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HAPPY NEW YEAR

Gives On-Spot Report Of How Montgomery Ended Racial Segregation On Its Buses



MONTGOMERY NEGRO CITIZENS returned to the city buses on a non-segregated basis last Friday. In so doing they scored a victory over the traditional pattern of segregation for democracy. In photo

to extreme left, two leaders of the Montgomery Improvement Association ride on the front seat of a bus. Next to the window is Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., internationally known, who is president of

MIA. Seated beside him is Rev. Ralph D. Abernathy, first vice president of the organization. The white man in the foreground left is Rev. Glenn Smiley, a Methodist minister. In second photo

from left, Dr. Jefferson Underwood, of 683 Elmwood (left) rides with a friend in an integrated situation. Third photo from left shows L. Alex Wilson, editor of the Tri-State

Defender, who covered the birth of integration in Montgomery for the Defender publication, riding on a Friday morning bus to get on-the-spot facts about the progress of bus

desegregation in the city. The fourth photo from left shows three passengers complying with the new pattern, one a Negro, who is seated in the background. On Thursday eve-

ning, Dec. 20, the day before desegregation began, an overflow crowd attended a mass meeting at Holt Street Baptist church to be briefed in further action. The throng is shown as

it gave a standing ovation to Rev. King, after he announced that "We will return to the buses on a non-segregated basis." (Exclusive Defender Photos by Ernest Withers)



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Editor Reports On Montgomery

By L. ALEX WILSON

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — I saw this city, "The Cradle of the Confederacy," give enforced birth to integration on local buses Friday.

It was an inspiring and exhilarating experience to observe true, Christian democracy function deep in the heart of bias-ridden Alabama and deep in the heart of Dixie.

The stage was set for the historic birth with the arrival Thursday of the Supreme Court's mandate, refusing to reconsider its Nov. 13 decision invalidating segregation on the city's buses.

STANDING VOTE
At a mass meeting Thursday night, I saw hundreds of united-foot-weary Negro citizens, as a result of the High Court's order, give a rousing standing vote to return to the buses on a non-segregated basis.

I saw their leaders, internationally known Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., Revs. Ralph D. Abernathy, W. J. Powell, S. S. Seay and H. H. Johnson give the overflow audience at Holt Street Baptist church final instructions on what to do come Friday morning.

Excitement tempered with caution began to grip the citizens who

had trudged the street and byways of the city for 12 long months to maintain their dignity and correct injustices.

"WE NEED YOU, LORD"
By 6 a. m. Friday morning, the excitement had mounted in intensity in the Negro neighborhoods. In the hearts of many too, was the prayer, deeply impassioned, offered by Rev. H. H. Johnson Thursday evening at the mass meeting:

"You have kept us in your hands . . . Oh Lord . . . now keep your arms of protection around us . . . We need you . . . Right now . . . Tomorrow morning."

At 6:30 a. m., I boarded a bus, along with my photographer, Ernest Withers.

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Show Gratitude To Two Clinton Leaders

A \$50 scholarship to be awarded to some worthy senior attending Clinton High school, in Clinton, Tenn., has been made available by a group of Memphians.

The same group also gave desk pen sets to D. J. Brittain, principal of Clinton High, and Rev. Paul W. Turner, pastor of First Baptist church, Clinton.

Both the scholarship and the gifts were made, a spokesman for the group said, "as a small measure of our great support of the stand most of the white students and community leaders have taken since Clinton High school was integrated by court order."

The scholarship is to go to any student, white or Negro, deemed worthy of financial assistance by the school.

Clinton High was desegregated this year under a Federal Court order after the school board lost a five-year fight to maintain segregation. After a smooth start, violence erupted when outside agitators whipped up anti-feelings. State troopers and finally the National Guard had to be called in.

A few weeks ago a wave of inside-the-school troubles flared with certain white students abusing Negro students. The Negro students withdrew from school until they could get more protection.

Rev. Turner was beaten by pro-segregationists after he led Negro students back to school. This

resulted in the school's being closed for several days and arrests of pro-segregationists, who now await trial on charges of violating a Federal injunction by interfering with peaceful desegregation at Clinton High.

Principal Brittain is credited with playing a major role in molding a law-abiding sentiment among many of the people of Clinton.

Dr. Hollis F. Price, president of LeMoyne college, served as chairman of the group which contributed to the scholarship and pen sets.

Members include the Tri-State Defender newspaper, Dr. Ernest Hooper, A. Maceo Walker, Dr. J. E. Walker, B. G. Olive, Charles Phillips, James Miller, Miss Mae I. Davenport, Andrew Hsu, Miss Margaret Bush, Rev. John C. Mickle, Dr. Mouta Cheng, Utilus Phillips, Dr. Peter Cooper, Miss Martelle Trigg, Dr. Floyd Crawford, Mrs. Charlie P. Roland, Mrs. Velma R. McEwen, Lionel Arnold, Mrs. Lila A. Lee, I. S. Bodden, Lt. George W. Lee, C. C. Sawyer, Jesse Turner and Dr. Julian Kelso.

Kills His 'Wife' About Xmas Money

Relatives Say Slayer In Triangle

Belief that her husband was holding out money from his check during Christmas shopping days led to an argument that resulted in the woman being shot to death by the man, police report.

Pauline Niter, 28, was hit in the right side of the breast by a charge from a 12 gauge shotgun fired by Ernest King, says Capt. W. W. Wilkinson, homicide chief.

The shooting occurred at 2413 Zanone, where the couple lived together.

King, 28, was taken into custody early Saturday morning and was to be charged with murder on Monday morning in City Court.

Capt. Wilkinson said the shooting took place after they quarreled in the bedroom, after a friend of King's brought Mrs. Niter home from her job at the Domino Sundry on Park ave.

He said King also had given the same friend his check to cash, and Mrs. Niter already angered because King sent someone to pick her up rather than come himself, renewed the argument when she saw the friend slipping King money from the check.

Mother of a nine-year-old son, James Arthur London, Mrs. Niter had already done most of her Christmas shopping.

Fred M. Agee, owner of the Domino Sundry where she worked, told the Tri-State Defender that Mrs. Niter had kept most of her things there and had taken them home with her when she left the Sundry about 6:15 the night she was killed.

Presented included a gun set for her son; shirts for her father, and

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HERE ARE

Suggestions For Bus Integration

Leaders of the Montgomery Improvement Association issued a leaflet of "integrated bus suggestions" to help Negro citizens accomplish their end of a non-violent desegregation of the city's buses.

The suggestions included eight of general nature and another nine termed "specific suggestions."

They were:

(1) Not all white people are opposed to integrated buses. Accept goodwill on the part of many.

(2) The whole bus is now for the use of all people. Take a vacant seat.

(3) Pray for guidance and commit yourself to complete non-violence in word and action as you enter the bus.

(4) Demonstrate the calm dignity of our Montgomery people in your actions.

(5) In all things observe ordinary rules of courtesy and good behavior.

(6) Remember that this is not a victory for Negroes alone, but for all Montgomery and the South. Do not boast! Do not brag!

(7) Be quiet but friendly; proud, but not arrogant; joyous; but not boisterous.

(8) Be loving enough to absorb evil and understanding enough to turn an enemy into a friend.

SPECIFIC SUGGESTIONS:

(1) The bus driver is in charge of the bus and has been instructed to obey the law. Assume that he will cooperate in helping you occupy any vacant seat.

(2) Do not deliberately sit by a white person, unless there is no other seat.

(3) In sitting down by a person, white or colored, say "May I?" or "Pardon me?" as you sit. This is a common courtesy.

(4) If cursed, do not curse back. If pushed, do not push back. If struck, do not strike back, but evidence love and goodwill at all times.

(5) In case of incident, talk as little as possible, and always in a quiet tone. Do not get up from your seat! Report all serious incidents to the bus driver.

(6) For the first few days try to get on the bus with a friend in whose non-violence you have confidence. You can uphold one another by a glance or a prayer.

(7) If another person is being molested, do not arise to go to his defense, but pray for the oppressor and use moral and spiritual force to carry on the struggle for justice.

(8) According to your own ability and personality, do not be afraid to experiment with new and creative techniques for achieving reconciliation and social change.

(9) If you feel you cannot take it, walk for another week or two. We have confidence in our people. God Bless You All.

Mrs. M. Wright Dies Suddenly

Mrs. Mabel Winfrey Wright, 68, of 896 Polk, widow of the late Father E. M. M. Wright, former rector of Emmanuel Episcopal church, died here Saturday night.

She was thought to have suffered a heart attack while driving her car. The vehicle struck a street light post at E. H. Crump blvd. and Walnut at about 9:30 p. m.

Witnesses say she slumped

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Riders Tell Reaction To New Pattern

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"I found no difficulty whatever in picking a seat of my choice and riding in that seat. All went well during my trip downtown. There was only one other Negro

IN MONTGOMERY

An Exciting Day For Thousands

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MONTGOMERY, Ala. — It was Thursday, Dec. 20, a dull, gloomy day, but one which more than 50,000 Negro citizens of Montgomery will not forget.

The good news about the arrival in the city of the Supreme Court's order ending segregation on buses, spread like a wind-lashed brush fire.

This was early Thursday afternoon. The thousands who had for 12 months refused to ride buses because of extreme mistreatment, looked forward to one thing: The message from their great leader, Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., at

two mass meetings, one at 7 p. m., and the other at 8 o'clock Thursday. The meetings, previously announced, were scheduled for Holt Street Baptist church and at First

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An Agitator



THIS MAN, who identified himself with a business card attempted to stir up trouble in Montgomery's Court Square, a changing point for buses, Friday morning.

The card he handed out showed John E. Ingle, vice president of Southeastern Credit Bureau Corp., Inc., Montgomery, Ala. When a Negro boarded a bus and seated him-

self near midway of the vehicle Ingle shouted to the battery of white and Negro cameramen present: "Get a picture of that black . . ."

Ingle was ignored for a few minutes then two newsmen converged on him. As he left, obviously nervous, photographer Ernest Withers upset him further by making the above pix.

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nest withers; at S. Jackson and High st. There were only two Negro women on the bus and they were seated on the first seat, left of the vehicle.

They were neatly dressed, calm, courteous and on their dignity. The bus driver, who without doubt had been fully briefed, had added to their confidence. In a simple test I found him courteous and intelligent.

I rode to Lawrence and Dexter streets, downtown, where quite a number of buses stop en route to and from white neighborhoods transporting Negro workers. Out of the eight buses which halted at the stop while I observed here, only on two were Negroes seated in the rear. One in each instance.

THE ICE-BREAKERS

There was not an mass return to the vehicles during the early morning hours, but fairly representative. These ice-breakers were the responsible, courageous citizens who knew fully what they were doing.

At 7:30 a. m. I arrived at Court Square, in the heart of downtown Montgomery, which is a heavily used changing point for passengers.

There I found, as the buses arrived, that Negro passengers — for the most part — had abandoned the rear seats, when there were others available. Resentment was not reflected on the faces of the white passengers as they left the buses.

LEADERS ON THE SCENE

On the scene was Rev. King, leaders and members of the Montgomery Improvement Association, a battery of white and Negro newsmen and cameramen, and some white citizens awaiting transportation.

On Thursday night, Rev. King had organized the ministers into teams of two and three, to ride each major bus line as observers.

Soon the reports began to come in, as the teams returned from some of the "roughest bus lines" in the city. The lines were so described because of the number of white passengers who rode them.

All reports were favorable as of 11 a. m., with only a few minor and expected incidents.

AN INCIDENT

One incident occurred while we were in Court Square. A white man seamed, and unnoticed until the outbreak, in a car lost control of himself after observing democracy in action.

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He was approached finally, after he had been ignored by everyone for a few minutes, by two newsmen. Soon thereafter, obviously nervous, he drove out of the Square.

Rev. King said: "Our non-violence program is proving its worth."

He told me that the reports he had received on the desegregation of the buses were quite favorable.

Earlier he had said: I am not upset by resistance that might develop. It is just a part of the overall movement toward a new emerging society. We feel certain that the shock phase will soon pass away, that the white reactionaries will discover as they are discovering, that they are fighting a losing battle. The future looks bright."

Rev. Abernathy, who is first vice president of MIA told me that "everything is going along all right thus far." Earlier he had said:

"Walking days are over now for the freedom-loving people of 'The Cradle of the Confederacy' . . . We realize this is not a victory for Negroes alone but for democracy."

Youthful Atty. Arthur D. Gray, 26, who won his case against reactionaries to get him into the Army because of his militant action with the MIA stated that "this whole fight has been an interesting and challenging experience. The people are to be commended for their unity and fortitude."

I saw Rev. King further demonstrate his humble and courageous leadership. He, with a white Methodist minister, Rev. Glenn Smiley, and others of MIA, rode buses on two major lines.

And by noon Friday, I learned through interviews that a number of citizens who were reluctant to ride, had made up their minds to stop walking.

In talking with several persons who had ridden the buses during the morning, I found that the Jackson street driver whose bus I boarded was not an exception. Not one unfavorable report had come in on the drivers at noon Friday.

UNDERSTANDING WHITES
White passengers appeared to be understanding and tolerant, for the most part. One white girl took a seat, for example, beside a Negro maid. Another white woman expressed holiday greeting as she left the bus.

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James Hampton, of the Ben Moore hotel, Jackson and South High sts., said:

"I found no difficulty whatever in picking a seat of my choice and riding in that seat. All went well during my trip downtown. There was only one other Negro on the bus and he chose to sit in the rear."

Dr. Moses W. Jones of 48 N. Lawrence, had an opportunity to satisfy his curiosity on Friday:

"I had some curiosity about the front seat of a bus. My opportunity came this morning (Friday) and I found myself in one. They had been guarded so religiously that I felt they were made of air cushions and that probably there was a lever which would automatically release gold coins into one's pocket when he sat down. But, in all sincerity, it was a worthy experience."

Dr. Jefferson Underwood, of 683 Elmwood st., reported a case in which the bus driver's tact and indifference in handling a white passenger bordered on the mythical.

"I boarded a South Jackson bus," Dr. Underwood explained, "and took a long seat up front. Just across from me a big, untidy white man was sitting. For a few moments he glared across at me. Meanwhile, I noted the bus driver was humming a tune, apparently pleased to get back on the job."

"The white passenger spoke to the driver: 'Do you know about that?' he nodded in my direction. 'The driver nodded his head and said, 'Uh, huh,' then continued to hum."

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"The driver, still humming, stopped the bus, and the man stalked out."

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GETS A REPORT — L. Alex Wilson, gets a report from Rev. Martin Luther King, jr., on the progress of bus desegregation in the city during a chat. Rev. King said: "From what I have personally observed and the reports I have received everything is going along favorably. It should be remembered that we have to go through a period of adjustment."

Rev. King recalled: "We have struggled against tremendous odds to maintain alternative transportation. We can remember days when unfavorable court decisions came upon us like tidal waves, leaving us treading in the deep and confused waters of despair."

"Now our faith seems vindicated," he said humbly. "The long-awaited mandate from the United States Supreme Court concerning bus segregation has come to Montgomery. This mandate expresses in terms that are crystal clear that segregation in public transportation is both legally and sociologically invalid."

Rev. King then made the anticipated announcement: "In the light of this mandate, he said, 'and the unanimous vote rendered by the Montgomery Improvement Association about a month ago, the year-old protest against the city buses is officially called off and the Negro citizens of Montgomery are urged to return to the buses tomorrow (Dec. 21) on a non-segregated basis."

Though the MIA board had approved this action, Rev. King, for the sake of the record and to give due consideration to the followers, offered a motion "that the Negro citizens return to the buses on a non-segregated basis. It was immediately seconded by Rev. Johnson. Then the audience quickly gave a unanimous standing vote of approval."

Rev. King, directing his remarks now at local municipal officials, "We hope that all the city officials will accept the Supreme Court's decision in good faith."

Then he cautioned the audience about conduct on the buses. "Don't go out of your way to sit beside a white person," he urged. "Take a vacant seat."

"If you are cursed or attacked, heed the instructions of non-violence you have received."

"Pray over this matter. Ask God to purify our own hearts. We are going back to the buses with hope, dignity and the Spirit of God in our hearts," he said.

RELATIVES
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an iron for her mother.

Her relatives thought the quarrel could have been over how much money was to be spent during Christmas for children King had by another woman. They said the couple was married last March in Holly Springs, Miss.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Niter, reside at 2993 Dunn (formerly Maple). Sisters, a nd brothers are Mrs. Vernelle McGowan, 969 Tunstall; Miss Bonnie Niter, and Robert Lee Niter of the Dunn address; and James Niter, jr. of 969 Tunstall.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete at presstime.

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Gov. Williams Joins Group Set To Revamp Dem Policy

Gov. G. Mennen Williams of Michigan said last week that he will join forces with those persons in the Democratic party pledged to work for a "liberal, forward, hard-hitting" program.

The governor, who recently was named a member of an advisory committee of 20 to the Democratic National Committee, made his pledge at a press conference at the Congress hotel here upon his return from a six-week tour of South America.

He said the future of the party as a strong political force nationally will depend on a program that can be developed which will have the acceptance of the majority of Democrats.

"This must be consonant with the liberal traditions of the Democratic party because this is what the country needs," the governor declared.

The governor's wife, Mrs. Nancy Williams, who accompanied him on the tour, said that almost everywhere they went in South America, people were aware of the racial problems in this country and wanted to know what was being done about it.

Governor Williams said that particularly in Brazil and Puerto Rico, they were especially proud of integration and he had high praise for Gov. Luis Munoz Marin of Puerto Rico for his progressive administration.

He said that Gov. Munoz has invited people from all over the world to come and study the methods used there and this has proved a great good-will project.

Gov. Williams predicted that within a generation, South American countries will be great world powers in their own right, and he outlined a nine-point program of recommendations.

1. Cultural exchange of persons with encouragement of South American visits to Puerto Rico as well as the United States. 2.

Encouragement of private loans. 3. Further development of Point-4 programs. 4. Government loans. 5. Exchange of visits among labor union people. 6. U. S. businessmen utilized as effective unofficial ambassadors and technical assistants. 7. Further contacts between universities on the two continents. 8. Rapid completion of the Pan-American highway and 9. Encouragement of tourism.

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Nurses Unit Fetes The Tyuses

The Nurses Unit of Pentecostal Temple honored W. C. Tyus, instructor of Red Cross First Aid and director of fixed Red Cross First Aid Stations, and Mrs. Laura Tyus, chairman of the Negro First Aid division of the Memphis and Shelby County Chapter with an appreciation Banquet. The lovely dinner was held in the beautiful Virginia Gates Hall at Pentecostal Temple, 229 So. Wellington, Monday night, Dec. 17.

DECORATIONS

The hall was beautifully decorated with holly, red roses and green foliage. During the banquet, entertainment was furnished by students of a recent First Aid class instructed by Mr. and Mrs. Tyus. Certificates for a completed course in Standard First Aid were awarded to 13 students and 11 certificates were awarded to students who completed the advanced course. The class was then presented to the pastor, Bishop J. O. Patterson.

THE ADDRESS

Bishop Patterson gave a challenging address to the students and guests, stating: "You have been trained to do a Christian job. Jesus said, when I was sick you visited me not. For as much as you have done for the least one of my brethren, you do also to me. Therefore, when you serve humanity, you serve Christ." He also congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Tyus for the time and patience they had used, manifesting and training the students.

Receiving certificates were: Mrs. Lillian Robinson, Mrs. Thelma Smith, Mrs. Bonnie M. Collins, Mrs. Irene Lundy, Mrs. J. L. Robinson, Mrs. Lula Foster, Mrs. Hortense Sherrod, Mrs. Mable Hunter, Mrs. Flora Henley, Mrs. Orla B. Dansy, Mrs. Ada Peete, Mrs. Lela Thomas and Miss Frances Britt.

GUESTS PRESENT

Among the guests present were: Mrs. Elnora J. Neely, an associate instructor; little Catherine Neely, Rev. A. W. Williams, a first aid instructor; Mrs. Deborah M. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. James Poindexter, Joseph Poindexter, Ashley Larry, C. Lundy, Mr. Hunter, Mrs. Viola Morton and James E. Smith. Officers of the Nurses Unit are Mrs. Lela Thomas, president; Mrs. Dorothy Tennort, secretary; and Mrs. Flora Henley, treasurer.



A GROUP OF the members and friends who attended the Red Circle organization's Christmas social Dec. 14 at the Lauderdale High school library.

RIPLEY LAUDERDALE County NEWS

The Red Circle organization of Holy Grove Baptist church prepared for the Christmas holidays with a social Dec. 14, from 8 to 10 p.m. in the Lauderdale High school library. The members and guests highly enjoyed playing many games such as "Author".

A very tasty menu was served. Cookies and different kinds of sandwiches were served along with hot chocolate and punch. The library was decorated beautifully with Christmas symbols. The spirit of Christmas was present and demonstrated by presenting each person present with a gift.

The Red Circle consists of 12 members, Mrs. Sarah Carter, counselor; Mrs. Mary R. Lake, director; Officers present were: Ellen Gooch, president; Mary Buchanan, vice president; Norma Gooch, secretary; Lela K. Pitts, assistant secretary; Juanita Greer, treasurer. The following persons were guests: Earnestine Morgan, Luella Morgan, Wanda J. Brent, Lillie Mae Wright, Georgia Griffin, Willie L. Nelson, Walter Harris, Fred Harris, Andrew Durham, Tom Sanders, Grover Iron, Tommy Ray Saunders, Melvin Hardin, Frank Williams, Ross Braden, Julius Mann, Winston Bates, Cecil Mosby, Authur Watkins, Mabel Holloway, Eleona Glen Williams, Mrs. Mildred Williams, Rev. William Morgan, Mrs. Lillian Morgan, S. E. Moore, G. L. Lake and L. O. Gillespie.

It seems that an opportunity for a greater use of the Park is in the making. Samuel Lee, chairman of the Playground Equipment Purchasing Committee for the Rice Memorial Park reports that an eight set swing and a Merry Go-Round with a safety platform has been purchased for the park from the proceeds of the last Labor Day affair.

Before the Lauderdale High school recessed for the Christmas holidays the faculty and students witnessed several programs of much merit and appropriate for the season. The Junior Class presented a very beautiful and time-

campus and to erect famous Jubilee hall, and are credited with introducing the Negro spiritual to the musical world. The present-day group's tour was undertaken to promote interracial and international goodwill.

ly program during the chapel exercises Tuesday, Dec. 18. Instructor Mrs. Lillian Jones, The senior class conducted the chapel exercises Thursday, Dec. 20. A skit was presented which was written by Ellena Gooch, a member of the senior class. This play was highly enjoyed by all. Miss Minnie Durham was substituting for Mrs. Roberts Brent who had been somewhat ill for a few days but very much improved at this time. The NHA Dept. under the leadership of Mrs. Earlene Halliburton and Mrs. Ana Nelson served the faculty an elaborate dinner in the home economic department before the holidays. The NFA gave a pre-Christmas party in the gym which proved to be a success and enjoyed by all. John H. Nettles, president; G. R. Williams and L. O. Gillespie, advisors.

The student body, faculty and other workers enjoyed an old fashioned Christmas tree Friday in which each student and faculty member receiving at least one gift. Palmer Turner's parents and friends were highly entertained Thursday, Dec. 20 in Palmer Turner School Henning with a luncheon. The Christmas program was a success. Many gifts were placed on the tree. The program was conducted by Mrs. Gladys Williams and Mrs. B. A. Gillespie, Prof. R. F. Jacox, principal.

George Cox, K. Mitchell, James Baltimore, George Hill, along with the year's activities as well as projecting ideas into the future wishes to thank our many weekly readers of the Tri-State Defender for such splendid cooperation. We hope to give you more and better

services in the year to come. The third Executive Board of the Hickory Grove Baptist Association convened with the New Hope Baptist church, 538 Davis st., Jackson, Tenn., with the Rev. L. R. Swinney as host pastor, Rev. A. E. Campbell, moderator, Thursday, Dec. 13 through Friday night Dec. 14.

The meeting was very much successful both spiritually and financially. Here is a summary of the messages that were heard during the week: Thursday morning, Rev. W. A. Emory, text, "They fished all night and didn't catch anything." Subject: "They Would Not Bite It". Evening sermon, Rev. O. T. Betts, 1 Kings 17:16, subject: "The Unfailing Supply". Night service sermon Rev. D. Bonds, Rev. 22:16, subject: "The Sign of a Better Day".

Friday morning, sermon Rev. W. F. Whitlow, subject: "The Home That Sin Wrecked." 1 Kings 27:28, Evening sermon, Rev. W. R. Hill, Gen. 22:2, subject: "Come Up Higher" and to climax the program the Rev. P. J. Gooch preached the subject: "The Program of Christ" found in St. Mark 1:15. Total amount of money raised \$391.78.

Sunday, Dec. 16, the District State Ushers' Convention met at the Bells Chapel Baptist church, Bell, Tenn., with the Rev. J. J. Nance delivering the message. He used for his subject "Personal Responsibilities." Gen. 4:9-10. Sunday night, Dec. 16, the Rev. J. R. Halliburton and members of the Henning Grove MBC were honored guests of Mr. James Baltimore and Mrs. Sarah Turner. Rev. Halliburton preached an eloquent sermon from the words

"Come Up Higher" while the chorus so wonderfully sang with J. R. Halliburton as pianist. Other guests were from Holly Springs and Morning Star Baptist churches.

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A&T Courses At Booker T.

By A. B. BLAND

Registration for college work in extension classes at Booker T. Washington High school of Memphis, Tenn., will be conducted on Saturday, Jan. 5, 1957 at 9 a.m.

Mr. Harper and perhaps Mr. Carpenter will be in Memphis for that purpose.

Any high school graduate who wishes to begin his or her college education is eligible. Courses will be offered at both the undergraduate, and graduate levels. At the graduate level, core courses in education will be offered, while at the undergraduate level, courses will be offered in art, education, music, physical education, health and the social studies.

All classes are conducted on Saturdays and 6 quarter hours may be obtained by students each quarter. Prof. Blair T. Hunt and Miss Lucy Campbell are directors of the extension schools.

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A FRIEND OF THE J-U-G'S, INC. —Using a miniature cash register which is used as part of the occupational therapy at Les Passees Treatment Center is little Diane.

The J-U-G's is a group of seven energetic young ladies who provide transportation for Diane and other children at the Center where they receive physical, speech and occupational therapy. The J-U-G's are

again busy on their annual project to provide transportation for the cerebral palsied children for another year. They are again asking public support. (Withers Photo)

Fisk Jubilee Singers Return From 'Fabulous' 2-Month European Tour

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Fisk university's globe-trotting Jubilee Singers returned to their campus last week, a little weary but still exhilarated from their triumphant two-month goodwill concert tour of Europe that carried them to nine countries and the leading cities of the continent.

"This has been a fabulous tour," Prof. John W. Work, the renowned director of the group, reported. "We sang in the most important concert halls of Europe, and everywhere received ovation after ovation. My fondest expectations were exceeded."

Rave notices followed each of

the 56 concerts given by the Singers. In Rome, an audience of over 2,000 demanded — and got — eight encores. According to one Jubilee Singer, "We'd still be on that stage singing encores, if that audience had had its way."

For the 17 students who comprise the group, the tour will be their major topic of conversation for many months to come. Opinion is divided between Rome and Paris as a favorite city, but for Betty Nowlin of Houston, Texas, "Just seeing St. Peter's in Rome was worth all the trip."

PROMOTING GOODWILL

Orlando Lightfoot of Chicago

states that "an enthusiastic minority of the men, at least, talk quite a bit about Paris."

According to Mr. Work, some persuasion had to be used to get one of these enthusiasts to board the ship home, so enamored did he become of the City of Light. Several of the Singers have already expressed the desire to visit Europe again.

The contemporary Jubilee Singers are related to the group organized in 1871 by an unbroken line of succession. The original Singers raised \$150,000 during their first seven years to purchase the site of the present

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802 VANCE

Burnett Went To Veterans Benefit For Information; Got Big Position

When Mayceo Burnett and his wife were injured in an automobile accident enroute to the cotton field in Arkansas, they went to Atty. J. F. Estes, president of the Veterans' Benefit, Inc., to receive advice about filing suit for damages.

That was nine months ago. Mayceo Burnett is now superintendent of Veterans' Benefits Home at 860 Vance ave.

The story of his ascent from a meager position to one of executive responsibility is due largely to the fact that his employer discovered in him natural ability and immediately opened to him the door of opportunity. This story could be repeated a thousand or more times if Negroes would organize and do things themselves similarly to what Veterans Benefit is doing, or even otherwise.

WAS AT HOME

Burnett is a World War II veteran and served in the capacity of Mess Sergeant. Here he received training that made it possible for him to do a common task in an uncommon way. When Veterans' Benefit purchased it a home at 860 Vance and opened its dining quarters Burnett was given the position on trial. It was like the old fable of throwing the rabbit into the briar's patch. He was at home.

Mrs. Burnett assists her husband in his work. Burnett is one of the top men in one of the

P. R. Man At Confab

TALLAHASSEE — Charles J. Smith III, director of public relations at Florida A and M university, attended the ninth annual conference of the Public Relations Society of America which convened in Milwaukee last week.

most active and fastest growing organizations ever started in the hands of men who frequent the office daily are ex-soldiers, has little or no bearing upon his ability to execute the high functions of his office. He commands the respect and cooperation of the entire membership.

Well might the prophet of old have spoken of men like Burnett when he said "Seeth thou a man that is diligent in his business? He shall stand before Kings."



MAYCEO BURNETT, former farm worker who is now a leader in the Veterans Benefit Inc., with his wife, Rose Lee

and three children, Henlen Lee, 8; Mary Elizabeth, 7 and Shelia Gay, 5. Mrs. Burnett helps her husband with his

work at the Veterans Benefit Home, 860 Vance. (Withers Photo)

Church Notes by HATTIE HOUSE

MT. MORIAH BAPTIST

It will be a regular day for the Mt. Moriah congregation Sunday, P. J. Nelson will conduct the Sunday school at 9:30 a.m., at 11 a.m., the morning worship will begin. The pastor, Rev. R. W. Norsworthy, will deliver the message for the morning. Combined choirs of the church will render the music.

Baptist Training Union commences at 6:30 p.m., under the supervision of Mrs. R. W. Norsworthy. There will be a sermon at 7:30 p.m.

PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Sunday is Choir Day at the Pentecostal Church Temple Church of God in Christ. The senior choir will celebrate its anniversary. Several churches will be guest: Pleasant Green Baptist choir, East Trigg choir, Progressive Women chorus and the Ebenezer choir. Mrs. J. O. Patterson is president of the senior choir of Pentecostal. Choir Day begins at 3 p.m.

EBENEZER BAPTIST

Friends' Day was observed at Ebenezer Baptist church last Sunday. Rev. Maxwell, a policeman, was the speaker. The Building Club sponsored the observation. Proceeds were given to the needy families of the neighborhood. Miss Ernestine Jenkins is president of the Building Club.

Services at the house of worship, Sunday, will be regular. Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m. A sermon by the pastor, Rev. E. L. Slay, will be heard at 11 a.m.

Directing the Baptist Training Union at 6:30 p.m., will be Mrs. Lelia Drake. Evening service will be held at 7:30.

ST. JAMES A.M.E.

St. James' members will hear an inspiring address by the pastor, Rev. H. McDonald Nelson, and Kim-

Sunday. It will be heard during the morning worship at 11 a.m.

William Jackson will conduct the Sunday school at 9:30 p.m.

The ACE League will be held at 6 p.m. Mrs. Dora Whitson is the directress. Devotion and a sermon are scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

MT. NEBO BAPTIST

The Tithers of Mt. Nebo Baptist church are presenting a program, Sunday, at 3 p.m. The speaker will be the pastor, Rev. Roy Love. Rev. Love will speak on "Benefit Derived From Tithing."

Superintendent Harry Joyner will conduct the Sunday school at 11 a.m.

Baptist Training Union begins at 5:30 p.m. H. L. Hunter will direct it.

A sermon will be delivered at 7 p.m.

Davis Named Counselor For Southern Bell

Jefferson Davis, of Atlanta, a native of Mississippi, has been appointed General Counsel of the Southern Bell Telephone Company at its Atlanta headquarters.

He assumes his new position after serving the company as Attorney from 1947 to 1949. General Attorney from 1949 to 1952 and General Solicitor from 1952 to the present.

Mr. Davis lives at 70 Montgomery Ferry Drive, N. E. Atlanta. He and Mrs. Davis, the former Jerdone Kimbrough of Memphis, have three children. Jefferson, Jr., a student at Vanderbilt, and Jerdone and Jerdone.

St. Augustine, Hamilton In Basketball Spotlight

By ALEXANDER DELOACH, JR.

Hello, you sport fans, back again after a short vacation to bring the sport news up to date for you.

Well, you know the basketball season is underway. Some of the high school teams have played some of their games but most of them have been out of town. We're looking at St. Augustine and Hamilton High this week.

At St. Augustine Coach W. P. Porter and his assistants Louis Miller and Charles Horton lost just two players from the Thundebolt squad.

They were Leroy Holmes and Eddie White, both guards.

With that team last season they played 16 games, winning seven.

The key boys will be back. They include Willie Denton, center; forwards Steve Boone and Garrett Boone; guards John Jones and Fred King.

These boys will be helping out: Claude Bush and Willie Woods, both forwards.

Coach Porter said they hope to have a better season than last. They open Jan. 3 against Merry High.

AT HAMILTON

At Hamilton, Coach Jesse Joseph lost three boys. They were Charles Bolden and Willie Wil-

liams, forwards, and Ben Jackson, center. The Wildcats had 22 games last season, losing four of them to the Booker T. Washington Warriors, last champs.

Key boys on the team will be forwards John Bradley, Edward Stewart, Center Russell Purnell and guards K. C. Chandler and K. Stepler. Reserve strength includes Millard Winters, Lloyd Williams, G. Thomas, Eddie Johnson, Howard Hicks and Robert Moore.

The Wildcats will play their first game against Lester High school on Jan. 3.

Wife Preservers



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THE Pulpit SPEAKS REV. C. THOMAS PAIGE

In this day we love to talk concerning "the impossibilities."

I find myself thinking in terms of "the impossibilities" the modern methods of transportation, communication, surgery, and education have all brought us to the place of thinking and acting as if everything now is possible. But let us look at this thing realistically! There are still some things that are impossible!

A few days ago I walked into a store and had the privilege of talking with the manager. During the course of our discussion he learned that I was a minister. Upon learning that I was a minister he informed me that the young man who was porter of the store was not only a good por-

ter but he was a sinner. He insisted that while the porter was working on my car that I would talk with him concerning the salvation of his soul. The manager told me that — was a good porter, he was honest, dependable and all that he would desire of a porter but he wanted him to be saved.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY

I deemed this a great opportunity. I went out, to this young man and began a conversation. In the course of our discussion I directed it to the place of the church. Without any reluctance he told me that he did not belong to the church. He also told me that he was the father of a son who now has reached the questioning

age of life. One thing this boy could not understand was the question of his father staying home in the bed each Sunday while he and his mother went to church and his mother sings in the choir of one of our largest city churches. When this question came up, I informed him that it is a matter of impossibility to try to adequately raise a child now without spiritual and moral contributions from mother and father.

I heard one of our outstanding ministers a few Sundays ago declare the fact that our young people have so much education and so little demonstration. If we are going to adequately give inspiration to our young people of today we must give them some demonstration. It is not enough to tell them how to do it or what way to take, we must concern ourselves with showing them how and the way. Try as we may — we just cannot give anyone the necessary guidance unless we are a part of that guidance ourselves.

When Jesus told those who stood with Him that it was just as impossible for a rich man to go to heaven as it was for a camel to

go through the eye of a needle they raised their questioning eyebrows. But Jesus did not stop there. He went on to say, "With men this is impossible but with God all things are possible."

As a father and an older brother in a large family I fully realize that the rearing of children to the stature where they will be a credit to mother and father today is no easy task. It seems to me that with God-fearing mothers and fathers in nearly every family the proverbial "black sheep" raises his head. There is only one solution left to us in these black sheep days of ever-increasing juvenile delinquency — each mother and father must first accept God as his personal Savior and then in the following choir of events that go forth in the mean chain of development of the child leave it to God to give us wisdom and guidance to make the child what it should be.

Whatever the child becomes in such a program is a reflection on the contribution of the mother and the father. The growth and development of a child is not a matter of mother or father but a matter of both!

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JANA C. PORTER

Yes Madame,

How to glamorize those left overs from the holiday season that we have put away in the deep freeze is problem number one for most of us, in other words stretching that ever lean budget

Here's a solution — get out that ever dependable sack of Jack Sprat wheat flour and make a batch of waffles, a crisp vegetable or fruit salad, then whether it be harsh or cream the fabulous bird will still be supreme. Now it is easy to serve hot waffles Buffet — Style—bake up a big batch before hand and let each member of the family heat his own in the toaster.

WAFFLES

- 2 cups Jack Sprat flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1-4 cup shortening (Melted)
- 3 eggs separated
- 1 1/2 cups milk

Heat the waffle iron, sift ingredients together in mixing bowl. Melt shortening, separate egg whites and beat until smooth. Fold then in batter, spoon the batter onto hot waffle iron — bake until golden brown.

Bye for now,

Jana Porter



THESE NINE YOUNG Memphis boys and girls appeared on a recent Big Star Talent Show at WDIA. Big Star Food Stores are happy to give talented boys and girls an opportunity to develop their talents for tomorrow. This opportunity is offered each Saturday morning at 11:30 on powerful WDIA. The show is emceed by genial A. C. Williams. If you would like to appear on a future Big

Star-Talent Show, just contact WDIA and ask for an audition-try out. The group pictured above presented a fine program to the vast Mid South audience. First row left to right: Spencer Smith, Denise Threat, Carmichael Willette, Eleanor Walker and William Bell. Second row left to right: Jessie Harris, Juanita Robinson, Cynthia Walker and Rochelle Durham.



METROPOLITAN OPERA Baritone Robert McFerrin signs autograph for admirers after appearing in concert at Clark College, Atlanta, Ga. Re-

ceiving signature of noted star is Miss Gloria Skinner of Atlanta, a Clark freshman. At right is McFerrin's accompanist.

Exclusive Features



FORMER HAITIAN President Paul Magloire (center) wears a smile on his arrival in Kingston, Jamaica, after a flight into exile from Haiti.

Ousted by a "cold revolution," Magloire is thanking Colonel Roy (left) of the Haitian Air Force who flew his party to

Jamaica. Magloire will go to Boston on leaving Kingston, and plans to live permanently in Philadelphia.

'Hazel' Had A Hand

Magloire Ouster Bares Haiti Political Flaws

By METZ T. P. LOCHARD

The resignation of President Paul E. Magloire of Haiti, last week, raises once more the thorny question of political stability in the administration of that historic island in the Caribbean whose independence dates back to Jan. 1, 1804, the very day Napoleon was crowned emperor of France.

One of the disquieting aspects of contemporary Haitian history is that most of its presidents come into power not by constitutional means, but by coup d'etat or by revolution.

Magloire was no exception. His assumption to power was engineered by a military junta composed of three high-ranking army officers of whom Magloire was one.

Though they called it a provisional government, in truth it was the Haitian army acting on the pretext of establishing order, which took matters into its own hands following the retirement of deposed President Estime who was one of the ablest and most beloved of Haiti's chiefs of state.

FIRST BALLOTING

On Oct. 8, 1950, balloting for the

first time in their history, the Haitian people officially voted Magloire into office. He was the army's choice. The voters had no other alternative. There are, however, two expressed limitations on the presidential tenure according to the Haitian constitution. They are:

1. The presidential term of office is limited to six years.

2. The president cannot succeed himself.

His term of office having expired last Oct. 8, Magloire decided to remain in power in utter disregard of the constitutional provisions. His assumption of dictatorial powers brought instant reaction from the masses and leading business men.

A general strike was called paralyzing normal activities in Port-au-Prince. It was the first successful application of Mahatma Gandhi's passive resistance against the Caribbean.

IGNORE PLEA

In a desperate move, Magloire appeared personally at the city's largest department store, accompanied by policemen armed with rifles and machine guns and told the proprietor to remain open.

Then he summoned 32 leading merchants, including some Americans to the palace and asked them to sign a pledge that the stores would reopen. They signed, but the stores remained closed.

Unable to muster support from the Army, Gen. Magloire on Dec. 12, resigned, turning over the power to the Chief Justice of Haiti's Supreme Court, Joseph Pire-Louis, who is next in line constitutionally, since there is no vice president under the constitution.

There are two contradictory post-mortem estimates of President Magloire's administration. As would be expected, his partisans support the view that he had instituted needed reforms in agriculture, in secondary education, in mass production and communication system.

He is said to have undertaken extensive irrigation, road building and vast public works projects. He was for the people and

their general welfare was his constant subject of preoccupation, so they said.

CRITICS DIFFER

On the other hand, Magloire's critics contend that he was never popular, that he was ruthless in the treatment of his political adversaries.

Anyone who dared criticize his administration above a whisper was hastened away to prison without trial. And, that most of the arrests were made in the wee hours of the morning as a precaution against escape.

These critics argue that the Haitian economy had sagged to an unprecedented low and that Magloire and his entourage had filched the government out of vast sums of money.

Some placed the estimate at six million dollars, most of it deposited in a national bank in Switzerland. These and a whole catalogue of misdeeds were ascribed against Magloire.



PAUL MAGLOIRE

Some of these criticisms must be taken with a grain of salt, for they appear fictitious and malicious. If Magloire were as bad as he is made out to be, it is highly improbable that he would have been invited to visit the U. S. as official guest of the White House.

EMBASSY ROLE

The American Embassy at Port-au-Prince would have counselled against it. President Eisenhower would have no truck with a racial war, whether his station be that of a prince, chief of state or a pauper.

In more conservative circles, the belief prevails that hurricane Hazel which struck the island last year together with an ambitious hydroelectric and irrigation project that cost much more than had been estimated, were basic causes that contributed to the downfall of the 49-year-old General Magloire.

Hazel seriously damaged the country's economy. The public works project, originally scheduled to cost \$4,000,000, was closer to \$40,000,000.

The final chapter was written when Tuesday last Magloire and family fled to near-by Jamaica in an Army plane. He may never return to his native land.

Spread Search For Missing Class Study Explosive

ST. LOUIS — (INS) — A wide-spread search is underway in the St. Louis area for a missing jar of a chemical which explodes easily and with such violence it could kill anyone nearby.

The explosive, five pounds of metallic sodium in a half-gallon mason jar, disappeared from the Riverview Gardens High School sometime between Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning. It was used for class study.

County Supt. E. M. Lemasters warned: "Upon contact with water or moisture in the air, sodium will explode violently and throw burning sodium over the surrounding area."

Collect Clothes For Hungarians

Clothing for Hungarian relief may be contributed through the Young Women's Christian Association, the YWCA announced the week.

Any serviceable wearing apparel will be welcome. Clothing will be gathered at the YWCA Loop Center, 59 E. Monroe, and will with Austrian chancellor Julius be sent from there to Hungarian Raab and other officials this morning, and then visit two refugee camps.

He goes to Salzburg Loop Center, which is open from Friday to visit camps in that area and leaves for the U. S. Saturday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Tribal Indians In U.S. Cities Plan Studied

NEW YORK — Many reservation Indian families must move into large industrial cities or go hungry, the Association on American Indian Affairs stated in a 22-page report on the Indian Bureau's Relocation Program, released last week.

The report, which was undertaken with the assistance of the Field Foundation, declares that the program is "humanely operated" and needed by destitute Indian family-heads.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs, however, is urged to develop tribal communities economically, in order that Indians may have a decent alternative to emigration from their homes.

The Bureau is cautioned that as long as the Indians have no such alternative, the Relocation Program will be under public and Indian suspicion as a device to dislodge Indians from their land.

The Bureau is exhorted to ask Congress to enact an American Indian Point IV Program without delay, in order that the tribal communities may be lifted out of the terrible economic depression which forces the Indian who would eat to leave.

The Relocation Program has been highly controversial. It was praised unreservedly in the Christian Science Monitor and Readers Digest and condemned unreservedly in Harpers and Atlantic Monthly.

The Association's report objectively describes the grim conditions which drive reservation Indians to seek survival in cities: the forlorn lives some live in city semi-slums, in view of the fact that their wage-earning capacity is limited by their one to eight years of schooling; and the specific things which could be but are not being done by the Indian Bureau, city social agencies, churches and the public generally to help these newcomers adjust from the culturally familiar reservations to the almost foreign industrial metropolis.

Twelve thousand six hundred and twenty-five reservation Indians, according to the report, had been relocated in cities by July 1, 1956 and another 10,000 were expected to be relocated by that date in 1957.



Christmas Meditation

Let the joy of hope realized reign in our hearts this holy morn of Christmas. He, the Lord of life and healing, has poured out upon us His Holy Spirit, and given us peace in mind and body.

Our spirit rejoices in the good tidings of great joy that ring out anew in the heavenly realms. As we sing our Christmas Carols, we should be thankful and happy to be alive for another Christmas morn.

The unending story of Christmas is one of celestial harmony, harmony at work in you. May this day be to you a day of gladness with friends and family and thankfulness.

Dear Prof. Herman, Just a note to thank you for giving me courage to go ahead with my plans. You were right, they are going to help me and will see to it that my children have a nice holiday. Sincerely J. B.

WORRIED It has been a long time since I have heard from my parents, do you think they are alright?

ANS. Now, Cecilia, you should have made an effort to get in touch with them, when you did not receive any reply from your letter. By all means plan to visit them, they may need your help. Don't put this off!!

E. G. Will I get married as planned?

ANS. Why do you doubt your coming marriage? You have already made plans for the wedding, including invitations. Surely you don't intend to change this now. I do feel that

you will be happy, but you must not enter into this with any doubts or suspicious if you want to be happy.

A. A. Will I be successful in my undertakings?

ANS. A careful analysis of your question indicates the fact that you are planning on opening up a business of your own and are wondering if it will prove successful. If you have the patience, and will give it the time, your cleaning business will be a successful one. You have a good location... do as much advertising as you can, that is important, since you are now in the neighborhood. I would be glad to help you further, if you will write in for a private reply.

Will we move? What should I do about his habits? Will I see a change soon?

ANS. Only one question is answered in the column, if you will write in for a private reply, sending your complete name, address and birthdate I shall be happy to help you.

Publishers Set January Meeting

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Discussion of problems affecting Negro newspapers will occupy the members of the National Newspaper Publishers association meeting in Nashville Jan. 19.

NNPA President T. C. Jervey stated that problems of the Negro press may "affect us from within as well as without."

The mid-winter workshop will be held on the campus of Fisk university.



Dear Mme. Chante: I would like to correspond with single business and professional men who are Christians. I am 5 ft. 2 ins. tall, weigh 130 lbs., light tan complexion, university graduate, who enjoys writing. I will answer all letters. Miss M. Campos, 1032 W. 112th st., Chicago.

Dear Mme. Chante: I am a very lonely woman and I would like very much to correspond with some nice gentlemen between the ages of 40 and 50. I am in my early 40's and I like to go out and enjoy life. I am medium brown skin, 125 lbs. and 5'4 1/2" tall. Will exchange photos. Mrs. Virginia Hoffman, 5312 S. Michigan, Chicago 15, Ill.

Dear Mme. Chante: I am interested in corresponding with some pen pal. Ruth Carter, 8 Duff st. Rose TN. Whitfield TNP. P. O. Jamaica B.W.I.

Dear Mme. Chante: I am a soldier stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C. and I would like to correspond with young ladies between the ages of 25 and 30. I will answer all letters and exchange pictures if the cares to. Pvt. Thomas Payne RA14583182, Co. B. 14th VBn, 3rd Tgn. Regt., Fort Jackson, S. C.

Dear Mme. Chante: I am a young man 27 years old and I

would like very much to correspond with girls between the ages of 18 and 35. I am 6'2 1/2" tall, weigh 180 lbs. and brown skin. I will answer all mail. James Whitlock, P. O. Box 73, Petros, Tenn.

Dear Mme. Chante: I am a man 37 years old and very handsome. I am 5 ft. 8 inches tall, weigh 140 lbs. with brown skin, brown eyes and black hair. I love good music and I am a electroplastic by trade. I have a good job and would like to correspond with some nice young ladies. Rusal Gurnell, 1214 W. 30th st. Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Mme. Chante: This is a letter I was hoping to never write and I sincerely hope it is the last letter I am somewhat in a better position this time than I was in early 1952 of course I'm four years older. From your column I received a many letters. I read them all, but I found one I thought would have made me happy for life, altho I answered the rest and sent my regrets, but now after we have been married almost 4 years, I found out that it was all a big mistake. We are now divorced, and finished for life. Now this time I am going to take my time about every move I make. I want to know and find out so much more about them. I am looking for someone who wants something in life. They don't have to have money, or anything like that, but just know how to appreciate things, to help along so that when we grow old we will have something. I have a home, business and an old model automobile. I would like to find someone who is interested in this trade to want to learn and work along with me. I have no children, and I don't want anyone who has. In other words we will start out even, and hope to have some together. I am 39 years old tall, dark complexion. I will answer all letters. Those who are interested, if possible please send photo, so when I write you I can send you an illustrated answer. James B. Smith, 4606 Kress st., Houston 26, Texas.

Dear Mme. Chante: I am a young Jamaican who is desirous of having pen pals both male and females of America. I am 20 years of age, black hair 5 ft. 6 inches tall and weigh 120 pounds. My profession is that of a beautician. I promise to answer all letters and exchange photos. Ettie Mc Cowan, 29 7-8 Bray St., Browns Town, Kingston Jamaica, B.W.I.

Dear Mme. Chante: I would like to correspond with a nice young lady between the ages of 18 through 21 who is interested in marriage. I am 21 years of age dark complexion, weigh 135 lbs., 5 ft. 11 inches tall and a medical clerk at our city hospital. I am studying to be a doctor. I will answer all letters and exchange photos. William McBride, 1406 Theodore st. Detroit, Mich.

Mayor Host To Press At Game Feast

By ETHEL L. PAYNE

Mayor Daley invited the press to lunch with him Monday off a side of venison somebody had sent him from Canada (deer to you!). The party grew to 300 after he stretched the bid to include the city council and the heads of the various departments.

His Honor who likes to cook in his spare time, let his guests in on the secret of cooking game meat. It should be parboiled in a sour sauce first before roasting. Anyway the chef at the Bismarck hotel did all right because the steaks of the deer who had lately roamed the forests were tender and had a veal-like taste. The meat is very dark and has a slight wild flavor.

Along with the venison went potato dumplings, sweet red cabbage and wild currant jelly, all in the best German tradition of the Bismarck. The dessert was ice cream moulded in Christmas tree form and that brought on some refrains of "O Tannenbaum" until Alderman Paddy Bauler, that irrepressible soul, broke in with a raucous hoot and got drafted for an Irish lullaby followed with his own version of "Chicago."

The Mayor was a genial host. He planted himself at the table among the members of the Fourth Estate and there was some good humoured ribbing back and forth about "kicking the pants off the politicians," most of the year and then having love feasts at the end.

All was merry as a marriage bell and for the time being, the woes and wiles of politicking were forgotten about in the sweet refrain of "Let Me Call You Sweetheart."

Words of the Wise
To be ready is much, to be able to wait is more, to take advantage of the right moment is all.
—(Arthur Schnitzler)



Ravings of Prof. Doodle

SO YOU'RE HAPPY NEW YEAR? WELL I'M THE FELLOW YOU WERE TO MEET HERE. I'M PROFESSOR DOODLE AND WE'RE TO WORK TOGETHER IN TEACHING AFEW CLOWNS OVER THERE HOW TO ACT. WELL, WE HAD BETTER BE ON OUR WAY OR WE'LL BE LATE, HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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Our Opinions

The Democratic Party And The Negro

The Democratic Party is in the most serious dilemma of its history. A split as great as the cleavage between the North and the South which led to the Civil War threatens it. The issue is whether the reactionary elements will continue to dominate the legislative performance of the party in Congress or whether the small band of determined liberals will succeed in wresting the policy-making leadership from the hands of the Johnson-Rayburn combine. This harbors such sworn enemies of progressivism as Sen. James O. Eastland of Miss.; Rep. John Bell Williams, Miss.; Rep. James G. Davis, Ga.; and the latest comer to the Senate, Herman Talmadge of Ga.

At stake in the crisis are the votes of six million Negroes. For the first time since 1932, this once solid bloc which helped to keep the Democratic Party in power is showing signs of a wholesale break-away, and the reason for this is a bitter disillusionment at the betrayal by the party of their inthright.

A close examination of the history of the Democratic Party will reveal that though it was founded upon the ideals of Thomas Jefferson, a statesman, who contributed much to the flowering of liberal Democracy, the party never became a true symbol of the Jeffersonian concept until 1932 when Franklin Delano Roosevelt with unerring political canniness introduced the radical revolutionary philosophy of a welfare government for the masses.

Franklin Roosevelt accomplished the impossible of welding together two completely opposite poles of thinking — the

conservative South and the heterogenous North. The link was the poverty and economic backwardness of the South and unemployment in the North and the joining was accomplished by putting all the vast resources of the government to work to lift the standards of people everywhere, regardless of race, creed, or color.

In Congress the death grip on committee chairmanships has never relaxed and by a coalition of Southern Democrats and Northern Republicans, no civil rights legislation has been enacted since 1875.

Now, Negro Democrats, angered by the shameful betrayal of the party on civil rights are in open revolt against the leadership that wants to "have its cake and eat it too." Councilman Earl Brown of New York has issued a blunt warning that unless the Democratic Party will support civil rights and pass some legislation, Negroes will no longer support the Democratic party. Brown and a group of 70 Negro Democratic leaders will meet in Washington in a few days to enunciate their dissatisfaction before the Democratic National Committee and to lay down an ultimatum for a legislative program in Congress.

The plain truth is that if the liberals in the Democratic Party are so weak that they will stand by and see the reactionaries kill off any chance of civil rights as they did so shamefully at Chicago in August, then it will be no better for them should Negroes kiss the Democratic Party goodbye and plunge it into the same oblivion as the Republican Party was 20 years ago.

A Negro Cardinal Emerging

If the news that emanated from the Vatican City, last week, is founded, for the first time in the proud history of Catholicism, a black man may be elevated to the cardinalate when the next consistory creates new princes of the Roman Catholic Church.

Vatican circles believe that prelates under consideration for cardinals may well include Archbishop Joseph Kiwanuka of Masaka, Uganda. The church's membership in Africa, known in missionary circles as Catholicism's "black flower," has increased in the last 10 years from 12,000,000 to more than 20,000,000 — outstripping the rate of worldwide growth. The church's membership today totals 472,000,000.

Should His Holiness Pope Pius XII select a Negro to wear a Cardinal's hat, it would be keeping with the Pontiff's policy of racial equality and his expressed desire to keep the church's high Senate body as representative as possible.

The Holy Father, in more than one occasion, has raised his eloquent voice against racial segregation. He does not believe that such unnatural separation of the races is consistent with Christian principles.

The Catholic Church has consistently maintained this policy even in the face of violent opposition from some of the parish-

ioners in such states as Georgia, Louisiana, Missouri, and even Mississippi where the pattern of segregation had been frozen for countless generations.

Here in Chicago, His Eminence Samuel Cardinal Stritch has condemned unequivocally racial segregation in schools and in churches. He has fought against it openly and without giving ground to the opposition.

It must be pointed out that the Catholic schools that were obliged by law to adhere to community mores have been the first to comply without duress with the Supreme Court's desegregation decision. Moreover, Catholic organizations of national prestige and influence have gone to the defense of our embattled Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Thus we can think of no greater triumph for the cause of integration and social justice, and no greater impetus to the propagation of the Catholic faith among our people than the elevation of a Negro Archbishop to the princely station of the church. In anticipation of such a rewarding move, the Chicago Defender is happy to extend congratulations to His Holiness Pope Pius XII, and to His Eminence Samuel Cardinal Stritch as well as to the Catholic Church in general.

From Other Papers

Cleric Opportunities

Dear Editor: During the past few years, I have heard considerable discussion on the subject of limited sales-clerical job opportunities which are provided by downtown retail establishments to qualified Negro workers.

My recent shopping visits, while completely refuting this settlement, disclose that appreciable progress is now being made to

change traditional employment patterns previously observed.

Many Gary citizens, I am sure have a deep respect for these firms which are increasingly taking a leadership role by implementing democratic personnel practices without regard to non-occupational factors of race or creed.

Such action on the part of an expanding list of employers appears no longer to be setting precedents and frequently provide

an opportunity for beginning workers to receive valuable job experience often leading to permanent employment.

It is hoped that these employers will have successful experiences with their employees in this regard. Such personnel practices, if continued, can yield, in large measure, increased community good will and practical capital returns. — Rev. E. B. Joyner, president, Fellowship of Gary Ministers.

Would Help Louis

DEAR EDITOR: I read with much interest your news release on the plight of Joe Louis. If Mr. Arthur Wilson, or any other bona fide group intends to set up a fund to pay off this shameful debt, I will pledge myself to send \$5 to such a fund.

I feel that the U. S. government owes Joe Louis (at least morally) as much, if not more than he owes them. He contributed thousands upon thousands of dollars during World War II for Army and Navy relief funds.

He did this despite the fact that he could have "frozen" the heavyweight title during the war and no one could have made him fight while he was in the service.

Just the moral inspiration that he gave to the millions of service personnel is cause enough for the government to forgive Louis' tax debt. — Sylvester Williams, Richmond, Calif.

DARK SHADOWS

by Nat D. Williams

CHRISTMAS STORY

The occasion was a gay, old-time Christmas Party. Everybody was in the proper festive mood. Like most such occasions of the kind of something of a sort of "theme mood" had been reached . . . that time in a party when everybody or most of those in the gathering are seated in the same room or gathered around the same table, or around some central person . . . and everybody is listening to the jokes or else chiming in on a common topic of conversation.

It was on such a theme that the guests at a local Christmas party the other night were treating when time came for Rufus Thomas, widely-known Memphis entertainer (singer, dancer, comedian) to make his contribution to the topic under discussion. Each guest had been asked to recall and tell about the most vivid Christmas recollection of his childhood. Each guest was expected to reach back and give as detailed a picture as possible of some bright childhood thrill of Christmas, which has become a treasured and fond memory.

Well, when the interest shifted to Rufus for his story, the usually slap-happy type of approach expected of Rufus was missing. He had a far-away look in his eyes, as everybody waited for his story. One got an impression that this would really be a true story. It wasn't a long story. Rufus, seemingly talking to himself, said simply:

"It's really easy for me to remember my childhood Christmases. They were so recent." (Everybody got his face ready for a hilarious laugh. . . imagine this guy saying his childhood Christmases were so "recent" . . . after all, many of those present could remember Rufus not too recently.)

Continuing, the popular entertainer said: "You see, childhood for me had to be kind of second-handed. I had to make too

many of my own laughs and pleasures as a boy. And you know, when you have to manufacture your own laughs, you can't get too tickled. You can't even make Santa Claus get too tickled. So, I had to wait awhile to enjoy a childhood Christmas."

There was a hush among his listeners. They sensed this was no ordinary Christmas story. An unusual twist was suggested by the way Rufus was telling it. The audience wasn't sure whether to wait for a laugh . . . wait for a sigh . . . or just wait . . . and see. With his next sentence Rufus gave the unusual twist.

He said, "Yes, I had to wait awhile to enjoy a childhood Christmas. . . wait until my son was born . . . until I could buy him a train for Christmas. . . and make him angry while I took all his playing time showing him how to play with his Christmas train. I think he came to understand why I took up so much time with his train, however. He got so he wouldn't get angry when he saw me occupied with the train. And I began to realize that I was enjoying a delayed childhood Christmas. . . that my son and his train were my childhood Christmases handed back to me. So you see why I say my childhood Christmas story is rather recent . . . my best and most vivid Christmas memories center around a little old train and a couple of boys playing with it."

A somewhat awkward silence covered the group of listeners, until someone had the presence of mind to say, "Why, man, you know that's something that you just said. . . that's a real story. And you know something? I've got a sneaking suspicion that there are more folks than you know who are having these delayed childhood Christmases. . . and just like Rufus their Christmases didn't get right til rendered bright by their own children."

Then somebody struck up some music. . . "I'm dreaming of a

Cities Transit co. out of business.

A "ride the bus" campaign launched by the Chamber of Commerce put the coaches back on the streets later. Business is now only slightly below normal.

Some 22 Negroes were fined \$500 each in City Court Oct. 20 for illegal operation of a "for hire" vehicle. An appeal notice has been filed with circuit court.

Words of the Wise

The height of wisdom is to take things as they are, and to look upon the rest with confidence. — (Montaigne)

MERRY MENAGERIE

By Walt Disney



"Don't get too close, brother . . . I'm doing two to ten years for cat slaughter!"

SO WHAT?



LANGSTON Hughes

Beauty For Christmas Day Negro Spirituals And Bible

Go tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere:
Go tell it on the mountain —
That Jesus Christ is born!
While shepherds kept their
watching

O'er silent flocks by night,
Behold throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light.
The shepherds feared and trem-
bled

When, lo, above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed the Savior's birth.
Go tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere!
God tell it on the mountain —
That Jesus Christ is born!

She brought forth her first-born
son, and wrapped Him in swad-
dling clothes, and laid Him in a
manger because there was no
room for them in the inn. And
there were in the same country
shepherds abiding in the field,
keeping watch over their flock by
night. And, lo, the angel of the
Lord came upon them, and the
glory of the Lord shone round
about them, and they were sore
afraid.

And the angel said unto them,
"Fear not for, behold, I bring you
good tidings of great joy which
shall be to all people — for, unto
you is born this day in the city
of David a Savior which is Christ
the Lord."

There's a star in the East
On Christmas morn.
Rise up, shepherd, and follow!

It'll lead to the place
Where the Savior's born.
Rise up, shepherd, and follow!
If you take good heed
To the angel's words and
Rise up, shepherd, and follow,
You'll forget your flocks,
You'll forget your herds.

Rise up, shepherd, and follow!
Leave your sheep, leave your
lambs,
Rise up, shepherd, and follow!
Leave your ewes, leave your
rams,

Rise up, shepherd, and follow!
Follow the Star of Bethlehem,
Rise up, shepherd, and follow!
Suddenly there was with the an-
gel a multitude of the heavenly
host praising God and saying,
"Glory to God in the highest, and
on earth peace, good will toward
men!" And it came to pass, as
the angels were gone away from
them into heaven, the shepherds
said one to another, "Let us now
go even unto Bethlehem and see
this thing which is come to pass,
which the Lord hath made known
to us."

The Virgin Mary had a baby boy,
The Virgin Mary had a baby boy,
The Virgin Mary had a baby boy,
And they said His name was
Jesus.

He came from the glory,
He came from the glorious
kingdom!
Oh, yes, believe!
He came from the glory,
He came from the glorious
kingdom!

And they came with haste, and
found Mary and Joseph, and the
babe lying in the manger.
Oh, Mary, what you gonna name
Your pretty little baby?

Glory, glory, glory
To the new born King!
Some will call Him one thing,
But I think I'll call Him Jesus,
Glory, glory, glory,
To the new born King!

Some will call Him one thing,
But I think I'll say Emanuel,
Glory, glory, glory,
To the new born King!

When they had seen it, they
made known abroad the saying
which was told them concerning
this child. And all they that heard
it wondered at those things which
were told them by the shepherds.
But Mary kept all these things and
pondered them in her heart. And
the shepherds returned, glorifying
and praising God for all the things
that they had heard and seen, as
it was told unto them.

Oh, wasn't that a mighty day,
Wasn't that a mighty day,
Wasn't that a mighty day,
When Jesus Christ was born?
Star shone in the East,
Star shone in the East,
Star shone in the East,
When Jesus Christ was born!
Unto us a son is given, and the
government shall be upon His
shoulder, and His name shall be
called Wonderful, Counsellor, and
the Mighty God, the Everlasting
Father, the Prince of Peace!

DOPE and DATA

by Louis E. Martin

Is racial prejudice in America really dying out? The answer to this question may be "yes" according to a report of a 40-year research study in the December issue of the magazine Scientific American.

Every since 1942 the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago has been trying to determine racial attitudes through scientific sampling surveys. Now Herbert H. Hyman and Paul B. Sheatsley report on how these attitudes have changed between 1942 and 1956.

Describing shifts in attitudes of whites toward Negroes in the United States as a whole, they revealed the following:
"In 1942 fewer than one third of the respondents in the nation at large favored school integration; today almost half endorse the idea."

"In 1942 two thirds of the population objected to the idea of living in the same block with a Negro; today a majority would not object."

"Fifteen years ago a majority were for segregation on buses and street cars; today 60 per cent reject the idea."

"In the North, support for school integration has risen among whites from 40 per cent in 1942 to 61 per cent now."

"In the South only one white person in 50 spoke up for school integration then; today, the figure is one in seven."

"The proportion of Southern

whites who would allow Negroes equal facilities on buses has jumped from 4 to 27 per cent. The South of today has moved far from its earlier position."

The above changes of attitudes cited in the report are regarded as basic changes and not accidents. The authors point out that three separate surveys in 1956 yielded almost identical results.

I was particularly interested in what the white folks thought about the intellectual capacity of Negroes. Most of them, of course, concede that the Negro is capable of great physical development and often becomes an excellent athlete. That which differentiates man from the other apes is his mind and every so often some so-called expert reveals that the brain cells of the colored brother have been weighed in the balances and found wanting. The fact that most scientists seem to agree that no race has a monopoly on brains does not deter some from trying to "prove" that the brother is intellectually inferior.

Here is the question the whites have been asked periodically over the last 14 years: "In general, do you think Negroes are intelligent as white people — that is, can they learn things just as well as we if they are given the same education and training?"

For the answer I again quote the article in Scientific American: "On this issue there has been a dramatic change in people's beliefs, both in the North and the

South. Fifteen years ago 50 per cent of Northerners answered "No" to the question, but today only one Northern white person in seven says that Negroes are inferior in intelligence."

"In the South a substantial majority today credit Negroes with equal intelligence, against only 21 per cent in 1942."

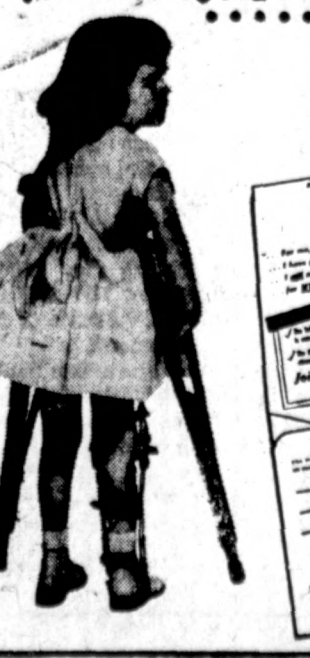
"This is a revolutionary change which goes far to explain the rise in acceptance of school integration . . . Once the educability of the Negro has been granted, it becomes considerably more difficult to argue against integration in the schools."

The writers of the magazine show what has produced this change of white attitudes toward the Negro in the past 14 years. High up on the list, of course, is more education. They also show that young people are far less prejudiced than their elders. Incidentally, my father used to tell us at home that what America needed most were more graveyards and school houses, the latter for the children and the former for their parents.

Certainly the findings of the National Opinion Research Center over the last 14 years are inspiring. It is good to know that how-ever difficult our days are now that basically our cause, the cause of democracy, is marching on.

We all know, of course, that time alone will not heal all our wounds, but I am grateful for the fact that time does seem to have a tendency to soften blackheads.

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New York

BUFFALO

By ARZORA S. DAVIS
Dr. Benjamin J. Bullock, local dentist and civic leader of Niagara Falls, New York, succeeded himself as president of the Niagara Falls Branch NAACP. Other officers elected at the meeting held Dec. 23 were the Rev. H. E. Whitaker 1st vice president; the Rev. Edgar L. Huff, 2nd vice president; Mr. Theodore Mabery, secretary and Mrs. Walter Hutchinson, treasurer.

The Gamma Phi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority met last week at the Michigan Avenue YMCA. Each member contributed a gift for the T. B. Department of the Meyer Memorial Hospital, hostesses were Mrs. Geneva Arrington and Miss Beuline Alexander. Miss Barbara Twitty 1956 winner of Gamma Phi Omega's scholarship and now a freshman at Talladega College is expected home for the holidays.

The funeral service of Mr. Joseph Alston was held last Tuesday from the First Shiloh Baptist church. The Rev. Elijah Echols officiated. Mr. Alston was killed accidentally by an auto as he attempted to cross the Street at Sycamore and Walnut on the evening of December 6. He is survived by a daughter Mrs. Josephine Moore of New York, two sisters Mrs. Mattie Dunston, Julia Alston of this city and two brothers, Frederick W. of New York and Oscar P. Alston of Hagerstown, Md.

Mr. LeGrand F. Kirk will be the 1957 Campaign Chairman for the United Negro College Fund Drive. It was announced by the president Henry P. Mast recently. He stated that the quo will be the same as the 1956 was \$30,000. The drive will begin March 11-30. Mr. Kirk is associated with the law firm of Kenefick, Bass, Letchworth, Baldy and Phillips. He is past president of the Erie County Bar association. He has been active in Sister Kenny's Foundation, Community Chest, Red Cross and other fund raising organizations.

The Rev. James A. Gant of South Division St., returned recently from Greensboro, N. C. after having attended the funeral service of his 80-year-old uncle, Mr. Turner Donnell.

The 12th Ward Democratic chairman held their first Youth Board meeting last week. Mr. Henry Nailor stated that this meeting included the Masten District Youth, and they would proceed to make plans for the coming year.

Says Public Is Sold On Buick

"They love it."
This was the comment of a spokesman for South Shore Buick about customer response to the 1957 models which were unveiled for the public last Friday.

The new car, long, lean and racy, is "the best Buick yet," he said, and the public has recognized it right away. It looks and mechanically, it is head and shoulders above anything in its price range, he declared.



AME ZION BISHOP William J. Walls of Chicago, and his bride, the former Dorothy Louise Jordan, prepare to board plane in New York for moon flight to Haiti and Cuba. The 71-year-old senior bishop and his 25-year-old private secretary were married in a lavish ceremony presided over by six bishops at Mother AMEZ, Manhattan.

Southern U. Honors 'Farm Family Of Year'

Award Plaques To Broussards

BATON ROUGE, La. — Southern university recently honored and named the Clarence J. Broussard Family of Lafayette Parish, The Farm Family of the Year, in a special noon day convocation.

On hand to further give recognition to the honored family were members of the Baton Rouge Chamber of Commerce, the Agriculture Extension Service, Farmers Home Administration and the State Department of Agriculture.

Ronald A. Coco, chairman of the Agriculture Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, presented plaques of outstanding accomplishment to the honored family and two other families, who received second and third place awards.

Florida

FLORIDA SNEADS

By J. D. DEMPSEY

Mrs. Maple Travis, wife of Theodore Travis underwent surgery last Wednesday, at the Gadsden hospital, Quincy, Fla. and is reported to be doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Butler, of Newark, N. J. are visiting his mother and uncle, Mrs. Carrie Emanuel and Mr. Reno Giles.

Miss Lou Beckwith of Archer, Fla., is at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Georgia Webb, who is ill at her home.

Rev. J. M. Laird, pastor of Sinai AME Church visited in the home of J. D. Dempsey last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Edwin Lewis, motored to Pensacola, Fla., Saturday.

Rev. Alfred Wright and wife accompanied by Mrs. Annie Brockington held a spiritual meeting at Triumph Church, Little Zion last Sunday.

Mrs. Wilola Goodman passed last Monday in the Gadsden Hospital.

Mr. Jerry Jenkins has returned home after an extended visit in Bell Glade, Fla.

Mrs. Carrie Dempsey, left Saturday to meet her granddaughter Diana Daniels in Tallahassee, Florida.

Texas

BUENA

By ERMA LEE GODEAU

Sunday School opened at the usual hour at both churches. Sunday was pastoral day at the Antioch Baptist church, Rev. J. C. Banks, pastor.

Mrs. Fairella Booker lost a brother.

Mrs. Magdalene's daughter from Los Angeles, Calif. is here for the holidays.

Henry Bennett motored to Sisbee recently.

Robert Alford has returned to work after a brief illness.

ments to the honored family and two other families, who received second and third place awards.

Presentations of certificates and trophies were made by Dr. F. G. Clark, President of Southern, who in making the presentations stated that, "We are singling out these families because they have become the best, using what they have."

The Broussard Family, which includes eight children, began its life as a family unit on the farm in 1931. After staying one year on rented land, Mrs. Broussard inherited 20 acres from her father, and immediately starting buying an additional 41 acres. By 1947, the Broussard farm was clear of title and off toward becoming a profitable business.

With the help of their parish agent and the Farmers Home Administration, this family was able to secure a loan to build a new home. They now own a modern three bedroom white cottage.

Along with the Bland Lewis Family of Avoyelles Parish, who received second place recognition and the Emmet Hayes Family of Tensas Parish, who received third place recognition, the Broussard Family was commended for having initiated modern and improved farming and marketing practices.

This special annual program presented at Southern each year is designed to encourage farmers to develop better farming and marketing practices and foster the education of the children in the home as well as improve the looks of the homestead.

Other recognition went to the O. L. Virgil Family of East Carroll Parish, who was cited for outstanding farming methods among big planters. The Virgils have a plantation comprising of some 800 acres of fertile soil in North Louisiana.

H. C. Sanders, director of the State Agriculture Extension Service and representing Ezra Taft Benson, secretary of the Department of Agriculture, presented special citations of outstanding length of service to:

Mrs. Amelia J. Lewis, assistant state home demonstration agent; Booker Harrison, Caddo Parish, parish agent, and Leon Robinson, St. Landry Parish, parish agent.

This was the Seventh Annual Farmers' Honor Day presented by Southern as a special salute to the farmers of Louisiana.

Minnesota

ST. PAUL

By BETH WHITE

The Youth Council of the local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People held its first annual pre-Christmas party at the Sterling Club, 315 N. Dale, Dec. 14. About 125 members and guests attended the festive affair. Dancing, games and refreshments were indulged in to the satisfaction of all. This Council is one of the largest in this region. Charming, energetic Mrs. Beatrice Boyd is chairman of the group; Arthur Hill is president; Doris Shannon, secretary; and Marva Boyd is treasurer. Chaperones were: Mrs. Mmes. Frank M. Smith, Ora Anderson, and Aida Smith, assisted by J. B. Anderson.

Fred Holman, blind resident of the Crispus Attucks Home, 468 Collins, celebrated his 103rd birthday, Dec. 17. He was shown in the daily papers.

Mrs. Naomi Thomas, director of the Home, stated that Holman is quite active and gives assistance to the singing groups that visit the Home. He received greeting cards from all parts of the city. He was born in Alabama.

Michael Reed, 996 Fuller and Peter Jordan, 716 Aurora, were shown in their page outfits in the daily papers as they were waiting to participate in the huge annual Christmas pageant in the St. Paul auditorium. They served Rev. Floyd Massey, who was one of the three kings.

Mrs. Jessie Cooper Dies; Owned School

HUMBOLDT, Tenn. — Mrs. Jessie White Cooper of Humboldt, Tenn., died Sunday, Dec. 16. She was a national officer of Alpha Chi Pi Omega sorority and an ardent civic worker of her city.

Mrs. Cooper had traveled abroad, studying in Paris, London as well as Mexico. Hundreds of graduates in the State of Tennessee finished her school of beauty culture.

Wife Preservers

Package of PILLOW SLIPS
If you buy three pairs of packaged pillow slips at one time, check the label on the outer package before you take them home. To be sure all three packages give the same size you asked for.

Oregon

PORTLAND

By REV. C. C. THOMPSON

Last Sunday the 9th Institute, Rev. Chut preached and had a light heart attack. His wife reports that he is doing fine.

Rev. McMarason of Omaha, Nebraska preached at the New Jerusalem Baptist Church last Sunday. Other visiting ministers were Rev. T. M. Short, Rev. Sanders pastor.

Rev. P. Forster is still on the sick list.

Mr. E. D. Dass was called to Arkansas for the funeral services of his brother.

Mr. Booker of Cook St. and Rev. C. C. Thompson of 216 N. Skidmore visited at the bedside of Rev. Cheek, Thursday night.



ROBERT HOLT, assistant professor of languages and literature at Savannah State college, Savannah, Ga., directs writing of news stories on tuberculosis during the Sixth Press Institute at the school.

Alabama

TUSCUMBIA

By Mrs. C. A. Smith

Funeral services were held Thursday at 1 p. m., at the St. Luke M. E. church for Mrs. A. Bell Newton of Sheffield, Ala. Rev. L. Langford officiated. Survivors are: her husband, George Newton; a daughter, Mrs. Mary Fleming, of Detroit, Mich.; two sons, John Lewis Newton, and Ozzie Newton, of Sheffield; one daughter-in-law; one son-in-law, three sisters and two brothers.

The B. S. A. Circle met with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Wilson, Tuesday, Dec. 18th at 4 p. m. Mrs. Smith, supervisor, Mrs. Eggleston, president and Mrs. Groves, secy. The B.S.A. Circle Memorial services Christmas party was held at the First Baptist church Thursday night, November 29th in memory of Mesdames Sarah Ricks, Dora White, Susie Gurley, Mattie Winston and Della White, deceased members of the circle.

Rev. J. J. Johnson officiated, remarks were by Rev. H. L. Wilson, pastor. Others appearing on the program were Mr. Miller, Mrs. Minor, Mrs. Eggleston, Mrs. Douglass, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Thompson, Mr. Whit and Mrs. Ricks.

EMPIRE

By EFFIE M. PENDLETON

Mrs. Minnie Gosha went to join her husband Wednesday in New Jersey.

Ada M. Parnell has returned to her home for the Xmas holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Williams are the proud parents of a baby boy named Machy Carl Williams. He was born November 25th.

Zda L. Gosh and Ed Johnson were married Saturday at the court house.

PICKENS

By MRS. GRACE B. STIGLER

Funeral services were held Friday for Mr. Will Thomas. He was buried in Thomas Cemetery. He leaves two sons and a host of other relatives and friends. Rev. Joe Ross officiated.

PONTOTOC

By JAMES INGRAM

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Mrs. Mattie Kirkwood of Beloit, Wis., is here visiting her mother and children.

Pontotoc High school presented a program last Friday night.

Mrs. Ruby Pinson of Racine, Wis., has returned home after attending the funeral services of her grandfather, Mr. Fountain Garrette.

The funeral of Mrs. Henry Heard of Ecur, Miss., was held at Naylor's Chapel last Sunday.

Rev. McGuffey preached at Alabama last Sunday night. Rev. Wiggins pastor.

JASPER

By REV. A. BALDWIN

The Sunday School of Greater Shiloh Baptist church met at 9:30 a. m. At 11 a. m. Pastor E. Thomas delivered the message, 5:30 B. T. U. met. Miss Kate M. Lewis, press., and Miss M. A. Baldwin, secretary.

The fourth grade presented a very fine program in Chapel Friday morning Nov. 30 at the Training school. The subject was "The Magic Book Case." Mrs. E. L. Davis, teacher.

Miss Annette Hardy joined the staff of teachers at the WCT school Nov. 26 as a commercial teacher. Bro. James Franklin and Miss Ora Dean Chapman are in Walker County hospital.

Mrs. Cherrie Hill is at home after undergoing surgery at W. C. H. Mrs. Ethel B. Morgan and Mrs. Hattie Murray were the guests of Mrs. Emma L. Howard in Pickensville, Ala. Sunday.

Pvt. Jack E. Holdt, jr. and Miss Bertha Hainsworth were united in happy wedlock recently.

Mrs. Flora Garth attended the Church of God In Christ Convocation in Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. Elizabeth Terrell of Pratt City was the guest of her relative Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cofield Fuller are the proud parents of a baby boy. Jerry Shepherd is home after completing a course in lab technician. He graduated with honors from W. C. T. school.

Mrs. Porter died recently. The Walker County Teachers held their last meeting for 1956 at the Training school Friday.

Pvt. Earnest Franklin was the guest of his parents recently. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Webb of Chicago announced the marriage of their daughter, Willodean to Mr. Milton Collins, recently.

Floyd Burns and Thurman Wells from A & M college spent several days with their relatives recently.

The Training school basketball teams played Lamar County Training school recently. They played Holy Family in Ensley and also Greene County Training school in Boligee. Mrs. M. H. Medlock, Prof. J. C. Cox and Prof. A. P. Howell, coaches.

The W. C. T. school presented their annual Christmas program in the auditorium Wednesday night. Miss Frankie Stewart, sponsor.

TRUSSVILLE

By L. R. MEYERS

Rev. M. L. Robinson preached a very good sermon Sunday, ending the last pastoral service for the year.

The five girls who make up the Spiritual Singing group were: Misses Dorothy, Willie Mae and Viola Harris, Jacqueline Kimber

End Montgomery Bus Bias; Wilson Finds City Calm

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — (INS) — Negro leaders in Montgomery Thursday demanded police protection, as they prepared to end their year-long boycott of the city's transportation system and the demand for an end to enforced transit segregation spread.

The Supreme Court's order, holding enforced segregation on city buses in Montgomery in violation of the federal constitution, was certified by the District Court Thursday, and U. S. marshals served copies of the decree on city and state officials.

A leader of the stubborn boycott said his people "were ready to go back to riding the buses." In all probability tomorrow Friday morning.

In Birmingham, meanwhile, a Negro-leader said that city's commission will be asked to end segregation on buses, in the face of new warnings from state officials that the supreme court edict applies only to Montgomery's city transit system.

By ALEX WILSON

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—The citizens of both races of this city, the cradle of the Confederacy, appeared general untroubled Thursday as they awaited the transition from segregation on city buses to integration.

The city awaiting the arrival by mail of the Supreme court notice refusing to reconsider its Nov. 13 decision banning segregation on local buses.

Notice was expected to arrive on Dec. 20 or 21. Montgomery postal officials refused to speculate on when the high court

and Margaret Jackson, They have entertained in many homes.

Mrs. Annie Harris worshipped at the First Baptist church Sunday. Rev. J. E. West, pastor.

Mrs. Lillie Mae Beans worshipped at the Hagood Chapel church in Centerville Sunday. Rev. S. L. Green is the pastor.

L. R. Meyers takes this opportunity to thank many friends for their kindness shown him during his illness.

We wish to thank the Rev. M. L. Robinson and members of the New Bethel Baptist church for the donation raised in appreciation of having their news items published.



PARTICIPANTS in the Senior High school Workshop in news writing during the sixth Press Institute at Savannah State college, Savannah, Ga. Mrs. Louise Owens, assistant

professor of languages and literature, served as director of the group and William Gordon, managing editor of the Atlanta Daily World was consultant.

Mississippi

CANTON

The last rites for Mr. Otto Dunn of Fulton, Ky. were held at Pleasant Grove Baptist church Thursday of last week. He leaves to mourn his passing, his wife, Mrs. Arnesia Banks Dunn, a son, Mr. James Dunn of Fulton, Ky., three sisters and a host of other relatives and friends.

Mrs. A. F. Tolliver is visiting relatives and friends in Helena, Ark. this week.

Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Carmichael attended the State Medical meeting at Columbus, Miss. last Thursday.

Mrs. Josephine Ford, Mrs. Iris Bradley and Mrs. Annie M. a e

Mims are on the sick list this week.

BATESVILLE

By CLEY W. JOINER

Mrs. Jessie Fondren died Dec. 13. She leaves a husband, Fido three sons, three daughters, two sisters and a host of relatives and friends. Rev. R. D. Dysie officiated.

Tom Burnett of Memphis, Tenn. and Miss Cindy Henderson of Courtland were married Saturday Dec. 12. Rev. C. W. Joiner officiated.

Johnnie Mitchell is on the sick list.

\$4,642,311 Budget

TALLAHASSEE — A budget calling for \$4,642,311 for construction during the 1957-58 biennium at Florida A and M university has been filed with the State Budget Commission.

Colorado

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.

By GEORGE REDDEN

Hello everybody everywhere! We are having very nice weather here in the Pikes Peak Region at the present time though the weatherman has been predicting snow for the past two days.

On the sports scene, Henry Morgan, one of the best offensive and defensive backs ever produced in the state of Colorado was the unanimous choice for all-state honors and Jim Colbert made the second team all-state as well as the first string all-conference team.

Mrs. Olivia Anderson of 624 F. Maple is recuperating nicely after a recent operation.

Mrs. King L. Moore and family accompanied George Redden and family to Denver, Colo., recently to visit relatives and friends.

Fort Carson Roll Call: Sp2 Theon Williams is recuperating nicely after being hospitalized for about two weeks.

S-Sgt. James Gilliam recently returned from an emergency visit to Meridian, Miss. Sgt. Gilliam attended the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Alice Gilliam.

Cpl. and Mrs. Charlie Vallair are presently in Beaumont, Tex., on an emergency trip as they will attend the funeral of Mrs. Vallair's father, Mr. Jake Williams of 2833 Elmore in Beaumont.

Carsonites and their families living in the Pikes Peak Region: Sfc. and Mrs. Tammie, Monty of Mt. Vernon, Tex., and son Joseph, Col. and Mrs. James Washington of Mobile, Ala., SP3 and Mrs. Ernest Blaine of Brooklyn, N. Y., and son Stanley, Cpl. and Mrs. William T. Cartwell of Nashville, Tenn., and son, Ronald, Sgt. and Mrs. L. J. Moore,