members of Congress especially those from Chicago. Cong. O'Hara has been a consistent defender of the rights of minority people. He has advocated better housing, more employment and a real spirit of brotherhood and good-will.

Our northside Congressman freshman, Charles A. Boyle has already introduced a Civil Rights bill and Cong. Barrett O'Hara is an ardent supporter of Charlie Boyle's bill. As you probably know Barrett O'Hara was the 1955 recipient of the Brotherhood Award given to him by your Southside Churches.

I trust that your readers who reside in the 2nd Congressional District will remember that Cong. O'Hara is a sincere friend of all his constituents and that they will vote for their friend on Nov. 1956.

—Mrs. Alfred Loewenthal, Chicago, Ill.

'Passing The Buck'

DEAR EDITOR: You criticize Stevenson on the segregation issue. Why don't you criticize Eisenhower, who now occupies the White House and does nothing about the question?

The Republicans are trying to pass the question on to the Democrats. It's a cute trick, but it won't work, because the Republicans are now in power. — A. Jones, Chicago, Ill.

A Hard Job

DEAR EDITOR: Someone wrote an article in another Chicago paper concerning the U. S. upholding the sentence of Communist Claude Lightfoot, and claimed that Turkey and several other countries held 3-day trials for "These rats and put them before the firing squads."

I do not agree with communism, as I understand they are opposed to Christianity and I am a Christian minister: nor do I agree with the statement signed H. D.

The fact is you cannot destroy communism by killing all the "rats in America" anymore than Christianity can destroy sin by

killing all sinners. But it is my honest opinion that if we can teach these people, the high ideals of our Government, we will not only destroy the fruit which we believe to be poison, but we will also destroy the tree that produces the fruit.—Rev. William Eldridge, Chicago, Ill.

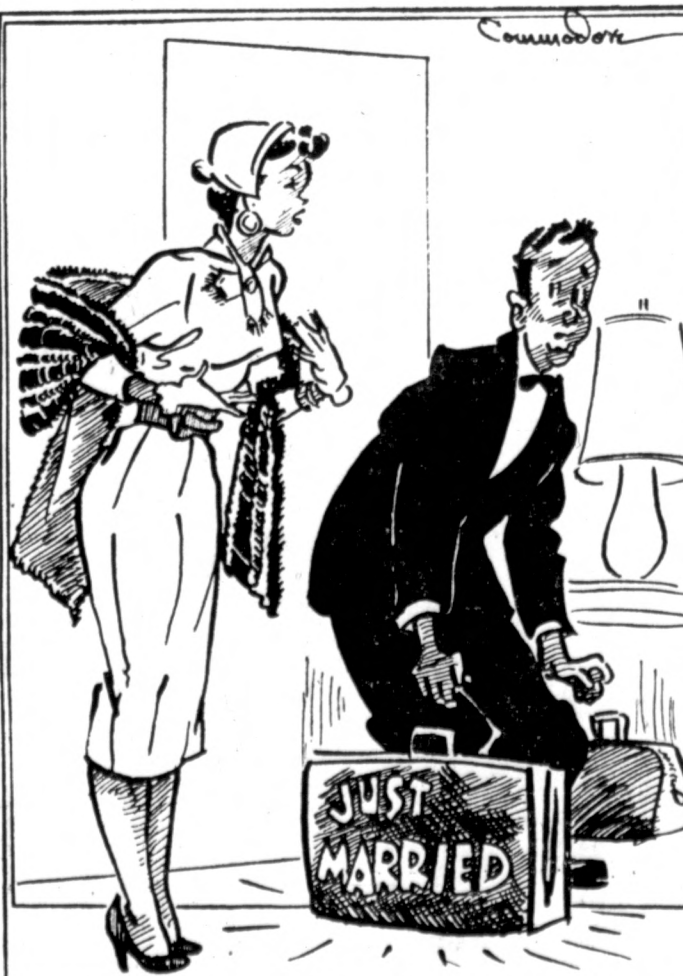
'No Children Admitted'

DEAR EDITOR: The article about no apartments being available if you have children, appealed to me very much, because I face the same problem as Mrs. Rebecca Matthews. I've looked everywhere and just can't find any decent place, because I've four children.

My present quarters are terrible, no bath or hot water and the toilet will not flush. The toilet itself is out in the hall. Rats (no mice) roaches and every other kind of pests are running freely. I have had an application at the housing authority for four years and it's the same thing. You have to be a veteran which my husband is not.

I hope that I'll be as lucky as Mrs. Matthews in finding an apartment. — Mrs. Mary Johnson, Chicago, Ill.

SO WHAT?



"MOTHER NEVER TOLD ME ABOUT THE BIRDS AN' THE BEES... JUST PEOPLE!"

'Twas
Mad,
Merry
Pace But
Friends
Of '400,'
Knights
Loved It!



● WHEN TWO of Chicago's popular male clubs — the Knights of the Round Table and the Post Office "400" — give annual formal dancing parties fun, frivolity and friendship prevail. Defender Photographer Tony Rhoden's camera tells the story of some of the merrymakers at the "Knights" gala affair in the Parkway ballroom.

● DANCING COUPLES (top left) are Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Brefford (foreground) and Mr. and Mrs. William Lowry. Top right: Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Fredrick. He's club publicist. Above left: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tate. Gay parties like the one (right above) make Knights' affairs enjoyable interludes. Group includes (from left) Mrs. Eloise Davis, Mrs. Vera Williams, Emmett Smith, Alberta Smith and Paul Williams.



● EQUALLY AS gala and glamorous was the Post Office "400" formal ball in the Grand ballroom same night. Photo above left: Foursome exchanging gay repartee as Elvin A. Bradley holds their laughing attention includes, Mrs. Ruth Jamison, prep school director; Miss Vivi-

ane Miller and Mrs. Alma O. Hines of Chattanooga, Tenn., who was guest of Fred J. Nelson, financial secretary of the host aggregation and his wife, Mrs. Mary Nelson. Top right: Enjoying the dance from dance floor vantage spot are (clockwise) Mrs. Conrad Hilliard, William A.

Little, Mr. Hilliard, Dudley D. Patillo, Mrs. Patillo and Mrs. Elizabeth McMinn. Right: Edward Page, president of the Post Office "400" club and Mrs. Archie Coleman find festivities most interesting. (Defender Photos by Lyles).